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Extracurricular language programs could take the place of curriculum-based classes following budget cuts in the Iowa City School District.

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Lauren Schafer has been studying Spanish since kindergarten. But the list of language options offered at her school just became a little bit shorter.

Lauren is a sixth-grader at Wickham Elementary, and she will attend North Central Junior High next fall.

"I think it's cool to learn other languages," she said. "Maybe if I vacation somewhere else, or if I have a job to be in another country, or need to communicate with people who speak other languages, that would affect it."

She has taken after-school Spanish classes since kindergarten, but starting next year, every other day she will most likely be taking a study hall instead of entering into Level 1 Spanish.

Recently, because of the budget, all seventh-grade language programs were cut in the Iowa City school district, including all-level German classes.

Some are worried what this will mean for the future of children in the district, but Lauren's mother said she is not very concerned about her daughter, because she was immersed in the after-school programs so early on.

"She's had exposure to Spanish," Maureen Schafer said. "[But] it's always exciting ... to go to junior high when you can actually get more involved in it."

Pamela Wesely, a UI assistant professor of secondary education in the College of Education, has created a database to advertise various early language-learning programs in the area, something

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Branstad moves on coach loophole

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Iowa students may not be protected from coaches under current law, a situation Gov. Terry Branstad is working to change.

Branstad and Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds called on the Legislature to close a "loophole" left by an April 11 Iowa Supreme Court Ruling.

The court ruled in *Patrick Ryan Nicoletto v. Iowa* that coaches were not considered employees in K-12 schools, which would leave them outside of the sexual-exploitation law.

In order to be prosecuted under the law, an employee must be an administrator, teacher, or other licensed professional.

The ruling found coaches who were not teachers and were professionally licensed did not meet the standard.

The governor called on the Legislature to pass a bill addressing the issue. Reynolds added that as a mother, she wanted to know her children were safe at school, according to a press release.



Branstad
governor

Confucius Institute still growing

The University of Iowa Confucius Institute is on the rise.

By KAITLIN DEWULF
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More University of Iowa students will be saying "ni hao" as the Confucius Institute continues to grow in popularity.

Membership and participation in the institute has skyrocketed since its inception eight years ago.

Confucius Institute program coordinator Erin Mullins said the cultural portion of the program had grown from 300 participants in 2009 to 1,768 in 2013. The cultural programs include classes, community performances, lectures, and workshops.

When the Confucius Institute was first established at the UI in the fall of 2006, there were 10 students formally enrolled in its UI credit course Beginning Chinese 1. This spring, the institute had 39 students who formally registered in all of its credit classes, and officials expect even more in the fall semester.

"Students nowadays have developed their awareness as a world citizen," said Xi Ma,



A Chinese language class is held in Phillips Hall on Feb. 20, 2013. The cultural portion of the Confucius program grew from 300 participants in 2009 to 1,768 in 2013. (The Daily Iowan/Callie Mitchell)

curriculum coordinator with the UI Confucius Institute. "Thus they are more interested in learning foreign languages and cultures."

The institute is an international nonprofit program operated under the government of the People's Republic of China. Its goal is to pro-

mote Chinese language and culture, support local Chinese teaching internationally, and facilitate cultural exchanges.

Confucius Institute Director Chuanren Ke said the program is highly integrated in the UI community, particularly the UI Division of World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures and

the UI International Programs.

Mullins said this collaboration has increased the network of contacts, making it easier to inform more people about upcoming classes and events.

"I think people in this area are looking for opportunities to

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Museums hit the Iowa road

The Mobile Museum will hit the road this spring.

By STACEY MURRAY
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Local museums are on the move this summer.

The Mobile Museum is a collaboration between the Office for Research and Development, the Office of the State Archaeologist, and the Pentacrest museums — the Old Capitol Museum and the UI Museum of Natural History.

The RV's itinerary kicked off last week when it traveled to Fort Dodge to visit the Iowa Academy of the Sciences and the general public. The 38-foot-long exhibition will run through at least October.

The research office, the museums, and the UI Foundation provided funds for the project. The RV was custom-designed by Winnebago Industries. The RV outfitting and first year's exhibit cost roughly \$300,000.

John Doershuk of the State Archaeologist Office said officials are looking to eventually expand the exhibits, displaying research from

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A sign in the window of the liquor store Sauce illustrates what does and doesn't qualify as a bathroom on Monday. Sauce is the only liquor store on the Pedestrian Mall. (The Daily Iowan/Ben Ross)

No Heartbleed here, UI says

The Heartbleed Bug has been patched at the University of Iowa.

By IAN MURPHY
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One software program could have been bleeding information about users for almost two years before the hole was found last week.

University of Iowa officials said they patched the Heartbleed bug, found in a major software utilized by two-thirds of the Internet that allows web users to establish a "secure" connection with a server.

Jane Drews, the UI chief information security officer, said the OpenSSL software provides secure communication of data on websites, and the bug is an error in the program that would allow an attacker to connect to a system and extract information from a computer.

"That's not data from storage," she said. "It's what's actively being worked on in the computers."

Drews said Information and Technology Services began assessing UI computer systems April 7 and fixed the UI public web-

sites by April 9.

She said fixing the bug is relatively simple, and new security certificates are being installed on UI systems in case an attack successfully pulled any data.

Peter Reiher, an adjunct professor of computer science at UCLA, said the software hole could allow data to be accessed by an attacker, but it is hard to know whether data have been accessed.

Although the software is used by many webservers, Reiher said, the bug could have been exploited by more attackers as it became known.

"There wasn't a lot of evidence that people were using the vulnerability [before the bug was announced]," Reiher said.

Drews said ITS officials added signatures to the UI network that would allow them to identify an attack. She said the signatures detected some unsuccessful attacks.

"We have no evidence that any University of Iowa systems were broken into," Drews said.

Chris Wilkins, information technology director for UI communication and marketing, declined to comment on the bug.

The vulnerability exists only on more recent

versions of the software, Reiher said.

In addition to passwords, emails, and other data, this vulnerability could eventually lead to access to a private security key. Access to this key would allow the attacker to create a dummy website, passing off as a legitimate website, Reiher said.

For example, an attacker who had access to the key could pass a website off as a UI-affiliated website.

Reiher said data could be accessed and held onto for later use by an attacker. He recommended people wait until official word has gone out from websites before changing any passwords because this could compromise new passwords as well.

"I can't imagine any U.S. university of com-

parable size that isn't affected in some way by Heartbleed," said Paul Rivers, the chief information security officer at the University of California-Berkeley in an email.

The university is taking similar steps to the UI.

"Our security operations team is actively scanning campus for vulnerable systems and monitoring for signs of attempts to exploit Heartbleed," Rivers said.

Drews said the issues are in the software, not in hardware for computers.

"Our general guidance is that users should change all of their passwords, not just their HawkID passwords, but to wait until this week to do it so that the owners of other systems, non-university systems, can have their patch as well," Drews said.

Heartbleed Bug

The Heartbleed Bug has been patched at the University of Iowa, and officials recommend that students change HawkID passwords.

Heartbleed can give attackers access to:

- Encryption keys that allow an attacker to decrypt any past and future traffic to "protected" web services
- User data such as user names and passwords
- Personal or financial details
- Emails and instant messages

Source: Codenominon, the company that discovered the bug

BLOTTER

Albert Abbott Jr., 62, 2119 Keokuk St. Apt. 5, was charged April 11 with driving with a revoked license.

Matthew Andress, 18, 514 Rienow, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Adan Bacatan, 32, 621 Beach View Drive, was charged April 12 with public intoxication and interference with official acts.

J. Allen Bailey, 37, 908 Rundell St., was charged April 11 with public intoxication.

Shannon Becker, 22, 627 Iowa Ave., was charged April 12 with OWI.

Katherine Belay, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 12 with OWI.

George Berg, 66, Coralville, was charged Sunday with criminal trespass.

Kyle Birnley, 21, 606 S. Johnson St., was charged April 11 with public intoxication.

Claire Brennan, 19, 328 N. Clinton St., was charged April 10 with possession/supply of alcohol under the legal age.

Robert Bryant, 44, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. H5, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Luis Chavez-Preciado, 28, 3300 E. Washington St., was charged April 10 with child endangerment/abuse.

Eric Cochran, 27, 405 S. Dodge St. No. 8, was charged April 9 with public urination.

Andrew Davis, 22, N3222 Currier, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Frank Destefano, 19, 2217 Burge, was charged April 10 with PAULA.

Sedne Elliott, 24, Des Moines, was charged Sunday with OWI and driving while barred.

Marissa Ewers, 19, 3300 Burge, was charged April 11 with PAULA.

Jennifer Ferden, 20, Des Moines, was charged April 10 with PAULA.

Nasra Fernandez-Kury, 25, 3300 E. Washington St., was charged April 10 with child endangerment/abuse.

Tricia Flanagan, 19, 1120 Quadrangle, was charged April 10 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Adrian Fonseca, 22, 209 E. Bloomington St., was charged April 11 with public intoxication.

Jian Gao, 20, 126 N. Clinton St., was charged Monday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Michael Gloer, 18, 109N Currier, was charged April 12 with PAULA.

Michael Granda, 19, N326 Currier, was charged April 11 with PAULA.

John Griesbach, 20, 625 S. Clinton Apt. 8, was charged April 11 with keeping a disorderly house.

David Guzman, 40, Minooka, Ill., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Di Marco Harris, 35, 2437 Petsel Place Apt. 8, was charged April 11 with public intoxication.

Danielle Healy, 21, 120 E. Davenport St. Apt. 9, was charged April 12 with fifth-degree theft.

Brett Hubick, 21, 630 Bowery

St., was charged Sunday with interference with official acts and public intoxication.

Asaad Ibrahim, 29, 2905 Cornell Ave., was charged April 12 with public intoxication.

Joshua Janssens, 18, Center Point, Iowa, was charged April 11 with OWI.

Cedric Johnson, 19, 1314 Sandusky Drive, was charged April 12 with interference with official acts and assault causing injury.

Arthur Kirksey, 16, 2412 Shady Glenn Court, was charged April 11 with second-degree robbery.

Matthew Kohl, 24, 640 S. Van Buren St. Apt. 5, was charged April 12 with public intoxication.

Fredrick Krause, 24, 15 N. Seventh Ave., was charged Sunday with possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication.

Brian Laschke, 26, 4494 Taft Ave. S.E. Apt. 8B, was charged April 10 with violating a domestic-abuse protective order.

Ira Little, 40, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. N2, was charged April 12 with public intoxication, criminal trespass, and third-degree harassment.

Conner Lohens, 21, 702 N. Dubuque St., was charged April 11 with public intoxication.

Michael Lynch, 21, 430 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Andrew Malikowski, 18, Brookfield, Ill., was charged April 11 with PAULA.

Esiah Martell, 18, E107 Hillcrest, was charged April 10 with public urination.

Audrey Martin, 22, 420 S. Lucas St. Apt. 5, was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana.

Jonathan McGonagle, 19, N304 Currier, was charged April 12 with PAULA.

Dylan Mumm, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 11 with PAULA.

Timothy Nedobe, 49, 342 Finkbine Lane Apt. 11, was charged April 12 with fifth-degree theft.

Brendan Nevin, 21, 430 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Austin Nixon, 19, Waukee, Iowa, was charged Sunday with interference with official acts and disorderly conduct.

Eric Olsen, 25, Davenport, was charged April 12 with fifth-degree criminal mischief and public intoxication.

Drake Orser, 21, 702 N. Dubuque St. Apt. 11, was charged April 11 with public intoxication.

Michael Pass, 23, 525 E. Washington St. Apt. 407, was charged April 12 with making alcohol available to minors.

Matthew Petersen, 19, 1106 Oakcrest St. Apt. 301, was charged April 10 with possession/supply of alcohol under the legal age and presence in a bar after hours.

Miguel Reyes-Portillo, 22, 2128 S. Riverside Drive Apt. 111, was charged April 9 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

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that could become even more important in light of the recent cuts.

“Those programs serve a community need,” she said. “Those organizations sometimes are able to organize and provide extracurricular language education.”

Wesely said as much as she would like to see these after-school programs replace the seventh-grade curriculum, she doesn't see it happening anytime soon.

“These extracurricular programs are not accessible for all families and so can never replace foreign languages in the public school curriculum,” she said in an email.

In an ideal world, Schaffer said she would like to see after-school language programs fill the void. But in reality, she said she does not expect it to happen.

“I know from my own experience from my kids that they get busier in junior high,” she said. “Once they're in athletics that are every day after school, and other activi-

ties, I'm not hopeful that kids would enroll in an after-school program”

She said she hopes her children will continue with languages, because she thinks it will make them more competitive when applying to college.

One coordinator for early language-learning programs in the area said learning a language early on can improve the odds of children continuing with the language when they reach junior high and beyond.

“Early language learning, if done well, it opens the child to the possibility

of study later and maybe removes some of the apprehension when they get older and are graduated,” said Kristi Abuissa, coordinator for the after-school language program for Shimek Elementary. “Usually, the early language programs are fun and exploratory, so they can be a good introduction.”

A 17-year-old student in her third year of German said even if after-school programs are implemented to replace the soon-to-be vanished German classes, it would not be an equal substitute.

Language

Recent budget cuts in the Iowa City School District are highlighting alternative options for learning foreign languages. Officials said learning a language can play a role in benefiting students when competing on a global scale. The National Education Association refers to this as Global Competence.

Global Competence includes:

- International awareness
- Appreciation of cultural diversity
- Proficiency in foreign languages
- Competitive skills

“I think if it's peer tutoring or just online tutoring through the district, it would be extremely difficult [but] I think if it was a teacher who knows it better ... that it would

work a lot better,” said Lilly Brown, a junior at City High school. “I understand that the board had to make cuts ... but I still think that there are other ways to do it.”

CONFUCIUS

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learn about and experience other cultures,” Mullins said.

The institute offers music performances, hands-on arts and cooking workshops, and wellness and educational classes, Mull-

ins said. She said the services the Confucius Institute provides is the perfect opportunity for individuals, schools, and families to participate and learn more about Chinese culture.

Mullins said although the UI Confucius Institute remains the only one in Iowa, the program has grown significantly in the past eight

years as the U.S., along with many other countries, and China have worked together to help bridge the cultural differences through increased communication and interaction.

The Confucius Institute has expanded to more than 300 locations in 93 countries worldwide since it began,

ranging from Singapore to South Africa.

Wu Qianlong, Confucius Institute Chinese director at the University of Cape Town, said the program plays a significant role in promoting Chinese in South Africa. He said the institute has been well received by the student body and continues to grow in response

to heightened interest in Chinese culture.

“[The Confucius Institute] offers a channel for students to access positive information about present-day China and also promotes exchanges of students from UCT and other universities in China,” Qianlong said.

To match the increased interest in the Confucius In-

stitute, Ma said they plan to standardize their non-credit course curriculum and featured culture programs to provide better services to local Iowans.

Additionally, the institute plans to seek further cooperation opportunities with the UI College of Education and local school districts in the area of K-12 Chinese learning.

MUSEUM

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around the university including the work done by the driving simulator and the virtual soldier. No official plans have been set beyond the first exhibit.

The exhibits feature three pieces. The exhibit will feature fossils from the Ice Age, as Iowa soil covers the fossils of woolly mammoths more often than those of dinosaurs.

The other aspects will include the exhibit *Glenwood: Iowa's Ancient Agriculturalists*. The State Archaeologist's Office focused on the earliest culture and the town

of Glenwood, located in western Iowa, where the first farming in Iowa took place nearly 1,000 years ago.

The final exhibit centers on the Iowa Constitution, the building of the Old Capitol, and the forming of the UI.

Officials are hoping to expand the audience of the exhibits. Dan Reed, the UI vice president for Research and Economic Development, maintained the “fundamental issue” for the museum was its inability to reach past Iowa City residents.

“The aim is to really broaden the understanding of Iowans as to the research activities of the university and the way the university research affects

their lives,” Reed said.

The museums typically see 55,000 visitors a year, so instead of sending educators on the road with trunks of artifacts, museum officials board the black and gold RV.

“We wish we could show our museums to the whole state of Iowa, but we're rooted in Iowa City, so this is our chance to get the museum on the road,” said Trina Roberts, the associate director and curator of the UI Museum of Natural History.

Reed said the project is long-term, with content being refreshed once a year. Potential stops include schools, libraries, RAGBRAI, and the State Fair.



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Little sign of progress as Obama, Putin speak

WASHINGTON — Speaking for the first time in more than two weeks, President Barack Obama and Russian President Vladimir Putin showed little sign of agreement Monday, with the U.S. leader urging pro-Russian forces to de-escalate the situation in eastern Ukraine and Putin denying that Moscow was interfering in the region.

The White House said Russia initiated the phone call, which came as pro-Russian forces deepened their insurgency in Ukraine's east, seizing more than a dozen government buildings.

“The president expressed grave concern about Russian government support for the actions of armed, pro-Russian separatists who threaten to undermine and destabilize the government of Ukraine,” the White House said in a description of Obama's call with Putin. “The president emphasized that all irregular forces in the country need to lay down their arms, and he urged President Putin to use his influence with these armed, pro-Russian

groups to convince them to depart the buildings they have seized.”

In its own description of the call, the Kremlin said Putin told Obama reports of Russian interference in the region were “based on unreliable information.” The Russian leader also urged Obama to discourage the Ukrainian government from using force against those protesters.

Both sides did suggest that plans would go forward for talks Thursday in Geneva between the U.S., Russia, Ukraine, and Europe. But the White House said Obama told Putin that while a diplomatic solution remained his preferred option, “it cannot succeed in an environment of Russian military intimidation on Ukraine's borders, armed provocation within Ukraine, and escalatory rhetoric by Kremlin officials.”

U.S. officials say there is compelling evidence that Russia is fomenting the unrest in eastern Ukraine, but have suggested Obama has not yet concluded that Putin's actions warrant broader sanctions on key Russian economic sectors.

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We all know that President Barack Obama's health-care plan is this huge disaster that rivals the BP oil spill in its breadth, scope, and, well, oiliness.

Probably Obamacare is the greatest bumfoolery in human history since human beings first walked out of Africa all those many thousands of years before many conservatives believe the Earth was created.

(Hello, dinosaurs.)

Well, except not quite so. Yeah, the opening bombed. If Obamacare had been a Broadway show, it would have closed in a week (kind of like the Broadway show that then-Red Sox owner Harry Frazee financed with the money he made selling Babe Ruth to the New York Yankees).

But life isn't a Broadway show (and even the Red Sox finally bounced back, after a decade or eight), and Obamacare turned out to work. Well, turned out to work in the way U.S. government programs tend to work — that is, stiffly, groaningly, and grudgingly.

(Why this is so is one of the great mysteries of human life. European countries manage to have great health-care plans that work. But for some reason, Americans seem to be suspicious of health-care plans that work and thus opt for Rube Goldberg machines that grunt and grind and are easy to make fun of. Americans are the most curious examples of human beings since human beings first walked out of etc., etc.)

But Obamacare did work. More than 7.5 million Americans have signed up for it, even with all the hurdles. And the plan worked especially well in Kentucky, home of Sen. Mitch McConnell and Sen. Rand Paul, two of the plan's biggest and most outspoken opponents (oh, the sweetness of ancient Greek irony).

But. That having been

said, Obamacare is a creaky, groaning machine. How much better it would have been to have Germany's plan, for instance. (I used to live in Germany; nothing creaking or groaning about that health-care plan.)

Some of my favorite things about the health-care sign-up:

In the security section, among the options were "What is your favorite radio station?" — which briefly flummoxed me; I like WSUI, of course (listen locally, but I confess, I listen to WBUR out of Boston over the Internet), but I also like KGYM of Cedar Rapids because my old pal Todd Brommelkamp works there, and he is one of the best baseball analysts I've heard. Though, apparently, he's no better at picking teams in the NCAA Tournament than I am. (I will note that from 1998 to 2002, I won my tournament pool every even-numbered year. And no, since you ask, there were more than two people involved.)

My favorite option, though, was "Type a significant date in your life?" I mean, that's not a question; that's the imperative. It doesn't take a question mark, it takes a period.

A close second was "What is the nick name of your grandmother?" According to 31 dictionaries (including *American Heritage* and *Merriam-Webster*), "nickname" is one word. Though perhaps the government workers meant the familiar name of your nicked-up grandmother. Sheesh.

You just have to wonder when your typical government workers are no better at word usage and punctuation than your typical university undergraduates. Not to disparage your typical university undergraduates. Or your typical government workers.

(It's hard to imagine who would be more insulted.)

So, we have this Rube Goldberg machine of a health-care plan. It works, after a fashion. One of these days, perhaps even in your typical undergraduate's lifetime, say 2060 or so, we'll have a health-care plan that works as well as Germany's in 1992.

Don't hold your breath.

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EDITORIAL

Heartbleed threat endangers the Internet

In 2006, Apple began running its "Get a Mac" ad campaign, featuring a casually dressed "Mac" representative contrasted with the nerdy and business-professional "PC." At the time, Mac's relatively low market share made it less of a target for hackers and virus-makers, and so the campaign poked fun at the more virus-prone Windows operating system. The perceived vulnerabilities in the PC software made Macs a more attractive prospect for many consumers.

But a recently unveiled security threat dubbed Heartbleed isn't a virus. And it doesn't affect just one operating system. This dormant software bug has endangered the security of the traffic on the Internet itself.

The bug has to do with the way secure connections are kept open in the OpenSSL protocol, which is used by websites and software applications around the world. Publicly disclosed on April 7, Heartbleed is said to have affected around 17 percent of the Internet's "secure" web servers, allowing data protected by OpenSSL to be stolen and leading journalists and industry experts to characterize it as a catastrophic threat to the security of consumer sites.

Heartbleed is unlike most other security threats in that it has had an ad campaign of sorts to raise awareness. Finnish security testing company Codenomicon gave Heartbleed its name (taken from the vulnerable OpenSSL extension Heartbeat) as well as a distinctive, blood-dripping heart logo to go along with it, and affected sites have been sending emails to users in the past week notifying them of the vulnerability and encouraging them to change their passwords.

The most frustrating aspect of the ongoing Heartbleed debacle is twofold: First, that this disclosure comes too late to retroactively fix any damage done, and second, that there really is no way to determine the extent of that damage. Like a mudslide or a hurricane, we won't know the magnitude of the devastation until the debris has cleared. Hackers could have

already taken passwords or other secure data without our knowledge. In testing the vulnerability, heartbleed.com states, "We attacked ourselves from outside, without leaving a trace."

A fixed version of the encryption protocol has since been released, but the impetus is on service providers to update their infrastructure, and this loophole has been left open since 2012.

How could such a massive oversight have stood for so long? It's the same reason most security threats develop in open-source code, a community driven process that allows the guts of software to be examined and improved upon by anyone. It's not that no one has thought to check for vulnerabilities like Heartbleed. It's that everyone assumes someone else has.

Yet not everyone was left in the dark on Heartbleed. Bloomberg reported that the NSA not only knew about the bug but exploited it for years to its own ends, a charge vehemently denied by the agency. If true, it would mean the National Security Agency, oxymoronically, chose not to disclose a security vulnerability affecting the entire nation.

In the modern digital landscape, it's still the Wild West. Systematic regulation of the Internet is implausible and could cause more problems than it solves. The NSA is purportedly more interested in exploiting loopholes for its own purposes rather than alerting the public to their presence, and those working on open-source code such as OpenSSL can often be blinded by the notion that "someone" has checked for vulnerabilities. As it stands, no one is held accountable for the Internet. Until that changes, consumers need to watch out for themselves.

YOUR TURN

Do you think more needs to be done to stop online security breaches similar to Heartbleed? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Girl Up for education

An education is one of the most important things that any child can receive, but in developing countries, it is often an unattainable luxury. Of the children in these countries, it is often young girls who are denied an education, which can have detrimental effects on the community. Girl Up is trying to change that.

In association with the Iowa United Nations Association, Girl Up advocates equal opportunities for marginalized young girls. Members of Girl Up travel worldwide to provide educational opportunities to these girls, a crucial aspect of leading a healthy, safe, and leader-oriented life.

Traveling across the globe is not always necessary to support this cause;

there are always opportunities to help in your own community. Girl Up is hosting an open mike at the Iowa City Public Library on Thursday. This will give youths an opportunity to showcase talents and have their voice heard. Through raising awareness, we hope that one day each child has access to an education and that girls are better prepared to be leaders and help change the world.

Kristen Baron

Bystander intervention

Recently, the issue of sexual assault has been getting much more attention. The community has recognized the importance of being involved to change our rape culture. This is called bystander intervention. Although bystander inter-

vention does not only apply to sexual assault, its importance in this area is greatly recognized. In general terms, we can say that bystander intervention is accepting responsibility for taking action by not letting the victim be the only one accountable for her or his protection. It means speaking up for the injustices that we see and becoming allies.

Fortunately, this April, many organizations have worked on planning events that both raise awareness about sexual assault and educate on how to spot a perpetrator or be supportive to the victims.

Community involvement is the first step to change our rape culture. We recognize that this is not an issue that only affects a group or many, it affects us all. We all have met someone who has been sexually

assaulted. This makes us witnesses of their struggle. However, if we commit ourselves to do something, we can achieve wonderful results.

Bystander intervention not only means directly intervening to prevent or stop a sexual assault, it includes sharing your knowledge about this issue, believing the survivors' stories, using situations where rape jokes have been used to explain why those are not appropriate, etc. These are a few examples but we all have different approaches, so use yours. Think about what you feel comfortable with doing to attack this issue. Plan your own strategy to change your future, your children's, and your grandchildren's because they will be raised in the culture that, today, you promote, build, and perpetuate.

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COLUMN

Reckoning with Iraq's legacy



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If you get the chance, take the trip to Film-Scene, the independent movie theater on the Pedestrian Mall, and shell out the cash to see *The Unknown Known*, the latest documentary by Errol Morris which examines the career of former Secretary of Defense and Iraq War architect Donald Rumsfeld. The film itself is somewhat weak, giving only a cursory overview of Rumsfeld's career and ideological motivations. Morris' previous exploration of Vietnam-era Defense Secretary Robert McNamara was a much more interesting and penetrative examination of hubris, American foreign policy, and the politics of war.

The Unknown Known does, however, provide yet another opportunity to see, up close and person-

al, the utter drivel that defined both the (horrendously weak) case that defined the Iraq War and the bombastic yet sophomoric rhetoric espoused by administration officials during this time (whether it was Rumsfeld's "Unknown Known" nonsense or Bush's "Axis of Evil" proclamation). Rumsfeld provides the usual smoke-screens to cover up lying about Iraqi WMDs, the horrors of Abu Ghraib, the creation of the torture regime based in Guantánamo Bay, and all the other evils that emerged in the Bush years.

Watching this snake oil salesman attempt to con his way out of responsibility for what Rachel Maddow brilliantly described as "the original sin of the 21st century," it's almost impossible to dwell on the fact that Rumsfeld and his confederates have never faced any form of accountability for their actions.

In the years since ignominiously leaving the Pentagon, Rumsfeld has enjoyed the fancies of a comfortable retirement. Bush's National Security Adviser and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice,

who pushed the war and parroted the lie that Saddam Hussein had nuclear weapons, was rewarded with membership in the posh Augusta Golf Club and tours the speaking circuit for generous fees. George Tenet, the head of the CIA who personally shilled the administration's WMD case by essentially suppressing the evidence refuting it, also wrote a memoir and was rewarded with the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Former Vice President Dick Cheney, the main saber-rattler against Saddam and one of the more strident supporters of torture, wrote a memoir (surprise, surprise) and spends his spare time being sought after by the major TV networks for his opinion on the current president's foreign policy. And the grandmaster of deceit himself, former President George W. Bush, published the requisite memoir, and paints stunning watercolors of his Texas home and fellow former/current world leaders.

That these people, who lied to the American people about WMDs, who

used an atmosphere of fear and paranoia that arose from 9/11 to prop up support for a war of aggression, who created an apparatus of torture and surveillance that betrays the very foundations of American democracy, who are responsible for the deaths of 4,500 Americans and around 100,000 Iraqis and the complete collapse of Iraqi society (with large swathes of the country now under jihadi control) have been punished with a severity reserved for a child who has spilled his glass of milk.

It doesn't matter that the invasion was 11 years ago or that the war has been over for three years. The war and its effects were a crime perpetrated upon the people of Iraq and the United States, and the culprits have not been held accountable. It is far past due time for some sort of truth and reconciliation committee, similar to South Africa's post-apartheid assembly, to investigate and dole out, if not punishment, a semblance of responsibility for these crimes. This shouldn't be the job of Errol Morris. It should be the job of Congress.

Post, Guardian win Pulitzer Prizes



In this photo provided by the *New York Times*, Michele McNally (center) director of photography and assistant managing editor of *Times*, is flanked by photographers Tyler Hicks (left) and Josh Haner after it was announced on Monday that Hicks and Haner had won Pulitzer Prizes for their work. (Associated Press/ New York Times, Richard Perry)

By MEGHAN BARR
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The *Washington Post* and the *Guardian* won the Pulitzer Prize in public service Monday for revealing the U.S. government's sweeping surveillance programs in a blockbuster series of stories based on secret documents supplied by NSA leaker Edward Snowden.

The Pulitzer for breaking news was awarded to the *Boston Globe* for its "exhaustive and empathetic" coverage of the Boston Marathon bombing and the manhunt that followed.

Two of the nation's biggest and most distinguished newspapers, *The Post* and the *New York Times*, won two Pulitzers each, while the other awards were scattered among a variety of publications large and small.

The stories about the National Security Agency's spy programs revealed that the government has systematically collected information on millions of Americans' phone calls and emails in its effort to head off terrorist attacks. The resulting furor led President Barack Obama to impose limits on the surveillance.

The reporting "helped stimulate the very important discussion about the balance between privacy and security, and that discussion is still going on," said Sig Gissler, administrator of the Pulitzer Prizes.

The NSA stories were written by Barton Gellman at the *Washington Post* and Glenn Greenwald, Laura Poitras, and Ewen MacAskill, whose work was published by the *Guardian US*, the British newspaper's

American operation, based in New York.

"I think this is amazing news," Poitras said. "It's a testament to Snowden's courage, a vindication of his courage and his desire to let the public know what the government is doing."

Snowden, a former contract employee at the NSA, has been charged with espionage and other offenses in the United States and could get 30 years in prison if convicted. He has received asylum in Russia.

In a statement issued by the Freedom of the Press Foundation, Snowden saluted "the brave reporters and their colleagues who kept working in the face of extraordinary intimidation, including the forced de-

"These reporters faced long odds. They had to visit dicey neighborhoods late at night. They had to encourage county officials to be courageous and come forth with records."

— Neil Brown, *Tampa Bay Times* editor and a *Daily Iowan* alum

struction of journalistic materials, the inappropriate use of terrorism laws, and so many other means of pressure to get them to stop."

Snowden's supporters have likened his disclosures to the release of the Pentagon Papers, the secret Vietnam War history whose publication by the *New York Times* in 1971 won the newspaper a Pulitzer. His critics have branded him a criminal.

"To be rewarding illegal conduct, to be enabling a traitor like Snowden, to me is not something that should be rewarded with a Pulitzer Prize," said Rep. Peter King, R-N.Y. "Snowden has violated his oath. He has put American lives at risk."

The *Tampa Bay Times'* Will Hobson and Michael

LaForgia in Florida won in local reporting for writing about squalid housing for the homeless.

"These reporters faced long odds. They had to visit dicey neighborhoods late at night. They had to encourage county officials to be courageous and come forth with records," said Neil Brown, the *Tampa Bay Times* editor and vice president and a *Daily Iowan* alum. "And in the end, what they were ultimately doing was standing up for people who had no champion and no advocate."

At the *Boston Globe*, the newsroom was closed off to outsiders, and staff members marked the announcement of the breaking-news award — coming just a day before the anniversary of the bombing —

with a moment of silence for the victims.

"There's nobody in this room who wanted to cover

this story. Each and every one of us hopes that nothing like it ever happens again on our watch," *Globe* Editor Brian McGrory told the newsroom.

The bombing last April 15 that killed three people and wounded more than 260 also led to a Pulitzer in the feature photography category for Josh Haner of the *New York Times*, for his photo essay on a blast victim who lost his legs.

The *Times* also won in the breaking-news photography category for Tyler Hicks' coverage of the Westgate mall terrorist attack in Kenya.

The *Washington Post* won a second Pulitzer in the explanatory reporting category for Eli Saslow's look at food stamps in America.

Grad-student grants rise

The Executive Council provides more grants to students.

By CHRIS HIGGINS
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More students will have the opportunity to do research following the increase in grant funding.

The Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students has both received more applications for grant funding and accepted more applications for such funds. The group provides grants to students for travel, service, and research.

The council received 760 grants applications for this school year by March, compared with 400 by the same time last year. Thus far, the council has awarded 234 grants.

"Those are big increases," said Executive Council President Ben Gillig. "I think it's indicative of the way we've streamlined the application process."

Previously, the group offered four grant programs with unique application and evaluation procedures. The council paid \$5,000 for a consolidated online replacement.

"The process was simply so disorganized," Gillig said. "We used to rely on paper applications and paper forms, and that just quickly became so incredibly unwieldy."

In particular, the amount in awarded research grants so far has risen to \$31,780 across 41 grants. Roughly \$26,100 was awarded last

year. There have been 167 applications, while there were around 100 by March last year.

"Part of this follows the sort of ebbs and flow of graduate enrollment," Gillig said. "At certain times, there are simply more students at the dissertation phase or the [post-comprehensive examination] phase that they're ready to focus more intently on their research, but I do think students are sort of dreaming bigger in terms of their dissertation proposals, in terms of the of the data and the experiments they want to do."

Eugene Parker, a fourth-year doctoral student in educational policy and leadership studies, applied for and received a research grant.

"It was an easy process," he said. "It was pretty straightforward. The application was simple and easy to complete."

Parker said he will use the grant to aid his dissertation. He did not apply for a grant last year because it was not necessary.

In addition, the Executive Council has received 492 travel grant applications, up from approximately 300 last year. The council has awarded 179 travel grant applications, totaling \$49,600 this year.

The council has received 25 service applications, up from 10 last year, and awarded 14 of the applicants, which

totalled \$5,425. Last year, the group gave out \$37,000 for travel and \$9,000 for service.

The council will dole out up to \$100,000 this school year. It uses money it receives from student activity fees for grants, some of which rolled over from the previous year because of lower program interest and other reasons.

"When we provide any type of funding ... not every dollar we allocate ends up being used for whatever reason whether they receive funding from other sources, they spend less than had originally budgeting, or some combination of those things," Gillig said. "We usually have money left over at the end of the year."

The Executive Council has completed six cycles of funding approval with one remaining, an increase over previous years. The last cycle's data still must be sorted.

"My predecessors were unable to complete all of the funding cycles," Gillig said. "This year is the first year in memory that we've had so many funding cycles."

One university official is pleased at the increase.

"It's great that they are able to do that," said Graduate College Dean John Keller. "Anytime there's an increased level of support for graduate students, that's a good thing."

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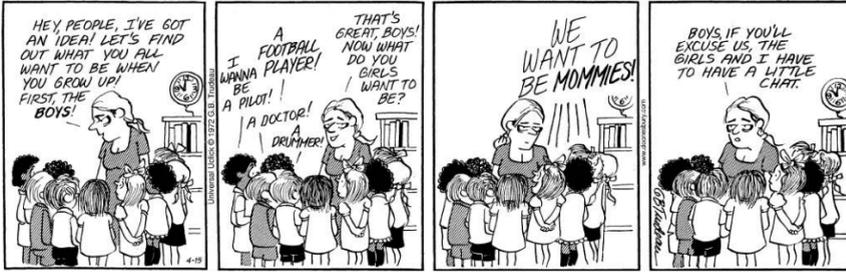
Know Your Ledge Author:

- I consider myself a decent cook, but in reality, my only hope of ever being on "Iron Chef" is as the secret ingredient when America finally allows cannibalism in 2016.
- In fifth grade, my band instructor wouldn't let me play the saxophone because it was too popular, and I've always felt nurses should do that for baby names.
- I always have trouble getting back in the swing of things the first year back after a weeklong vacation.
- If I can make JUST ONE person laugh each day with my jokes, then I can consider myself a failed comedian.
- Whenever I see a shoe on the side of the road, I spend pretty much the rest of my drive in concentrated silence, concocting a series of elaborate backstories about how and why it got there. Aliens are almost always involved.
- By far, the longest part of my morning commute is from my bedroom to the coffee maker.
- I spend far more time peering through my blinds and grumbling about the people across the street than I ever thought I would have at this age.
- I have officially mastered the skill of closing Facebook, then immediately opening up a new tab and absentmindedly going to Facebook. 10,000 hours well spent.

Andrew R. Juhl thanks Jayne Sanderson for contributing to today's Ledge.

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



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- **Chemistry Three-Month Seminar,** "Expanding Functional Group Diversity in the Solid State: Studies of Terminal Alkynes and 1,2,3-Triazole Rings," Rebecca Laird, 1 p.m., W 323 Chemistry Building
- **Operator Theory Seminar,** "Some Structural Results for Von Neumann Algebras Associated with Braid Groups," Ionut Chifan, 1:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen
- **Math Physics Seminar,** "TBA," Fritz Coester, 2:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen
- **Diversity Catalyst Awards,** 3 p.m., IMU Second-Floor Ballroom
- **Microbiology Seminar,** "To Build a Biofilm," George O'Toole, Dartmouth, 3 p.m., Bowen Watzke Auditorium
- **School of Art and Art History Lecture,** "Contemplating an Empire: Greek Artistic Responses to the Neo-Assyrian World," Ann Gunter, Northwestern University, 5:30 p.m., 116 Art Building West
- **Community Based Participatory Research to Address Health Disparities,** Cynthia "Cee" Barnes-Boyd, 6 p.m. 22 Nursing Building
- **What If ... we moved to a sustainable economy/society?** Iowa Public Policy Center, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room A
- **School of Music Presents: Iowa Brass Quintet,** 7:30 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall

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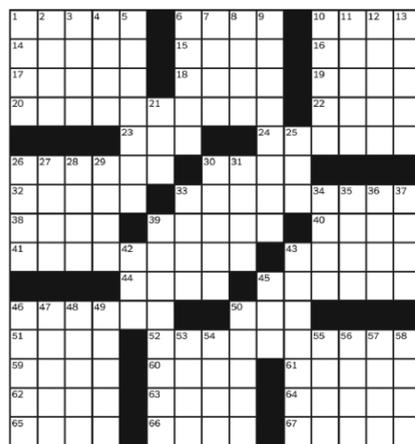
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0311

- ACROSS**
- 1 Like yesterday's news
 - 6 "Must be done NOW!"
 - 10 Reduce to a pulp
 - 14 Lugs
 - 15 Latvia's capital
 - 16 It may be just a hunch
 - 17 Underway
 - 18 Blend
 - 19 Boxers
 - 20 Idles
 - 22 Fey of "30 Rock"
 - 23 Souvenir of Maui, maybe
 - 24 How money may be won or lost
 - 26 Like windows
 - 30 Window segment
 - 32 Monday, in Madrid
 - 33 Allied supply route to China during W.W. II
 - 38 Olympic skating champ Kulik
 - 39 Physics Nobel of 1903 and Chemistry Nobel of 1911
 - 40 Toasted waffle
 - 41 Having a rounded end, as pliers
 - 43 Tête topper
 - 44 Big name in audio speakers
 - 45 Fracas
 - 46 Minor improvement in the Dow
 - 50 Shout of inspiration
 - 51 Thomas who wrote "Death in Venice"
 - 52 Sycamore tree
 - 59 "No ___" (reassuring words)
 - 60 Spanish eight
 - 61 Tolkien's ring bearer
 - 62 Caesar's rebuke to Brutus
 - 63 Lena of "Chocolat"
 - 64 Supply, as a new ingredient
- DOWN**
- 1 Blind guess
 - 2 Protein source for vegetarians
 - 3 Tiny bit
 - 4 Some summer babies
 - 5 Topics for probate courts
 - 6 Flaming felony
 - 7 In ___ (undisturbed)
 - 8 Opposed to, to Li'l Abner
 - 9 "Scusi"
 - 10 Autodom's MX-5
 - 11 Wing it
 - 12 What the Left Bank is a bank of
 - 13 Attacks with vigor
 - 21 "Far out, man!"
 - 25 Three R's org.
 - 26 Smooth-talking
 - 27 She's back in town, in a Fats Waller song
 - 28 Blue dye source
 - 29 Fervor
 - 30 Baby food, typically
 - 31 Like much of the Southwest
 - 33 Smooch
 - 34 Recite quickly, with "off"
 - 35 Brute
 - 36 James who wrote "Let Us Now Praise Famous Men"
 - 37 "I" and "J" tops



PUZZLE BY MEL ROSEN

- 39 Volume that requires lots of preparations to compile?
- 42 "Parks and Recreation" network
- 43 Casual type of chair
- 45 Unit of electrical conductance
- 46 Made calls, in baseball
- 47 New Year's Eve staple
- 48 Federal security, for short
- 49 About to bloom ... or a hint to 20-, 33-, 41- and 52-Across
- 50 Observe Yom Kippur
- 53 Pac-12 basketball powerhouse
- 54 Slender
- 55 Broad
- 56 Ye ___ Shoppe
- 57 Kimono securers
- 58 Puzzle solver's happy shout

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horoscopes Tuesday, April 15, 2014 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Business and personal partnerships will experience difficulties and must be handled with care. Overreacting or making assumptions will lead to regrets. A deal, contract, or settlement is best dealt with honesty and with integrity and openness. Don't mix business with pleasure.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You can talk matters over and make suggestions, but don't expect everyone to see things your way. As long as you do your best and offer positive, progressive ideas, you will have no regrets. An important personal relationship will bring you good fortune.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Look for more ways to put your skills, talents, and the things you enjoy doing most into effect when it comes to moneymaking opportunities. Offering a diverse service will grab attention. Keep personal changes to a minimum.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Put more time and effort into personal plans and self-improvement. Avoid dealing with people who are demanding. The changes others make must not be allowed to disrupt your course of action. Make a point to learn something unique or unusual.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Travel, conferences, trade shows, or any form of event or activity that will broaden your horizons and give you incentive to plunge into something extraordinary will pay off. Take a challenge and run with it and you will surpass your goal.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Easy does it. You may be in the mood to get things done, but leaving a little wiggle room to make last-minute adjustments will be necessary. Precision, dedication, and leaving nothing to chance will be your ticket to success.

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Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits. — Mark Twain

Gymnasts stay busy

After failing to meet expectations at the NCAA championships, the Hawkeyes begin to prepare for next season.

By JACK ROSSI
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The gymnastics season has come to a close. After three months of competition, the Iowa men's gymnastics team fell short of its expectations, and now, the team looks toward the off-season.

This will be the team's second off-season under head coach J.D. Reive in which the team will compete in numerous off-season activities and competitions. Reive likes to keep the gymnasts active during the off-season, and it has paid off. The Hawks' high score jumped 11 points in just one season, from 426 in 2013 to 437 this season.

They want to do the same thing over the next year.

"We've got a fantastic group of guys who are staying and training, and we've got the entire signed freshman class coming in early to begin classes and train with us because they want to," Reive said.

With a gym about to be full of eager gymnasts, he has everything planned to the last detail, noting that this is the time to learn and improve the most.

"We've got a super clear path ahead of us of exactly what needs to be done, whether it's the individual kid or the event total and the skills that need to be learned," he said. "We know what we need to acquire, what we need to master, where we

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— J.D. Reive, head coach

need to put in our time, and on top of that, we have a bunch of guys who are competing in off-season competitions."

Freshman Cory Paterson is one of those gymnasts who will compete this summer.

Paterson competed in the 2013 Pacific Rim and the 2013 University Games before coming to the Iowa program. He is also a nine-year member of the Canadian National team. This summer, Paterson plans to stay at Iowa to continue to improve by using the off-season to its fullest.

"At the end of May I am competing in the Canadian National Championships — other than that, I will compete in any other international assignments I am giv-

en," Paterson said. "But my main focus right now is for next season and to get my difficulty and skills up, because last year I didn't really have a summer to train because I was in Russia competing."

Other gymnasts will also compete in such events as the Commonwealth Games, U.S. Qualifiers at the Olympic training center, and the P&G Championships. These are premium events with talented gymnasts from around the world competing in them.

Redshirt junior Lance Alberhasky, who is entering his last off-season with the program, noted that Reive has picked up the intensity in the gym.

"This year, [Reive] added more numbers, and we pushed ourselves more," Alberhasky said. "A couple of us are doing the U.S. Qualifiers, and that competition qualifies us for the P&G Championships in August. That's the plan for a lot of us. We also have some international guys doing the Commonwealth Games, too. It's going to be a pretty busy summer, but we're looking forward to it."

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Patrick aces the season

Iowa men's tennis player Dominic Patrick leads the team in wins as a sophomore.

By JORDAN BUCHER
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Dominic Patrick's decision to become a Hawkeye has paid dividends for him and the team, and it all started with the tennis prodigy's whim of an email.

"I emailed [head coach Steve] Houghton and a few other Big Ten schools on a whim, and it took off from there," said Patrick, a native of Gilbert, Ariz. "I thought the academics were good and loved the campus and the team. We have made it a long way from where we started."

Over the course of the past year, the sophomore has seen tremendous improvement in his game and has established himself as a key player for the Hawkeyes.

Patrick leads the team in singles wins, posting a 14-6 record so far this

season. Close behind him is Iowa's top-rated singles player, senior Jonas Dierckx, who has compiled 12 wins.

It hasn't always been picture-perfect for Patrick, who experienced his fair share of ups and downs during his first year in the program, as most freshmen do. He primarily played at the No. 5 singles position, recording a 15-18 record in his first season.

'We all knew what he was capable of by the way he played in practice. His problem was that he didn't play the same way in matches.'

— Jonas Dierckx, senior UI tennis player

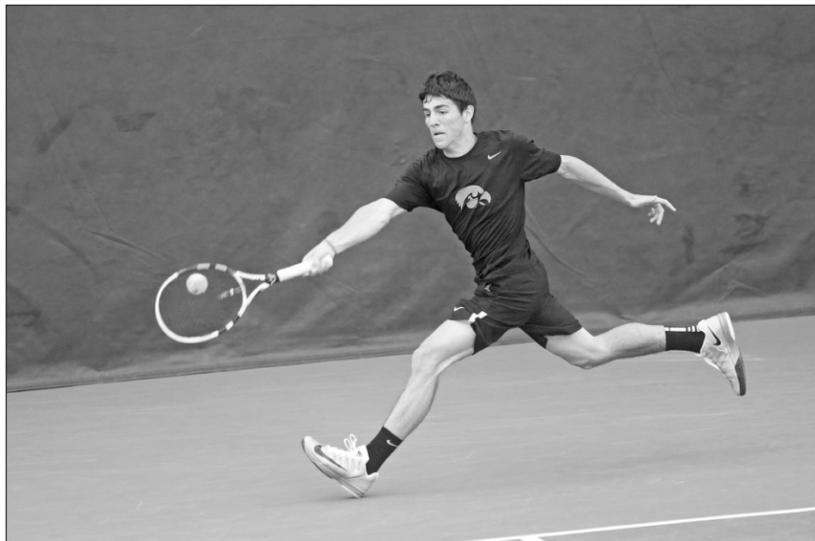
"Dominic has really improved this semester. He has been really going for his shots this season, and it took him a few wins to realize how good of a player he actually is," Dierckx said. "He has put a lot of wins on the board for us already, and that's not an easy thing to do as a sophomore.

"We all knew what he was capable of by the way he played in practice. His problem was that he didn't play the same way in matches."

That has no longer been the case for Patrick, who has delivered on several occasions for the Hawkeyes this year. He credits much of his success this season to Iowa's new assistant coach, Ross Wilson, who has brought a new style of play and a more "tennis-focused" mindset to the Hawkeye program.

"It has a lot to do with taking what Coach Wilson says, his view on the game, and adapting to the way he wants me to play," Patrick said. "He was successful as a player, so if we take what he has to say and put it in action, it will give us a chance to be successful."

His success this season hasn't gone un-



Iowa player Dominic Patrick lunges for the ball against Northwestern in the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Sunday. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

noticed by his family. Despite being 1,500 miles away from home, he has a solid fan base for every one of his home matches — his grandparents, Bill and Shirley Patrick. Patrick's grandparents attended all three of Iowa's home meets last week. The two-hour drive from Rochelle, Ill. is well worth it for them and for Dominic Patrick, who refers to them as his good-luck charms.

In Patrick's singles win against Indiana on April 6,

Shirley Patrick was seen crossing her fingers in a tight third set tiebreaker, which he clinched, 10-7, to win the match.

In the last home meet of the season, against Northwestern on Sunday, the kind-spirited couple came decked out in Iowa gear and showed their youthful side by sporting thick, bright yellow Hawkeye sweatbands across their foreheads — the kind tennis players wear in their matches.

"We love being able to

come over and watch him play," Bill Patrick said. "He's a great kid, and we are a close family that always stays in contact. A little family always helps in matches."

For Dominic Patrick, it means the world to have his good-luck charms there to see him play — and win.

"It's awesome to have them here," Patrick said. "They didn't get to see me grow up and play, but now they get to see the finished result, which is special."

FOOTBALL

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Morris — "He coached James last year as hard as I did," Reid said on April 2.

This spring, the seemingly always-loose Alston can be caught singing and whistling during stretches and practices. He's constantly encouraging and teaching his teammates on the sidelines.

"He's actually pretty

funny," fellow senior Carl Davis said. "He likes to have a good time. But he leads by example."

Davis wasn't surprised when Alston took Fisher aside on the sidelines. It's something he's long done, because it's always to

help better the defense.

"He'll even talk with me sometimes," Davis said. "We have great communication. If we see something that's wrong with the defense, we'll communicate, and he'll address it. He's not going to yell

at you. He just wants to fix the problems."

That approach has helped Alston earn the respect of his teammates. Iowa strong safety John Lowdermilk echoed what Davis said of Alston, saying that people follow

him and listen when he speaks.

"When we came in as freshman year, he was the leader of our freshman class," Lowdermilk said. "He's very vocal and a hard worker. That's just his personality."

BASEBALL

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game, 14-13, they stormed back in the April 12 double-header and showed everyone that they are still a force to be reckoned with.

They're a team in its first year with a new head coach, and for the most part, the Hawks are just now learning what it takes to win on a consistent basis in the Big Ten.

So while the loss was certainly alarming, it's the sort of growing pains you would expect from a team with a brand-new coaching staff.

Buy or sell: Iowa is better than its 5-7 Big Ten record may suggest.

Sheyko: Sell. In a perfect world, Iowa would have a couple of more wins under its belt. The Hawkeyes have lost four games by 2 runs or fewer, so in that sense, Iowa's record may be a little deceiving.

But winning close games — to some extent — is a skill. And it's one that Iowa has not yet fully grasped. Consistent relief pitching and opportunistic hitting will go a long way for Iowa to improve from a good Big Ten team to one of the conference's elite.

Rodriguez: Sell. While I don't think Rick Heller's squad is necessarily worse than its conference record would show, I don't think it seriously under values them either.

The Hawks have loads of talent, and if they con-

tinue to progress, they could emerge as a real threat come tournament time, but as of right now, they're not quite there.

So in essence, a 5-7-conference mark is fairly telling so far. They have had some impressive showings in losses against tough schools such as Nebraska and Michigan; however, the Black and Gold still have to find a way to rise to the level of their competition to earn some Ws.

Buy or sell: Iowa will pick up another nonconference win against Western Illinois.

Sheyko: Buy. Despite losing some close games and just flat out blowing a prime opportunity to pick up a Big Ten series sweep, Iowa is still playing argu-

ably its best baseball of the season.

As the weather in the Midwest has heated up, so have the Hawkeyes' bats. They're no longer struggling with knocking runners in scoring position in, and their starting pitching has seemingly hit some stride of consistency. All in all, Iowa is the better baseball team.

Rodriguez: Sell. After a huge double-header sweep at Northwestern last weekend, the Black and Gold are in prime position for a letdown loss in classic trap-game fashion.

Blake Hickman will be on the mound for the Hawkeyes, and while he has a powerful arm, he struggled finding the strike zone for Iowa in his last appearance, as evidenced by his 7.15 ERA.

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medium-length events as well as the relays, and they have been solid. Look for these three to make an impact the rest of the season and, hopefully, in their careers.

Long distance and combined events: C-

The best way to describe the distance and combined events this season is to say they have been mediocre at best. They started off the season poorly at the Arizona State Invitational and have not improved much since. There has been a bit of a bright spot — junior Ben Witt has started to run better recently, and freshman Kevin Docherty will continue to get better with experience.

As for the combined events, most notably the decathlon, assistant coach Molly Jones has her work cut out for her. Of the athletes that participate, only senior Jack Eckert is eligible to compete. The rest have either exhausted their eligibility or are redshirting.

Jumps: B+

Junior Babatunde Amosu and sophomore Klyvens Delaunay highlight the group of jumpers this season for the Hawks. Both triple jumpers excelled in the indoor season and despite being sparsely used during the outdoor season thus far, will be valuable come the Big Ten meet.

High and long jumps have also been good to the Hawkeyes. Sophomore Kevin Spejcher is one of the few high jumpers on the team, and he has competed well, winning the event at last weekend's Illinois Twilight meet.

Throws: A-

The throwers, especially junior Gabe Hull, have been brilliant this season. Hull specializes in the shot put and discus and will also occasionally throw the hammer. Amazingly, he has scored points in every event that he has entered this season.

Freshman Avery Meyers and senior Drew Clark have also contributed in the shot and discus. Javelin is also in good hands — Sam Joens

has won a meet this year. Throws and other field events give Iowa the majority of its points, and that will probably continue.

Midseason MVP: senior captain Tevin-Cee Mincy

Mincy is a glue guy who gets the team going. He isn't having the greatest start to his last outdoor season, but he is a talented athlete who will show up in the biggest meets. He trains with Wilson and is certainly responsible for some of his brilliance this year.

What needs to improve for Iowa to have a shot at a top-five Big Ten finish?

This sounds obvious, but Iowa needs to be completely healthy. The Hawks aren't the most talented team in the Big Ten, but if they are at full strength, many on the team have the capability to run with the best.

Head coach Layne Anderson says the Hawkeyes are an outdoor team, so time will tell if they improve upon their 10th-place indoor-season finish.


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**BIG TEN HONORS
KUEBEL**

Iowa pitcher Sasha Kuebel was named the Big Ten Co-Picher of the Week on Monday.

The Hawkeye junior shared the award with Ohio State's Greg Greve, the second of Kuebel's career.

During Iowa's 5-3 victory over Kansas, Kuebel threw 5.2 innings in relief, allowing 1 run and striking out six. Kuebel pitched his first career complete-game shutout during the second game of an April 12 double-header at Northwestern. He gave up 8 hits and struck out 6 with 1 walk in the 5-0 victory.

Kuebel joins Calvin Mathews as the second Hawkeye to earn the weekly pitching honor, the fourth Hawkeye to win a weekly award this season.

Iowa will host Western Illinois at 6:30 p.m. today.

— by Jordyn Reiland



Iowa's Sasha Kuebel pitches against Wisconsin-Milwaukee at Banks Field on April 30, 2013. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

**HEAT LOSE; PACERS
GET TOP SEED**



Washington Wizard forward Al Harrington (7) guards Miami Heat forward Michael Beasley (8) in the second half on Monday in Washington. (Associated Press/Alex Brandon)

WASHINGTON (AP) — LeBron James' only visible significant role was that of postgame heckler, interrupting Michael Beasley's interview amid a loose, upbeat locker room that normally wouldn't jibe with a 21-point loss — or throwing in a towel in the race for a No. 1 seed.

James and Chris Bosh took the night off Monday, and the Heat were beaten, 114-93, by the Washington Wizards in a no-contest game that guaranteed the Eastern Conference's top seed for the Indiana Pacers.

So, no disappointment at all? "There would be no disappointment," said Dwyane Wade, who played because he needed some minutes after his recent nine-game layoff with a hamstring injury. "When the playoffs start, we have a new season, and we will be looking forward to it."

So the Pacers are locked in to a first-round series against the eighth-seeded Atlanta Hawks, while the two-time defending champion Heat get the No. 2 seed and either the Wizards or the Charlotte Bobcats. Miami began the day still in contention for the top spot, but they would have needed to win their last two games and have Indiana lose to Orlando on Wednesday because the Pacers hold the head-to-head tiebreaker.

Figuring it would be better to be fresh for the postseason, Heat coach Erik Spoelstra sat two of his Big Three, saying they were dealing with "minor ailments" from "the residual of a long season."

"It was out of our control. Those guys put in a lot of mileage," Spoelstra said.

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MLB
Pittsburgh 7, Cincinnati 7 (suspended)
Atlanta 9, Philadelphia 6
Baltimore 7, Tampa Bay 1
Washington 9, Miami 2
St. Louis 4, Milwaukee 0

NBA
Philadelphia 113, Boston 108
Toronto 110, Milwaukee 100
Washington 114, Miami 93
Charlotte 95, Atlanta 93
Chicago 108, Orlando 95
Houston 104, San Antonio 98
New Orleans 101, Oklahoma City 89

WHAT TO WATCH

Soccer: Arsenal vs. West Ham, 1:45 p.m., NBCSN

2014 SPRING FOOTBALL

Linebacker as a teacher



Iowa linebacker Quinton Alston holds the ball during the spring practice in Valley Stadium in West Des Moines on April 12. The football team will hold its spring game on April 26. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

Quinton Alston is primed to become Iowa's next middle linebacker and, in the process, the leader of the Hawkeye defense.

By **CODY GOODWIN**
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"Can I have a piece of paper?" Quinton Alston approached this reporter on the Valley Stadium sidelines on April 12 with that question. He wanted a piece of paper because he needed to teach something.

So he took one, said "Thank you," and walked over to a cooler. There, with teammate Cole Fisher at his side, he drew up some Xs and Os. The offense was doing something that perhaps confused Fisher, so Alston decided to nip the bad habit in the bud, right there, in the windy heat of West Des Moines.

Alston, of course, is poised to be Iowa's new starting middle linebacker. But that

worries some Iowa fans. Truth be told, the whole linebacking corps for the 2014 season concerns the Black and Gold faithful a little bit and for good reason. Whoever steps into the shoes once filled by James Morris, Anthony Hitchens, and Christian Kirksey will be, in a word used a lot by head football coach Kirk Ferentz, inexperienced.

The 6-1, 232-pound Alston will likely be under the brightest and most-watched spotlight. He's set to take over perhaps the most important position on the defense after seeing limited action over the last three seasons (just 24 total tackles while seeing action in 29 games).

But even with the inexperience, Ferentz has constantly praised Alston this spring,

saying that he's done a good job of leading the defense. A prime example was his mentoring of Fisher on April 12, as it garnered the attention of nearly every media member on the sidelines.

"He's done a great job," Ferentz said. "He was right there last year. He just wasn't on the field as much."

Indeed, Alston saw his most game action last year (13 games, 12 tackles and a fumble recovery). He knows Phil Parker's defense as well as anybody and shows it in his demeanor. He is a senior, after all.

That kind of confidence has been seen in a number of ways. Last year, Alston helped defensive assistant Jim Reid coach critique

SEE FOOTBALL, 8

BUY OR SELL

Examining Hawkeye baseball



Iowa catcher Blake Hickman talks to pitcher Tyler Radtke during the game against Indiana at Banks Field on April 7. The Hoosiers won, 5-3. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

Following a series win over Northwestern, the Hawkeyes are now more than halfway through the regular season. *The Daily Iowan's* baseball reporters look at some key questions as Iowa prepares for Western Illinois.

By **JACOB SHEYKO AND RYAN RODRIGUEZ**
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Buy or sell: Iowa's series against Northwestern should be considered a disappointment.

Sheyko: Buy. Iowa took

two out of three games from Northwestern, but it's the worst team in the Big Ten. With that loss, Iowa joined Minnesota as the only Big Ten teams to lose to the Wildcats.

Combine this with the fact that Iowa blew a 10-run lead in the first game of the series, and one should consid-

er that series a disappointment. Had they won that game, it would have been the Hawkeyes first Big Ten series sweep of the season.

Rodriguez: Sell. While the Hawks managed to blow a 10-run lead in the seventh inning and lose the first

SEE BASEBALL, 8

Field events spark Hawkeyes

The Hawkeyes have improved over their outdoor season, but by how much?

By **JORDAN HANSEN**
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With three weekends of meets in the books, Iowa has reached the halfway point of the outdoor season. After a bitter ending to the indoor season, spring has presented a rejuvenated track squad that is literally making leaps and bounds.

Short and Medium distance/Relays: B

This season, Hawkeye short-distance runners have been something of an up-and-down affair. Senior Tevin-Cee Mincy and sophomore James Harrington have been fighting injuries during the last part of the indoor season and first part of the outdoor season, so the coaches seemed hesitant to run them too much.

However, a nice surprise has been found in the freshman trio of O'Shea Wilson, Jared Ganschow, and Aaron Mallett. All compete in sprints and

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