Gardener stresses natural pest control

Local gardening experts say natural pest control methods can effectively eliminate pesky insects.

By ANNA EGELAND

When it comes to getting rid of bugs, local experts say going natural is the best choice.

“Natural pesticides are better,” said Joanne Leach, a master gardener. “They’re easier for people and environmentally friendly.”

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BY ANDA HEATH

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Bryan Young has learned them all.
For instance, that the Coral Ridge Mall, where the carousel site opened on July 29, 1988. He knows each carousel horse’s tail—long or short, hair or tail. He knows the names of his friends and their families. He knows where his carousel horses are and what color they’re wearing. He knows the carousel’s weight: 3,040 pounds.

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"One of the benefits of (not) using pesticides is that you’re not exposing anybody to a whole food chain that when you apply them you disrupt," she said.

Laurie Jones, who works at the Iowa State University Plant and Insect Diagnostic Clinic, said farmers often use preventative pest control, while home gardeners usually wait until there is a problem before taking action against pests.

There are lots of ants and other things you’re going to see out in your gar- den, but most of them are harmless," she said.

Jones said cutworms have been a major pest for gardeners this season.

"Cutworms are going to eat a kind of a headache for gar- deners," she said.

Don Lewis, an Iowa State University professor of entomology, said Japanese beetles have been a problem for local gardeners this year and in recent years. He said he expects squash bugs, caterpillars, and corn ear worms to become prob- lematic bugs later this sea- son.

"Everything is highly variable — that’s the trend," he said.

Robin Prauser, the chief of the University of Iowa College of Dentistry, said many local gardeners have noticed that the increase in aphids, grubs, and ear worms has been high.

Although insect levels remain normal, Prauser said, Leach is beginning to believe that natural pest control is more effec- tive than pesticides.

"The main thing is to be aware that [insects are] out there. Check your garden often and make sure you identify, make sure it’s the right one for your pest," she said. "Try to avoid adding chemicals, make sure you use them as a last resort."

33,000-square-foot patient-care addition, improved research labs, and simul- taneous clinic.

Officials recently increased the pre-denistry program’s class size from 12 students to 14, said Johnsen.

Scott Arneson, the dental school’s associate dean for finance and facilities, and the economic downturn have left the college with $11 million in its building renova- tion fund.

"We have had to make some major decisions, both in regard to the location and making sure the build- ing can structurally handle the renovations," he said.

The building was origi- nally constructed to revolve around lecture-based instruction and individual lab spaces, Johnsen said.

But Stanford said some researchers have had to adjust to the collaborative lab-atmosphere.

"Some researchers are accustomed to individual lab space, so the rearrange- ment to a group lab envi- ronment can be politically touchy," he said.

Joneson said the build- ing has not undergone major renovations until now because of construc- tion costs and existing gifts.

She warned local garden- ers to identify pests before spraying them with chemi- cals.

"I know there were a couple of ants that didn’t bite me and I did not have to treat it," UI police spokesman Drew Barth — a UI sen- aior. "I’d like to know if you have [the information] but wish not to have the alert. They don’t want to receive the alert because they don’t have it if it’s not work- ing."

Some students who did not receive the alert said the service was frustrating and con- cerned about the effective- ness of the program.

"It’s the only way we can be notified if it’s not working," said one regent university official.

"I think it should be the students and staff to make sure their contact information is up-to-date in the Trans- form," UI graduate student Jason Livermore said. "We want the college to be an ambassador for the state of Iowa," he said. "We are very proud."
Editorial

Culturing cutting is not the way to cureDatas

Last week, 40 Iowans have been reported to Des Moines
Police on charges related to the Iowa Department of
Human Services. The petition demands that Human Services
change its rules on abortion, and funding is denied to
provide economically for victims of rape or incest.

In Iowa, there are only four reasons abortions are
currently covered by government insurance. Compliments
debate are that abortion is that her life is endangered or by
cancer that she was a victim of rape; that she was a victim of incest, that the child is physically
deflicted, mentally deficient, or afflicted with a congenital
illness that can only be cured by abortion. Each

This is the basis of the abortion. Chechkin off
money to those who cannot afford anything other than
which is not to say nothing about abortion. If
Human Services decides to change its rules to comply with
these petitions, Iowa will see more prob-
lems than benefits.

Since abortion was effectively decriminalized in the
Supreme Court decision Roe v. Wade, many anti-abor-
tion advocates believe the way to stop abortions from
taking place is by limiting the funding for abortion as a medical procedure. Cutting the funding does not actually alter the number of abortions, it only creates a financial reward for women who are too impoverished to make their own health-care deci-
sions.

This debate is not new — the pro-abortion rights-êtreights-at-large appeals campaigns have been at it for
years. Obviously, no one wants to cut off funding for nec-

The real story underlying Congress needs to
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But cutting funding to the poor for medical proce-
sures, and obviously, no one wants to kill abortions.

But it is important to find the proper method for pro-
cessing that, according to the best current law in the
soup, there is a reasonable expectation to never be a
good start.

In 1977, President Jimmy Carter rounded Ameri-
cans that there are many funds in life that are not for

Letters

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Friendly competition aids Thanksgiving in July

Local churches compete to raise the most money for the second food-drive race.

By JOE HITCHCOCK

What started last summer as a friendly competi-
tion among several local churches to donate as
many food items as possible to the Johnson County
Crisis Center has expanded this year to include
more churches.

This year Iowa City churches are involved in the competition to see how many food items the Bible School programs can donate to the most food items to the Crisis Center Food Bank’s Thanksgiving in July food drive.

Both Ritten Babush, the Crisis Center communica-
tions and development director, said friendly com-
petition among such entities as the churches can
be a big help to community-wide food drives.

“With a friendly competition is a great idea and a way registering people involved and excit-
ed about giving,” she said.

Thanksgiving in July is the largest food drive of the summer at the Crisis Center and is a vital assist-
ance to many community members who find them-

selves facing increased food costs with
childcare costs and

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costs for their

The Thanksgiving in July can help offset those increased needs for families.

Babush, the director of Christian education at the First Presbyterian Church, said this is the first year her church has participated in the competition, but the church has incorporated a food drive into its vacation Bible school program for at least the last 12 years.

“We communicate the message of sharing with both the kids and the par-

ents,” she said. “Our goal is to teach the kids about the value of giving as a way for love by sharing, and we know there are families in our community that are in need.”

While Greg estimates her church donated around 350 items to the Crisis Center last year, the number has increased to over 500 this year, and she said the church will probably be able to donate around 700 items at the end of the competition.

Painted to look like a food competition and also in-

volving the food drive, a 40-foot-tall trophy is used to drive the competition and also in-

volving the food drive as well.

Stephany Kreyger, a vacation Bible school vol-

unteer at Trinity Episco-

pal, said it was the church’s first year partici-

pating in the food drive, but all of the kids will help raise money for the needs.

“We want the kids to learn the value of helping others, so each vacation Bible school program will get a prize and get their picture taken for partic-

ipating,” she said.

Witry said the goal for the food drive this sum-

mer is 40,000 food items.

“Four local churches are participating in the

Bible School programs can donate the most food items to the Crisis Center for the Iowa City area’s daily specials & entertainment
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Quality of staff in the UI Hospital
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The College of Public Health

The Beckwith Boathouse, Sports Medicine Clinic, State Hygienic Laboratory, and Stuit Hall renovation have been awarded LEED Gold certification.

“Thirteen buildings on campus received LEED certification,” she said. “We’re delivering on the promise of building responsible facili-

ties.”

According to a UI press release, the 41,000-square-

foot, $10 million facility was completed in Decem-

ber 2011. The facility is also considered a marvel of sustainability, said the certi-

fication is a remarkable accomplish-

ment.”

This year’s food drive started July 1 and will end on Jul-

ly 31.

Several local churches are participating in the

First Presbyterian Church.

Zion Lutheran Church, said last year’s competi-
tion saw almost 200 non-perishable items donated, and the members hope to see that number increase in bringing more vacation Bible school programs into the competition.

This year, we chose a theme of loving and help-

ing your neighbor for our program,” she said.

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A poster committee at the Crisis Center and "Food drives like this have increased food costs with childcare costs and
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• Film Summer Film Series, Adventures of Tintin, 10 a.m., Coral Ridge Mall
• Peppercorn Plaza Piano Computer Access, 10 a.m.-noon, Peppercorn Plaza Piano Subdivision, 1007 Highview E.
• Pres-Kindergarten Prom, 10:30 a.m., Centrella Public- kale Institute, 1401 Fifth St.
• X 2X2 Story Time, 10:30 a.m., 4 p.m., Iowa City Public Library, 215 E.
• Iowa Summer Writing Festival, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., University of Iowa
• Tech Zone, 4 p.m., Peppercorn Piano Substation, 225 S. Third

UI-TV schedule
Neon Iowa Summer Music Camp Faculty Recital, Piano Con- cert, June 17, 2011
• 1 p.m. Camp Band and Orchestra at the DMU, June 17, 2011
• 8 Youth Ball 2011 Dance, UI Dance Department, Dec. 18, 2011
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• 3:30 Piano Faculty Camp Concert, June 21, 2011
• 6 Youth Summer Music Camp Faculty Recital, Piano Con- cert, June 23, 2011
• 6:30 camp Band and Orchestra at the DMU, June 17, 2011

horoscopes

TUESDAY, June 28, 2011
Aries: Work hard, you have a drop-in crowd. The information you gather from the people who visit your domain will encourage you to treat your new establishment with extra care. A partner may help you become a force. Libra: You have a networks and celebrity friends. You have enough to share and you won’t keep secrets. A new partner in business is out of the question. Taurus: You won't give up on something that is important to you. You need to work with people you can trust and who share your views. A new partner in business or a new friend is out of the question. Capricorn: Your good work is going to pay off. You will soon find success in your new endeavor and you will be proud of your accomplishment. Sagittarius: You need to stop and think about where you are going. You need to know what you are doing. Cancer: You are pushing too hard. You need to slow down and relax. You need to work with people who share your views. Leo: You need to stop and think about your actions. You need to slow down and make sure you are working with people you can trust. Gemini: You need to stop and think about where you are going. You need to work with people you can trust and who share your views. Aquarius: You are pushing too hard. You need to slow down and relax. You need to work with people who share your views. Virgo: You are pushing too hard. You need to slow down and relax. You need to work with people who share your views. Pisces: You need to stop and think about where you are going. You need to work with people you can trust and who share your views. Aries: You are pushing too hard. You need to slow down and relax. You need to work with people who share your views. Libra: You need to stop and think about where you are going. You need to work with people you can trust and who share your views. Taurus: You won't give up on something that is important to you. You need to work with people you can trust and who share your views. Capricorn: Your good work is going to pay off. You will soon find success in your new endeavor and you will be proud of your accomplishment. Sagittarius: You need to stop and think about where you are going. You need to know what you are doing. Cancer: You are pushing too hard. You need to slow down and relax. You need to work with people who share your views. Leo: You need to stop and think about your actions. You need to slow down and make sure you are working with people you can trust. Gemini: You need to stop and think about where you are going. You need to work with people you can trust and who share your views. Aquarius: You are pushing too hard. You need to slow down and relax. You need to work with people who share your views. Virgo: You are pushing too hard. You need to slow down and relax. You need to work with people who share your views. Pisces: You need to stop and think about where you are going. You need to work with people you can trust and who share your views.
BASEBALL

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City High’s second baseman/pitcher Jack Frakes looses up for an at-bat on Monday. Frakes walked, singled, and doubled during their first at-bats. mansion.

working the pitcher and the pitcher isn’t the one working you,” he said. The Little Hawks did work Lohse. A tight strike zone initially assuaged Lohse, and he was never quite able to escape. One-third of an inning of work resulted in a .33 ERA for the game.

Wieland had a much tougher go of it, walking 4 Golden Eagles and allowing 6 runs scored over the course of 4.1 innings. Still, effective fastball early kept the Wahlert hitters off-balance and out of contact. Wieland was replaced by junior Jack Frakes, who allowed just one unearned run and no hits over the final 2.1 innings. Frakes also finished his day at the plate going 2 for 5, including a bases-clearing double in the bottom of the fourth that broke the game open.

City High’s batting change didn’t have a negative affect on the team. Catcher Tyler Stika said the Little Hawks kept up the momentum throughout the entire game.

The Little Hawks weren’t only strong on offense, they were consistent in the middle of the game.

I haven’t started a game (yet pitcher) yet this season,” he said. “I’m more comfortable switching during the game.”

The Little Hawks weren’t only strong on pitching and defense against Dubuque Wahlert, their offense helped them pull ahead as well.

Frakes walked, singled, and doubled. The Golden Eagles’ first pitcher allowed 5 runs and 6 walks in the first inning, giving City High an early jump that Wahlert couldn’t recover from.

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Football gets 3 more verbal commitments

Associated Press

Iowa received verbal commitments from three high-school football players, bringing the class of 2013 tally up to 15 players.

By Nick Eddy

Kickoff for the 2012 Iowa football team is still 69 days away, but Iowa’s coaching staff has been busy on the recruiting trail. Three more players have made verbal commitments with the Hawkeyes in the last 10 days, according to Rivals.com, including the first in-state recruits of the 2013 recruiting class.

Trevon Young

Young is a 6-4, 220-pound tight end from Lincoln High in Des Moines. Young was rated a three-star recruit according to Rivals.com. Young is also ranked 40th nationally by 247Sports.com. He had three offers including offers from Arizona State and South Dakota State.

Boettger

Boettger is a 6-5, 220-pound offensive lineman from Cedar Falls High. Boettger was unranked and only had offers from Iowa, Iowa State, and South Dakota State.

Cubs jump on sloppy Mets

 Approximately Associated Press


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CINCINNATI — Mat Latos allowed only one hit, walked two batters and struck out 13 in seven innings Monday as the Cincinnati Reds beat the New York Mets 2-1.

Latos also singled twice, matching a career high.

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City High rolls over Wahlert

Iowa City High utilized a high-scoring first inning to win, 11-3, over Dubuque Wahlert on Monday.

Dubuque starting pitcher Kyle Leubka threw a shaby one-third of an inning to start the game. The hurler walked six, and 5 runs crossed the plate (7 unearned) — with the loss hit coming in the form of a bunt single. The Little Hawk hitters took advantage of Leubka's off-speed deliveries but fought through the count time and time again to safely reach base. One of the many keen-eyed at-bats in the opening frame came from junior catcher Tyler Stika, who said his strategy in digging in against a struggling pitcher boils down to keeping the momentum. “I’ll go out and make him work,” Stika said. “If he’s already struggling, you want to make him struggle that much more. Just use every advantage — that’s what we’re taught, to use everything we can throughout the game.” Assistant Coach Steve Wismann emphasized patience at the plate, which was crucial as the Little Hawks built their lead. “You have to make sure you aren’t one of the ones who is too eager to get a hit,” he said. “You have to make sure you are waiting, waiting, waiting.”

No Iowa swimmers qualify for London

Three Iowa swimmers competed in the U.S. Olympic Trials on Monday, but none qualified for the 2012 London team.

Tylee Lensz finished 47th in the men’s 400 individual medley with a time of 4:39.79. Star-Crossed Olympic swimmer Ryan Leubke took first in the event with a time of 4:06.66, followed by Urine medalist Michael Phelps in 4:14.72.

Andrew Marcianiak and Kenzie Schneider both competed in the women’s 50 freestyle. Marcianiak finished 82nd (25.40) and Schneider finished 97th (26.24) for the Scarlet and Gold. Marcianiak finished 21st in the women’s 100 backstroke.

“By Ben Schott

Opening some wrestling eyes

Tony Ramos’ favorite part of the Hawkeye Wrestling Camps is talking to the kids on a tour of Carver-Hawkeye Arena and watching their wrestling development. It makes an undeniable impact on the young wrestlers’ careers to witness the training sessions, to see how hard the college and post-college athletes have to push to stay at the top of the game. “We have to have the younger generation of wrestlers understand the amount of work ethic that has to go into a daily routine for their development as wrestlers,” Iowa associate head coach Terry Randazzo said. “It’s important for their development to watch people like [former Hawkeyes] Phil Keddy and Dan Dennis work out because it’s mind-boggling to the kids how hard they train. It’s important to the kids’ development to change how they picture success and how success takes place, that you can’t just snap your fingers and make a magic wand. Here at camp they realize that it’s work.”

Teresa Womack sent her son — one of whom is a four-time state champ — to Iowa City — Iowa City to Iowa City! — just so they can see the “the best wrestling club in the country” and meet the grapplers in person. “These are athletes they’ve been watching on TV for years,” Womack said. “They’re my kids’ heroes, and they’re getting to actually watch

Current and former wrestlers teach developing athletes by exposing them to the Iowa wrestling culture of hard work, determination, and persistence.

By MOLLY IRENE GUINNEA

Pitching, hitting carry

Little Hawk Jack Frakes moved from second base to the pitcher’s mound on Monday night and plied both positions and powerfully at the plate.

By VICTORIA KIPP

Junior Jack Frakes led the City High Little Hawks to their 11-3 win over the Dubuque Wahlert Golden Eagles on Monday night with what his coaches and fans believe is his best night of the year.

Frakes’ defense was strong for most of the game at second base, but he also showed his skill as pitcher when he finished the last 2 innings.

“The was the best I saw Jack pitch all year,” assistant coach Steve Wismann said. “He did very well.”

Frakes took the mound in relief of starting pitcher Mitch Wiland with one out in the fifth inning. Use cardboard held the Golden Eagles to 2 runs, and Frakes finished the game strong, allowing only one additional run, which was unearned.

He had a mostly tough defense backing him up, which helped him hold Wahlert to no additional runs in the sixth and seventh. The hurler only allowed 2 hits. “I’m a contact pitcher,” Frakes said. “I don’t have the greatest