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**The ISU Women's Club** took a day trip to northeast Iowa Oct. 7. Following a stop at Cedar Rock State Park and a tour of the Walter Residence designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, the bus arrived at Schera's Restaurant in Elkader for lunch. Frederique Boudouani and his Iowa-native partner, Brian Bruening, opened the Algerian-American restaurant two years ago. Elkader was named for Emir Abd el-Kader, a 19th century Algerian chieftain who helped Algeria gain its independence. The town has been featured in a number of newspapers recently as an Algerian Sister City. Algeria sent \$150,000 for flood relief to Elkader when the Turkey River brought an estimated \$1.2 million damages to the town of 1,300 this past summer. During lunch the group enjoyed talks by Schera's proprietors and Donald Harstad, a mystery writer from Elkader. The group also explored Main Street and enjoyed a tour of the Elkader Opera House, built in 1903, where two scenes from "Fiddler on the Roof" were presented by local actors.