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## The boy bigger than life



Emily and Natalie Perkins look at one another during a prayer before dinner at the Perkins home in Moline on Tuesday. The Perkins family lost son Gabe on Aug. 12, 2010. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

### Gabe Perkins was a 7-year-old boy who loved *Star Wars*, *Cars*, and using his imagination.

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Green balloons fill the sky instantaneously in Moline around Aug. 12 every year. The identical balloons leave from the same place but almost always end up in a completely different location from the one next to it. Some end up in South Bend, Ind., while others float through Ann Arbor, Mich.

Each balloon is released in memory of 7-year-old Gabe Perkins, a boy who's described by mother Leslie Perkins as one who loved everything bigger than life.

"Everything that had this great big story, he loved," she said with clarity. "And it's so great to me ... I like to think of him as bigger than life. He is

#### Gabe Perkins

Gabe Perkins lost his battle to cancer on Aug. 12, 2010, but he will always be remembered for his big imagination and his love for everything bigger than life.

- **Age:** 7
- **Favorite band:** Rascal Flatts
- **Favorite movie:** *Star Wars*
- **Hobbies:** Imagining

Source: Leslie Perkins and Matthew Perkins, parents of Gabe

this great wonderful story that we got to be a part of, so it's fitting."

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Gabe's battle began several years ago after he had a very high fever and

was vomiting one Saturday night. He was admitted to the local hospital in Moline, where doctors gave him a CT scan and later on found numerous tumors — one measuring roughly 10 centimeters.

"Suddenly, life just stopped very quickly, and I saw Leslie and Gabe off in an ambulance to Iowa City," father Matthew Perkins said. "I drove the car off, and that began the whole process."

Gabe was set up with a standard treatment plan, but the official diagnosis took almost three weeks, leaving the family sitting on pins and needles waiting to see what was wrong. Gabe continued treatment throughout that summer of 2009 but doctors didn't see

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## CR native returns for Big Event

An Iowa native will return with his band to headline the 20th Dance Marathon Big Event.

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Brian Kistler and Ted Wendler met during their childhood summers on the beaches of Lake Michigan. Later, they both served as counselors at Camp Wapsie — a youth development program.

And when Kistler became the entertainment director for the 20th Dance Marathon — a group of students raising money to support children with cancer — he knew a band that would be well-suited for headlining the Big Event.

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## Iowans react to farm bill

The new farm bill has supporters and detractors in the state.

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The U.S. Senate passed the farm bill on a 68-32 vote Tuesday — creating mixed reactions from both Iowa farmers and senators.

The farm bill, passed every five years, provides a structure for federal agriculture spending and policy and includes the regulation of the government's food-stamp program, school food operations, and rural housing assistance.

Tiffin area farmer Steve Swenka said he is excited the bill finally passed and is happy to see it in front of the president.

"We're happy it's getting through the hurdles," Swenka said. "It's been a long time coming."

Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, who voted against the bill, was not pleased with the vote.

"This puts small- and medium-size farms and young and beginning farmers at a disadvantage," Grassley said in a press release. "These are the very people the farm program is supposed to help."

Jerry Anderson, the Washington County Regional Farm Bureau manager, said Grassley thought the farm payout limitations were not strict enough.

Anderson said the payouts offer up to \$175,000 per person or couple, but said Grassley thought there were too many loopholes in the rules that would allow farmers earning over a certain number to receive payouts.

"I'm extremely disappointed that my provisions to place a hard cap on farm payments and better define who can receive those payments were stripped down to such a great extent that they likely won't have much ef-

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OHIO STATE 76, IOWA 69

## Ohio St. smokes Hawks

Iowa never led in the second half against Ohio State.

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For the first time in 30 games, the No. 17 Iowa basketball team (17-6, 6-4 Big Ten) dropped a game in Carver-Hawkeye Arena against an unranked foe. This time it was Ohio State (18-5, 5-5) that handed the normally solid-at-home Hawkeyes a loss, 76-69.



Marble guard

Things felt a little bit goofy from the start, in which the two squads combined for just 26 points after the

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## NO BUSINESS LIKE SNOW BUSINESS



Rodney Spangler, a maintenance worker at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office, clears snow off the stairs leading to the Law Enforcement Center on Tuesday in downtown St. Joseph, Mo. (Associated Press/ St. Joseph News-Press, Todd Weddle)

# Med students ask for space, time

Two medical students request more space and time off for students.

By MEGAN DEPPE  
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Students in the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine are just looking for a place to sit between shifts.

In order to have their concerns heard, the students are taking the first step — they have put their requests to the Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students, which has voted to bring the concerns to college deans.

The Executive Council heard from the two medical-school representatives at its Tuesday meeting. Miriam Weiner and Josh Schoenfeld explained the students' requests — namely, a designated space in the UI Hospitals and Clinics for students and for fourth-year medical students to be excused from duties on Match Day, the day on which students are placed in residency programs.

Weiner said this has been an ongoing conversation for several years,

but with the new expansion and renovations of the UI Hospitals and Clinics, she felt it was "a good opportunity" to address the matter once more.

During the presentation, she requested that the medical school provide designated workspace for medical students in the UIHC, noting that students don't have a place to sit and do their work or relax throughout the day when they are not working.

"In our third and fourth year, we spend the majority of our time in the hospital," Weiner said, noting that the lack of student amenity space is frustrating.

Schoenfeld pointed out that said nurses and pharmacy students have their own space, and medical students would like the same.

"In the winter, it is particularly frustrating," Weiner said, "because there's no where to put your coat, and you have to carry your stuff

around with you all day."

Both Weiner and Schoenfeld said the medical school has a great space for students, but third- and fourth-year students spend most of their time in the hospital and therefore can't take advantage of it.

"They do a lot for us, but this would be really great for us," Weiner said.

Schoenfeld said the students do not necessarily want an extravagant space, just a room with a couple of sofas, some old computers, and a refrigerator, which is also an issue for medical students.

"There's nowhere to put your lunch," Schoenfeld said.

Schoenfeld and Weiner also requested fourth-year medical students be excused from duties on Match Day, March 21 this year.

"It's a big day," Schoenfeld said, noting this is when many students find out what they will do and where they will do it for the next seven

years of their lives.

Most sections in UIHC give their students the day off, but the request is to cover all sections, Weiner said.

"We just want it to be made official," Weiner said. "Almost every other med school gets Match Day off."

Weiner said thus far, the medical-school deans have been very supportive of the request and she thinks getting Match Day off has "very good chances."

Executive Council President Ben Gillig said the recommendations will be taken to campus administration and to Provost Barry Butler to be forwarded to the appropriate people.

Gillig said he hopes these recommendations will be useful for the council's future officials to "hit the ground in June" with a list of what students are asking for.

"These are just conversation starters," he said. "Hopefully, this will serve as a roadmap for future years."

## METRO

### Man faces check charge

A local man has been accused of writing an unauthorized check for more than \$2,000.

Judah Seruya, 41, was charged with forgery on Dec. 12, 2013.

According to a North Liberty police complaint, Seruya allegedly forged a check with the intent to defraud another person.

Seruya admitted to forging the check and to writing an unauthorized check drawn on the person's account for \$2,250, the complaint said. The check was deposited into Seruya's account, and he used the money for his own purposes, the complaint said.

Forgery is a Class-D felony.

— by Alison Keim

### Man charged with forgery

A local man has been accused of forging numerous checks.

Daniel Hodges, 18, was charged with three counts of forgery on Dec. 6, 2013.

According to a North Liberty police complaint, Hodges intended to defraud another person.

Hodges allegedly deposited a forged check that was drawn on the person's checking account for \$275 into his own account to be used for his own purposes, the complaint said.

In a separate complaint, Hodges allegedly forged another check for \$1,500. The funds were deposited into Hodges account, the complaint said.

Hodges also allegedly forged a check for \$4,900, the complaint said. The check was deposited into Hodges account.

Forgery is a Class-D felony.

— by Alison Keim

### Man faces burglary, assault charges

An Iowa City man has been accused of punching another person numerous times in the face.

Shawn Rasmussen, 19, was charged on Nov. 1, 2013, with first-degree burglary and assault causing injury.

According to an Iowa City police

complaint, officers responded to a report of an assault on Nov. 1. They determined Rasmussen and other males were involved in an altercation previously in the night.

While inside the house, Rasmussen and the other males allegedly began assaulting everyone inside, the complaint said.

Rasmussen was identified as one of the males who entered the house, threw a small coffee table, and punched a person numerous times in the face, causing injuries.

Rasmussen admitted to being at the scene, but he denied assaulting anyone, the complaint said.

First-degree burglary is a Class-B felony. Assault causing injury is a serious misdemeanor.

— by Alison Keim

### Gun law would lower 'use age'

For many Iowa families, hunting, firearm ownership, and participation in shooting sports are family traditions, but a newly proposed gun law that would make it legal for young

Iowans to use handguns is causing some concern in the Iowa House of Representatives.

The bill, which was introduced Jan. 15 and proposes to lower the legal age at which a minor can use a handgun with adult supervision, has opponents of the measure concerned about a possible increase in gun-related accidents as a result of the bill. But backers of the measure say it will help allow kids to learn to be safe with guns at a younger age.

Current Iowa law allows children between the ages of 14 and 20 to operate handguns while under adult supervision or during firearms safety training. The proposal, which cleared the House Public Safety Committee but has not yet reached the floor of the chamber, would lower the minimum age to 12.

The age at which an individual may purchase a handgun in Iowa, 21, would remain unchanged.

— by Matt Starns

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**Elijah Briggs**, 19, 1100 Col lege St., was charged on Feb. 1 with possession of a controlled substance.

**Nicolas Cervine**, 25, 2271 Taylor Drive, was charged on Sunday with assault causing injury.

**Trevor Folz**, 18, 1614 N. Meadow Circle, was charged on Feb. 1 with possession of controlled substance, posses-

sion of drug paraphernalia, and OWI.

**Ryan Hedrick**, 22, 470 E Burlington St., was charged on Sunday with disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

**Hannah Hingtgen**, 19, 430 S Johnson St. No. 5, was charged on Sunday with PAULA and possession of an open container of alcohol in public. **Clifton Johnson**, 32, 312 E.

Burlington St. No. 20, was charged on Tuesday with public intoxication and domestic abuse.

**Emily Klinefelter**, 29, 312 Burlington St. No. 20, was charged on Tuesday with disorderly conduct.

**Luis Lumbi Jimenez**, 26, 1960 Broadway No. 10 was charged on Sunday with OWI.

**Corey Mendoza**, 21, 278 E. Court St., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

**Jonathan Shumaker**, 18, 234D Mayflower, was charged on Jan. 31 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

**Janel Smietana**, 34, 500 Grandview Court Apt. 527 was charged on Sunday with third-degree theft.

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# County to start family program

By **CARTER CRANBERG**  
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Johnson County Social Services officials hope a new trial program, starting Feb. 10, will assist struggling families to prevent future problems.

Social Services has allocated \$2,000 of state funding to create support sessions under the Family Team Meetings Program.

These meetings will offer a combination of advice, as well as planning, for families in need in order to lower the use for foster care or juvenile correction.

Lynette Jacoby, the director of Johnson County Social Services, outlined the goal of the meetings and how they intend to alleviate pressures families may be facing.

"The purpose of Family Team Meetings is to bring families together to help them identify key players in their lives, such as relatives, educators, etc.," she said. "The purpose is to engage families and identify their strengths, their recourses, and their barriers

to help them overcome problems."

Jacoby spoke about how the community partnerships for protecting children, a subcommittee in Johnson County Social Services, decides on where funding will be spent. This year, the group has chosen to invest into offering meetings for families who are not in the Iowa Department of Human Services system.

Johnson County's Community Partnership for Protecting Children coordinator LaTasha Massey stressed the importance of initiating the meetings and allowing for more public access.

"We want to offer families a chance to work out problems without getting involved with state agencies, as a preventative measure to help them from needing foster care or other services," she said.

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## FARM BILL

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fect," Grassley said.

Anderson said the bill took out direct and counter-cyclical payments that would have added around \$20 in payouts per acre for corn and soybeans.

The removal of these payouts is the Midwestern farmers' way of helping to reduce the federal budget deficit, Anderson said.

He said they realized the federal government does not have the funds to make these payouts.

Larry Sailor, a farmer near Iowa Falls, had mixed feelings about the bill.

"I'm happy it passed; I'm not as happy with what's in it," Sailor said.

Sailor and Anderson estimated up to 80 percent of the bill does not deal with agriculture, instead addressing the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program — or SNAP.

Another provision Sailor said he dislikes is the addition of country-of-origin labeling.

Country-of-origin labeling, Sailor said, is harmful to farmers because it will affect where they can sell their products.

Sailor said he frequently buys pigs from Canada and then raises them here in America. The labeling makes it harder to resell his pigs; buyers distrust them because they are Ca-



Tim Meade looks at the progress of his corn crops on his family's farm on July 24, 2006. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

nadian.

Sailor said he thinks this will hurt American trade with Canada and Mexico because the labeling will cause buyers such as him will buy fewer international products.

Overall, though, both Sailor and Swenka are pleased with the bill.

They agreed the crop-insurance subsidies are very important for the industry. "They are extremely important to even out the highs and lows for farmers," Sailor said.

Crop insurance is not cost-effective for a farmer or the insurance company, Anderson said. The cost can often be prohibitive for farmers, Swenka said.

With the new bill, the

federal government will put forth roughly 30 percent of the insurance premium. This subsidy usually covers base insurance, and then farmers can choose to pay out of pocket for more coverage.

Anderson said overall, he is pleased with the bill, and believes it will be a useful planning tool.

"It's nice to have some predictability," he said.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, who was on the conference committee that worked on the bill, said in a press release he is very pleased with the bill.

"This proposal is a sound, balanced, bipartisan bill. It contains significant reforms and extends and funds progressive el-

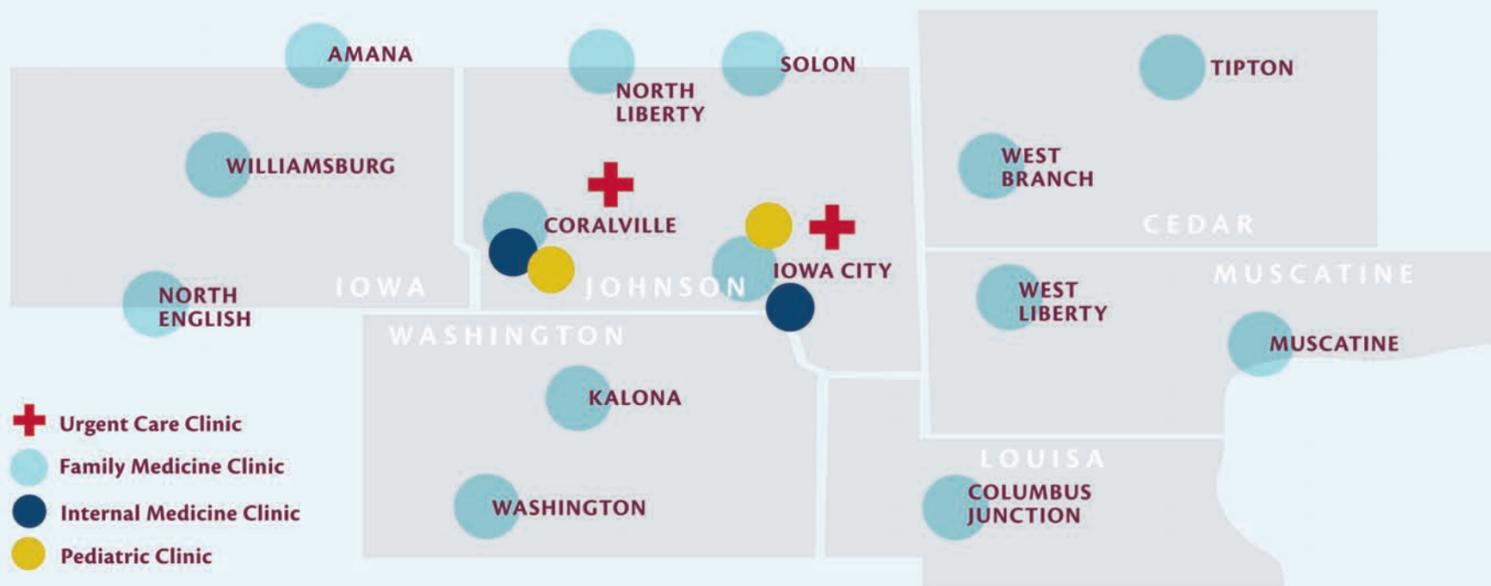
ements that I was proud to include in previous farm bills," Harkin said in a press release. "Such elements include the promotion of local foods and better nutrition, the conservation of our natural resources, and investments in renewable energy and farm-income protection."

The bill had its share of speed bumps in the law-making process.

"This agreement is not perfect, and each side had to give a little," Harkin said in the press release.

Anderson said he was aware of the challenges.

"With good legislation, neither side is happy," Anderson said. "So, I guess this might be good legislation."



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## COLUMN

### Why we still need to change ObamaCare



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This is not about my being from Texas.

OK, it's completely about my being from Texas.

Iowa chose to expand its Medicaid program. Texas did not.

When Obama called for health-care reform, I stood by his side 100 percent. My father works two part-time jobs to feed a family of six; my stepmother can no longer work because of complications from a recent surgery. They don't receive any benefits, and while my younger siblings are covered under Children's Health Insurance Program, my father, stepmother, and I are out of luck.

In the past two years I've had to use the emergency room three times. The first time was because I contracted scarlet fever and my throat was swollen closed, another time was for a bad fall in which I also chipped my tooth, and a final time for a severe allergic reaction.

Even though using the ER results in costlier bills, it's far easier to apply for financial assistance through the hospital than to make an appointment to see a doctor when you don't have insurance.

A lot of people, when I tell them about my issues with health coverage and reluctance to go to Student Health, assume that health care is required for all students at Iowa. This isn't true, although I did have to show proof of insurance upon first enrolling (I was still covered by Medicaid when I was a freshman). While I can apply for insurance coverage through UI Student Coverage, it isn't exactly affordable for me to pay out of my own pocket. I

can afford to come to this school because of scholarships and grants, and while that helps cover almost everything I need to get by, there are still a lot of my basic needs that are unmet.

So, again, you can imagine how I felt watching Obama push for health-care reform, to hear that health care would finally be in reach for my family and I, and in the end ... ObamaCare means very little to me. This isn't to say that I completely disagree with it. The Affordable Care Act has definitely done a lot of good, such as making sure insurance companies can't deny coverage for a pre-existing condition, extending coverage to people under the age of 26, and more. However, even though my family lives in poverty, we didn't qualify for lower costs on health insurance. This is mostly because of Texas' government unwillingness to expand Medicaid, despite being offered the money to do so by the federal government.

And this is the problem. There are hundreds more families like mine out there who can't pay the costs of health care, and while we aren't required to pay the personal mandate, we're just left standing in the same spot we've always been in.

In order to make a real difference in health care, we need to continue to push for change. The Affordable Health Care Act was the first step, but U.S. health-care costs are still unattainable for the working poor, which are the people that Obama said he was trying to help the most. I'm in the process of applying for Medicaid through Iowa now, but this shouldn't be an issue that varies so greatly from state to state. We've taken a step forward, yes, but the fact of the matter is, we've got more work to do.

After all, health care is a right — not a privilege.

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## EDITORIAL

### The failure of the farm bill

The Senate voted 68-32 on Tuesday to approve a new farm bill that will allocate nearly \$1 trillion in tax dollars over the next 10 years.

The bill, which passed the House handily last week and comes after a few years of partisan fighting in Congress, includes renewed agricultural subsidies, expanded crop-insurance programs, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (food stamps, colloquially).

It is a good thing that lawmakers have managed to pass a much-delayed but very necessary new farm bill, though the concessions made to conservatives — mainly in the form of cuts to food stamps — are disappointing. While some will undoubtedly be outraged by the many bizarre details of the bill — taxes on Christmas trees and pay for catfish inspectors, perhaps — we believe the skewed priorities on display in the farm bill are far more outrageous.

The new farm bill will cut about \$800 million annually from SNAP, which makes up about 80 percent of the farm-bill spending. In total, SNAP costs approximately \$80 billion per year, up from only \$20 billion per year a decade ago. It seems to be an easy target for cost-cutting and political grandstanding, but cuts to food stamps are more problematic than they may appear.

According to data from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, around half of all SNAP beneficiaries were children in 2011. On top of that, four-fifths of households receiving food stamps had a member who was elderly or disabled, and only 17 percent of households had incomes above the federal poverty line. It's not as though the recent growth in the program was spurred by the government beginning to feed those who don't need help.

It is the current size of the food-stamp program — not the pared-down version of a decade

ago — that more closely matches the problem of hunger and food instability in the United States. Massive growth over the past decade does not justify cuts in the next decade.

Granted, the plan adopted by Congress is not nearly as draconian as the proposal offered by the House Republicans last year, which would have cut about \$40 billion from food stamps over a decade, but the rationale behind any cost reductions remains suspect, particularly as the federal budget deficit has shrunk substantially.

Just Tuesday, the Congressional Budget Office projected that budget-deficit estimate for fiscal 2014 will fall to \$514 billion, down from \$680 billion in fiscal 2013. Clearly, the short-term budget outlook has improved enough to make cuts to valuable social programs less than essential, to say the least.

The cuts to food stamps are made more galling by the deference Congress pays to corporate subsidies as it cuts SNAP. The U.S. Public Interest Research Groups found that three-quarters of the farm subsidies provided for in the last farm bill went to approximately 4 percent of the agribusiness sector, including massive food companies such as Tyson's Food.

The new farm bill contains billions of dollars' worth of such corporate subsidies. One \$200-million-a-year program called the Market Access Program provides big companies such as McDonald's with money to promote and advertise its products, for example.

The priorities of our lawmakers are clear: We have the money to keep corporate subsidies in place but simply can't find the funds to keep SNAP at its current level.

#### YOUR TURN

Do you support cuts to SNAP in the farm bill? Weigh in at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

## COLUMN

### U.S. women and Uncle Sugar



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Late last month, former (and potentially future) presidential candidate Mike Huckabee had some pretty uplifting remarks to make about women at the annual meeting of the Republican National Committee.

According to former Arkansas Gov. Huckabee, the Democrats are insulting women by telling them "they cannot control their libido or their reproductive system without the help of the government."

"Women I know are outraged that Democrats think that women are nothing more than helpless and hopeless creatures whose only goal in life is to have the government provide for them birth-control medication," Huckabee said.

I would love to meet these women because pretty much every woman I know is more than happy to have access to affordable birth control.

A lot of women I don't know are happy, too. A report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shows that 99 percent of sexually active women have used some form of contraception, and 4 of 5 have used birth-control pills. With majority of sexually active women using contraceptives, exactly how many women does Huckabee know who are furious for getting free or cheap birth control?

Despite these conservative rhetorical tricks, no one's doing women a favor by restricting their access to contraception. Just look at what can happen when young women don't have access to birth control.

According to a study published in 2011, more than 4 of 5 pregnancies among women ages 19 years or younger were unintended. The proportion of unintended pregnancies was highest — 98 percent — among teens younger than age 15 years, and recent data from the National Survey of Family Growth show that women were more likely to have unintended pregnancies if they were unmarried, black,

or with less education or income.

And some babies born out of unintended pregnancies won't be treated that well, either.

Women who have an unintended pregnancy are also at risk for unintended childbearing. This is associated with a number of harmful maternal behaviors and child-health outcomes such as inadequate or delayed initiation of prenatal care, smoking and drinking during pregnancy, premature birth, and lack of breastfeeding, along with negative physical and mental health effects on children.

In addition to all this, a new study from the Guttmacher Institute shows that abortion rates in America are now the lowest that they've been since 1973 — when the *Roe v. Wade* decision made abortion legal in all states. The institute attributes this drop to the growing use of contraception.

So, when it's obvious that there's nothing to gain from taking away affordable birth control, why do it?

Is it going to boost sexual "morality"?

Women were using birth control even when "Uncle Sugar" — as Huckabee fondly refers to the government — didn't hand them prescriptions every month.

Furthermore, not all women use birth control to avoid the repercussions of their savage sexual desires. Some women use it for other health purposes — such as regulating their periods.

Ultimately, I don't know any women being outraged by having access to birth control, but I do know women who are infuriated by Huckabee's comments. The things he said make it seem like as if the collective group he's trying to appeal to — women in America — is just a set of cattle to be herded by the government.

I mean, what does he think "women" are, anyway?

Are we just a bunch of mindless sex drones who lack sexual morality and restraint? Or are we intelligent human beings who have been fighting for centuries to have some control over our bodies and who won't be fooled by a disingenuous display of concern?

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR/ ONLINE COMMENTS

### Exposing drone warfare

The U.S. has been engaged in drone warfare since 2002. Drones armed with Hellfire missiles or bombs have killed people in Pakistan, Afghanistan, Yemen, and Somalia, and possibly in other countries. There have been at least 370 drone attacks in Pakistan alone.

On Dec. 12, 2013, 14 civilians were killed and 22 injured when U.S. drone strikes destroyed five

vehicles in a wedding party in Yemen. The U.S. has issued no apology or any admission of responsibility. The Yemeni Parliament has voted unanimously to ban drone flights in Yemeni airspace. A former U.S. deputy chief of mission in Yemen has estimated that for every person killed in a drone strike, 40 new enemies of the U.S. are created.

Our use of weaponized drones poses several other dangers to the United States. We give up any claim to high moral or legal

ground. (Iowans have a special stake in drone warfare. Our Iowa Air National Guard 132 is being converted to an armed-drone-control unit.) Despite assurances of transparency and accountability, the truth about U.S. drone warfare has come not from our government but from family members of victims, courageous journalists, determined lawyers, foreign NGOs, and officials and citizens of target countries.

Their stories and testimony are

presented often with great risk, and the recent, full-length film *Unmanned: America's Drone Wars* is an excellent example. It will be shown in 1505 Seamans Center on at 6:30 p.m. today.

The screening is sponsored by the University of Iowa Center for Human Rights, Veterans for Peace, Iowa Physicians for Social Responsibility, Johnson County Green Party, and PEACE Iowa.

**John Jadryev, president**  
Veterans for Peace, Chapter 161

# DANCE MARATHON

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much progress.

The Perkins family sat down with doctors at the University of Iowa Children's Hospital in late October of that same year and found out there wasn't any cure and that the current treatment wasn't working as quickly as they had hoped it would.

After hearing that news, the family decided to try an experimental stem-cell surgery in Madison, Wis.

Gabe's mother was able to be with him for most of that time, because she was able to take off of work, but Matthew Perkins didn't have that luxury and spent most of his weekends traveling back and forth through Illinois

to visit the two of them.

"[My daughter] Natalie was 3 months old, and so she kind of went through crawling and standing up and walking with my parents," Leslie Perkins said as she reflected on the time spent away from the rest of the family. "It was really weird for me, and I had to check in with my mom about her eating schedule."

"There were definitely tradeoffs with having a baby in that kind of a situation. When you think back, it was kind of sad to think about what we missed."

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Gabe had three wishes. He wanted to stay at the Nickelodeon Hotel, he wanted to meet Sponge Bob Square Pants, and he wanted to get slimed. With a little magic, a lot of slime, and some assistance from

the Make-A-Wish Foundation, each one came true.

"I had my head shaved May 31, 2009, right after Gabe was diagnosed, so [when the slime came down], it rolled right off [both of our heads]," Matthew Perkins recalled from the family's trip right around Christmas that year.

The family also explored Walt Disney World, where Gabe was able to train with a Jedi for the day so he could fight Darth Vader on stage at the end.

"If there's one thing you knew about Gabe ... he was a *Star Wars* fan," he said, adding that he was able to share the love of the series with his then-7-year-old son.

And while Gabe and 11 members of his family — including his two sisters — fulfilled his Make-A-Wish trip, they knew the reality of Gabe's physical

condition was unavoidable.

Yet despite the worry and concern, one person in Gabe's life shared that same kind of larger-than-life outlook on the world.

"My relationship with Gabe was wonderful. We would always tell each other our dreams," Gabe's grandmother Imelda Crinklaw, affectionately known as Abita, said. "It was just amazing that a boy his age had such an imagination on anything he wanted."

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Leslie Perkin's stem cells were the closest match for the experimental surgery, and Gabe was able to remove 95-98 percent.

"He was recovering very nicely, and essentially it was a wait-and-see if

the stem cells would start doing the trick," Matthew Perkins said.

Gabe was supposed to be released from the hospital in June 2010, but he developed a side effect from the transplant where his abdomen and intestines were having a hard time connecting to the stem cells.

"[On June 21 he developed a fever], and we decided to take him to Madison in the middle of the night, and that was the last time he was at our house," Matthew Perkins said. "Looking back, it was about a month and a half before he passed away."

And as Gabe became progressively weaker, those who didn't regularly see him noticed the drastic changes to his physical condition.

"It slowly wore his body out," Matthew Perkins

said. "We looked at him the day before, he looked the same to us, but when people didn't see him, it was a big change."

The family decided to move Gabe away from Madison and closer to home. On Aug. 4, Gabe and Leslie Perkins took the two-and-a-half hour ride back to Iowa City to a place they once called home.

Shortly after, on Aug. 11 midday, Gabe lost consciousness for the last time, and his heart beat for the last time at 12:23 a.m. Aug. 12.

"It was one of those things we will never forget ... If we had to choose, we wouldn't have chosen it a better way," Matthew Perkins said. "This coming April, it will have been five years since he was diagnosed. We can't believe how time has flown."

# HEADLINER

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

Mansions on the Moon, the band Wendler plays guitar for, is based in California, but this weekend, the band will fly from Hollywood into Iowa's gloomy weather, where thousands of University of Iowa students will dance for 24 hours straight.

Wendler, also the lead singer for the group, hails from Cedar Rapids. Other members include Jeff Maccora on

bass, Ben Hazlegrove on the keyboard, and Lane Shaw on drums.

The band will storm the stage at 1 a.m. Saturday after several other local bands and dance groups, including the UI Break Dancers, entertain the organization.

"They play at the peak of the energy, as it's getting started," Kistler said. "They'll bring a lot of energy ... everyone's fired up because they've been there four or five hours. They have a prime spot in the event."

"We try to get dance music," Kistler said.

"They do a lot of dance-style music for their live shows. They're pretty fitting for our event."

The band has had success since its inception in 2011.

The group's memorable moments include performances at the SnowBall Music and the South by Southwest festivals and the phone call from their agent asking if the band had any interest in opening for Whiz Khalifa and Mac Miller.

The members did.

But the band is looking forward to playing a new crowd — thousands

**'This is an awesome opportunity to see family and friends, and we're glad to help out in any way.'**

— Ted Wendler, lead singer

of UI students in lime green. When Wendler pitched the idea to his bandmates, there was no hesitation.

"I immediately said, 'If we can make this work, let's do it,'" Maccora said. Maccora's family is no stranger to cancer — his uncle continues to fight

his battle.

Maccora said pediatric cancer is an injustice on its own.

"I don't think any kid should have to go through anything like that," he said. "They should just enjoy being a kid."

While the band is on-

ly performing at the Big Event before returning to California, the band's guitarist said it's an opportunity for him to reconnect with his home state.

"This is an awesome opportunity to see family and friends, and we're glad to help out in any way," Wendler said.

The band members said a highlight for them will be to see the students dancing for the kids.

"It's amazing how the human spirit can react to a disease such as that," Maccora said.

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# DAILY BREAK

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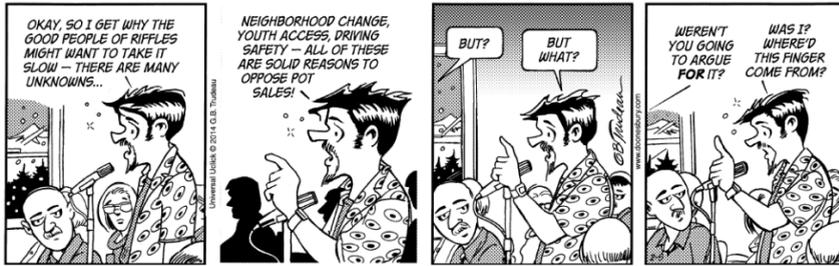
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- I'm on the Paleo Diet; I only eat things that I think a caveman would have eaten had that caveman had access to today's vastly superior variety of food options and cooking techniques.
- On job applications, where it asks about hobbies and interests, I just write "CATS" as many times as will fit.
- I'm spectating the good fight.
- I think it's perfectly acceptable for people to dress their pets like themselves, but only if they're also willing to be spayed or neutered.
- My spirit animal is the chubbiest Ewok.
- I've said it before, and I'll say it again: "I'm not so great at thinking up new things to say."
- Sometimes when I'm eating unmicrowaved Chef Boyardee straight from the can while drinking a beer I found in my hamper, I find myself wondering, "Will I die alone?" Then I assuage that fear with another hamper beer and more "Doctor Who."
- I think I might be a good person, but I also think I might be a bad person because I think I might be a good person. What I know is that I'm Catholic.

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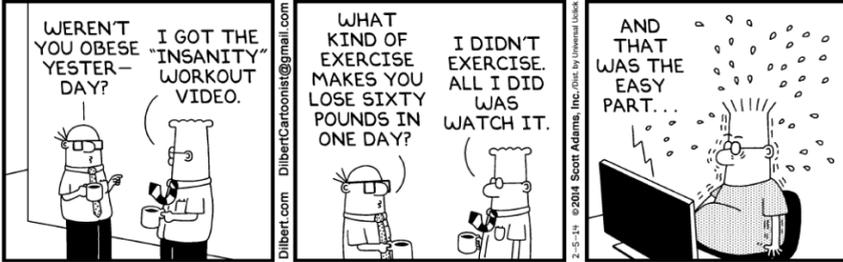
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- **UI Pain Research Program**, 9 a.m., 2117 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **Tips for Maximizing Financial Aid**, Student Financial Aid Office, 10:30 a.m., 234 Blank Honors Center
- **English Language Discussion Circles**, noon, S126 Pappajohn Business Building
- **Express Workshops**, 1 p.m., Main Library Learning Commons Group Area D
- **Obermann Afternoons**, "Beyond Technique: Stages of Change and Therapy for Teenagers Who Stutter," Tricia Zebrowski, Communication Studies & Disorders, 4 p.m., Obermann Center
- **LASIK Informatinal Seminar**, contact@task@uiowa.edu or call 319-

- 353-7625, 5: p.m., S401 Pappajohn Business Building
- **Six-Week Start-Up**, 6-9 p.m., UI Research Park BioVentures Center
- **Oscar Shorts — Live Action**, 6:30 p.m., FilmScene, 118 E. College
- **Unmanned: America's Drone Wars**, Film Screening, Center for Human Rights, 6:30 p.m., 1505 Seamans Center
- **The Englert Presents at the Mill**, Robert Ellis, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Oscar Shorts — Animated**, 8:45 p.m., FilmScene
- **Dopapod**, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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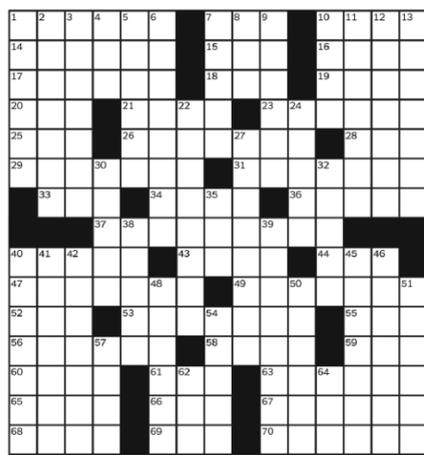
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Frank's partner in the funnies
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  - 14 Asian entertainer
  - 15 Have a mortgage, say
  - 16 \_\_\_ O'Neill
  - 17 Tree with extra-large acorns
  - 18 \_\_\_ Cob, Conn.
  - 19 NASA component: Abbr.
  - 20 Card holder: Abbr.
  - 21 Eponymous sitcom star of the 2000s
  - 23 After-dinner wine
  - 25 Narrow inlet
  - 26 Model Porizkova
  - 28 Dine
  - 29 Ad nauseam
  - 31 Far sides of ranges
  - 33 \_\_\_ King Cole
- DOWN**
- 34 Actor McKellen and others
  - 36 Hawaiian singer with many 1960s-'70s TV guest appearances
  - 37 New Year's greeting
  - 40 Spelunker
  - 43 Sleek swimmers
  - 44 N.Y.C. line
  - 47 Teresa Heinz or Christina Onassis
  - 49 Spartan
  - 52 Roth \_\_\_
  - 53 People of Rwanda and Burundi
  - 55 K.G.B. rival
  - 56 2000s TV drama set in the 1960s
  - 58 Smile
  - 59 Like some sale goods: Abbr.
  - 60 Tailor's case
  - 61 The White Stripes or OutKast

- 63 Declutter
- 65 The White Stripes' genre
- 66 Rap sheet letters
- 67 Little-known
- 68 Johnson of "Laugh-In"
- 69 Permit
- 70 Aslant

- 1 First king of the English
- 2 After-school activity?
- 3 Band with the 10x platinum album "Nevermind"
- 4 That, in Toledo
- 5 Economics Nobel William F. \_\_\_
- 6 Sample the hooch
- 7 Not shy about expressing opinions
- 8 \_\_\_ Jima
- 9 Business jet maker
- 10 Dunce cap shape
- 11 Make rough
- 12 "Actually..."
- 13 Afro-Caribbean music
- 22 Capital spanning the Danube
- 24 Achieved through difficulty
- 27 1971 #1 hit for Carole King
- 30 Alternative
- 32 "Try!"



- PUZZLE BY PETER A. COLLINS
- 35 Bill \_\_\_, the Science Guy
  - 38 "\_\_\_ there yet?"
  - 39 Classic Stephen Foster song
  - 40 Fire-breathing creature of myth
  - 41 Faucet attachment
  - 42 Span across a gorge, say
  - 45 Soloist's performance
  - 46 Persian Wars vessel
  - 48 Bit of beachwear
  - 50 San \_\_\_, Calif.
  - 51 Took home
  - 54 W.W. II menace
  - 57 Love from the Beach Boys?
  - 62 Instrument for 36-Across, informally
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## horoscopes

Wednesday, February 5, 2013 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Get into the groove. Staying busy and focused on your accomplishments will help you avoid anxiety and fear of not measuring up to what's expected of you. Show how masterful you can be by getting things done. A positive choice will pay off.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Do what you can to help others. Offer suggestions and show compassion. The solutions you offer will be impressive and help you drum up interest in something you want to pursue. Romance will help improve your love life.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Approach any situation you face with honesty. Uncertainty will not go over well when dealing with colleagues, friends, or those you are trying to win approval from. Avoid impulsive expenditures, lending or borrowing. Adaptability will help you excel.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Emotional matters will lead to unexpected changes that may not sit well with you. Show your concern, and offer suggestions that will help smooth things over. Compromise and understanding, along with using your intuitive intelligence, will help ward off personal problems.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): A challenge or taking on a competitive position will help get you moving and motivate you to succeed. Test your skills and master what you enjoy doing most, and you will gain confidence and satisfaction. Social activity will pay off.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Expect to face a financial setback if you get involved in a joint investment. Being responsible will help you avoid making a mistake. Doing something to avoid conflict will not bring good results. Practical application will pay off.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Expect to face opposition when dealing with a personal or business partnership. Don't let your emotions cost you. Make choices based on what's best for you financially. An impulsive act will turn into a big fiasco. Back away from anyone using emotional manipulation.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Bide your time, and take care of the finer details when dealing with work or personal projects. Set your own standards, and refuse to let anyone coerce you into doing something you don't want to do. Make decisions based on your success and happiness.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Make positive changes at home and to your personal life that will allow you the freedom to do as you please. Stick to the truth when asked to do something. Don't take on or make promises that are unrealistic.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Let the dust settle before you make a decision that will influence your environment or surroundings. Getting along with people in your community will be necessary if you want things to go your way. Set your priorities and proceed.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take an emotional stance, and base your needs on what you see going on around you. Picking and choosing the direction that suits you best will set you on a positive path that will help you reach your personal and professional goals.
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Honesty will be questioned and secrets revealed. Protect your reputation by handling whatever issues arise swiftly and truthfully. You will gain respect and win favors if you show integrity and compassion. Hold your head high and move forward with confidence.

There are some ideas so wrong that only a very intelligent person could believe in them.

— Will Rogers

# Arctic arc shooting dooms Hawkeyes

Iowa shot just 3-of-20 from 3-point range against Ohio State, a main contributor to the Hawkeyes' second-straight loss in Carver-Hawkeye.

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Hawkeye players and coaches may point to the 45 points allowed in the second half as the reason Iowa couldn't complete the regular-season sweep of the Buckeyes. But 11 of those 45 Ohio State points came from the free-throw line in the final 1:17.

The reason Iowa lost its second-straight game in front of a home crowd is simple: It couldn't put the ball in the basket at an effective rate.

"Couldn't get stops, couldn't get scores, seemed like nothing was going for us," junior forward Aaron White said. "Couldn't make a jump shot, couldn't make a lay-up, couldn't make a free throw — it was a tough night."

Iowa shot just 3-of-20 (15 percent) from 3-point range, which is the worst rate at which Iowa has converted from the outside all season. And leaving out a late Mike Gesell 3 after the Hawkeyes' hopes had evaporated, Iowa was just 2-of-19 from behind the arc.

"We had told our guys, I think they [Iowa] were only averaging 4.5 [3-pointers made] in Big Ten play," Ohio State head coach

Thad Matta said. "They don't normally take 20; they had to take some late ... But hopefully, our defense had something to do with it."

The shooting wasn't just poor from the outside — Iowa shot just 45 percent from the field — a number they've bested in seven of nine conference games.

White was just 3-of-9 from the field. Senior Zach McCabe shot 1-of-8. And leading scorer Devyn Marble finished with just 10 points (4-of-11).

"I thought there were a couple that were a little deep, maybe a little rushed," Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said about Iowa's shooting. "Some of that comes with the fact that Ohio State is very quick, and they close out hard. Maybe we could have shot-faked and drove a couple. But, I mean, we had good shooters shooting open 3s. I wasn't upset with anything ... We got good looks; we got the ball inside. We had 15 offensive rebounds, so the effort was good there. Execution on our set plays was good; our execution in motion was not."

Prior to the season, many pointed to a lack of outside shooting as the reason Iowa may

not go as far as what's generally expected at this point. Shooting hasn't troubled the Black and Gold significantly yet, as shown by its 17-5 record prior to Tuesday and third place standing in conference play.

And some may view it as a positive that Iowa competed with Ohio State despite the putrid display from the 3-point line. But Tuesday's performance was exemplary of the dangers of postseason play in college basketball.

If the Hawkeyes have a tough time converting shots on any given night later in the season, they may find themselves in the off-season sooner than they want.

"We missed some good looks that we usually knock down," sophomore guard Mike Gesell said. "We're capable of knocking those down. But when you're not hitting shots like that, I think you need to attack a little bit more and try to get to the free-throw line."

"We probably forced a couple of them that we normally would just pass on and maybe take later in the shot clock," Marble said. "Sometimes, they just don't fall, and tonight [Tuesday] was one of those nights."

## BASKETBALL

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10-minute mark of the first half. Iowa and Ohio State turned the ball over 15 times between them in the first frame, and both shot under 50 percent from the field.

"I feel like it took us a second to get into the rhythm," Iowa senior Devyn Marble said after the game. "I couldn't tell you why. It's one of those things you have to find your way around. You have to get yourself going and make some plays."

Iowa had few guys that could make plays throughout the entire game. The squad shot a collective 3-of-20 from 3-point range, and the rock never connected when the Hawkeyes needed it most.

Ohio State did appear to have Iowa on the ropes early on, leading 26-17, but the Hawkeyes ended the first half on a 16-5 run, capped by an electric Aaron White dunk. That turned out to be the last time Iowa led.

The Buckeyes dominated the second half and exploited all the weaknesses of a team that came back from down 10 points and beat them in Columbus on Jan. 12, when Ohio State was the No. 3 team in the country. Since then, Ohio State has gone 3-3 in its conference games and has won back-to-back contests

on the road against ranked foes: Iowa and at then-No. 14 Wisconsin on Feb. 1.

"You have to be respectful of who this team is," Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said after the game. "They were ranked third a minute ago in the country. I mean, they came into the season expecting to win a national championship. They were in the final eight last year ... we don't want to get carried away here. We lost to a real good team and didn't

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— Fran McCaffery, head coach

feel like we played our best. Give them credit for having a lot to with that."

Mike Gesell led Iowa with a

quiet 16 points on the night, but even he was shaky at times, shooting 1-of-4 from long range and missing the front end of a 1 and 1 with 2:43 left to play, when Iowa was down 7.

"They came in with a very good game plan," Gesell said. "Came out with a few new sets they weren't running the first time we played them. We didn't do a good enough job on our 1-1 defense. We were letting guys drive right by us."

But still, it's not any one player's fault Iowa missed 17 of its 20 3-point shots, or that it let Aaron Craft collect 6 steals while dropping 17 points of his own for Ohio State. Iowa had just 3 steals combined and shot 12-of-19 from the free-throw line.

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### IOWA HAWKEYES (69)

	MIN	FG	3P	FT	RB	A	TO	TP
Basabe	14	2-3	0-0	0-0	4	0	1	4
White	32	3-9	0-2	2-4	7	0	1	8
Woodbury	17	1-2	0-3	2-4	6	1	2	4
Marble	36	4-11	0-0	2-3	5	2	4	10
Gesell	25	7-11	1-4	1-2	1	3	1	16
McCabe	22	1-8	1-6	1-2	5	1	1	4
Uthoff	8	1-4	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	2
Olaseni	19	5-5	0-0	4-4	6	2	2	14
Jok	5	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Oglesby	16	2-5	1-3	0-0	0	2	0	5
Clemmons	6	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>3-20</b>	<b>12-19</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>69</b>	

### OHIO STATE BUCKEYES (76)

	MIN	FG	3P	FT	RB	A	TO	TP
Ross	35	4-11	1-3	4-6	7	4	2	13
Thompson	19	3-4	2-2	1-2	3	1	2	9
Williams	23	5-6	0-0	2-3	0	0	2	12
Craft	39	6-7	2-2	3-4	3	6	4	17
Smith Jr.	30	3-11	2-6	4-4	3	0	1	12
Loving	10	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
McDonald	11	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	2
Della Valle	12	0-2	0-1	0-0	2	0	0	0
Scott	21	3-4	0-1	5-6	3	1	2	11
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>7-16</b>	<b>19-24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>76</b>	

... We made them Saturday; we didn't make them tonight," McCaffery said.

Iowa hasn't lost two games in a row this season, which is a good sign — Big Ten leader Michigan will come to town this weekend. A chance at a Big Ten regular-season title is still possible but not with a loss to the Wolverines on Saturday. Marble said he thinks all the mistakes he saw from his team against Ohio State are fixable. Michigan will put his word on the spot.

"[Ohio State] got a couple of buckets late in the shot clock that we played pretty good defense until the last couple of seconds," Marble said. "That can take the wind out of you when you let up too many of those buckets."

"All our mistakes tonight were easily fixable and correctable. I didn't see anything that would alarm me."

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"It's a solid class that fills a lot of needs," HawkeyeReport.com recruiting analyst Tom Kakert said. "Depth at linebacker, some offensive linemen, some defensive linemen. They hit a lot of the spots that I thought they needed."

Iowa's recruiting class was held much higher and would've likely been more impressive if not for the loss of Ross Pierschbacher, a four-star prospect from Cedar Falls High. The 6-4, 295-pound offensive guard originally committed to play for Iowa but switched his commitment to Alabama before his senior football season in August 2013.

Still, Iowa's 2014 class is a respectable bunch, highlighted by two four-star recruits and 12 three-star players — many of whom have been called pliable and will make solid players for the program.

## Two four-star studs

The two recruits who highlight Iowa's class are, of course, the two four-star athletes — both of whom played quarterback during their prep careers.

Tyler Wiegiers, a 6-4, 213-pound pro-style gunslinger out of Detroit Country Day, announced his commitment fewer than two months ago. Wiegiers originally committed to play for Rutgers, but there was some uncertainty among the coaching staff,

causing Wiegiers to reopen his recruitment.

From there, he was practically Iowa's to lose. Wiegiers upped his worth during various camps and combines. He was heralded for his accuracy, and, with some practice and technique work, has the potential to produce a very strong arm, according to recruiting experts at Rivals.com.

"It was what he was able to do in the camps," ESPN recruiting analyst Jared Shanker said. "He threw the ball very well at all of these camps, at team camps. Every time, he was one of the more impressive guys."

The other, 6-1, 170-pound Jay Scheel from La Porte City, gave his oral commitment in January 2013, when Pierschbacher was orally committed to the Hawkeyes. Scheel is listed as an athlete — many recruiting experts project him as a wide receiver for Greg Davis's offense — though he was a dual-threat quarterback for Union High School.

Scheel has a kind of athleticism that jumps off highlight reels. A straight-A student, Scheel is very coachable — during his sophomore year at Union, he switched from receiver to quarterback and led his school to a 3A state title.

"He is the only ESPN 300 commit the Hawkeyes have in 2014 and will bring a ton of versatility to the team," ESPN Big Ten recruiting reporter Tom VanHaaren wrote in an email to *The Daily Iowan*. "He could probably help out in a few different spots."

## Adding depth

The rest of the class is littered with potential depth for Ferentz's roster. There are several defensive players, as well as some talented offensive linemen.

"You had three senior linebackers on the roster, so that was definitely a priority," VanHaaren said. "And the coaches did a nice job filling a lot of those holes."

Highlighting a slew of defensive ends is ASA College transfer Torey Hendrick, a 6-4, 225-pound three-star prospect who helped the Avengers to a 9-1 record. The backbone of their success was a defense that allowed just 95 rushing yards per game. Hendrick was an integral piece of that success, racking up 26 tackles and 6.5 sacks in seven games.

"The main question right now is when he will actually see the field," VanHaaren said. "He still has some development to do and needs to improve on a few aspects of his game. He shows flashes of great play but needs to work on being more consistent."

Hendrick will lead a pack of defensive linemen that will add depth to Iowa's always-rotating defensive line. Kakert said it's important to have those younger guys practice alongside the returning starters to learn the system once they start playing significant amounts of time.

There are also plenty of other defensive players who will help add depth to the roster — most notably at defensive back, where both current and former Hawkeyes have found varying levels of success.

Marcel Joly and Miles

Taylor, two three-star guys who will come to Iowa City from the East, both boast frames that are typical for Iowa defensive backs. Joly is listed at 5-11, 180 while Taylor is an inch taller and five pounds heavier.

And while losing Pierschbacher hurt, Iowa is still in good hands with the three listed offensive linemen, especially Keegan Render, who's listed at 6-3 and 310 pounds. Render first cracked the varsity lineup as a freshman at Indianapolis, which put him on plenty of recruiting boards almost immediately.

The graduation of both Brett Van Sloten and Connor Boffeli leave big holes to fill, and Render will most certainly be called on to help fill them.

Iowa also received oral commitments from a myriad of linebackers and running backs — positions that have been crucial to Ferentz's success over the years. The added depth will be a good thing for Iowa, and Kakert said there's a chance that some of these guys may see the field come fall.

## Early playing time?

The emergence of some true freshmen on defense — most notably Desmond King, who took hold of the starting cornerback spot opposite of B.J. Lowery — has become somewhat normal in recent years for Iowa.

"There's always a defensive back who works his way onto the field as a true freshman," Kakert said. "I think a kid to watch out of this class is Jalen Embry, another Detroit kid. He has

kind of the same makeup as Desmond King and from the same neck of the woods.

"He may be a guy that, down the road, we're going to say 'Hey, maybe he is going to play right away.'"

Kakert said he wouldn't put it past Ferentz to allow some of these defensive backs to play in nickel and dime packages on defense. Shanker noted that Markel Smith, a three-star running back from St. Louis might make a good third-down back who helps pick up blitzes.

"The position just naturally lends itself to being able to make an immediate impact," Shanker said. "There's not as much of a learning curve at running back as there are at other positions. ... I know he was somebody that the Iowa

staff really wanted. He was always a priority for them."

In all, this class certainly isn't going to compete with the likes of the SEC powers, or even with certain other conference foes. But it's the haul that, down the road, will help Iowa become more competitive — which is more of a credit to the coaches than anything.

"The names aren't going to be overly flashy," Shanker said. "But the track record is there that a couple of these guys are going to be some pretty good players for Iowa."

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and is able to make the deep throws.

Wiegiers also impressed experts with his supreme accuracy. During his senior year at Detroit Country Day, he completed more than 60-percent of his passes for 22 touch-

downs and just 4 interceptions.

"That really led to a team like Iowa offering him," ESPN recruiting analyst Jared Shanker said. "He looked good his senior year, he looked good in the summer, and I think that's what made the biggest impact. At the passing camps, he really impressed a lot of people."

Many recruiting ana-

lysts compared Wiegiers with quarterbacks that Iowa has recruited in the past. And while there's a logjam at that position as of now for the Hawkeyes — with the return of both Jake Rudock and C.J. Beathard, in addition to both Cody Sokol and Nic Shimonek — Wiegiers is a guy that could possibly shake up the quarterback battle here in a couple of

years with the proper development.

"Tyler Wiegiers is a prospect I really like," ESPN Big Ten recruiting reporter Tom VanHaaren wrote in an email to *The Daily Iowan*. "He's a guy who was a little undervalued throughout the process, a smart kid, good arm and good accuracy. He is definitely a quarterback that fits the offense."

## COMMENTARY

## Sorting out 125

As the postseason approaches, a decision will be made at 125-pounds.



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Iowa wrestling fans know about the situation at 125 pounds for the Hawkeyes. After Cory Clark beat Thomas Gilman at the Luther Open last November, he was in the lineup for roughly a month, with the exception of one dual.

But then things changed.

MGMT's "Electric Feel" played over the sound system at Carver-Hawkeye Arena to open the Penn State dual. Gilman and his red shoes emerged from the tunnel to wrestle Nico Megaludis rather than Clark and his black footwear.

It came to light after the Hawkeyes lost to the Nittany Lions in December that Clark, the more successful of Iowa's 125-pounders and the Hawkeyes' better option this season, was having issues controlling his weight. Gilman stayed in the lineup over Clark, even though head coach Tom Brands said the latter was scheduled to compete against Indiana on Jan. 12, but the Hoosiers forfeited the weight.

Sam Brancale of Min-

nesota pinned Gilman on Jan. 25, and Clark wrestled at Northwestern on Jan. 31, finishing with a major decision over Garrison White.

So who is "the guy"? Brands has been hesitant to name a full-time starter because of the talent he has at his disposal, but one of the 125-pounders has a clear edge in terms of bonus points — Clark.

Clark is more explosive than his counterpart and has more potential to give the Hawkeyes a higher team score come postseason. Obviously, every point is going to be huge when competing with the likes of Penn State and Minnesota.

The Southeast Polk product has a 13-1 record this season (excluding two medical forfeits) and has scored bonus points in 10 of those matches — eight pins and two majors.

Gilman, on the other hand, owns a 16-3 clip with only six wins with bonus points. He's collected a technical fall, two falls, and three major decisions.

But even if Brands decides to go with Gilman in the postseason, he's still not a bad option — at all.

Gilman has shown he can win. He's a four-time high-school state champion in Nebraska and won the Midlands Championships, held in Evanston, Ill. He picked up

two extremely impressive wins — one over Jarrod Garnett of Bison Legends Wrestling Club, the 2012 Midlands title winner, and the other over defending NCAA champion Jesse Delgado of Illinois — en route to that title.

Winning isn't the issue for either of the redshirt freshmen. They've both shown they can do that. It's winning decisively and doing so consistently.

Both of these grapplers are good options, and it's a good problem for Brands and his coaching staff to have. Clark and Gilman have the ability to make a deep run in the NCAA Tournament, and both have good, promising careers ahead of them in the black and gold Iowa singlet.

Granted, this issue will only be around for one more year. Clark will probably bump up to 133 when Tony Ramos graduates after this season, and everything should sort itself out.

In the meantime, Clark said he is able keep his weight under control. Assuming that is true, he's the better option this year, strictly because of bonus points. He's shown he can do it, he's the more dangerous of the two, and he has the better chance to add an extra point or 2 or 3 to Iowa's team score when it matters the most — in the month of March.

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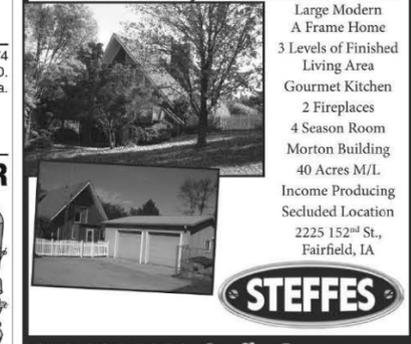


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HAWKEYE FOOTBALL

NATIONAL SIGNING DAY 2014

# A SOLID CLASS

By **CODY GOODWIN** | cody-goodwin@uiowa.edu

Last year's National Signing Day was the first in five years that Iowa didn't land a four-star recruit. This didn't come as much of a surprise, seeing as the Hawkeyes finished that year's football season with an abysmal 4-8 record.

Fast forward a year, and Kirk Ferentz and Company are expected to

sign 21 new recruits today — two of which are pegged as four-star guys — during college football's National Signing Day.

Many recruiting pundits have graded Iowa's 2014 recruiting class as solid — Rivals.com ranks the class at 47th nationally, eighth in the Big Ten — a typical Ferentz haul that will fill holes and add depth to a roster that went 8-5 and returns 14 starters between the offense and defense.

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## Hawkeye football may ink its future QB

Detroit Country Day's Tyler Wiegiers is positioned to contend for the spot as Iowa's signal caller in the coming years.

By **CODY GOODWIN**  
cody-goodwin@uiowa.edu

Tyler Wiegiers, as many of the Class of 2014 did this year, announced his college of choice on Twitter.

"Committed to Iowa University! So excited for the future! Thanks to everyone for the support!" he wrote on Dec. 20, 2013, just about six weeks before National Signing Day.

This announcement came a little over a month after Wiegiers was tweeting about bringing Big Ten championships to Rutgers, which once owned the third-best Big Ten recruiting class of 2014.



**Wiegiers**  
Recruit

Wiegiers was a big sign for Rutgers. It was largely assumed that he would be head coach Kyle Flood's future signal-caller. He was to be the leader of what was, at the time, a recruiting class that planned to bring the Scarlet Knights back to national prominence.

But things went awry. Not even a year after Mike Rice was fired from his post as Rutgers' men's basketball head coach, allegations surfaced that former Rutgers defensive coordinator Dave Cohen had bullied and verbally abused his players.

Wiegiers, along with many of his recruiting classmates, decommitted from Rutgers, reopening his recruitment and allowing Iowa back into the mix.

"I'm taking an official visit to Iowa and

maybe one or two more," he told NJ.com on Nov. 17. "And I might take another visit to RU."

The Detroit Country Day product took his visit on the weekend of the Iowa-Michigan football game — and watched as Iowa closed out the Wolverines, 24-21, in dramatic fashion.

From there, most recruiting experts claimed that Iowa had pinned down Wiegiers for good. It was made official on Dec. 20, 2013, giving Iowa the quarterback it had been searching for to add to its 2014 recruiting class.

"It was really a luck-of-the-draw kind of thing," HawkeyeReport.com recruiting analyst Tom Kakert said. "Iowa was able to flip him later on in the process. ... They really liked him."

### Tyler Wiegiers, Class of 2014

**Listed:** 6-4, 213 pounds  
Pro-style Quarterback  
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With Wiegiers, Iowa is getting 6-4, 213-pound pro-style quarterback who puts a lot of zip on his throws. He really impressed scouts and recruiting analysts alike during several camps and combines. He's able to scramble out of the pocket

SEE WIEGIERS, 8