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IOWA ANNOUNCES THREE-GAME TICKET PACKAGE AND ISU GAME SALES

IOWA CITY, IA - - A three-game ticket package for men's basketball home games vs. Northern Iowa, Michigan State and Indiana, along with single game tickets for the Iowa State game and the Black and Gold Blowout, are now available through the University of Iowa athletic ticket office.

The Hawkeyes host Iowa State on Friday, December 8 and fans may order single game tickets (\$25) for that contest. Single game tickets are available for all games throughout the season, except for the season finale vs. Illinois. At this time, tickets for the Illinois contest are being held for season ticket and special ticket package sales. For the price of \$57, Hawkeye fans can purchase a three-game package to see Iowa host Northern Iowa (Dec. 5), Michigan State (Jan. 4) and Indiana (Feb. 3).

The 15th annual Black and Gold Blowout will be held Saturday, Oct. 28, following the Iowa vs. Northern Illinois football game. Tickets for that event are \$5 and are on sale at the UI athletic ticket office. Blowout tickets will be available at both Kinnick Stadium and Carver-Hawkeye on the day of the event.

In addition to the latest three-game package, season tickets for the general public, faculty and staff and UI students remain on sale, along with previously announced ticket packages. Fans interested in obtaining men's basketball tickets can do so at the UI Athletic Ticket Office, located in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, by calling the ticket office at 1-800-IA-HAWKS or by visiting the UI website at hawkeyesports.com. Tickets may also be purchased on game nights at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, when available.

The Hawkeyes begin the 2006-07 season with the third longest home court winning streak in the nation. Iowa has won 18 straight over the past two seasons, including all 17 home games a year ago. The Hawkeyes posted a 25-9 overall record last season, winning the Big Ten Tournament title after placing second during the regular season. Iowa's record for consecutive home wins is 24.

In addition to the special packages and season tickets, several games have been designated as "Youth Basketball Nights". Youth tickets (students high school age and younger) are available for games vs. The Citadel (Nov. 13), both nights of the Hawkeye Challenge (Dec. 1-2), Georgia State (Dec. 20), Texas Southern (Dec. 23), Cornell (Dec. 30), Penn State (Jan. 24), Northwestern (Feb. 14) and Purdue (Feb. 21).

Coach Steve Alford's Iowa Hawkeyes will play 17 home games, beginning with a single exhibition game Friday, Nov. 10 vs. Buena Vista and the season-opener Monday, Nov. 13 vs. The Citadel. After a lengthy trip that includes five straight road games, the Hawkeyes will host the Hawkeye Challenge Dec. 1-2, meeting Texas-Pan American in the first round. Other teams in the event include Coppin State and LaSalle. The Hawkeyes also have home dates with Northern Iowa (Dec. 5), Iowa State (Dec. 8), Georgia State, Texas Southern and Cornell. In Big Ten action, Iowa hosts Michigan State, Minnesota, Penn State, Wisconsin, Indiana, Northwestern, Purdue and Illinois.





Along with the Black and Gold Blowout on Oct. 28, fans can get a glimpse of the Hawkeyes on Sunday, Oct. 29 by attending Halloween Hoops. Carver-Hawkeye Arena doors open at 5:30 p.m. for Halloween Hoops, as fans can watch the final 30 minutes of practice. Halloween Hoops also includes tours of Iowa's basketball facilities, autograph and photo opportunities with Hawkeye coaches and players, and chances to win pairs of tickets to selected home games throughout the season.

Discounted tickets to select home games, earmarked for purchase by groups of 20 or more, are also available for purchase. For information about group ticket packages, fans should call the UI Sports Marketing Office at (319) 335-9431.

