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- Honors program seeks mentors
- Widespread Panic concert is Oct. 27 at Stephens
- First P&S Council open forum of semester is Sept. 1
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- MU Underground offers \$50 semester pass

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Behind the scenes of MythBusters

Fall lecture series offers variety

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Senate president Steve Freeman said the presidential search, academic restructuring and the need for more faculty to meet the demands of increased enrollment numbers will be among the group's top issues this year.



Freeman

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Campaign generates \$867 million

ISU's most successful fund-raising effort -- "Campaign Iowa State" -- brought in more than \$867 million in gifts and commitments. Campaign funds will go toward scholarships, faculty positions, academic programs, building projects and more.

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The fall lectures lineup offers a variety of topics. Here's a look at the highlights.

Cyclone Cinema now in Carver

The former SUB film series acquired a new home (and a concession stand).

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Sidewalks, classrooms, coffee counters and parking lots saw lots of activity Monday morning, with the launch of a new academic year. How many students chose Iowa State this fall? We'll know after Sept. 2, the official "count day." Photo by Bob Elbert.



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Search efforts on track for leadership posts

by Anne Krapfl

Iowa State will welcome new leaders to several key positions in the next 10 months, and search committees either continued or began their work over the summer break. Here's an *Inside* update on the status of five leadership posts:

President

The search passed a key date this week: Aug. 23 is the preferred deadline for nominations and submissions. An 18-member search committee, appointed by the state Board of Regents on June 23, has met monthly since then with consultant Daniel Parker of Parker Executive Search, Atlanta. More than 120 individuals have either been nominated or expressed interest in the ISU presidency, a figure that Parker said exceeds the norm at this stage in a presidential search. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for next week; details and an agenda will be released 24 hours previous.

President Gregory Geoffroy announced in March he will step down as president by July 31, 2012. The committee expects to submit information on three to five finalists to the board of regents sometime this semester. The board will select the next president.

Committee co-chairs: Business dean Labh Hira and ISU alumnus Roger Underwood

Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences

The search committee has been working since early April to recruit candidates and pursue nominations submitted by faculty and staff. The group met most recently on Monday. Sept. 1 is the preferred deadline for applicants. The committee will begin reviewing and evaluating applications next week. Campus interviews tentatively are planned for the last week of October and the first week of November. The start date for the next dean will be negotiated, but no later than July 2012.

Former dean Michael Whiteford retired on June 30; associate dean David Oliver began serving as interim dean on July 1.

Committee co-chairs: Associate provost David Holger and Engineering dean Jonathan Wickert

Associate Vice President for Human Resource Services

The search opened Aug. 9, and the preferred application deadline is Sept. 30. The executive search firm of Witt/Kieffer, Atlanta, is assisting the search committee.

In June, associate vice president Carla Espinoza publicly announced her plans to begin a two-year phased retirement by Jan. 1, 2012. The goal is to name her successor by the end of the calendar year.

Committee chair: Associate vice president for business and finance Pam Elliott Cain

Dean of Students

James Dorsett, director of the international students and scholars office since 2006, will become interim dean of students on or around Oct. 1. Until then, student affairs staff members will continue to share the dean's various responsibilities. During the workday, members of the university community should call 4-1020 and they'll be connected to the appropriate staff member for assistance. After hours, including weekends, they should call 231-6483.

Vice president for student affairs Tom Hill said a national search for a dean of students will begin in spring 2012. Former dean of students Dione Somerville left Iowa State June 30 for a position at Bloomsburg University, Pennsylvania.

Committee: To be appointed in November

Concluded search

As announced in March, Cathann Kress became Iowa State's vice president for extension and outreach on July 1, succeeding Jack Payne, who left Iowa State in May 2010. Agronomy professor Gerald Miller served as interim director for 13 months.

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Photo by Bob Elbert.

Dan Burden

Professional and Scientific Council president, 2011-12

The basics

Position at ISU:

Program coordinator, international and special projects, Value-Added Agriculture Program

Arrived at ISU:

1990

Burden's top priorities:

- Address salary discrepancies between P&S staff and faculty, and new-hire situations
- Work with administration to gain pay increases and pay incentives if funding becomes available

Council priorities this year:

Burden's council service:

P&S Council representative (2010, 2010-11); policies and procedures committee (2010-11)

- Work jointly with Faculty Senate on a proposal addressing recreational service fees and facilities
- Address academic misconduct policy for faculty and staff
- Participate in campus review of the resource management model
- Offer more staff professional development opportunities (retention and recruitment)
- Offer new P&S awards for campus international student and visitor support, and off-campus international outreach

Council's biggest challenge:

"We're going to have to deal with record enrollment and fewer staff. We're working closely with the administration on resource allocation to deal with that. We're in the best position we've been in for a number of years. I think the budget situation is going to be positive and revenues are going to be positive and we're going to have a chance to recover from some of the incredible hits we've taken. Hopefully, we're in a rebuilding mode now."

Burden's thoughts on the year ahead:

"I want to encourage all staff to consider spending time on council, running for council. It's not that big of a commitment when you first start, but you have the opportunity to gain some excellent professional development experience, learn how the university works and be a part of the decision-making process. You can get involved -- it's a fascinating process."

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State Gym opening delayed; student fees will be partially credited

by Annette Hacker, News Service

Due to an unexpected delay in the delivery of construction materials, the remodeled State Gym and its 94,000 square-foot addition will not open until spring semester 2012, prompting university officials to credit a portion of student fees this semester.

"Since students won't be able to access State Gym this fall, it's only right to return their fees to the previous level," said vice president for business and finance Warren Madden.

Madden said full-time students will receive an \$89.95 credit on their U-Bills by the end of September, pending approval by the state Board of Regents. That's the increase students began paying based on a fall 2011 opening of remodeled and expanded recreation facilities on campus. Parttime students this fall will receive a prorated credit. Students who were assessed the fee this summer also will receive a credit.

Change in construction material

State Gym was scheduled to reopen in October. However, the contractor has been unable to obtain enough coil zinc needed to manufacture the building's metal wall panels, said Dean McCormick, director of design and construction services for facilities planning and management.

"These panels need to be fully in place to enclose the building and allow for installation of the environmental controls, wood floors and other finish materials," McCormick said. "After reviewing alternatives with the project architect (RDG Planning & Design), we believe the best option is to move forward with aluminum panels.

"This change will push back our opening for State Gym, but we'd rather ensure that the job is completed to our quality standards than rush to a temporary solution or a partial opening. We want to make sure these state-of-the-art facilities are ready for students in the spring."

Madden said opening this spring, crediting a portion of student fees this fall and changing the wall panel material won't affect the overall project budget.

The Lied center, Beyer Hall and the Forker Building remain open for recreational activities, said vice president for student affairs Tom Hill.

"And all of the programs offered by recreation services, including intramurals, group fitness, personal training, trips and workshops are still available to our students and the ISU community," Hill added.

Semester option for faculty and staff

Iowa State faculty, staff and affiliates who opt to work out at Lied Rec may purchase a fall semester pass. Due to the construction delay at State Gym, no annual passes will be sold at this time.

Student fees are funding Iowa State's \$46.2 million recreation renovation and expansion. In addition to the remodeled and expanded State Gym, the project includes improvements and controlled entrances to Beyer Hall, and reflects recreation services' transition to a self-supported enterprise.

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Photo by Bob Elbert.

Steve Freeman

Faculty Senate president, 2011-12

The basics

Position at ISU:

Professor, agricultural and biosystems engineering; associate director, Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching

Arrived at ISU:

August 1997, assistant professor, industrial education and technology

Freeman's top priorities:

- Continue to strengthen shared governance with central administration
- Improve the policies and processes that recognize the importance of the university's teaching mission

Freeman's senate service:

Senator (2001-04, 2006-10); president-elect (2010-11); executive board (2006-12); judiciary and appeals council (2002-04, 2006-10), Chair (2006-10); committee on appeals (2002-11), chair (2006-10); promotion and tenure document task force (2004-12), chair (2005-12); teaching academy task force (2008-11); resource policies and allocation council (2010-12); governance council (2001-02, 2010-12); committee on committees, chair (2010-11); committee on honorary degrees

(2002-08)

Senate priorities this year:

- Help identify the next ISU president and assist with a smooth transition
- Increase the number of faculty to meet increasing student demands
- Work through several academic restructuring processes
- Continue policy development and curriculum changes
- Continue task force work on important issues (for example, reviews of the budget model; executive vice president and provost; and vice president for student affairs)

Senate's biggest challenge:

"The university has faced budget challenges over the last few years that resulted in significant changes to the university. Faculty have adjusted and faced these challenges with flexibility and hard work. But the process is not complete. We will continue to work to identify a sustainable academic environment that will keep ISU as a premiere land-grant university for generations to come."

Freeman's thoughts on the year ahead:

"It will be a busy year for the Faculty Senate, but I am looking forward to working with faculty and central administration to enhance shared governance as we strive to complete the university's mission and improve the campus environment for faculty, staff and students."

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Students have access to the latest technology in Hach Hall, a new chemistry building funded in part by campaign gifts. Photo by Dave Gieseke.

Historic 'Campaign Iowa State' generates \$867 million

by Dave Gieseke

The most successful fund-raising effort in Iowa State history -- "Campaign Iowa State: With Pride and Purpose" -- concluded on June 30, 2011, with more than \$867 million received in gifts and commitments.

The campaign generated hundreds of new student scholarships and funded thousands of existing scholarship awards; doubled the number of endowed faculty positions, bolstered academic programs, study abroad opportunities and student research programs; and supported more than two dozen building projects.

"'Campaign Iowa State' has been an enormous success from every standpoint and a true team effort," said president Gregory Geoffroy. "It wasn't a handful of wealthy people who took this campaign over the top; it was a cast of thousands -- people from all walks and stages of life, from students to young alumni to

By the numbers

• Donors: 118,742

• First-time donors: 37,215

• Faculty/staff giving: \$37

people in their golden years.

"Each gift was important and I'm exceedingly grateful for each and every individual, company, foundation and organization that has helped enrich the Iowa State experience for current and future students, and enhance the lives all Iowa citizens and beyond."

Campaign highlights

Among high points of the campaign:

- More than \$260 million was directed to student support activities, including the creation of 813 new scholarships.
 During "Campaign Iowa State," 42,000 scholarship awards totaling \$57 million were provided to Iowa State students.
- 85 new endowed faculty positions were established, more than doubling the number prior to the start of "Campaign Iowa State."
- Nearly \$285 million was designated to programmatic support for academic colleges, departments, the library, honors program and other initiatives across campus. Campaign funds also enhanced lectureships, study abroad opportunities, student research programs and entrepreneurship programs.
- More than two dozen building projects, most of which are completed or in progress, were funded in whole or in part during "Campaign Iowa State."

Generosity benefits generations

"Generations of Iowa State students, faculty and staff will benefit from the generosity of thousands of benefactors to 'Campaign Iowa State,'" said Roger Underwood, alumnus and volunteer chair of "Campaign Iowa State."

"We are grateful for not only the financial support of our donors, but also for the confidence they exhibit in Iowa State's ability to enhance lives," said Dan Saftig, president of the ISU Foundation. "On behalf of the volunteers and staff of the ISU Foundation, I offer my deep appreciation to everyone who helped make this campaign an overwhelming success."

Campaign counting began July 2003. A goal of \$800 million was announced in October 2007 when Campaign Iowa State was introduced to the public.

Breakdown, by areas and units

Areas		
Program	\$283,848,611	
Student	\$261,610,003	
Faculty	\$182,395,654	

million

- Faculty/staff donors: 4,507
- Phone center calls: 12.7 million
- Phone center, online, direct mail total: \$40 million
- Scholarships created: 813
- New endowed faculty posts: 85
- New named faculty positions: 38
- Endowed deanships: 4
- New and renovated buildings: 25
- Campaign volunteers: 250

Facility \$139,596,201

Units		
Ag & Life Sciences	\$127.4 million	
Alumni Association	\$ 13.4 million	
Athletics	\$ 86.9 million	
Business	\$ 47.0 million	
Design	\$ 10.1 million	
Engineering	\$134.0 million	
Extension	\$ 9.8 million	
Human Sciences	\$ 35.0 million	
LAS	\$ 71.6 million	
Library	\$ 6.3 million	
Reiman Gardens	\$ 5.2 million	
Student Affairs	\$ 50.1 million	
University Museums	\$ 5.4 million	
Vet Med	\$ 46.3 million	
Other*	\$218.5 million	
*Includes a \$141 million gift-in-kind.		

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Fall 2011 lectures lineup offers something for everyone

by Paula Van Brocklin

An in-depth look at television's *MythBusters*, financial responsibility (America's and yours) and an ancient Canadian culture are some of the diverse topics covered in this fall's lineup of lectures, which are free and open to the public. Multiple offices and departments across campus work with the lectures program to help fund these events.

"The lectures program is having a terrific start to the year with Paul Farmer (Aug. 25), followed by MythBusters' Grant Imahara (Sept. 17)," said Pat Miller, director of the lectures program. "MAD magazine's senior editor Joe Raiola (Sept. 22) will certainly provide an original perspective for Constitution Day, and is a perfect fit to lead into Banned Book Week."

A complete lectures schedule is online and updated often. Following is a look at some of the highlights for fall semester.





Grant Imahara from the Discovery Channel's MythBusters team will share his insights into the show's technological antics at 7 p.m. Sept. 17 in Stephens Auditorium. Contributed photo.

Paul Farmer, founding director of Partners in Health, an international nonprofit organization that delivers high-quality health care to resource-poor areas, will discuss his recent book, Haiti After the Earthquake. Farmer is chair of the department of global health and social medicine at Harvard Medical School, chief of the division of global health equity at Brigham and Women's Hospital, and the United Nations deputy special envoy for Haiti. Farmer will sign copies of his book following the lecture at the Celebrity Café, located in the ground floor lobby on the north side of Stephens.

A Campaign Narrative: Why Iowa Matters -- or Not: Clarence Page, Sept. 14 (8 p.m., MU Sun Room)

In one of the few election-related lectures this fall, 1989 Pulitzer Prize-winner in commentary, Clarence Page, a nationally syndicated columnist with Tribune Media Services and a member of the Chicago Tribune's editorial board, will discuss the impact of the Iowa caucuses on the presidential election. He is a frequent essay contributor to *The News Hour with Jim Lehrer* and a regular guest on PBS' *The McLaughlin Group*, NBC's *The Chris Matthews Show*, ABC's *Nightline* and BET's *Lead Story*.

MythBusters with Grant Imahara, Sept. 17 (7 p.m., Stephens)

Grant Imahara, a member of Discovery Channel's *MythBusters* -- the show that uses science and technology to debunk or prove urban legends (for example, can a large number of balloons really allow a child to fly? Tested and busted) -- will show clips from the show and explain how the team accomplishes its feats. Imahara is a former animatronics engineer and model maker for George Lucas' special-effects company, where he worked on films such as *The Lost World: Jurassic Park*, *Star Wars: Episode I -- The Phantom Menace* and *Terminator 3: Rise of the Machine*.

Inuit Culture of North Canada: Peter Irniq, Sept. 21 (7 p.m., MU Great Hall)

Peter Irniq, a member of the Inuit people of Canada's Northwest Territories, is deputy minister of culture, language, elders and youth with the department of education, culture and employment for the government of Northwest Territories. His charge is to protect traditional Inuit culture and language. He will bring a bit of the Inuit culture to Ames when he builds three inuksuit, or signposts of the north, in local parks between Sept. 18 and Oct. 1. Inuksuit are large, stone monuments, which the Inuit have used as guides in the Arctic to mark trails, caches of food or the caribou migration. In his talk, Irniq will discuss the inuksuit and other aspects of the Inuit people.

The Joy of Censorship: Joe Raiola, Sept. 22 (8 p.m., MU Great Hall)

As part of Banned Book Week, Joe Raiola, senior editor of *MAD* magazine, will take a satirical look at hotly debated First Amendment issues, including the effect of 9/11 on free speech, banned books, movie ratings, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Internet filters. He also will chronicle *MAD*'s history.

Fiscal Solutions Tour: David Walker and Robert Bixby, Sept. 29 (7 p.m., MU Sun Room)

The Fiscal Solutions Tour is designed to help Americans learn how to build a stronger economic future by meeting the challenges of unsustainable budget policies. Leaders of the tour are David Walker, president and CEO of the Comeback America Initiative, which is focused on promoting and achieving fiscal solutions; and Robert Bixby, executive director of the Concord Coalition, a nonpartisan, grassroots organization dedicated to fiscal responsibility.

Pesek Colloquium on Sustainable Agriculture: Andrew Revkin, Oct. 24 (8 p.m., MU Great Hall)

Andrew Revkin spent 15 years reporting on global environmental issues for the *New York Times* and he continues to write for its Dot Earth blog. He has covered such topics as Hurricane Katrina, the Asian tsunami and the troubled relationship between climate science and politics. The author of several books, Revkin also has worked for *Discover*, the *Los Angeles Times* and *Science Digest*.

Good Debt, Bad Debt -- How to Live Credit Smart: Maxine Sweet, Nov. 1 (8 p.m., MU Sun Room)

Maxine Sweet is vice president of Experian North America's public education organization and also

leads the credit agency's consumer education, community involvement and corporate responsibility teams. And as editor of "Ask Experian," a financial education advice column, she helps consumers understand credit reporting and how to use credit wisely. Sweet also is on the board of directors for Call For Action, a national consumer help organization, and InCharge, a leading credit counseling group.

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Campus film series moves to new theater, adds shows and concessions

The Student Union Board's long-running free film series will move this fall to 101 Carver, where upgraded audio and visual equipment will improve the 'movie theater' experience. The ISU Government of the Student Body and Inter Residence Hall Association are additional sponsors of "Cyclone Cinema" this year.

The series features recent releases (usually prior to release on DVD), each of which typically will have eight showings:

- Thursday, Friday and Saturday: 7 and 10 p.m.
- Sunday, 4 and 7 p.m.

The movies are free and open to the public. A concession counter that accepts cash, CyCash and Dining Dollars will sell popcorn, candy and soda.

Cyclone Cinema's scheduled lineup* for fall semester is as follows:

Aug. 25-28: **Bridesmaids** (rated R), stars Kristen Wiig, Maya Rudolph, Rose Byrne

Sept. 1-4: Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG-13), Johnny Depp, Ian McShane, Penelope Cruz

Sept. 8-11: Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG), animated, with the voices of Jack Black, Angelina Jolie, Jackie Chan

Sept. 15-18: The Hangover Part II (R), Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis

Sept. 22-25: Super 8 (PG-13), Elle Fanning, Amanda Michalka, Kyle Chandler

Sept. 29-Oct. 2: Cars 2 (G), animated, with the voices of Owen Wilson, Larry the Cable Guy, Michael Caine

Oct. 6-9: Green Lantern (PG-13), Ryan Reynolds, Blake Lively, Peter Sarsgaard

Oct. 13-16: Transformers: Dark of the Moon (PG-13), Shia LaBeouf, Rosie Huntington-Whiteley, Tyrese Gibson

Oct. 20-23: *Horrible Bosses* (R), Jason Bateman, Charlie Day, Jason Sudeikis

Oct. 27-30: *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 2* (PG-13), Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint

Nov. 3-6: Crazy Stupid Love (PG-13), Steve Carell, Ryan Gosling, Julianne Moore

Nov. 10-13: *Captain America: The First Avenger* (PG-13), Chris Evans, Samuel L. Jackson, Hayley Atwell

Nov. 17-20: Cowboys & Aliens (PG-13), Daniel Craig, Harrison Ford, Olivia Wilde

Nov. 24-27: Thanksgiving weekend, no film

Dec. 1-4: 30 Minutes or Less (R), Jesse Eisenberg, Danny McBride, Aziz Ansari

* Titles are subject to change