Shelter House works to aid vets

The Shelter House in Iowa City received a renewal for a $100,000 federal grant to help homeless vets find jobs Tuesday.

By ERIC LIGHTNER

Veterans of all ages sit around a table at the Shelter House in Iowa City. They talk about their lives, their time in the service, local events, and politics. They all have two things in common — they have been in the service and they are now homeless.

The Shelter House — which just received a renewed federal grant for more than $105,000 — was one of many stops for Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, on his trip through Iowa on Tuesday, where he visited veterans and veteran organizations to promote his policies that have helped vets in the past.

The grant is a stop in the right direction, local officials say, there is still much to do by way of curbing high unemployment rates for veterans.

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The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics released a survey March 20 showing the jobless rate for veterans as a whole was 8.3 percent. The jobless rate among younger veterans between the ages of 18 and 24 was significantly higher than the average at 20.1 percent.

Shelter House has begun its effort to make the Veterans Administration more efficient.

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Fireworks burst over the Old Capitol on Wednesday. Despite other towns in the area canceling fireworks displays because of concerns about the heat, Iowa City held a show as scheduled. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

Iowa City police Sgt. Denise Brotherton said the number of citations for home fireworks is consistent from year to year. According to city Ordinance 727, violators are fined a minimum of $250 for home fireworks.

Officials from other towns are concerned about city-sponsored fireworks because of the prolonged heat.

Juvenile arrests decrease

Iowa City police saw a decrease from 526 juvenile referrals in 2009 to 459 in 2011.

By AMY SKARNULIS

Police officials have seen an overall decrease in the number of juvenile arrests across Iowa, and Iowa City police say programs targeted for youth have kept local crime in check.

“I think it's probably the programs,” Iowa City police Sgt. Denise Brotherton said. “Maybe they've been charged once, and programs are getting into the juvenile courts that may be helping them make better decisions, so maybe they will not be charged again.”

While the number of juvenile referrals has stayed fairly consistent in the last four years, Iowa City police saw a decrease from 538 referrals in 2009 to

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Mostly sunny, light breezes, but what a heat!”

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Experts see Turkish ties

Thirty-four Turkish students studied at the UI and three UI students studied abroad in Turkey in 2011

By ALY BROWN

University of Iowa and state media experts hope a recent trip by the Middle East Study will strengthen rela-
tions between academia and Turkish education.

Turkish students have been studying at the UI for more than a decade, and UI students have been abroad learning about Turkish culture and media. (Associated Press)

While Turkey is in the midst of reforming its higher-education system, UI Professor Ali Duran Duran believes connect-
ings with Turks will remain.

"I think we will see two different kinds of relationship with Turks in the future," he said. "One will be similar to relationships we have with our friends, and the other will be a business relationship."

"I think the future of relations with the United States, Turkey and Iran will be very interesting." (Associated Press)

Turkey is the world's largest exporter of shoes, the third-largest exporter of tobacco and the country with the highest number of students studying abroad in the United States.

"The number of students studying in Turkey is increasing every year," said Elif Bulut, a professor at the University of Iowa.

"The number of students studying in Turkey is increasing every year, especially among women."

"This is a good sign for the future of relations between the United States and Turkey," she added.

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Crissy Cangellen, the executive director of the Shelter House, said the American Legion, the Conrad Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mid- west Juniorial, and Iowa House all employed former Shelter House members.

Cangellen said a significan- portion of those who visit the Shelter House are veterans — about 20 per- cent of all adults at the shelter.

“What the folk here at the Shelter House are doing is absolutely fantas- tic,” Cangellen said. “A lot of people really forget that there is a big accountability factor built into the flow.”

Cangellen said even though there is an issue with balancing the budget, getting veterans of the streets and back to work must be a priority.

“It seems to me that at the top of our priority list, we get to put our veterans,” he said.

Kathy Hillery, the presi- dent of Veterans for Peace in Iowa City, is an excellent VA,” he said, “but it was nice being thought of having some- body that cared enough to go out of their way to help you get back on your feet and get turned around.”

Bruce Clark, who has been staying at the Shelter House since Jan. 15, said it was thanks to the shelter that he finally began collect- ing benefits from the Veterans Administration and started to get back on his feet.

“For 15 years, I’ve always been told that I wasn’t eli- gible for any benefits,” he said. “It was nice being thought of having some- body that cared enough to go out of their way to help you get back on your feet and get turned around.”

Cangellen said the renewal was important because when the Shelter House first received the grant it was more focused on providing basic ameni- ties.

“For us it was kind of a transitional period, and we didn’t have much sense for us to look at opportunities like the homeless veterans reintegration program when we knew that veter- ans wasn’t able to come into the shelter.”
Focus on drugs, not politics

The Governor's Office has posted a press release that 53.3 million in federal grants will go towards 31 statewide drug-prevention, treatment, and enforcement initiatives last Tuesday — 60 percent of which will go to the pursuit and prosecution of drug users and dealers, the remaining 40 percent will be split between the prevention of drugs and treatment of the addicted.

Many see the division of the grant as another failed promise from the Obama administration: to treat drugs as a health problem instead of waging "war" on them.

The political trial has been plagued with the word "war" in differing contexts the past century. President Nixon had his "war on crime," and President Kennedy had his "war on poverty." Moreover, all of the activity of our state's drug-prevention strategy. No advertisements or mass mailings, please.

Now, Romney has to make it clear what he is doing, and the clearer he might get about what good does it do. Romney has to make it clear what he is doing, and the clearer he might get about what good does it do.

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The Hawkeyes culminated ages each year, however. Gatens remains confident and excited about his opportunity. There’s a lot that could happen between now and then, Gatens said. “We all know how good of a locker-room guy he is,” White said. “There only had one draft pick, so it’s not like they’re bringing in a ton of guys… I’m looking forward to the opportunity. I’m going to give it my all and prove to them that they should keep me around.”

BIKE CONTESTED FROM 6A

Attempt to divert the cyclists’ minds to a winding mountain path—but in reality, the course itself turned into a mountain.

Riders worked their way through the brake pad’s grip and grew tighter to increase resistance. Listening to Blazevich’s guidance during these various stages proved to be the key to ensuring a smooth workout experience.

The good cyclists are proud of him for making it harder and easier to come by, but it’s easy to do when you have that he probably can do a little strict on her abilities.

Elizabeth Snyder is a fan of being able to adjust her own workout based on her abilities. “As my fitness level improves, the class is able to meet my expectations for being able to do more and more but still stay in the same class,” Snyder said. “And because it’s a basic class, it allows you to try out all the different things on a bike you can do, and if something interests you, the class is able to have a class specific for the aspect you’re interested in.”

DORIS CONTINUED FROM 6A

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Doris’ next step after leaving the United States is unknown at the moment. Doris has been living a low profile recently, which will force him to do so off. He’s got some aches and pains to take care of, so we’re going to shut it down for the summer,” Roberts said. “I’m going to keep training and hopefully go overseas to some meets and make money,” Doris said. “I’m trying to make the world Champions Cup a place where we’re going to keep it alive.”

The underwhelming jumps at the trials were the latest in a string of underachieving performances by Doris. The ex-Hawkeyes finished fifth at the NCAA championships for the second straight year last month, even after entering this year’s event as a prohibitive favorite.

As long as I am healthy and can step healthy, I’m going to keep going for the Olympics,” Doris will continue to work in the future to try out all the different things on a bike you can do, and if something interests you, the class is able to have a class specific for the aspect you’re interested in.”

“I guess it just wasn’t my time,” he said. “Four years from now, however, it may be.”

Three of Gatens’ three sons came over to the table for his interview with the Sun times while waiting to meet with their grandma in front of everyone before the basketball. Renquist said to his youngest, “You play baseball for leisure, not sport,” he said. “They just enjoy it.”

The Fourth of July is a national holiday that is time to have fun. A sports tool used, in some form, by the professionals just happened to be a part of this year’s festivities.
Young athletes tested their throwing skills with a radar gun on Iowa Ave. as part of Iowa City's Fourth of July festivities.

By TAYLOR AXELSON

Moon bounce and inflatable slide drew young children to downtown Iowa City for some fun before the fireworks show began on Wednesday.

Boys of all ages took a chance of shooting off their toy baseballs or arrows by taking turns throwing the baseball past the 1-meter mark of the parents. The crowds were able to come to Iowa Avenue for the festivities because of the extremely high temperatures.

“It’s a little hot right now, probably around 100°,” Big Ten Rental employee Ryan Lehr said. “Hopefully, as the shade comes out a little, more people will start coming.”

Lehr was right. They didn’t stay away for long.

The bright pliers, blue and red, that colored the inflatable bounce structures took over the entire street. More and more people continued to stroll in as the evening went on and the heat became less intense.

Told Crenah, his 10-year-old son, was among the first to throw the radar gun after a day of grilling out and going to the swimming pool. August has a small baseball setup in his backyard at home with two tees, but it’s not formal, told Told Crenah. “The older neighborhood kids come over a lot and play games with him. They help him experience a higher level than what he would normally get.”

August looked incredibly small underneath the tallarch that said “Radar Gun” across it in big letters, but he was confident in his skills. He stood unconvincingly in his Spiderman tennis shoes. It was obvious the lefty had seen a lot of baseball and knew exactly how to set up his pitch.

He stared down the batter over his right shoulder, who was printed at the end of the archway. With focus in his eyes, he put his left hand behind his back and turned the baseball over in his hand twice. August cocked up his right knee, threw his foot down, and pitched the ball as hard as he could.

The radar gun did not pick up his speed. August was short for the gun to read the ball.

“I got one single hit, said August’s parents were not concerned about August being their first.”

The bright yellow, blues, and reds present training, the class, setting an example for her fellow students.

The class is held in a room crammed with stationary bikes. The session moves for 45 minutes, four days a week, and because the classes typically meet during the lunch hour, riders help the chance to squeeze a full-body workout in during an otherwise busy day.

Blazevich told her exhausted pupils that you build more muscle, you burn more, you change your body. Blazevich was impressive with her ability to keep the class moving.

The Field House cycling studio plays host to an adult Biking Basics class.

The class is held in a room crammed with stationary bikes. The session moves for 45 minutes a day.

Blazevich sits in the front of the room during the class, setting an example for other riders. The riders behind her on the wall was seeming outside of place, a landscape painted to

Biking instructor Brooke Blazevich instructs her students on the出自类的自行车。 Blazevich was impressive with her ability to keep the class moving.

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Space odyssey continues

The Iowa Space Science Center’s Spacetacular event celebrates Iowa City’s tradition of space innovation.

By EMMA MCCLATCHY
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In Iowa and around the world, people’s eyes are drawn to the sky. From the Moon to the stars, planets, and, more recently, satellite space has inspired awe and fascination for centuries.

Charles Miller of the Iowa Space Science Center said the program hopes to capture this sense of wonder in its inaugural 10-hour Spacetacular event in the Englert Theater, 221 E. Washington St., on Saturday. The event is free of charge and open to the public, providing space-related activities focused on informing and entertaining visitors of all ages.

“We’re our first major public exposure to let people know about our nonprofit and to entertain, inspire, and give them information,” said Miller, the director of the space center. “The Science Museum has been around for decades, and there are good reasons for us to have one. Space science is one of the most popular among the public in general.”

Spacetacular begins with a digital star show for kids under the space center’s traveling planetarium from noon to 3 p.m., hosted by Andrew Chaikin, a space-science enthusiast and celebrated author of The Man on the Moon and Voices from the Moon.

From 3 to 5:45 p.m., there will be a screening of the film Apollo 13, followed by dinner with special guests Chaikin and UI physics/astronomy Professor Donald Gurnett. And from 7:45 to 9 p.m., the two guests will give presentations.

Gurnett will discuss “The Search for Life in the Solar System,” and Chaikin will talk about the history of Apollo missions and the imporance of exploration.

“People have a sort of sense in their mind of what is human’s place in the universe,” Gurnett said. “The big question is, ‘What’s the chance of life existing somewhere else?’ And I think that’s a really profound question. If we found life somewhere else, I’d be the discoverer of the century. I wanted to focus on the question of ‘What have we learned from space science over the past 50 years since the beginning of the space age?’

Gurnett and Miller said much has been learned about the Solar System since the beginning of the Space Age, much of it due to advances in technology forged in Iowa City.

James Van Allen was involved at the very earliest points of our national space program,” Miller said. “The state of Iowa and the university has the distinction of designing and building the electronics that went into our first satellite. Iowa is one of the first universities around that designed its own space craft: the Injun and Hawkeye series, designed and manufactured in Iowa City. Iowa has had a unique role, and it’s very impressive.”

DESIGN BY KALLEN KRAMER
EMMA MCCLATCHY
As Fuller ran the class of eight first-graders, he tells the children that the story is not a linear one.

And many members of the group will tell their stories from very different viewpoints. Each boy spoke to the class to work in small groups to contribut- e to his family genealogy.

“I went there thinking I needed to write about my dad, and then my mom, and then me, and go on to my kids, and sisters, and need to work out all the details,” Fuller said. “I didn’t know where to start, so I went there the first time, and it was just like, ‘Oh, I can do this.’”

Iowa State University
Senior Center
Moline, Ill.
For seniors

“We started during World War II. If I tell, ‘Dad told me that had nurses and this was established so that the government paid for nurses’ education.’

She shared stories of her career, her travel, her travels, and all sorts of anecdotes with the class.

“The land owner would have a farm tour. I have a farm tour next week,” Fuller said. “Some are superb and should (all be pub- lished).”

Senior center program coordinator Beth Thickstun said the interest in writing classes has increased.

“They like to look forward to volunteer opportunities to present their writing to small groups,” Fuller said. “Some have written short stories, some have written children’s stories, some have written short stories, some have written longer stories. Some have even finished the whole story.”

“People are asking for more and more writing classes, and they’re always on the lookout for volunteer instructors,” she said. “We don’t want to lose any of the people that we have and we’re always looking for for some actually fact-written writers.”

Write Your Life Story is open to new writers and experi- enced writers to read sto- ries, meet new writers and experi- ence the social and the opportunity to present their writing to small groups.”

“I was trying to think of something that would be a fun experience for all the kids,” Fuller said. “It has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school. She has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school. She has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school. She has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school. She has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school. She has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school. She has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school. She has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school. She has been a member of the class since 2005 and has been a teacher for over a long career in nursery school.
Miller said the Iowa City community is still eager to learn about space. “Because it has such a long history, its story parallel a lot of the history of mathematics and science, making it a convenient vehicle for presenting science history [including] our Iowa heritage,” he said.

“There are a lot of smart kids in Iowa City who can ask a lot of clever questions, and space discovery really catches the imagination of kids.”

Mary Lestina, a City High science teacher who earned a degree in astronomy from the University of Northern Iowa, said she is continually observing and cultivating her students’ curiosity for space. “We have such a strong science program in Iowa City, which is a wonderful thing,” she said. “Space history is really key for us to understand where we have been and all the progress that we’ve made. So there is something we take for granted. They don’t often realize all the struggles and problem solving that was involved with the early space race.”

While Iowa City has been a hotbed for astronomical research and development, Miller said, he and the science center work hard to continue promoting advancement of space, such as the funding for NASA missions in recent years, an experiencing low.

“The only two science centers that are adjacent to a planetarium are Iowa City and Cedar Rapids,” Miller said. “There are local science teachers who take their students to the planetariums as far away as Bettendorf just to have the experience. So there is a need for it.”

Lestina said she is one of those teachers. “We develop our curiosity during the class and then allow them to have additional experiences that go above and beyond the classroom through field trips,” she said. “When I was a planetarium director at UNI, I saw how interested the students became and how teachers used it to enhance their classroom. We have a community that’s highly educated and that is very interested in science and those subjects are coming from both an intellectual and academic side of things, and those kids who are parents and trying to instill the importance of learning about space, science, and the stars to their children, or when they grow up, to realize a huge world of community,” she said. “I think this is one of those really interesting opportunities the Engelert has to present something to a segment of the community it hasn’t really been able to reach yet.”

Gurnett also emphasized the importance of sustained astronomical research and inquiry, even though the heyday of 20th-century space exploration has passed.

“There has always been an interest in space exploration, but I think some people don’t realize we’re still making important, relevant discoveries today,” Gurnett said. “We’ve found that Venus has a very high atmosphere that exists, and just it is certainly a current topic and relevant to our situation right now. There are still unanswered questions that have been around thousands of years. There’s a certain appeal and romanticism to it that lasts.”

An artist’s rendition of the Cassini-Huygens spacecraft in orbit around Saturn. Donald Gurnett and William Brainard of the UI Physics/Astronomy Department helped to develop the radars and plasma wave instruments on the spacecraft. (Contributed Photo)

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Locals have more to look forward to than just fresh produce at the Iowa City Farmers’ Market. The Farmer’s Market’s free Market Music series at Chauncey Swan Park features musicians at 5 p.m. Wednesdays and at 9 a.m. Saturdays. On Saturday, the Iowa City-based band Beggar-men will play traditional Irish and original folk music from 9 to 11 a.m. hosted by Market Music, and cosponsored by the University of Iowa Community Credit Union.

This year, musical acts have graced the Chauncey Swan stage since June 6, and the music will continue through Sept. 15. Iowa City Parks and Recreation Department arts supervisor Joyce Carroll said the Beggar-men has added to the array of styles featured at Market Music.

“The Beggar-men are an absolutely wonderful and a really nice variety of music,” she said. “The Beggar-men has played for years at Market Music, and it has a nice following. It’s music is very upbeat and fun, and the people generally come to listen to groups like the Beggar-men.”

The band has demonstrated its creative energies for more than 10 years, staying true to the members’ beloved Celtic strain.

“My mother’s from Ireland, and I grew up playing and listening to Irish music,” said Tara Dutcher, the Beggar-men’s fiddler and vocalist. “I always have enjoyed Irish music, and I don’t really feel like myself when I’m not playing it.”

Having performed at Market Music in previous years with success, Dutcher said, the relaxed atmosphere has drawn the band and its fans to Chauncey Swan year after year. “Our music tends to be interesting for a lot of different ages of people and different kinds of people,” she said. “We’re kind of lucky in that way that we feel really at home and have been well-received, and we always see a lot of friends and fans at the Farmers’ Market.”

Tunmy Neumann, the city’s Farmers’ Market coordinator, said the band’s fans aren’t the only ones who enjoy the Market Music performances. The program is beneficial for all involved in the Farmers’ Market, giving bands work and shoppers an eclectic experience.

“We realized it would be a great environment to have music here, people can sit, and, relax, and enjoy,” she said. “Now, it’s a full experience, and people all walk of life’s here.”

“If you’re going shopping, why shouldn’t you enjoy it?” she said.
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Much more than fireworks

Iowa City and Coralville residents participated in Fourth of July events across the area despite the heat wave.

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On the afternoon of the Fourth of July, members of the Iowa City Downtown District prepared under the hot sun for Iowa City’s Downtown on the Fourth Community Picnic to celebrate America’s 236th Independence Day.

Fireworks lit up the sky around 9:45 p.m. at Hubbard Park after a picnic downtown at 5 and a Pentacrest concert with Tony Brown at 7.

Iowa City community members were invited to pack picnic meals for an evening downtown or dine at one of several locations, including Pagliai’s Pizza, Buffalo Wild Wings, Bo-James, Bread Garden Market, and others.

Iowa City resident Scout Wycoff, 9, told The Daily Iowan before the festivities she was mostly excited for the fireworks in Hubbard Park.

“Last year, it was so fun, because they are always so big and so loud and so colorful,” Scout said.

Sporting a colorful, celebratory headband, Wycoff’s sister, Zoe, 6, said, “And they explode.”

Community members were encouraged to visit the Iowa City Downtown District informational booth for a chance to win a $100 community gift card.

Coralville’s festivities for the Fourth lasted from June 30 to July 4 in its annual 4thFEST. 4thFEST Committee Chairwoman Paula Bakay said 30,000 people or more were expected to join in the week’s worth of festivities from the June 30 5K run/walk to daily carnival rides to the annual 4thFEST parade on the Fourth.

“We had approximately 125 entries this year [in the parade],” Bakay said. “People were hot and tired, but the streets were still lined.”

With temperatures in the high 90s, Bakay encouraged all festival-goers to drink a lot of water and use sunscreen.

In addition to the week’s festivities in Coralville, country band Lonestar performed on July 3 in Morri-son Park. Officials chose the group to create a family-friendly atmosphere and draw people, Bakay said.

Cedar Falls resident Joshua Kulow said the concert was warm but a good time.

“It was a free concert they put on for 4thFEST. The price was right, and they were a big band from back when I was in high school,” he said. “They actually perform really well live.”

Whether it was in Iowa City or Coralville, members of both communities came out to celebrate the American tradition on a hot and relaxing Fourth of July.

Fourth of July fun facts:

• Independence Day became an official federal holiday in 1870.
• Thirty-one places in the U.S. have “Liberty” in their names.
• Both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams died on the Fourth of July, 1826.

Kids of all ages enjoyed the free inflatable slide set up on Iowa Avenue on the Fourth. The free entertainment was set by the early afternoon but was mostly used later, after the temperature fell. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

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“Guitarist and singer Tony Brown was in charge of warming up the audience on the Pentacrest on Wednesday. People started to gather on the Pentacrest at 7 p.m. and enjoyed great music and a public picnic. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)