**Science fuels Obama challenger**

An Arizona engineer is in his second go-round as a Democratic presidential candidate.

By KATIE HEINE

RIVERSIDE, Iowa — Harry Braun is not a politician, and he said so himself in front of nearly 30 people on Sunday.

But Braun "believes" in science. And science, he said, is the driving force behind his decision to run as a Democratic challenger in the 2012 election against incumbent President Obama.

"We're passing the tipping point of no return," said Braun, who has worked as an energy analyst for more than 30 years. "The 62-year-old candidate said America's energy policy was "broken." Braun said, he would rely on another major goal of his campaign — rallying support for a constitutional convention.

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Spotlight Iowa City

Childcare with imagination

Sharon McDonald took over the Melrose Ave. daycare in 1987.

BY LINDSAY DOUGLAS

Twelve-hour hours and 24-hour care stretch across the endless hours for the 35 children at Sharon’s Child Care Center where one teacher can take care of 12 children. “Every hour on the job the children are in our care is important,” said McDonald. “Every hour the parents are off crying over the fact that their kids are happy, safe and healthy is important to us.”

Located at 33 N. 3rd St., Sharon McDonald has been running the daycare out of her own home since 1987. Teachers often comment on how difficult it is to get her to leave her daycare.

“I’ve never known anyone who is so dedicated to her job,” said Andrea Stowe, teacher at the daycare. “She’s always willing to go the extra mile to make sure the children have the best experience possible.”

Sharon McDonald’s favorite part of her job is seeing the children grow and develop.

“The most rewarding part of my job is watching these children develop into confident and successful adults,” said McDonald. “They are a joy to be around and I love seeing how much they have grown and changed over the years.”

Sharon McDonald, the director of the Sharon McDonald Child Care Center, is pictured in the background of the daycare. A staff member at the daycare looks on.

MAN Eerdale

Man faces charges

A man arrested early Sunday morning after allegedly sexually assaulting a 14-year-old girl.

According to police reports, a 14-year-old girl was sexually assaulted early Sunday morning at 200 S. 5th St. in Benton. The suspect, 33-year-old Michael P. Martin, was arrested at the scene and charged with sexual assault.

In 2007, Martin was arrested for sexual abuse of a child and was sentenced to two years in prison. The same year, he was charged with sexual abuse of a child and was sentenced to one year in prison.

Martin is currently being held at the Johnson County Jail and is scheduled to appear in court on June 15. If convicted, he could face up to 10 years in prison, a fine of $10,000 and mandatory supervised release for five years.

— by Brian Albert

Coralline man arrested

A 33-year-old man was arrested Wednesday for allegedly stabbing a man in a bar in Coralline.

According to police reports, the incident occurred around 10 p.m. at the local bar in Coralline. The suspect, 33-year-old Michael J. Smith, was arrested and charged with assault.

Smith has previously been arrested for assault in 2015 and 2017. If convicted, he could face up to five years in prison, a fine of $5,000 and mandatory supervised release for five years.

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Area man charged with 3rd OWI

A 35-year-old man was arrested Wednesday for allegedly driving under the influence of alcohol.

According to police reports, the incident occurred around 9 p.m. at the local bar in Coralline. The suspect, 35-year-old Matthew J. Smith, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence.

Smith has previously been arrested for driving under the influence in 2015 and 2017. If convicted, he could face up to five years in prison, a fine of $5,000 and mandatory supervised release for five years.

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BLOTTER

Henry Brown, 32, 2844 Calcium Ave. with 2nd OWI charge.

On Wednesday, June 8, Henry Brown, 32, Calcium Ave., was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. According to police reports, Brown was driving a white Ford Focus on Calcium Ave. when he was pulled over by a police officer who noticed he was driving erratically.

Brown was arrested and charged with driving under the influence. If convicted, he could face up to five years in prison, a fine of $10,000 and mandatory supervised release for five years.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF STORM WATER DISCHARGE

Klinefelter Construction Co., Johnson County, 16 plan street, Iowa City, will discharge storm water to Iowa River Resources to be covered under the NPDES Permit No. 2. “Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for roadway construction” of the Iowa River Resources.

The storm water discharge will be from the construction site of a single family residence at 2446 Wickham Lane, Lot 61 of the Unicorn Ridge Subdivision, Coralville, located in the City of Coralville, Johnson County, Iowa. The storm water will discharge into the Iowa River Resources, a tributary to the Iowa River.

Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge Committee, IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, Resources, Environmental Protection Division, Henry A. Wallace Blvd., Ste. 306, Des Moines, IA 50309-0284. The public may review the proposal at the Coralville City Hall every Monday through Friday, at the address above after it has been submitted to the department.
MARTIAL ARTS CONTINUED FROM 1

Events similar to those conducted by a martial-arts research, which helps to see if there was more
injury than people everywhere, according to the
Choe said tai kwon do
helps children learn
He said some children
often have trouble with
behavior problems, but
not that tai kwon do, they learn respect.

“Tae kwon do is very
loyal to the school,” he said.
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St. Jude to host a fundrai-
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them. Often, people less
experienced in politics
begin to promote a partic-
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that other candidates
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but that doesn’t happen.

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With 300 million peo-
ple, we can’t hold an elec-
tion every time something
comes up,” he said, noting
that such a convention
would be unworkable.

Dennis Rosenman, the
former head of the John-
son County Democrat,
has been contacted by
Braun’s campaign several
times. And although Rose-
man said he is “a strong
Obama supporter,” he
heard through Braun’s
platform.

But despite being pass-
ionate about several issues,
Rosenman noted Braun
linked any political experi-
ence to his goal.

“I appreciate good ideas
and new ideas,” Rosenman
said. “But in terms of being
a candidate, you need more
than that.”

But even a fringe can-
didate can have an effect on
an election’s outcome,
Hagle said, such as in the
2000 general election when
Ralph Nader siphoned
enough votes in Florida to
leave Al Gore just shy of
beating George Bush.

“Sometimes, they hit on
a particular issue, and it
just resonates with peo-
ple,” he said.
University of Iowa officials were quick to endorse the decrease in alcohol use and the success of initiatives such as the Alcohol Harm Reduction Plan enacted in 2009. From this data, it is impossible to definitely disprove that changes in the state Board of Regents' (UI) policies correlate with the decrease in the number of incidents of violence experienced by survey respondents, especially since the survey relies so specifically on each student's experience rather than interactions with police. Additionally, the data do not always return a clear, credible picture of the overall decrease as a result of comparison with previous surveys and because of the self-reporting nature of the survey. These statistics bolster the UI's claims that its alcohol-harm-reduction initiatives are cost-effective. But to name a few. Still, the data do seem to indicate an encouraging trend in the students' behavior to the anti-binge-drinking measures. 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Program works to reunite parents, kids

The program uses the help of parents who have had their children taken away.

By EDDIE KIRKIN

Nikosannna “Zee” Brown, 21, told you how she lost her children and the task to get them back with little hesitation.

“Our situation, it was different,” Brown said. “We had six children, ages 30, 25, 23, 20, 18, 14. I moved out of the room. She was determined to pay for her own hotel room. She was living in Chicago. She and her husband, Tony Brown, 41, faced charges of drug delivery of controlled substance, possession, neglect of a dependent child. It wasn’t good, it wasn’t good at all,” Zee Brown said.

It took them more than a day to tell her husband were eventually able to reunite with their children. And it was precisely this experience that led them to join a local program that speaks to doing the very same thing for other families. Parents Like Us is a program that is run locally through the Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County, a site that is part of the Department of Human Services. The Johnson County site has existed for almost three years. The grant-funded program partners with local parents who have had their children removed from their home and then retrained to help other parents gain the skills they need to keep their children.

This better way (to help parents) than a per- son who’s never been through this before,” said RaQuishia Harrington, 30, the Parent Partner Program coordinator for Johnson County. “Their attitudes, their demeanor, the whole outlook on life changes, and you have someone who’s more reliable than them is just the social service providers coming to tell them you need to do X, Y, and Z.”

Harrington and the mentors see no common theme why for children are removed from their parents.

“It’s very traumatizing,” said Whitney Wost- en, 23, a mentor. “So your child has a stranger who you don’t know. You, the cotton says they’re OK, and the community members they are OK, but that’s still your baby.”

Local kids play on a merry-go-round during the Juneteenth celebration on Sunday at Mercer Park. The celebration was held to honor the ending of slavery in the United States.

Lindsay Peltz, 28, said she could get her kids back.

“I had to cut off ties to my children’s father,” she said. “I also had to cut off ties with anyone I had one I had known during my drugging days, which left me with my mom. I worked a case. I ended up getting my children back.”

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And although the mentors and Parent Partners have a high success rate, there are cases where reunification is not possi- ble. The mentors, however, remain there for the parents. “Our role as the Parent Partners changes,” Peltz said. “We are no longer helping them with the kids. We are helping them find a new normal.”

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NATHAN WULF
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• Because cyclists are more likely to ride solitarily if they know they can
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today's events
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• Summer Playgrounds, 9:30 a.m., Cowles Park
• Summer Playgrounds, 9:30 a.m., Farmanowek Park
• Summer Playgrounds, 9:30 a.m., Willow Creek Park
• Summer Playgrounds, 9 a.m., Senior Center, 280 N Linn
• Toddler Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 121 S Linn
• Iowa Summer Writing Festival / Elevator Room, “Party Line: Finding a More Purposeful Feedback for Our Writing,” 11 a.m., 101 Biology Building East
• Hand and Foot, noon, Senior Center, 280 N Linn
• Kids Sewing: Sketch book Bag, 1 p.m., Home Ed Workshop, 207 N Linn
• Summer Playgrounds, 1 p.m., Wetherby Park
• Tennis Zone, 1 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
• Garden Party, 5 p.m., Decorum & Models, 529 E. Market
• Ballroom Dance, 6 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
• Two Drop Poets, Brade, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
• ZUMBA, 6 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Society, 10 S. Gilbert
• Ballroom Dance Class, 7 p.m., Field House
• “Live from Prairie Lights,” Tom Montgomery-Fate, nonfiction, 7 p.m., Trustees, 115 S. Dubuque
• Iowa Summer Music Camp, jazz faculty concert, 7:30 p.m., University of Iowa Center Rector Hall
• “15 Assumptions, 8 p.m., Bijou
• Standup Comedy/Acoustic, 8 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 B. Linn

UI junior Tom Sun studies microeconomics in the Main Library on Sunday. Sun said he prefers to take classes in the summer to get them done faster and more efficiently.

Daily Break

The Daily Iowan - Iowa City, Iowa - Monday, June 27, 2011

Editorial Board, the
Updates from University of Iowa
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horoscope
Monday, June 27, 2011
by Eugenia Last

AMERS work well in the office so that you can move forward. Emotions will be a direct result of not following your heart. Your anger and frustration will be the most evident, but it’s one you can look to with some confidence.

TENANTS are on track to do things better. You have found a purpose, and your diet now affects your emotions. Expect a lot of positive passions and mood swings.

CANCERS are supposed to be happy. Everything will be as good as it sounds. Let charge and communication become your friend in the future. Put more effort into your personal needs and making your responsibilities that much more important.

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ing basketball team this season. The two had one more thing in common on Sun-
day. They shared a gym at the Muscatine Youth Commu-
nity Center, and their Prime Time League match-
drew a packed house.
(May and Hubbard are) two friends you catch, both know that the starting (basketball) spot is probably going to be one of those two — May’s a handle, and, luckily for Hubbard, May is Hub-
bard.
Hubbard was one assist short of a triple-double, with 26 points, 10 rebounds, and 9 assists as he led teams (54 to a 104-92 vic-
try. May wasn’t for behind.
Prime Time MVP Forgy scored 20 points in 10-11 shooting, but ultimately didn’t score enough help from his teammate to keep from falling to 1-2 in the season.
Hubbard started the game off with an impres-
sive drive to the hoop, where he made a lay-up and added a free throw. He converted the free throw.
Former Iowa River Hawks player Christopher Olsen, a 6-4 guard from Muscatine, Iowa, who left Hubbard left off the starting lineup, took the ball and shot, he took the ball up court and finished with a drive to the basket and a jumper. Former Panther Chip Rank scored 8-11 shooting by nailing two 3-pointers and adding a free throw, that gave the lead to Corner Two Rivers Bank & Trust team up by 13 points, 30-17.
Hubbard struggled early in the half. May and Hubbard had the first three shots he attempted, and Larrison turned in incoming low.
Anthony Hubbard goes for a layup during the second half of a Prime Time League game on Sunday. The Hawks forward led his squad to a 104-92 win.

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owner Rod Blair. New 45 years old, he started wrestling professionally in 1988. Blair has occasionally grabbed on TV with World Wrestling Entertainment, earlier in his career.
He first made contact with Ray when he was wrestling with Impact Pro Wrestling and traveled to Moscow to help set up a ring.
“Those wanted to know if I would go down and wrestle in a ring and help get the ball out,” Blair said. “So we took a chance and tried helping out with Mike and came up with the name, got our own ring and it got all licensed with the state of lows.”
11 the week, passed the time between the half time break. Hubbard’s last change Ray when he asked him to join another Prime Time team.
Blair has spent $5,000 on the gear, and a lot of time and money on starting a wrestling school.
Despite the help — Blair is licensed — all out of his

Mike Ray (right) fights Nick W橇ed during a Midwest Storm Wrestling Alliance event at Ribbed Blossom Brewing Co.

PRIME TIME LEAGUE

May, Hubbard battle

Anthony Hubbard and Eric May clash in a Prime Time Battle of Iowa small forwards. 

Frogs, who wrestle under the name Owen Donovan. Frogs, who have with the company for three years, has several family ties to the area, as well as a local area. Frogs is a natural fit as they My past three years have been amazing,” Forgy said. “Roden has an invested interest in the up-and-com-
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whistled for an inten-
tional foul on Genia in order as the Iowa City area. The play proved to be a turning point in the game — Falls' second of the second half.
Brad was not able to take the lead and close the game. The run away three-pointer plus from Genia, Bausbe, and White, and Falls also tightened up deftly before the end. The Hawks lead 10 points over the last nine minutes.
Marbles, Prime Time's leading scorer entering the match, hit a game-high three-pointer.

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Midwest wrestling alliance grows up

By Ben Schuff

Roy Devyn Marble poured in 30 points, but it wasn't enough to overtake the Prime Time League. Matt Gatens and Melsahn Basabe's team would push its first half lead to 6 or 7 points, but many remained optimistic about their chances. The junior hurdler went on to finish in 8.61 into the first round in Eugene, Ore., with a different race strategy than he had in his other race this year. For the first time all year, he took 14 strides through the first five hurdles before switching to 15 steps for the last half of the race — he had been making the switch after the first three hurdles earlier in the season. The change didn't work. "My first three starts were good," he said. "I was able to alternate [my legs over the hurdles] all the way up to the fourth hurdle. Over the hurdles, I was on my left leg and when I got to the fifth hurdle, I was still on my left leg. I should've been on my right leg. "That kind of screwed me up a little bit and kind of threw me off mentally."

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"It helped me for next year, as it kind of turned a negative situation into a positive one," he said. Sprinter Justin Austin met the same Harkese for the first time in 2000 and said they would be like "sprinters like us for the next three or four years, so we'll see what happens." He said he didn't regret making the switch after the first three hurdles earlier in the season. The change didn't work. "My first three starts were good," he said. "I was able to alternate [my legs over the hurdles] all the way up to the fourth hurdle. Over the hurdles, I was on my left leg and when I got to the fifth hurdle, I was still on my left leg. I should've been on my right leg. "That kind of screwed me up a little bit and kind of threw me off mentally."

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