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Local funeral home loses 'pre-need' license

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A local funeral home owner lost his license to sell and produce pre-need funeral insurance after conducting pre-need business under an inactive license, according to state documents.

Daniel Ciha of Coralville owns Gay and Ciha Funeral and Crema-

tion Service in Iowa City. His wife, Colette, was also listed as a respondent on the March report.

Ciha was licensed as an agent for Homesteaders Life Co. to provide pre-need funeral insurance, which funds funeral services before one's death. The funeral home was licensed as a pre-need services seller.

From 2008-2012, the

business received nearly \$150,000 in 18 payments for pre-need services. Customers were told their payments would be covered by insurance proceeds.

"During about a five-year span, we had some times when cash flow was very difficult," Ciha said. "On a number of occasions, the families just wrote the funeral home

a check [for pre-need services], and in those situations when we were having cash-flow issues, I deposited those funds into our business account instead of sending that money to the funeral-insurance company."

The money was used for the funeral home's day-to-day business. Ciha kept a

SEE GAY AND CIHA, 3

Gay and Ciha

A funeral home lost its state license to provide preneed funeral services.

- Gay and Ciha Funeral and Cremation Service received \$150,000 in 18 payments from 2008-2012.
- Customers were told the money were be used for insurance to fund the services, but it was put into the company's checking account to solve cash-flow issues, according to the owner.
- The state suspended the licenses after it found the home conducted sales services after the licenses were made inactive.

Sources: State documents, Daniel Ciha, owner of Gay and Ciha Funeral and Cremation Service

Hancher, music facility on the rise



Hancher construction continues on Tuesday. The new facility is scheduled to open in 2016. (The Daily Iowan/James Soukup)

Officials say construction is one-fourth of the way done on the new music facility and new Hancher.

By **LILY ABROMEIT**
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Machines lifting steel and digging dirt day after day near Park Road, as well as at the intersection of Burlington and Clinton Streets, is a welcome sight for many at the University of Iowa.

Officials say both the new Hancher and the new music facility are beginning to go vertical, and the UI is one-fourth of the way through the estimated total hours needed for completion for the projects, despite problems related to winter.

"For a lot of reasons, it's important for us to

get that building back up and running," said Hancher Executive Director Chuck Swanson. "It's a complicated building so it takes time. It's not an easy one to construct."

Rod Lehnertz, the director of planning, design, and construction for UI Facilities Management, said both projects are on track and on budget and will be finished in the spring of 2016. The old facilities were heavily damaged in the 2008 flood.

"We're monitoring the budget and the schedule carefully [even] despite the cold winter," he said. "There were some challenges, but hard work has kept the projects on track, and we will work with the contractor to ensure that."

Facilities Management officials planned for six working days to fall below 0 degrees, but they faced a hiccup in the process when the actual number was 32 days.

Lehnertz said the music facility has reached ground level. The next step, he said, is to work on decking at the ground level.

The Hancher performance hall is visible, and pouring concrete has nearly been completed.

Despite harsh winter weather, the building is on schedule, and Swanson said he hopes spring doesn't bring wind and rain to delay the project.

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MISSION CREEK FESTIVAL 2014



Adam Fell reads from his book *Dear Corporation* at Prairie Lights during the Mission Creek Festival on Tuesday. (The Daily Iowan/Alyssa Hitchcock)

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21 exemption raises hackles

Iowa City officials have clarified the entertainment venue exception to the 21-ordinance.

By DANIEL SEIDL
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An objection to a clarification of the 21-ordinance by one local business has led Iowa City officials to consider removing the possibility of an entertainment-venue exception.

"I think the bars starting to point fingers need to realize the easiest way to enforce it is to remove the exception," said Iowa City City Councilor Rick Dobyns.

The Iowa City City Council approved an ordinance amending the 21-ordinance entertainment venue exemption with a 7-0 vote on Tuesday.

The ordinance clarifies that the city could deny an entertainment-exception application under the same circumstance that a business could lose its exemptions. These circumstances include serving alcohol to an underage person more than once in a five-year period, as well as when continued operation of the business would be detrimental to residents.

While the approval of

the ordinance was unanimous by the councilors, one local business owner spoke up against the change.

Brad Temple, a managing partner at the Summit, 10 S. Clinton St., said the clarification is an attempt by the city to "pick winners and losers," and he contended that it would unjustly lead to the denial of his establishment's application.

"When we submitted our application ... we did so with the city in good faith," he said. "Now the city is unnecessarily delaying approval in order to change the language [of the ordinance]."

The ordinance will narrow the window in which an establishment could have a sale-to-underage charge. The period will be changed to the previous five years at the time the application is submitted rather than any five-year period in the business' history.

The change may encourage establishments to change their practices rather than being permanently disqualified.

Under the new change, the definition of "DJ" was also clarified. DJs are not considered performers by the 21-ordinance. However, this is not meant to affect "producers" who play electronic drum machines, which could be considered instruments. The clarification will update the definition to include only those who play recorded songs or advertise as DJs.

While Temple contended that the Summit had only one sale-to-underage violation shown in state records, and therefore its application should not be denied, City Attorney Eleanor Dilkes disagreed.

"Our records show there have been two [sale-to-underage violations]," she said.

Temple said the Summit hosts a dueling piano show, and the 21-ordinance significantly affects the attendance at these shows.

"We quickly found out that not having [underage] after 10 p.m. made dueling pianos unable to [hold a crowd]," he said.

Dobyns said the en-

tertainment-venue exception was originally drafted in order to give underage people a chance to still have a source of entertainment downtown.

"I go, well, we've got thousands of students that deserve to have options," he said. "The alcoholic venues clearly know how to do the best job in providing entertainment."

However, Dobyns said, he is not willing to keep the exception in effect if situations like the Summit's make it difficult to enforce.

"I was willing to have the exception," he said. "[But] It's got to be enforceable. I don't want to dilute the [ordinance] so much that it doesn't work anymore."

Dilkes agreed the exception makes it much more difficult to enforce the ordinance.

"The enforcement and the monitoring of these entertainment venues is incredibly time-consuming," she said. "It's a constant monitoring process. I think we try really hard not to play favorites, but it is difficult."

Senators push cannabis-oil bill

Gov. Terry Branstad talks about medical marijuana with parents of epileptic children.

By ALEKSANDRA VUJICIC
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Gov. Terry Branstad met with parents of children with epilepsy who are pushing to legalize cannabis oil Tuesday at the State Capitol.

This comes right as Sen. Joe Bolckcom, D - Iowa City, and Sen. Charles Schneider, R - West Des Moines, are drafting a bill to be introduced in the Senate in the coming weeks, which would allow this form of medical marijuana use in the state.



Branstad
governor

Schneider said the cannabis oil has been shown to have some "really good medical benefits," especially for patients suffering from epileptic seizures.

Branstad spokesman Jimmy Centers said in a statement to *The Daily Iowan* that the governor meets with stakeholders on all sorts of pending legislation, and this meeting was no different.

"The meeting was cordial," Centers said. "The governor listened and empathizes with family members who are seeking this treatment for the medical

conditions affecting their loved ones."

Schneider said even though the odds are probably low that the bill will pass, many views in the Senate have shifted in favor of the cannabis oil, including his own.

Before the legislative session began, Schneider said, such a law could create a front for people to get medical marijuana from doctors to use for recreational purposes, but he has since changed his mind and believes more people are starting to realize this oil has no street value and people couldn't use it to get high.

"Our chances are getting better by the day," Schneider said. "This is a limited bill that doesn't open the door to recreational use. People are getting comfortable with that."

After Branstad met with the parents, Schneider said he believes that the governor's mind is more open. He also said Branstad will make phone calls to the governors of Utah and Alabama, states that have legalized cannabis oil.

Sen. Jack Hatch, D-Des Moines, who is running for governor this year, cosponsors the bill. He said the time to act is now, and families should be able to try this form of treatment

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because it has been shown to help epileptic patients. Hatch asked Branstad to meet with families last week.

"I believe in patient choice," Hatch said. "That is a contrast between me and Gov. Branstad. The fact is that the governor is not showing the leadership he should as chief executive."

He said he believes the governor only met with the families because he was politically motivated and pressured by parents.

Tammi Heuck, an Everly, Iowa, woman, has tried reaching out to Branstad on numerous occasions. She spoke with the governor over the phone on Monday.

In those 15 minutes, she told Branstad about her 12-year-old daughter, Shelby, who is taking five different medications, amounting to 20 pills a day — 7,300 pills a year — for her seizures. The family has consulted with four different neurologists, and

Shelby has undergone brain surgery to have her right frontal lobe removed.

The goal of the surgery was to eliminate seizures completely, but the seizures have returned. The family's other options include putting Shelby on a sixth medication. Heuck learned that the cannabis-oil extract helped reduce the number of seizures and medication for a correspondent in Colorado going through a similar situation.

Heuck said that she refuses to go any further with medication and hopes Iowa leaders will consider some form of legislation.

"I will move with her to Colorado before I do that to her. My child is on five different medicinals, and it has taken our daughter away from us," she said. "We're not asking for a lot; we just want to be able to attain cannabis oil without criminalization."

METRO

City moves on Sycamore project

Iowa City officials are going ahead with improvements for Sycamore Street. On a 7-0 vote, the Iowa City City Council backed an agreement with McClure Engineering Co. to provide consultant services for Sycamore Street improvements.

The company will aid the city in the Sycamore Street project from the city limits to South Gilbert Street. The project will include reconstruction of the surface of Sycamore Street.

The improvements will also include a sidewalk and drainage system.

The Iowa City School District's South Elementary, which is projected to open in fall of 2015, is along Sycamore Street.

The total cost of the engineering services provided by McClure will be \$181,900, and the total estimated cost of the phase one project is \$2.6

million. The project will be funded by general-obligation bonds.

— by Daniel Seidl

Man charged with burglary

Authorities have accused a Cedar Rapids man with trying to steal clothing and chargers from a fraternity.

Jason Jenney, 34, was charged Tuesday with second-degree burglary.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, Jenney admitted to entering a fraternity without permission through an unlocked back door. He said he told officers he was looking for a guy named Jeff.

A person at the fraternity walked down to the first floor and saw Jenney in the residence, the complaint said. Jenney had a pile of clothing and

chargers in his hands that did not belong to him.

Jenney dropped the belongings and ran out the door after the person confronted him, the complaint said.

Officers found Jenney about two blocks away from the residence.

Second-degree burglary is a Class-C felony.

— by Rebecca Morin

Council loosens rules for nonconforming alcohol places

Some restrictions for nonconforming drinking establishments in Iowa City have been loosened by the City Council.

The council approved an ordinance amending the definition of enlargement/expansion for nonconforming drinking establish-

ments on Tuesday by a 7-0 vote.

The council had planned to vote on second consideration of the ordinance, but a staff request for expedited action led to its final approval.

Nonconforming drinking establishments serve alcohol but don't comply with the required separation distance between drinking establishments. One of the restrictions put on these establishments is that they may not be enlarged or expanded.

The amendment changed the definition of enlargement/expansion so that any expansion to a commercial kitchen that doesn't increase maximum occupancy wouldn't be considered an expansion.

These changes could increase the ability of nonconforming establishments to serve food.

— by Daniel Seidl

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record of every transaction but did not include them on annual reports pre-need sellers are required to provide to the Iowa Insurance Division.

"The state would do a routine audit every so often, and when they audited me last October, when the auditors came in, I

provided them all of the information and documentation right away so they knew right away what was going on," Ciha said.

He voluntarily halted his pre-need service licenses. State documents say Ciha accepted eight payments totaling more than \$32,000 for pre-need services after the October suspension, which he described as a "misunderstanding."

Other area funeral homes declined to comment.

"I thought if I didn't take possession of those funds, then we could go ahead and tell families what to do with those

'I'm very upfront that I made a mistake. I'm very disappointed in myself for doing something like this.'

— Daniel Ciha, owner

funds," Ciha said. He said customers were instead sent to a bank.

"The problem is I made note of that on the infor-

mation we had talked about and that state considered that to be a contract," he said.

He said the division un-

derstood the confusion, but officials considered Ciha's conduct to be sales activity and suspended the licenses completely.

He gave the money necessary to pay for the 18 policies to Homesteaders, and the company has issued them per remediation. All existing pre-need agreements are fully funded, Ciha said.

The funeral home is required to remove itself as the owner of life-insurance policies and the title holder of financial instruments that fund pre-need contracts. The business will have to pay a \$5,000 penalty.

Ciha said he will likely not pursue reinstating licenses.

"... Two and a half years ago, I realized I can't be doing this," he said. "I'm very upfront that I made a mistake. I'm very disappointed in myself for doing something like this."

The Daily Iowan was unable to reach state officials listed on court documents by the time of publication.

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"Hancher has a rich tradition, a rich history [of] presenting the world's finest, and affecting lives, and making a difference," Swanson said. "Hancher provides not only entertainment, but just a way for people to learn about the world. There's a history there that we want to continue on."

Despite the flood of 2008, Swanson said he is not nervous about future water damage.

"There are only so many things you can worry about, and I don't worry about that; I trust the experts," he said. "The river is our friend, and I think with the new position of Hancher, we are going to be very pleased with the experience."

Associate Professor Richard Heidel, the UI director of bands, said a new facility would also

enhance the experience of music students.

"Our spaces now, even though they are temporary [and] seem to be OK in the situation, what we've been losing is the sense of community because we're so spread out," he said.

In addition to having improved teaching and performance venues, Heidel said, the opportunity to increase the sense of community is what he most looks forward to.

"Musicians, we spend so much of our time in-

teracting with each other ... cultivating those relationships is really important," he said. "In terms of being a teacher, I really value the relationships I have with the students, and not being able to see them outside of classes ... I don't have the opportunity to get to know them like I would like to ... I don't have that kind of conversational time."

Heidel said he is pleased with the progress on both sites so far.

"This has been an incredible challenge the university has faced since 2008," he said. "I really think they've responded nobly to get us into facilities that are really nice, so we can continue with our musical endeavors."

Anthony Arnone, a UI associate professor of music, said while he is eager to get into the building as well and create a sense of community, he is slightly exasperated.

"I'm happy they finally started digging; it [has] taken a long time," he said. "I'm trying to be patient."



Construction continues at the site of the new music facility on Tuesday. The new building is at the intersection of Clinton and Burlington Streets. (The Daily Iowan/James Soukup)



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COLUMN

The brief return of Happy Obama



Zach Tilly

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Tuesday saw the return appearance of a creature unseen for quite some time: Happy Obama. That particular species was rumored to have been pushed to edge of extinction by an 18-month parade of post re-election calamities, but it re-emerged, swagger fully swaggering, before a Rose Garden crowd.

His morning affairs began with some unabashed cheesing as he welcomed the 2013 Red Sox to the White House and took the year's third-best selfie with David Ortiz. His smile was no doubt inflated by that fact that, earlier that morning, he got the news that after Monday's epic testament to American procrastination, Obamacare actually passed its enrollment goal of 7 million newly insured.

The prospect of that happening seemed, mere months ago as the rollout floundered, next to impossible. But, finally, something went right for Obama, and he made sure we all heard about it.

"No, the Affordable Care Act hasn't fixed our long broken health-care system, but this law has made our health-care system a lot better," he said in an address Tuesday afternoon. "Under this law, the share of Americans with insurance is up, and the growth of health-care costs is down."

To his critics, he slipped in a little jab to let everybody know they were dealing at least temporarily with Happy Obama again: "There are still no death panels. Armageddon has not arrived. Instead, this law is helping millions of Americans."

The victory celebration was well-earned for the guy who's seen his poll numbers slide and slide, but his revelry was, perhaps, a

little too optimistic considering the massive challenge of implementation that awaits. See, for example, Happy Obama dancing on the graves of his Republican opponents whose crusades to repeal the health reform failed.

"Why are folks working so hard for people not to have health insurance? Why are they so mad about the idea of folks having health insurance?" he asked. "The Affordable Care Act is here to stay."

Never mind that we're still weeks away from learning the demographics of the 7 million people who signed up for Obamacare, a crucial fact that looms over any projections of the law's long-term health. For the law to be a success, the new insurance pools need to have an abundance of young people, and those young people need to be properly distributed throughout the states to prop up markets at the state level.

While White House officials believe that they have signed up enough young people to ensure that the marketplaces won't collapse altogether, whether the marketplaces will be healthy enough to keep prices low and keep new enrollees flowing in remains to be seen.

Whatever the case, until we know the identities of our enrollees, the celebrators ought to keep their optimism cautious and their "I-told-you-so-ing" to a minimum.

For now, though, let's take a moment to cherish the brief resurfacing of Happy Obama, Obama the Victor, whose charisma reminds us of all the things we liked about him in the first place. It is, after all, only a matter of time before the proverbial skies get cloudy again and something goes awry abroad. Already, Tuesday's successes have been partially obscured by the news that John Kerry's attempts at brokering a peace treaty between Israel and Palestine are on the verge of breaking down.

Farewell, Happy Obama, we hardly knew you.

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EDITORIAL

Health reform succeeds

This week, on Monday, the deadline for enrolling in the federal health exchange as part of the Affordable Care Act came and went, with a positive result for the White House as it was announced that the administration had met its goal of enrolling more than 7 million Americans in health-insurance plans.

President Obama took the opportunity to address the nation from the Rose Garden, saying, "All told, because of this law, millions of our fellow citizens know the economic security of health insurance who didn't just a few years ago. That's something to be proud of, regardless of your politics, or your feelings about me, or your feelings about this law. That's something that's good for our economy, and it's good for our country. There's no good reason to go back."

Despite this success, however, there is still vitriolic criticism being hurled at the law from the right, portraying it as everything from a crypto-Marxist plan to bankrupt the country to a socialist death panel that will lead to the eventual ruin of American democracy.

As laughable as these charges may be, there are legitimate concerns raised by some about the law, one of the more prominent being that the law is seriously convoluted, an overly confusing labyrinth that no one can understand.

That particular deficiency though, was a necessity for passage in Congress. In order to craft a law that navigated all the forces trying to destroy or change it (insurance companies, Big Pharma, ideological opponents, etc.) the law's creators were forced to create a health-care reform package that could never be understood by the layman. If those on the right were serious about a "simple" health-reform bill, they would've have gladly launched their support on the simplest (and the most effective) health-care reform option: single-payer health care.

So yes, the law is complicated. But, the law seems up to this point to be doing its job despite its being "complicated" with the administration hitting its enrollment goals on the federal levels, and state exchanges such as Kentucky and California have worked marvelously in signing up their residents for health insurance.

There's also the argument that the Obama administration has not done enough in terms of communi-

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ating both what the law does and how to sign up for insurance. It's clear, though, that concerns of communication are likely moot considering how successful the Affordable Care Act has been in meeting its enrollment goals. The demand for health insurance seems to have overcome the difficulties the administration had in setting up the federal insurance exchange and the bad PR that followed. What confusion remains among participants will be worked out as the program is implemented.

While silencing some criticisms of the law, the administration's success highlights why reform was needed to the American health-care system. The Kaiser Family Foundation estimates that there are around 47 million Americans without health insurance. The easiest way to remedy that would have been to provide it to them through a government plan, but politics made that practical proposal impossible. Instead, this necessarily complex health-care reform law focuses on providing an exchange for people to receive private health insurance. As long as that demand for insurance remains high, the law's central mechanisms will be a success despite any complexity.

YOUR TURN

Do you think the health-care enrollment was a success? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Heading for Des Moines

University of Iowa students are taking active steps to ensure their education maintains its high quality, while continuing to be affordable.

Today, the Hawkeye Caucus, UI Student Government, and Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students will travel to the State Capitol to speak with our legislators about the proposed tuition freeze. Last year, the legislature allocated enough funds to freeze tuition at \$6,678 for the year. Again this year, we believe it is crucial that in-state students do not see an increase in tuition.

An education at a public university should be affordable to all residents of the state. The proposed tuition freeze is an investment. By keeping higher education affordable for Iowa students, the state paves the way to a strong future.

UI students are the best advocates for the tuition freeze because we are the university's greatest representatives. We look forward to bringing students to Des Moines today for Hawkeye Caucus Day to share their personal stories of their experiences at the University of Iowa. Thank you to those who are taking advantage of this opportunity and actively working to make the tuition freeze happen again. It's because of these efforts that we can advocate to keep our high quality education affordable.

If you can't attend in person, we encourage you to follow the action at [Facebook.com/UIHawkeyeCaucus](https://www.facebook.com/UIHawkeyeCaucus) and [Twitter @Hawkeyecaucus](https://twitter.com/Hawkeyecaucus) and also visit www.hawkeyecaucus.com for more information.

Go Hawks.

Joelle Brown
president of Hawkeye Caucus

Re: Iowa's female entrepreneurs lag

It's old news that Iowa is the worst state in the nation for female-owned businesses. But with all due respect to Diane Ramsey, the executive director of the Iowa Women's Leadership

Conference, we in fact do know what barriers exist to prevent the growth of women-owned businesses in the state. Private capital is one: According to the CFED Assets and Opportunity Scorecard, Iowa ranks 40th in the nation in private (bank) loans to small businesses. While the rest of the country supports local community development financial institutions (nonprofit lenders) to finance small businesses, Iowa has responded with weak and outdated attempts to address the problem. Increase the flow of capital, combined with counseling and education, and we can unlock the innovative and creative spirit of women entrepreneurs.

Jason Friedman

COLUMN

Goodbye, 'How I Met Your Mother'



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This past Monday, one of the most popular shows on television came to its long-awaited conclusion. After nine successful seasons, "How I Met Your Mother" is finally over.

"How I Met Your Mother" captured a generation and accurately portrayed the feelings of millennials across the country in television show format.

Its dominance is undeniable; it is how the show achieved and maintained this dominance, however, that makes it unique.

The show was consumed by the masses through online streaming services and syndicated episodes. Despite airing every Monday night during the school year, I mostly watched the show over breaks and long weekends.

Through the online streaming service provided by CBS and the streaming giant Netflix, I was able to watch and become interested in the show.

The syndicated episodes airing on nearly every channel at every hour of every day, however, made my feelings for the show grow from interest to infatuation, one that I share with many avid viewers.

The ability to stream "Mother" at any moment of any day was a large contributor to its dominance. However, this alone was not what made it so influential for so many.

For nine years, viewers tuned in for each episode hoping to discover the identity of the mysterious mother. Viewers hypothesized in agony as Bob Saget's soothing voice explained the story from a point further in the future.

Despite the seemingly silly premise that, in reality, only functioned as a title in virtually every episode except for the first and last few, the show maintained a

huge audience. While the concept is cute and is clearly an underlying connector for much of the plot and theme, viewers knew all along that it wouldn't be until the bitter end that the identity of the mother would be revealed.

This was the brilliance of the show — the ability to trick viewers into thinking they were watching for some end game, when in reality they were simply enjoying a show about life — their life.

That is where the show truly shined (and will continue to shine).

The show touched a generation while simultaneously rebuilding or starting the careers of numerous actors and making a gay actor into the most famous ladies' man in television history.

In an age during which much, if not most, television is consumed online and away from a television set, "Mother" did something unprecedented — it captured a massive audience of people who didn't tune in for the

original airing.

I know that for years to come, I will propose "slap bets" to my friends, saying such things as "Legend ... wait for it ... dary" and informing my friends as we meander the Ped Mall late at night that "Nothing good happens after 2 a.m."

"How I Met Your Mother" holds a special place in my heart and the hearts of millions because it addressed problems and experiences that today's teens, 20-somethings, and 30-somethings are going through.

Yes, the show was dramatized as any television show is but the themes, ideas, and experiences are relatable, and they matter to people; they matter to me.

Alongside "Friends," "How I Met Your Mother" is one of the great sitcoms that will live on for a long time to come. I'm sad to see it go, but we all knew it was the right time. I, and many others, will miss "How I Met Your Mother," dearly; it was, and is, wait for it ... legendary.

Gateway Project sparks debate



Rendering

The Iowa City Gateway Project is now ready to move into the design process.

By DANIEL SEIDL
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City officials approved elements of the design for the Gateway Project on Tuesday with conflicting opinions on various items in the proposal.

"I think these changes that we see up there ... reflect a balance," said Iowa City Mayor Matt Hayek. "There are many design issues that remain to be decided."

The project will raise a portion of Dubuque Street and redesign Park Road Bridge to increase flood

protection in the area. The Iowa City City Council approved the design elements of the project on Tuesday on a 7-0 vote.

The approved elements include a 10-foot-wide trail on the west side of Dubuque Street, as well as a 6-foot-wide sidewalk on the east side of the street ending south of Cliff Apartments, 1136 N. Dubuque St.

Other approved elements of the project include a lane width of 11 feet, with 2.5-foot wide gutters. There will be two northbound and southbound lanes on Dubuque

Street, with a turning lane added near the intersection with Park Road. There will be a crosswalk at Mayflower.

One of the main points of discussion at the council's meeting was the width and ending point of the sidewalk.

Councilor Jim Throgmorton said he would have preferred no sidewalk on the east side, or at most a 4-foot wide sidewalk.

The termination point of the sidewalk was also hotly debated, whether it should end somewhere along the street or continue all the way to the intersection of Dubuque Street and Bjaysville Lane.

Hayek said it was more important for the sidewalk to reach Mayflower than the lane.

Councilor Rick Dobyns said the sidewalk should be entirely removed from the east side.

While many of the councilors did not want a sidewalk north of Cliff Apartments, Councilor Terry Dickens believed it would

be better to have that option in the future.

"It's shortsighted not to at least have it graded," he said. "If we're talking safety as well, I think we still need that."

In the end, the council could not come to an agreement about the sidewalk.

While the proposal approved by the council does not include a sidewalk north of Cliff Apartments, the councilors have agreed to discuss the possibility of this sidewalk when they make additional decisions.

The speed limit on Dubuque Street was also a topic that sparked discussion among the councilors, though this discussion was much less conflicting.

"My proposal would be to move the 25 mph speed limit somewhere north of Mayflower so that people are really going '25-ish' when they reach the crosswalk [at Mayflower]," said Councilor Michelle Payne.

Throgmorton agreed with Payne's idea to move the 25 mph transition north, and suggested Foster Road as that transition point.

Eventually, the speed-limit transition was approved at Ridge Road.

The council will discuss more elements of the project at a later meeting, including the possibility of a pedestrian promenade along the river, as well as signals for the Mayflower crosswalk.

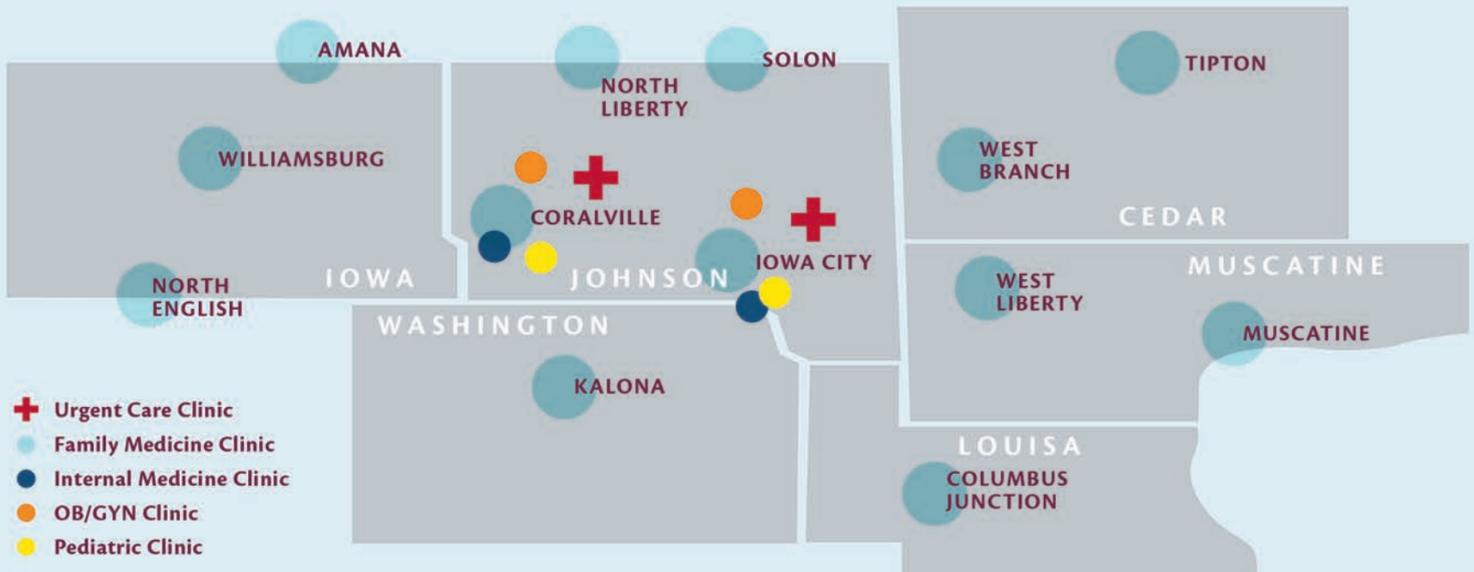
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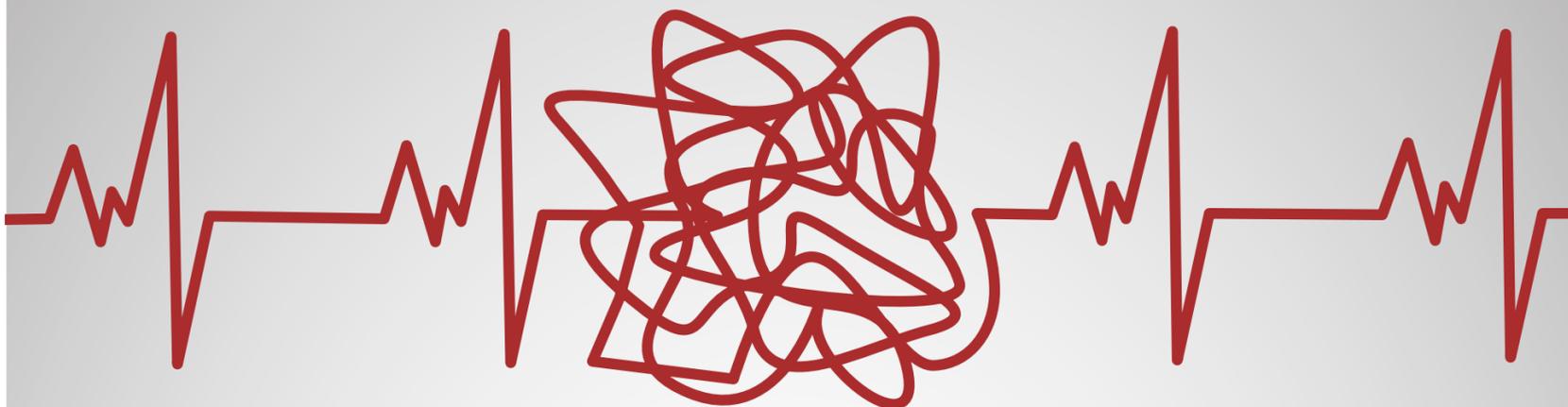
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HEALTH-CARE CONFUSION

By BRENT GRIFFITHS | brent-griffiths@uiowa.edu

Four years after President Barack Obama signed the Affordable Care Act into law, many Americans still don't know what's in it.

"My take is when you poll Iowans, there is widespread agreement on what is in the law ... but they just don't know what the act does," said Dan Shane, a University of Iowa assistant professor of health policy and management.

"You have to blame the administration. Is it fair, given the opposition to the law? Not really, but this was the most significant legislative accomplishment in the first term, and it should have been the highest priority."

Health-care policy analysts say problems persist about informing people even after Monday's deadline. Most people had to sign up during the first open enrollment period for what is commonly known as Obamacare.

Dara Rasavanth sees the problems first-hand every day as a health-care navigator for Visiting Nurses Services of Iowa, one of three organizations statewide that received grants to help people enroll.

A result, she said, is a lack of young people seeking insurance where she works, primarily in Des Moines. Among those who don't place a high importance on the coverage, many decide to take a tax penalty instead of paying a premium. The penalty will be on Americans' 2015 tax returns and will amount to 1 percent of their income or \$95, depending on what is more.

"I don't feel [those in favor of the law] do a good enough job preach-

ing the need for health insurance," Rasavanth said.

Planned Parenthood of the Heartland also received a grant to deploy health-care navigators across Iowa. Tristin Johnson works mostly in Des Moines for the organization but has held events as far away as Council Bluffs. She said that while there was not a large response from college students, she has worked with "an overwhelming majority" of people between the ages of 18-36.

The federal government has not released detailed enrollment information, but UI Public Policy Center Director Peter Damiano said young people — who tend to be predominately healthier — are a major component of the law's success because they balance the risk with those who

Iowa and 35 other states rely on the federal government to run the insurance exchange. This arrangement created issues when the federal government's website, health-care.gov, was inoperable at times.

Bruce Gronbeck, a UI communication-studies professor emeritus, said these errors crippled proponents of the law at a critical time.

Republicans were surprisingly unified in their response to the law, which allowed for a tightly controlled narrative to be repeated ad infinitum, Gronbeck said.

"The Democrats knew [opponents of law] were coming, but I don't think they were ready to be so overwhelmed by the conservative wave of attack after attack," he said, noting that this was rare time when conser-

ly press call. "They have never given up on saying we've got to repeal it, repeal it, repeal it ... that doesn't mean you throw the whole thing out and start over again."

The five-term senator said Republicans are simply not interested in fixing the law.

"We're not going to turn back the clock," he said. "Republicans refuse to work with us to fix some of the things in the health-care bill. We're not going to repeal it, the American people don't want us to repeal it. Fix the flaws; don't repeal it."

Republicans were adamant they had concerns about Obamacare from the start, but Democrats won the political argument and now are responsible for any of the law's outcomes, said Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa.

"Republicans can't be blamed for the president's broken promise that if you liked your health-care coverage, you could keep it, or the higher premiums and deductibles many people will face, or the many shifts in deadlines that have confused people trying to comply with the law," he said in a statement.

Obama announced on Tuesday that 7.1 million people have signed up for coverage through the federal exchange as of Monday's deadline. But with an estimated 48 million uninsured people nationwide before the law went into effect, subsequent enrollments will have to reach even further, a health-care insurance expert said.

Shana Lavarreda, director of health insurance studies at UCLA, said she welcomes the news that the law reached its first-year goal. But she said future efforts need to be expanded to include uninsured people who still are not getting information about the law. These people respond to polls and the census, which illustrate the problem, but they are not hearing about a possible solution.

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— Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa

frequently need health care.

Damiano said supporters and opponents share the blame for confusion about the law, but some of the misunderstanding rests on how complex it is. Moreover, the very populations who most need the coverage are the hardest to reach, for a variety of reasons that include access to information technology.

Confusion has led to "many panicky people" coming in to work with navigators such as Rasavanth. In most cases, she said, people still can get coverage after the deadline.

Shane said one of the biggest areas the Obama administration and others struggled with was the poor implementation of the law in October, people from getting information at a critical time.

Iowans saw these effects because

vatives were unified on an issue.

David Yepsen, who spent more than 30 years covering politics for the *Des Moines Register*, said Republicans have been able to continually hammer home attacks on the law while Democrats have been unable to articulate a sufficient response.

"Supporters of the act have been on the defensive all of the time," said Yepsen, who is now the director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, said from the start there would be "bumps in the road," but believes the constant attacks on the act have spread lies and in some cases misinformation.

"We've had a constant two-year, almost three-year assault on this by Republicans," he said during a week-

48 MILLION

Americans were uninsured in 2012, according to the U.S. Census Bureau

366,000

Iowans ages 18-64 were uninsured in 2012

7.1 MILLION+

Estimated number of Americans enrolled under the law

15,346

Estimated number of Iowans enrolled in the federal exchange as of March 1

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Senate hopeful Jacobs to stop in Iowa City

Mark Jacobs, a Republican vying for Senate, will stop in Iowa City today to discuss issues as part of his campaign.

He will stop at the Airliner, 22 S. Clinton St., at 7:30 p.m.

Jacobs is running for the Senate seat that will soon be vacated by Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, who is retiring after this term after 40 years of representing Iowa in the House and the Senate.

Jacobs previously served as the CEO of Reliant Energy. He founded the nonprofit organization Reaching Higher Iowa, which raises awareness of the improvements needed in Iowa's public-school system.

Jacobs lives with his wife and three children in West Des Moines.

— by Stacey Murray

Iowa representatives push for wind credit

A key tax incentive for wind energy was not included in a draft U.S. Senate bill released

today. Members of Iowa's congressional delegation have promised to work on extending the provision.

Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, said there's no reason to not include the Renewable Electricity Tax Credit, which was created in 1992 for energy produced by wind and other renewable sources.

"There's no fair rationale for leaving wind energy out of the chairman's mark," he said in a statement. "There's a significant amount of bipartisan, bicameral support for the wind-tax provisions."

Twenty-six senators and 118 House members — including all of Iowa's representatives — wrote to senior leadership in the Senate and House Speaker John Boehner last month.

The credit rewards the power generated by wind farms based on how much energy is produced.

President and CEO of MidAmerican William Ferhman said in a previous *Daily Iowan* article the credit made the company's \$1.9 billion wind energy project in Iowa possible.

Grassley said he will file an amendment to include the credit later this week when the overall bill comes up in the Senate Finance committee.

— by Brent Griffiths

Ryan releases new GOP budget

WASHINGTON — House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan unveiled an updated Republican budget plan Tuesday that would slash \$5.1 trillion in federal spending over coming decade and promises to balance the government's books with wide-ranging cuts in such programs as food stamps and government-paid health care for the poor and working class.

Ryan's plan would also cut Pell Grants for low-income students and pensions for federal workers. The proposal would reprise a voucher-like Medicare program for future retirees that would be the basis for GOP claims that the measure would drive down government debt over the long term. It also relies on scorekeeping help from the Congressional Budget Office, reflecting the beneficial effects of deficit cuts on long-term economic growth and tax revenues.

The plan should skate through the Budget Committee today but faces challenges on the floor next week because it endorses a bipartisan pact — negotiated by Ryan, R-Wis., and Senate Budget Committee Chairwoman Patty Murray, D-Wash., in December — to increase agency operating budgets this year and next.

— Associated Press

DAILY BREAK

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Questions I've Asked Myself Recently:

- Isn't it ironic that we spend our summers trying to kill as many mosquitoes as possible, but every winter it is the mosquitoes who we turn to in our times of greatest need?
- In the throes of passion, have the words "Schtop me" ever been shouted, or is that phrase reserved more for describing past actions?
 - I know it's normal for a guy to name his testicles, but is it still OK if I call mine "Pamela" and "Jillian"?
- Is there a way I can monetize asking if there's a way to monetize something?
- Is it really so rude to continue mumbling "no whammies, no whammies, no whammies..." throughout a first date?
- Do some of the people following me on Twitter not understand that I'm a comedian/humor writer and just think I enjoy writing weird, obvious lies?
- Why does my psychotherapist keep telling me that all my dreams are boring and I'm secretly in love with my best friend?
- Father's Day is only once a year because that's how often your father says he loves you, right?

Andrew R. Juhl thanks Jayne Sanderson for contributing to today's Ledge.

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today's events

- **Inorganic Chemistry Seminar**, "The University of Iowa Microfabrication Facility," Aju Jugessur, 12:30 p.m., W323 Chemistry Building
- **Anatomy/Cell Biology Seminars**, "Understanding the Unfolded Protein Response Signaling Network During Chronic Stress," Javier Gomez, and "Reversibility of Homeostatic Forms of Neuroplasticity," Catherine Neff, 1 p.m., 1-561 Bowen
- **Express Workshops**, 1 p.m., Main Library Learning Commons Group Area D
- **Pharmacology Ph.D. Thesis Defense**, "Regulator of G Protein Signaling 6 (RGS6), a Multifarious and Pleiotropic Modulator of G Protein Coupled Receptor Signaling in Brain," Adele Stewart, 1:30 p.m., 2117 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **Lichtenberger Library Xpress Class**, 2:30 p.m., Library Computer Classroom, 2001C Seamans
- **Time Management and Organizational Skills**, 3:30 p.m., 347 IMU
- **Live from Prairie Lights**, "Kembrew McLeod and D. Foy, nonfiction/fiction, 6 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Campus Activities Board Comedy**, Hannibal Bures, 7 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Remembering Cesar Chavez**, 7 p.m., Latino Native American Cultural Center
- **UI School of Music Presents: Jose Raul Lopez, piano**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall

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- 8-9 a.m. Morning Drive
- 10-11 p.m. The Dog House
- Noon-2 Sports Block
- 4-5 Daytrotter
- 5 KRUI News
- 6-7 Yew Piney Mountain
- 7-8 Live from Prairie
- 8-10 ... Back to Saturn-X!
- 10- Midnight Theater of the Mind

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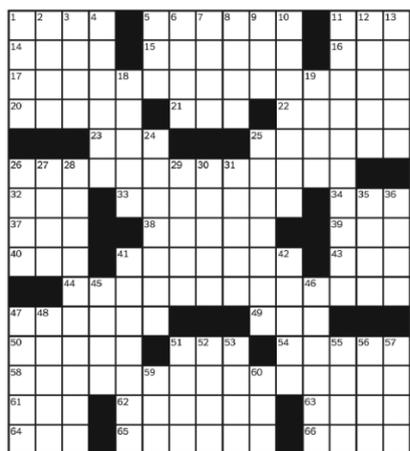
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The New York Times Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- Fare in "blankets"
 - Do the Wright thing?
 - Half-... (coffee order)
 - In a frenzy
 - Bahamas cruise stop
 - South American cruise stop, for short
 - Journalists covering abstract art?
 - Coriander, for one
 - Cry with a fist pump
 - Hill staffers
 - "Mob Wives" star Big ___
 - Aim high
 - Help from a jerk?
 - "... cup ___ cone?"
 - Model plane, e.g.
 - Like steak tartare
 - Letters on a radial
- DOWN**
- Sheer curtain fabric
 - Medium for short-lived sculptures
 - Ages and ages
 - Typists' copies, once
 - ___-devil
 - Canned tuna without mayo?
 - The Scourge of God
 - Like one texting :-)
 - Ill-humored
 - Shell carries it
 - Jump the shark, e.g.
 - Narcotics with string instruments?
 - Toledo-to-Pittsburgh dir.
 - Holding-hands-in-the-dark event
 - Gutter problem
 - Mike Tyson facial feature, for short

- Guinness Book superlative
 - Equipment miniature golf players don't need
- DOWN**
- "Super" campaign orgs.
 - "You can stop trying to wake me now!"
 - Desert that occasionally gets snow
 - Winter topper
 - Hobby farm denizen
 - "Results may ___"
 - "Oh, O.K."
 - Hieroglyphics creatures
 - Chinese "way"
 - "1984" superstate
 - One unable to get a loan, say
 - TV station, e.g.
 - Bob who directed "Cabaret"
 - Mister in a sombrero
 - They're often off the books
 - Compadre of Castro
 - Mountaineering attempts
 - World leader with an eponymous "mobile"
 - Guestimate words
 - Where to find the only spotlight in a small town, typically
 - Picnic utensil



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- It's best when it's airtight
 - Towers on farms
 - Hurt
 - Pull up dandelions and crab grass
 - Harry Belafonte genre
 - It carries a shell
 - Flooring option
 - One needing detox
 - It's a plus
 - Tornado Alley city
 - Mortarboard tosser
 - ___ cream
 - Jiffies
 - Castaway site
 - Siouan speaker
 - Net judge's call
 - Symbol of slipperiness

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Wednesday, April 2, 2014 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Take the plunge, and get into the groove. It's time to get fit and fabulous. Sign up for a rigorous routine that will help you look and be your best, both mentally and physically. Any challenge should be welcomed.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Share your feelings. Taking care of the needs of others will help you put your life in perspective. Dealing with matters concerning older or younger people in your life will be rewarding. An important partnership will develop.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Prepare to make last-minute changes based on what others do or say. Don't expect everyone to be honest or give you a proper assessment of a situation you face. Do your own fact-finding, and make your choices based on your needs.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Take on an interesting project or challenge that someone presents. Your ability to think outside the box will help you grab the attention of someone with clout. Discussions will help put you in control. Avoid taking on too much.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Jumping from one thing to another may suit you just fine, but it will make those around you nervous. A deal or contract will favor you as long as you keep your emotions hidden. Home improvements will make your life more entertaining.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Turn up the volume, and take on whatever comes your way. Show your mental and physical abilities. You can stabilize your position among your peers and colleagues. A change in an important relationship will add to your happiness.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Feeling free to come and go as you please and to enjoy friends who offer excitement and adventure will keep you satisfied and enthusiastic about the future. Overspending will be your downfall. Find a way to have fun without being extravagant.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Make important changes at home that will help you accomplish personal goals and expand your interests and friendships. A different lifestyle will help you manage what you want to do with what you are responsible for. Use your imagination.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Get your work out of the way, and get on with more enjoyable pastimes. An investment may interest you, but the information you are given will not divulge how high a risk you will be taking. Proceed with caution.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't leave anything to chance. If you leave anything unfinished, you will face complaints and opposition. Stick close to home, and work hard to complete what's expected of you; you will avoid a dispute. Accomplishment will make you feel good.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Put what you want in writing. Draw up contracts, and negotiate your position. You will win in the end if you have a solid plan of action. Socializing is highlighted. Getting together with an old friend will bring back fond memories.
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): A money matter or joint venture will create turmoil. Back up, and view your situation from a different angle. Use your imagination, and you will come up with a solution that will be acceptable. Listen, observe, and take a smart position.

Climate is what we expect, weather is what we get. — Mark Twain

BASEBALL

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than the snow and 40 mph winds both teams experienced last week in Iowa City.

"That weather is a huge factor," Heller said. "The stuff we played in last time, Mark McGwire couldn't have hit in that weather. That's the kind of stuff you run into in those types of games."

Juco transfers leading the way

When Heller joined the Iowa baseball program as head coach in July 2013, he immediately went to work collecting the names of every possible junior-college player in the area and set out to try to turn them into Hawkeyes.

Now, just three weeks into Iowa's Big Ten schedule, two of those transfers are beginning to pay off some serious dividends for the Black and Gold.

Junior Dan Potempa and sophomore Peyton are both in their first year with the Hawks after starting out their careers as junior-college students.

And while the transition may sound tough to some, both Potempa and Peyton have been red-hot since



Bradley first baseman Greg Partyka fouls off a pitch against Iowa at Banks Field on March 26. The Braves shut out the Hawkeyes, 7-0. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

making the leap to Division-I this season. Potempa leads the Big Ten in batting average, hitting a staggering .408 after 22 games.

Peyton isn't far behind him. The first basemen and Sunday starting pitcher is clicking along hitting .388, good enough for third in the conference.

"The biggest difference I've noticed between juco and here is that the pitchers can locate all their pitches really well," Potempa said. "When they need to throw that curve ball for a strike, they're definitely

able to locate exactly where they want to put it."

The two have led by example in the batter's box since they started pre-season play in February. Potempa is tied for third on the team with 13 RBIs, and he and Peyton are first and second in team slugging.

And even with excellent coaching, confidence at the plate is still their biggest asset.

"Confidence is everything," Peyton said. "If you get down against quality opponents like the ones we've been facing, it can

only go downhill from there, so it's probably the No. 1 thing we need to all maintain."

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POWELL

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That's fewer than a catch per game, sure, but when Powell gathered in a catch, it was usually on a big play. He averaged 24.2 yards per catch, twice that of every other Hawkeye receiver who caught at least 10 passes in 2013.

The numbers speak for themselves, of course, but it does raise the question: Will Powell see the field more in 2014?

"We're here to see what he looks like," Iowa football coach Kirk Ferentz said during last week's press conference. "He's very intriguing in that basically he showed up here in August. He got here a couple of days before we got started. He literally was brand-new in all regards."

Indeed, Powell was brand-new in August 2013 — to both the campus (he transferred from Snow Community College in Ephraim, Utah) and to Davis's playbook — and

perhaps that's the main reason Ferentz held off on using him more in 2013.

But if the past is any indication on how Powell will adjust in both his first spring and his second season in Iowa City, there's every reason to believe he'll see the field more in the upcoming season.

Ferentz continued last Wednesday comparing Powell with former Iowa defensive back Bob Sanders in that Powell is a natural athlete who just happened to play football. This spring, Powell will take part in more structured workouts that will help with learning the offensive playbook.

But perhaps a better comparison might be with Iowa legend Brad Banks — not in size or in position but in experienced gained after one season in the system.

Banks, as most Iowa fans remember, transferred to Iowa ahead of the 2001 season after playing two years at Hinds Community College in Mississippi. He was seldom used during that 2001 season, completing 41-of-68 passes for 582

yards and 4 touchdowns in just 10 games.

In 2002, though, Banks emerged as perhaps the most talented Iowa quarterback ever. He threw for more than 2,500 yards and 26 touchdowns on nearly a 58-percent completion clip. Banks finished second in the Heisman race, took home the Davey O'Brien Award, and was dubbed the College Football Player of the Year by the Associated Press.

It wouldn't be wise for Iowa fans to hope for that kind of showing out of Powell, who did own Iowa's second-longest play from scrimmage in 2012 when Jake Rudock connected with him on a screen pass that spanned 74 yards against Minnesota in September.

But it wouldn't be crazy for those same fans to think he'll get more of an expanded role when Northern Iowa visits Kinnick Stadium for the season-opening game in late August.

"I would hope he could do more," Ferentz said. "We'll see what he does."

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Iowa's Holly Hoffman works behind the plate against Illinois at Pearl Field on April 23, 2013. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

SOFTBALL

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"I think before Big Ten play, we were still trying to figure things out, and once Big Ten play hit, we knew we needed to win to have a chance at the postseason, so we are working hard to get there," Massey said.

The biggest difference, Looper said, is the players' preparation.

"They've bought into and believe in their preparation. When you can do that, your chances go way up," Looper said. "There's no guarantee you have success. They've

really come together, and they have that one common goal, and you can tell they are fighting for that together, and that's exciting to see as a coach."

Drake is not a conference opponent but it isn't unusual for there to be a few nonconference games sprinkled in with Big Ten opponents. And this isn't the first time the Hawkeyes have faced off against the Bulldogs. They saw each other at the Getteman Classic in Texas in February. Iowa won the game easily, 9-0 in six innings.

"We kind of know what to expect, but we're just going at every team like it's

conference, and no game should be different," Megan Blank said.

Iowa isn't the same team it was in February, and neither is Drake. But, nothing is going to be given to the Hawkeyes. They have to earn it.

"They are going to be a different ball club, because they are. They have continued to get better, as we have," Looper said. "I don't care that we have nonconference in with conference, we need to act like it's conference. That's going to determine if we play in the postseason. Every day is important. It's about right here and right now."

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Logic earns All-American honor

Iowa women's basketball guard Sam Logic has been named an honorable mention All-American by the Associated Press, the team announced Tuesday.

Logic becomes one of 49 NCAA Division I players to earn the honor. "This is great national recognition for both her and our program," Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder said in a press release. "This honor will propel Sam into a terrific senior season."

The junior point guard becomes the fifth Hawkeye to be named an Associated Press All-American. She joins Amy Herrig, Cara Consuegra, Kachine Alexander, and Jaime Printy as the other Iowa players to do so.

Logic led the Big Ten in assists and was the only player in the nation to average 13 or more points, 6 or more rebounds, and 7 or more assists.

This season, Logic tallied a school-record 269 assists and passed Consuegra as Iowa's all-time assists leader. On Feb. 22, the Racine, Wis., native became the 31st 1,000-point scorer in program history.

— by Jacob Sheyko



Iowa guard Samantha Logic looks for an open teammate in Carver-Hawkeye on Jan. 8. Iowa defeated Minnesota, 78-71. (The Daily Iowan/Callie Mitchell)

Puig, Greinke lead Dodgers

SAN DIEGO — Yasiel Puig hit a 410-foot drive for a 2-run homer, and Zack Greinke won his season debut, leading the Los Angeles Dodgers to a 3-2 victory against the Padres on Tuesday.

Carl Crawford started the game with a base hit, and Puig then drove a 2-1 pitch from Ian Kennedy into the balcony on the third deck of the Western Metal Supply Co. Building in the left-field corner. It was his first homer.

It was the second time Kennedy faced the Dodgers since June 11, when, while with Arizona, he hit Puig and Greinke with pitches, inciting a brawl at Dodger Stadium. Kennedy was suspended 10 games. He was traded to the Padres on July 31.

— Associated Press



Los Angeles Dodger Yasiel Puig is congratulated by Dodger third-base coach Lorenzo Bundy after blasting a 2-run home run against the Padres in the first inning of a baseball game Tuesday in San Diego. (Associated Press/Lenny Ignelzi)

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SPRING FOOTBALL 2014

Powell ready for breakout season



Iowa wide receiver Damond Powell runs for a 74-yard touchdown at TCF Bank Stadium in Minneapolis on Sept. 28, 2013. Iowa defeated Minnesota, 23-7. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)



Iowa wide receiver Damond Powell reacts after a play in Kinnick Stadium on Oct. 5, 2013. The Spartans defeated the Hawkeyes, 26-14. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)



Iowa wide receiver Damond Powell gets tackled by Ohio State strong safety C.J. Barnett and defensive back Tyvis Powell in Columbus, Ohio, on Oct. 19, 2013. Ohio State defeated Iowa, 34-24. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

With a season in Greg Davis's offense under his belt, Damond Powell should be more visible in the Iowa offense during the 2014 season.

By **CODY GOODWIN**
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There is no denying that the Iowa offense made strides during 2013 under second-year offensive coordinator Greg Davis. The Hawkeyes improved in points per game (26.3, up from 19.3 in 2012), yards per game (377, up from 310.4), and touchdowns scored (37, up from 22).

These upgrades were certainly welcomed by Hawkeye fans. Though the 2013 installment of the Iowa football team was mostly anchored by a veteran defense, the offense played an integral role in a turnaround sea-

son that included an 8-4 regular-season record and Outback Bowl appearance.

But with all the steps in the right direction with respect to the offense, Iowa still lacked a consistent deep threat all season — which is odd, because that was seemingly a role for junior-college transfer Damond Powell.

Powell, who played in all 13 games during the 2013 season, didn't see the ball as much as Black and Gold fans had hoped. He caught just 12 passes for an impressive 291 yards but only 2 touchdowns.

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NOTEBOOK

Baseball seeks revenge

Iowa heads to Bradley in hopes of reversing the outcome from a week ago.

By **RYAN RODRIGUEZ**
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The March 26 home loss to Bradley was a tough pill for the Iowa baseball team to swallow.

Battling the elements and a starting pitcher who was dialed in from the first inning, the Hawkeyes failed to produce a single run all game for the first time this season.

"That game has really bothered us a little bit," pitcher Tyler Peyton said. "We hadn't really suffered a loss like that up until that point."

Luckily for Peyton and his teammates, the Hawkeyes will get another shot against Bradley when they travel to Peoria this evening.

"We all just want to come out and show them and ourselves that what happened last time was a fluke," Peyton said. "We can play, and we want to show everyone what our true potential is."



Peyton
Hawkeye pitcher



Iowa pitcher Matt Allen pitches against Bradley at Banks Field on March 26. The Hawkeyes will seek revenge against the Braves today. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

The Hawks dropped two of three to Michigan the weekend after the Bradley loss, but they were in all three games against an opponent that has played some of the top teams in the country this year.

Head coach Rick Heller is ready for his squad to start playing again after the two losses.

"We're looking forward to playing again, especially after the weekend and how it ended," he said. "To get back on the field is going to be a good

Iowa vs. Bradley

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SEE BASEBALL, 8

Bowl budget busted

Officials say transportation costs caused the Athletics Department to go over its designated budget for the New Year's Day bowl game.

By **CODY GOODWIN**
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Documents recently obtained by *The Daily Iowan* show that Iowa's Athletics Department recently spent nearly \$200,000 more than was budgeted for the 2014 Outback Bowl on New Year's Day.

The Iowa football team spent \$2.09 million on expenses for participation in its bowl game, well over the \$1.825 million budget provided by the Big Ten — a net difference of \$195,249.

Officials say the difference came, in large part, because of travel expenses. Mick Walker, chief financial officer of the Athletics Department, issued a statement that said "the cost of flying the football team, coaching and support staff and families, the official University of Iowa delegation, and the Hawkeye Marching Band to and from Tampa, Fla., for the Hawkeyes' New Year's Day game was \$747,288."

That total was \$221,000 more than what was required to fly the Iowa Athletics Department to Tempe, Ariz., for the 2011 Insight Bowl.

"When we became bowl-eligible and throughout our planning process, we anticipated an increase in this expense category for two reasons: First, it was our first bowl game in two years, and we knew the cost of charter aircraft service during that time had increased," Walker said in a release. "Second, during the bidding process for this year's bowl game charters, we learned that demand was far greater than supply, and, therefore, our choices were both limited and expensive."

The Iowa football team's total cost for travel during the 2014 Outback Bowl was \$928,309. Walker also noted in the statement that the Athletics Department would balance its bowl-game budget with revenue from its annual operations.

Softball ready for Drake

By **JACK ROSSI**
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It's warming up in Iowa City, which means Pearl Field is ready to host softball games again for the first time this season.

Coming off of consecutive weekend series victories over Illinois and Wisconsin, Iowa will finally be home today, and it may be a bit strange for the team.

The Hawkeyes have gotten used to traveling for all of their games, and now that they're in Iowa City again, the team needs to establish a home-field advantage.

"You like to always have a home-field advantage, but at this point in time, we're used to being on the road," head coach Marla Looper said. "We need to learn to play at home. We struggled a bit last year playing here."

The Hawkeyes finished last season 4-11 at Pearl Field, but this year should be a bit different. After struggling during the early part of the season, Iowa has found a rhythm, going 4-2 since conference play began.

Senior pitcher Kayla Massey has led the way, recording two complete-game victories last weekend, earning her Big Ten Pitcher of the Week for the second time in her career. Massey also helped out the offense by hitting a home run. She will be an important factor heading deeper into the season.



Looper
head coach

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