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UI cuts ribbon at Petersen



UI officials hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Petersen Hall, the newest dorm to open on campus. Petersen will house 501 students. (The Daily Iowan/Jai Yeon Lee)

The community celebrates opening of the University of Iowa's newest dorm, Petersen Hall.

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With just a month before students move into the new facility, Petersen Hall is teeming with activity. Community members joined with university representatives on Tuesday afternoon to officially open Mary Louise Petersen Hall, the University of Iowa's first new dormitory since 1968, with a dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremony. "This new residence hall will hone our cutting edge of making the

Iowa student experience the best it can be," UI President Sally Mason told the crowd. "I am so glad my last official act will be dedicating this facility."

According to the university, Petersen began construction in June 2013 and will house 501 students. It will be the first residence hall to open at the UI since Slater in the 1960s.

Costing \$53 million, Petersen features such amenities as a sports grill on the lower level and many TILE-equipped study spaces and

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Local sisters aim for Olympic gold

Local Iowa City sisters Peyton and Natalie Steva are getting ready to compete in the AAU Junior Olympics with 14 other Iowa youths.

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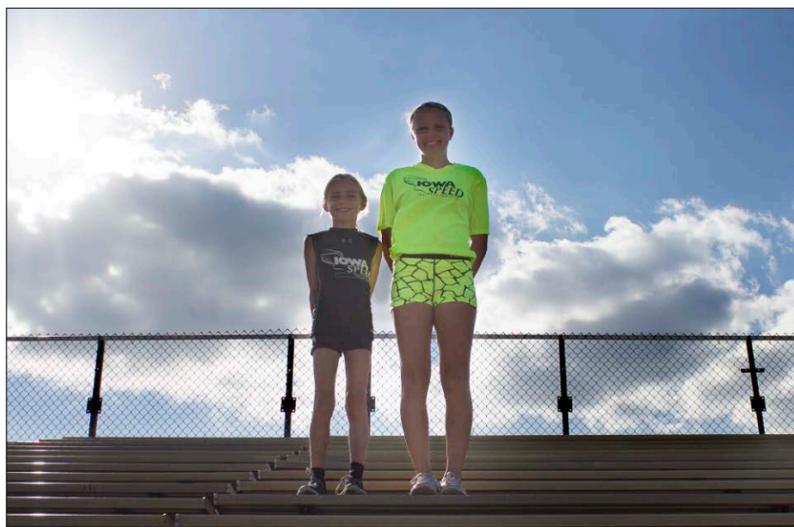
Although they're only 8 and 14 years old, Natalie and Peyton Steva aim to take home Olympic gold this year.

The two sisters are Iowa City residents who will compete in this year's U.S. Amateur Athletic Union Olympic Games, the largest national, multisport event for youth in the United States.

"They've worked very hard to come this far and are very focused athletes," said Heather Woody, the sisters' coach.

Along with the team, Peyton and Natalie start each practice with a simple chant, "OOH-AHH, finish strong." With this simple motto, the two sisters hope to motivate themselves and the team to take home the gold.

Woody said Peyton and Natalie are two of 12 kids who will represent the



Iowa Speed participants Natalie, 8, and Peyton Steva, 14, stand in the stands before practice at the Cretzmeyer track on July 21. Natalie and Peyton will compete in the AAU Junior Olympics in Norfolk, Virginia. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

Iowa City area club Iowa Speed at the AAU Junior Olympics in Norfolk, Virginia.

Peggy McGuire, the girls' mother, said they've been training since February for the opportunity.

McGuire, a track coach at West High, said she started teaching her daughters about track and field when they were 6 years old.

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Under milkweed at RAGBRAI



Today's covered distance

Thousands of RAGBRAI riders can help restore monarch butterfly populations in Iowa.

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As 20,000 bikers cross the state in this year's RAGBRAI, they will see many of Iowa's natural wonders, but

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Armen of Armenia reads a story in Prairie Lights on Tuesday. The iconic bookstore held the event in conjunction with the International Writing Program. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

Writing across borders in Iowa

A summer writing program offers a space for writers to broaden their horizons.

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From the eclectic architecture of Istanbul to the medieval churches of Armenia and the farmlands of Idaho, Iowa attracts a wealth of young writers to the state.

Between the Lines, a summer session hosted by the International Writing Program, is a two-week session for high-school age writers. The program also helps build relations between Turkey and Armenia.

In an event sponsored by the program, Between the Lines instructors and authors Mary Hickman, Nazmi Agil, and Armen of Armenia read from some of their works Tuesday night at Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque St.

For Hickman, poetry allowed her to connect with her family, setting

off a lifelong passion for writing.

"When I was young, my father used to leave me poems," she said. "So for me, writing is about connection and being able to connect with others."

Agil said listening to poems and conversations people had while talking sparked his love of literature.

"It was a love of language," he said. "Since my childhood, I was interested in the way people talked, the way they said things. I was trying to imitate [poets] since I was a child."

Armen said he has long felt a call to be a writer, and he couldn't see himself doing any other job.

"You are who you are," he said.

Hickman read from her new book, "This is the Homeland," and also read excerpts from a

second collection due to come out in 2017.

Agil read a selection of poems from his books of poetry, and Armen read a short story from his book *The Return of Kikos*.

Hickman said she hopes the reading offered listeners a chance to hear the same theme from three different perspectives.

"I think we have similar interests," she said. "The three of us reading together will be a very typhonic reading, and it will present a range of style but with similar concerns; that will be exciting for the audience."

Agil said he branched out from his roots with his work.

"My books are thematically based, which is not common in Turkish poetry," he said. "I love the idea of taking one concept and weaving my

works around them."

Armen said his short stories from his book play with the reader, allowing them to make decisions and "co-write" the stories.

For Agil, the IWP has changed his perspective on writing and what being a writer means.

"This is a unique place where everybody is a writer," he said. "Everybody finds a friendly soul sharing the same things. You go to breakfast, and everyone is talking about [literature]."

From Istanbul to Armenia to Idaho, Agil said, Iowa City has a special knack for connecting the world through literature.

"In the Middle East, there's a saying: It will come to you. So we don't go and search for it," he said. "But now, I see here they work hard, they write a lot. Now I understand."

The Rummage gets a facelift

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Students and Iowa City residents seeking deals at the city's ninth-annual Rummage in the Ramp will notice some changes to this year's event.

Rummage in the Ramp is a city-sponsored event designed to minimize the hundreds of pounds of recyclable material dumped into the Iowa City Landfill each year.

The event functions as a large garage sale; items are donated and sold with prices anywhere from \$1 to \$30. Common donations include furniture, electronics, and household items.

One of the primary changes to this year's rummage is the addition of food vendors.

Jennifer Jordan, the city recycling coordinator and a founder of Rummage in 2007, said the event seeks food vendors to feed the thousands of people who attend.

Normally, street vendors are required to obtain an official license from the City Manager's Office to be able to sell their food, but the Rummage is an exception to the rule, and interested vendors can simply show up and request a spot.

"It's nice and very informal," Jordan said. "We're pretty much saying, 'Come feed us.'"

Another new component to the program is the Rummage ReDux — a collaboration with local artists in which old, defunct donated furniture is up-cycled into new pieces to be used in the home or exhibited in the community in the coming months.

With last year's event boasting an attendance of 3,000-plus shoppers, 700 donors, and 200 volunteers, this year's additions could spell another record year for the Rummage.

The event has grown greatly since its debut in 2007. When it started, Jordan said, there were two days of sales. That has since expanded into 10 days beginning Friday and finishing on Aug. 2.

As the summer rolls to a close and a new academic year looms on the horizon, students and other residents begin to move from one residence to the next, and this process comes with a number of pitfalls, including increased garbage production.

Simon Andrew, an administrative analyst in the City Manager's Office, said the city holds the rummage during the

landfill's peak fill rate, when the most garbage is deposited.

"That last week of July and the first week of August are when the landfill gets hit the hardest," he said.

During this time, the large majority of the items dumped are recyclable and can easily be repurposed.

"Anything we can do to divert from the landfill in that window really helps," Andrew said.

He noted the importance of conservation and recycling, and he said the rummage helps to solve the problem of garbage production.

"It saves the city money in terms of what goes into the landfill, and even more importantly, it increases the materials recycled and the overall awareness of the ability to recycle," he said.

Jordan said the increase in the numbers of volunteers and sponsorships by nonprofit organizations were instrumental in the program's expansion. This year there are a record 38 nonprofit groups involved, 13 of which were organized by University of Iowa students.

"The addition of those student groups is something I'm particularly

proud of," Jordan said. "It's a great outreach, because primarily, the people moving at this time of year are students."

One such group is the UI Urban Planning Student Association, headed by president and second-year UI graduate student Beth Rumpza.

"[Jordan] is a graduate of the [Urban & Regional Planning] program, too, and since she started organizing the event, we've been involved as well," Rumpza said.

The rummage was mutually beneficial, she said, because it helps her organization and others similar to it raise money for various events they put on throughout the year while continuing to improve the community's recycling sensibility.

Rumpza and Jordan are excited about the changes coming for the Rummage. "I think [the food trucks] bring a lot of attention to the event that just hadn't been there before," Rumpza said.

"At the end of the day, it's a win for everybody," Andrew said. "It saves the city money, it helps social services, and it allows us as a community to do our part in improving our environmental awareness."

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RAGBRAI

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they probably won't see many monarch butterflies.

This year, however, a local conservation group is trying to change that through the power of biking.

Kelly Guilbeau, a career counselor at Grinnell College, is riding RAGBRAI dressed as a monarch butterfly to help raise awareness of the the butterfly's decline as well as to help promote the growth of milkweed plants, which they rely on.

Guilbeau is a member of the group Monarchs in Eastern Iowa, a 400-member strong group dedicated to helping the butterfly population recover.

The group plans on accomplishing the task by handing out around 2,000 seed balls to RAGBRAI riders. The seed balls are Ping-Pong-size balls of soil packed with milkweed seeds.

Easily carried in a pocket, Guilbeau said, they are encouraging the riders to throw them in unown roadside ditches as they cross Iowa.

"I don't even have to get off of the bike, and anyone else who picks them up just tosses them while they're riding," she said.

Since 1996, the U.S. monarch butterfly population has declined from 1 billion to around 33 million.

This severe drop has concerned scientists and environmentalists all over the globe as they try to reverse the trend before the monarch goes extinct.

In 2012, Lincoln Brower, a biology professor at Sweet Briar College, published a paper that examined the three main reasons for the dwindling population: recent severe weather, deforestation in Mexico, and the effect of agriculture on the milkweed plant in the Midwest.

Of the three, Bower said the worst is the near elimination of the milkweed plant.

Milkweed is the only plant monarch butterflies will lay eggs on, and the only food the caterpillars will eat. A 2012 study from Iowa State University estimated more than 60 percent of the Midwest's milkweed has been eliminated.

Lisbon, Iowa, resident and group member Andria Cossolotto, though she isn't riding in RAGBRAI, will help the group hand out the thousands of seed balls as the riders enter Mount Vernon, Iowa, on Friday.

"We're focusing on what we can do, and

what we can do is try to increase their habitat and their food supply," she said.

Cossolotto said the group decided to distribute the seed balls during RAGBRAI because it seemed like an easy delivery system across the state.

In Mount Vernon, the group members will have a booth from which they'll hand out the balls as well as inform the riders about the decline of the monarchs in general.

As a naturalist for the eight years, Cossolotto said, she's long been interested in butterflies, a love that was instilled in her during seventh grade by her science teacher father.

In order to accomplish its goal of creating 2,000 seed balls, the group enlisted the help of many community members, including employees of the University of Iowa College of Public Health.

Nancy Wyland, a UI research support specialist in the public health, spent two days last week rolling 600 seed balls along with other members of the college.

The work was done for two days during the employees' lunch hour. The first day they did it, Wyland said, around six people helped, and the second, there were around 12.

Working in the Department of Occupational and Environmental Health, Wyland said she's long been environmentally focused, however, she also said there was a more personal reason for getting her hands dirty rolling seed balls.

"Personally, I grew up remembering monarchs being plentiful in this part of the country, and I think it's been 20 years since I've seen a monarch butterfly," she said. "The populations have dwindled so much, and I'd love to see them come back in larger numbers."

Even though RAGBRAI is half over, Guilbeau said, the group is starting to plan an even bigger event next year.

PETERSEN

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lounges throughout the facility.

"This entire building is designed with the idea that we don't have a lot of space on the West Side for students to congregate," said Von Stange, a UI assistant vice president for Student Life. "We wanted to facilitate space for the west neighborhood to get together."

However, Stange, also the senior director of UI Housing & Dining, said the goal will not be difficult to accomplish. With Petersen's extensive public spaces and technologically savvy study rooms, officials expect the hall to be a popular destination for students.

At the ribbon-cutting ceremony, members of the community were given the opportunity to tour the building after hearing from sever-

al speakers, including Mary Louise Petersen.

Petersen served as president of the state Board of Regents from 1973 to 1981 and co-chaired the university's Good, Better, Best capital campaign from 1999 to 2005. She is a member of the Iowa Women's Hall of Fame and received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from the UI in the spring of 2013.

"I really like how they have all the spaces where you can study," said incoming UI freshman Julia Lampe, who will live in Petersen. "They said that professors might come do study groups here."

She also said she was excited to be placed in Petersen, and she looks forward to trying the in-house grill.

With the new academic year only a month away, the opening ceremony was full of excitement.

"I want you to imagine the possibility of 3,000



Sally Mason visits the laundry room of the new Petersen Residence Hall on Tuesday. Petersen will be the UI's first new residence hall since 1968. (The Daily Iowan/JaiYeon Lee)

students from all across the west neighborhood coming together," Stange told the crowd before the ribbon cutting.

UI Housing & Dining has many more plans in place and cannot wait to see residents making the space their own, Petersen coordinator Katherine Schmidt said.

"It's got endless possibilities," she said. "It's really ours to create the legacy of the building."

Before touring the

building, Petersen Hall's eponym stepped up to the podium to deliver a rousing speech about the importance of education, particularly for women, at the University of Iowa.

"I'm deeply honored that this building will have my name, but in truth, I'm just a placeholder for the many women who have served this university and served it well," Petersen said. "I'm a placeholder for those pioneers."

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"We used to have little plastic hurdles in our backyard made out of PVC pipe," she said.

While Peyton said she was grateful that she joined Iowa Speed, she had doubts at first.

"I'm very thankful my mom made me join Iowa Speed; I was always scared to have anyone coach me but my mom, but I've learned so much since then," she said.

This will be Peyton's second year at the Ju-

nior Olympics; she will compete in three events: 100-meter hurdles, 200-meter hurdles, and the long jump.

Peyton said she loves to compete against her peers on the track but off the field still remains friends with some of her biggest rivals.

"I like the rush of competing," she said. "I'm friends with a lot of the others competing, too."

Natalie will also return to the Junior Olympics for a second time in long jump.

She is the only one in her age group from Iowa Speed going to compete,

and she said she can't wait to get to Norfolk.

Natalie, who dreams of becoming a veterinarian, said she is excited to go to the beach and the zoo to see all the animals — except the spiders.

The one thing she said she is not looking forward to is the 19-hour drive to Virginia. It's an expensive trip and a long way from home, and her mother has worked to raise the funds to get them there, including starting a GoFundMe campaign.

"Without GoFundMe, I don't even know if we

could've made the trip," McGuire said.

It's been a team effort; the two sisters have started lemonade stands, and Peyton has baby-sat as much as she can to raise funds.

Regardless of how they do in their different events, their mother says they're very grateful for all the support they've gotten from friends, family, and coaches.

"We're just very grateful; they've learned way more about being a person than just how to be successful in track and field," McGuire said.

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Who Owns the "West Bank"?

The ancient lands of Judea and Samaria, east of Jerusalem, have been part of the Jewish homeland for 3,000 years. Today Arabs demand all of it.

Judea and Samaria, the land where Jewish ancestors Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Rachel, David and Solomon created Biblical history, was renamed the "West Bank" during Jordan's brief, illegal 19-year occupation. Today, some 380,000 Jews own land and live in the territory, yet their rights are denied by Palestinian Arabs.

What are the facts?

Following the collapse of the Ottoman Empire after World War I, the Allied Powers, which were the only parties with the right or power to resolve ownership of vast tracts of the Middle East, allotted to the Jewish people the land west of the Jordan River, including Judea and Samaria. This resolution, made at the San Remo Conference, was effected through the Mandate for Palestine, which was adopted by the League of Nations in 1922 and assumed by the United Nations in 1948. This document, based on "the historical connection of the Jewish people with Palestine," secured "the establishment of the Jewish national home." Nothing since 1922 has changed the legal status of those internationally binding documents.

Much of the land allocated to the Jews, including most of Judea and Samaria, was taken from them by Egypt, Iraq, Jordan and Syria following Israel's War of Independence in 1948, when the Jewish state was attacked by those Arab nations—the latter three of which were also established by the Mandate for Palestine. Jordan illegally seized the "West Bank" and east Jerusalem, and expelled all Jews from these Biblical homelands.

In fact, the territories of Judea and Samaria have never been part of any nation except the Jewish state. In 1967, when it was again attacked by Arab armies, Israel defeated the invaders and recovered the occupied "West Bank" from Jordan. It should be noted that during Jordan's occupation of the "West Bank," no Arab Palestinian movement emerged in favor of independence. Indeed, it wasn't until Israel reclaimed the land and Jews returned to their ancestral home that claims of Jewish "occupation" were raised.

Today, most land in present-day Judea and Samaria is not privately owned, but rather is unsurveyed—without proven ownership. Israel claims about 30% of the public land in the territory. However, the Supreme Court of Israel has ruled that unsurveyed land in Judea and Samaria can be acquired by Arabs who cultivate it consistently. Arabs, through deed and cultivation

rights, own about 95% of private land in the territory. Jews, however, are not granted similar rights, so Jewish farming on unsurveyed land does not entitle Jews to private ownership. Nonetheless, Jews own about 5% of all private land in Judea and Samaria.

Israel offers land for peace. Israel has a clear, millennia-old historical claim to Judea and Samaria, and it reacquired the territories defending itself against an aggressive war. In addition, Israel has an irrefutable legal claim to these territories backed by the 95-year-old San Remo Resolution. Nonetheless, recognizing that its claims are disputed by Arab neighbors, the Jewish state has shown uncommon willingness to share the land.

"Israel has an irrefutable legal claim to these territories backed by the 93-year-old Mandate for Palestine."

Starting in 1967, following the Six-Day War, Israel has offered to give up almost all the land it controls in the "West Bank"—plus a Palestinian capital in the eastern part of Jerusalem—in exchange for peace. Unfortunately, despite numerous such land-for-peace overtures by Israel, including two most recently in 2000 and 2008, the Arabs have consistently rejected them.

Not only do the Arabs reject any Jewish claims to land in Judea and Samaria, they have also insisted during peace negotiations that the territory be made *judenrein*—free of Jews. Worse, many Palestinian Arabs, such as the terror group Hamas, maintain that the entire land of Palestine—from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean Sea, including all of Israel and the "West Bank"—belongs only to Arabs. Today, official Palestinian maps do not depict the state of Israel.

How will the dispute over Judea and Samaria be resolved? Over Israel's 67 years, it has become a world-class cultural, economic and military power. Its standard of living is among the highest in the Middle East. Clearly the Jewish state is here to stay. Yet despite its strength, Israel has shown willingness to negotiate and exchange land for peace. Sadly, this willingness has not been matched by Palestinian leadership. Until such negotiations are consummated, the "West Bank" will remain in dispute—a no-man's land in which claims of ownership remain cloudy and contested.

While Israel has clear rights to ownership of Judea and Samaria—also known as the "West Bank"—it has taken a practical position, offering to trade those rights and that land for peace with its Arab neighbors. As of yet, however, tragically, no Palestinian leader has been willing to compromise his people's unrealistic expectation that all of Palestine—from the river to the sea—belongs only to Arabs.

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COLUMN

Trump's big mistake (again)



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Donald Trump was at it again on July 18, when he decided to take a shot at the Vietnam War record of Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., while speaking at the Family Leadership Summit in Ames. Referring to McCain's involvement in the war, Trump bluntly stated, "He's not a war hero. He's a war hero because he was captured. I like people who weren't captured."

Naturally, these statements set off a firestorm in the media as well as among Trump's competitors, with challengers such as Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker "unequivocally" denouncing him and Hillary Clinton labeling his unusual personal attack on McCain as "shameful."

Making headlines through blatantly harsh language is no new feat for Trump, as was made clear just over a month ago with a speech labeling all people south of the border as rapists and drug dealers. Unlike Trump's comments on immigration, though, his comments on prisoners of war were somewhat instigated by the very man that he attacked.

On a July 16 interview with *The New Yorker*, McCain is quoted accusing Trump of firing up the "crazies" with his hateful anti-immigration sentiment — an ideology that McCain simply described as "very bad." Nonetheless, regardless of the petty back and forth between the two Republicans, Trump's comments, first on immigration and most recently on, well, American service members in general, have completely alienated any real shot he may have once had at the presidency.

When Trump essentially called out the entire nation of Mexico as criminals, he also, essentially, eliminat-

ed a significant chunk of votes that would be beneficial for any presidential candidate to retain.

As of 2013, there was just shy of 54 million Latinos in the United States, 64 percent of whom, according to the Pew Research Center, were Mexican. While it is hard to tell how many of that 64 percent (about 34.5 million people) voted, statistics from Pew show that Latino voter turnout has steadily increased since 2004, and these votes have become increasingly important in deciding presidential races.

Not only do Trump's comments on immigration make him look bigoted and unable to connect with roughly 10 percent of the nation's population, they also act as a political dagger when it comes to getting votes. If Trump's immigration comments acted as the dagger cutting off his line to tap important votes, then his comments about McCain, and prisoners of war in general, should be the great sword that severs his political head entirely.

Not only is it crazy to deny McCain's status as a war hero (he was captured and tortured in Vietnam), but it is a slap in the face to all current and ex-military personnel in this country to make the assumption that our only heroes of war are the service members who are unfortunate enough to be captured by our enemies.

Regardless of whether military people become a prisoners of war, that they decide to serve their country so people such as Trump can run for office is what makes them heroes. Overseas or domestically, captured or not, all United States servicemen and -women sacrifice their time and effort to make America a safe place to live, and it saddens me that Trump, a candidate for the most powerful position in the free world, can so easily undermine the sacrifices that people such as McCain have made for him.

EDITORIAL

Problematic interim contract for UI

As the upcoming academic year approaches, while preparing itself to operate under interim President Jean Robillard, the University of Iowa will also have some key positions that need filling. For the role of vice president for Strategic Communications, the university has hired an outside consultant for six months. With the current two senior directors in the Strategic Communications having been in those positions less than a year, an outside hiring certainly makes sense.

It does not make sense, however, to pay this new consultant \$145,000 for six months of a three-days-a-week work.

According to the *The Daily Iowan*, three vice president-level positions need filling: Strategic Communications, Finance and Operations, and Human Resources. Currently, UI officials fill the other two positions on interim bases.

Jeneane Beck, the UI senior director for news-media relations, said incoming interim UI President Jean Robillard selected Terri Goren for the communications position because she had previously done work for UI in 2007.

In *DI* reporting Tuesday, Fraser Seitel, president of the public-relations firm Emerald Partners and former director of public affairs for Chase Manhattan Bank, had some interesting comments, particularly when referring to the salary of communications or public-relations directors for state institutions. He said, "If the salary is way out of whack, the obvious question would be, why is our communications director so much more important than the one in Missouri or Nebraska?"

It is true that, momentarily ignoring the three-day workweek and the six-month time span,

Goren's compensation is by no means "way out of whack" when compared with other institutions. It is, nevertheless, in the upper-echelon of communications directors' salaries in the Big Ten.

However, the *DI* Editorial Board feels it cannot ignore the three-day-per-week aspect of this contract. Taken into account, and the most important comparison with the salary of former VP for Strategic Communications Joe Brennan, this compensation begins to look a bit more extreme.

According to the *DI*, this year Brennan earned an annual salary of \$226,600 plus travel expenses. Taking these things into consideration, there are some obvious question lingers: Why is Goren earning \$30,000 more in a six-month span than Brennan would have in that same span for a five-day workweek?

There is little arguing with Robillard's decision to select an individual with a great deal of experience during this time of transition. In the coming months, there will be several important announcements made by the UI. An outside hiring when senior-level officials in the department are less than one year into their respective positions is the right move.

However, handling communications and public relations in a time of transition ought to be part of the job description for such a director.

In the past few years, transparency of public institutions and large businesses has been a major issue around the country — and UI has certainly not been immune. The most important aspect of this transparency is the proper handling of press releases and media interactions. In order to justify an increase in compensation of more than \$2.00 per student for this position, there may be a deeper underlying reason beyond a period of transition.

COLUMN

Truth or dare: the media's risky role



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On July, Gawker Media printed an article about a male sex escort hired by David Geithner, the brother of former Obama Secretary of Treasury Timothy Geithner. When the escort discovered the true identity of his client, he then threatened to "out" the CFO unless he used his connections to help him with a housing-discrimination case he had against his prior landlord.

A lot of people, including me, believe Gawker aided and abetted a blackmailer. Not only did Gawker publish the personal text messages exchanged between the two, the publication went through great lengths to further investigate and confirm Geithner's identity—all while protecting the

identity of the escort.

With the publication of this story — along with many other stories analogous in plot lines — the media's role and focus are put into question. Why is this news, and why are we even covering things such as this?

Much of the public outrage has focused in on the "professional ethics," typically regarding stories with sex workers, considering that there is usually some sort of confidentiality to maintain clientele privacy. However, this is another man's personal life exposed — one with a wife and kids.

With media outlets exposing such stories worldwide, the individual in question's families are at risk for emotional damage and embarrassment.

Following the controversy, Gawker founder Nick Denton announced that he was pulling the article, writing: "We are proud of running stories that others shy away from, often to preserve re-

lationships or access. But the line has moved. And Gawker has an influence and audience that demands greater editorial restraint."

Still, many Gawker employees are opposed to the action, and, as a result, Gawker top editors are now beginning to quit. In an announcement made Monday, Executive Editor Tommy Craggs and Editor-in-Chief Max Read stated that they would resign from the company because of drastically diminished editorial integrity following the controversy.

But why are these editors so up in arms? Calling this Gawker's "existential crisis," the *New York Times* wrote that the media outlet is now valued around \$400 million.

Denton's website, initially created as a medium to mock "Manhattan media elite," has grown exponentially in popularity and revenue over the past decade, which, of course, raises the stakes.

However, it's apparent

why the publication was made in the first place. Journalism today has become fast-paced and immediate. With a public figure in the foreground, it doesn't necessarily matter what the subject is — just as long as there is one.

Consequently, with this mentality come some facets of public shaming and humiliation, which, in this case, was a homophobic shame. Natasha Vargas-Cooper from Gawker's Jezebel argues: "Stories don't need an upside. Not everyone has to feel good about the truth. If it's true, you publish."

But if every story should have truth (there aren't necessarily) in conjunction with rules, what happens to our privacy? And what are we really absorbing from these stories?

Figures in the public realm are subject to different applications of the U.S. First Amendment, and with that, some less-than-G-rated news stories will develop.

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COLUMN

Ice-bucket challenge accepted



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It was about a year ago that you could not log onto a social-media site without seeing a video with someone dumping cold water over her or his head. This was called the amyotrophic lateral sclerosis "Ice Bucket Challenge," and it was a wildly successful.

The idea of the challenge was to film yourself pouring ice-cold water over your head and nominating others to do the same. If you were nominated, then you had to donate to the ALS Association a given amount.

In a society in which the majority of our news is composed of tragic stories or violent crimes, this coming together to raise money for a disease that has no cure is positive, heartwarming, and refreshing.

ALS foundation recently released where its \$115 million in U.S. donations from the ice-bucket challenge went. With \$77 million going toward research, \$23 million going to patient and community services, and \$10 million to public and professional education, this awareness-raising tribute helped thrust ALS into the limelight.

The ALS Association reported that it generated more than \$220 million internationally through the ice-bucket challenge.

Its \$115 million in U.S. contributions tow-

er over the donations in 2013, which was a mere \$2.7 million in comparison. This campaign was a major hit and proved to get the word out. Social-media sites were covered with these videos. It annoyed some people, but it also got the word out there about the disease, which was the main purpose.

Because the campaign was such a hit, many wondered why: Was it the peer-pressure effect that the challenge had — perhaps "guilting" people into donating to a disease or looking like a stingy stickler on social media? Was it that the word about ALS was not really out there until this challenge erupted?

I, for one, had known very little about the disease until being nominated to pour that ice-cold water on my head,

in turn visiting the website.

Was this challenge effective? Yes. Was it overdone? Yes. Should we care? No.

We shouldn't care because it helped many people. Furthermore, the ALS Association has invested a significant portion into research that has successfully identified which genes are responsible for 25 percent of all inherited ALS cases. A spike in these revenues will no doubt head the future of finding the source and, ultimately, the cure for this disease in the future.

Our society joined together and helped out a group of people who needed it. This is something that is remarkable, whether you enjoyed the videos or not. The ice-bucket challenge can give you a sense that not all is bad, and if you need help, it is there.

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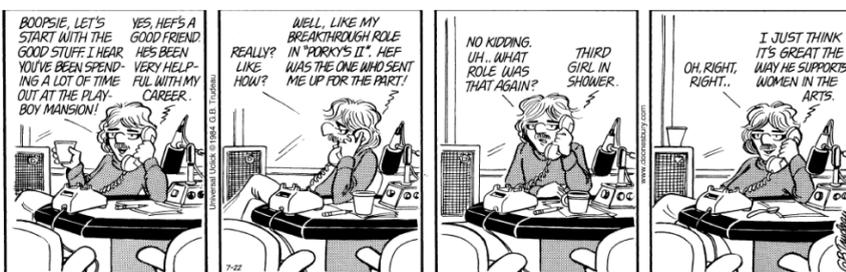
Re-examining a few more well-known sayings:

- “No man is an island.” Except for Island Man. But he’s a mutant. And a damn fine superhero. Plus a reasonable vacation destination.
- “The enemy of my enemy is my friend.” The ex of my ex is also my friend. And his ex is my friend with benefits.
- “You can’t teach an old dog new tricks.” You can still teach Old Doug new tricks, though. Tricks like “hide my stash” and “say this is your car.” Old Doug loves learning new tricks. And living in my basement.
- “The greatest trick the Devil ever played was convincing the world that he didn’t exist.” OH. And that one, the one where asks you to pick a card and not tell him what it is. He’s all like, “Is this your card?” Even though he knows it’s not your card, and then he reaches into YOUR COAT POCKET and HOLY BALLS, YOUR CARD WAS IN YOUR COAT POCKET. How did he DO THAT?
- “Slow and steady wins the race.” Unless we’re talking about one of those crazy races in which the emphasis is on SPEED. How about “Fast and without a ton of hubris wins the race” for a novel update?
- “A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.” And that step is logging on to Expedia to see who has the cheapest airfare.

Andrew R. Juhl isn’t an idiom, you oxymoronic proverb.

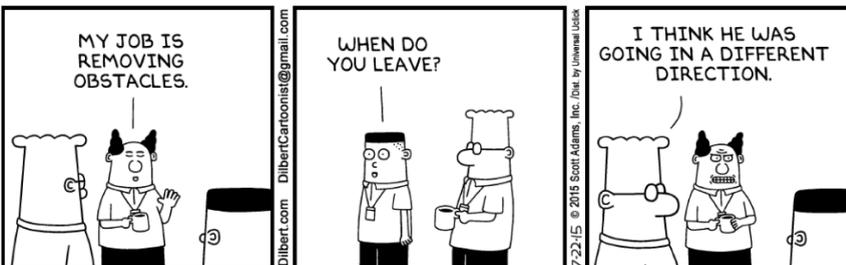
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- **Honoré Daumier: Selections from the UI Museum of Art**, Old Capitol Museum Keyes Gallery
- **Exploring the Demimonde: Sin and Temptation at the fin-de-siècle**, Legacies for Iowa: UI Museum of Art Collections Sharing Project, Supported by the Matthew Bucksbaum Family, Figge Art Museum, 225 W. Second St., Davenport
- **English Conversation Class**, noon, 2114 Med Labs
- **“Live from Prairie Lights,”** Suzanne Scanlon, beyond genres, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Burlington Street Bluegrass Band**, 7 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Churchkey, Good Shade**, Easy Mark, Arizona Landmine, 7 p.m., Gabe's, 330 E. Washington
- **Free Jam Session & Mug Night**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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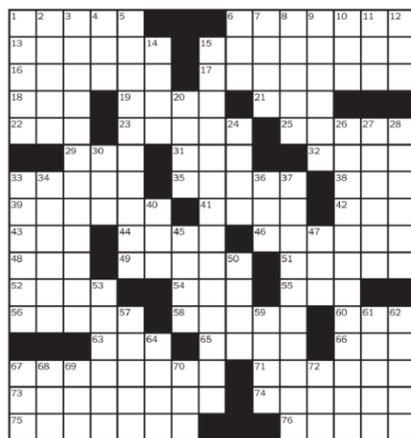
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OBJECTS OF ART

The New York Times Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Pushed
 - 6 Charming
 - 13 Vacillate
 - 15 Hardly luxury cars
 - 16 Develop over time
 - 17 Scrutinizes
 - 18 1921 play that introduced the word “robot”
 - 19 Rombauer of cooking
 - 21 Struck (out)
 - 22 Part of a geom. line
 - 23 ___ list
 - 25 Some jets
 - 29 Decline, as in popularity
 - 31 Mother’s Day destination, maybe
 - 32 Riff, vocally
 - 33 Modern prefix with aggression
 - 35 Certain sealant
 - 38 Hot weather cooler
 - 39 Like virgin soil
 - 41 Hot Japanese bowlful
 - 42 Slight downturn
 - 43 Yolk container
 - 44 Home of the elves known as huldafolk: Abbr.
 - 46 Join the conversation
 - 48 “How was ___ know?”
 - 49 Wipe, as a hard drive
 - 51 “I want that ... NOW!”
 - 52 Lousy eggs?
 - 54 Easy April Fools’ victim
 - 55 Casual greeting
 - 56 “Out of bed!”
 - 58 Dog biscuit, e.g.
 - 60 Surprising discovery at the Lascaux cave that’s 17,000 years old
 - 63 Supporter of a sort



- DOWN**
- 1 ___ manual
 - 2 Stage offering
 - 3 Actor who refused a 26-Down in 1971
 - 4 Class for a future citizen, for short
 - 5 Rock star who refused a 37-Down in 2003
 - 6 Direction
 - 7 Holly tree
 - 8 See 15-Down
 - 9 Black suit
 - 10 Big Alaska resource
 - 11 With 67-Down, Polo Grounds star
 - 12 Suffix with count
 - 14 “___ back”
 - 15 Playwright who refused an 8-/57-Down in 1964
 - 20 Like some Fr. nouns
 - 24 Mideast royal house
 - 26 See 3-Down
 - 27 Bygone component in luminous paint
 - 28 Overtime home of the Huns
 - 30 Dude
 - 33 Often-idle thought
 - 34 How about one in three pro soccer games ends
 - 36 Cut (off)
 - 37 See 5-Down
 - 40 Big A.T.M. maker
 - 45 Big ___
 - 47 Faceful for a clown
 - 50 Poker game?
 - 53 Apartment hunter’s option
 - 57 See 15-Down
 - 59 Pulls the trigger, so to speak
 - 61 Finger
 - 62 Council site of 1545
 - 64 Not long from now
 - 67 See 11-Down
 - 68 Long of Showtime’s “House of Lies”
 - 69 Bird with calf muscles
 - 70 Type units
 - 72 Some bad P.R. for a celeb

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horoscopes

Wednesday, July 22, 2015
by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don’t let anyone talk you into something you don’t want to do. Put more into a relationship that means a lot to you. It’s better to get along than to argue and have regrets. Keep an eye on your wallet.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): The more determination you show, the better off you will be. Don’t let anyone treat you like a pushover, or you will be taken advantage of. Attend events that are within your budget and offer the opportunity to collaborate with others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Stick close to home, and direct your energy toward making changes to your personal space and surroundings. Moving, renovating, or making a comfortable space to explore new hobbies will suffice. Leave time for love and romance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Do whatever you can to put your creative spin on the job you are given. Your intuition will bring all sorts of comments that will spark your imagination, lead to worthwhile alterations, and give you a chance to excel.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don’t get involved in gossip. Be the one who is talked about rather than the one spreading rumors. Try something new, and blaze new trails, but most of all, live in the moment and have a little fun. Be proud of who you are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keep your emotions out of the workplace. It’s important that you do your job to the best of your ability and keep moving. Any sign of weakness could cost you financially. Push to get ahead, and don’t look back.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your tendency to procrastinate will be magnified. If you are confused, you are best to back away altogether rather than hesitate about what to do. If you can’t make up your mind, step aside.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Sign up for an interesting course, or go on a business trip. Your communication skills are on the rise, and your ability to give a unique interpretation of whatever situation you face will bring you recognition and rewards.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take a close look at contracts and other papers that may need to be updated or reviewed. Don’t let your emotions lead you down the wrong path. Separate business from pleasure, and you will avoid a misunderstanding.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Partnerships will be uncertain if you can’t come to terms with what you want and are willing to offer. Equality will be the most important factor no matter what you are trying to negotiate. Play fair, and demand the same in return.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don’t give up or give in when you should make changes that are more conducive to getting what you want. The improvements you make to your income look promising, and they will buy you the freedom you want to explore new options.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Consider an attractive offer. It is likely better than you first anticipated, and with a little tweaking, you should be able to get what you want. Love is highlighted, and a celebration will bring you closer to someone special.

Water doesn’t freeze at 32 degrees Fahrenheit in Congress. It’s all negotiable depending on how much you want to pay them.

— Allen Hershkowitz

POLITICS

(ADA's long and winding road)

Twenty-five years later, disability-rights community says opposition has retreated, but a number of hurdles remain for the Americans with Disability Act.

By BRENT GRIFFITHS

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Marca Bristo does not think the Americans with Disability Act could pass today.

Bristo is a key disability-rights advocate. She was the first person with a disability to chair the National Council on Disability — a presidential appointment. As a member of the congressional-appointed task force, she worked with then-Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, and others to pass the ADA.

"Disability has always been a bipartisan issue, but as we are seeing more and more retrenchment," Bristo said. "It gives me pause that the rights we fought so hard for will be lost."

For all its acceptance and changes, the law has sparked opposition in the political realm.

These pockets of opposition are based on similar reasons for which many opposed the law in the first place, said Bob Kafka, an organizer with an Austin, Texas, disability-rights group. They include the cost of complying with the law, fears about litigation, and a belief that changes would be better accomplished through voluntary measures than federal mandates.

"The battle that is going on in many, many areas is to limit central-government control and push it back down to the states," Kafka said. "There are a lot of folks who are in the conservative movement who would like to dismantle the ADA."

Advocates point to Congress' consideration of a bill that would give business owners 90 days to fix any alleged violations before legal action could be taken.

Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., most recently pushed the legislation. Far from the first to propose what activists say is a business-friendly bill, the four-term Republican proposed the ADA Notification Act for three-straight sessions starting in 2009.

While small fights in Congress continue to crop up, a change is underway for another longtime source of opposition: the business community.

"I think leaders in the business community are starting to see what we said all along, that people with disabilities are market and that they add value to your company by diversifying the way you think," Bristo said.

Most of the continuing efforts against the ADA have occurred in such places as the Justice Department's open-comment periods for regulations.

A federal-government study conducted in part with the University of Iowa largely dismissed those arguments. The Jobs Accommodation Network, an offshoot of the Labor Department, worked with the UI's Law, Health Policy, and Disability Center from 2004 to 2006 and did subsequent work with the West Virginia School of Social Work between 2008 and 2014. Interviewers asked employers who reached out to the network about the ADA and/or how they would accommodate employees — the same respondents were called back about eight weeks later.

The three studies found that among those who provided cost information, accommodations required relatively little investment — approximately \$500. A majority of business owners reported that accommodations cost nothing at all.

The findings, said Peter Blanck, who worked on the study, illustrate that opponents have nothing to stand on.

"Virtually all of these presumptions have not been borne out empirically," said Blanck, a former UI professor of law and psychology and now chairman of the Burton Blatt Institute at Syracuse University, which focuses on civic, economic, and social participation of people with disabilities.

Even in a gridlocked Washington, D.C., skir-

mishes over the ADA continue.

Opposition to the law — especially from members of the business community — push back at the ADA when bureaucratic measures such as making rules are under consideration.

While clearly a law, the act still undergoes periodic review through the Justice Department. The department has the ultimate authority to enforce the act and at times has clarified some of its provisions.

Take, for example, two of the most high-profile regulations, which were considered and put into place.

One such action regarded the private and public pools and spas and how they can do more to make their facilities accessible. The other rule applied to movie theaters and the steps owners must take to include closed captioning in their offerings.

In both cases, business interests, including the National Association of Theater Owners and the American Hotel and Lodging Association, pushed back against any changes.

Skirmishes over these rules and others similar to it continue to crop up, but other business interests have changed their level of opposition recently.

To the surprise of Bristo, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce went from opposing a number of ADA goals in the 1990s to helping restructure it in 2008 after U.S. Supreme Court curtailed the law — including the definition of a disability.

"I think the Chamber [members have] come to understand that a lot of the things they were afraid of have not come true," Bristo said.

To best understand the changes, one needs to look no further than the Chamber of Commerce. As Ronald Reagan's presidency was drawing to a close in the late-1980s, the Chamber staked out clear positions against early drafts of the ADA. Businesses, its representatives said, could not stomach the possibility

of losing significant sums in court not to mention face the requirement to retrofit and reconfigure their spaces to accommodate people with disabilities.

Then-Chamber attorney Nancy Fulco said that at the time, she opposed the underlying principles behind the push for disability rights. She believed the strong arm of the federal government, working in tune with the court system, was not the best vehicle for such equality.

"We're talking here about a whole universe of folks who've never had to deal with a law like this and have no idea what is involved," Fulco told the *New York Times* during the debate. "Leaving reasonableness to the discretion of the courts is scary, and it's a mistake to think it's not going to cause litigation. We're going to see litigation all over the place."

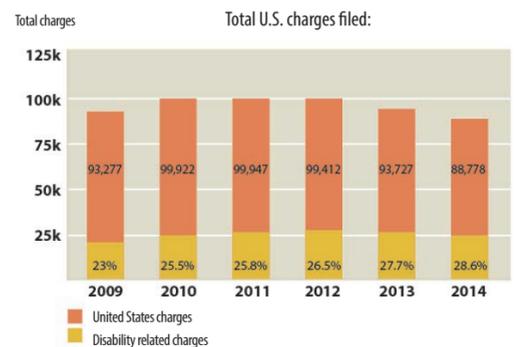
Opposition from business interests still sticks out in the minds of disability-rights advocates, but perhaps their biggest fear for the ADA is if the law were to get swept up in a renewed push for deregulation. The Reagan administration included a precursor to the ADA in an early cap on regulation — advocates lobbied and ultimately succeeded in extracting disability-rights provisions from the larger deregulation push. Their success combined with later efforts that built up momentum to the ADA.

With a Republican-controlled Congress and the prospects of the party taking back the White House, activists say this is among their top concerns.

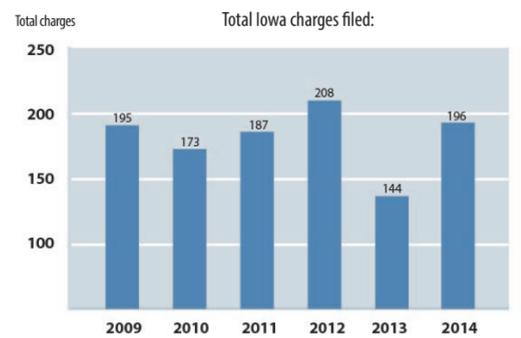
This progress is something Tom Gilsenan of Uptown Bill's said has led to a greater acceptance of people with disabilities in society: the type of progress Harkin and others fighting for the ADA's passage wanted all along.

"It's a continuing journey of inclusion, and we are building awareness in the whole population," Gilsenan said.

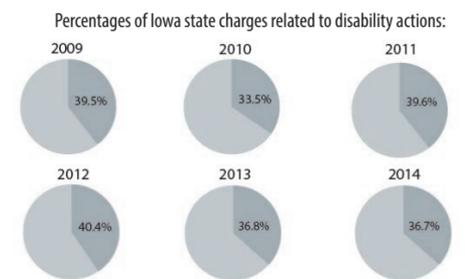
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This chart displays the total charges filled with the commission and the percentage of those filings that were disability related.



This graphic display the total charges filled in Iowa based on commission data. It also shows the percentage of those filings that are disability related.



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Kasich says the more, the merrier

Ohio Gov. John Kasich has joined the seemingly endless list of Republicans seeking their party's presidential nomination.

Kasich is the 16th notable candidate to announce a bid, following Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker, who launched his campaign last week.

The 63-year-old announced his candidacy at Ohio State University, and 2,000 people attended the event.

"I am here to ask you for your prayers, for your support, for your efforts because I have decided to run for president," Kasich said at the event.

Of all the declared candidates, Kasich has visited Iowa the least.

In the past year, he visited the state once. He stopped at the 2015 National Junior High Finals

Rodeo on June 24 at the Iowa State Fairgrounds, in which a team from Ohio was participating. That same day, he made numerous stops in Des Moines and a meet-and-greet in Council Bluffs.

Though Kasich has not been in Iowa very much, he is not last in polling for the state.

Two percent of likely Iowa caucus-goers said Kasich would be their first choice for president, according to a Quinnipiac University Poll released in June. With a 3.8 percentage-point margin of error, Walker leads at 18 percent.

Former New York Gov. George Pataki and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie are behind Kasich in the Iowa polls.

Kasich has yet to announce a trip to Iowa, but he will head to New Hampshire for a two-day tour.

— by Rebecca Morin

Political stock market

The Iowa Electronic Market is a small-scale futures market that uses real money that can lead to a payoff, depending on economic and political events — including the 2016 presidential election. The stocks are based on \$1.

Here are the bids for the 2016 Presidential Vote Share Market, which is similar to a poll that will determine which party a voter will choose. According to the latest bid, the number of votes Democrats and Republicans will receive are almost equal, with a small lean to the Democratic side.

SYMBOL	BID	ASK	LAST
Democrats	0.483	0.517	0.493
Republicans	0.478	0.507	0.408

Here are the bids for the 2016 Winner-Take-All Market, in which the prices in the graph are the probability of that party being chosen. According to the latest bid, the probability Democrats will win this election is high, at approximately 61 percent.

SYMBOL	BID	ASK	LAST
Democrats	0.602	0.608	0.610
Republicans	0.392	0.400	0.393

Schwarber thumps Reds

By **JOE KAY**

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Kyle Schwarber hit a tying 2-run homer in the ninth inning, then completed yet another big night at Great American Ball Park with a solo shot in the 13th, rallying the Chicago Cubs to a 5-4 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Tuesday.

Schwarber's homer off Nate Adcock (1-2) gave the rookie his first two-homer game, right in the ballpark where he grew up rooting for the

Reds.

The catcher grew up in nearby Middletown, Ohio, and was called up briefly last month. He hit his first homer in Cleveland. He got to play at Great American in the All-Star Futures game nine days ago and won the MVP award with a 2-run triple.

Schwarber, the fourth overall draft pick last year, doubled home a run Tuesday and then tied it with his 424-foot homer in the ninth off J.J. Hoover, who was filling in as the closer while

Aroldis Chapman got a day of rest. It was the first homer Hoover had allowed all season.

Jason Motte (7-1) allowed 3 hits in two innings. Justin Grimm pitched the 13th for his second save in three chances.

Cincinnati's Todd Frazier had another big game, driving in 3 runs with a sacrifice fly and a tiebreaking, 2-run single in the seventh inning for a 4-2 lead.

Frazier had been in a deep slump since winning the All-Star Home Run Derby at Great American Ball Park, go-

ing hitless until he homered during a 5-4 win in the series opener on Monday. He kept it going Tuesday with his 2-run single in the seventh off Pedro Strop.

The Cubs tied it 2-2 in the sixth on Chris Coghlan's solo homer, which was subject to a video review. The umpires initially ruled the ball was in play after it landed near the top of the wall in left field as a fan reached for it, with Coghlan making it to third base. He was awarded home after a three-minute, 42-second review.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Cubs: Manager Joe Maddon is going easy with reliever Neil Ramirez, who was activated June 28 after being sidelined more than two months with an inflamed pitching shoulder. He hasn't thrown on consecutive days.

Reds: CF Billy Hamilton was out of the starting lineup, getting a day off. He went 0-for-3 on Monday night, dropping his batting average to .215.

UP NEXT:

Cubs: Kyle Hendricks and Dallas Beeler will start a day-night make-up double-header today. Hendricks made his major-league debut at Great American on July 10 last season, his only appearance there.

Reds: Mike Leake and left-hander Tony Cingrani will start the doubleheader. Cingrani will be activated off the DL, where he's been since June 15 with a strained pitching shoulder.



Chicago Cub rookie catcher Kyle Schwarber is congratulated by David Ross (3) and manager Joe Maddon (70) following the Cubs' 5-4 win over the Cincinnati Reds on Tuesday in Cincinnati. Schwarber hit a go-ahead home run in the 13th inning and a game-tying homer in the ninth. (Associated Press/Gary Landers)

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Holliday powers Cardinals

By **MATT CARLSON**

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Matt Holliday hit his sixth career grand slam, powering Michael Wacha and the St. Louis Cardinals past the Chicago White Sox, 8-5, on Tuesday night.

Holliday homered for the first time since May 12. He returned July 17 after missing 31 games because of a strained right quadriceps.

Holliday connected in the fourth inning for his fourth homer. Mark Reynolds added a solo shot in the fifth.

Wacha (11-3) gave up 5 runs in five innings. Trevor Rosenthal pitched the ninth for his 28th save in 30 chances. Stephen Piscotty, St.

Louis' top hitting prospect, made his major league debut playing left field. He had an infield single in four at-bats and struck out twice.

Yadier Molina drove in 2 runs, and Matt Carpenter added an RBI for the Cardinals, swept by the White Sox in St. Louis three weeks ago.

Carlos Rodon (3-3) was tagged for 7 hits in four innings as the Cardinals built a 7-0 lead. Chicago lost its third in a row.

White Sox rookie Tyler Saladino homered for the second-straight game. He and Geovany Soto homered off Wacha in the fifth.

Four Cardinals relievers combined for four scoreless innings, handing the White Sox their fourth loss in five games

since the All-Star break. Carpenter ended an 0-for-17 slump with an RBI single in the second.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Cardinals: RHP Mitch Harris (right groin strain) was sent to Triple-A Memphis to begin a 20-day rehab assignment. ... OF Jason Heyward started in right field after exiting the July 18 game again the Mets because of leg cramps. Heyward, who also had a head cold, didn't start on Sunday but pinch hit in an 18-inning, 3-1 loss to New York.

UP NEXT

White Sox LHP John Danks (5-8, 4.98) will

face St. Louis RHP Lance Lynn (7-5, 2.79) today in the second game of the two-game set. Danks will make his first career appearance against the Cardinals. Lynn is 1-0 with an 0.68 ERA in two career starts against the White Sox.

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St. Louis Cardinal Matt Holliday hits a grand slam off Chicago White Sox starting pitcher Carlos Rodon during the fourth inning on Tuesday in Chicago. (Associated Press/Charles Rex Arbogast)

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concussions and other injuries derailed a promising career. In 2011, just his second season, he recorded 148 tackles — good for fourth in the league.

Greene won the Doak Walker Award in 2008 for college football's top running back, setting a pair of single-season Iowa rushing records in the process. He was drafted in the third round by the New York Jets in 2009 and amassed more than 4,000 career rushing yards before being released by the Tennessee Titans during this off-season.

Yanda has been a model of consistency in the NFL in his eight seasons. Recently, he was named to the NFL's "Top 100 Players of 2015," coming in at No. 76 as voted by the players.

For a more recent example, Brandon Scherff entered in 2010 as a three star according to Rivals and left as the

fifth-overall pick in this year's NFL draft.

"Brandon Scherff is easily a five star when it mattered, and that's when he left college," Wallace said.

Iowa's 2015 class finished at No. 58 on Rivals by National Signing Day, and perhaps that's where the 2016 class is destined to end up. But it doesn't matter to Wallace, whose main focus is finding players that fit the "Iowa profile."

"If they've got a base of knowledge in terms of Iowa and the Big Ten, that's extremely important in the recruiting process," he said. "Versus somebody, that, they don't know where the hell Iowa is, they couldn't put Iowa north or south of Missouri."

"We want guys that know what Iowa is, or they're going to fight like hell to find out."

However, there is some obvious correlation between the top programs and the Rivals recruiting rankings. Take last year's four College Football Playoff finalists, for instance.

Since 2010, Florida State and Alabama have finished in the top 10 every year. National champion Ohio State finished in the top 10 from 2012 on, ranking 11th in 2011 and 25th in 2010.

Oregon ranked in the top 10 in just one of those years (No. 9 in 2011) but outside the top 25 just once as well (No. 26 in 2014).

In that time, Iowa's highest-ranked class came in 2011 — one that Rivals evaluated at No. 30.

Regardless, the Iowa staff seems to pay little attention. Wallace noted that aside from measurables such as size and 40-time and whatever can be seen on tape, the recruiting rankings have little to base themselves on. And many of the top-ranked players earn stars from taking part in various camps and combines.

"It's an inexact science; there's no blueprint," Wallace said. "We certainly don't get caught up in the rankings; whether we're 19th or 55th, it doesn't make a difference to us."



Iowa running back Jordan Canzeri dashes for daylight during the Hawkeyes' West Des Moines open practice at Valley High on April 11. The Hawkeyes will open camp on Aug. 6. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)



Hawkeye quarterback C.J. Beathard gets ready for a passing drill during Iowa's West Des Moines open practice at Valley High on April 11. (The Daily Iowan/John Theulen)

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Ahrens' squad has the top seed in the playoffs after finishing 5-1, and it is the other team to beat in the Prime Time playoffs.

Adam Woodbury gives it a legitimate presence down low, something that Settles and Company lack. And Dondre Alexander is a game-changing guard but can easily lose a game for his team with his often-careless play.

Bottom line? Settles' team has just too many weapons at this point, and it is led by what looks like an emerging star in Fleming.

— Charlie Green

When the Prime Time playoffs begin, the league feels more top-heavy than I recall it being last summer, with two teams seeming having distinguished themselves as the top of

the class. Ahrens' Armstrong Team, however, has the physical game-changers to earn the nod over Settles' Marion Iron.

The 7-1 Adam Woodbury stands alone as a physical specimen in Prime Time, and he has dominated the post and glass. He has shown a tendency to experiment with a mid-range jumper in the summer league, but I expect Ahrens to aggressively post him on the low block, where he can get a look over anybody.

Furthermore, 6-5 guard Dondre Alexander is the driving force on the perimeter, and he is, quite frankly, the most physically gifted guard in the league.

Complementing Woodbury, Alexander's relentless attacking can overwhelm opposing defenses, and his ability to get hot from the outside can make the offense unstoppable. The duo is also a defensive nightmare both inside and out, and Alexander has the vision to incorporate a talented roster.

Ahrens gets major points for drafting Iowa's Okey Ukah, one of the only players in the league who would have been able to put up a fight against Woodbury. Together, they form an imposing frontcourt, which meshes beautifully with a bevy of talented guards and wings around them.

Wayne State sophomore Kendall Jacks has been very impressive as a combo guard this summer, and Northern Iowa's Spencer Haldeman and Luke McDonnell, as well as Mount Mercy's Malik Williams, have contributed to an offense that can make shots from the outside and be a handful in transition.

All together, this team has the best blend of physical superiority, depth, defense, and the ability to score points. Three games and one week from now, Ahrens and his team will celebrate a well-deserved title victory.

— Kyle Mann

GAME TIME

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the wing. Together, these three provide a core that could give Disterhoft and Doolittle trouble in their semifinal matchup.

The winner will advance to play either top-seeded Marion Iron or Brian Joens' Cullen/Joensy's, which play each other tonight as well.

Larson's squad finished undefeated in the regular season and beat Joens' team, 144-75, in a July 1 showdown.

"They beat us by about 75 points, so we're just hoping to improve on that," Joens said.

Although Larson will be without point guard Moran Lonning, the team still has the top guard in the league in Whitney Jennings, as well as Iowa forward Claire Till and a slew of other contributors.

Joens' point guard, Hawkeye Alexa Kastanek, has

She'll need help to keep up with the up-tempo attack of Larson's team. Iowa's Nicole Smith can score in the paint for Joens, but she will need to get back on defense in transition and protect the rim.

With a shot at the championship game at stake, Kastanek is focused keeping Larson's high-powered offense at bay — something yet to be accomplished by any team this summer.

"Our defense is what's really gotten us ahead and helped us," Kastanek said. "When we get rebounds, we can push, and that's one of our strong suits. We have a lot of athletes, a lot of girls who can get up and down the floor."

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— Alexa Kastanek, point guard

been on a tear recently, and she will be relied on to carry a heavy burden on both ends of the floor — charged with putting up big scoring numbers and on defense, slowing down Jennings.

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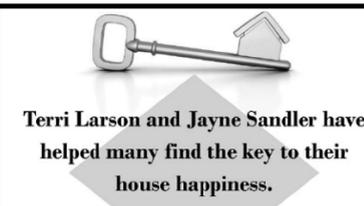
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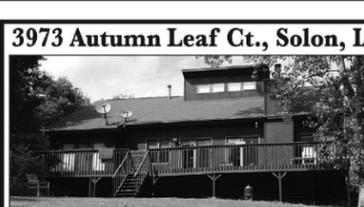
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Iowa wide receiver Riley McCarron catches the ball during Iowa's West Des Moines open practice at the Valley High football stadium on April 11. The Hawkeyes' main recruiters pooh-pooh the various rating systems for incoming recruits. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

Hawk recruiters snub rankings

Rivals.com ranks Iowa's 2016 recruiting class as its best since 2005, but what does that really mean?

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It's a long way from 2016 National Signing Day, when Iowa football's recruiting class for the year will be officially set.

But early on, Rivals.com, a website that ranks college recruiting classes for several sports, has named the collective group of oral commitments as the 21st best in the country — the highest rating for the Hawkeyes since the 2005 class ranked No. 11.

But to the Iowa coaching staff, the rankings from outlets such as Rivals and 247Sports mean little to nothing.

"I don't know how the rankings work; I never look at them," recruiting coordinator Seth Wallace said. "I know that some folks talk about them; we certainly don't around here."

Early on, the class ranks ahead of programs such as Florida (No. 25), Auburn (No. 28), Notre Dame (No. 30), and Texas A&M (No. 33).

Iowa has 21 oral commitments at this point, more than anyone with the exception of Miami (Florida). Each recruit adds to a point total that determines the rankings, meaning that Iowa's high volume early on has it in the top 25.

Of the recruits, 13 are rated as three-star players, and the rest are listed as two stars. According to Rivals, none of Iowa's 2016 recruits have above a three-star rating, which matters little to Wallace and Iowa's coaching staff.

"There's so much outside influence to where a young man's going to be four or five years from now," Wallace said. "That's where the stars become irrelevant to me."

An examination of the 2005 class that Rivals ranked so highly may back up Wallace's point. It included one

five star, seven four stars, and 11 three stars.

The players with four stars and above included Calvin Bailey, Ryan Bain, Jake Christensen, Dan Doring, Rafael Eubanks, Alex Kanellis, Tony Moeaki, and Dace Richardson.

Of those eight, only Moeaki went on to a career in the NFL, where he remains today as a member of the Atlanta Falcons. Eubanks and Richardson each had good careers as offensive lineman — both earned second-team All-Big Ten honors from the coaches in 2009.

The others dropped off for a variety of reasons, including injuries, poor performance, and apparent dissatisfaction with the program.

The three-star recruits included Pat Angerer, Shonn Greene, and Marshal Yanda. Angerer played linebacker for the Indianapolis Colts from 2010-2013 before

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GAME TIME LEAGUE

Disterhoft, Davis face off in playoffs

Ally Disterhoft will try to take down Tania Davis and Company for a chance to play in the championship game.

By **CHARLIE GREEN**
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Four teams remain in the Game Time League playoffs as the semifinals tip off tonight in North Liberty. Ally Disterhoft returned last week, and has transformed Bethany Doolittle's last-place Comfort Care/Pelling team into a legitimate obstacle for Kay DiLeo's second-seeded Beat the Bookstore/Wesport.

"We're just going to have to bang around out there," Disterhoft said. "It's going to be a physical game, ... we're really just going to have to focus in defensively."

Disterhoft scored 29 points in her league debut on July 15, shooting 6-of-6 from the 3 zone. She's paired with former Hawkeye forward Doolittle, a presence on the glass and in the offensive post. Iowa forward Hailey Schneden gives the team a solid defender and third option offensively; she logged a double-double in last week's action.

But DiLeo's roster might be the most complete in Game Time. The team lost just one game in the regular season, a 103-100 loss to



Iowa's Megan Gustafson attempts to score on an offensive rebound during Game Time action on July 1 in North Liberty. Gustafson scored 17 points in her team's 66-53 win. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

Randy Larson's Marion Iron on July 8.

Point guard Tania Davis, a five-star recruit and incoming Iowa freshman, leads the way for DiLeo. In four regular-season games, she averaged 27.0 points per game, putting athleticism and a

high basketball IQ on full display.

Down low, fellow incoming Iowa freshman Megan Gustafson has been the most dominant inside player of the summer. A physically imposing 6-3 forward from Wisconsin, she's been virtu-

ally unstoppable in the paint — averaging 19.8 points and 14.5 rebounds per contest.

Swing player Kate Letkewicz of Dartmouth also gives the team a spot-up perimeter shooter and slasher from

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POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Who's the Prime Time favorite?

Marion Iron

Ex-Hawkeye star Jess Settles' Marion Iron team may have lost to Dan Ahrens' Jill Armstrong Team earlier in the season, but it heads into the playoffs with a roster clicking so well that no one's beating it.

The four-guard attack that Settles has at his disposal is one unlike any other in the Prime Time League.

Northern Iowa's Wes Washpun has an extra spring in his step at point guard, providing an explosive style of play that, when he's on, is a nightmare for teams to deal with.

Former Iowa star guard Matt Gatens gives the team experience and a skilled scoring threat from the wing, while Hawk Brady Ellingson could be the best pure shooter the league has to offer.

And then there's incoming Hawkeye Andrew Fleming. I mean, the man hasn't even played college ball yet and could well be named Prime Time MVP.

No one plays harder. No one plays with more confidence. He shoots a lot, yes, but shoots as if he perpetually remembers his last make only. He's on fire, especially after dropping 42 last week in the absence of Gatens and Ellingson.

At this point, I just don't see anyone stopping him. Nobody has.

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