Hamburg basks in Hillary moment

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Former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton's first visit to Iowa City's storied Hamburg Inn on Wednesday afternoon began when two federal Secret Service agents dropped into one of the restaurant's rustic wooden booths to order two pie shakes.

Soon, owner David Panther was contacted by his wait staff about the surprise drop-in, and he watched as a motorcade of Secret Service and local and state police surrounded the restaurant's Linn Street location.

Within minutes, Rodham Clinton — a woman long-pegged as the Democratic frontrunner in the 2016 race for the White House — walked through the restaurant's doors.

Accompanying her was Bruce Braley, the Democratic candidate to succeed longtime Sen. Tom Harkin.

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The value of a promise

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"It's when you need it: Have a new flush. Have an ugly rash. Can't decide whether insurance will pay for the loss or whether you have a bladder infection. Just don't feel right. Need a school physical. Are worried about the diabetes that runs in your family. Need an annual check-up. And the tax goes on.

Your personal doctor is a partner in good health and in bad. And Mercy On Call can help you find the right doctor.


Sheen's work and message, coupled with his laid-back conversational style of speaking and his appeal to Dance Marathon and the Lecture Committee, Traviss said. "He was charitable. He was compassionate. He was an inspiration to a lot of Iowans."
**COLUMN**

**R assassures in the U.K. economy.**

Many young people who already live there, as well as newcomers, prefer to move to lower income, less crowded neighborhoods that offer a better living environment. While the cost of living in the UK is generally higher, the potential for long-term investment in the form of home ownership is often perceived as more appealing. However, the allure of acquiring a property is gradually decreasing as the number of available listings and potential buyers continues to decrease. The trend of gentrification has become a nationwide issue, as neighborhoods that were previously considered safe and affordable are now facing rising property values and gentrification, threatening the livelihoods of many local residents. The government has been criticized for not doing enough to address this issue, and there is a growing sense of frustration among those who feel that they are being priced out of their own neighborhoods. While many young people are looking for affordable housing in the UK, the trend of gentrification has made it increasingly difficult for them to find suitable accommodations. The government has been urged to take action to address this issue, and to ensure that affordable housing is available to all who need it.
In Iowa, the Republican organization recently mailed an ad titled “Million” to the state’s TV markets. “Bruce Braley and Barack Obama teamed up to give us Obamacare and cost us all a whole lot of dough,” the ad says.

In the Iowa Republican's view, “Million” is a straw-men attack that spoils the party's message of a responsible and fiscally conservative alternative.

Healthcare is a key issue nationwide, with polls showing a majority of Americans want to keep the Affordable Care Act and reform the system rather than replace it with a Republican alternative.

Braley’s campaign released an attack ad Wednesday accusing the Republican senator of supporting cuts to Medicare.

As an issue, healthcare is expected to play a significant role in the upcoming midterm elections, with both parties vying for the middle ground among voters.
DIVING
Certified Freer

she was doing all of her lead up and all her stuff on the low tower, at the end [my mother-in- law] says, "Well she wasn't very good."

But that's exactly what Waikel said a diving practice should look like on occasion. The third-year head coach added that sometimes, the lead ups are so performed on the low tower, or boards, resulting in a splashing dive or what looks like a cannonball.

Waikel said some lead ups are done on these boards, but you can move up to the higher boards or platforms. When you move up in height, more rotation can be added, you can complete the full dive and clean up the divers' entry.

But before the team even thinks about getting in the water, in the important to dive and, every sport, is stretching, which sophomore Bran- dic Heffner said is the start of intense practice.

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A relay race at the Campus Recreation Center.

Dive, he said and Hawks do Practice is a lot more than doing full dives for the Hawkeye diving teams.

Hemeon selected to Senior All Star Game Iowa junior and Iowa's captain Dan Hemeon has been selected by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association to participate in the Senior All Star Game.

Hawkeyes gain territory over Wildcats: It's a wonder Northwestern 'Mildcats' long ago gone

Bumgarner, Giants take Thursday By Ben Walker

Jake Rudock wasn't alive when Iowa beat Northwestern 21-straight times. During the Bob Commingos and Hayden Fry era, the teams used to black and gold mercilessly bull- run through the pool deck, scan- ding the various boards, calling out numbers like "three," and "five" to signal which person he wanted to see dive and from what tower or board. But whether from the tower or the board, the process is usually the same, learning and practicing a dive starts approximately six hours a day on the pool deck, scan-

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By Kyle Mann

Iowa receiver Kevonte Martin-Manley attempts to break a tackle against Northwestern at Ryan Field in Evanston, Illinois, on Oct. 27, 2012. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

Iowa does nothing in Ryan-Hardy attempts to break a tackle against Northwestern at Ryan Field in Evanston, Illinois, on Oct. 27, 2012. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

V-ball heads east By Kyle Mann

When the Iowa volleyball team hits the road this weekend, it will be setting out on the program’s inaugural voyage to Maryland and New Jersey for six Ten contests. As a first for the school, it will also see a familiar road trip to some Hawkeyes who have been around for a while. Prior to Maryland and Rutgers joining the Big Ten, the only member of the conference requiring travel to east of Ohio was Purdue. So it’s not that Midwestern schools aren’t accustomed to making the trip, but now the frequent
Iowa City’s paranormal history — past and present — takes center stage this Halloween.

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Fear can be packaged in many forms: the pages of a scary book, an urban legend, a room adorned with fake cobwebs and strobe lights, even a mere bump in the night. From old medical school cadaver photos to haunted dorms to the Black Angel, Iowa City history and culture is punctuated by the scary, supernatural, or just plain creepy, and some local organizations are embracing this tradition for Halloween weekend. While downtown drink specials and dime-store costumes will be aplenty, the streets, structures, and even library books of Iowa City offer a more subtle — and chilling — celebration of Oct. 31.

Browsing ghostly artifacts

Today from noon to 4 p.m. at the Main Library, Special Collections will host the Ghosts in the Stacks, providing members of the community the opportunity to view scary stories, legends, artifacts and to enjoy free popcorn.

Ghosts in the Stacks began in 2007, and it has occurred intermittently in the years since. Coordinator Kelly Gregg said the event proves the library holds more than tomes and journal articles.

“The collections we have constantly surprise me,” she said. “That we have books on witchcraft, some of the original Nancy Drew books, a vast array of works by Edgar Allan Poe, and a map of all the shipwrecks that took place on Lake Michigan isn’t always common knowledge, but it should be.”

Some of the items featured at the event are decades — if not centuries — old and may have a ghostly undertone.

“[Special Collections] give us firsthand accounts of times that might otherwise be forgotten,” Gregg said. “It’s such a unique experience to hold a document in your hands that has existed for hundreds of years. And while it’s really thrilling to read a letter from a soldier who wrote his wife during the Civil War, it also provides this eerie experience, because you know that person probably never thought people would read their letters more than 100 years later.”

Not only did Special Collections staff members look for historically meaningful items, but Gregg said they also selected artifacts that were cool and creepy to look at.

“I have platters of people’s faces, pictures of ca...
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Murder, they put on different parts of the world, and for us, you can get more granular in your knowledge of what exactly from what exact place.

Yurcio said he believes Iowa City audiences will be able to connect with frevo.

“This is an art of music and dance. It’s unique and special, that is accessible and beautiful. And it’s remarkable,” he said. “And it’s free. It’s fast, it’s high energy, it’s really fun.”

Part of the band’s on-stage dynamic includes musical genre mash-ups of the percussion-heavy frevos and other genres of music.

Some parents don’t believe their children should be exposed to such topics. “But one day, children are going to hear about these things,” Cline said. “It’s a right.”

Murphy said the dinner at 8 p.m. and the 10 p.m. show are sold out, but there are still tickets available for the 7:30 p.m. show.

The audience members will be able to share their feelings to an audience after getting their food, Mission IMPROV will begin the show.

Murphy said the diner-party attendees will need to share their musical identities before the show.

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Make plans now to attend the exclusive screening of “The Terrifying Kraken Hunter Shot” at the HUB on the 15th floor.

At Iowa City’s 51st Street Fest, Delores Dulin, a lauded reporter in her own right, played host to her dream — to cover the city’s most iconic crimes and disasters, and turn the bubbly out of the habitual business of investigating.

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One of the most challenging part is improvisation, according to Yurcio.

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The Ghost Hunters even received national attention after capturing a video of unexplained shadows and falling cups at a Maid-Rite restaurant in Cascade, Iowa.

Contrary to what is portrayed in pop culture, representatives of the Iowa City Ghost Hunters say they do not run into real supernatural beings with their ghost hunting.

“We like to do a lot of research before we go to the location,” said UI graduate student Kelly Grogg. “We learn as much as we can about the paranormal disturbances or urban legends surrounding the location. Then, if there are any death records or hauntings by people with a violent past, we look into that. Then we do a lot more on the property. From there we do a meeting and greet with the client. We get some paperwork filled out, such as our investigation release and confidentiality agreement. At that point, we start our investigation.”

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Weaving a different web
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The members of Spider Bags don’t always know what’s going to happen when they step on stage. From the first chord of a psychedelic rock song to the last, no matter how many times they’ve performed the piece before, the space in between is made up of exponential possibilities.

At 9 p.m. today, rock band Spider Bags and Reigning Sound will take the stage at the Mill, 120 E. Burlington St.

Spider Bags was founded in 2005, organized by Dan McGee after the collapse of his punk band, DC Snipers. Following that band’s demise, McGee decided to start exploring writing in other genres.

“That’s what I set out to do,” McGee said. “I’ve played in bands for a while, and I wanted to see what other stuff I could do.”

The band members pride themselves on often improvising on stage, never quite knowing how the show will play once they hit the stage. “If all the hours in a day, it’s the other 23 that I’m more concerned about,” said Rock Forbes, the band’s drummer. “We have a sort of ESP on stage; we can just sort of look at each other and fall in sync.”

“We’re never sure what’s going to happen,” said McGee. “We’re not sure what we’re going to play in a band in which anything could happen.”

“The exciting thing about music is that possibility of chaos,” McGee said. “I think it’s more exciting to watch a band that might fall apart than to see a band that performs everything immediately every time. Bands that do that sometimes look dead to me, and if you’re going to be bored, you might as well work a desk job.”

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Frightening, funny family play

By DEVYN YOUNG
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Families may encounter a number of setbacks while on vacation, from missed flights to bad motels. Rarely, though, do vacationers face off with monsters, mysterious strangers, and acts of violence.

This worst-case scenario will be depicted in the University of Iowa Theater Department’s Gallery Production Water Bound. An original play by UI M.F.A. playwright Sam Lahne, Water Bound will open at 8 p.m. today in Theater B and run through Nov. 2.

Ariel Francoeur, a second year M.F.A. directing student, has directed shows in many parts of the country, including Maine, New York, Kentucky, and Iowa. She has worked with Lahne on Water Bound for about a year, a collaboration she said has been “fantastic.”

“His willingness to make logistical changes needed for this production, and his willingness to improvise to do the best I can to make his vision a reality,” she said. “I hope the audience leaves with the awareness of the power of imagination, the power that theater still has to tell stories in a unique way.”

Despite some horror-movie elements, Stuart said, there is heart at the center of this dysfunctional family drama.

“Water Bound is frightening, it’s funny, it’s fantastical, and at times, forlorn, but when it really comes down to it, this is a play about family,” she said.

Gallery Production Water Bound
Where: UI Theater Building
When: 8 p.m. today through Nov. 2
Admission: Free to students, $5 general public

Robert Flack has been singing our karaoke for decades, building a brilliant career of beautiful performances and smash hits. Songs like ‘Killing Me Softly with His Song,’ ‘Where is the Love,’ and ‘The First Time I Ever Saw Your Face’ are essential parts of the American soundtrack.

Robert Flack
Halloween Need-to-Know Week - Mummies:

• A mummy is a corpse whose body has been preserved by exposure to chemicals or extreme conditions, dyeing, or mummification. Famous mummies include Tutankhamen, Hotep, and Bruce Jenner.

• Egyptian mummification involved many complex rituals, including rites of passage, offerings, and various illnesses that are mysteriously endemic in Egypt. Scientists have determined that "Het" suffered fromＲ Various medical conditions: osteoporosis, heart disease, lung disease, and pickling the organs.

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• To back up this claim, the worst thing in life is to end up with people who make you feel alone. Someone you least expect to cooperate with may become your ally. When you feel alone, turn any negative you face into a positive, and keep moving forward without regret.

• The best way to resolve these challenges is to focus on your personal, emotional, or community connections. Find an open avenue of interest that will take your mind off what troubles you. Help others can heal your despair.

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— Robin Williams

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Puzzles

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horoscopes Thursday, October 30, 2014

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Looking for fights will bring no solace. Being too sensitive or critical will lead to disappointment. Get out, and explore avenues of interests that will take your mind off what troubles you. Helping others can heal your despair.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Get involved in helping others, and you will feel good about your accomplishments. Love is highlighted by an environment that’s nurturing. No one is happy with your new identity, but it’s a good time to start watching your career.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Move positive changes at home by doing something different. You can perform acts of service. If you opt to do the work yourself and stick to a budget, you’ll have money left over to celebrate your accomplishment. Find someone you know that can help you do this.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don’t make assumptions — go directly to the source and ask questions. It’s better to know the truth than to remain uncertain. If you need a moment to sort through the information, find a unique place geared toward peace and quiet.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Let the source and ask questions. It’s better to know the truth than to remain uncertain. If you need a moment to sort through the information, find a unique place geared toward peace and quiet.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A greater interest in your background, friendships, or community connections will develop if you are a participant. Learning about your past through the eyes of those who have known you a long time will give you the wisdom to make good choices.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Discuss wastefulness and budgeting with those who affect your standard of living through your spending habits. Not everyone will be happy with your plan to conserve, but it’s a good time to start watching your career.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Asking for support accomplishing your goals. Take a different approach to the way you live, and consider whether your current location is good for you. You’ll receive stellar advice if you listen to someone with experience and insight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Adventure, excitement, and new beginnings will occupy your mind. Look for opportunities that will entice you and you will discover new challenges and fresh opportunities. An open mind will lead you to interesting proposals.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Look for a unusual route, and you will find a way past an obstacle that is standing in your way. If tasks haven’t worked lately, you may need to move on and take action. Do your own thing, and don’t look back.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don’t let anyone stifle your plans or pressure you to do what you don’t want to. Focus on your personal, financial, medical, or legal positions. Do whatever will help you stabilize your life and not what someone else demands from you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Get involved in talks that encourage ali- ens to move their head and in the same direction as you. It will be easy to gain you if you put the past behind you and reach out to someone you are not living out. With someone you least expect to cooperate with may become your ally.
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unteers lived to see another day, all that was
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son was a pile of rubble.
Gone was the preseason hype, the fast start, the
brief stint in the national spotlight, as was the period
when Iowa was considered a dark horse to go deep in
the NCAA Tournament. It had all crumbled under the
late-season collapse.
Iowa lost seven of its last eight games, was defeated
in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament, and
the team that once had aspirations of reaching the
Final Four was bounced in the play-in game to the
NCAA Tournament’s round of 64.
Now, with a new face to the team, and similar
depth, this year’s squad is left to pick up the pieces.
“As some people say, ‘It’s not always going to be
sunny days,’ ” Aaron White said. “Sometimes, it’s
not as good as it seems, I kind of liked how people
are doubting us, especially this offseason. We’re
not getting as much love as we got last year. And I like
being in that underdog role.”
Iowa had the rare experience last season of going
through the highest of highs and the lowest of lows.
Returning players are trying to learn from that ex-
perience, both the good and the bad. White, whom head
coach Fran McCaffery has given the team’s reins to this
year, learned more about his team from the hot start
than the deflating finish.
“You can learn from winning and losing,” White said.
“Lagnostically-speaking, much of the Hawkeyes’ col-
lapse can be attributed to their defense, or lack thereof.
In Iowa’s first 13 games, the Hawkeyes held teams
to an average of 65.3 points per game. Among those
games, they played teams such as Xavier, Villanova,
Notre Dame, and Iowa State. But once conference play
started, those numbers ballooned.
Over the course of the next 20 games, including Io-
wa’s Big Ten Tournament loss to Northwestern and its
loss to Tennessee, the Hawkeyes’ opponents averaged
73.95 points per game. The Hawkeyes ranked last in
the Big Ten in points per game allowed during confer-
ce play. The Hawkeyes allowed 80 points per game.
“When they dropped 80 on us, that was scary,” McCaffery said after
the team’s media day. “That’s why we were 9-9 and not bet-
ter than that. And I think that’s gotta be the challenge
for this team.”
Something that may work in the Hawkeyes’ favor is
that the expectations have been tamed entering this
season. Although they snuck into the coaches’ presea-
son top 25 at No. 25, this season has a different feeling
than the hype-fueled build-up to last season.
“We have very high expectations for ourselves, and
we know what we went through last year,” junior Mike
Gesell said. “We’ve improved from it and we’re much
more confident because of that.
“The coaches always told us, once you get ranked,
once you’re in the national spotlight, you’re held
to a higher standard. Teams see that target on
your back, and they’re coming at you. They can
tell us all about that, but until you truly experi-
cence that, it’s hard to get the real taste of it.”
Those expectations may have been one of many
reasons why Iowa’s season finished much earlier
than many expected last year.
Following that final loss, it didn’t take long for
White to flush it all out and start anew.
He took a couple of days off, then got back to work.
But in that time off, what stood out to him was watch-
ing the team that ended Iowa’s season — Tennessee —
advance to the Sweet 16 and lose by just 2 points to
Michigan.
Under different circumstances, that could have been
Iowa.
“That was a big motivation for me,” White said. “Be-
ing we had the talent to go that far. And we’ve got
the talent this year to go that far.”
Point Guard: Mike Gesell
Points per game: 17.6
Assists per game: 3.0
 steals per game: 1.1

Shooting Guard: Josh Oglesby
Points per game: 16.8
Assists per game: 2.0
 steals per game: 0.8

Small Forward: Jarrod Uthoff
Points per game: 17.6
Assists per game: 7.6

Power Forward: Aaron White
Points per game: 18.0
Assists per game: 7.7

Center: Adam Woodbury
Points per game: 15.7
Assists per game: 4.5

The Daily Iowan's Starting Five is designed for entertainment and is not an official Iowa basketball lineup.
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With the 2014-15 season on the horizon, Iowa will try to improve on last season's collapse and make it past the Round of 64 in the NCAA Tournament. Just as with last season, as many as 11 players could see substantial minutes and help the team make it at least to the traditional first round.

To preview the season, the DI takes a statistical look at four story lines heading into the year.

Gabe Olaseni Total Rebound Percentage — 16.2 percent
Olaseni ranked second on the team in this metric, which measures the total available rebounds a player grabbed while on the court. While Olaseni and Adam Woodbury have been compared with each other over the past few seasons, that “controversy” came into the limelight last year. The two were fairly evenly matched in terms of points (Olaseni’s 6.5 to Woodbury’s 5.7), but Olaseni had the edge, finishing at 12.8 percent.

Head coach Fran McCaffery said both players will play in different situations this season, and they could be on the court at the same time. Because Olaseni only averaged 16.7 minutes per game last season, he didn’t qualify for the leaderboard in this category. His 16.2-percent clip matched that of Purdue’s A.J. Hammons, who played 25 minutes per game and ranked third in the league.

Mike Gesell Assist/Turnover Ratio (first in the Big Ten, 12th in the NCAA)
While McCaffery called on Gesell to score more this season (he averaged 7.8 points per game last year), the point guard took care of the ball very well last season. His backup, Anthony Clemmons, did not. His assist-to-turnover ratio came in at 1.89. After experiencing a significant decrease in minutes from his freshman year, Clemmons said he went back to Lansing, Michigan, and considered his options. McCaffery praised him for his attitude during that time, saying a lot of players in that position would have transferred. He lauded the backup’s work ethic since last season ended, he was one of the best players in the Prime Time League last summer, for what that’s worth.

Iowa guard Anthony Clemmons dribbles down the court against Nebraska in Carver-Hawkeye on Dec. 31, 2013. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

Opponent points per game — 70.3 (11th in Big Ten)
McCaffery said his team’s biggest weakness down the stretch was its defense. In its last eight games, when the Hawkeyes went 1-7, the team gave up 80 points per contest. Sure, fewer than 4 points may not jump off the page, but with some of the Hawkeyes’ long scoring droughts, the lack of defense was surely concerning.

Iowa’s schedule doesn’t getting any easier with the addition of Maryland and Rutgers, which add the wear-and-tear of two extra Big Ten games, if nothing else, and a team without its leading scorer returning will have to buckle down to defend to avoid another disappointing finish.

Deyvin Marble Points Produced — 534
As everyone knows, Deyvin Marble has moved on to the NBA, leaving his production to be picked up by someone else. White is the guy to do it, and he finished a distant second behind Marble in this category with 399 last season.

By nature of this statistic—which estimates the value of a player’s offensive play, based on shots, made, assists, and rebounds — it wouldn’t be a surprise to see Gesell finish near the top lead in this category. Should his scoring improve, as McCaffery expects, his role as the team’s starting point guard will help his number in this category.

Iowa center Gabriel Olaseni leaps for a dunk at the Black and Gold Blowout in Carver-Hawkeye on Oct. 25, 2013. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

25% of total points produced were from Deyvin Marble
16.2% Gabe Olaseni total rebound percentage
12.8% Adam Woodbury total rebound percentage
9.8% Team average rebound percentage