

# Transition Times

March 23, 2009

Information on a regular basis about University Housing at The University of Iowa

**Night Games**  
**Saturday,**  
**March 28**  
**from 9pm-**  
**1am at the**  
**Field House**

## Boxes and Walls

Boxes and Walls is an interactive, emotional and educational tour designed to raise awareness about various areas of diversity. Its goal is for participants to receive a personal experience.

The three topics for 2009 are socioeconomic, religion and hate crimes. Each topic area will be divided into three sub-

areas. It will incorporate a variety of mediums such as live actors, interactive situations, role playing and informational statistics posted throughout the rooms. Topics are sensitive in nature and intended for a mature audience.

This free event will take place Wednesday, April 15, in Burge

Hall from 3pm-10pm. Interested participants should stop by the event any time. The experience will last about one hour. The last tour will start at 9:15pm. A free dinner will be served starting at 5pm. For more information or to volunteer for the event contact the Residence Life Office at 335-3700 or email [boxesandwalls@uiowa.edu](mailto:boxesandwalls@uiowa.edu).

## Scholarships and Awards

### The David Coleman Scholarship:

This \$900 scholarship will be awarded to a current residence hall student who has overcome adversity to be successful at The University of Iowa. Any current residence hall student may apply for the scholarship but they must be enrolled for classes during the 2009 fall semester. (They do not have to live in the halls for 2009-2010).

An application essay and two references are due by Friday, April 3, 2009. No nominations are required for this scholarship.

### Food Service Student Employee Scholarship:

University Housing and the Iowa Memorial Union are proud to announce the Food Service Student Employee Scholarships.

These \$750 scholarships will be awarded to selected individuals who work either in the Burge Market Place, Hillcrest Market Place, or IMU Food Services and meet the required criteria. Scholarships will be awarded to selected individuals who work in either the Burge Market Place, Hillcrest Market Place, or IMU Food Services and meet the required criteria. At least two scholarships will be awarded per location. Deadline for Food Service applications is March 27, 2009. For further information, contact Julie Hamel, Burge Market Place, 100 Burge Hall.

**Criteria and applications for all of these awards/scholarships is available at:**

<http://housing.uiowa.edu/departments/admin/scholarships.htm>.

Transition Times will be sent to you on a monthly basis during spring semester. If you have any questions about the information in this newsletter or have suggestions for future newsletters contact us at: [housing@uiowa.edu](mailto:housing@uiowa.edu).

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## National Nutrition Month

Burge and Hillcrest Market Places are celebrating National Nutrition Month and you could win prizes for playing trivia! Pick up a nutrition quiz from the checkstand at either market place and answer the questions. Return the quiz to the specially marked boxes by 2pm on Friday, March 27. One winner will be drawn from each market place. Winners will be announced by Tuesday, March 31. Prizes include a portable DVD player and season of "The Office." Go to the market place and enter today!

## Smart Summer Plans

What are you doing this summer? It's never too early to start thinking about your future. An internship is a great way to gain valuable skills and decide if you are in the right career field. According to the Pomerantz Career Center website, students say internships can help you learn about a career from the inside, give you confidence in your abilities, help you network, and potentially lead to future job offers.

A Google search for "internship" comes up with over 19 million results. This overwhelming, yet promising number means there is something out there for you! Visit the Pomerantz Career Center to start planning a productive summer and more impor-

tantly, your future! For more information visit: <http://www.careers.uiowa.edu/>.

In order to land that perfect internship you will need to have a resume that highlights your skills and abilities. There are a lot of tips out there to help you create an impressive resume. Some important points include:

- Look at examples and use a template, especially if you are putting together your resume for the first time.
- Use the proper format. This may be chronological or functional based upon your background.
- If you are targeting a specific em-

ployer or job type, match your resume to what you know they will be looking for in an employee.

- Use action words and be concise. Less can be more on a resume. Clutter makes it harder for an employer to really focus on the most important parts of your resume.
- Edit and make sure you do not have any mistakes. Have a few friends read your resume to make sure there are no mistakes.

For more information log on to:

<http://www.career.cube.net/2006/07/28/top-10-resume-writing-tips-to-get-you-the-interview/>

## Money Management

Did spring break leave you broke? Are you worried about what your summer excursions are going to do to your bank account? Are you in credit card debt?

Student Credit and Money Management Services has free and confidential counseling available to help you deal with problems just like these. Visit their website at <http://imu.uiowa.edu/OSL/money/index.php>. On there you will find calcula-

tors and worksheets to help you analyze your finances. Click on the link for the "Iowa Cash Course" to try some of the tools available.

Bounced checks and misusing credit cards can leave a mark on your credit history for years. Do not let a few bad financial decisions during your college years ruin your credit. Make a commitment now to manage your money wisely. It will pay off in the end!