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Gubernatorial race

Third-party candidate wants in on debates

By Tyler.Kingkade
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Jonathan Narcisse wants in on the gubernatorial debates with Gov. Chet Culver and former Gov. Terry Branstad. Narcisse announced Friday he's started a

drive, "Iowans For A Fair Debate," with an online petition to include the third-party candidate for governor in the debates this fall.

Narcisse is a former Polk County Democratic Party Chair, Des Moines School Board member and owns multiple Iowa me-

dia outlets. He originally launched a campaign to challenge incumbent Culver for the Democratic nomination, but switched to running independently on the "Iowa Party" ticket.

His campaign said debate organizers have not explained why

Narcisse is not currently included in the three scheduled debates to take place on Sept. 14, Oct. 7 and Oct. 21.

"How can the sponsoring media, having reported on Jonathan in well over 400 media reports this past decade, ignore his can-

didacy when it comes to the debates?" said Fran Koontz, chairman of Narcisse For Iowa.

Walter Reed, former head of the Waterloo Human Rights Commission, heads Iowans For A



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Gaming



Cortez Sexton, left, Steven Schulteis and Jonathan Sanford play Dungeons and Dragons on Saturday. The gaming section of Mayhem was open for 24 hours Saturday through Sunday for game playing. Photo: Kait McKinney/Iowa State Daily

A full day of Mayhem

By John.Lonsdale
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The ninth hour was quickly approaching. The slumber party for gamers was underway and no one was going to sleep. Instead of talking about boys and listening to Ke\$ha songs under the sheets, it was "Yu-Gi-Oh!" and ... Ke\$ha songs seeping out of speakers in the corner of the blue-walled room.

With no air conditioning, passers-by on Lincoln Way could feel the heat radiating off of Mayhem's glass door while the 24-hour gaming session took place inside.

White tables were set up all around and post-

ers beguiled all who entered with their charm and splendor.

Apart from the chatter of those playing the different games, voices could be heard in animated tones of elfish and other altogether odd sounds that blended in with the shuffling of cards or role-playing and lingo of everyone gathered in the space.

"Hi, Mom," said a boy with a handful of playing cards of some sort spilling out of his backpack and hands while leaving the room into the phone. "I had to buy them to finish my collection. It was only \$60, and plus, I still have \$4 left."

Coming up on 20 years of business, Mayhem Comics and Games on Lincoln Way in Ames has

hosted the 24-hour gaming session for a little more than 15 years, said Rob Josephson, co-owner and manager of the store.

Sitting at the front of the store, adjacent to the game room where the session is taking place, Josephson says hello to the customers and what seem to be Mayhem family by now.

"Your mom just called," he said to one younger man. "She wants you to call her back."

With the beginning of a new school year, Josephson finds the 24-hour session provides an opportunity for new ISU students to meet each other and get an introduction to the comic book

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Salesmen arrested

Residents asked to be weary of merchants

By Sarah.Haas
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Ames police are encouraging Ames residents to be weary of door-to-door salespersons who have not registered with the city.

Under an ordinance, all door-to-door salespersons are required to register with the City Clerk's office in order to legally sell goods. Residents and local businesses are exempt.

"It helps protect the citizens so that they aren't being taken by some fly-by-night outfit that is selling magazines," said Ames Police Cmdr. Mike Brennan. "At least it's a way to check identification on people and do a bit of background on them."

Police arrested five transient merchants last week. They failed to register with the city and obtain a peddler's permit. "Make sure if you have somebody selling something door-to-door, ask to see their city of Ames peddler's permit," Brennan said.

The majority of peddlers sell magazine subscriptions, although Brennan said there have been a variety of products sold including meat. The sellers are typically young adults who have been bused in by a company.

There are several ways Ames residents can protect themselves.

Brennan said people should never buy a product from a pushy salesperson whether or not he or she has a peddler's permit. Residents should not pay for a product before it is delivered in order to ensure satisfaction with the product. In addition, he said not to provide personal information.

If you're uneasy about a solicitor, Brennan said to call the police.

"Some of them are legitimate, but there are some that aren't," he said.

The charge of transient merchant without a license is a simple misdemeanor.

Ames landmark

Bridge destruction upsets local residents

By Taysha.Murtaugh
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The painted wooden ties of Dinkey Bridge lay in a colorful heap at the end of North Riverside Drive. Looming 40 feet over Squaw Creek, the 206-foot-long skeleton of steel beams behind the pile gave the impression of a bird stripped of its feathers.

The removal of these boards, covered in designs and poetry by local artists, was the first step excavating contractor Mike Howard took in the destruction of the bridge, which began at noon on Friday.

"What's your story?" read one board. Smoky swirls of paint spread across several of the ties, and an 18-

line poem covered one side of a beam.

Howard had been hired by Union Pacific Railroad, owner of Dinkey Bridge, to tear it down. He was instructed to haul all the pieces to a landfill, but instead had been saving some of them.

"There are some that are too good to throw away," Howard said. "The time and the brain power that went into them."

Members of the Historical Society, as well as Nitin Gadia, an Ames resident who actively petitioned to save the bridge, attended the demolition to see what artwork they could salvage for a future museum exhibit.

"We want to save 10 of the ties so that kids can experience walking

across it," said Dennis Wendell, curator of the Ames Historical Society museum.

"We think the bridge is historic because of its function," said Alan Spohnheimer, also of the Ames Historical Society, "but in past years it's become popular with some of the high school and college kids who like to hang out and express their artwork."

Dinkey Bridge originally served as a railroad track connecting Iowa State to downtown Ames. It was nicknamed "Dinkey" after the public trolley line that ran across it and around campus.



Both sides of the Dinkey Bridge were blocked off Friday. Students frequented the path before it was slated for destruction earlier this year. Photo: Logan Gaedke/Iowa State Daily

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Calendar

MONDAY

Mat cutting with Amy Dreyer.
When: 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
What: Learn to size mats, cut straight and beveled edges, and hinge mount artwork on the new mat cutter at the Workspace.
Where: Workspace at the Memorial Union.

TUESDAY

Stained glass with Rob Simpson
When: 6 to 8 p.m.
What: Create a beautiful piece to capture the light through your windows. Meets Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. for six weeks.
Where: Workspace at the Memorial Union

WEDNESDAY

Fall convocation: College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
When: 4 p.m.
What: New faculty, staff and chairs; award recipients; and 2010-11 Master Teachers will be recognized. Dean Michael Whiteford will give a "State of the College" address.
Where: Sun Room, MU



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SUNSHINE: Students enjoy the nice weather on campus

Mitchell Hartig, senior in architecture, lies on the ground Saturday, as Luda, a mixed terrier, licks his face on Central Campus. Photo: Karuna Ang/Iowa State Daily

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Ames, ISU Police Departments
The information in the log comes from the ISU and City of Ames police departments' records. All those accused of violating the law are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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Sun

with public intoxication. [reported at 1:27 a.m.]

possession of alcohol. [reported at 3:00 a.m.]

Matthew McCoy, 27, 1316 S. Duff Ave. unit 24, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated, driving under revocation, no insurance and operation without registration. [reported at 9:52 p.m.]

Aug 23
Mon

Officers assisted a resident who was suffering from an alcohol overdose. The individual was transported to Mary Greeley Medical Center for treatment. [reported at 1:54 a.m.]

Sage Cory, 19, of Ankeny, was cited for underage possession of alcohol. [reported at 3:26 a.m.]

Michael Schiltz, 18, of Nevada, was cited for underage possession of alcohol. [reported at 4:36 a.m.]

Aug. 23

Troy Milani, 42, of Perry, was arrested and charged with contempt of court. [reported at 10:30 a.m.]

A staff member reported the theft of cash and a billfold at Atanasoff Hall. [reported at 1:18 p.m.]

Alex Pattebaum reported the theft of a bike at Maple Hall. [reported at 2:32 p.m.]

Aug. 22

Joshua Weatherspoon, 21, 3819 Tripp St. unit 6, was arrested and charged with interference with official acts [simple] and disorderly conduct. [reported at 1:24 a.m.]

Brock Koster, 18, 1400 Coconino Road unit 102, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated. [reported at 2:35 a.m.]

Cooper Deboer, 20, of Sheldon, was cited for underage possession of alcohol. [reported at 2:49 a.m.]

A 17-year-old male was taken into custody and charged with public intoxication, interference with official acts and underage

Jordan Kanter, 18, 2266 Welch Hall, was arrested and charged

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tuesday
(BUCK BOTTLES)
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wednesday
(BEER PONG TOURNAY) (CASH PRIZES)
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sunday 5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1
\$5 Fish Bowls, \$4 Pitchers, \$3 Bombs
\$2 Wells/Draws, \$1 Pre-Made Shots

@ OUTLAWS

thursday
MUG NIGHT
\$3 Draws
\$5 Wells

friday
MAIN & BASEMENT BARS
8-9 Buck Bottles
9-11 \$2 Bottles and Wells
UPSTAIRS BAR
2FERS on Shots from 9-Close
Karaoke in Basement

saturday
MAIN & BASEMENT BARS
\$1 Draws
\$2 Wells
\$3 Top Shelf Whiskey
UPSTAIRS BAR
2FERS on Shots from 9-Close

@ LOST AND FOUND LOUNGE

wednesday
\$5 Pitchers, \$2 Wells/Draws
\$2.50 Domestic Bottles

thursday
MUG NIGHT
\$3 Draws & \$5 Wells
\$1 Shots til 11
2 for 1 Bombs ALL NIGHT

friday
FAC 5-8 \$1 Draws
Free Pizza 6-8
Bottle+Bomb \$5
\$1 Wells/Draws for Girls til 11

saturday
BOTTLE+BOMB
(\$5 ALL NIGHT)
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Community

Alumni donate \$1,000 to Ames flood relief

By Ethan Subra
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The room was abuzz with anticipation.

About 150 people, a majority of whom with an ethnic relation to Malaysia, were packed into a meeting room with about 100 seats.

After the immense flooding of Ames and much of campus, ISU alumni in Malaysia saw a photo of the destruction and wrote a letter to ISU President Gregory Geoffroy expressing their concern for their "home away from home" and also their desire to help the community.

On Saturday, the Malaysian alumni, represented by Choy Leow, former president of the Association of Malaysian Students at ISU, donated \$1,000 to the United Way of Story County to assist with flood relief.

"The gift is for the people of Ames," Leow said.

Jean Kresse, president and CEO of United Way of Story



Jean Kresse, Ashvin Sudhaharan, Choy Leow and Riad Mahayni stand with the check from the ISU Malaysia Alumni Association on Saturday. The organization donated \$1,000 to Ames for flood relief. Photo: Kait McKinney/Iowa State Daily

County, accepted the check.

Kresse said that including the check from the ISU Malaysia Alumni Association, more than \$13,500 has been donated toward Ames flooding relief.

An adviser to AMSISU, John Chow, spoke of the sense of community that is so strong among Malaysian people and spoke of the donation as "reverse foreign aid," saying that Saturday was "a continuation

of that story, of that tradition."

In the past, AMSISU has been deeply involved in the Ames' community.

During the farm crisis of the 1980s, Leow — then the president of AMSISU — spearheaded fundraising that raised more than \$14,000 toward a scholarship fund that enabled two ISU students whose families had been impacted by the crisis to complete their studies at Iowa State.

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store.

The event is usually hosted by the store twice a year; the next one will most likely take place in March when everyone is a little restless from the winter season.

Employees of the store are always relied upon to be at the event and bring board games or role-playing games so there is always something to play for those who come without their own.

With a more casual approach to this year's event, Josephson created a sign-up board and relied on word-of-mouth for attendance this year.

"There are gamers who will be very committed and stay the full 24 hours and those who will go home around 2 p.m., maybe 3 p.m.," Josephson said.

While Josephson is speaking, the game room door opens and hot air pours into the room.

Andrew Bircher walks into the heated room and sits down at a table where his friends are playing a card game.

"This is 'Yu-Gi-Oh!'" Bircher said.

Bircher became a "gamer" when he was 12 years old.

First it was "Pokemon," then "Magic: The Gathering" soon after that.

Now 25, Bircher finds himself coming to play a game over at Mayhem at least once a week.

"This is usually how I spend my Saturday nights," Bircher said.

"I guess I could be out drinking. I guess I could do that afterwards, too. But this is how I met these two."

Two men sitting at the table with him laugh and shake their heads.

Sawyer Hade and Devin Rasmussen, whom Bircher have known since he arrived at Iowa State as a freshman in 2005, play their

card game while Bircher recalls his favorite game. "Anachronism" is a card game that involves important figures in history fighting in an arena.

"I found my Chile Caesar and Cleopatra the other day," Bircher said to Rasmussen.

The cards on the table are being flipped as fast they can.

In the midst of the paper chaos, someone won the game.

"A face crushing definitely just occurred," Rasmussen said.

As Rasmussen opens up his book filled with cards, he describes their monetary value in a detail only a gamer could really empathize with.

"I'd say I'd be down about \$1,500 if this book were to be stolen from me," he said. "Gaming is expensive sometimes, but it doesn't have to be."

For many of the gamers in the room, gaming is the cliché "escape from the real world," Hade said.

As the next "Yu-Gi-Oh!" match transpired, other games came to their climaxes in great volume.

"Oh, my God! That was unbearably cool," shouted a man toward the back of the room.

Rasmussen looks up at Bircher with cards in their hands.

"Stereotypes are always involved in gaming," Rasmussen said.

"Yeah, but it's not like a bunch of dorks just come in here to play card games," Bircher said, on the verge of laughter.

"It's so those dorks can find other dorks to play with them."

Rasmussen peers up through his thick glasses and puts his deck of cards down on the table.

"This is the one time of the week where you really can forget about everything and just play," Rasmussen said.

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After the train system was replaced by a bus service in 1929, the tracks were removed, but residents continued to use the bridge for transportation and eventually as a way to express art. With no railings, however, Union Pacific saw it as a liability risk and commissioned Howard to tear it down.

"Every college kid who walks across it wants to kill me," Howard said, "but I'm just doing my job."

Gadia began a petition to save the bridge in March and sent it to both Union Pacific and the Ames City Council.

"I just thought it would be a good project to try and save the bridge," Gadia said. "People use the bridge right now and it's a beautiful bridge that people care about."

He began a Facebook group entitled "Save the Dinkey Bridge," which quickly accumulated more than 800 members.

Gadia said Union Pacific offered to sell Dinkey Bridge to the city of Ames in 2009, eventually reducing the offer to a donation. At the next few meetings, the City Council weighed the options and cost of renovation.

"The city was interested in taking the bridge," Gadia said, "and they wanted to ask a small proportion of the cost of demolition to cover renovations."

After discovering the

cost of demolition would be around \$200,000, the city asked Union Pacific for \$30,000, a request the railroad company turned down.

"The bottom line was [Union Pacific was] afraid of the liability of the bridge," Gadia said. "They worried that if it became a pedestrian bridge, then all these people going across the bridge would cut across the parallel track that is a current railroad."

Despite the efforts of Gadia and a few other local activists, demolition of the bridge began last week and is scheduled to continue into next week.

"My feeling is that it could have been saved," Gadia said, "but it's such a complicated issue and there's only so much I could have done about it by myself."

Those who spent time at Dinkey Bridge or contributed to the artwork have expressed their disappointment on the Facebook page.

We're all looking for somebody to blame," Gadia said, "but there is nobody to blame in this."

Some pieces of the bridge will be preserved in a museum exhibit; others will be tossed.

The theme of much of the Dinkey Bridge artwork is experiencing life and appreciating real beauty. As one tie reads, "For now we are young. Let us lie in the sun and count every beautiful thing we can see."

Environmental cause

Universalist church goes solar

By Katherine.Klingseis @iowastatedaily.com



The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Ames recently installed solar panels in an effort to become more involved with environmentalism. Photo: Kait McKinney/Iowa State Daily

In an effort to become more eco-efficient, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Ames has recently installed solar panels. The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship is located on North Hyland Avenue. The building attracts many visitors and onlookers due to its unusual design.

"[The Fellowship] is a rather funky structure," said Janet McKee, member of the Fellowship's Green Sanctuary Committee. "It is comprised of these various sections, and some [of the sections] are circular and others more rectangular."

Those who go to the Fellowship are as unique as the building itself. Unitarian Universalists do not share a common religious background or theological philosophy. Followers of Unitarian Universalism are unified by their search for spiritual growth.

"It's a fellowship that is very open and accepting of all kinds of religions," McKee said.

"[The Green Sanctuary Committee] deals with a number of environmental issues, one of which is getting national recognition as a green sanctuary," McKee said. "That's

been a huge process."

After some discussion, the committee came up with the idea to install solar panels. The members met founder of Innovative Kinetics James McCain at I-Renew, an energy fair near Cedar Rapids.

"We had worked with several other installers prior to this and had them do an assessment of the actual site, but, for various reasons, it just did not work with the other installers," McKee said. "We had a very limited budget."

The committee obtained \$15,000 through a bequest from the Fellowship. McCain understood the committee's budgetary restraints, and he worked to install the solar pan-

els without going over-budget.

McCain's company, Innovative Kinetics is a renewable energy business located out of Des Moines.

He's a wonderful person to work with," McKee said. "It has taken a lot of patience on both his and my part."

The committee had a difficult time persuading city officials to allow the installation of solar panels. Before that point, solar powered systems were not permitted to be connected

to the city's power grid. "[City officials] began the process of generating a net metering interconnectivity agreement," McKee said.

Net meters measure how much energy is created in comparison to how much energy is used. Any excess energy is stored for future use.

After waiting for a long period of time, the solar panels were finally installed. The panels are already proving to be well worth the time and money spent.

"[On Wednesday], the little readout on the digital converter read that we were generating roughly 1,650 watts, and, on the meter, we were utilizing only an excess of 65 watts," McKee said. "It was a really neat thing to see."

The work of the Green Sanctuary Committee has opened the door for other businesses and establishments.

"In the future, from this point on, anyone wishing to go this route of choosing to aid their energy usage with solar panels will have a much easier task of accomplishing it," McKee said.

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Fair Debate. Reed said he's working with Narcisse because the third-party candidate understands the growing problems in urban areas throughout Iowa.

"Now Iowa has become more urban than rural," Reed said. "The senseless violence that took place at this year's Iowa State Fair has garnered widespread media attention, yet those of us that live in the heart of Waterloo, Des Moines, Davenport, Cedar Rapids, Burlington and Iowa City, know this type of mass chaos is taking place nearly every weekend in our urban centers."

Reed said Iowa's urban areas have real challenges beyond escalating youth and gang violence in areas like housing, unem-

ployment and education

"Every school district within Iowa's Urban Eight is officially failing, according to the Culver administration," Reed said. "And it is clear neither Gov. Culver or Gov. Branstad has solutions for these challenges, if they even understand them."

As a school board member, Narcisse was known for controversy. In November 2008, the media erupted with stories over an e-mail Narcisse wrote to a Roosevelt High School student urging him to improve academically, and shared a story with the student about someone he knew who ended up giving "oral sex" on the street. The student had e-mailed the School Board seeking help getting back on the school's wrestling team.

In May 2009 he was sued for allegedly

violating a confidentiality agreement over the firing of a former union head.

However, during his time on the board he made improvements to security and a Code of Conduct was created.

A former Narcisse rival, Dick Murphy, who served as president of the school board while Narcisse was a member, said he will not endorse Narcisse but believes he should be included in the debates.

"The two major candidates have political machines that will be busy undermining their opposition," Murphy said in a statement the Narcisse campaign released. "While [Narcisse's] vision is of concern for me, at least he is focusing on important issues. Including him in the debates will force the other candidates to focus on the issues and not on each other."

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Eggs

Small producers see boon

Recent recall might benefit small sellers

By Deb Nicklay
The Associated Press

OSAGE — Deb and Keith Wolf quickly saw an uptick in sales of fresh eggs from their rural Osage home after a recall of tainted eggs that has spanned the nation.

"I'd say we've noticed it over about a four-, five-day-period," said Wolf, who began selling fresh eggs about two years ago.

"We're just a hobby farm — we normally sell four dozen or so a day — and now it's eight dozen. For us, that's a lot," Wolf said.

Small producers may be benefiting from the recall of almost a half a billion eggs from two farms in Wright County since mid-August.

Salmonella from the tainted eggs have sickened more than 1,000 people, health officials recently reported.

Keith Hansen of Hampton

agreed, saying his wife, Barb's, egg business has also changed since the recall.

"She told me that at [this week's farmer's] market she had some new customers," he said.

Wolf said she is not sure the increase will last.

"It was up the past few days — and today, I haven't had one customer," she said.

Still, eating fresh holds a growing interest among consumers, she said, with or without recalls.

"Once you like them [fresh eggs] — and they do taste different than what you are probably used to with store-bought — people want to keep having them. And, they're local," she said.

She has standing orders for customers from across North Iowa.

The Wolfs only intended the egg operation to be small. They have between 150 and 250 laying hens, depending on when older fowl are culled from the flock and replaced.

They have had customers as far away as Missouri and Minnesota.



Chef Felipe Escamilla prepares Huevos Rancheros on Aug. 24 at Restaurante Tenochtitlan, in Blue Island, Ill. The restaurant buys its eggs from local producers and has not been affected by the egg recall. Photo: M. Spencer Green/The Associated Press

"I had a semi driver pull over and buy every egg we had one Friday night," said Wolf

with a chuckle.

"He was just so tickled to get fresh eggs."

State briefs

Iowa police find crack cocaine, guns at restaurant

CEDAR RAPIDS — Cedar Rapids police say they've recovered crack cocaine and several weapons after shots were fired at a city restaurant.

Police say they were called to Kumbala restaurant early Saturday because weapons had been discharged inside.

As officers arrived, they say a 16-year-old boy was running out, and he was found to have crack cocaine and a handgun.

A 51-year-old man and a 32-year-old man were also arrested for carrying weapons and interfering with official acts.

Police recovered two handguns, as well as the cocaine, from the search of the restaurant and its patrons.

No one was injured in the incident.

The Associated Press

2 injured in fire at Des Moines apartment complex

DES MOINES — Des Moines police say it appears that an explosion caused a massive fire at an apartment complex that left two men injured.

Police Sgt. Misti Allison said Saturday afternoon that the injured are being stabilized and will be transferred to Iowa City Hospital.

Fire Capt. Steve Brown says one person has burns to 30 to 50 percent of their body.

The victims' names haven't been released.

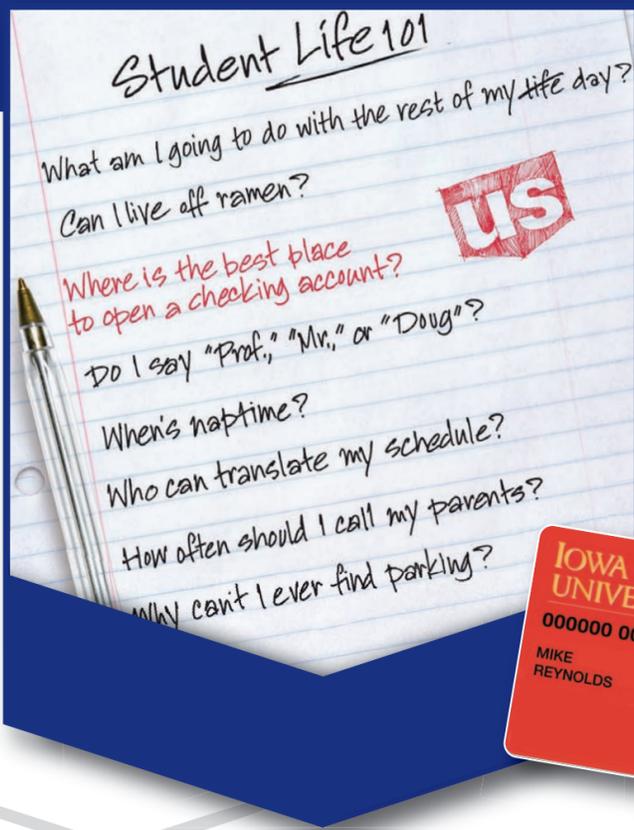
Firefighters were called to the Willow Park Apartments at about 12:30 p.m. They arrived to find flames coming from a second-story window.

Witnesses heard a loud bang and a scream come from a second-floor apartment just before a screen door flew off.

Authorities evacuated the three-story building. The cause of the explosion is under investigation.

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Nuclear power

Older activists team with youth to fight nukes

By **Melanie S. Welte**
The Associated Press

DES MOINES — It's been 33 years since Raye Fleming's arrest outside Southern California's Diablo Canyon nuclear plant, near the height of the anti-nuclear power furor.

That was the first arrest of many and, Fleming believed, such actions paid off as a generation of Americans turned against nuclear power.

"It was just the correct, moral thing to do," said 66-year-old Fleming.

But after years of believing they had won the fight against nuclear energy, activists suddenly feel the battle is starting all over again. And they're trying to figure out how to win in an era of Facebook and Twitter as well as get the younger generation involved in the movement.

Lately, the option for nuclear energy has gotten more popular.

President Barack Obama has backed billions of dollars in federal loan guarantees to build two nuclear reactors in Georgia. If approved, they would be the first nuclear power

plants in the U.S. to begin construction in almost three decades. Political support for nuclear power has grown, especially after the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico highlighted risks of fossil fuel production. And people are more open to nuclear energy.

For those like Fleming, that change is hard to understand.

"A call for more nuclear power plants," sighed Fleming, of Arroyo Grande, Calif. "It's still not safe, there's still no solution to the waste storage and it's costly."

For many, the issue isn't as simple as it once was. Concerns about global warming have left several environmentalists unsure about what really is the "green" side of the issue, and it's been more than 30 years since the last high-profile accident in the U.S.

Some, like Patrick Moore, have simply changed their minds. He was once a leader in the anti-nuclear movement, and now he's co-chair of the Clean and Safe Energy Coalition, which supports the expansion of nuclear power.

"I personally believe that because we were so focused at



Jane Magers, of Des Moines, sits on the bumper of her car outside her home on Aug. 23. Magers said she's confident the increased support for nuclear energy will melt away when utilities announce where they intend to build. Photo: Charlie Neibergall/The Associated Press

that time on the threat of all-out nuclear war and the emotional aspect of that, we were a bit blinded and included nuclear energy in with nuclear weapons as if everything nuclear was evil," he said.

"The bottom line is, I be-

lieve we made a mistake," he added, noting that while construction costs for nuclear plants are high, operating costs are low. He also contends nuclear energy is a safe and valuable resource.

Nuclear power protesters

who were on the picket lines years ago know that to be effective now, they have to update their tactics. No more protests, sit-ins and horror stories rooted in the nuclear disasters at Chernobyl and Three Mile Island decades ago.

"It's 2010. It's not 1979. It's a different generation. There are different styles," said Michael Mariotte, a longtime opponent of nuclear power who heads the Maryland-based Nuclear Information and Resource Service. "The whole idea of mass marches and that kind of thing doesn't have the same kind of resonance as back then."

Mariotte's group alerts members to big issues via Facebook, links to anti-nuclear stories through Twitter and posts videos on YouTube.

For one group in Georgia, it's the newer crop that really has brought those technological skills to the table and a passion to educate others via the Internet, said Glenn Carroll, the coordinator with Nuclear Watch South, which opposes the proposed reactors in Georgia.

"We have a lot of writing and publishing talent in our ranks and we are meaning to be a go-to resource where you can learn the basics about nuclear power and you can get in touch via directories and links with people in your town," she said.

Mount Pleasant

Steam threshers take center stage at festival

By **William Smith**
The Associated Press

MOUNT PLEASANT — Midwest Old Threshers CEO Lennis Moore has a lot to smile about these days.

The five-day and six-night festival of steam engines and tractors begins with the Harvest Parade at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, and Moore can't wait to show off the multitude of building renovations that were completed just in time for the show's 60th anniversary.

"We are truly blessed that people gave up their time and volunteer effort to this," Moore said.

The Midwest Old Settlers & Threshers Reunion is by far the biggest event in Mount Pleasant, and quite possibly the largest festival in southeast Iowa. Last year's event attracted about 40,000 people, and Moore is expecting slightly more this year.

Though ticket sales peaked in 1986 with more than 50,000 visitors, Moore said Threshers has kept a steady momentum over the past decade.

"For the last 10 years, we've stayed steady and have actually seen a bit of an increase," Moore said. "We have changed

how we advertise and how we approach things. We are more active on the Internet."

Putting on an event so large requires year-round planning and enough volunteers to fill a small Iowa town. Moore said 550 people will log more than 30 volunteer hours before Threshers comes to a close, and more than 1,000 volunteers from churches and organizations will be at McMillan Park serving food, parking cars and hosting yard sales.

Many of those volunteers have worked the festival for decades, a big plus for a year-round operation. And as long-time volunteers become too old to help out, Moore recruits younger volunteers to take their place.

"It's crucial to any area organization to be able to continue the line of volunteers," Moore said. "Some of the folks have been here for a month, keeping the grounds nice for the event. Volunteerism is extremely strong in this organization, and that goes against the national trend in some areas. I think it speaks very well for this part of Iowa."

The number of participants is even more staggering. Moore said there will be more

than 95 steam engines at the show, 70 full-sized engines, 800 tractors, more than 100 classic cars, 100 fine art crafters and more than 20 food vendors.

Throw in multiple performances by the dancin' saloon girls, pistol-wielding cowboys and a log cabin village that comes to life through dedicated re-enactors, and it's almost impossible to see and do everything at Old Threshers.

"The show started as a nostalgic look at the good old days of the 1930s. They had just fought the second World War, and they just wanted to remember a more pleasant time," Moore said.

"We also have to go beyond that and realize that today's visitor comes with a whole new set of memories. Now we compete for people's time. We compete against video games and people who want to sit around and text."

Last year, Midwest Old Threshers received a \$150,000 grant from the USDA to replace the metal roof of the Richard Oetken Heritage Museum A. The new roof, which includes four inches of insulation and skylights, was installed earlier this year.

University of Iowa

Some question product policy

IOWA CITY — Official Hawkeye logos adorn T-shirts, jerseys and footballs. But the University of Iowa's trademarked symbol also is featured on steins and shot glasses, and that has some wondering if the school is violating its own licensing policy.

Student Matt Pfaltzgraf, a leader of a group opposing a city ordinance limiting when minors can enter bars, said the university has a policy against selling things that promote alcohol use.

"Yet I was able to buy about eight shot glasses [and] a couple of pitchers," said Pfaltzgraf, of the group YESS, which stands for Yes to Entertaining Students Safely. "They're obviously not following their own policy."

Pfaltzgraf also accused the school of a "double standard" for making money off the products while trying to combat binge drinking.

University officials contend that those

items are not intended to promote alcohol consumption but as collectibles. And they said the school can't control how anyone uses a UI-licensed product — regardless of its intended purpose.

Selling products such as beer glasses and pitchers does not undermine the university's efforts to curb dangerous drinking, said interim Vice President Tom Rocklin. Rocklin has championed changing the city and campus' drinking culture both in his position at the university and as a private citizen serving on the 21 Makes Sense committee.

"I think that licensing products that relate to alcohol consumption would be contrary to our message if our message was prohibition, which it isn't," Rocklin said. "It's not like we have licensed beer bong, for instance."

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Automobile accident

69 cars involved in multiple Phoenix interstate accidents

PHOENIX — A surprise downpour sparked collisions involving 69 vehicles on an interstate near Phoenix's downtown area early Saturday evening, closing the westbound roadway for several hours and sending seven people to local hospitals.

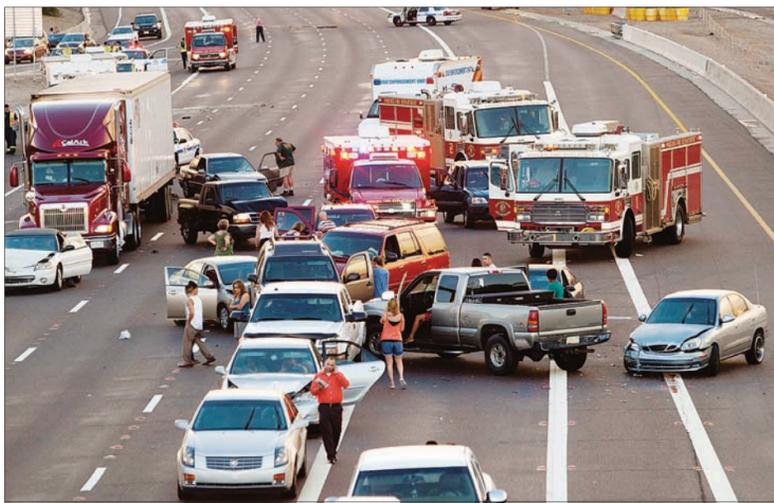
The crashes — described by authorities as the most in a single Phoenix area in recent memory — began about 6:30 p.m. with many drivers going too fast or not leaving enough distance between cars for the slippery conditions, Department of Public Safety spokesman Bob Bailey said.

"The storm hit hard, hit fast, and caught a lot of drivers by surprise," he said.

"The collisions began in the far right side of the roadway near the 7th Street exit ramp and this thing kind of perpetuated itself, enveloping the whole roadway."

None of the injuries was life threatening and most were fairly minor, Bailey said.

Phoenix Fire Department spokesman Jonathan Jacobs



Cars pile up on westbound Interstate 10 near Seventh Street in Phoenix on Saturday evening. Authorities say 69 vehicles were involved in at least three separate collisions on the interstate near downtown Phoenix. Photo: The Arizona Republic, David Wallace/The Associated Press

said several others were treated at the scene for minor injuries.

A five-mile stretch of westbound Interstate 10 was closed for about three hours, reopening about 10 p.m. PDT.

DPS said the roadway was

blocked off at Washington Street near downtown Phoenix and several key on ramps are also closed.

Bailey said at least half the vehicles in the crashes had to be towed away, accounting for the lengthy closure of the

westbound lanes. Eastbound traffic on I-10 wasn't affected.

Dozens of people involved in the accidents remained on the interstate for hours after the accidents, Jacobs said.

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Oregon

Judge sentences Bosnian refugee to year's probation

PORTLAND, Ore. — The father of a former Miss Oregon who lied about his army service during the Bosnian civil war when he applied for asylum in the United States has been sentenced to one year of probation.

Milenko Krstic, 53, who pleaded guilty nearly two months ago, received the most lenient federal sentence for a felony crime on Friday.

Immigration officials, however, will likely seek to deport him and possibly send his wife and two daughters along with him.

Krstic, who had more than 100 supporters at the hearing, acknowledged failing to disclose he had lived for five years in Zvornik, Bosnia-Herzegovina, where he was a member of a Serb army brigade that reportedly took part in the slaughter of unarmed Muslim prisoners.

No evidence was ever uncovered that Krstic, who served as a clerk, took part in the massacre, and he was not charged with war crimes.

"I didn't endanger anybody," Krstic told U.S. District Judge Anna Brown Friday, tears welling in his eyes. "I saved my family. I ask you to forgive me."

Krstic brought his wife and daughters to the Portland area as refugees in 1998.

He and his wife took jobs they still hold, bought a house, joined a church and put both of their daughters through college.

Two years ago, his daughter Danijela was crowned Miss Oregon, the first foreign-born contestant to win.

She later competed for Miss America, performing a belly dance in the talent portion of the contest.

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Comic strip

Beetle Bailey stays on duty

Comic strip author
nears retirement age

By Stephen Singer
The Associated Press

STAMFORD, Conn. — Beetle Bailey is slouching toward retirement age, but the lazy Army private won't be getting rest anytime soon from his tour of duty on newspaper comics pages.

The indolent wise guy, whose popularity soared when he enlisted during the Korean War, turns 60 on Saturday.

Mort Walker, who conjured up Beetle and has been putting him on paper every day for all those decades, says he'll continue with his creation until he's no longer able.

"I don't know how I'd be retired," said Walker, 86. "I wake up every day with another idea."

The genial gags by Beetle and the cast of characters — Sarge and his dog, Otto, Gen. Amos Halftrack, Miss Buxley and others — are followed seven days a week by readers in 1,800 newspapers, which is "astronomically huge," said Brendan Burford, comics editor at King Features, the strip's syndicating service.

Charles Schulz, who created and worked on the enormously popular Peanuts strip for nearly 50 years before his death in 2000, came close to Walker's longevity. But "no one has worked on the same strip for 60 years with that kind of consistency," Burford said.

"He's definitely in a pretty seriously elite class," he said.



Mort Walker, the artist and author of the Beetle Bailey comic strip, speaks about his decades of work and experiences on Aug. 16, at his studio in Stamford, Conn. Beetle Bailey will celebrate its 60th anniversary next month. Photo: Craig Ruttle/The Associated Press

King Features has been celebrating Beetle's anniversary by running Sunday cartoons by Walker of Beetle re-enacting military events in history, such as celebrating the end of World War II or crossing the Delaware with George Washington.

The commemorative strips put Beetle in different venues, but Walker said he has otherwise kept Beetle as is over the decades.

"He's still pretty much lazy," he said. "I haven't changed him a tremendous amount

because I think that's his character that I want to keep. He represents the little man in all of us."

"Beetle is the embodiment of everybody's resistance to authority, all the rules and regulations which you've got to follow," Walker said. "He deals with it in his own way. And in a way, it's sort of what I did when I was in the Army. I just often times did what I wanted to do."

Beetle Bailey, originally called Spider, made his comic-strip debut Sept. 4, 1950.

State brief

Theft charges filed in probe of Kansas girl's death

WICHITA, Kan. — Authorities filed burglary and theft charges Friday against the man they were seeking in connection with the death of a 14-year-old central Kansas girl whose charred body was discovered at an asphalt plant.

Adam Joseph Longoria had only been out of prison for three months when authorities said the highway patrol caught him Friday off Interstate 70 near Salina. He is being held in Barton County and officials do not believe he has an attorney.

Longoria was charged with one count each of vehicle burglary and theft of property, relating to a vehicle stolen from the asphalt plant where the body of Alicia DeBolt was found on Tuesday. His first court appearance is set for 10 a.m. Monday.

The Kansas charges are the latest in a long rap sheet for Longoria, who was released May 25 from prison after completing a seven-year sentence for aggravated robbery. Records in Texas show Longoria has done time there since 1991 for charges including burglary, forgery, credit card abuse, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, escape from prison and evading arrest.

Kansas authorities had asked earlier Friday for the public's help in finding the 36-year-old man, also known as "Rocco," calling him a "person of interest" in the girl's death. He was found driving a 2002 white Ford Explorer believed stolen sometime between 1 and 2 a.m. Friday from Venture Corp.

An employee with Venture Corp., a Great Bend paving company, found the girl's body behind gravel piles at the company's asphalt plant five miles west of the city. Alicia left her house at about 11 p.m. Saturday to go to a party, and her family reported her missing on Sunday afternoon after she failed to return home.

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Editorial



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Student leaders collaborate for better future

Two Daily staffers joined in a retreat over the weekend that brought together three dozen student leaders of various campus organizations for the very first time.

These are students who care deeply for other students and their experience at Iowa State, including the representatives of the greek community, IRHA, the International Students Council, the LGBT Alliance, Students2Student, among others.

These are also students who care deeply for Iowa State, evident in the faces of the representatives of the Homecoming Central Committee, the Student Alumni Leadership Council and Cyclone Family Weekend.

And these are also students who care deeply about our impact, as students, on the world around us, whether it's on campus, in Ames, Iowa or beyond. They include representatives of Dance Marathon, the 10,000 Hours Show and The Green Umbrella.

The common themes of our discussions: recruitment, retention, public relations and marketing — and, most importantly, the potential for collaboration.

The premise of the weekend: that among the more than 800 clubs and organizations on campus, there are bound to be students working toward similar goals.

The goal of the weekend: to discover, together, ways in which we might better work together to achieve those goals.

And the weekend was just a start to a year filled with promise and hope.

Promises were made to stay in touch, attend each other's events as often as possible and to work together whenever possible.

The hope that fulfilling those promises will make all of our lives, as students and leaders, easier, and make our work on behalf of our organizations more effective and further-reaching, in the long-run.

The general attitude was one of open and honest dialogue, with the hope/expectation that we'd work together for the betterment of all students at Iowa State.

As an Editorial Board, we're thrilled to see an opportunity like this come about for dialogue between the leaders on campus. At the very least, we hope the relationships that were formed as a result of the time and energy put into the weekend will bring students closer together as they endeavor to achieve similar goals.

At best, it'll mean a better quality of life for the students, faculty and staff at Iowa State.

Special thanks from all go out to the students and staff at the Student Activities Center, including its director, George Micalone; the director of Greek Affairs, Jenn Plagman-Galvin; the coordinator of residence life with the Department of Residence, David Garsow; and the coordinator of leadership and service, Jennifer Nissen, as well as the many guest speakers.

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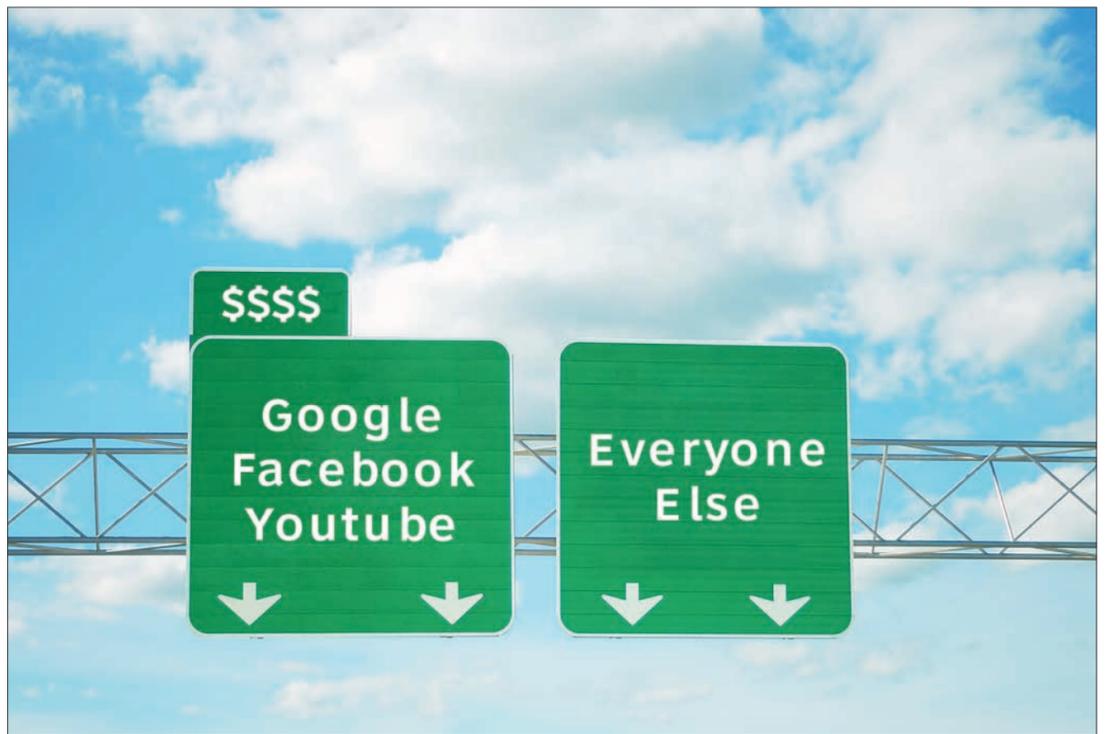
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Net neutrality

Cyberspace in crisis

By Rick.Hanton@iowastatedaily.com



Columnist Hanton believes we should give the FCC the power to maintain net neutrality, so as not to push out smaller, less profitable website sources from the public's view. Graphic: Logan Gaedke/Iowa State Daily

For a long time, maybe since my parents upgraded from a dial-up connection, I have been interested in technology and the internet. In more recent years, I've delved a bit into the politics of the internet and my favorite websites.

For those of you who have heard of *Digg.com*, you may know about the digital riot of sorts that went on there a few years ago over a leaked HD-DVD decryption code. Taking part in some of that fiasco that shut down the site one day in May, I managed to have my profile on Digg suspended and it probably didn't help my final exams that week at Iowa State.

On the upside, we won a small victory in forcing Digg to take its community of members seriously and think carefully before arbitrarily deleting user content.

Fast-forwarding to today, I'm still very interested in Internet politics, countries trying to block free speech on the internet, companies trying to cut off certain services — Bit-Torrent — and the like. So, as an observer of the organized chaos that is the World Wide Web, I'm deeply disturbed by the current debate over the need for net neutrality legislation — not sure why there is a debate.

Now, if you don't understand net neutrality that's OK, let me explain it in a metaphor you may understand:

Think of the Internet as a highway of information where every bit of information is a car and your computer is a highway exit. Companies like Google, Facebook, YouTube

and Wikipedia have car garages, servers, on entrances a long distance away from you down the highway.

This highway is controlled by your Internet provider and the provider collects a toll from cars getting on and off the highway to maintain it for you so that Facebook or others can send a car of information down the highway to you when you ask for it. Currently all the cars obey the same speed limits and the only reason Google's cars get to you faster than Facebook's is that Google has more garages around the country.

So, the idea of net neutrality is simply that the FCC should have the power to mandate that while the speed limit on the highway can go up or down as the quality of the road surface and traffic congestion dictates, the Internet providers will not be able to set up "express lanes" for big companies' data at the expense of normal cars, causing normal cars to get in more traffic jams.

Now, no company has decided to create these Internet express lanes yet, but they could do so very easily. They would charge companies like Facebook millions of dollars so that their data reaches you much faster than other websites such as the website for a class you are taking at Iowa State.

I went to hear Sen. Al Franken, D-Minn., in Minnesota about this issue at South High School in Minneapolis, and found I heartily agree with him that we need to give the FCC the ability to maintain net neutrality, which they currently don't have. One of Franken's memorable quotes was, "Net neutrality is

the First Amendment issue of our time," and if you think about it, it really is.

If Internet providers started to abuse their freedom from net neutrality, they could speed up your access to CNN or Fox News who could pay for premium distribution, but your favorite news-reporting blog or a website like *www.iowastatedaily.com* could never cough up the millions or billions to compete and may soon become too-slow and irrelevant.

It is in Internet and phone service companies' best interests to serve you the smallest amount of data for the greatest price they can.

So, while it would be great for the free market to keep net neutrality in check, that doesn't work in a virtual monopoly market where most people have one or two choices of Internet provider and maybe one possible cell phone provider — because that company is the only one with the iPhone.

You, as a young person and a student, need to speak up right now to support granting the FCC net neutrality oversight.

You need to call or e-mail your senator or representative, and convince them of the importance of a single-tier, data-neutral Internet in today's society. You need to explain to your parents and friends that the Internet is as vibrant and useful as it is today solely because anyone is able to create a website that could become the next Facebook out of their parents' garage.

You are the Internet generation. It is your Internet. Help protect it.

Culture

Being a geek is a way of life

By Sean.Flack@iowastatedaily.com

Growing up, I was a pretty geeky kid. I wasn't interested in sports and instead became an intense devourer of all things pop culture. I loved it all: movies, books, music, TV and video games.

Fast-forward to 2010 and I'm still the same geek I've always been. But while it's always been kind of "cool" to know good music and movies, video games have seemed to carry a negative reputation through the years. That is, until the Nintendo Wii and "Guitar Hero" came out. And suddenly, it became all right to be a geek.

I should be happy, right? All those years of getting passed by girls for the more genetically fit guys were a bummer. My mom told me once, "I hope you're at the point in your life where you choose girls over Xbox."

Now I don't have to choose. This is good news. But after attending the millionth Wii Bowling party, I realized that it's not cool to actually be a geek, but rather to say you are.

I don't know everyone's story, so who am I to judge? But it just seems like anyone with a Guitar Hero controller these days considers himself or herself a gamer. Can you name a video game character that isn't Mario or Pikachu?

It's just, being a geek implies that you're passionate about something, more so than the general public. And when you find other geeks like yourself,



Flack argues that the public has turned "geek" into a fashionable trend, creating a group of people with a false definition of the term. He places the blame on Adam Brody of "The O.C." fame for making it cool to be a geek. Courtesy photo: Cha già José/Flickr

it's great that someone else shares your passion so immensely. If you call yourself a gamer but list "Wii Sports" as your favorite game, then you're not even scratching the surface of an entire spectrum of amazing.

Growing up is hard enough as it is, especially when you

have such specific interests. But once the general public gets a slice of that new fad pie, meanings and significance become watered down so much that what was once a defining characteristic is now just another slutty Halloween costume.

I suppose the blame sort of begins with Adam Brody. You

might remember him from "The O.C."? His portrayal of Seth Cohen was very sarcastic, very neurotic and very geeky. He was also incredibly romantic and adorable, which girls totally ate up. Making it even better was the fact that in real life, Brody was pretty similar to his character on the show. For lack of a better phrase, Brody was a sexy geek. And thus, the geek snowball started to roll down the snowy hill.

As a result, it seems like being a geek these days is just a fashion statement. You know, "Hey gurl, just got back from the mall. Haha, totally got a new skirt and a Mario game." Give me a break.

Having an iPhone doesn't make you a geek. Your Yoshi sticker on your notebook doesn't make you a geek. And your Atari shirt that you bought at the local "vintage" store definitely doesn't make you a geek.

I'm proud to be a geek, which is why it saddens me to see the word thrown around so much these days. If everyone hops on the bandwagon, then you just become another grain of sand in the huge, boring beach called life. And that's part of the appeal of being a geek: being a part of a subculture of like-minded individuals.

It's not some trend. It's a way of life. Give me "Final Fantasy" or give me death! Now, if you'll excuse me, I have some episodes of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" to catch up on.

Letter:

Gay marriage advocates don't only want 'special friendships'

In response to Alex Anderson's column on the definition of marriage:

Sophie Prell is the former Opinion editor of the Iowa State Daily.

This is bound to come across as though I'm a little angry. I suppose if I had to pick a reason, it would be because I am. Alex, while you may mean well, it's pretty clear to me where your mind is regarding the definition of marriage and the place of same-sex couples in relation to the institution. Unsurprisingly, it follows with the majority of this country, which places LGBT people squarely below the rest of society.

You write about gay marriage advocates having a "playbook." Well, at least it's not an "agenda." That catchword went out with the '90s. You

associate the view of marriage as a fundamental right as borne uniquely from aforementioned playbook. But that's not the case, seeing as how Loving v. Virginia described marriage as both "a basic civil right" and indeed, "fundamental." U.S. District Court Judge Vaughn Walker's arguments don't come copied from gay marriage advocates; they come inspired by court precedent and history, just as it should be.

Next, you use the legend of a 50-percent divorce rate as if it were a real statistic. It's not. You place

arguments like these with the gay marriage advocates, despite the fact divorce rates are higher among many of the same groups that fight against marriage equality than those who argue for it. Remember Massachusetts, that crazy state that allowed gay marriage before it was cool? Yeah, the divorce rate there has actually dropped since opening the doors for LGBT couples. So much for it being "simply" — another word you repeatedly tie to gay marriage advocates — a government-recognized "friendship."

Speaking of that quote ... You quote the author of "Treasure Island" and "The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" to summarize how gay marriage activists feel? Seriously?

When I stood at Gateway Park a month ago for the One Iowa rally, no one bragged about their special friendships. They didn't talk about government benefits. They talked about raising a family, about commitment and about how their partners so perfectly complemented them.

To infer that gay marriage advocates — the majority of them anyway — truly think of marriage as a temporary and fleeting convenience is to deride and degrade the fight for respect and uphill legal battles LGBT people have been facing for decades. We don't want some "social construct that allows for public displays of affection." We want marriage. More than that, we want societal equality.

Unfortunately, I've not the space or time to explain to you all the ways that has yet to be. So I'll try to summarize. I want a world where there's no need to write in and explain how the context and phrasing of a column exemplifies the subtle discrimination aimed at the LGBT community. I want a world where I don't have to justify my feelings or desires, just as the majority of our country need not do now. I want to be seen as person first, all descriptors second.

Now, all that being said, it's possible you chose your words poorly or paired arguments with improper context. If that's the case, forgive me for reading too much into things. It's kinda what I do.

Advice

Educate yourself on important issues



By Curtis.Powers@iowastatedaily.com

All of us have written papers for class at some point in our lives. Some are long, some are short. Generally, they're not too exciting and we mostly forget about them soon after the class is over.

That was the case for me until this summer. I had to write a paper for a class called "Business, Government and Society." The class is about the relationships and interaction between business, government and society.

The class was during the last week in May, and was taught by Lynn Walding, former administrator for the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division.

The paper topic was whether we thought Jack DeCoster's farm operations were good for America.

Most of you probably have no idea how ironic that is so let me explain.

The Professor

About a month after our class ended, Iowa Auditor of State David Vaudt released an audit report July 2 questioning spending and personnel issues for the Alcoholic Beverages Division.

For example, Walding authorized \$23,513 that was spent on artwork done by his wife's friend. Some other items of note included: \$208 spent on four restroom signs, 37 state-of-the-art chairs purchased at around \$645 per chair and 18 welcome chairs for around \$431 per chair.

The total amount of the projects in question cost more than \$2 million.

While all of that looks bad, it doesn't appear to be illegal. Walding's division at that time was a charter agency, which

allowed more flexibility in spending and was outside of normal regulations. The goal of the program was to allow divisions to act more like a business.

This is a classic example of why running government like a business is a horrible idea. I'm not saying to ignore various models and methods practiced in the business community. They can have application to a governmental entity.

However, there is great opportunity for abuse. The lack of transparency can cause people to mispend taxpayers' money, give unfair advantages to companies, etc.

The government already has a hard time handling those issues, it doesn't need more of them. Examples like this should be reason enough for people to reject such foolhardy ventures like the one Republican gubernatorial Terry Branstad is proposing for the Iowa Department of Economic Development.

It looks like he is going to be elected in November. Hopefully, he doesn't decide to go ahead with his plan if he gets the chance. We will see.

As things stand now, charter agencies were shut down, Walding and the Alcoholic Beverages Division is still under investigation and I learned a valuable lesson about government.

The Paper

Most of you are now probably familiar with Jack DeCoster. His farms are where the salmonella outbreak in eggs happened. So far, 550 million eggs have been recalled from 22 states.

What you may not know is that this should not be surpris-

Congratulations

The Iowa State Daily would like to congratulate Curtis Powers and family on the birth of his son, Elijah Joel Powers. Elijah was born around 1 p.m. Saturday, weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and measuring at 21.5 inches.

ing. His company has a long history of violations during the past 15 years and fines as a result. Here are a few of them I found while doing research for my paper:

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration fined him \$3.6 million for workplace violations and living conditions in 1996.

Latin American workers were handling dead chickens and manure while living in rat and bug infested trailers.

The U.S. Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement fined his company a record \$2.125 million for immigration violations in the late 1990s.

The State of Iowa declared him Iowa's first habitual violator after three violations for polluting the environment from animal waste in 2000. He was fined \$150,000.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission gave his company a \$1.5 million fine related to sexual harassment and rape complaints against supervisors in 2002.

Thirty-six illegal immi-

grants were found working in an egg plant in Clarion, Iowa, by federal agents in June 2006.

Only a little more than a year later, in September 2007, 51 illegal immigrants were found working in an egg plant in Wright County.

His egg company in Maine agreed to pay \$125,000 in penalties to Maine's Department of Agriculture concerning the inhumane treatment of chickens in June 2010.

And now, this salmonella outbreak.

It's getting a little ridiculous, but it should not surprise us. It's sad too because he gives all of the other farmers a bad reputation as well — family farmers anyway.

I watched the movie "Food Inc." recently. It opened my eyes to a reality I didn't know existed.

I would encourage you to watch it as well as it delves into where our food comes from, and the picture is not bright.

In the end, my class and my paper taught me to get educated about things that affect my life.

Don't just passively sit back and be ignorant of what is going on around you. Get educated. Make more informed and hopefully, better decisions.

That way politicians, corporations, and whoever else won't fool you with misleading information.

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Profile



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Iowa businesswoman shares career advice

By Micaela.Cashman
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Jan Powers owns a public relations firm, Powers of Communication, in Dubuque.

What year did you graduate? What did you get your degree in? Is that the program you originally started in?

[I graduated in] 1984 with a BA in speech communication. Originally, I started in psychology for two years, then switched majors to communication.

Did you go to any other colleges?

Not for my undergrad. Many years later, from 1997 to 1999, I returned to grad school as a working adult and got my MA in public relations from the University of Northern Iowa.

What activities or organizations were you involved in during college? What activities and organizations are you involved in now?

I participated in activities on my dorm floor, Tappan, which was an all girls floor in Barton Hall at that time. I danced in the Dance Marathon and was on a committee for that. At that time, the Marathon supported the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Today, and over the years, I have been involved in many activities and organizations in Dubuque, including the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the Dubuque Area Chamber of Commerce, Junior Achievement, the Women's Leadership Network, the Iowa Association of Business & Industry, the Public Relations Society of America, the March of Dimes, the United Way and have been on several boards for smaller, local non-profit organizations.

What is your favorite thing about Iowa State?

The beauty of Central Campus on a fall day.

What's one thing you wish you would have done at Iowa State?

I wish I would have taken more classes that would have rounded out my skill set, rather than taking only what I needed for graduation, in order to get out in four years. For instance, I wish I would have taken a graphic design class and a photography class to make me more marketable. I also wish I would have studied abroad for a semester.

What is your best memory of college?

My best memories are of the friends I made while living in the dorms, both girls and guys. The social activities, the volunteering, the parties, they were all great memories.

Describe your career path: Where did you start working after college, and where did that take you?

After college, I moved to Dubuque to follow my fiancé. I luckily got a job in 1984, during the height of that recession, when others weren't getting jobs. I made \$4.50 an hour as a telemarketing representative for a small manufacturing firm, and I hated it. I worked there for two years and got a different job at a college textbook publishing firm in Dubuque. I worked there for 11 years, first in sales, then customer service, and finally in corporate communication, which is what I'd wanted to do in the first place. It took me nearly 10 years to get the job of my dreams.

When did you start your own business?

In 1997. It's called the Powers of Communication, and I offer communication consulting — advertising, marketing, public relations and corporate communications — to businesses, edu-

cational institutions and non-profits of all sizes and shapes.

What compelled you to start your own business?

I had gotten downsized from my corporate communication position at the publisher after the company was sold to another company.

What's the hardest part of having your own business? What's your favorite thing about having your own business?

The hardest thing is keeping the "pipeline" full of work. When I'm busy, I don't have time to look for work. But when things slow down, then I need work. I need to be prospecting while I'm busy so that there won't be a lull once I'm not busy any longer. That can be a juggling act. My favorite thing about owning my own business is the flexibility I have and the variety each day brings. No two days, months or years are alike. I enjoy working with different types of clients on different types of projects. I also enjoy having a different schedule almost every day.

What's been your proudest accomplishment?

My proudest work accomplishment was starting my business, going to graduate school and balancing my family life with two small children, all at the same time, within a two-year period. I'm also proud to say that I have kept my business going for almost 14 years, and have been successful and debt-free for all those years.

Do you have any advice for college students?

My advice to college students is to take a variety of classes and work a variety of jobs to gain a wide spectrum of skills and experiences. I know I'm partial to communication, but I think that being a good communicator — speaking, writing and listening — is critical to success for anyone. I would recommend taking classes and getting experiences that hone a person's communication skills.

What advice do you have for people who want to start businesses?

Be ready to work lots of hours. Be ready to do things you have no clue how to do but need to do at first just to get your business started, like accounting, marketing, hiring and firing, finding a location for the business, etc. Have a year's worth of money to live on in the bank as a cushion when the business is getting started as not much money may be coming in.

What do you wish you would have known when you were in school that you know now?

I wish I would have known how important it is to develop relationships with people and maintain those relationships. I never knew how to network or really correspond with people in the work world when I was in college. Now, I realize just how important it is to stay connected to people and to network. The larger your network, the greater your chances of making good connections for a career and for moving forward within a career.

Follow Powers of Communication on Facebook or visit the company at www.powersofcommunication.com.



Powers

College of Business

Program delayed until August 2011

By Micaela.Cashman
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Iowa State's College of Business is hard at work getting a new program off the ground.

The Cooperative Business Institute was supposed to start this year. However, program director Sam DeMarie ultimately decided to delay the start of the program until August 2011.

"We had hoped to launch it this month, but our target market needed a longer lead time to clear schedules for participants of the program," DeMarie said.

The CBI is a seven-month integrative program designed to better its participants' business management and strategic leadership skills.

DeMarie hopes the program will shape managers who after the program will be set to lead the Grain and Farm Cooperatives.

"The purpose of the program is to provide formal business training to Cooperative Industry managers," he said. "Most of these people have formal training or education in specific technical areas related to agriculture, but as they progress in their careers, they are asked to lead complicated, and relatively large, business units."

Only 25 participants at a time will be able to participate in the CBI, which will have four two-day sessions presented in Gerdin. The program is not limited to ISU business students.

Participants will study subjects such as teams and leadership; influencing and motivating people; mergers, acquisitions and industry consolidation; capital investments and financial planning.

Look for the program to start next fall.

Fox 1 closes for good due to damage

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The Fox 1 Lounge, a bar and lounge on South Fifth Street, is closing for good due to flood damage.

Because of the massive amount of floodwaters that ran into the building Aug. 11, thousands of dollars worth of food and alcohol were ruined, and the building's structure was severely damaged.

The Fox had been an Ames institution for about 27 years, but the flood of 2010 showed no mercy to longtime Ames businesses.

Also taking a huge hit was 20th Century Bowling, and as of yet, there has been no word of whether the popular hangout will close.

The 300 to 500 block area of South Duff Avenue has been impacted by floodwaters five times. The city of Ames will not pick up flood debris, so those businesses trying to clean up must either pay a contractor or haul loads out to the Resource Recovery Plant themselves, which costs up to \$22 per load.

Talk of property managers closing many businesses on South Duff is circulating, but none have been able to comment at this time.

Restaurant replaces Audubon's

By Micaela.Cashman
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A new restaurant is replacing Audubon's at the Gateway Hotel and Conference Center.

The Iowa Stater Restaurant, 2100 Green Hills Drive, will open Tuesday. It will feature a warm and casual atmosphere with contemporary American food.

The executive chef of The Iowa Stater Restaurant will be Joe Weisz, who has been classically trained. He calls the menu he created "comfort food with a flair," as he combines traditional American menu items with unique touches.

The restaurant, named after The Iowa Stater, an alumni newspaper from 1974 to 2002, marries Iowa State's history with its present and future.

The menu and information about special events will be released when the restaurant officially opens.

A website for the restaurant, www.TheIowaStaterRestaurant.com, will launch Tuesday. Call 515-268-2238 for more information.

Facebook goes after word trademarks

By Julianne Pepitone
 CNNMoney.com Reporter

NEW YORK — Facebook, which has gone after sites with the word "book" in their names, is also trying to trademark the word "face," according to court documents.

But the social networking site has met with opposition from a familiar foe. As TechCrunch first reported, Aaron Greenspan has asked for an extension of time to file an opposition to Facebook's attempt.

Greenspan is the president and CEO of Think Computer, the developer of a mobile payments app called FaceCash. Greenspan, also a former Harvard classmate of Facebook chief executive Mark Zuckerberg, claimed he had a hand in developing the social networking giant. The case was settled out of court last year.

If Facebook wins the "face" trademark, Greenspan told TechCrunch, it would have "implications for my company [not to mention hundreds of others, including Apple, Inc.], so I've decided to ask ... for an extension of time to oppose it."

Facebook's separate fight over "book," on the other hand, has been more of a David vs. Goliath saga.

As CNNMoney reported Thursday, Facebook is suing start-up site Teachbook.com — which claims it is merely a teacher's community. The social networking giant also forced the travel site PlaceBook to change its name to TripTrace.



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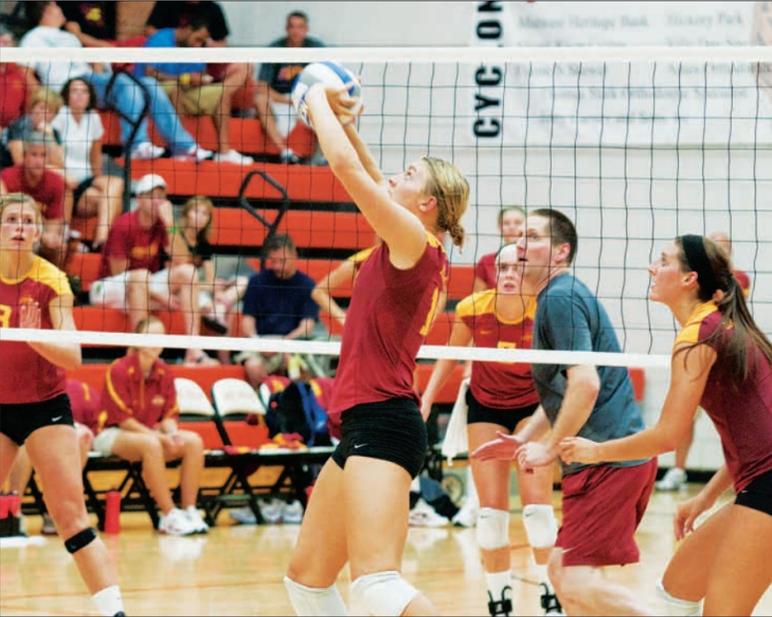
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Volleyball



Middle blocker Jamie Straube sets the ball for a teammate during the Cardinal and Gold Scrimmage on Aug. 21. File photo: Logan Gaedke/Iowa State Daily



Outside hitter Victoria Henson jumps for a hit during the Cardinal and Gold Scrimmage on Aug. 21. File photo: Logan Gaedke/Iowa State Daily

Cyclones leave tournament 1-1

Iowa State rebounds from Saturday loss to Florida, gets season's first win Sunday against No. 14 Kentucky

By Dan Tracy
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OMAHA, Neb. — Iowa State knew it would face two top 15 opponents this weekend at the Runza/AVCA Showcase, but the Cyclones didn't know it would be without one of their five returning starters.

In the 21st point of the first match against the No. 13 Florida Gators, junior outside hitter and preseason All-Big 12 honoree Rachel Hockaday came down awkwardly. She left with what the ISU staff believes is a torn left ACL.

Second on the team in kills last season with 341, the Cyclones looked to replace her offense with junior Carly Jenson, who had only 51 kills in her previous two seasons. After falling in the first two sets 25-22 and 25-21, Iowa State appeared to settle down in the third set as it hit .476 en route to a 25-10 win.

"Once we settled down and got into the

third game, I thought we played the way we needed to play," Johnson-Lynch said. "That means handling the ball, passing the ball to a target, playing great defense and keeping pressure on the other team. When we did that, I thought we really started to look good."

In the fourth and final set, the Gators relied on their returning outside hitter, Callie Rivers, to put away the Cyclones (25-22, 25-21, 10-25, 25-20). Rivers led Florida with a .364 hitting percentage on 10 kills and nine digs for the Gators. Senior outside hitter Victoria Henson and sophomore middle blocker Jamie Straube were the only Cyclones to reach double-digit kills with 11 and 10.

After getting some time to rest and adjust mentally to their new lineup, the Cyclones prepared for a showdown with No. 14 Kentucky, which was swept by No. 2 Nebraska (25-9, 25-14, 25-20) on Saturday.

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	1	2	3	4	final
Florida	25	25	10	25	3
Iowa State	22	21	25	20	1

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Kentucky	17	25	22	22	1
Iowa State	25	22	25	25	3

Hockaday injures knee, likely to miss entire season; junior Jenson fills in during Cyclones' win over Kentucky

By Travis Cordes
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OMAHA, Neb. — Nobody wants to see it and every athlete fears it.

But on Saturday afternoon, Rachel Hockaday lived it.

What looked like a dream year and potential All-American season for the junior was crushed just 20 points into the first match by the single most dreaded injury in sports: the ACL tear.

An awkward landing following an attack on the outside during Saturday's game buckled the left knee of the Decatur, Ill., native and landed her on the sidelines for the rest of the season.

A previously raucous crowd at the Qwest Center grew deathly silent as athletic trainers rushed to the fallen Hockaday while she lay underneath the net, knowing full well her junior season was likely finished.

It is expected that an MRI will fully confirm the diagnosis Monday once the team returns to Ames.

"It's tough," said coach Christy Johnson-Lynch.

"Losing Hock, that's not something that happens and

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Outside hitter Rachel Hockaday stands on the sideline during Sunday's game. Hockaday injured her knee during the match Saturday and might miss the entire season. The injury is believed to be an ACL tear. Photo: Travis J. Cordes/Iowa State Daily

Soccer

Team remains unbeaten following Nevada win

By Cory Weaver
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The ISU soccer team capped off its weekend trip to Montana with a 2-1 win over Nevada (0-1-2), letting the squad head out of Montana still unbeaten (3-0-1).

Iowa State stuck to the "score often, and score early" game plan that coach Wendy Dillinger laid down earlier this week. The team put together a pair of goals in the first half, a task it hadn't completed so far this season.

Twenty-seven minutes into the first half, ISU senior co-captain Jordan Bishop capitalized off a Nevada turnover and scored the first goal of the game from 8 yards out on an unassisted shot.

Bishop has been a clear leader for the Cyclones this season, as one of only two seniors on the squad, but hadn't netted a goal until Sunday's

	1	2	final
Nevada	0	1	1
Iowa State	2	0	2

first half. She also contributed an assist for a career-high-tying three points and led both teams with six shots.

Just three minutes later, Emily Goldstein got in on the action and added to the 1-0 lead from 12 yards out with a goal assisted by Bishop. The goal marked Goldstein's second on the season, and her fifth point overall, a team high.

Fifteen minutes into the second half, Nevada began its push with a goal from senior Erin Smith 15 yards out at the center of the box.

The lone goal wasn't enough for Nevada though, as the Cyclones were able to keep

the Wolf Pack from scoring for the remainder of the contest.

Freshman Maddie Jobe got her first collegiate start Sunday and played all 90 minutes, recording four saves, and has now seen the pitch in all of the Cyclones victories.

Iowa State led Nevada in all major categories, with 21 shots to the Wolf Pack's five, six corner kicks to zero, and 11 shots on goal to its five.

The Cyclones will now head to Nebraska for another weekend tournament, against Creighton and North Dakota State. Their Friday evening matchup against Creighton kicks off at 7 p.m.

Lone goal in 47th minute secures first-round victory

By Blake Schultz
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Iowa State picked up right where it left off last weekend with a 1-0 win in the first round of the University of Montana Tournament on Friday night against Montana.

The win gave coach Wendy Dillinger her 100th career win and the Cyclones their second victory of the season.

The lone goal of the game was scored in the 47th minute by ISU freshman Erin Green. Jessica Stewart moved the ball to Green, who squeaked it inside the right

	1	2	final
Montana	0	0	0
Iowa State	0	1	1

post from less than 10 yards from the net.

The ISU defense played well once again, helping freshman keeper Maddie Jobe to her second victory.

Senior Ashley Costanzo got the start in net and had two saves before being replaced by Jobe four minutes into the game. Jobe ended the game a perfect four for four on saves.

In the 78th minute, Grizzlies defender Rachel Bindl nearly tied the game with a shot, but it deflected off the crossbar and out of harm's way.

The Cyclones outshot the Grizzlies in the game 15-9.

Two yellow cards were issued in the game, one to Frankie Brady of Montana and one to ISU junior defender Mary Kate McLaughlin.

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Football

Young starters emerge at linebacker

After a year playing as backups, Klein, Knott, Tau'fo'u step into starting role on young ISU defense

By Jake Lovett
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In 2009, the ISU defense started three seniors at linebacker. On Thursday, though, the Cyclones will see three unfamiliar faces take the field at linebacker.

"I don't like to compare people, but they're faster than that group," said defensive coordinator and linebackers' coach Wally Burnham. "They're not as football smart as that group strong-side that last group had four or five years of experience under its belt.

"That's where it is right now, an inexperienced group that's going to get better as the year goes."

There are big shoes to fill. Two of the team's top three tacklers — Jesse Smith and Fred Garrin — are graduated and gone. Smith led the Big 12 in tackles in 2009 while Garrin was 15th.

The task of filling those shoes falls to sophomores A.J. Klein and Jake Knott and junior Matt Tau'fo'u. The three have zero career starts and combined for just 41 tackles last season.

Klein and Knott saw the most action on the field last season, accounting for 40 of those tackles between special teams and limited time defensively. Tau'fo'u only saw action in two games.

"It was mostly special teams, but the little bit of time at linebacker I did get was valuable just to get the speed of the game down," Klein said. "I think it's valuable enough for me to launch into this new season."

Klein, a Kimberly, Wisc., native, is listed as the starter at the strong-side linebacker position but has also spent time learning the middle linebacker position.

The ability to play both positions will allow Burnham to use a wider variety of defenses with the same personnel on the field.

"I feel more comfortable as a linebacker and I feel comfortable playing both positions," Klein said. "If I need to be moved from position to position throughout the game, I'll be comfortable enough to do that."

Meanwhile, Knott's performance through fall camp has made him stand out from the group.

The Waukee native returns with the most tackles from 2009



Linebacker A.J. Klein maneuvers an opponent during the Iowa State vs. Army game last season. Klein will be part of the starting lineup for the first time this season, along with linebacker Jake Knott. Photo: Manfred Bruegger/Iowa State Daily

with 23 in his freshman season.

"He overcomes my coaching and he does a good job," Burnham joked. "He's a player, he makes plays. He'll make a play when nobody else could make it, as far as the linebackers."

Knott said the game has slowed down for him in his second season.

The biggest help, though, has been practicing with the first unit.

"I think it helps out a lot more because you get a lot more reps so you can see a lot more," Knott said.

A look at the depth chart shows even less experience behind the three starters.

Of the three backups, only one — senior Preston Kaufman — even saw significant time in a special teams role. Kevin Hamlin saw no time as a redshirt freshman in 2009 and Jacob Lattimer played in only five games as a sophomore junior college transfer.

"We're trying to bring some young people along at some of those backup positions," Burnham said. "We're not loaded with

depth right now, and that's a problem but we realize it. We've got to keep [the starters] healthy, knock on wood."

The starters, as inexperienced as they are themselves, have been challenged with the task of not only improving themselves, but trying to aid in bringing along those backups.

The guys on top of the depth chart are starting to get to know each other, though.

They spent 2009 together as backups and have worked together through both spring and fall camps.

The three of them have big shoes to fill, but they won't be doing it alone.

"As we've progressed throughout camp, we've all come together as a unit," Klein said. "We play better defense together. We're not relying just on the [defensive backs] or on the defensive line ... we're all meshing together as one and we all really are playing as a unit."

"We're not just individuals, we're actually playing as a team now."

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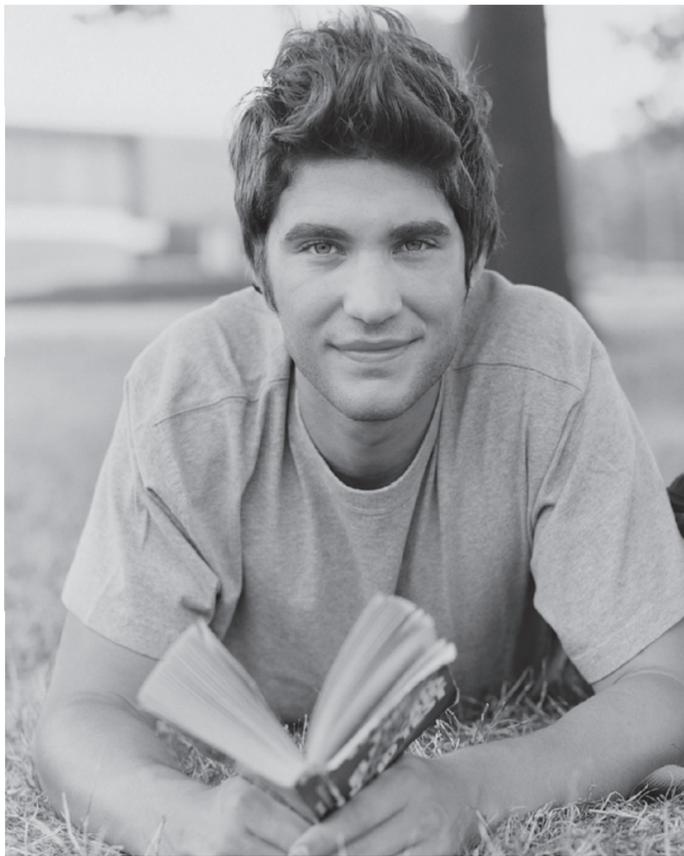
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With Hockaday on crutches on the sideline, Jenson stepped onto the floor for her second career start for the Cyclones. With four kills, three digs and a service ace in the first set, Jenson started the match strong, and the rest of the Cyclones followed suit, winning 25-17 to take an early 1-0 lead.

"I got the nerves out the first game, so it was a lot easier today," Jenson said.

Despite hitting .364 in the second set, the Cyclones dropped the second set 25-22. Both Iowa State and Kentucky came out of the intermission a bit shaky and hit only .138 and .147. The Cyclones were able to capitalize on late blocks from junior Debbie Stadick, and outside hitter Henson ended the match with two kills in the last five points to give the Cyclones a 25-22 victory.

Looking to end the match in four sets, Straube gave the Cyclones the serve with a solo block at 23-21. After a Kentucky point, Henson finished it all with her match-high 17th kill, giving the Cyclones a 25-22 victory in the fourth set and their first win of the season (25-17, 22-25, 25-22, 25-22). Leading the Wildcats was redshirt freshman Whitney Billings with 15 kills and eight digs.

Another player facing some major nerves in her first match was sophomore setter Alison Landwehr, who started her first

"I'm really happy to be going out of here 1-1 rather than 0-2. I think that's important for us, and I'm glad we could pull through."

— ISU volleyball coach Christy Johnson-Lynch

match against Florida following the graduation of two-time All-American setter Kaylee Manns.

"I thought Alison did a really nice job tonight, but we're going to need a little bit more from her when it comes to delivering and locating the ball," Johnson-Lynch said following the loss Saturday.

After her 35-assist performance in the loss to the Gators, Landwehr answered her coach's call with a near triple-double against the Wildcats. Landwehr finished her second start as a Cyclone only two digs short of a triple-double, ending the match with 10 kills, 43 assists and eight digs.

"I thought as a team we played more together today as opposed to yesterday," Landwehr said. "I think that some of the parts of the game that we struggled in yesterday we improved in [today]."

Along with Landwehr, Henson, Jenson and junior Kelsey Peterson all reached double-digit kills with 17, 14 and 11.

"We didn't necessarily block that much better, I don't know that we ball-handed and passed any better, but we hit a lot better," Johnson-Lynch said.

In addition to the number of kills, the Cyclones were

able to eliminate more of their errors at the net, hitting .312 against the Wildcats compared to a mere .180 against the Gators on Saturday.

"When you hit for .312, you're probably going to win unless the other team really goes lights out," Johnson-Lynch said. "Hitting for .312 says a lot about the job Alison did and some hitters stepping up."

One of those hitters was Peterson, who had five of her eleven kills in the fourth and final set.

"Kelsey Peterson played really well all night, probably one of the best matches, maybe the best match I have seen her have in her career, so I think that was a big difference for us," Johnson said.

Dealing with a potential season-ending injury in their first match was not an expectation for the Cyclones this weekend, but Johnson-Lynch was pleased with how the team bounced back and finished its first trip to the Showcase.

"I'm really happy to be going out of here 1-1 rather than 0-2," Johnson-Lynch said. "I think that's important for us, and I'm glad we could pull through."

Iowa State will have four days off before it hosts UW-Milwaukee at 1 p.m. at Ames High School on Friday.

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you just get over. But while we're going to miss her, we're still going to be a very good team."

If the circumstances with Hilton Coliseum and the flooding earlier this season have taught this Cyclone team anything, it's that there is always a way for something to be overcome.

And the solution to their newest problem fell into the hands of someone Hockaday knows very well — her roommate Carly Jenson.

The Omaha, Neb., native replaced Hockaday after the injury and finished the match with eight kills, four blocks and nine digs on a .278 hitting percentage in a 3-1 loss to No. 13 Florida.

A walk-on to the program her freshman year, Jenson had little experience on the court the previous two seasons behind Hockaday and All-American Victoria Henson, playing a limited number of points in 27 of Iowa State's 65 matches.

"I thought Carly did a terrific job," Johnson-Lynch said. "She has not had a lot of playing time up to this point, but I thought she stayed very composed and did a really nice job in that spot."

Jenson returned the following day to post even bet-

ter numbers against No. 14 Kentucky in front of her hometown crowd in Omaha, as she notched a pair of career highs with 14 kills and 16 digs in the win.

The start against the Wildcats on Sunday was just the fourth of Jenson's career at Iowa State, and her first since Sept. 2, 2009, against Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. She finished that night with six kills and 11 digs against the Panthers.

"I obviously have some big shoes to fill," Jenson said. "I feel so bad for Hock, and I miss her so much out there. I want to do the best I can for my team and for her. I'm just glad I could step in and help out."

If there is any silver lining around the knee injury of the preseason All-Big 12 honoree, it's the fact that it occurred so early on in the volleyball season.

In accordance with NCAA rules, Hockaday is qualified for a medical redshirt and will likely maintain her two remaining seasons of playing eligibility.

While everything has now been derailed for a year, the motivated junior will still have plenty of time to bounce back and follow through on the future at Iowa State that she so eagerly anticipated in the preseason.

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Youth sports pressure kids

COLUMBUS, Ohio — A year-round, \$5 billion youth sports industry is pushing some children too hard and pressuring families to spend big money traveling the country for games, specialized training and the pursuit of elusive college scholarships, The Columbus Dispatch reported Sunday.

Non-school leagues are largely unregulated and can leave children more susceptible to injury. At a minimum, many kids are robbed of their childhood, the newspaper said in the first of a five-part series. The Dispatch said it spent a year examining the current landscape of youth sports and found it is marked with physical, emotional and financial minefields for children and families. Some parents are driven by fear that their children won't be good enough for a varsity or college team.

Families easily can sink \$50,000 a year in youth sports. One Cleveland family spent \$30,000 in six months to help their son pursue a soccer dream, the newspaper said. Another mother arranged to send her 11-year-old son to live with a trainer in Alabama to refine his football skills. Sandy Baum, an economics professor at Skidmore College, and an expert on financial aid, said parents are making the wrong investment.

"Your kid is much better off studying and doing well academically than spending all the time on the soccer field."

About 40 million children participate in youth sports — nearly six times as many who play high school sports and 100 times as many who play at an NCAA college. To examine the sports culture, the Dispatch surveyed about 1,000 Ohio high school students and 213 coaches, along with 70 athletes and 33 coaches from Ohio State University. The Dispatch found that while colleges and schools have standardized rules to help avoid injury, youth sports organizations don't share the same playbook. Colleges and schools also are required to examine the criminal backgrounds of coaches. Many youth sports leagues aren't.

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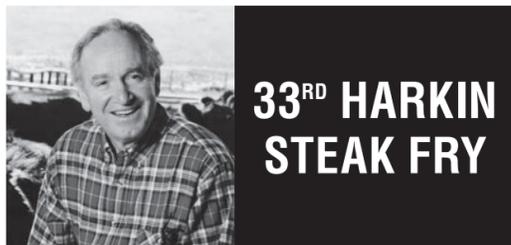
Baseball legend begins treatment

CLEVELAND — Bob Feller, the third-oldest living member of the Baseball Hall of Fame, is being treated for leukemia.

The 91-year-old Feller was back at his usual seat in the Cleveland Indians' press box Sunday after missing the first five games of the current homestand.

Feller burst on the baseball scene in 1936 as a 17-year-old schoolboy from Iowa. Signed for \$1 and an autographed baseball, the right-hander never pitched in the minors and spent 18 seasons with the Cleveland Indians, compiling a 266-162 record. He pitched three no-hitters and 12 one-hitters. In 1938, he struck out 18 in one game, a record at the time. Feller is younger than 92-year-olds Lee McPhail and Bobby Doerr among living Hall members.

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Thomas' number retired

Chicago White Sox honor 'The Big Hurt'

By Andrew Seligman
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO — The Chicago White Sox gave The Big Hurt a big honor on Sunday, retiring Frank Thomas' number before a game against the New York Yankees.

Thomas fought back tears during an emotional ceremony that included fireworks and several of his former teammates. Thomas thanked the organization and the city, saying, "You can only dream of something like this" as his voice cracked.

Among those on hand to see Thomas become the ninth White Sox player to have his number retired were Hall of Famer Carlton Fisk and Jermaine Dye, who both played with him. They got big ovations along with Billy Pierce and Minnie Minoso, while former manager Terry Bevington got booed.

There was a video tribute for Thomas, who was then presented a painting and framed jersey by chairman Jerry Reinsdorf near home plate before his image with the No. 35 was unveiled along the wall in left-center and fireworks went off. The team later announced plans to install a bronze sculpture of Thomas in the outfield concourse next season.

It was a fitting tribute to perhaps the greatest White Sox player of all.

Thomas retired in February after a 19-year career in which he hit .301 with 521 homers and 1,704 RBIs.

The Big Hurt made his major league debut in 1990 and set club marks for homers with 48 and RBIs — 1,465 — before splitting his final three seasons with Toronto. That came after a messy split with Chicago following the 2005 championship season, but the ill will eased in recent years, with the White Sox hiring him as an ambassador last month.

When he left Chicago, Thomas was up-



Former Chicago White Sox Frank Thomas cries as he wipes his face as his No. 35 was retired before a baseball game between the New York Yankees and the White Sox in Chicago on Sunday. Photo: Nam Y. Huh/The Associated Press

set when the club bought out his option for \$3.5 million that December, and things got particularly nasty during the 2006 spring training. He sounded off against the organization in an interview with The Daily Southtown of suburban Tinley Park, Ill., and general manager Ken Williams responded by calling him "an idiot."

Thomas was angry with the organization for portraying him as a damaged

player, although injuries to his left ankle limited him to 34 games and made him a spectator as the White Sox grabbed their first World Series title since 1917. So it was a bitter end to an otherwise storied tenure with the team.

"You want to talk White Sox, Frank Thomas' name has got to be No. 1," said Ozzie Guillen, his former teammate and manager.

European Ryder Cup team finalized

Harrington, Donald, Molinari finish off roster

GLENEAGLES, Scotland — Edoardo Molinari of Italy came up a big winner twice on Sunday — first winning the Johnnie Walker Championship, then becoming one of three captain's picks for Europe's Ryder Cup team.

Colin Montgomerie also chose three-time major winner Padraig Harrington and Luke Donald, who is No. 10 in the world ranking.

In one of the toughest choices for any European captain, Montgomerie had three picks for five worthy candidates. He had to leave off Paul Casey, who is No. 9 in the world and played on the last three teams, and Justin Rose, who won twice on the PGA Tour this summer at the Memorial and the AT&T National.

Montgomerie suggested that he had made up his mind about Molinari before he bird-

ied the last three holes to win at Gleneagles.

"It made our job easier that he did win," Montgomerie said. "What he achieved in three rounds was enough to tell us that this player was capable of handling the most incredible pressure so well."

Far tougher was having to leave off Rose and Casey, who has won the World Match Play Championship in England and twice was runner-up in the Match Play Championship in Arizona. Making it worse, Casey and Harrington were playing together in the final round at The Barclays. They were on the sixth hole when Harrington's wife gave him thumbs-up to signal he was on the team.

"Caroline is a great friend," Casey said. "She would have said something to me if I had been picked. So at that point, I kind of knew that I hadn't."

It led to an awkward situation the rest of the round.

"It was very, very hard to stick to your job," Harrington said. "It was never going to be

easy on Monty."

Montgomerie said Molinari, who birdied the last three holes to win on Sunday, is "the type of player we need to regain this Ryder Cup."

"In my 24 years on the European Tour I have not seen a finish of that quality by anyone in such a pressure situation," Montgomerie said.

"Having to come here and having to win what he did today was incredible. And to birdie the last three holes in the way that he did — the job in selecting the wild cards [was] very, very easy for us."

Molinari joins his younger brother Francesco on Europe's team. They will be the first brothers to play in the Ryder Cup together since Bernard and Geoffrey Hunt of England in 1967.

"It's a delight that we have two thrilling players coming from an emerging country like Italy and it's no secret as to who will be partnering each other at Celtic Manor," Montgomerie said.

The Molinari brothers

were a winning pair at golf's World Cup in China last year and both will make their debuts against the United States at Celtic Manor in Wales from Oct. 1-3.

"It was quite an emotional moment for me because this means I will be playing with my brother in the Ryder Cup and that [is] something that is almost unreal," Eduardo Molinari said.

"We communicate differently from best friends out on the golf course — a lot of the time we don't even have to say anything to each other, we know exactly what the other is thinking or wants to do and that's a great help."

Harrington and Donald were on the course in the final round of The Barclays in New Jersey.

Donald birdied his opening six holes, playing as though he were making closing arguments, and he went out in 28 to get within two shots of the lead.

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California

5 inmates shot in prison riot

2 others injured during melee at Folsom prison

By John S. Marshall and Samantha Young
The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Prison guards shot into a crowd to stop 200 rioting inmates at California's Folsom State Prison, wounding five, authorities said Saturday.

Another two inmates were injured by other prisoners during Friday's riot, which began at about 7 p.m. in the main exercise yard and ended after 30 minutes. Prison spokesman Lt. Anthony Gentile said officers fired after other efforts to break up the riot failed.

"We tried to control the situation with chemical agents dispersed over the crowd," Gentile said Saturday. "We fired several rounds of rubber bullets and that didn't stop them from fighting."

None of the inmates suffered life-threatening injuries, and none of the 45 to 50 officers who responded were hurt.

All seven of the injured inmates were listed in stable condition late Saturday, according to Gentile.

The prison, made famous in the Johnny Cash song "Folsom Prison Blues," could remain on lockdown for the next several weeks during an investigation. That means inmates won't be allowed to have visitors, use the exercise yard or attend work training, Gentile said.

The prison has been hit with sporadic violence in its 130-year existence.

Most recently, eight inmates were injured in October after a fight involving about 120 prisoners erupted in a dining hall at the prison.

In April 2002, 24 inmates and one guard were injured during a riot.

Opened in 1880, Folsom is California's second oldest prison, primarily housing medium security inmates. The prison also operates a minimum-security unit and a transitional treatment facility.

The facility's website said it has 3,540 inmates and a custody staff of 643. It is about 20 miles east of Sacramento.



This photo shows a guard tower behind the fence around Folsom State Prison. File Photo: Rich Pedroncelli/The Associated Press

Nation briefs

Army: Soldier shot dead by Utah police deserted

SALT LAKE CITY — The U.S. Army says the soldier who shot a Salt Lake City police officer in the leg was being sought as a deserter.

Police returned fire Friday and killed Brandon S. Barrett, who was in military fatigues and heavily armed on a busy downtown intersection.

The Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Tacoma, Wash., is releasing details about Barrett's background.

Maj. Jenny Willis told the Deseret News of Salt Lake City and The News Tribune of Tacoma that Barrett was from Tucson, Ariz., where his father is declining comment.

Willis says Barrett joined the armed forces almost four years ago but disappeared July 20. He was initially classified as absent without leave. Then, on Aug. 19, the Army obtained a federal warrant accusing Barrett of being a deserter.

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Mistaken ID jails pastor for 8 hours

SHREVEPORT, La. — A series of unfortunate coincidences led to a case of mistaken identity that put a Louisiana minister behind bars for nearly eight hours. Gregory Jones, pastor at Eden Worship Center, was pulled over for speeding and arrested as a man wanted for violating parole in Texas. The minister not only had the same name as the wanted man, but the same birthdate — and a Texas driver's license. So he wound up handcuffed and taken to a Shreveport jail.

Jones said deputies treated him well and assured him they were checking his claims. A photograph and fingerprint check eventually confirmed he wasn't the wanted man.

Caddo Lt. Don Gibbs said the department was sorry for Jones' inconvenience but committed to ensuring wanted criminals don't accidentally go free.

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Surfing lessons for the disabled

By Frank Ertman
The Associated Press

LONG BEACH, N.Y. — The lesson begins on the beach with a youngster lying on a surfboard more than twice her size. After some brief orientation, the child, joined by a world-class surfing coach, is soon paddling about 30 yards into the ocean.

As a modest 2-foot wave appears, the coach and his student begin paddling furiously toward shore. In an instant, the coach eases away from the board and implores his charge to “pop up,” and stand on the board. A shriek explodes from excited parents on the beach who scream with glee as the newcomer stands and rides her first wave to shore.

“I knew what I was doing!” exclaims 14-year-old Meghan Fink of Seaford, N.Y., who is vision-impaired. “I was able to stand up on that board and I felt the wind through my hair and the water came over my head a few times. It was just amazing.”

Learning to surf is a rite of passage for teens in seaside communities around the world. But in recent years in communities from Long Beach, N.Y., to San Diego and Hawaii, children with disabilities ranging from near-blindness to autism have been joining the fun, amazing their parents, their counselors and themselves by hopping up on surfboards and riding the waves.

Such programs have been around for about a decade. No one suggests there are therapeutic cures amid the waves, but the surge in self-confidence is easily evident.

“It’s a thrill of feeling yourself in a situation where you have control and you are working with nature to get some pleasure and enjoyment, and that’s what surfing is all about,” says Harvey Weisenberg, 50-year veteran lifeguard in Long Beach, who has a 52-year-old developmentally disabled son.

New Orleans

Obama celebrates city’s revival

President visits Xavier, other city landmarks

NEW ORLEANS — Five years after the ravaging storm, President Barack Obama celebrated New Orleans’s revival from Hurricane Katrina on Sunday and pledged common purpose with residents in the continuing struggle to protect and rebuild the Gulf Coast. Obama declared to those who dedicated themselves to their city’s recovery: “Because of you, New Orleans is coming back.”

And he pledged: “My administration is going to stand with you and fight alongside you until the job is done.”

Implicit in his remarks was an indictment of sorts against his predecessor’s administration for its handling of the crisis. Obama called Katrina and its aftermath not just a natural disaster but “a manmade catastrophe — a shameful breakdown in government that left countless men, women, and children abandoned and alone.”

Obama spoke at Xavier University, an institution wracked with debris and floodwaters in 2005, but soon back in operation. New Orleans, he said, has become a “symbol of resilience and community.”

The storm killed more than 1,800 people along the coast, most in Louisiana, and flooded 80 percent of New Orleans.

Obama ticked off progress: A fortified levee system set to be finished next year, a



President Barack Obama speaks at Xavier University of Louisiana in New Orleans on Sunday, the fifth anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. Photo: Carolyn Kaster/The Associated Press

dramatic decline in families still living in emergency housing, rising achievement in the city’s public schools, a surge in small businesses making New Orleans one of the nation’s fastest growing cities.

On the other hand, he said: “I don’t have to tell you that there are still too many vacant and overgrown lots. There are still too many students attending classes in trailers. There are still too many people unable

to find work. And there are still too many New Orleanians who have not been able to come home.” The first stop on the visit was the Parkway Bakery and Tavern, an institution in the once-flooded midcity. Obama mingled with customers at the landmark, posed with an engaged couple and ordered a po-boy from the counter of the sandwich shop that was under six feet of water after Katrina hit.



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Weather

Hurricane Earl threatens north Caribbean



This satellite image taken Saturday shows clouds from storms in the Atlantic. Photo: Weather Underground/The Associated Press

By David McFadden
The Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Islanders set up emergency shelters and canceled flights on Sunday as newly born Hurricane Earl churned toward the northern Caribbean.

Cruise lines diverted ships to avoid the storm's path.

The U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said that Earl, with maximum sustained winds of 75 mph (120 kph), could hit the northern Leeward Islands as soon as Sunday night.

It could become a major hurricane by Tuesday — probably while north of Puerto

Rico.

People on several islands stuffed shopping carts with bottled water, canned food, milk, candles and batteries, while some tourists scrambled to board flights home. Others enjoyed the beach while they could.

"I'm just trying get a good suntan in while the weather is still cooperating," said Linda Curren of New York City, sunbathing on San Juan's Ocean Park beach as a few surfers paddled into pounding waves.

In Antigua, the V.C. Bird International Airport was set to close Sunday, while regional airline LIAT suspended several flights.

Cruise ships diverted to other ports in

the Caribbean and Mexico.

Hardware stores were doing a brisk business in plywood and boards as jittery residents and employees of gleaming tourist hotels prepared to safeguard windows and doors.

"We haven't been hit for quite a few years, but you may never know — this might be the time," said Ashley Benta, from the Antiguan town of Gray's Farm.

Fishermen and yacht owners tied down vessels in harbors scattered the northern Caribbean.

"We're watching and waiting at this point," said June Otway, a manager of Puerto Del Rey, a 1,100-slip marina in northeastern Puerto Rico.

Haiti

Education slowly rebuilds

Private schools stand up to grim situation

By Tamara Lush
The Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — When two men barged into Sherrie Fausey's school a few months after the quake and demanded all the food in the pantry, she calmly said no.

The men threatened to kill her. "That's really sad," the 62-year-old said, matter-of-factly. "Because I'm going to heaven and you're going to prison."

The men ran away. That's the kind of attitude — maybe it's brash American optimism — that has paid off for Fausey, a retired schoolteacher from Jacksonville, Fla. Her Christian school in Haiti was destroyed in the earthquake in January, and one child was killed.

But classes will start again today, more than a month before the rest of the country's schools.

Like everything else in post-earthquake Haiti — removing rubble, rebuilding government offices, putting people to work — the reconstruction of the education system is moving at a snail's pace. So in the meantime, it's up to private school owners like Fausey and other aid groups to improvise.

Before the earthquake, few children



Sherrie Fausey, 62, from Jacksonville, Fla., talks with workers and children at a Port-au-Prince school. Photo: Arnulfo Franco/The Associated Press

in Haiti got beyond the sixth grade, and a million children didn't attend school at all. Most parents sent their children to private school, and the poorest parents paid up to half their income for a child's education.

Even then, schooling isn't extensive; one nonprofit figures that the average Haitian adult has about 2.8 years of education.

Add these grim statistics to the picture — 40,000 students and 1,000 teachers died in the quake, and some 80 percent of school buildings in Port-au-

Prince were destroyed — and the enormity of it all seems overwhelming.

Haitian officials have created a \$95 million back-to-school plan as a stopgap for the next three months, part of a five-year, \$4 billion overhaul. But the government has a large, messy task ahead, against a historical backdrop of corruption and mismanagement.

There are glimmers of hope, mixed with the realities of a scarred city.

Portable classrooms made out of 100 shipping containers are ready for students in the town of Leogane.

Suriname



Surinamese children help unload empty fuel containers from a boat near a gold mining area along Blommestein Lake. Photo: Andres Leighton/The Associated Press

Gold rush threatens Suriname jungle

By Ben Fox
The Associated Press

PARAMARIBO, Suriname — It looks like a meteor strike: From out of nowhere, a huge clearing appears in the jungle — a deep rust-colored pit surrounded by mounds of dirt and thick stands of trees pushed to the side in dense piles of overturned soil.

Thanks to record gold prices, hundreds of small-scale mining operations are proliferating along the northeastern

shoulder of South America.

The largest gold mine in the country, at Rosebel not far from Nieuw Koffiekamp, is run by Toronto-based IAMGOLD Corp. and employs 1,100 people.

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Middle East

Unrest might delay peace talks

By Daa Hadid and Karin Laub
Associated Press Writers

RAMALLAH, West Bank — The rival Palestinian governments in the West Bank and Gaza Strip have clamped down harder on opponents and critics in recent months — deepening a nasty split that could prevent Palestinian statehood even if peace talks with Israel kicking off this week succeed against long odds.

New reports by Palestinian rights groups highlight a surprising symmetry in the abuse that the U.S.-backed government of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas in the West Bank and his Iranian-supported rivals Hamas in Gaza inflict on each other.

Both governments carry out arbitrary arrests, ban rivals from travel, exclude them from civil service jobs and suppress opposition media, the rights groups say. Torture in both West Bank and Gaza lock-ups includes beatings and tying up detainees in painful positions.

Hamas and Abbas' Fatah organization have harassed each other ever since the Islamic militant Hamas seized Gaza in 2007.

However, the crackdowns have become more sweeping in recent months as each aims to strengthen its grip on its respective territory.

Just last week, security agents in the West Bank broke up a meeting of inde-



Palestinian members of the Hamas Executive Force use their batons as they detain a Fatah supporter during clashes at a protest following Muslim prayers in Gaza City on Sept. 7, 2007. Photo: Adel Hana/The Associated Press

pendents opposed to Abbas' decision to resume peace talks with Israel, despite government claims that it only targets militants who pose a security threat. In Gaza,

Hamas is pushing legislation that is seen as an attempt to take over and silence the respected Independent Palestinian Commission for Human Rights.

"In both the West Bank and Gaza, we are going toward a ... regime in which the security forces intervene in everything," said Shahwan Jabareen of the Palestinian human rights group Al-Haq.

For Gaza resident Assad Saftawi, 21, this has meant four stints in detention after writing an article criticizing Hamas for taxing cigarettes.

World Briefs

Skinhead group attacks 3,000 at rock concert in central Russia

MOSCOW — Russian news agencies say scores of skinheads have attacked about 3,000 people at a rock concert in central Russia, beating them with clubs.

TV news channel Rossiya-24 cited witnesses as saying a 14-year-old girl was killed and possibly dozens of people wounded on Sunday evening in Miass city, 900 miles east of Moscow.

The motive for the attack was not known, and authorities couldn't be reached for comment.

The TV reports quoted locals as saying police fled the scene when about 100 bare-chested skinheads set upon the crowd. The reports said 14 ambulances were called out.

Russia has an ingrained neo-Nazi skinhead movement. Attacks on dark-skinned foreigners in Moscow and St. Petersburg have been relatively common in recent years.

The Associated Press

36 killed in bus accident, authorities report driver fell asleep

QUITO, Ecuador — A bus ran off a highway and overturned Sunday, killing at least 36 people, Ecuadorean officials said. At least 12 others were badly hurt. The bus was on a straight, well-paved strip of highway about 55 miles south of its destination, Quito, when the accident occurred at 3:20 a.m. — or 5:20 Central time — police said.

"It seems like the driver fell asleep," said transit police spokesman Juan Zapata, though the cause of the crash remains under investigation. Police said that driver Luis Mogrovejo, who died in the accident, had been at the wheel for at least seven hours. Silvia Zumba of the Latacunga police department said the bus from the Turismo Oriental line had left the city of Cuenca with about 30 passengers and had picked up others along the way.

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Chile

Miners must move tons of rocks to aid in rescue

By Peter Prengaman
Associated Press Writer

SAN JOSE MINE, Chile — The 33 trapped Chilean miners who have astonished the world with their discipline a half mile underground will have to aid their own escape — clearing thousands of tons of rock that will fall as the rescue hole is drilled, the engineer in charge of drilling said Sunday.

After drilling three small bore holes in recent weeks to create lines of communication with the miners and deliver basic food and medicine, Chile's state-owned Codelco mining company will begin boring a rescue hole Monday afternoon that will be wide enough to pull the men up through 2,300 feet (700 meters) of earth.

The first step will be to drill a "pilot hole" similar in size to



Chile's Mining Minister Laurence Golborne, left, holds a telephone cable to be sent through a pipe to the shelter where 33 miners are trapped alive inside the collapsed San Jose mine in Copiapo, Chile, on Sunday. Photo: Roberto Candia/The Associated Press

the other three.

Then much larger machine cutters will slowly grind through that hole, forcing crushed rock to fall down into the mine shaft area near the

trapped men. Failure to keep the bottom clear of debris could quickly plug the hole, delaying a rescue that officials say could take up to four months.

Pakistan

Muslim countries unite to fight vicious floods

By Asif Shahzad
Associated Press Writer

ISLAMABAD — Muslim countries, organizations and individuals have pledged nearly \$1 billion in cash and relief supplies to help Pakistan respond to the worst floods in the nation's history, the head of a group of Islamic states said Sunday.

The announcement came as floodwaters inundated a large town in Pakistan and authorities struggled to build new levees with clay and stone to prevent one of the area's biggest cities from suffering the same fate.

Foreign countries have pledged hundreds of millions of dollars to help Pakistan cope with the floods, which first hit the country about a month ago after extremely heavy monsoon rains. But some officials had criticized the Muslim world for not contributing enough.

Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu, head of the organization of The Islamic Conference, likely sought to counter that criticism by announcing that Muslims have pledged nearly \$1 billion. The pledges came from Muslim states, NGOs, OIC institutions and telethons held in Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Kuwait, the United Arab

Emirates and Qatar, he said.

"They have shown that they are one of the largest contributors of assistance both in kind and cash," said Ihsanoglu of the various donors. He spoke during a joint press conference with Pakistani Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi in Islamabad.

Ihsanoglu did not provide a breakdown of the pledges or say how much of the money would flow through the Pakistani government versus independent organizations. Pakistani Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gilani criticized donations made to foreign NGOs rather than the Pakistani government Sunday, saying much of the money would be wasted.

"Eighty percent of the aid will not come to you directly," said Gilani, referring to Pakistani citizens.

"It will come through their NGOs, and they will eat half of it," he said during a press conference in his hometown of Multan.

The floods began in the mountainous northwest about a month ago and have moved slowly down the country toward the coast in the south, inundating vast swaths of prime agricultural land and damaging or destroying more than 1 million homes.

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Dave Faux, left, intern at Farm House Museum and senior in history, greets visitors at the Farm House Museum's 150th anniversary. Photo: Bryan Langfeldt/Iowa State Daily

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