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Rally seeks wage hike



Protesters march in front of the Riverside Drive McDonald's on Thursday. Workers from popular fast-food chains have been protesting to raise the minimum wage. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

Protestors rally in Iowa City to encourage increasing the minimum wage in Iowa.

By **ABIGAIL MEIER**
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With poor conditions in her home of Sudan, Mazahir Salih came to the United States in 1997 in search of the "American Dream." After arriving in Falls Church, Va., Salih obtained her first job at the local McDonald's to help support her family.

"I remember I was new to the country and my English was not very good, but what I did know was what you work for is what you get," Salih said.

She once made \$5.25 an hour, and while she transferred jobs, and 16 years have passed, she said she is still disappointed with minimum wage's slow increase.

She was one of roughly 30 who pro-

tested in freezing temperatures outside McDonald's, 804 S. Riverside Drive, on Thursday in support of the fast-food worker movement that was started in New York City in November 2012. Dec. 5 marked a nationwide, one-day strike in more than 100 cities to fight for a minimum wage of \$15/hour.

Cathy Glasson, the president of the Service Employees International Union Local 199, said the large corporations such as McDonald's, Burger King, and Wendy's are receiving enough profit to be able to increase wages without affecting the corporations drastically.

"It is a win-win for Iowa City and any community with these fast-food restaurants," Glasson said. "They employ so ma-

ny people, it would really drive the economy because if [the workers] have higher wages, they will buy more."

Beth Ingram, a University of Iowa economics professor and provost for undergraduate education, said the debate argues that if the price of labor increases, the prices of the products produced by those corporations will as well — which may lay off more workers.

"So what you are doing is charging people a little bit more to pay for the workers at places like McDonald's or Wendy's," Ingram said. "The idea of raising minimum wage means the people have to pay the higher prices."

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Roads facility approved

County officials have approved the final plans for the Johnson County secondary-roads replacement facility.

By **DANIEL SEIDL**
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After months of planning, the decision has been made.

County officials will now start looking for a contractor to begin work on the Johnson County secondary-roads replacement facility. The plans were approved at a Thursday meeting of the Johnson County Board of Supervisors on a 5-0 vote.

This building will replace the old secondary-roads facility, which was heavily damaged by a fire in March. The facility will include 12 storage bays, an office area, a work area, and a fitness and break area for workers. The main purpose of the building is storage and maintenance of county vehicles.

The base cost of the project is around \$3.35 million, said Ament Design Executive Vice President Allen Varney. In addition to the project cost, he said, extra funding in case of contingencies is included, bringing the total cost up to around \$3.7 million.

Supervisor Chairwoman Janelle Rettig said while she isn't happy about the cost of the project, the need for a replacement facility cannot be ignored.

"I don't think anybody's particularly happy about how much this ends up costing," she said. "That's what happens when disasters happen — stuff goes to the top of the list."

Though the price tag may be high, around \$1 million of the project's cost will be reimbursed by insurance, Ret-

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City to aid parents' Christmas shopping

Downtown Iowa City to host first Parent's Night Out.

By **MEGAN DEPPE**
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The age-old question of how to go Christmas shopping without tots in tow can now be solved with an evening of festivities for children, giving adults time for shopping.

The Iowa City Downtown District and Parks and Recreation Department have teamed up to host the first Parent's Night Out, an event in which parents in the area can drop children off at the Recreation Center for an evening of activities.

This event is to be held in support of the downtown event Celebrate the Season, which will have many holiday-theme activities for parents to participate in, as well as offering them a chance for Christmas shopping.

The event will be held today. Families who register beforehand paid \$7, and families who register on the day of the event will pay \$10. Children will be provided with an open gym to play in, as well as arts and crafts and a movie.

Downtown District Executive Director Nancy Bird said the district approached the Parks and Rec Department to co-host the event.

"It's a great program that other communities have done to get parents and kids excited for the holidays," Bird said.

This is the first event of this nature to be held in Iowa City, officials have seen similar events enjoy success in places such as the Iowa Children's Museum in Coralville.

Sarah Shimon of the Children's Museum said parents were thankful for their event and the children enjoyed it.

"I think it's a great program for anyone to host," she said. "Parents can go shopping and make sure their kids are taken care of at the same time."

Though there had not been any direct wishes for a program like this, Bird said it has been greeted with enthusiasm, and she expects a large turnout.

"It's a win-win for both kids and parents," she said. "This time of year,

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A colossal life ends



Nelson Mandela and Winnie Mandela give black power salutes as they enter Soccer City Stadium in the Soweto township of Johannesburg, South Africa, shortly after his release from 27 years in prison on Feb. 13, 1990. (Associated Press/Udo Weitz)

By **CHRISTOPHER TORCHIA**
Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG — As the news of Nelson Mandela's death spread across South Africa, residents of the black township of Soweto gathered in the streets near the house where he once lived, singing and dancing to mourn his death and

celebrate his colossal life.

The people of South Africa reacted earlier today with deep sadness at the loss of a man considered by many to be the father of the nation, while mourners said it was also a time to celebrate the achievements of the anti-apartheid leader who

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A STUDY IN STUDYING



Sophomore RA Alison Cassidy reads a book in her room on Thursday. (The Daily Iowan/Megan Sanchez)

Cross-cultural gingerbread

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A long line snaked out the door of the University of Iowa International Students and Scholars Office Thursday as students from around the world eagerly awaited their turn to participate in a holiday tradition unique to most of them: decorating a gingerbread man.

"It just gives them an idea of how we celebrate the holidays and culture," said Ann Drop, an International Student and Scholarly Services secretary. "[It's] different from country to country, so this shows them how Americans celebrate the holidays."

Sponsored by the International Students and Scholars and Life in Iowa, the event encouraged the participants to decorate gingerbread men with frosting, sprinkles, and gumdrops.

At the UI, the number of international students has increased over the years, reaching 4,049 this fall. This number has more than doubled from the 1,792 students in 2000, according to the UI International Students Fall 2013 Enrollment Statistics.

Shuhui Lin, the coordinator of the event, said the number of students and families who participate in events such as these has remained stable over the



International children and their parents gather together in the University Capitol Center International Commons to decorate gingerbread men on Thursday. The event was hosted by International Students & Scholars and Life in Iowa. (The Daily Iowan/Callie Mitchell)

years. However, she said, she has noticed steady turnout for all events this year.

Lin said for many of the students, learning about American society is one of the main reasons they come to the United States, and for some, it may be a first experience in American cultural events.

Ting Guo, a visiting scholar from China, said she had never participated in anything like decorating gingerbread men before.

"In my country, we seldom have the opportunity to do these things," she said. "I came here because

... I'm interested in American culture."

Sanjoy Paul, an international postdoctoral scholar from India, said he notices cultural differences when he attends events through International Programs.

"It's through events like this that we get a better [understanding] and first-hand experience of celebrations," he said. "It also gives a good feeling coming from so far away."

Drop also said these events introduce students to American culture while also allowing them to spend time with others in the international community.

"It gives them something in common that they can talk about with other American students ... [and] it opens up dialogue," Drop said. "They build a community within the international community as well."

This is one advantage senior Michel Gut of Switzerland said he found in programs such as this.

"It's really awesome because I get to know other people, particularly people who are international and foreign-exchange students," he said. "Most of the time, it is a really good foundation for relationships."

METRO

Woman charged with criminal mischief

An Iowa City woman has been accused of throwing large objects at cars parked at Starbucks and the Mill.

Emma Schneider, 25, was charged Oct. 26 with second-degree criminal mischief.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, the reporting party saw Schneider and another female throwing large objects at several cars in the parking lots of the two businesses.

The objects were later identified as sidewalk pavers.

Schneider and the other female left in a vehicle, and the reporting party was able to provide vehicle information. Officers later made contact with Schneider about the damage, and she told officers the friend she was with threw the pavers, according to the police report.

Throughout the interview, her story continued to change, the complaint said.

In total, four vehicles' windshields and hoods were damaged or destroyed, causing more than \$1,000 in damage.

Second-degree criminal mischief is a Class-D felony.

— by Megan Sanchez

Man charged with OWI

An Iowa City man has been accused of driving while intoxicated.

Troy Perkins, 53, was charged Thursday with third-offense OWI and driving while barred habitual offender.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, officers observed Perkins driving a silver Nissan Pathfinder southbound on First Avenue.

When he slowed down to make a right on Mall Drive, the officers noticed his car had a brake light out. The officers initiated a traffic stop in the Sycamore Mall parking lot.

Officers believed he was intoxicated because of an odor of alcohol, red bloodshot

eyes, and constricted pupils. Perkins reportedly admitted to taking Vicodin and Flexeril.

He said he was feeling the effects of the medication, then consented to one field test but refused all others, according to the police report.

Perkins has three previous OWI convictions in the past 12 years on Feb. 16, Jan. 11, and June 24, 2006.

In addition, Perkins is not supposed to drive until Aug. 18, 2020.

Third-offense OWI is a Class-D felony. Driving while barred habitual offender is an aggravated misdemeanor.

— by Megan Sanchez

Woman charged with theft

An Iowa City woman has been accused of opening a bank account using fake Social Security numbers.

Tina White, 32, was charged Nov.

3 with second-degree theft.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, White opened a bank account at the University of Iowa Community Credit Union on Nov. 3. She allegedly gave a fake Social Security number to do so. She reportedly overdraw the account by \$1,845.32, and did not respond to any repayment attempts made by the credit union.

On Oct. 14, White allegedly opened a second account at the same bank with a different fake Social Security number. She overdraw \$390 before the credit union realized she was the same person.

During an interview, White reportedly admitted she used false information to open the accounts and take the money, which did not belong to her.

She admitted she had no money and needed it for bills.

The total loss to the University of Iowa Community Credit Union is \$2,235.42.

Second-degree theft is a Class-D felony.

— by Megan Sanchez

BLOTTER

Nelson Andino-Flores, 58, 216 Blackfoot Trail, was charged Oct. 2 with violation of no-contact order and third-degree harassment.

Ryan Carver, 30, Chicago, was charged Tuesday with OWI and possession of an open container of alcohol in a vehicle.

Hasan Didovic, 19, 212 Douglass St., was charged Thursday

with public intoxication and unlawful use of driver's license or identification of another.

Samuel Dull, 26, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with driving while license under suspension/canceled.

Mehmed Dzanic, 22, Waterloo, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

Melvin Garcia Vargas, 32, address unknown, was charged

Tuesday with criminal trespass.

Bart Gibney, 55, Cedar Rapids, was charged Monday with second-offense OWI.

Jeffrey Gibson, 58, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. G2, was charged Thursday with possession of a controlled substance.

Jade Lanham, 21, 732 E. Jefferson St., was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

Ethan Smart, 23, Marion, was charged Thursday with failure to obey traffic-control device and OWI.

Cody Walker, 22, 527 Third Ave., was charged Nov. 22 with driving while license under suspension/canceled.

Mark Wilson, 32, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with fifth-degree theft.

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Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, said in a statement that he supports proposals to increase minimum wage as long as the plan includes regulatory or tax relief for small businesses to encourage

employers not to reduce payrolls. He said he also opposes efforts to increase the minimum wage "without any provisions to mitigate the negative effects on employers."

"A minimum-wage increase adds to the cost of operating a business and in turn can force a small business owner to reduce hours, scale back employ-

ee benefits, or even terminate current employees," Grassley said.

Jim Jacobson, a staff member of the Service Employees International Union who was also at the protest, said these industries are driving employee wages down while they continue to rake in billions of dollars.

"Places like McDonald's

and Burger King make billions of dollars," Jacobson said. "They frighten people by making a Happy Meal unhappy by scaring them with expensive prices."

In a statement from Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, he explained that over a large portion of time, prices continue to rise. However, he said, paychecks have not received the appropriate

increase to support a family, and as a result, tens of millions of Americans are struggling to "make ends meet."

"At just \$7.25 an hour, today's minimum wage has one-third less buying power than it did at its peak in 1968," Harkin said. "Even since the last minimum-wage increase, prices of basic necessities

have risen substantially — while workers' paychecks have not grown."

Glasson said this issue is long overdue, and the issue is finally becoming a major debate throughout the nation.

"We have waited too long," she said. "We will continue this campaign until these workers can live the American Dream."

ROADS

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tig said.

Supervisor Pat Harney said the project is as cost-effective as it could be.

"We're trying to do what's best for the county," he said. "We are trying to pull things together and

be as frugal as we can."

Several sustainability functions in the facility will create some savings for the county, Varney said. This includes occupancy detectors for lighting, high-efficiency air conditioning, and high-efficiency boilers for in-floor heating. These functions alone would normally pay for themselves in just under nine years, Varney

said, but because of an energy incentive from Mid-American, they will pay off in just 6.3 years.

The energy savings somewhat make up for the impact of losing the original building, Supervisor Rod Sullivan said.

"It's hard to find a silver lining in a building burning down," he said. "But if there is, it's ... a building that is more [energy] efficient."

In addition to the Mid-American incentive, some other potential sustainability benefits were explored, such as obtaining LEED — Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design — certification for the building. After discussion at a meeting in November, LEED certification currently doesn't have majority support from the board. Supervisor

Terrence Neuzil said this is because the certification progress is costly and the county wouldn't receive any benefits from the certificate.

Rettig said this replacement should give the county an opportunity to solve some other problems that were presented in the old facility as well, such as a lack of storage space.

"It serves us with an op-

portunity to fix a lot of inherited problems [with the old building]," she said. "At the end of this construction ... we do gain space."

The county needed to finish the plans as soon as possible, Neuzil said, and the cost will be worth it in the end.

"Johnson County's in an emergency right now," he said. "An essential building has been destroyed."

SHOPPING

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[these types of program] are really helpful for parents."

Jessica Lang, the office coordinator of the Parks and Recreation Department, said the original maximum number of

children the department expected to host was 50, but that number was expanded to 75 after seeing the number of children registered on by Thursday. She also said the department is anticipating at least another 25 children to be dropped off on the day of the event.

Lang said the large turnout may be due to

a need for a Christmas shopping trip without children along.

"What parent doesn't need to go out and get presents without children with them?" Lang said.

Downtown shops preparing for the event also said they look forward to the event.

Ritu Jain, the own-

er of the Textiles, 109 S. Dubuque St., said kids are generally welcome in her store, but the event is a good idea for the children to enjoy themselves while parents shop.

"Being a parent, I think it's a great way to go out and shop and know that your kids are having a good time," Jain said.

Jain also said she ex-

pects to see an increase in shoppers for the night.

Lang and Bird said they were happy at the large turnout and said the District and the Parks and Rec Department would like to see this become an annual project.

They also said there is consideration for making a Parent's Night Out event at other points

during the year, depending on how families feel after the event is over. "This might be something that we explore in the future," Lang said. "It's definitely our hope."

MANDELA

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emerged from prison to become South Africa's first black president.

President Jacob Zuma, dressed in black, announced the news of Mandela's death Thursday night on television, saying

the 95-year-old known affectionately by his clan name "Madiba" had died "peacefully" at around 8:50 p.m. while in the company of his family.

"He is now resting. He is now at peace," Zuma said. "Our nation has lost its greatest son. Our people have lost a father."

The president said all national flags would be low-

ered to half-staff from today until after a state funeral. Many South Africans, having missed the news after going to bed, awakened to a country without its spiritual and moral leader.

"First sleep in a Mandela-less world," South African journalist Brendan Boyle tweeted. "We're on our own now."

In the black of night, sev-

eral hundred people milled around outside Mandela's home in the leafy Houghton neighborhood of Johannesburg. The mood was lively rather than somber. Some sang and swayed. A man blew on a vuvuzela, the plastic horn widely used at World Cup soccer games in South Africa in 2010. Another marched toward the house and shouted: "Nel-

son." People photographed a makeshift shrine of candles, a national flag and bouquets of flowers. A framed portrait of a smiling Mandela was propped against a tree with the caption: "Rest in peace, Madiba."

Mandela had been receiving medical care in the home in past months, where he was in critical condition.

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COLUMN

A welcome loss of power



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“Only 43 Percent Now Believe America is the Last Best Hope of Mankind,” a headline from Rasmussen polling proclaimed in July 2012.

We can only hope that this arrogant and arguably narcissistic view of the United States, first stated by Ronald Reagan, enters its death throes sooner rather than later.

Fortunately, a national survey by the Pew Research Center on Tuesday shows that Americans’ delusions of grandeur are waning.

A record 53 percent of U.S. respondents said America is “less important and powerful than 10 years ago,” while just 17 percent said the country is more important and powerful.

For the first time since asking the question in 1964, Pew also found that a majority of Americans believe the United States should “mind its own business internationally.”

Americans seem to be getting the message. There are other emerging centers of economic and political power around the world: China, Brazil, Russia, India, South Africa, and others.

Hard as it may seem to believe, this really is a positive development. It’s not that the United States is necessarily declining. It’s that everyone else is catching up to us. This nation could still be the most powerful one (there’s more to power than the economy), but the international power stage won’t be so relatively lopsided that the United States can just do whatever it wants with impunity.

Such as all those times during the Cold War when the American CIA covertly participated in plots to remove democratically

elected leaders in foreign nations and replace them with dictators.

Remember the good ol’ days when the United States and the Soviet Union used large swaths of post-colonial Africa to stage a series of deadly proxy wars against one another? Good times. Unless you were, well, in Africa.

How about that time when a U.S. drone strike directly targeted and blew up an elderly Pakistani woman as she was harvesting vegetables — right in front of her grandchildren. (Look out, she’s got a cabbage.)

And don’t forget the National Security Agency’s habit of spying on even our closest allies.

Oh, and that time when the United States was chasing down Al Qaeda in Afghanistan, then randomly decided to destroy Iraq and rebuild it.

Power’s nice. But too much power in the hands of one country is bound to be abused. The world will no longer revolve around the United States of America. With power spread out more evenly among the citizens of Planet Earth, it will be much harder for one superpower to unilaterally blow up any old country without punishment from the international community.

Even today, the United States wields comparatively enormous political, economic, and military power with just 300 million out of the world’s total population of 7 billion. It is extremely unequal and slowly but surely, the distribution of power is leveling out, albeit imperfectly. What we’re seeing is a democratization of international power.

The decline in relative power for the United States is nothing to mourn. Let’s be honest, we went mad with power. We probably won’t be the best at everything again, and that’s OK. This isn’t an argument to just let the United States fall back and become complacent. This is an argument for greater international democracy and equality.

POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Should we expand or scale back entitlement programs?

Recent debates over the federal budget and income inequality have raised a number of questions about the future of America’s social safety-net programs — Social Security and Medicare, most notably. These programs have been very successful in reducing poverty and expanding health-care access, but their collective cost is high and rising fast.

Expand entitlement programs

Much of the economic debate in the United States today is focused on the supposed deficit “crisis” we are facing, specifically with regards to the amount of money spent on federal entitlement programs such as Social Security and Medicare.

However, the whole conceit that the United States is facing some sort of “debt crisis” that requires immediate and regressive cuts to entitlement programs is simply false. As Nobel-Prize winning economists Paul Krugman and Joseph Stiglitz have argued, deficit levels are not anywhere near levels that would justify the use of hyperbolic rhetoric such as a “crisis.”

The real crisis, however, lies not in excess government spending but rather in a completely broken labor market, a completely dysfunctional health-care system, and rising income inequality.

The natural solution to these problems would be to expand the programs that have shown the most success in combating these societal ills: Social Security and Medicare.

Social Security has virtually eliminated poverty among the elderly and remains one of the most successful antipoverty programs in American history. Therefore, as I argued in a column a couple of weeks ago, it makes perfect sense to expand the program to include every single American in the form of a Guaranteed Basic Income, a monthly check to all citizens that a wide number of economists have suggested could do as much as halve the poverty rate.

The case is even stronger when it comes to Medicare, which essentially operates like the socialized health-care systems that every other industrialized country on the planet has already adopted, mainly because it increases positive health-care outcomes, cuts down on health-care expenditures (a category in which the United States leads in exchange for middling results), and it’s much simpler to just have the state run the health-insurance industry rather than the myriad, complex, and ineffective methods offered by both our current system and the Affordable Care Act.

When it comes to the question of paying for all these things the answer is, also, surprisingly simple. The elimination of antipoverty programs made redundant by a Social Security expansion such as SNAP and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, much-needed defense cuts, a carbon tax, and higher taxes on the rich would all provide adequate source of funding for a radical expansion of the American welfare state.

In the end such an expansion is not only sound on a policy level, it also fulfills the U.S. government’s moral obligation to ensure a functioning, healthy, and happy populace.

— by Matthew Byrd

Make cuts ... or else

My dear friend, The Byrdman, argues that the current American budget crisis is more or less a partisan fabrication and so we should take this opportunity to expand Social Security and Medicare in an effort to eliminate poverty.

That plan is admirable for its doe-eyed optimism, if not for its plausibility. The fact of the matter is that Social Security and Medicare are *already* expanding, and that’s a major problem.

In 1970, 3.8 percent of the U.S. GDP was spent on Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security. That figure passed 9 percent in 2012 and is projected to balloon to 15 percent by 2037. That massive expansion in federal spending on entitlement programs is due in large part to growing enrollment spurred by an aging country. As the baby boomers retire, costs for programs benefiting seniors are going to soar.

On the back of greater entitlement obligations and higher health-care costs, deficits are projected to begin rising steadily at the end of this decade, leading to levels of debt unseen since the period immediately following World War II.

If the federal debt is not currently a problem, it would certainly become a major source of economic risk in coming decades if the creditworthiness of the United States were to decline or be surpassed by a rising economic power such as China.

In this rather bleak context, Byrd’s utopian vision of an American society that can buy its way out of poverty in the near future begins to break down.

The unfortunate truth is that the long-term outlook of the American economy depends not on an expansion of entitlement programs but on a set of responsible entitlement tweaks designed to keep them fiscally sustainable even at modestly reduced levels.

As *New York Times* journalist David Leonhardt wrote in his blunt and wonky e-book *Here’s the Deal*, there is no “plausible solution” to the debt issue “in which health-care [cuts], Social Security [cuts], and taxes don’t compose the vast bulk of deficit savings.”

Byrd argues that tax increases could potentially offset the cost of expanding Social Security and Medicare, but, as Leonhardt notes, taxes are already going to have to rise to pay for the programs as they currently exist. Good luck selling the public on another colossal round of new taxes after that.

Ultimately, entitlement programs may not be the type of problem that requires a Paul Ryan-level slashing — small fixes such as the chained Consumer Price Index and means testing Medicare may be enough — but to suggest expansion as a tenable course when costs are skyrocketing ignores the reality on the ground.

— by Zach Tilly

YOURTURN

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COLUMN

Tom Daley in the gray area



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The nature of structured language is to define things, to put things in boxes; this is how we function and communicate as a society. We assign meaning to certain words, and thus labels to people, things, feelings, and so on and so forth.

For example, I often feel an abnormal amount of anxiety when I cannot tell if a shirt is dark navy or black. Why? Because as superficial and ridiculous as it may sound, I just need to know. The label is pivotal to how I view things ... in this case, what pants I choose to wear. But I digress.

Just a few days ago, British Olympic diver

and heartthrob Tom Daley shocked the world (or didn’t at all, depending on your presumptions) when he posted a YouTube video that explained his prior hesitations to expose his private life and the new change of heart that spurred him to make the video. He expressed a newfound sense of safety and happiness in his life, which he has found in dating a male.

The video has since amassed more than 9 million views, and I’m fairly certain that some straight girls across the globe probably shed a few tears. However, what is interesting about the video is that Daley never explicitly says, “I am bisexual.” He says he still “fancies” girls (so precious and so British), but currently, has found happiness with a male. And I applaud Daley for this.

I don’t view Daley’s lack of blatancy as a way of skirting around the issue; anyone who

watches the video will see he was as candid and genuine as can be ... granted, the accent doesn’t hurt. But this wasn’t a contrived press conference. Daley is just a guy sitting on his couch.

“In an ideal world, I wouldn’t be doing this video because it shouldn’t matter,” Daley laments, nailing an important and unfortunate truth about modern society. We love labels, the black and white, because we are lazy. Understanding and acknowledging and working with the gray area would just be too much work, wouldn’t it?

Daley acknowledges that some people will be angry with his announcement. To exist in the public eye is to have loyal fans, and some may inevitably feel betrayed, as if they were kept in the dark for some time or even lied to. This is because people expect labels. Daley wasn’t being coy in keeping his private

life from his fans, he was merely trying to figure out that gray area for himself.

To iterate Daley’s point, it would be great if we existed in a reality where a prominent athlete grappling with his emerging sexuality wasn’t newsworthy. But for now, it is. Daley did an excellent job navigating what it means to be an honest public figure without feeling the pressure to conform to public norms.

Maybe someday, Daley will date a female again. Maybe he will continue to date males. Does it matter? No. Does it change his athletic ability? No. Will it change how people view him? Probably.

Tom Daley is to some people what knowing whether my shirt is dark navy or black is to me. It absolutely doesn’t matter, but for some annoying reason, people just need to know. Hopefully, someday this label inclination can change.

DAILY BREAK

the ledge

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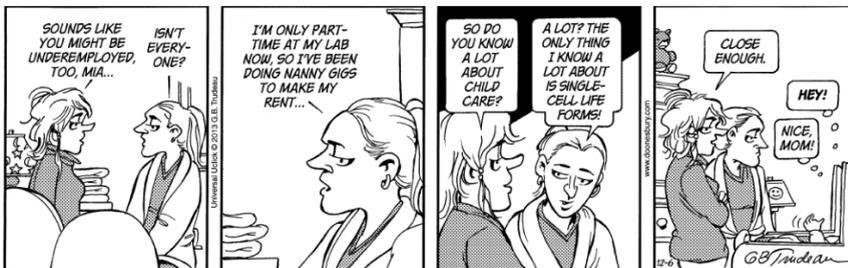
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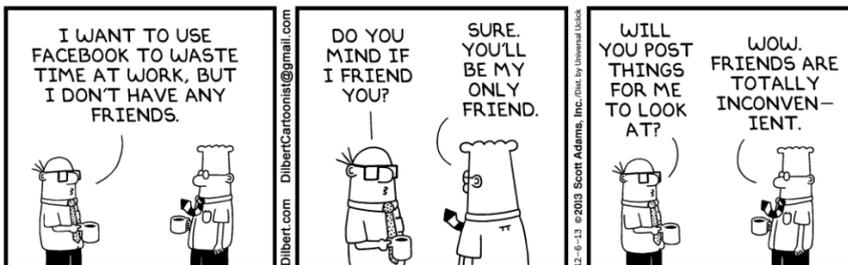
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- **WorldCanvass**, with Joan Kjaer, "Teaching Innovation," 5 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Dennis Green, Lennox Randon, Rob Cline, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **School of Music Presents: Andrew Thierauf**, percussion, 7 p.m., 150 Music West
- **Coming of Age in Chore Boots**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theater, 213 N. Gilbert
- **The Emperor's New Clothes**, or *Five Beans for Jack*, 7:30 p.m., Iowa City Community Theater, Johnson County Fairgrounds, 4265 Oak Crest Hill Road S.E.
- **String Quartet Residency Program**, Chiara Quartet, Bartók Cycle, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **The Nutcracker**, 7:30 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Collaborative Performance**, 8 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- **School of Music Presents: Natalie Landowski**, piano, 8 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall
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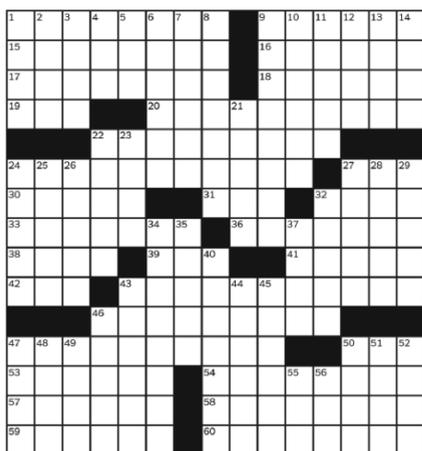
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 1101

- ACROSS**
- Common catch off the coast of Maryland
 - Light, in a way
 - Crude alternative
 - Jewelry box item
 - Like a bout on an undercard
 - Dickens's Miss Havisham, famously
 - ID clincher
 - Challenge to ambulance chasers
 - Arcade game prize grabber
 - Fiacre, to taxi drivers
 - "... reminder"
 - Nook occupier
 - Toshiba competitor
 - Some camcorders
 - Besmirch
 - Isaac Bashevis Singer settings
- DOWN**
- Culmination
 - Only proper noun in the Beatles' "Revolution"
 - "Something to Talk About" singer, 1991
 - Golf commentator's subject
 - Classic kitschy wall hanging
 - Slip for a skirt?
 - "Billy Bathgate" novelist
 - Ex-G.I.'s org.
 - Washington State mascot
 - Pre-W.W. I in automotive history
 - "If music be the food of love..." speaker in "Twelfth Night"
 - Cry of despair
 - Nothing: It.
 - Periods of warming... or cooling off

- M asset
- Royal Arms of England symbol
- Bone under a watchband
- The Orange Bowl is played on it: Abbr.
- Acupuncturist's concern
- Croupier's stick material
- Acknowledges
- Tab carrier in a bar?
- Tourist attraction on Texas' Pedernales River
- Face in a particular direction
- "Champagne for One" sleuth
- Shot, informally
- Serena Williams, often
- Novel in Joyce Carol Oates's Wonderland Quartet
- Exasperates
- Cauldron stirrer
- "The Avengers" villain, 2012
- Bit of sachet stuffing
- Classroom clickers of old
- Singer who once sang a song to Kramer on "Seinfeld"
- When "Ave Maria" is sung in "Otello"
- 1970s pact partly negotiated in Helsinki
- Right hands: Abbr.



- PUZZLE BY BRAD WILBER**
- Arena
 - Orange garnish for a sushi roll
 - Fox hunt cry
 - Bay, for one
 - Prompt a buzzer on "The Price Is Right"
 - Unoccupied
 - Massive, in Metz
 - Block
 - Keep from taking off, as a plane with low visibility
 - Nobel category: Abbr.
 - Loughlin or Petty of Hollywood
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 - Let it all out
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Friday, December 6, 2013 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Re-evaluate your choices. Make a list of what you have to offer, and you'll realize how you can tailor your services to a wider variety of clients. Spruce up your living quarters or alter your personal routine. Don't overindulge.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Emotions coupled with stubbornness will hold you back. Shake off any ill feelings you might have, and project a positive image if you want things to fall into place. Romance will improve a relationship that's important to you.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Keep moving. You have no time to waste if you want to take advantage of the offers being made. A partnership appears to be undergoing positive changes that can increase your security and improve your lifestyle. Make travel plans.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Lean toward unusual events and activities. The more you do to stretch your creative imagination, the more you will have to offer. Avoid overspending or making impulsive purchases if you go shopping. Self-improvement projects will bring good results.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't let emotional confusion hold you back. Get into the swing of things, and enjoy getting together with friends. A change of plans or visiting or participating in a new place or activity will enhance your outlook.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A unique approach to a job you've been asked to do will bring you good fortune. Don't let a domestic problem cost you time and money. Make your choice clear and move on. Truth may be an issue. Check and present facts.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may be in demand when it comes to giving advice, but be careful when dealing with emotional matters. What you say may be misconstrued as meddling, resulting in changes you will be forced to acknowledge and deal with.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't leave anything to chance. As long as you stay on top of matters, you will have nothing to fear and no regrets. Dress your surroundings up to suit your personality, but don't lose sight of the costs involved. Make romantic plans.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Memories will get you thinking about old friends. Make arrangements to reunite with someone you miss. Consider altering your current domestic situation. You can make a move, but be careful you don't take on more than you can afford.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): High energy and a little finesse will get you into the game, but keeping you there will be another story. An impulsive move may appear to be your best choice, but you are likely to have regrets. Focus on love, not money.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't wait for someone to make choices for you. Jump in, and do whatever has to be done in order to avoid delays or restrictions because of someone's lack of transparency. Emotions must not be ignored. Listen to your heart.
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Dealing with institutions will be difficult. Getting the information you need isn't likely to fall into place easily. Misdirection and false accusations are apparent. Do your legwork, and get the facts before you make a permanent move. Better to be safe than sorry.

A woman has to be intelligent, have charm, a sense of humor, and be kind. It's the same qualities I require from a man. — Catherine Deneuve

Debate on genetic modifications continues

By GABRIELLA DUNN
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Genetically modified organisms — commonly referred to as GMOs — have been the center of both praise and scrutiny for years, and the debate continues to fuel heated viewpoints.

University of Iowa biology Associate Professor Erin Irish led a lecture Thursday night to offer facts on GMOs.

The lecture was part of the Sustainability Lecture Series, which is put on by the UI Environmental Coalition and UI Office of Sustainability.

Irish said in regard to the controversy surrounding GMOs, there is no evidence of organic food being more nutritious than GMOs or of GMOs being more harmful than organic food.

“People are making a more conscious choice, but they may not be buying organic because of the environment but because of the avoidance of GMOs,” Irish said. “I buy organic, but it’s not because I’m trying to avoid GMOs, but because organic produc-

tion tends to be gentler on the environment.”

When first put on the market, genetic modification was used as a selling point to consumers. Irish said now, the market has shifted toward being a selling point to farmers based on efficiency.

“That direct advantage to the consumer is no longer the thing that seed companies are working,” she said. “They are selling the seeds that have the traits that are important to farmers.”

Those desirable traits include increased size, quantity, and quality of crop yield.

Steve Swenka, who farms near Tiffin, said the benefits of GMOs far outweigh the risks because they create healthier plants and yield potential.

“The idea is they put these [genetically modified] traits in there so you can go in and spray your field for weeds but not the corn or the beans — not the host plant,” Swenka said. “They help increase yield potential across the board, [and] they allow certain crops to thrive in areas they otherwise would not

flourish.”

The harms to sustainability from GMOs have come from the increased use of chemicals for modified crops, said Sara Cooper, a member of the lecture committee of the Environmental Coalition. With a higher crop yield, the higher the chemical input, she said.

“[GMOs] were great when they came out — there was a huge food crisis in the world,” Cooper said. “However, the way they have come to dominate the agricultural system has started to hurt the environment and hurt the planet.”

One Iowa State University professor said the largest economic concern for the GMO industry comes from the market concentration among seed suppliers.

Neil Harl, the former director of the Center for International Agricultural Finance at ISU, said only about 30 years ago, there were more than 400 small seed suppliers. He said that now, only a handful of suppliers have control over the industry because of highly expen-



UI Associate Professor Erin Irish talks about her work and research on genetically modified organisms during an installment of the Sustainability Lecture Series in the Iowa City Public Library on Thursday. Irish's was the last lecture in the series. (The Daily Iowan/Alyssa Hitchcock)

sive patented life forms.

“I think it’s very unfortunate,” he said. “... Nothing much has happened. I’m terribly disappointed in that, but that’s the way it’s gone.”

For Swenka, advancements in seed modifications

have been a part of evolutionary farming techniques for hundreds of years and play an essential role in Iowa’s agricultural ability to feed the world.

“Third World countries are just happy to get the

food in their hands,” Swenka said. “They can’t be concerned with the things some Americans are worried about. The overwhelming majority of people on this planet just need food, period.”

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this season that this was Logic's team. The junior from Racine, Wis., was fresh off a season in which she set the single-season assist record at Iowa. And with the departure Hawkeye greats Jaime Printy and Morgan Johnson, Logic was now the face of Iowa basketball.

But until Thursday night's win against Syracuse, no one knew that Iowa could trot out two completely different teams — one with Logic on the floor and one without.

"Sam's our leader," head coach Lisa Bluder said. "She's kind of the heart of our basketball team. She's so instrumental to have on the floor."

So far this season, Logic is averaging 14.3 points, 7 assists, and 5.3 rebounds

per game. But her statistics don't even begin to describe her effect on the Hawkeyes play.

When Logic is on the floor, perhaps the best quality she brings is her calming presence. For the six minutes she was off the floor in the first half, the Hawkeyes struggled with Syracuse's full-court press; they turned the ball over numerous times, which led to easy points for Syracuse.

"My main message was take a deep breath, get it out of your mind," Bluder said. "And I just said, Sam's going to be really upset if you lose this game."

That's not to say that Logic is the only reason for the Hawkeyes success.

It would be a shame not to mention Bethany Doolittle's 25 points — a good majority of which came with Logic in the locker room — or that Melissa

Dixon is 14-of-23 from deep in her last two games.

"I credit them both [Logic and Doolittle] for all of it," Dixon said. "... It just kind of opened everything up and I was open a lot more on the wing."

The Hawkeyes wouldn't be where they are today without these contributions from all members of the team. It's just that with Logic on the floor, all the pieces seem to come together.

"It's not really anything on the stat sheet that pleases me the most," Bluder said. "It's more their effort. It's their attention to detail. It's their focus and their camaraderie."

Without Logic, this is a team that likely would have fallen short at the hands of Syracuse. With her, it's a team that is now 9-1 on the season and one that just knocked off one of the hottest teams in the country.

RECAP

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The Hawkeyes entered the second half trailing by 10 points, 47-37. It seemed that every time they cut the deficit to single digits, the Orange pushed it right back up to 10. The lead changed eight times over the course of the game, with the Orange seemingly in control for 30 of the game's 40 minutes.

"You're going to have ebbs and flows to every basketball game," head coach Lisa Bluder said. "It's living through those and not getting down and not panicking and doing things when you're down that you're not able to do, because that's when that keeps spinning out of control."

Guard Melissa Dixon got the hot hand for the Hawkeyes in the second, and she was accompanied by guard Kali Peschel, who scored 8 of her 10 points in the second half, grabbed 8 rebounds, and dished out 6 assists.

The Hawkeyes got hot, the Orange got cold, and the rest, they say, was history.

"Beating a ranked opponent at home is really a good thing for our confidence," center Bethany Doolittle said. "... going into our next game, it will help us with the flow of our offense, and getting both our offense and defense as best as we can get it."

Dixon scored 25 second-half points in the victory, and she hit seven shots from downtown for the second time in as many games. She was joined in second half scoring by Logic and Peschel.

"I started off the season in a little bit of a cold spell," Dixon said. "Coach [Bluder] and my teammates just kept talking to me about keeping the confidence and knowing that the next one was going in."

Doolittle led the way for the Hawkeyes in the first half sans Logic. The junior scored 13 of her team's first 18 points, and she was the only Hawkeye in double-digit scoring at the halfway point. The

entire offense was flowing through Doolittle in the low post, and the center kept her team in the game when its leader was out.

"We needed to keep getting the ball inside when she's shooting the ball that well inside," Bluder said. "I thought that was tremendous."

The Hawkeyes don't have much time to celebrate the victory; Idaho State will come to town Saturday afternoon. But for the time being, Bluder's Bunch can rest easily knowing that it has knocked down another top-25 team.

"This is a big win for us," Bluder said. "Especially having to battle back from behind and play with a little adversity when Sam [Logic] was out. Everybody contributed to this win. It was one of those wins that you just feel so good about because everybody was an important part. I thought that when we got down, we didn't rush things. We kept believing out there the entire time, and that was a lot of fun."

BASKETBALL

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his diverse lineup options.

Against Notre Dame, Iowa decided to go with a smaller group for much of the second half, limiting the minutes of center Gabriel Olaseni, despite his impressive performance in the first half.

At the break against the Fighting Irish, Olaseni led the team in points, rebounds, and assists. He re-entered the game in the second half but only for a short period of time.

"I should have gotten him [Olaseni] back in there," McCaffery said following Iowa's win. "That was a mistake on my part. He deserved to go back in, and I feel bad about that, actually."

Adam Woodbury, who much of the Hawkeye faithful expected to take a step forward in his sophomore campaign, has struggled at times in 2013, which may open the door for Olaseni to grab more playing time.

Against Notre Dame, Woodbury was matched against Garrick Sherman for an extended period of time. Sherman throttled the Black and Gold's interior defense for 29 points and 9 rebounds, leaving many wondering if Woodbury will be able to handle the duties of protecting the rim against tougher competition.

How the Hawkeyes allocate minutes at the center position isn't (and was a mistake on my part. He deserved to go back in, and I feel bad about that, actually.")

play small at times, which could push McCaffery to play without Olaseni and Woodbury for stretches once again.

Regardless, the Bulldogs are another worthy opponent on Iowa's schedule. Just four games remain on the Hawkeyes' slate before the Big Ten season begins, and Drake could prove to be as tough a foe as any Iowa faces before conference play begins.

"It's another test for us," junior forward Aaron White said. "I'm really happy Coach McCaffery set up this nonconference [schedule] like he did. We've really been challenged, not only in these last four games, but we've got Drake, Iowa State coming up. And I think we'll be ready for the Big Ten because of what we've gone through already."

nightmarish start with a 13-4 major decision over Brody Grothus. Derek St. John, the nation's top-ranked 157-pounder, answered with a major decision of his own in the next bout, but the Fighting Scots held a 13-8 lead at the halfway mark of the dual.

Stemming from St. John's victory, Iowa climbed out of the hole with four-straight victories — especially with help from Mike Evans and Brooks, who each earned major decisions to help Iowa clinch the dual before the final match.

Nick Moore held the same mindset during his 165-pound bout with Edinboro's Zach Towers but managed just an 11-4 victory after not being able to score a takedown in the third period.

Ethen Lofthouse, ranked second at 184 pounds, escaped what was almost an upset. Tied at one in the match's final period, Lofthouse scored a takedown off a re-shot that gave him a 3-1 lead. But Nick Mitchell, wrestling in place of Edinboro's Vic Avery — who's ranked No. 8 at 184 pounds — managed an escape, allowing Lofthouse to win just 3-2.

Brooks' match proved to be much bigger than initially believed, because Tomas Lira — who weighed in at 197.5, more than 50 pounds under his opponent — was pinned early in the dual's final match. Edinboro's Ernest James locked up a cradle and managed to flatten Lira to bring the crowd members to their feet, despite the final result.

Swimmers fired up

By RYAN RODRIGUEZ

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The Iowa men's swimming and diving team will return to action for the first time in almost a month this weekend when they host their annual Hawkeye invitational at the Campus Wellness Recreation Center in Iowa City today, Saturday, and Sunday.

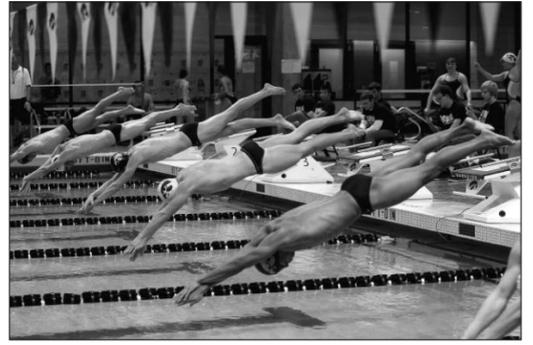
The meet will use a championship format and will feature several non-conference teams including Notre Dame, Milwaukee, and Denver.

"The team is excited, no doubt," head coach Marc Long said. "It's a little bit smaller of a meet for the men, but we know that these teams coming in hear to swim fast, and they're going to give it everything, so we know we have to come in here and do our best if we want to win."

You have to go back to Nov. 11 to see the last time the Hawkeyes swam in a competition, and though they've gone almost a month without competition, the Black and Gold have taken full advantage of their time off, using every day in the pool as an opportunity to increase their endurance and prepare themselves for the tough competition they will face this weekend.

"It's really what we've been striving to do all of this month," Long said. "Preparing for this competition is what it's all been about. We let them go home for Thanksgiving and see their families for a few days, but then, it was right back in the pool and get back to work."

Despite their 1-4 record, the Hawkeyes sit No. 23 in the county, according to the College Swimming Coaches Association of America. Swimming in the Big Ten, they are used to facing



Members of the Hawkeye men's swimming team dive into the pool during the annual Black & Gold intrasquad meet in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center on Oct. 11. (The Daily Iowan/Alyssa Hitchcock)

tough opponents in every race, and this weekend is no exception.

Notre Dame is coming off wins against Michigan State and Wisconsin, while Denver was recently ranked No. 3 overall in the CollegeSwimming.com Mid-Major ranking.

Senior Gianni Sesto knows that the Hawks need to be ready to compete from the start if they want to earn a few wins this weekend.

"We definitely got Top-25 teams coming in here this weekend, no doubt," he said. "Denver has guys that make NCAAs every year, and Notre Dame has another kid that got top three in NCAAs, too. So the level of competition will certainly be high."

Freshman standout Nick Zito has had a strong season so far, and though he may not be as experienced as some of his older teammates, he recognizes the challenges that the Hawks face this weekend.

Still, he is eager to meet the challenge head on.

"I've really been looking forward to this meet all

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season. We all have, really. Because of the format, it's kind of a rest meet, so there is some time in between races to recover, which I think will help us," he said.

"It's good competition. It kind of gives us a little variety and gives us a look at what we could be facing at the end of the year."

Tough opponents or not, the Hawkeyes have had this weekend circled on their calendars all year.

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Edinboro's Mitchell Port, the No. 2 141-pounder, followed the upset with a second-period pin over No. 13 Josh Dziewa. After a scoreless first period, Port wasted no time finishing the match and giving Edinboro a 9-4 lead through three matches.

Tenth-ranked Dave Habat completed Iowa's

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Dingman out as volleyball coach

Iowa Athletics Director Gary Barta announced Thursday that Iowa will not renew head volleyball coach Sharon Dingman's contract for next season.

In her six years as the head of Iowa volleyball, Dingman compiled a 66-125 record, including an 18-102 record in the Big Ten.

"I have enjoyed being the volleyball coach at the University of Iowa and appreciate the opportunity to represent this world-class university," Dingman said in a press release with Hawkeye Sports.

"I would like to thank the administration for its support and commitment to the volleyball program. I have been blessed to have the most hard-working, dedicated, and positive staff one could ask for. Above all else, I extend my deepest gratitude to the players for their commitment to excellence in the classroom and on the court."

The Hawkeyes started off the 2013 season going 5-0. Starting with a 3-0 loss at Illinois, the Black and Gold hit a stretch in which they lost seven-straight matches, including four in which they struggled to win a single set.

After squeezing out a 3-2 win over Indiana to earn their first conference victory of the season, Iowa skidded and lost eight straight before again defeating Hoosiers to earn their second and final conference victory of the season.

In that second eight-game span, the Hawks were swept 3-0 seven times, winning only one set in their match against Northwestern.

Iowa finished the season ranked second to last in the Big Ten, ahead of only Indiana. It was the fifth season in a row that Iowa finished in the bottom two of the Big Ten standings.

The search for the new head volleyball coach will begin immediately.

— Ryan Rodriguez

IOWA 97, SYRACUSE 91

Women stun Syracuse



Iowa guard Melissa Dixon shoots a deep 3 in Carver-Hawkeye on Thursday. The Hawkeyes rallied to beat Syracuse, 97-91. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

UPCOMING HAWKEYE SCHEDULE

Today
Women's swimming at Hawkeye Invitational, Campus Recreation & Wellness Center, All Day
Men's swimming at Hawkeye Invitational, Rec Center, All Day

Saturday
Men's basketball vs. Drake, Des Moines, 7:30 p.m.
Women's basketball vs. Idaho State, Carver, 2 p.m.
Track at Intramquad, Recreation Building, 4:30 p.m.

Men's swimming at Hawkeye Invitational, Rec Center, All Day
Women's swimming at Hawkeye Invitational, Rec Center, All Day

Dec. 8
Women's gymnastics at Black and Gold, Carver, Noon
Men's gymnastics at Black and Gold, Carver, Noon
Men's swimming at Hawkeye Invitational, Rec Center, All Day
Women's swimming at Hawkeye Invitational, Rec Center, All Day

FOLLOW FRIDAY

Follow the *DI*'s football writers and beat reporters as they cover various Hawkeye sports this weekend.

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Iowa 97, Syracuse 91

WHAT TO WATCH

NCAAF: Bowling Green vs. Northern Illinois, ESPN2, 7 p.m.

FEATURE

By JACOB SHEYKO
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It was every Hawkeye fan's worst fear.

With 13:55 remaining in the first half, Iowa women's basketball guard Sam Logic went to the floor holding her head in pain. Even though Iowa was up 13-11 at that point over No. 22 Syracuse, the chances of winning seemed slim without Logic.

The junior remained out of sight until the 7:51 mark of the first half when she returned to the game with eight newly ac-

quired stitches on her forehead, but the game was in a completely different state.

Syracuse had gone on an 18-7 run to build a 29-20 lead, and it seemed as if the course of the game had been determined. But with Logic back in the game, Iowa battled back en route to knocking off Syracuse, 97-91.

"I was just trying to get back out there," Logic said. "Every time I heard some cheering, I was happy."

Everyone knew coming into

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RECAP

By MATT CABEL
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The Iowa women's basketball team likes to give its fans a bang for their buck.

Trailing by as many as 14 points in the first half of the game and continually seeing scoring runs happen for nothing, the No. 25 ranked Hawkeyes (9-1) staged a furious second-half rally to beat No. 22 Syracuse, 97-91, in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

"I love it," head coach Lisa Bluder said. "You always dream about these things, but I love

where we're sitting right now."

They say basketball is a game of runs, and if Iowa's Big Ten/ACC Challenge matchup against the Orange didn't prove that, nothing will.

It was a blow-for-blow match early. Guard Samantha Logic left the game at the 13:55 mark after getting elbowed in the face, her team holding a slim 13-11 lead.

Then the Orange went on a 18-7 run in the span of 6:07 game time before the point guard returned to the roar of the crowd.

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Men's hoops face test



Iowa center Gabriel Olaseni dunks in Carver-Hawkeye on Tuesday. Iowa defeated Notre Dame, 98-93, in a game that was part of the ACC Big Ten Challenge. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

By RYAN PROBASCO
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The grind of college basketball's season is having an effect on the Iowa men's basketball team. After a grueling three-day tournament in the Bahamas last week, the Black and Gold defeated Notre Dame Tuesday night in front of a packed Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

The pace isn't slowing — Iowa will square off against Drake in the Hy-Vee Big Four Classic on Saturday night in Des Moines.

"It's tough, but this is basketball," Devyn Marble said following the victory over No-

tre Dame. "If you want to do this for a living, you're going to have to be able to do it regardless. Whether it's in college, overseas, or whatever, we love this game. We signed up for this, and that's the type of professionalism it takes to get the job done at this level."

Drake (6-1) has played well in the early goings this season. On Dec. 1, the Bulldogs capped a Fresno State Classic title with a 65-57 win over Cal State-Bakersfield.

"Tremendous," Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said about Drake's play thus far in 2013. "Been one of the most impressive teams in my view. They go on the road, win their

first game. But to go to California and win three in three days, it's pretty impressive. 6-1 start, Ray's [Giacoletti] got them going, yeah. Really impressed with them."

As always, a key factor for the Hawkeyes will be substitutions and how McCaffery uses

SEE BASKETBALL, 10

No. 23 Iowa vs. Drake

When: Saturday
Time: 7:30 pm (CST)
Where: Wells Fargo Arena, Des Moines
How to watch: Mediacom Connections (MC22) / BTN2GO

IOWA 22, EDINBORO 19 Wrestlers escape upset

By CODY GOODWIN
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If Sammy Brooks was nervous before his 197-pound bout with Edinboro's Vincent Pickett, he sure didn't show it.

Brooks entered the dual with a lot riding on his bout. Iowa held just a 5-point lead at the time. A loss meant the No. 15 Fighting Scots could still upset the top-ranked Hawkeyes. A win put the upset out of reach.

Brooks kept calm and used the second period to turn Pickett three times. He ultimately won by a major decision, 11-0, sealing what ended up being a 22-19 Iowa victory.

It was an odd dual to begin with for Iowa, now 5-0 on the season. Head coach Tom Brands said earlier in the week that Thomas Gilman would get the nod at 125 pounds over fourth-ranked Cory Clark. Further, Brands brought two 149-pounders — Brody Grothus and Michael Kelly — and is still without two starters — 197-pounder Nathan Burak and heavyweight Bobby Telford.

The roster moves had a promising beginning. Gilman used five takedowns to topple No. 17 Kory Mines, 12-3, and Iowa opened the dual with a 4-0 lead.

But then disaster struck, and the



Tom Brands
Head Coach

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