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health care premiums and the rising cost of campus flu shots at their Sept. 2 meeting.
Where's Bob?

University photographer Bob Elbert took this photo in the ground floor commons of the Union Drive Community Center.
Fall enrollment soars to a record 28,682 students
by Annette Hacker, News Service

To say that Iowa State's fall 2010 enrollment of 28,682 students is a record-breaker is an understatement.

Not only did overall enrollment increase by more than 2.6 percent (up 737 students) over the previous record of 27,945 in fall 2009, enrollment in nearly every category also has set records at Iowa State this fall:

- **Record undergraduate enrollment** of 23,104, an increase of 583 students from fall 2009. The previous undergraduate record was in 2001 with 23,060 students.

- **Record graduate student enrollment** of 4,991, an increase of 131 students from fall 2009's record of 4,860. Prior to the last two record-breaking years, Iowa State's highest graduate enrollment was 4,789 in fall 1991.

- **Record international student enrollment** of 3,327, an increase of 310 students from the previous record of 3,017 students in fall 2009. International students equal nearly 12 percent of ISU's total student body.

- **Record professional (veterinary medicine) student enrollment** of 587, an increase of 23 students from the previous record of 564 students set in fall 2009.

- **Record new transfer student enrollment from Iowa's community colleges.** This fall, 1,001 Iowa community college students transferred to Iowa State to continue their education, up from the previous record of 982 students set in fall 2009. Total new transfer enrollment is 1,673, up from 1,622 in fall 2009.

- **Fall 2010 has ushered in the most diverse student enrollment in Iowa State's history.** More than one in five ISU students is either a minority or an international student. Total U.S. minority and international enrollment is 5,942 students, or 20.7 percent of the student body. (Last fall, total international + U.S. minority enrollment was 5,550 students, or 19.9 percent of total enrollment.) U.S. minority enrollment is 2,615 (9.12 percent of total enrollment), a new record and an increase over last fall's 2,532 students. Each year since 2006, Iowa State has met or exceeded the 8.5 percent minority enrollment goal set by the Iowa Board of Regents.

- **70 percent of ISU's undergraduates -- 16,084 students - are from Iowa.** In total, 18,448 Iowa residents are enrolled at ISU. That's about 64.3 percent of the student body overall.

- **10,234 students are nonresidents**, an increase of 792 students from fall 2009.
Iowa State has attracted its second-largest freshman class ever: 4,552 students, an increase of 196 students from last fall. The record was set in 2001 with 4,654 students.

Iowa State is not only attracting more students, but retention initiatives are working and more students are staying. The university increased its first-year, full-time retention rate by 2.1 percent. Of the students who began at Iowa State in fall 2009, 86.1 percent of them continued in fall 2010, compared to 84 percent the prior year.

"We're delighted to welcome record numbers of students across the board," said Iowa State University President Gregory Geoffroy. "Iowa State provides one of the highest quality educational experiences anywhere in the nation, and students are confirming that by enrolling at Iowa State in record numbers."

Marc Harding, director of admissions, says Iowa State's robust enrollment numbers speak for themselves.

"There has been a strategic and university-wide effort to ramp up recruitment during the past five years," Harding said. "A record enrollment is a sure sign that prospective students and families believe Iowa State is an outstanding place to pursue higher education and enjoy a college experience that is second to none."

Harding acknowledges that sustaining new student enrollment at this level could be challenging, given the demographics (a declining number of high school students in Iowa and the Midwest), and increased competition for those students.

"Achieving future enrollment objectives will continue to require the dedicated efforts of the entire Ames/ISU community. Faculty, staff, students, parents and alumni know the value of an Iowa State education. They all play a significant role in maintaining the excellence of Iowa State University and helping us to share our story with future students," Harding said.
Visits set for Vet Med dean candidates
by Paula Van Brocklin

Four candidates for the College of Veterinary Medicine dean post will visit campus by Oct. 1.

Candidates are Robert Holland, professor and chair, department of large animal clinical sciences, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Lisa Nolan, professor and associate dean of research and graduate studies, College of Veterinary Medicine, Iowa State; Stuart Reid, dean, faculty of veterinary medicine, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, Scotland; and Jean Sander, professor and associate dean for academic and student affairs, College of Veterinary Medicine, Ohio State University, Columbus.

Each candidate will be on campus for two days between Sept. 20 and Oct. 1, and will participate in an open forum. All forums will be held in 1226 College of Veterinary Medicine and last one hour.

Forum dates are:

- Reid, Sept. 20, 3:15 p.m.
- Nolan, Sept. 23, 3:15 p.m.
- Sander, Sept. 27, 3:15 p.m.
- Holland, Sept. 30, 2:30 p.m.

Candidates' complete vitas and interview schedules will be available on the executive vice president and provost's website by Sept. 15. Following is a brief look at each candidate.

Robert Holland

Holland has been professor and department chair of large animal clinical sciences and director of the large animal veterinary teaching hospital at Tennessee since 2005. Holland was at Iowa State from 2000 to 2004, serving as department chair of veterinary diagnostic and production animal medicine and as interim chair of the department of veterinary clinical sciences.

Holland's research focuses on infectious diseases of dairy cattle and environmentally important issues associated with the dairy industry.

Holland received a B.S. (1978) from Virginia State University, Petersburg; a D.V.M. (1982) from Tuskegee University, Alabama; and an M.S. in large animal clinical sciences (1986) from Michigan State University, East Lansing.

Lisa Nolan

Nolan has been associate dean of research and graduate studies in the College of Veterinary Medicine since 2009. She also currently serves as adjunct professor in the department of veterinary and microbiological sciences at North Dakota State University, Fargo, a position she has held since 2003. She joined the ISU faculty in 2003 as chair of the department of veterinary microbiology and
preventive medicine and also served as associate dean of academic and student affairs (2007-09).

Nolan's research focuses on bacterial diseases of production animals, including their effects on animal health, human health and food safety.

Nolan received a D.V.M. (1988), and an M.S. (1989) and Ph.D. in medical microbiology (1992), all from the University of Georgia, Athens.

**Stuart Reid**

Since 2005, Reid has been dean of the faculty of veterinary medicine at the University of Glasgow, Scotland. He also holds the first appointed joint chair between the universities of Glasgow and Strathclyde, and the second professorship in veterinary epidemiology in the United Kingdom. Previously, he served as associate dean (research) of the veterinary medicine faculty at Glasgow from 2004 to 2005.

Reid's research expertise is in quantitative epidemiology, applied to both human and animal health.

Reid received a bachelor's of veterinary medicine and surgery (1987), a Ph.D. (1992) and a D.V.M. (2004), all from the University of Glasgow.

**Jean Sander**

Sander currently is a professor and associate dean for academic and student affairs in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Ohio State University, a position she has held since 2005. Previously, she was associate dean for student affairs and professor of preventive medicine from 2003 to 2005.

Sander's research focuses on commercial poultry preventive medicine and pathology.

She received a B.S. (1974) from Elmhurst College, Illinois; a D.V.M (1987) from the University of Wisconsin, Madison; and an M.A.M. (1989) from the University of Georgia, Athens.
Reconstruction begins as flood cleanup winds down
by Diana Pounds

The 17 university structures breached by floodwaters on Aug. 11 are mostly clean, dry and awaiting reconstruction. Another 35 buildings that fell victim to rising storm water that day are in various stages of repair.

Recover, then reconstruct
Bringing facilities back from a flood is a two-phase process, said Dave Miller, director of facilities planning and management operations. The good news is that most facilities on campus are through, or nearly through, the first phase, characterized as recovery. In this phase, the focus is on removing water and muck, and making facilities clean, dry, and safe.

The next phase, reconstruction, is or soon will be under way at ISU's flood-damaged facilities. Reconstruction starts with a room-by-room assessment of each facility's infrastructure.

"We look at wires, pipes, equipment, everything, to determine what needs to be kept, thrown away, reconditioned or replaced," Miller said.

Until those complex assessments have been completed, it's difficult to determine when closed facilities can be reopened, he said.

$4.4 million, so far
Nor is it possible to estimate yet the total damage on campus from the flooding and rain. The figure officials can cite is what's been spent thus far. Through last week, ISU had spent some $4.4 million on flood recovery. Those costs included work completed by ServiceMaster and Cotton USA, as well as other labor and materials.

While some of the flood-damaged facilities (Hilton, Scheman, Lied and the Family Resource Center) remain closed for repairs, all 35 campus buildings that sustained storm water damage are open. Repairs are under way at most of these facilities, which took on water when storm water backed up through floor drains or ran in through doors and windows. Ten of the buildings suffered a second storm water setback during an Aug. 31 downpour.

Buildings most severely damaged by storm water included Hamilton Hall, which sustained 4 inches of water damage and Horticulture Hall, with 6 inches. ServiceMaster crews were dispatched to clean up 22 of the buildings. Other
buildings with relatively light water damage were cleaned by ISU staff with wet/dry vacuums.

**FEMA team on campus for several months**

A six-member team from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and two representatives from Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management arrived on campus Aug. 30. The federal disaster declaration for 57 Iowa counties is retroactive to June 1 and also includes the July 18 windstorm and Aug. 31 rainstorm that did damage on campus.

FEMA officials have estimated that their task of documenting and assessing damage to campus facilities could continue through December, said Pam Cain, associate vice president for business and finance and chair of the university's Disaster Recovery Coordinating Team.

The good news is that Iowa State is able to proceed with flood recovery work on a parallel track and its own timeline. For example, a request for bids is out to renovate flooded apartments and the Family Resource Center in University Village, and purchase orders are ready to go for replacement equipment elsewhere on campus.

Cain said the university is following the appropriate federal guidelines and processes. The goal is to receive the maximum reimbursement allowed by law. She said that ultimately a complex layering of insurance payments, FEMA reimbursements and a university cost share will cover the price tag of this summer's disasters. In the short term, that will create cash flow issues for Iowa State, one of many details the coordinating team is working out during its multiple meetings each week.
Status of flood-damaged facilities
by Diana Pounds

Hilton Coliseum
Damage: 12-14 feet of water.
Status: Power was restored Sept. 2. Facilities planning and management (FPM) and environmental health and safety (EHS) crews are beginning walk-throughs. Final cleanup work and environmental tests must be completed before reconstruction starts. Bids will be received on elevator repairs this week. Athletics officials are hopeful the building can be ready for the first basketball game (women's) Nov. 4.

Scheman Building
Damage: 4 feet of water on ground floor.
Status: ServiceMaster is at work on final cleanup. FPM and EH&S crews are beginning walk-throughs. Environmental tests must be completed before reconstruction begins. Bids will be received on elevator repairs this week.

Lied Recreation Athletic Center
Damage: 2 feet of water on first floor.
Status: Cleanup is complete and officials are awaiting the results of environmental tests before reconstruction can commence. Steam service for heating and cooling is now available in the building. The first-floor turf and racquetball courts must be replaced. The indoor track is still being evaluated.

Veenker Memorial Golf Course
Damage: 1-9 feet of water covered the course. Maintenance shed was under 8 feet of water.
Status: Driving range and practice facilities are open, along with a playable nine-hole course. Elsewhere on the course, grass seed has been planted and is sprouting.

University Community Childcare, Family Resource Center
Damage: 4-6 inches of water on the first floor.
Status: The facility is available for reconstruction, and bids are out for this work. The childcare center is temporarily located at Collegiate United Methodist Church, 2622 Lincoln Way.

General Services Building
Damage: 18 inches of water on the first floor.
Cleanup: Flood-damaged items were removed and the facility was power-washed.
Status: Cleanup is complete.

Ann Campbell Transit Facility
Damage: Inundated by flood waters.
Status: The facility has been cleared for reconstruction to begin.

**Jack Trice Stadium**
- **Damage:** Some water on the field.
- **Cleanup:** Water cleared with pumps. No remediation required.
- **Status:** Field is open.

**Iowa State Center parking lots**
- **Damage:** Water and broken asphalt.
- **Status:** Asphalt repairs were completed in time for the first Cyclone football game Sept. 2.

**ISU Soccer Complex**
- **Damage:** Water and muck.
- **Status:** Grass areas should rebound quickly and may be available for the Sept. 17 home game. The press box has been cleared for reconstruction.

**Southeast intramural fields**
- **Damage:** Water and muck.
- **Status:** Grass areas in the fields should rebound quickly. The intramural building has been cleared for reconstruction. The sand volleyball courts north of the fields will not be open for some time.

**Maple-Willow-Larch field**
- **Damage:** Water and muck.
- **Status:** New seeding is down and some growth is already occurring. Grass areas should rebound quickly.

**Disc golf course**
- **Damage:** Minimal damage.
- **Status:** Debris has been removed. The course remains closed at present.

**University Village**
- **Damage:** Flooding in 27 apartments housing 47 students.
- **Status:** The facility is available for reconstruction and bids are out for this work. An asbestos abatement contractor has begun removing floor tiles. Students have been relocated. Officials hope their apartments will be ready by Oct. 1.

**Jacobson/Olsen Building**
- **Damage:** Some water in the ticket office area.
- **Status:** Some carpet must be replaced, but the facility is open.

**Alumni Center**
- **Damage:** No water damage, but electrical service was out temporarily due to flood waters.
- **Status:** Open.
Stormwater-impacted buildings

- Andrews-Richards House
- Atanasoff Hall
- Barton Hall
- Biorenewables Research Laboratory
- Carver Hall
- Coover Hall
- Durham Center
- Enrollment Services Center
- Freeman Hall
- Frederiksen Court 43
- Genetics Laboratory
- General Services Building
- Gilman Hall
- Hamilton Hall
- Heady Hall
- Human Nutritional Sciences Building
- Horticulture Hall

- Insectary
- Kildee Hall
- Lagomarcino Hall
- MacKay Hall
- Marston Hall
- Memorial Union
- Music Hall
- Palmer Laboratory School
- Parks Library
- Pearson Hall
- Physics Building
- Reiman Gardens
- Ross Hall
- Science Hall
- Science Hall II
- Student Services Building
- Sweeney Hall
- Zaffarano Physics Addition

Facility updates

- Reconstruction begins
- Status of flood-damaged facilities
The University Honors Program has been helping shape the minds of students through classes and seminars, like this one, for 50 years. More than 1,000 students are enrolled in the Honors Program this fall. Photo by Leah Hansen.

University Honors Program is golden
by Paula Van Brocklin

The University Honors Program is celebrating its 50th anniversary this academic year with a variety of events.

On Sept. 15, be sure to stroll past the Jischke Honors Building, where students will be handing out birthday cookies (cake was deemed too messy) to passersby.

Honors also is cosponsoring a Sept. 16 lecture, "Global Souls: Citizens in the Future Tense," (8 p.m., Great Hall, Memorial Union) by travel writer Pico Iyer. Iyer's most recent book (2008) is the bestseller, The Open Road: The Global Journey of the Fourteenth Dalai Lama, based on conversations with the Buddhist monk over 33 years.

Additional events are planned for family weekend, Sept. 30-Oct. 2, including a faculty-student trivia competition on Sept. 30 (time and location to be announced), and an open house/tailgate reception at Jischke on Oct. 2, three hours prior to the start of the Iowa State-Texas Tech football game. Anyone associated with the Honors Program may attend these events.

Other activities are in the works for the rest of the academic year, culminating with an April 16 open house and alumni gathering (9 a.m.-4 p.m., Jischke) during Veishea weekend.

More information on Honors is available online.
Honors history at a glance

Iowa State's Honors Program was established in 1960 with about 40 students. However, undergraduates earned departmental honors as early as the 1940s. Honors seminars have been offered since 1967 (noncredit seminars earlier than that), and the first-year program began in 1973. Over the years, the program has been enhanced with quiet housing options, a leadership development program and opportunities to conduct research with faculty.

Honors was housed in Old Botany (now Catt Hall), Osborn Cottage and Pearson Hall before moving to Jischke when it opened in 2002.

This fall, more than 1,000 students are enrolled in the Honors program.
New service unit intended to help faculty compete for and manage research grants
by Anne Krapfl

Budget cuts compelled a decision to discontinue central funding for about 10 ISU centers and institutes last year, but also to create a new service unit that provides research grant and survey help to all Iowa State faculty, regardless of discipline.

As of July 1, the new Survey and Behavioral Research Services (SBRS) merged the professional staff formerly affiliated with two other units, the Center for Survey Statistics and Methodology and the Institute for Social and Behavioral Research. SBRS, which remains at the ISU research park, will assist any faculty member who needs help with the administrative, noncontent aspects of applying for and managing research grants, said its faculty director Doug Bonett, who has joint appointments in the statistics and psychology departments.

The new service unit also includes the survey development and analysis services formerly offered in CSSM. Former CSSM assistant director Dianne Anderson is assistant director of the research services unit.

Back to campus
Faculty members affiliated with the two existing centers have moved out of the research park and returned full time to their departmental offices on campus. Additionally, the CSSM professional staff who work on the National Resources Inventory, a longitudinal survey of agricultural and other natural resources on nonfederal lands, will move back to central campus at the end of September. The library's former physical sciences reading room on the second floor of the Office and Laboratory Building is being remodeled for that team.

When the moves are complete, research park space occupied by these units will be reduced from 25,000 square feet to 7,000 square feet.

All of these changes were directed by the office of the vice president for research and economic development (VPRED), the administrative umbrella for these centers.

Equal access, more success for all
"Budget cuts forced us to make some drastic changes in our support for centers and institutes," said Chitra Rajan, associate vice president for research and economic development. "But we wanted to find a way to continue support for faculty and enable good research to continue.

"The goal was to bring all of these research support services together, giving faculty access to even better services and making those

Getting started
For help with grant applications, grant management or survey development, contact Doug Bonett, 4-2119; or Dianne Anderson, 4-9753.
Bonett reiterated that an end goal is to remove some of the obstacles that may hinder faculty from successfully competing for grants.

"We think this support will help faculty be more successful, whether they're seeking assistance with grant writing, filling out the GoldSheet (an internal form required for externally funded research) or post-award with managing the grant," he said.

**Statistics faculty as consultants**

For the 60-plus-year history of the statistics department, its faculty have assisted research colleagues around campus when called upon. For faculty willing to be tapped to share their expertise, the consulting function becomes part of their job description, said statistics department chair Ken Koehler.

He said the intent is to keep this a free service for inquiries that might require an hour or two of conversation. More involved assistance may create opportunities for research collaboration, Koehler said, which also creates options for compensation.

The statistics department's consulting website will be updated this fall. But for faculty investigators needing help with statistical pieces of their research, it's still is a good place to start, Koehler said.
Council learns about flood recovery, benefits and flu shots
by Erin Rosacker

A salary recommendation from the compensation and benefits committee was withdrawn from the agenda, leaving Professional and Scientific Council members with one business item and several reports for their Sept. 2 meeting.

Three new members were appointed to one-year terms, filling council resignations. Josh Obrecht (IT Services) and Jenny Reitano (Business grad program) will represent academic and research employees and Amy Tehan (U.S. Department of Energy's Ames Laboratory) will represent employees in IPRT and Ames Lab.

David Miller, director of facilities and utilities in facilities planning and management, provided council members with a flood recovery update. He said power is restored to the Scheman Building and Hilton Coliseum, which will allow contractors access for repair work. More details about flood damage and the recovery process can be found in a related story.

Benefits outlook

Human resource services associate director Mike Otis said the benefits office currently is working with its vendors on cost projections for 2011. Although in its early stages, he said that changes implemented over the past couple years -- such as the prescription program -- could prove beneficial for next year's health care premium costs.

"We're starting to see some pretty positive results from some of those changes we made," Otis said. "Things are looking really, really good right now."

He also reported that campus flu shots are scheduled for October. This year's batch will be more costly for the university to provide because it combines coverage for H1N1 and two regular flu strains. More than 3,000 ISU employees took advantage of the campus flu shots last year, with an estimated cost to the university of $50,000.

Staff survey expected

David Meisinger, chair of the retention and recruitment committee, said his group is planning to add employee retention to their focus. The committee worked on student retention and recruitment in previous years, but Meisinger said committee members want to learn more about why employees leave or stay at ISU.

The committee is partnering with the compensation and benefits committee on a survey of P&S employees. The electronic survey is expected to go out this fall.
ISU Theatre season features comedy, drama and suspense
by Erin Rosacker

Season tickets are on sale now for ISU Theatre's 2010-11 lineup. Six productions, including two musicals, are featured in the season package, which kicks off in October. Season tickets, available at the Stephens Auditorium box office, are $77 for adults, $70 for seniors and $49 for students.

"This season is very diverse in almost every way," said ISU Theatre director Jane Cox. "There are productions for the entire family and for adults only; great playwrights of the American theater and a current playwright who is using an ancient set of stories as the basis for her new play; one small musical and one large musical. This variety not only helps our students learn the art and craft of theater, it also promises a richness of experience for our patrons."

All of the productions will be staged in Fisher Theater. Show times are 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays; 2 p.m. on Sundays. Exceptions are on two Sundays, Oct. 3 and Dec. 5 (1 p.m.), and Thursday, March 24 (7:30 p.m).

2010-11 ISU Theatre productions

Orpheus Descending
Oct. 1-3 and Oct. 8-10
When Val Xavier breezes into a small Southern town with his guitar and unfettered personality, he is a lightning rod of hope for Lady Torrence. But the forbidden romance sparks the town's underlying violence for a dramatic ending. This Tennessee Williams play is not for the faint of heart, with strong language featured in this real-world story based on a Greek myth.

The Arabian Nights
Nov. 5-7 and Nov. 12-14
The king's young bride weaves fantastic tales night after night to enchant her husband and escape the death sentence he leveled against her predecessors, beginning with his unfaithful first wife. Tony Award-winner Mary Zimmerman penned this adaptation of The Book of Thousand Nights and One Night, which features enchanting characters -- such as thieves, kings, queens and genies -- to capture the audience within the magic of storytelling.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown
Dec. 3-5 and Dec. 10-12
Charlie Brown, the beloved cartoon character created by Charles Schulz, searches for happiness in Clark Guesner's musical comedy for all ages. Other members of the Peanuts gang join Chuck as they grapple with everyday challenges, each finding that joy lies within the simple things -- such as a full supper dish for Snoopy.

The Miracle Worker
Feb. 25-27 and March 4-6
This Tony Award-winning production by William Gibson portrays the powerful story of Helen Keller and her teacher, Anne Sullivan. Keller, who lost her sight and hearing as an infant, is uncontrollable and uncommunicative by age six. Her parents enlist the help of Sullivan, who battles the wild, angry girl to reach the breakthrough moment that turns everyone's lives around.

Six Characters
March 24-27
What happens when characters -- quite literally -- take over a production? In this new adaptation of the Luigi Pirandello play, six characters who are unhappy with their author's lack of story development interrupt the rehearsal of another play. Trouble ensues when the director shifts his attention from the real actors in his own play to the lost characters looking for an end to their own story.

Kiss Me, Kate
April 8-10 and April 15-17
Like Six Characters, this story takes place behind the scenes of another production. Fred and his ex-wife Lilli are reunited to headline a Broadway version of The Taming of the Shrew. Their constant arguing and outside distractions -- such as gambling debts and new lovers -- play havoc with the production, but reveal their true feelings for each other. The Tony Award-winning play features music and lyrics by Cole Porter and will be a joint project with the music department as this year's Stars over Veishea production.
Traveling sculptures to integrate campus art into classroom
by Diana Pounds

Two well-known sculptures may be making a stop in a building near you in the coming months as part of a new project that will integrate ISU’s art on campus collection into class work.

The project, titled "Where's Rodin?," involves taking Auguste Rodin's *Saint John the Baptist Preaching* and Christian Petersen's *The Country Doctor* on a tour of various campus sites, departments and colleges. Those with a plan for integrating the sculptures into their curricula can apply to host the exhibit in their facilities for one or more months.

The sculptures will be used as educational assets to a variety of ISU classes, says Nancy Girard, visual literacy and learning educator with University Museums. Faculty and staff from each exhibiting unit will receive an introduction by museums' staff to the artists and the sculptures.

**Headed to Hach**

The sculptures, which have been on display in the reception area of the executive vice president and provost office in Beardshear Hall this summer, head to the new Hach Hall chemistry building later
"Chemistry and art have a strong relationship that has evolved since the earliest artistic expressions," said chemistry professor Keith Woo. "Clearly, chemistry has provided important creative tools such as the pigments in a painter's palette and innovative materials for new art genres. What may be less evident is the extent of art in chemistry. The aesthetics of our discipline may be found in the beauty of the structures of molecules, in the assembly of atoms in materials, in the amazing images produced by scientific instrumentation, by the elegance of a synthetic strategy, and in the intellectual pursuit of knowledge."

He said the "Where's Rodin?" project will showcase the public art in Hach and highlight universal connections between art and chemistry.

**About the sculptors**

Girard said there's good reason for pairing Rodin, the French sculptor of *The Thinker* fame, with Petersen, who came to the Iowa State campus as an artist-in-residence in 1935 and stayed for two decades, teaching and sculpting some of the best Regionalist art of the period.

"Petersen credited Rodin as his major artistic inspiration and specifically cited *St. John the Baptist Preaching* in a 1936 class lecture, as an inspirational sculpture to him," she said. "Hallmarks of Rodin's sculptures -- movement, realism and expression -- can also be seen in Petersen's art."

**How to request this exhibit**

ISU units interested in temporarily hosting the sculptures must submit their requests to Girard (nancyg@iastate.edu) by Sept. 30. Each request must include the following:

- The proposed location for the sculptures. The site must have public access, yet be secure. Each sculpture will be on a pedestal with secured covering.
- The requested length of the exhibit. Each site must exhibit the sculptures for at least one month and can request up to three months.
- The primary contact person for the site.
- The plan for integrating the sculptures into the curriculum. How will your students, faculty and staff benefit from having access to the sculptures?
SUB film series gives you a chance to catch up

The Student Union Board's films committee has scheduled three months worth of 2010 releases for its fall film series. Each week features a different title -- and several opportunities to watch, if you missed its first pass through Ames earlier this year. Thursday showings are at 7 and 10 p.m. in the Memorial Union South Ballroom. The Sunday showings begin at 7 p.m. in the Soults Family Visitor Center on the MU ground level.

Exceptions and additions (a few Friday shows) to this schedule are noted below. Admission to all showings is free.

Sept. 9, 10 (9 p.m., MU parking ramp), 12: Toy Story 3 (Rated G)

Sept. 16, 19: Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time (PG-13)

Sept. 23 (MU Pioneer Room), 26: Grown Ups (PG-13)

Sept. 30 (MU Pioneer Room), Oct. 3: The Karate Kid (remake) (PG)

Oct. 7, 8 (9 p.m., MU Great Hall), 10: Twilight: Eclipse (PG-13)

Oct. 14 (MU Pioneer Room), 17: Get Him to the Greek (R)

Oct. 21, 24: The A-Team (remake) (PG-13)

Oct. 28, 31: Inception (PG-13)

Nov. 4, 5 (9 p.m., MU Great Hall), 7: Despicable Me (PG)

Nov. 11, 14: Robin Hood (remake) (PG-13)

Nov. 18, 21: Eat Pray Love (PG-13)

Dec. 2, 5: Salt (PG-13)