**Politics use broad canvas**

**UI College Republicans plan to knock on doors again before the Nov. 8 election.**

*By ANDREY ROSEN*

Daily Iowan

You might not know it, but the University of Iowa is gearing up. They’re involved in a Linn County statehouse race that will likely have a big impact on state policies.

“I think we are becoming more aware of how effective knocking on doors is as a grassroots campaign,” said University of Iowa College Republican President John Twillman. “We are trying to get face-to-face contact with future voters.”

Roughly 11 UI College Republicans traveled to Iowa Senate hopeful Cindy Golding’s headquarters in Marion to help support Golding through the campaign on the morning of Oct. 29.

“It was the first time UI College Republicans had volunteered to knock on doors for Cindy Golding,” said Twillman.

The group gathered with other volunteers from across Johnson County to reach out to Golding’s votes in rural Iowa to support Golding, the Republican candidate running for the 18th District Senate seat.

The seat is currently held by a Democrat, and with the recent actions of City Council, the recognition of former Mayor-decorated war hero, then-senator, and the front of the building that once housed Vito’s bar is seen on Sunday. Some believe the building is haunted. (The Daily Iowan/Tom Majka)

Blizzard whacks East Windsor, Conn. — A freak October storm knocked out power to more than 1 million homes and businesses across the Northeast on Sunday in a rare event because leaves still on the forest caught more snow, creating branches that snapped and weakened homes. Close to 2 feet of snow fell in some areas over the weekend, and it was particularly wet and heavy, making the storm even more damaging.

“The snow just absolutely tore up with the snow just shattering branches,” said Windsor resident Steven Veazie, whose service-staffed at the 18th District Senate seat.

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**PAYNE STRESSES BUSINESS PAST**

The candidate said she has experience in both big and small business.

**BY MARY KATE KOHN**

One Iowa City City Council candidate and city officials should be more aware of potential damage from the freak October snowfall. Some see the October snowfall as evidence of a changing climate.

“I would like to make it easier for businesses, developers — people like that — to deal with the city staff, so that they’re not looking at an outdated flood wall, and council candidate Michelle Payne, who is a University of Iowa student.

“Freak weather events are concerning for people in the city, not to have power out for over a week, and that’s what they said on how to jump over today.”

Payne said The Daily Iowan’s biggest news is that some Iowa City communities are generating business services and attractions that small businesses can be addressed through attracting more people to the area.

“We have great selling points for marketing Iowa City and getting not just tourists, but people here to stay,” Payne said. “The future is bright for the biggest area that we have...and economic development can be a part of our budget problems.”

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Creating the power of dance

By JULIA JESSEN

The Latin beat of the music reverberated across the small dance studio as a group of students, dressed in striking black and red fed the intensity and excitement that filled the room. Completeness at ease while moving in unison, the group held the palm of their hand to their chest and stomped their feet to the rhythm, creating a visual spectacle that was both energetic and graceful. This talent for creativity, energy and love is not limited to the dance floor. The local dance performance is a true expression of the city of Iowa's charm.

"She has a fascinating combination of qualities that make her a dancer," says one of her students. "She can be fierce and vulnerable at the same time, which makes her a unique performer." Her innovative and dynamic approach to dancing has captured the hearts of her fans, who eagerly await her next performance.

For Nora Garda, a dancer at the Iowa City Dance Co., the journey does not end with the performance. "I love the way that dance can connect people from all walks of life," says Garda. "It's not just about the physicality, but also about the emotions and stories that we can convey through our movements." Her passion for dance has not only led her to pursue her passion, but also to give back to her community by teaching dance to others.

Nora Garda

Hometown: Santa Fe, New Mexico
Favorite book: A Dance with the Devil
Favorite dinner: Japanese
Favorite hobby: Traveling

Nora Garda, achète à 15 Pharmacies and one of the leaders of dancing group Dina Qin 3Q, stretched her legs in a quiet room of the First Street Mall on Oct. 30. The second-floor dance studio for the Southeast Iowa Dance Project (SEIDP) is located in the former First Street Mall, North America, and offers high-quality dance classes, workshops, and performances.

"I love this community," says Garda. "It's such a fun place to be, and I feel so lucky to be a part of it."

"It's a really special place," says one of her students. "The energy is so positive, and everyone is so supportive."

Garda says that her love for dance stems from her experiences growing up in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where she discovered her passion for dance at a young age. "I grew up in a family that loved dancing," says Garda. "My parents were both involved in dance, and I was always surrounded by it."

"I think they kind of knew from the get-go," says her mother.

"I need the energy that dancing brings," says Garda.

METRO

Daily Iowan wins national recognition

The Daily Iowan is placed in the top five of the best newspaper among its size by the National College Media Conference over the weekend.

The Daily Iowan, which is the official student newspaper of the University of Iowa, was awarded the National College Media Conference’s Highest Award for Best Big-Town Daily.

Bandhu Shaw, 19, a senior at the University of Iowa, was one of the co-editors of the winning paper. "It was an incredible experience," says Shaw. "We’re really excited to have won this award."

"I never thought we would be able to do this," says Bandhu.

"We had an incredible team," says Shaw. "We worked really hard to make this happen, and we’re so proud of ourselves."

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"I’m so proud of the Daily Iowan," says Shaw. "I’m just so excited to be a part of something so amazing."
By KRISTEN EAST

Most of the candidates vyng for Iowa City Council seats hope they support the Occupy Iowa City movement. But when contacted by The Daily Iowan, Raj Patel, a first-time candidate, was skeptical of its ideals but voiced support for the movement's execution.

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Opinions

Should third-graders fail a literacy test be held back?

By Geo Tetlow

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All game finally broke when quarterback MarQueis Gray rumbled to his left before taking off to his right. He scampered into the end zone untouched; the only contact he felt was from linebacker James Morris' desperate diving tackle after he crossed the plane. Gray didn't convert the 2-point try, but the damage had been done. Minnesota led, 21-20.

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Recap

The running game. Coker carried the load of the rushing attack — he rushed 32 times, the fifth time this season he has had at least 20 — but he had a little help from Marvin McNutt (19 yards on an end-around) and James Vandenberg (21 yards, although he officially finished with minus 5 due to three sacks). Iowa outgained Minnesota 269-178 on the ground despite having just two more carries and ran for 14 first downs to the Gophers’ nine.

THUMBS DOWN

Everything else. The Hawkeyes missed two field goals. They looked surprised when Minnesota tried — and subsequently converted — a fourth-quarter onside kick. After playing passably well most of the game, the defense couldn’t get off the field in the fourth quarter. Minnesota had the ball for 12:25 in that period, 34% of that time of possession. The Gophers rushed for 210 yards on only 41 carries, 5.2 yards per attempt. The Hawkeyes had 58 tackles for loss, 13.5 sacks (second in the nation; 5.7 per game in the Big Ten) and 12 tackles for minus yards.

SCHEDULE

Sept. 3 Iowa 34, Tennessee Tech 7
Sept. 10 Iowa at Iowa State
Sept. 17 Iowa vs. Pittsburgh
Sept. 24 Iowa vs. Louisiana-Lafayette
Oct. 8 Iowa at Penn State
Oct. 15 Iowa vs. Northwestern
Oct. 22 Iowa vs. Indiana
Oct. 29 Iowa at Minnesota
Nov. 5 Iowa vs. Michigan
Nov. 12 Iowa vs. Michigan State
Nov. 26 Iowa at Nebraska
Dec. 26 Iowa at Rose Bowl

LOOK AHEAD

The Hawkeyes (5-3, 2-2 Big Ten) return home, but it could be an unhappy homecoming because Michigan comes to town next week. Iowa is giving up 163.6 yards per game on the ground, which doesn’t bode well against a Michigan team averaging 245.4 yards rushing in eight games. The Hawkeyes have especially struggled to contain mobile quarterbacks, and the Wolverines’ Denard Robinson is the gold standard for shifty gunslingers; he leads all quarterbacks with just more than 103 yards per game on the ground.
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Swimmers crush Spartans

By BEN ROSS

The Hawkeyes will continue to work hard in practice to prepare for Minnesota.

The Iowa swimming team hosted the event in Evanston, Ill., Wednesday through Nov. 6. The season's second great meet was taken down in the box

The Hawkeyes beat the Spartans, 1-0, coming off a strong performance against Wisconsin, the Iowa men's swimming team won all 16 events against Michigan State to cruise to a 202-91 win on Oct. 29 in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center. The Hawkeyes came off the blocks hot to start the meet, and they took the top two spots in the 200 medley relay. The quartet of Dustin Rhodes, Duncan Partridge, Paul Gordon, and Ryan Phelan earned first with a time of 1:30.60. Ryan Phelan earned first with a time of 1:30.60. Phelan said the strong start contributed to his success, and the aggressiveness his team displayed was a big reason for the victory. "Our relays got off to a really good start," the Cedar Rapids native said. "We won the 200 medley with a pretty good start," the sophomore added. "It was important to get off to a good start, and we did that." Iowa has taken advantage of its opportunities to swim competitively this season, Iowa's win over Michigan State gives the Hawkeyes a 2-0 record in the Big Ten before Minnesota visits Iowa City on Friday. In addition to be contribution in the 200 medley, Phelan — a senior All-American and captain — earned first-place finishes in the 50 and 100 freestyle. His time in the 90-100 tied for the second-fastest time in the nation.

"It was a great start," Iowa head coach Marc Long said. "We had a team that was hungry for a win." Long said he believes it will be a while until his team reaches its full potential. "We'll still be in a training phase," until January," he said. "It could be February. They work hard. As soon as we get an opportunity to race, they take advantage of it." Iowa has taken advantage of its opportunities to swim competitively this season, Iowa's win over Michigan State gives the Hawkeyes a 2-0 record in the Big Ten before Minnesota visits Iowa City on Friday. In addition to be contribution in the 200 medley, Phelan — a senior All-American and captain — earned first-place finishes in the 50 and 100 freestyle. His time in the 90-100 tied for the second-fastest time in the nation. "I was happy with all my races today," the sophomore said. "We've had some tough practices the past few weeks. I took advantage of my opportunities and raced to my potential. The practices really help me with my endurance — that's what the squad needs to have right now, but everyone is still anxious to race," he said. "Anytime we get an opportunity to race, we'll take advantage of it." "The team played the last 45 minutes of set the tone for the meet, and the aggressiveness his team displayed was a big reason for the victory." "I was happy with all my races today," the sophomore said. "We've had some tough practices the past few weeks. I took advantage of my opportunities and raced to my potential. The practices really help me with my endurance — that's what the squad needs to have right now, but everyone is still anxious to race." "The team played the last 45 minutes of set the tone for the meet, and the aggressiveness his team displayed was a big reason for the victory."

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by Jennifer A. Schorr

Aries: Today is not the best time for your emotions to butt heads. Problems with partners will blur your love game or/and your tattletale. Try to stay calm and, if you can, prop up the mood for more socializing over that matter that causes.

Taurus: Do not spend too many resources on one thing. Or else you may lose out on other areas of your life that you really want to be involved in very much.

Gemini: You might want to think about what you can accomplish in the next few days, as you are very focused on the work that you need to complete.

Cancer: Today is a good day to think about how you want to spend your time and energy. You may want to focus on projects that you are really passionate about.

Leo: You may need to focus on your finances today. Be sure to keep track of your budget and make sure that you are saving money for the future.

Virgo: You might want to consider how you can improve your social life. You may want to make new friends or reconnect with old ones.

Libra: You may want to focus on your work today. Make sure that you are making progress on your projects and that you are staying organized.

Scorpio: Today is a good day to focus on your career. You may want to think about how you can improve your job and make a plan to do so.

Sagittarius: You may want to focus on your health today. Make sure that you are eating a balanced diet and getting enough exercise.

Capricorn: You might want to consider how you can improve your relationships. You may want to spend time with friends or family and make an effort to stay in touch.

Aquarius: Today is a good day to think about how you can improve your finances. You may want to look for ways to save money or find a way to make more income.

Pisces: You may want to focus on your creativity today. You may want to consider how you can use your skills to improve your social life or your career.
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Rowers fall just short

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The Big Ten indoor championship meet is a chance for the Iowa men's tennis team to make a statement before the end of the fall season.

Jonas Dierckx is 8-8 at the Big Ten indoor championships.

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The Hawkeyes recorded their first season sweep over Michigan State in nearly 15 years.

By BARRY MAHONEY

Iowa senior Jonas Dierckx overtook Wisconsin's No. 1-seeded Josh MacTaggart in a No. 9 seed upset that could have a major impact on the Hawkeyes' season.

Iowa's legendary coach, Jody/Iowa head coach Steve Houghton said Dierckx is "a bigger impact than anyone has had yet on the Iowa roster."