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**Lawyer drops Lottery claim**

*BY ANDREW DONELLY*

**313 NORTH** — A New York attorney withdrew his claim Thursday on a multi-million dollar lottery prize just as mysteriously as he had made it, through a Las Vegas law firm that he said couldn’t meet his request for basic information about how he had won the winning ticket.

The decision by Crawford Shaw of Salt Lake, N.Y. (who wasn’t put on the scene in Las Vegas) and the lottery Commission

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The lottery wants to know how Shaw obtained the ticket to make sure it wasn’t stolen and that a valid player bought it. Officials are trying to determine how Shaw won the prize on behalf of Shaw. There are two times between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. Thursday when Shaw is believed to have been in the casino.

It has been 100 days since Shaw purchased the winning ticket, which was purchased at the 313 North Lottery ticket office. The pre-tax prize for the prize would have been $670,000. Shaw has not been contacted by the New York Lottery Commission, and there is no press release.

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If passed, the proposal would not go into effect until the 2014 elections.

By ELISE DILGER

A bill in the Iowa Legislature would mandate stricter voter-identification rules, but some Iowa lawmakers and interest groups have questioned whether it’s necessary.

Iowa Secretary of State Matt Schultz — who is responsible for registering elections in the state — has been pushing since last year for the Legislature to pass a voter-ID law. After the measure failed last year, he restated his proposal.

The new plan would require all those without legal ID to be vouched for by someone with an ID. It would also allow voters to use school IDs.

Some Republican lawmakers say they support Schultz’s plan.

“Fraud voters have never been a problem before,” said Sen. Blown Hamerlinck, R-Dixon. “This is not going to help cut back on fraud. Voting, said the bill would-

Some legislators voice opposition. Sen. Bob Dvorsky, D-Cedar Rapids, said the bill would hurt many Democrats in the state. It also would make it harder for people to vote.

“We really have to see a drop in the numbers before we make a decision to drop the course or if you’re too late, you’re better off going the dean,” he said. “They aren’t going to be able to help you out.”

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Joseph Bolkom, Iowa City, school district belies this. In this image, it’s happening.

I’m thinking the latter. Property taxes are the primary source of most local municipalities’ TIF properties.

Johannesburg property taxes are on a particular district in a hope that a given project will increase property values on the roofs of surrounding buildings, and TIF properties.

Judging from the past and when properly used, TIF funding can pay tax collections with a substantial property value. For those of you who think that TIFs are a way to get the ball out of Iowa in seven or eight years, you should push every TIF forward at almost any cost. Sure, you’ll pay a little more in taxes initially, but you’ll be able to afford that pool in Coralville sooner. Go ahead and buy your home in Iowa. Because of their proven success, TIFs can be used in numerous ways, including tourism, transportation, and education.

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ize the contributionsto Scottthat have made to the University of Iowa. For the past nine years, Scott has served as an assistant dean and the director of the Office of International Programs.

Scott has not just a "job". He has had a heart from the beginning to serve international students who have been told their participation in the TIF program is not asked for. Instead, he has been dedicated, effective in his role, and effective in his work. For Scott, it was never just a "job." He truly has a heart for cross-cultural education and capa-

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failing beef population, the Iowa Cattlemen’s Association, ISU Extension and Outreach and the Iowa Beef Center are collaborating to host nine heifer development clinics in January and February.

*“There has been a lot of discussion in the beef industry about the drought and wanting to restart beef,” Schwab said.*

*“Because of our availability of feed supply [in Iowa], we should be able to feed and develop those females at a very non-cost-effective level.”*

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A partial list of things should probably tell every prospective boyfriend:

• Two weeks a month I long for human contact.
• Really genuine humor, and zero yuck factor. I also judge people on their sense of humor.
• I dislike noise, but I like noise... in a garden, not at your house.
• You can't be more forgetful than I am, and you don't have to have a cool sense of humor.
• I don't even favor the color red in 20 panes or fewer for your birthday. With your eye closed, why the hell would you do that?
• You don't have to be really clever, but you have to be really fun. Really fun. Really. Really. Really. Really. Really.
• Keep moving and accomplishing personally and professionally. It's vital that you don't let anyone get you down. Don't let anyone get you down. Don't let anyone get you down.

FOR MORE PUZZLES Check out The Daily Iowan Dining Guide at dailyiowan.com

HUNGRY?

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today's events

• English Conversation Group, 5:30 p.m., Iowa City Public Library

• Book Babies, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library

• Martin Luther King Jr. Street Festival, 1-3 p.m., Lindquist Center Jones Commons

• Microbiology Faculty Candidate Seminar, "Molecular basis of HIV-1 sensitivity to antagonists," Robert Hahn, Dance Farber Cancer Institute, 3 p.m., 3117 Medical Education and Research Facility

• World Karaoke, "Women, Hyeteria, and Medicine," host Emma Jaros, 5 p.m., Old Capital Senate Chamber

• Friday Night Jazz, 5 p.m., Universitv, 770 S. Dubuque

• Mexican-wed Street Food and Blue Stem Players, 5-8 p.m., 720 S. Dubuque

• Joe the Abyss, 6:30 p.m., Bijou.

• Celebration of Human Rights Concert, Tim Be Told, 7:30 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Gilbert St.

• Live from Prairie Lights, "The Box of Broken Stories," Tim Be Told, 8 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Gilbert St.

• Keep moving and accomplishing personally and professionally. It's vital that you don't let anyone get you down. Don't let anyone get you down. Don't let anyone get you down.

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ON THE STREET Do you think the nonsmoking policies are effective on campus?

I don't think so. I don't think people smoke anywhere except the designated areas. Sometimes people smoke where it's not allowed.

Laurie Savoy of Iowa City

I think it's really tough. I'm an English major and I don't smoke. Sometimes my group of friends goes to the library and people smoke there. Sometimes I have to leave in order to do my homework.

Sean Boarini of Iowa City

I think it's good. I don't think it's a problem. When I go to the library, it's not a problem. I don't like to be around smoke. I think it's a good thing that people can't smoke anywhere on campus.

Tricia Park, violin, and Scott Dunn, piano, Duke, Stravinsky, Gershwin, Dec. 6, 2011

315 Jazz Repertory Ensemble, Brent Band, director, Dec. 6, 2011

• My favorite store is Dollarama.

• I'm great with children.

• I think tattoos are sexy.

• My last boyfriend called me a "manly protein bar, and iron pills. Don't judge me; I give them when he broke up with me, which was really trite. I'm only one of those things...

• My favorite movie is "The Last Samurai." I haven't found the time, but I will go to it.

• My nickname includes "Ryan Horrible," and "Ryan Virgin." Put them together, I don't recall when thumbs all came in.

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Obama-Brewer tiff widens

Pentagon to trim down

By PETE YOST
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon outlined a plan Thursday for slowing the growth of military spending, including cuts to the size of the Army and Marine Corps, retiring older planes, and trimming war costs. It drew quick criticism from Republicans, who said the cuts could reduce the military's ability to keep troops in harm's way.

The plan, which was announced by Defense Secretary Leon Panetta on Thursday at another news conference at another White House meeting between them. Immediately after the meeting, Brewer said he was "taken aback by how she felt she was being condescending toward him. "It is what it is. I proceeded to say that to him, and he chose to walk away from me," she said Thursday.

Asked whether she regarded it as disrespectful, she replied: "Well, I would never have walked away from anybody having a conversation. And if it means that to what it is, it is disrespectful for me."

Brewer’s relationship covers disagreements on “most of his policies," she said. "That doesn’t mean we can’t be cordial to one another."

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Holding on to the last vestiges of his White House power, Brewer said she was "a little disturbed about my book." Brewer recently published “Scorpions for Breakfast,” a best-seller that chronicles his run cracking down on illegal immigrants, which Obama opposes. (Associated Press/Wilson Chapman)

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Sports

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**Men's track faces stiff test**

Sage & Citrus Classic — The Iowa men's track and field team will travel to Southern California this weekend to compete in the Sage & Citrus Classic. The meet will take place on Saturday at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) and on Sunday at the University of Southern California (USC).

The Hawkeyes are coming off a strong performance at the Hawkeye Invitational on Jan. 28, where they set several personal bests and had multiple athletes qualify for nationals.

**GYMNASTICS**

QSA/Leslie Troy Invitational — The Iowa women's gymnastics team will travel to St. Louis on Friday to compete in the QSA/Leslie Troy Invitational. The meet will feature 10 teams from around the country and will serve as a key opportunity for the Hawkeyes to prepare for the Big Ten Championships in February.

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Huskies hold off Iowa

Iowa fell apart in the second half of a 79-3 loss to Nebraska.

By JOSH GABRETSON

The 10,587 at Carver-Hawkeye Arena stood in anticipation. They watched as Josh Oglesby's jumper towards the end of the second half splashed through the net, a sign of what was to come, of what was ahead. The Hawkeyes did not let the Hoosiers do the same, and the team survived the uncharacteristic loss to Nebraska.

In the end, it was almost more of a letdown for the Iowa faithful, who had no reason to fear, no reason to expect anything less than a win.

"I was in there trying to fight for the offensive board," guard Malcolmer, one of five Iowa players who shot 40 percent or worse from the floor. That was just one of those nights. We all seemed to have off nights. All mine I thought felt good, and I thought I made them all from there. But they were those nights.

The Hawkeyes led by as many as 11 in the first half and as many as 17 with just over 11 minutes remaining. They could not control the knockouts punch they needed. And after alternating a couple of 10-point leads back and forth in the first 5 minutes, they could not seal their fate before Oglesby's attempt came in. The Cornhuskers hit 9 of their last 10 shots from the field.

"We just couldn't get stops defensively in the second half," Zach McCabe said.

McCabe was one of Iowa's few bright spots early, scoring forward in 11 points for the second straight game, tying the career high he had established against Michigan State.

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