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Coming through individually



Margalea Warner, a secretary at the UIHC, listens to a speech before the start of the National Alliance on Mental Illness walk on April 26 in Terry Trueblood Recreation Area. The organization works to help individuals achieve what Warner calls "mental wholeness." (The Daily Iowan/Mariah Green)

A Coralville woman counts her keys to coming back.

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In an effort to better express herself, Margalea chose to write some of her responses.

Margalea Warner remembers a time when she could hear and see things around her that others could not. She writes:

"My childhood was largely joyful, the child of older parents who cherished their late-in-life child. But I do

remember a time when I ran a fever and I heard growling, vibrating, terrifying noises. My mother came to comfort me and rubbed me with a cotton ball dipped in perfume, and the terror went away."

The 54-year-old, who now lives in Coralville, is one of approximately 2.4 million Americans living with schizophrenia — a disorder that causes people to have a hard time differentiating between what is real

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One in Five

This is the third in a three-part series featuring three individuals who battle mental illness. The series delves into three mental illnesses — major depression, bipolar 1, and schizophrenia. One in five people suffer from mental illness around the nation.

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Tuesday: Phil Steffensmeier
Today: Margalea Warner

House moves on e-cigs

The Iowa House passed a bill banning electronic cigarette sales to minors, 74-23, on Tuesday.

By BRENT GRIFFITHS
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Gov. Terry Branstad will have the final decision on whether to ban selling electronic cigarettes to minors after a bill cleared the Statehouse on Tuesday.

The House voted 74-23 to agree with changes the Senate made to House File 2109, after originally passing the measure on Feb. 11. Democrats who control the Senate fought

to include both non-nicotine and nicotine e-cigarettes in the bill.

Rep. Chip Baltimore, R-Boone, remains opposed to the idea behind regulating non-nicotine devices, but a variety of factors caused him to acquiesce.

"Philosophically, it's still a challenge for me to accept that we're essentially regulating behavior," he said. "In an effort to reach a compromise, which still gets the main goal accomplished, and

understanding the practical difficulties for law enforcement, we made this small compromise."

Baltimore said the whole concept of the bill is to keep nicotine out of the hands of children — something that was unaffected by the deal. Republicans were also able to thwart people who wanted to take the bill "much, much further" and make it something it was not

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Fighting sexual assault

University of Iowa officials respond to recommendations from the White House.

By STACEY MURRAY
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A task force created by President Barack Obama released recommendations Tuesday to colleges across the nation as a way to respond to sexual assault on their campuses.

The task force is co-chaired by Vice President Joe Biden and the White House Council on Women and Girls. It was formed in January.

"Colleges and univer-

sities can no longer turn a blind eye or pretend rape and sexual assault doesn't occur on their campuses," Biden said in the 20-page report.



Biden
vice president

"We need to provide survivors with more support, and we need to bring perpetrators to more justice,

and we need colleges and universities to step up."

The report is broken down into four parts: identifying problems on college campuses, preventing sexual assault, responding effectively after an assault occurs, and improving the government's enforcement efforts while making them more transparent.

The first part recommends schools conduct

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THE CLOTHESLINE OF MEANING



People read shirts hung in the Old Capitol Town Center for the Clothesline Project on Tuesday. The Clothesline Project honors victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, child sexual abuse, and homicide. (The Daily Iowan/Rachael Westergard)

Peninsula residents seek road

Peninsula neighborhood residents want City Council action for a secondary access.

By ABIGAIL MEIER
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Some Iowa City residents want a way out.

When the floodwaters of 2008 severed the access to homes of the Peninsula Neighborhood, many families were given 30 minutes to evacuate their residences.

The waters flowed over Foster Road located just off of Dubuque Street, which restricted access for families. With only one street granting access to the neighborhoods, all families in the area along Foster Road west of Idyllwild Drive were forced to evacuate.

Tony Weiler, a resident of the neighborhood and the president of the Peninsula Homeowner Association, said then the Peninsula Neighborhood only held 100 residents, but today is surrounded with close to 1,000 residents.

"We now have a lot more people up here and some who are handicapped," Weiler said. "We want to make sure emergency equipment can have safe access to our

homes if there was flooding in the future."

Even though the homes themselves are on high ground and are not at risk of flooding, Weiler said many residents are concerned that if an evacuation occurs again, there is no kind of entrance for authorities to protect the homes from vandalism or maintenance.

Recently Jeff Davidson, director of the city's planning and community development department, said officials have created two major construction project proposals to tackle the issue.

The first suggestion is to elevate a portion of Foster Road that is currently prone to flooding. City officials estimated this project would cost \$3.2 million.

The second option would create a road by extending Laura Drive into the Forest View Mobile Home Park to connect with a road in the Mackinaw subdivision.

Davidson said the city is most in favor of this option but there is debate between community members and city officials concerning if a temporary road should be built within the next year or if it would be better to wait until funds are available for a permanent road.

A temporary asphalt surface road would only

cost \$843,000. A gravel road would be even less — \$503,000.

"We know there is another flood coming, and it's not the matter of if but the matter of when," Davidson said. "We would like to work with a private developer to make a more permanent street."

City Councilor Jim Throgmorton said the council is working to create a permanent plan, but it might take some time before construction and budgets are approved.

"Roads are expensive to build," he said. "We don't want to spend money on building a temporary road when a new and complete road could be built a few years later."

He said city officials would most likely revisit the topic in January during the yearly capital improvements program — which identifies the projects the city will spend its money on for the year.

Amy Pretorius, assistant project manager of Peninsula Development Co., said many residents feel nervous that a future flood may happen in the next few years.

"It's been an uphill battle these last five years since [2008] because it is something that everyone worries about when considering moving to this

Neighborhood

Iowa City city councilors and Peninsula Neighborhood residents are working to create an exit for residents to use in case of flooding.

- Option 1: Elevate a portion of Foster Road that is a flood-prone area. The estimated price is \$3.2 million.
- Option 2: An extension of Laura Drive adjacent to the Forest View Mobile Home Park property and connect to a road with Mackinaw Subdivision.
- A temporary road is estimated at \$503,000 for gravel or \$843,000 for an asphalt surface

Source: Jeff Davidson, director of Iowa City's planning and community development department

area," she said. "Some people are here for a short time, and people want to protect their home values."

She said many of the residents in the area rent homes and move out of the neighborhood after a few years. She said she is grateful the city has given them the land but said the residents want a safe passage back and forth to their properties.

"The residents are a little apprehensive," Pretorius said. "I think the city is listening, and it is up to us to keep this issue at the forefront to keep it on a tighter timeline."

Faculty group works on research track

The University of Iowa Faculty Senate has revised the research-track policy.

By DANIEL SEIDL
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In a changing landscape at the University of Iowa, the role of some faculty members has been revised.

At the Faculty Senate's Tuesday meeting, the members approved various revisions to the university's research-track faculty policy. The policy allows for the hiring of faculty members to focus on research as opposed to a faculty member focused more on educating students.

The policy was permanently adopted last April. Earlier this month, the UI Faculty Council approved several revisions to the policy, and the Senate considered these same revisions on Tuesday.

The first change is in regard to research-track faculty's ability to serve as the lead of a dissertation committee.

"The bottom line there

is that they'd be permitted to co-chair, but not be sole chair of a dissertation committee," said Erika Lawrence, the past president and UI associate professor of psychology. "In the original policy, they could not."

This policy is the same one employed by the Graduate College, Lawrence said. This change passed unanimously.

The second proposed revision did not come to a vote, but was nonetheless the most controversial change discussed. This was in regard to whether research-track faculty would be allowed to teach classes.

Under the current policy, they are permitted to give an occasional lecture but are not permitted to teach courses. The proposed amendment would have allowed research-track faculty to teach their own classes rather than only giving guest lectures but not every semester.

Not allowing research-track faculty to teach could be robbing students of a vital resource, said Christina Bohannon, the Faculty Senate vice president and a

UI law professor.

"There are times when that faculty member might be an expert in an area and might benefit students," she said. "I think that the university and students are just losing out. They're losing out on the ability to learn."

While UI biostatistics Professor Jane Pendergast agreed the issue is worth looking at, she said there are arguments for the other side as well.

"In many ways, if teaching becomes part of the job ... you start wondering what's not part of the job," she said.

Bohannon said she hopes to see the issue looked at again.

"I think it's something we need to evolve, we have something to sort out," she said. "I think we will potentially revisit that at some point in the future."

The third item up for revision was the representation of research-track faculty on the Faculty Senate. By the original policy, these faculty members could not serve on the Senate. This was changed to allow at least one research-track faculty member to serve, but no more than 10 percent of

Faculty Senate

The UI Faculty Senate approved changes to the research-track faculty policy on Tuesday.

- Research-track faculty will be allowed to co-chair dissertation committees.
- A maximum of 10 percent, or one senator, from each college will be research-track faculty.
- Promotion of research-track faculty will mostly be left up to individual colleges.

Source: Erika Lawrence, past president of the UI Faculty Senate

the senators from any one college can be of the research track in the senate. This change was approved unanimously.

The final revision regards the promotion of research-track faculty. In order to be promoted to associate professor or professor, research-track faculty must have salary support from research grants. While the Senate made some changes to the language of the promotion requirements, Lawrence said overall, this would be left up to individual colleges. This revision passed unanimously.

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intended to be.

Democrats offered numerous amendments to the bill, which in their view would have strengthened its writing. Rep. Dave Jacoby, D-Coralville, previously said the bill was one of the worst written bills he had "ever seen."

Those proposals included allowing counties and cities to pass more stringent laws than the state. Republicans said this would create a wide range of conflicting rules for Iowans at numerous levels.

But Rep. Sally Stutsman, D-Riverside, disagreed.

"Local communities know what's best for local communities," said Stutsman, a former Johnson

County supervisor.

Stutsman said the best part of local control is that citizens can vote officials out of office if they don't like what they see.

Stutsman said too much remains unknown about the devices for the bill to be so broad, which is why she voted against it both times it came up in the House.

An owner of one of Iowa's largest e-cigarette

stores was excited with the final product.

"I'm absolutely ecstatic," said Corey Halfhill, the owner of Central Iowa Electronic Cigarettes. "It turned out pretty much how we wanted it to."

Halfhill led other retailers' push for legislative action through "Iowans for Alternatives to Smoking and Tobacco," which hired a lobbyist to help its efforts.

Beyond Iowa, the federal government proposed action on e-cigarettes and other products last week. The Food and Drug Administration used its powers under existing federal law to claim it could now regulate the increasingly popular nicotine carrying devices.

Unlike in Iowa, the FDA did not include

non-nicotine e-cigarettes in its proposal. But did include a ban for minors, requirements for health warnings and further studies in its proposal.

Despite this action Iowa legislators have expressed interest in pursuing this legislation now, because most expect a delay before any parts of the federal proposals are implemented.

ASSAULT

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surveys with university students to measure the attitudes on campuses. While the surveys are optional, officials hope to make them mandatory by 2016.

Recommendations also include prevention strategies for universities to utilize, including recruiting men to be a part of the conversation and investing in bystander awareness programs.

The third part of the recommendation focuses on universities responses to sexual assault once it has

been committed. The report calls for increased advocacy for victims and improved confidentiality protocols in order to be mindful of victims' well being.

The final portion of the report focuses on federal transparency on the issue. The government will debut a new website — NotAlone.gov — to give students a "roadmap" to filing complaints. The website will also allow students to type in a zip code and locate local services. Also, the Department of Education will provide more information to schools on their obligations under Title IX.

UI President Sally Mason applauded the recom-

mendations, pointing to the university's recent efforts to address the issue.

"I heartily welcome today's recommendations by the White House Task Force to Protect Students From Sexual Assault, and we look forward to supporting their implementation at the University of Iowa," she said in a statement. "I'm especially pleased that many of the recommendations put forward today align with and reinforce priorities we've already established at this campus to combat sexual misconduct."

Twelve sexual assaults have been reported to UI officials during this aca-

demical year. In response to students' protests and an uptick in the number of sexual-assault reports, Mason implemented a six-point plan.

Under the plan, she has increased funding to Nite Ride, created a Sexual Assault Advisory Committee made up of students, and updated the warning notices sent to the university community following a reported sexual assault.

The topic has been addressed not only on the UI campus this year.

Recent outrage at schools across the nation, such as UMass-Amherst and Vanderbilt University, in Tennessee, contributed

to a response from Washington, D.C.

"It's a very exciting time nationally and locally," said Monique DiCarlo, the UI sexual misconduct response coordinator. "Our own students' activism mirrors that and also mirrors the work we've been engaging in on our own campus."

The recommendations could signify a turn in the ways universities address the issue.

"I'm excited about the report," DiCarlo said. "It provides support and direction for the work we've been doing and the work we're engaging in right now."

Karla Miller, the director of the Rape Victim Advocacy Program, has been combating sexual assault in Iowa City for more than 30 years. Recently, she has witnessed an increase in local and national efforts.

"I think there have been a lot of steps taken in the last few years ... There's been more institutional progress in the last four or five years than there's been in decades, I mean ever," she said.



Miller
RVAP director

NATION

Employee opens fire at FedEx center

KENNESAW, Ga. — A FedEx employee wearing ammunition draped across his chest "like Rambo" opened fire Tuesday at a package-sorting center outside Atlanta, wounding six people before committing suicide, police and witnesses said.

In addition to a shotgun, the gunman also had an undisclosed number of Molotov cocktails, but he did not use them in the attack, police said.

The suspect, identified by police as 19-year-old Geddy Kramer of Acworth, was found dead inside. He worked as a package handler at the sprawling facility, Cobb County police Sgt. Dana Pierce said.

Investigators have an idea of what his motive may have been, but they were not prepared to disclose it yet, Pierce said.

Three of the victims were critically wounded, though only one remained in critical condition by late afternoon. Police say three were in stable condition, and two others were treated and released.

Kramer first drove his car to a security shack outside the building and shot a guard there before heading inside, the news release said.

David Titus, a FedEx truck driver, said he was just coming to work around 6 a.m. when he saw a security guard shot in the abdomen. He said he heard more gunfire later from inside the building. "It was chaos," Titus said. "Everyone


was running, ducking and hiding, trying to get out of there."

FedEx clerk Liza Aiken said she was working when she heard something drop, looked to her left and saw the gunman.

"He had bullets strapped across his chest like Rambo" and held a knife, Aiken said at the entrance to a parking lot where employees had gathered after the attack. Before she could continue, a woman wearing a FedEx jacket told Aiken to stop talking and led her away.

A 28-year-old man who received surgery was in critical condition late Tuesday, while a 52-year-old woman who received surgery was upgraded to stable, police said. A 22-year-old man's condition was also upgraded to stable

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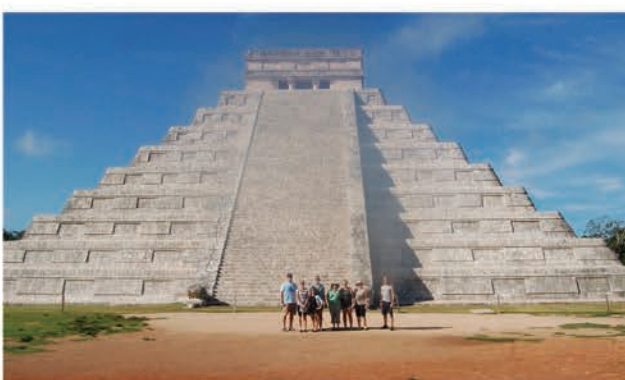
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A giant gray door will prevent you from entering or leaving. The nurses need to buzz it open.

The common area consists of everything in a dreary, toned-down color.

Everyone admitted wears a no-tear blue smock. Pants can be your own, and colored grippy socks are provided. It is encouraged that you wear hospital-provided attire. Some people don't, some people do.

The bookshelf consists of 12 Bibles in various translations, mostly New Testament, one Old Testament. Surprisingly, there is one Agatha Christie *Mystery Collections* novel.

The TV can only be on family-friendly channels. You may not watch the news. There is no Internet.

There is one old bike machine behind the couches.

There are broken crayons, colored pencils, and religiously affiliated coloring books.

On the upside, you can drink all of the chocolate milk or juice you desire.

The rooms are wide and empty. One bed, one dresser, a built-in shelf with sheets, pillows, blankets, and one desk. There is a strip of paisley pink-gray wallpaper along the top.

You can't open the windows. You can't have contact solution.

The bedroom doors stay open, the nurses walk by every 15 minutes.

I'm a visitor, I stay for dinner, but since I'm not an inpatient, I can only look at the menu. There

are few vegetarian options, the quality of the food is drab. One scoop of mashed potatoes with yellow gravy. Cottage cheese with a peach slice. Another questionable item: a lemon bar, maybe. A packet of butter, a chocolate mint, and plastic, plastic, plastic but no recycling.

After five hours, I feel alone, isolated, and sick. I've had an illusion in my head that a Behavioral-Care Unit (mental ward) would be bright, filled with books and music and have a quiet meditation area. I assumed that the activities to do in between group therapy and group movie (8 a.m. and 8 p.m.)

would consist of things that would actually help people battle their depression. Maybe there is a place somewhere down the halls, but all I see are bedrooms and people milling around quietly. There are rounds of pills that you get once your bracelet is scanned, there is noise from the television, but otherwise, a cold, cold silence.

Most of these patients were brought in on a stretcher, carried out from an ambulance. Some of them walked themselves in. The rooms are designed to work long-term, but I'm told no one stays more than a week or so. The collection of people here are all suffering. A few attempted suicides, some are too anxious, someone tells me a story about their kids coming to visit. The world is cruel, hard, and dark. This place is, too.

This is the state of mental-health care.

As a community, I'm calling for action. Mental illness affects everyone, whether or not you are suffering or watching someone else. There isn't going to be an easy answer, but it's important to look around, ask questions, and listen. Step forward, join the cause, and start helping the people around you. Mental illness is a community issue, not merely a "personal problem."

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EDITORIAL

Building against sex assault

Though it came and went without much fanfare, April was Sexual Assault Awareness Month, an issue those on the University of Iowa campus are certainly aware of. Events such as the annual Take Back the Night rally to change the culture surrounding sexual assault arrive at a time of heightened attention, with 12 reported sexual assaults on campus so far in the academic year.

Controversy around UI President Sally Mason's comments on sexual assault helped to fuel outrage on the issue in Iowa City, leading to the formation of a Student Advisory Committee on Sexual Misconduct as well as additional prevention measures as part of Mason's six-point plan to combat sexual assault.

The UI held its first student advisory panel meeting last week to begin planning for the coming year as action on sexual assault began in earnest nationwide. From Ivy League schools such as Dartmouth, whose president called for an end to "extreme behavior," including sexual assault, to Brown University, whose president promised "aggressive steps to ensure that our campus is safe for everyone," momentum for aggressive action against sexual assault is building.

The White House took up the issue on Monday with a report on campus sexual-assault prevention as well as the launch of a website for survivors: NotAlone.gov. The site provides resources for students and schools to learn how to respond to and prevent sexual assault on campuses, including crisis services and how to report an attack.

The report outlined preventative steps for campuses to take, including providing schools with a toolkit for conducting "climate surveys" to "find out what's really happening on campus." This is a vital part of the information-collecting process, especially when reports of sexual assault to authorities don't provide a full picture.

Campus sexual assault is historically underreported. Only 2 percent of incapacitated sexual-assault survivors and 13 percent of forcible rape survivors

report the crime to campus or local law enforcement. The reasons for these jaw-dropping statistics are varied. According to a report commissioned by the U.S. Department of Justice, 40 percent of college survivors fear reprisal by the perpetrators. Others cite anxiety about their treatment by authorities and the lack of independent proof. Some just don't want anyone to know what happened to them.

Whatever the reasons, this silence is deafening. If these statistics hold true for the UI campus, and there's no reason to think they don't, then there are far more instances of sexual assault taking place than have been reported.

"Colleges and universities need to face the facts about sexual assault," Vice President Joe Biden said in a statement accompanying the White House report. "No more turning a blind eye or pretending it doesn't exist. We need to give victims the support they need — like a confidential place to go — and we need to bring the perpetrators to justice."

The UI has taken good measures in response to the reported assaults, and events such as Take Back the Night and sites such as NotAlone.gov help to spread the word that survivors have places to turn to. We urge the UI to conduct the climate survey backed by the White House in addition to the steps it is taking.

This is not yet a crisis in decline. Speaking out against sexual assault often seems like preaching to the choir when there's no tangible change in the numbers, nationwide or at the UI, where not a month goes by without a warning from the Department of Public Safety. Twelve reported assaults on campus were enough to change the system. How many will be enough to change the culture?

YOUR TURN

Do you think there has been meaningful progress on fighting sexual assault at Iowa? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

VOICES OF PHILANTHROPY

Giving to excellence at the UI

As a lifelong Iowa resident and University of Iowa graduate, I've known for a long time that the UI stands for excellence in higher education. Returning in 1997 to pursue a career at Iowa was one of the best things I've done. I've grown professionally, and in 2009, I applied for, and received, assistance from the UI Division of Finance and Operations to pursue an executive M.B.A. from the UI Tippie College of Business. I was honored to receive tuition assistance, and I likely would not have been able to pursue my advanced degree without it.

That's why my husband (also an alum and UI employee) and I decided, long ago,

to give back to the university by donating to areas that have meaning to us. We've been very fortunate to be afforded a number of opportunities while at the university. It's our way to "pay it forward" in appreciation of the support we've received along the way.

As part of the philanthropic efforts at the University of Iowa, I'm proud to be one of three co-heads for a new faculty/staff giving program: We are Phil.

You've probably all heard the name "Phil" mentioned in relation to private support at Iowa. That's because the University of Iowa Foundation has adopted the name to refer to not only the people who make philanthropic gifts

to the UI but also to all who are beneficiaries of private giving.

Building on that philosophy, who better to ask to contribute, than the people who help make good things happen at Iowa?

Our first-ever giving campaign for UI employees kicked off last fall. My fellow co-heads and I, on behalf of the UI and the UI Foundation, asked our colleagues to find an area in the university — not just where they work but anywhere on campus — that they may be passionate about and give. Our message was about participation — a gift of any size is helpful — and though hundreds of my colleagues already give, we aimed to increase the number of faculty and staff who give back

to the university each year. I'm proud to say we are well on our way to reaching our participation goal, with close to 2,400 UI employees who have made gifts to support the university this year.

It's an honor and a privilege to work for the university, and I look forward to seeing what my colleagues can accomplish — both in our work environments and through our collective giving.

Joni Troester (1987 B.S., 1989 M.A., 2011 M.B.A.)

director, UI Human Resource Services
Organizational Effectiveness/Health and Productivity
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VOICES OF PHILANTHROPY

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To many people, Phil represents the direct effect that private support has on the university and its constituents. From thousands of private scholarships to named professorships and state-of-the-art buildings, to top-ranked programs, philanthropic support surrounds each individual who sets foot on campus every day. However, Phil expands beyond these boundaries and influences many individuals on a deeper level; Phil is in every opportunity and experience offered on campus.

As I look back at my five years at Iowa, I can say that I have been lucky enough to

partake in numerous philanthropic opportunities that have truly changed my life. The Student Philanthropy Group at the University of Iowa Foundation has provided me with invaluable experiences and opportunities that I otherwise would not have had. I have met incredible supporters of the UI and have had the pleasure of hearing their stories. Some give because they're die-hard Hawkeye fans, others because they met the love of their life here or want to pay tribute to a family member or friend. Some give to support groundbreaking re-

search or because they were inspired by their time on campus. And not everyone who gives to the university is an alum; many individuals give because of the impressive character that is associated with the university.

Dance Marathon is another amazing opportunity that I've experienced. Dance Marathon is much more than just raising money. We're a community of individuals who work hard year-round to make a difference in the lives of children and families fighting pediatric cancer. Yes, the money we raise has an enormous effect on these families;

however, the amount of time dedicated to the cause is truly remarkable.

I'm honored to say that I'm one of those individuals who has been inspired by the philanthropic community that supports the UI. Without these experiences, I would not have found my true calling in life, which is to work in the philanthropic world. And I'm excited to begin my professional journey with Phil this summer as the new Williams Development Fellow at the UI Foundation.

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To bee or not to bee, that is the food chain



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Honeybees are vanishing from their hives without leaving a trace.

The phenomenon known as “Colony Collapse Disorder” occurs when worker bees abruptly disappear from a beehive. It was first reported in the United States in 2006. Since then, continued decreases in honeybee populations are making the disorder a prevalent issue threatening food production both locally and in the country.

Symptoms of the disorder include the rapid loss of adult worker bees, few or no dead bees found in the hive, and only a small cluster of bees with a live queen present.

“The demand for honeybees is growing, and

the supply is sharply decreasing,” said Matthew O’Neal, an assistant professor of entomology at Iowa State University.

O’Neal said the demand for honeybees and the lack thereof will cause problems for the honeybee industry. He said the pressing demand is going to raise the cost beekeepers charge and farmers have to pay, and eventually, consumers will feel the price hike.

“It’s just a matter of time,” O’Neal said. “If we don’t adjust that relationship somehow, it’s going to affect all of us.”

Honeybees are directly and indirectly responsible for pollinating one-third of the food humans consume.

Dave Irvin, president of Eastern Central Iowa Beekeepers, said Iowa was hit by colony collapse disorder

badly a year ago, and beekeepers have been trying to rebuild since.

In Johnson County and counties close by, Irvin said there are beekeepers who experienced up to 50 percent colony loss.

“After the winter, you find dead bees in the hive that have starved,” Irvin said. “But with this, the bees were all gone for no apparent reason, and the honey was all still there.”

Joel Coats, an ISU distinguished professor of entomology, said losses because of this year’s harsh winter have been greater than usual, with some beekeepers losing 75 percent of their hives.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the United States had as many as 6 million honeybee colonies in 1947. That

number dropped to roughly 4 million in 1970 and 3 million in 1990. Today’s number is approximately 2.5 million colonies.

“Many fruit and vegetable growers depend heavily on bees,” Coats said. “And they are very concerned about the availability of enough bees to pollinate their crops.”

O’Neal said there isn’t just one cause of the decline, but numerous “stressors” honeybee populations are facing. Some of the decline contributors include pesticide exposure, disease, invasive species, loss of habitat and habitat fragmentation, and a lack of diverse food sources.

Neonicotinoids, the world’s most widely used insecticide, has been scrutinized for recently killing honeybees.

“When honeybees are exposed to neonicotinoids, their immune system is compromised,” O’Neal said. “And they’re more prone to being infected by disease.”

This particular insecticide is based on nicotine — a substance toxic to insects. In extreme cases, neonicotinoids are altered to make the chemical longer lasting, and therefore making it significantly more toxic.

State apiarist Andrew Joseph said the problem with pesticide use in farming is the airborne toxic clouds that come with the modernization of air-driven planters. When planting a seed, it goes through a mechanism in which tufts of air are released. Problems arise when the air mixes with chemicals

from the pesticide treatment, putting the chemical into the air for bees to breathe.

Joseph said we’re at the point where the damage of pesticides on honeybees are known; the debate is now what we can do about it.

“Our industry is at a critical time where beekeepers are having extremely high losses that aren’t sustainable,” he said. “There’s a lot of room for improvement.”

ISU Extension Professor Donald Lewis said we need to avoid “one size fits all” solutions in solving the problem of honeybee decline.

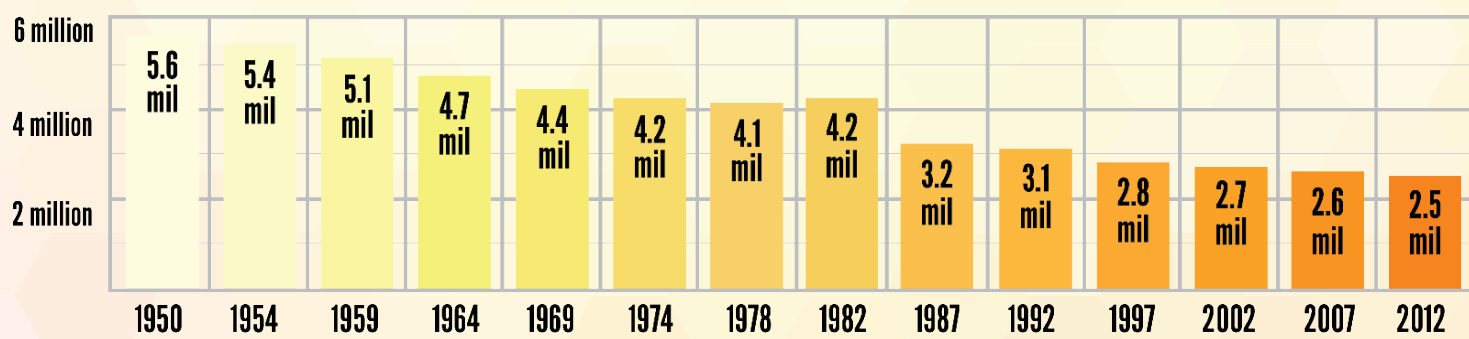
“Insecticides may be the one impact on honeybee population decline we can easily regulate,” Lewis said.

Though there have been efforts in Europe to ban neonicotinoids, the threat colony collapse poses to food supply around the world has yet to be solved.

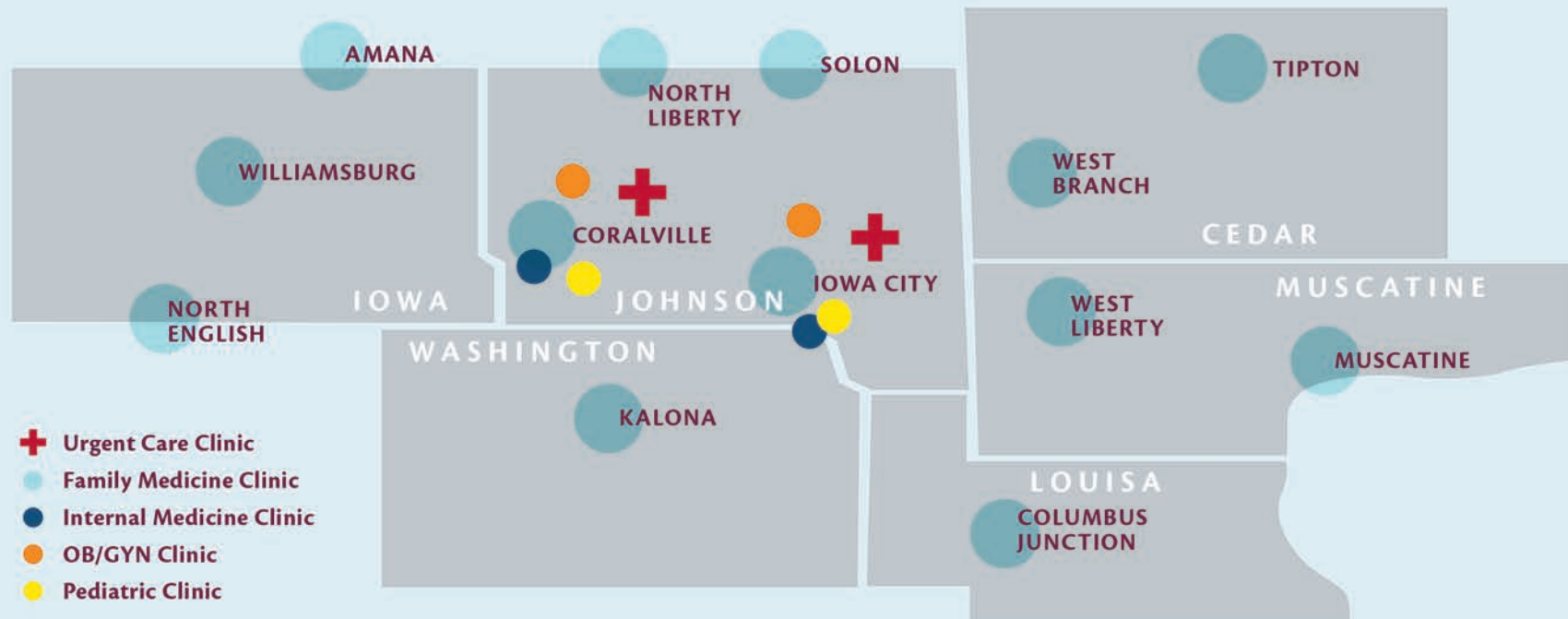
But there is some hope, O’Neal said. He said since the 1990s, there has been a remarkable increase in what scientists know about honeybee biology and ecology.

“There are thousands of other bee species,” O’Neal said. “We’re starting to learn how to manage them to use them as pollinators; some are even more efficient.”

The number of bee colonies in the United States has dropped by more than three million since 1950.



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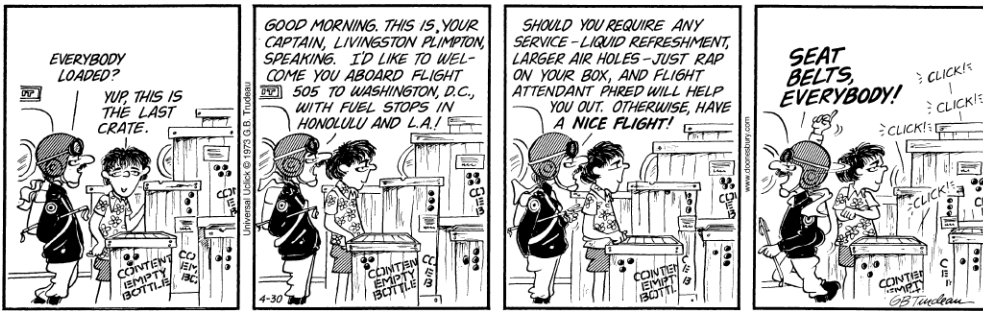
- "Let weeping dogs cry."
- "Love is a mini-splendored thong."
- "Music has charms to tooth the savage breast."
- "Snow shoes is good shoes."
 - "Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and others have greatness thrust into of them."
- "The best offense is a good skunk fence."
- "The brass is always cleaner on the other slide."
- "To make an omelet, you've got to break a few legs."
 - "See no weevil, hear no weevil, seek no weevil."
- "That's neither ear nor hair."
- "Two in a bird is worth the hand in the bush."
- "An Englishman's mom is his hassle."
- "You can't be tall things to tall people."
 - "Fight fire with water."
 - "Be still, my bleeding heart."
- "Don't eat you panties in a lunch."
- "A little college can be a dangerous thing."
- "Clothes only count in horse-shoes and hand grenades."
 - "Don't be a strangler."
 - "In the land of the blond, the two-eyed man is king."

Andrew R. Juhl thanks Brian Tanner for the material in today's Ledge.

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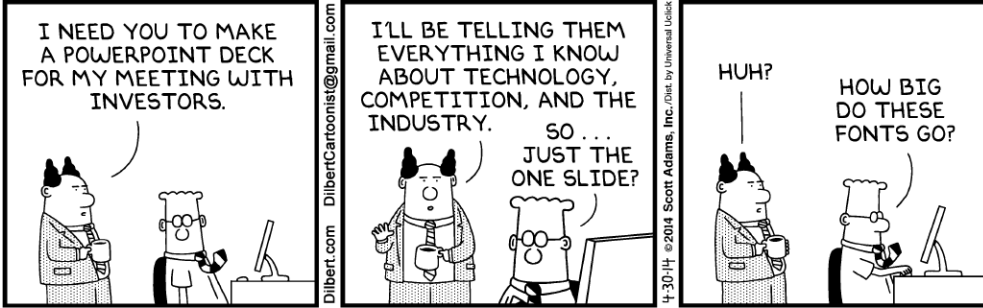
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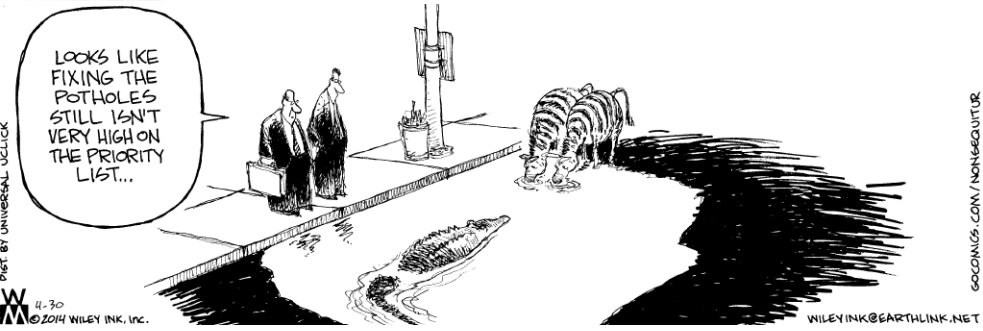
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today's events

- **Anatomy/Cell Biology Seminar**, "Phenotypic Changes in Airway Basal Cells During Regeneration and Disease," Adrienne Crooke, 1 p.m., 1-561 Bowen
- **Express Workshops**, 1 p.m., Main Library Learning Commons Group Area D
- **Phil's Day Keynote Lecture**, Henry B. Tippie, 1:30 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom
- **Lichtenberger Library Xpress Class**, 2:30 p.m., 2001C Seamans Center
- **Anatomy and Cell Biology Spring Awards Ceremony and Reception**, 3 p.m., 1-561 Bowen
- **School of Music Presents: John Cummins**, saxophone, 6 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall
- **Live from Prairie Lights**, Jane Mead, Larissa Szporluk, and Heidi

- Johannesen Poon, poetry, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **UI Thinclub Web Job Searches**, 7 p.m., 122 E. Market
- **Senior Week: Last Lecture and Reception**, "Defining our Twenties," Ted Talk speaker Meg Jay, 7:30 p.m., hotelVetro, 201 S. Linn
- **School of Music Presents: Symphony Orchestra**, 7:30 p.m., IMU Main Lounge
- **School of Music Presents: Mo Xu**, piano, 8 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall

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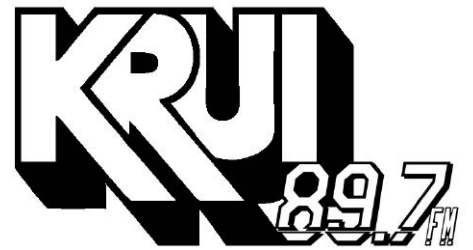
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- 7-8 p.m. Abby and Ian's Show
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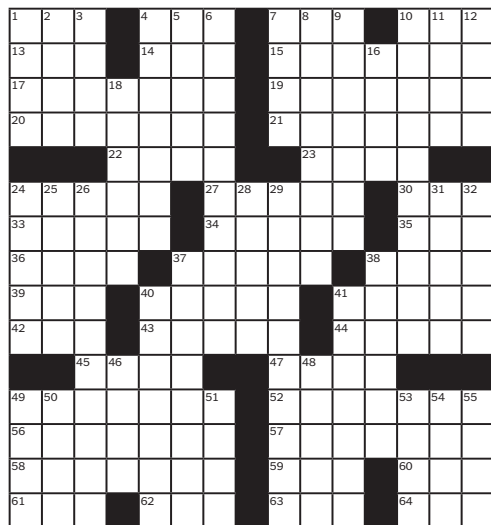
OBJECTS OF ART

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0326

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 - 4 Legendary predator of elephants
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 - 10 Super Mario Bros. console, for short
 - 13 Jobs offering
 - 14 Stop ___ dime
 - 15 Radio station listener's call-in, perhaps
 - 17 Asthmatic's device
 - 19 "Checkmate!"
 - 20 Experiment site
 - 21 Alternative to dice
 - 22 1952 Winter Olympics host
 - 23 ___ Sea, waters depleted by irrigation projects
 - 24 "Spider-Man" director Sam
 - 27 Abalone shell lining
 - 30 "___ all good"
 - 33 Politico Hatch of 54-Down
 - 34 Clumsy sorts
 - 35 Pick up
 - 36 Holey plastic shoe
 - 37 Off one's rocker
 - 38 Drag racers' org.
 - 39 "The Wizard of Oz" locale: Abbr.
 - 40 Absorb, as gravy
 - 41 ___-Grain
 - 42 "Dee-lish!"
 - 43 Bonnie's partner
 - 44 :-)
 - 45 "... ___ in Kalamazoo"
 - 47 Eldest Stark child on "Game of Thrones"
 - 49 Australia's Port ___ Bay

- DOWN**
- 52 In hiding
 - 56 Team leader of song
 - 57 Retired academics
 - 58 Tee-shot club
 - 59 Well-put
 - 60 Vintner's vessel
 - 61 I.S.P. with a butterfly logo
 - 62 After-afterthought on a letter: Abbr.
 - 63 Many aging A.L. sluggers
 - 64 ___ moment



- PUZZLE BY ALEX VRATSANOS**
- 24 First sports movie to win Best Picture
 - 25 Pianist Claudio
 - 26 *Medieval device with spikes
 - 28 One way to read
 - 29 *Anti-Civil War Northerner
 - 31 ___ firma
 - 32 Unflashy
 - 37 Kid's post-haircut treat, maybe
 - 38 See 18-Down
 - 40 Bit of surf in surf and turf
 - 41 Green Giant canned corn
 - 46 Radiant look
 - 48 Zip
 - 49 Gym ball?
 - 50 Barbaric sorts
 - 51 Nth degrees?
 - 53 Demanding sort
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We only have to look at ourselves to see how intelligent life might develop into something we wouldn't want to meet. — Stephen Hawking

MARGALEA

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

and what is not.

Not until her college years did doctors diagnose her with a mental illness.

In 1983, she was a freshman in college at Bethany College, Bethany, W.V. There, she made her first suicide attempt by swallowing a bottle of aspirin.

"They tasted bitter and salty, and I soon went into convulsions. My sorority sisters called the local ambulance, staffed by fellow students and one of our professors. I remember one of the students who knew me, and he asked me why I swallowed the pills. I said I had a really bad headache, but that was only symbolically true. At that point, my only symptoms were depression over a broken friendship, fear about my future, physical, achy tiredness. At the hospital, they pumped my stomach and kept me as an inpatient, though they didn't have a psych floor, so I shared a room with an elderly lady who mumbled. I was certain I heard her telling me to jump out the window and kill myself. I complained to the nurses, and they had no other room to put me except one of the examining rooms, where I lay on the exam table, sleepless. That was my first adult moment of psychosis."

Christopher Okishi, a local psychiatrist, said the average age of onset illness for schizophrenia is between 18 and 25 for men and between 22 and 30 for women.

First, Margalea was misdiagnosed as suffering from bipolar. Then, doctors believed she was schizoaffective, a combination of schizophrenia and either bipolar or depression. And finally, in her mid-30s, she was diagnosed with schizophrenia.

It's been 18 years since Margalea's last hospitalization; she has worked hard to better herself. In order to get to this point in her recovery, Margalea finds that focusing on certain aspects of her life — friendship, community, and church — helped her with recovery, an ongoing battle she continues.

"Recovery, to me, means three things: something to do, someone to love, and something to look forward to," she said. "I have those things in my life."

To commemorate the number of years she has been hospitalization-free, she has collected old University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics psych-floor keys. Each key is labeled with words, symbolizing aspects of her life that have helped her to recover.

On each key, she writes the name of something that helps her. One of her keys to wellness, Millie, comes in the furry form.

"My kitty cat Millie is a three-legged girl," she said. "She lost her back left leg to amputation ... You would definitely say she's not disabled; she's differently abled, and that's how it has been with me and the schizophrenia. I'm differently abled."

She has been in darker places. Once, her parents had to rush to Iowa City from Maryland because she was unconscious and

on a respirator. Her parents were told to say their goodbyes then. She said it was very difficult for her parents to see her that way.

In the earlier years of her illness, when Margalea was still living at home with her parents, she had a health-care provider who believed mental illness was a result of poor parenting.

"We'd have family therapy that was very painful to me — very unhelpful," she said. "It never seems like a good approach to tell people that their families have damaged them. [My mother and father] were the best parents they could be. They were good parents. They had confi-

Even though it has been 18 years since mental illness forced Margalea to spend a night in a hospital bed, based on her experience, she still has worries about being admitted to the psychiatric ward.

"I still have nightmares sometimes that I'm back in the hospital," she said. "I don't want to be there. But it wouldn't be the end of the world. It would just be another bump in the road, and I'm sure I would get out eventually."

Margalea says for her diagnosis, it's rare to have a steady job as she does. For some time, she struggled with employment and had to get career coaching.

Jo Bowers, a UIHC program coordinator in family medicine, is a friend of Margalea's and professionally works with Collaborative Medicine and Behavioral Health.

"Living with schizophrenia requires a really structured life as far as taking care of yourself and doing all the right things and watching for the symptoms," she said. "It's a balance. Holding a full-time job is just remarkable for her. She has a salary that a lot of people who have lived with schizophrenia do not have."

Bowers is on the Board of Directors for Compeer, an organization aiming to match volunteers with people with mental illness to create friendships. Bowers said being friends with Margalea is no different from being friends with someone who does not suffer from mental illness.

"She has some moments when she feels a little low, and I give an extra phone call here and there, but you do that with anybody," she said. "She's a good friend. She's just a friend that happens to live with this mental illness."

Margalea laughs now about how her typing skills used to be one of her weaknesses, but now it's her strength. She keeps a file of old typos she's made to reflect on how far she's come.

In order to get her thoughts out, Margalea enjoys writing. She writes poems, speeches, stories, basically anything that will get her words on paper. She has given talks to medical students about her illness, and speaks at National Alliance on Mental Illness events often.

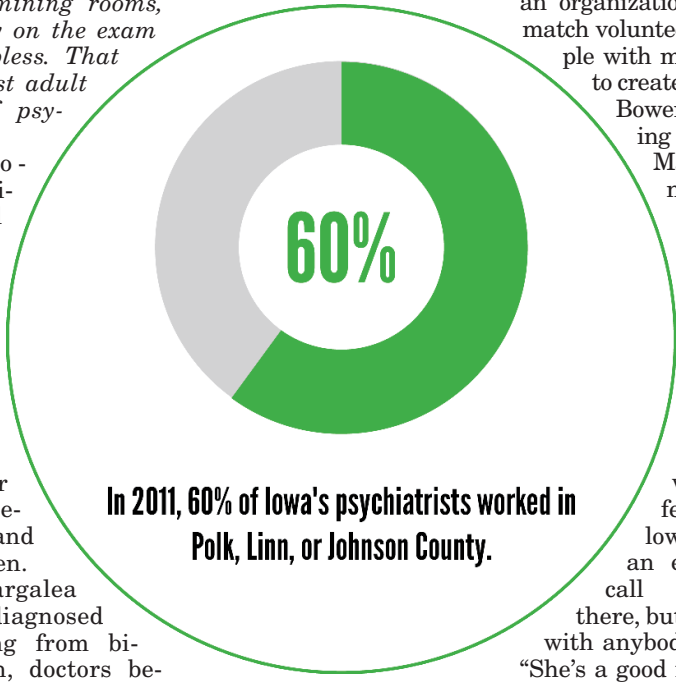
"The best thing about



Margalea Warner holds her cat, Millie, in her apartment on April 22. Margalea says "furr friends," pets, have played a major role in her dealing with schizophrenia. (The Daily Iowan/Mariah Green)



Margalea Warner holds the key to the "quiet room" from the old psych hospital on April 22 in her apartment. She recalls a time when she was taken to the quiet room and bound to a table by leather straps. (The Daily Iowan/Mariah Green)



dence in me, and they encouraged me."

Through her recovery, Margalea was able to stand by both of her parents in their terminal illness-

have since passed away, but they got to see her get better.

"At least both [my mother and father] got to live to see me move on in recovery and not always be in the hospital," she said. "My parents were proud of me for living as well as I had with it."

Once after a vacation with a friend, she was admitted for a month to Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, Md., where she had "strange experiences."

"I heard voices above me, below me, around me," she said. "I thought the newspaper and television had special messages for me."

writing is when it makes you laugh," she said. "It gets out some of the hurt, and the sadness, and sometimes even the anger."

Margalea works with National Alliance on Mental Illness of Johnson County through support groups and its walk held in April each year. She also helped to start the Compeer Group.

Other aspects of her life that help her in recovery are Weight Watchers, tai chi, church, and walking.

Bowers said that although Margalea met her weight-loss goal years ago, she still sticks with the program because it is a discipline. She said although she has never worked with Margalea in a patient-to-professional manner, she has analyzed her in a simplistic way and thinks the reason she does so well for

her diagnosis is because of how disciplined she is.

Margalea hopes her journey can be an inspiration to others battling mental illness. Especially during the winter months, she wants to remind people to remain hopeful.

"We need to know the Sun will come out tomorrow," she said. "People with mental illness need to know that it's not always going to be about the illness. There are going to be better times."

In addition, Margalea has a vision for recovery — she wants it to reach beyond those going through it.

"I just have hope that recovery is not just going to happen to individuals but that whole communities of people will support one another and have people live the best quality of life possible," she said.

Margalea uses her writing and her words to be a voice. She is a firm believer that recovery looks different for everyone, and it will take a different amount of time and strength for each individual. Individuality is crucial to her. Although there can be stigmas about mental illness, she hopes to be an encouragement and wants people to recognize the stories and people more than the illness.

"Mental illness occurs with individuals," she said. "We're not just this lump of people called the 'mentally ill.' We are individuals living our individual lives with mental illness."

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'People with mental illness need to know that it's not always going to be about the illness. There are going to be better times.'

— Margalea Warner

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WORLD

UI sees no competition from Chinese students

Some colleges and universities have been accused of admitting wealthier Asian students as opposed to Asian Americans, but officials and students at the UI don't think that is the case.

By LILY ABROMEIT
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Wendi Xie was not always such a good student.

In Beijing, where she grew up, Xie did not take education very seriously — until she realized she wanted to study in the United States.

"I wanted to seek something different, so I decided to come here," she said.

Coming to the United States to receive an education is a competitive and expensive process, and in the last few years, more Chinese students such as Xie are taking advantage of the opportunity.

This influx of students has caused some in the

nation to question whether this creates unfair competition between wealthier international students and middle-class Asian Americans.

But officials and students at the University of Iowa said they don't see this competition and increase in foreign students as being negative.

"China really doesn't yet have all of the capacity it needs to teach all its students, especially at the levels of the research universities like Iowa," said Michael Barron, the UI assistant provost for enrollment management. "The number of applications from China has risen precipitously over the last four or five years, and it will continue to go up."

At the UI, international students total 4,049 undergraduates, according to the UI International Programs fall 2013 enrollment statistics report. Students from East and Southeast Asia make up 73.3 percent of the international students with a total of 2,790, while students from China are 2,301 of them.

Barron said it's not necessarily an increase in admittance but an increase

in applications.

"The goal on the international-student side is to admit students from other countries who have academic records that are on par with the domestic students," he said.

The misconception, he said, could come from the fact that it costs a lot to study in the United States.

"On the international side, it's still all about academic achievement, but because of U.S. immigration policy, we are required to have international students who want to study in this country certify that they have the financial needs to do so," he said.

UI junior Cuiwen Huang, who is from Shanghai, said the increase will most likely bring extra money to the school.

"Chinese international students will bring some financial supports to the school," she wrote in an email. "From my perspective, mostly my friends who have enough money to pay for the living expense and tuitions in the U.S. are planning to study abroad or have already studied abroad."

UI junior Daniel Dai said China's growing economy is definitely a component of the growth.

"In the past decade or so, China has seen a huge economic growth, and more and more Chinese students want to study abroad," he said. "Because America is the No. 1 place for higher education, a lot of people want to come here."

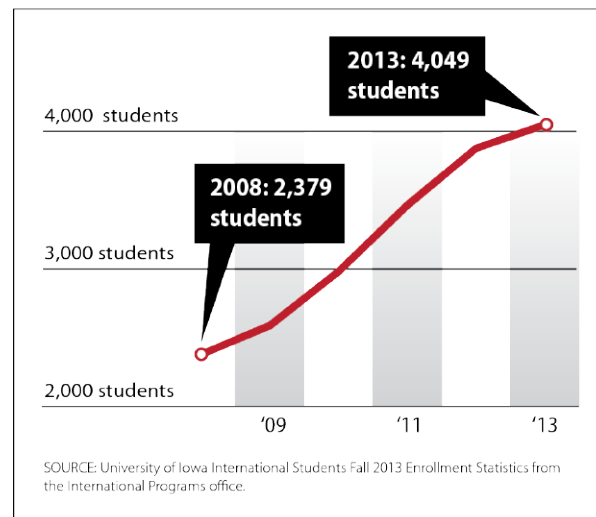
Dai was born in Beijing and moved to the States when he was 3. He said he feels the pressure and competition between Asian American students and foreign students but doesn't feel it is the biggest problem facing him today.

"I feel like Asian Americans are constantly competing against other Asian Americans," he said. "To the point where affirmative action actually works against us."

Xie said while she doesn't necessarily feel as though there is negative competition, she does think all students need to think carefully before coming to the United States to study so they are enrolling for the right reasons.

"Some of them don't

International student enrollment



want to study abroad, but their parents have higher expectations," she said. "After those kids come here, they just don't study."

This, she said, perpetuates stereotypes and can be solved simply by educating families in China.

"People in China should really know what study-abroad life is really like," she said. "[So] they can prepare themselves, and their parents can decide if their kids should study abroad or not."

Chinese Students

The number of international students studying in the U.S. has continually grown, and some in the nation wonder if it could have a negative effect on Asian Americans. The international student enrollment:

- 2010: 2,982
- 2011: 3,463
- 2012: 3,876
- 2013: 4,049

Source: UI International Programs Fall 2013 enrollment statistics report

Ukrainian unrest increases; protestors seize building

By ALEXANDER ZEMLIANICHENKO
Associated Press

LUHANSK, Ukraine — Protesters demanding more power for Ukraine's regions stormed the government building in Luhansk with baseball bats Tuesday, seizing control of a key site in one of the largest cities in Ukraine's troubled east.

The move further raises tensions in the east, in which pro-Russia militias have seized city halls, police stations, and other government buildings in at least 10 cities and towns.

In Sloviansk, the insurgents have been holding seven European military observers since April 25. Russian President Vladimir Putin said late Tuesday that he hoped they will be released soon.

The demonstrators who overran the building in Luhansk are seeking — at the very least — a referendum on

granting greater authority to Ukraine's regions.

Eastern Ukraine, which has a large Russian-speaking population, was the heartland of support for Viktor Yanukovich, the ousted president who fled to Russia in February. The government that replaced him in Kiev has resisted those demands so far, fearing they could lead to a breakup of the country or mean that more regions could join Russia, as Crimea did.

The storming came as 1,000 demonstrators gathered in front of the building. Approximately 150 people, some masked and wielding baseball bats, broke out of the crowd and charged into the building, meeting no resistance. Later, protesters formed a corridor to allow police inside the building to leave.

Luhansk, a city of around 450,000, is just 15 miles west of the border with Russia.

Regional autonomy is a core issue in the unrest in eastern Ukraine, where insurgents fear that the government that took power after Yanukovich fled will suppress the Russian-speaking population.

In Kiev, Ukraine's Parliament on Tuesday discussed the possibility of holding a national referendum on whether the country should remain united or become a loose federation that allows the regions more powers. However, no consensus was reached on how such a referendum would be phrased or when it could be held.

Ukraine will hold a presidential election on May 25.

Yulia Tymoshenko, a former prime minister who is running for president and whose party dominates the new government, spoke out Tuesday against excessive decentralization.

"While we are giving authority to local administrative bodies, we are obliged — under any circumstances — not to lose authority over the country," Tymoshenko told lawmakers. She asked them to allow local self-governance "but not to lose the possibility of building a whole, unified, governable country, a country that is moving ahead under a strategy determined by all the elites and the people."

Russia has massed tens of thousands of troops in areas near the Ukrainian border, feeding concerns that Moscow aims to use unrest in the east as a pretext for an invasion.

Deputy Foreign Minister Danylo Lubkivsky again accused Russia of fomenting the unrest in Ukraine and said the pro-Russian insurgents were violating an international agreement on overcoming the crisis in Ukraine.

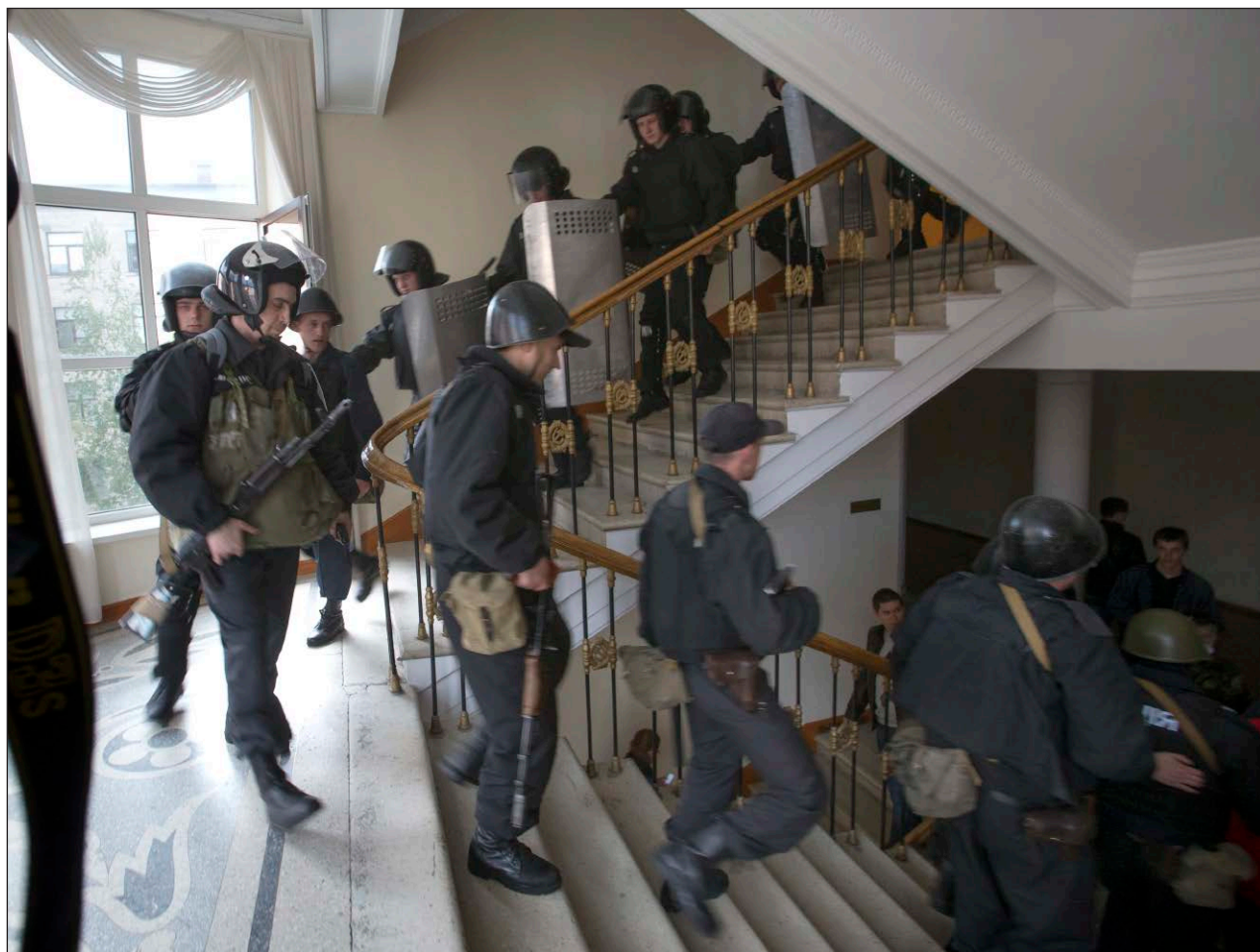
"The east, though, still remains a trouble spot, with civilians being threatened and attacked. Russian terrorists are refusing to surrender arms," he told reporters. "They have no real political agenda. They have no political goals and they have no intention of holding any dialogue. They simply execute orders from Russian authorities."

Speaking after a meeting with Lamberto Zannini, the chief of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Lubkivsky called on the pro-Russia forces to re-

lease the hostages they are holding, including the military observers, who are operating under the auspices of the OSCE.

Putin said both sides were at fault: the observers for going into eastern Ukraine and the pro-Russia forces for detaining them.

"I hope this conflict will be resolved, that they can leave the territory where they are unhindered," Putin said during a visit to Minsk, the capital of Belarus. "But the participants in this process should draw the necessary conclusions from this."



A group of Ukrainian police officers leave an administration building that had been captured by pro-Russian activists in the center of Luhansk, Ukraine, one of the largest cities in Ukraine's troubled east, on Tuesday as demonstrators demand greater autonomy for Ukraine's regions. (Associated Press/Alexander Zemlianichenko)

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Hardly working, having fun with the 'Trap Lord'



Fans dance during the ASAP Ferg concert in the IMU second-floor ballroom on Tuesday. Ferg, member of the ASAP mob, recently released an album titled *Trap Lord*. ASAP stands for "Always Strive and Prosper." (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)



Members of AWTHNTKTS perform before the ASAP Ferg concert in the IMU second-floor ballroom on Tuesday. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)



ASAP Ferg performs during a concert in the IMU second-floor ballroom on Tuesday. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

By JENNIFER HOCH
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The sounds of rap music filled the IMU ballroom on Tuesday as hip-hop artist ASAP Ferg took the stage.

Ferg previously studied fine arts before getting into hip-hop through his good friend and collaborator, ASAP Rocky. He designs his own jewelry, stage set, and clothing to match the lighting and ambiance to "morph people into this whole warped world."

Assistant general manager of SCOPE Kaitlyn Drake ran in and out of the second floor IMU ballroom making final arrangements and assisting SCOPE members moments before the show.

"Everyone looks like they're ready to get turned up," Drake said, before Ferg took the stage. "It's great that we get such a wide variety for these shows ... even some middle school-looking boys showed up."

The evening opened with the musical stylings of AWTHNTKTS, an Iowa City trio that made its presence known asking, "Iowa City, what the f**k is up? What the f**k is good?"

UI senior and SCOPE veteran Katy Beightol came running up the stairs of the IMU saying, "ASAP or die." "It's the perfect pregame for Summit's dollar-you-call-it," Beightol said. "I more or less came to the show because I am perpetually in a rap-music video."

An animated and colorful crowd of people raised their

voices as Manhattan native DJ TJ Mizell laid down tracks in preparation for Ferg. Minutes later, ASAP Ferg walked onto the stage as the ballroom transformed into an array of fog and smoke from factors apart from the stage effects.

Every hand in the ballroom was raised as Ferg jumped around the stage announcing, "Throw your hands up" to the audience,

shortly before addressing the females in the room with, "Where my girls at?" while winking at a cluster of swooning women in the front row.

The Harlem native performed for an hour with a heavy emphasis on hustle and creativity, finishing up with his single "Shabba" and just as much energy as he had opening the show.

Ferg spoke to *The Daily Iowan* in a strained voice

after competing for volume with a roaring audience. He said his goal is to always tire out the audience members to the point where they don't have any oxygen left in their bodies and that he can per-

form as long as the crowd can keep him going.

"I have drive; it's effortless," Ferg said. "I have a very good habit; I'm hardly working. I'm just having fun."

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POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Which professional playoffs are more exciting — the NBA or NHL?



Chicago Bull forward Taj Gibson (22) drives past Washington Wizard forward Al Harrington (7) during the first half of Game 4 of an opening-round NBA playoff series in Washington on Sunday. (Associated Press Photo/Alex Brandon)

NBA

There are three ingredients to make the playoffs exciting — quality games, intriguing story lines, and classic in-game moments. The NBA playoffs have had all three, in excess.

In terms of exciting games, there have been seven overtime games so far. Last season, there were nine over the course of the entire playoffs. To put that number in perspective, think about this: As of press time, there have been 33 playoff games. Therefore, 21 percent of the NBA's post-season's games have needed extra time to decide a winner.

During the regular season, of the 2,460 games, just 79 of them went to overtime — a whopping 3.2 percent.

Even the games that haven't gone to overtime have been close. Putting aside the Miami-Charlotte series, all other series have had an average point differential of fewer than 5 points per game.

Whether your team is in the playoffs or not, there are plenty of story lines to read up on.

There's a legitimate shot that we see two

eight-seeds advance to the second round, with one of them occurring because of the unraveling of the Indiana Pacers. There's the league's decision to ban Clipper owner Donald Sterling for life and the league reactions to the incident. And there's Toronto, which is making its first playoff appearance since 2008.

Then there are the smaller subplots, such as Houston's Troy Daniels, a D-League call-up who saved Game 3 for the Rockets and suddenly can't miss from beyond the arc.

In other words, when LeBron James' and the Heat's quest for a three-peat is considered minimal news, there is clearly an abundance of story lines.

And finally, there are the classic in-game moments, such as Kevin Durant's miraculous 4-point play in Game Two of the Thunder's series with Memphis or Vince Carter resurrecting "Vinsanity" once more, hitting a buzzer-beating 3-pointer to bring the Mavericks to victory over the Spurs in Game 3.

All in all, this year's NBA playoffs have had it all. And the best news; the first round isn't even over yet.

— Jacob Sheyko



Chicago Blackhawks' Bryan Bickell (left) celebrates with teammates Marian Hossa (center) and Brent Seabrook (7) after scoring a goal against the St. Louis Blues during the first period in Game 6 of a first-round NHL hockey playoff series in Chicago on Sunday. (Associated Press/Nam Y. Huh)

NHL

ESPN gives more coverage to LeBron's hairline than it does the NHL, so when even the "Worldwide Leader in Sports" votes the NHL playoffs to be superior to all others, it should pretty much end the discussion.

The NHL postseason has always been an incredible spectacle, and this year is no exception.

In fact, the 2014 Stanley Cup playoffs have arguably been the best we've ever seen, at least through the first round.

A new format with wild card seeds facing off against division champions led to some incredible first-round matchups, and the drama has been reflected in record ratings for NBC.

Grudge-match rivalries such as St. Louis vs. Chicago, San Jose vs. Los Angeles, and the New York Rangers vs. Philadelphia have amped up the intensity and hatred, and it's made for some amazing hockey.

And really, with the exception of Boston winning four straight against an

undermanned Detroit team, almost every single series has been exciting.

We've seen the Los Angeles Kings come back from three games to none and force a seventh game against the Sharks, a wild Pittsburgh-Columbus series that saw the losing team blow a 3-1 lead on three separate occasions, and a Minnesota Wild team that refuses to bow out quietly to the Colorado Avalanche.

Not to mention an NHL record 13 overtime games in the first round.

There has been drama, controversial calls, big hits, and a multitude of comeback wins.

And we still have three rounds to go. It doesn't even matter that the St. Louis Blues, overwhelming favorites by many to win the cup, were knocked out in the first round.

The NHL has enough great teams, at least in the Western Conference, to make any series interesting.

So far it's been one hell of a ride, and it's only going to get better from here on out.

— Ryan Rodriguez

REPORT CARD

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Converted catcher Blake Hickman has impressed the Iowa coaching staff with his progress on the mound, especially in relief of injured starter Calvin Matthews, while Sasha Kuebel and Peyton have both given consistent performances when healthy this year.

All things considered, Iowa's pitchers have, more

often than not, put the Hawks in a position to win nearly every single game.

Defense: B-

In second-basemen Jake Mangler and shortstop Jake Yacinich, the Hawkeyes possess one of the toughest middle in-fields in the Big Ten.

In almost every home game this year, Yacinich and Mangler have made incredible diving stops, snuffing out would-be hits and turning them into big

outs for the Hawkeyes.

The Black and Gold are fifth in the conference in hits allowed and fourth in fielding percentage — no doubt a direct benefit of the duo's dominance on the field.

However, as dominant as Yacinich and Mangler have been, the rest of Heller's squad has been a little late to the party.

The Hawks rank just seventh in runs allowed, giving up a very middling 205. They are also in the top half of the table in runners picked off and errors.

BOX SCORE

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Ten, and the team's 65 errors is third only to Purdue and Indiana, which have both have nearly 150 more chances than Iowa.

There are three Hawkeyes who have committed double-digit errors (11, 13, and 18).

Yikes.

Team Batting Average: .241 (11th in the Big Ten)

To be fair, Iowa's bats have been better recently, but there is no hiding the team's struggles at the dish this year. The Hawkeyes are

near the Big Ten's basement when it comes to hits (255, 11th) and are dead last in several categories including runs (121), RBIs (105), and on-base percentage (.314).

Even with last season's first-team All-Big Ten shortstop Megan Blank raking to the tune of a .339 average and Briana Luna emerging as another potential source of power (.322 average, 3 home runs in 2014), no other players on the Iowa roster crack the .300 mark.

If you don't score, you don't win. The 2014 Hawks are learning that the hard way.

Marla Looper career wins: 99

The fourth-year coach has struggled to push the program to the next level in 2014, after leading the Black and Gold to 30 wins in 2013 — the most wins for the Hawkeyes since finishing 42-16 in 2009.

Looper will finish under .500 for the first time since arriving in Iowa City, after going 27-24 overall in her first season in charge and just missing out on a Big Ten title in her second year with the program.

The former Florida State alum *lost* her 100th career game on April 26 to Indiana in Bloomington.

STERLING

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"Sterling's long-established pattern of bigotry and racist comments have not been a secret in the NBA," the statement said. "Yet until now, they have been tolerated and met with a gentle hand and a blind eye."

The groups want Silver to talk with them about diversifying the executive ranks of the NBA, similar to efforts in other sports.

"Our goal is for Commissioner Silver to extend these efforts beyond a reactive approach to one egregious situation to a proactive approach that will allow him to set forth and enforce clear policies and codes of conduct that reflect the best of the NBA, as well as foster a league culture that is as inclusive in practice — at all levels — as it is diverse in players and fan base," they said.

It's not the first a professional sports own-

er has been punished for controversial remarks. Major League Baseball suspended then-Cincinnati Red owner Marge Schott and fined her for bringing "disrepute and embarrassment" to baseball with her repeated use of racial and ethnic slurs.

Before Silver's announcement, the NAACP's Los Angeles chapter withdrew its decision to give Sterling a lifetime achievement award and returned money he donated.



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Taylor invited to Lynx camp

Senior Theaira Taylor of the Iowa women's basketball team has been invited to the Minnesota Lynx summer camp.

Taylor, a native of St. Paul, Minn., averaged 12.4 points per game while playing for Iowa this past season. After undergoing three knee injuries in 20 months, Taylor started the last 70 games of her Hawkeye career; she also played in the last 101 games over the last three seasons.

"I went to the Nashville overseas combine and played well," Taylor said in a press release. "A few people there took notice, and I was invited to the Minnesota Lynx summer camp. I feel blessed to have the opportunity."

In the Hawkeyes' 2013-14 season, Taylor was co-captain of the team. She started all 36 games and helped lead Iowa to 27 wins — the second-highest total in program history. She also earned Iowa's Coaches Award and Iowa's Big Ten Sportsmanship Award nomination.

— by Jacob Sheyko



Then-Iowa guard Theaira Taylor dribbles the ball on Jan. 16 in Carver-Hawkeye. Iowa lost to Michigan State, 88-72. (The Daily Iowan/Tyler Finchum)

Softball set to take on Panthers

The Iowa softball team hopes to square off at home against Northern Iowa today, but that depends on Mother Nature.

The rain is trying to cool off the Hawkeyes' hot bats this week, with the Marla Looper's offense leading the charge at Pearl Field in the Hawks' final home stand.

Prior to Tuesday's canceled game against Western Illinois, Iowa had hit 7 home runs in only four games since April 23. Powered by senior Brianna Luna and junior Megan Blank, the Hawks will see how many they can get in a full week.

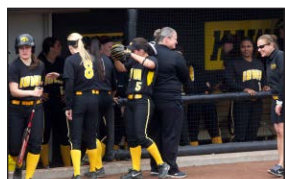
In last season's matchup in Cedar Falls, Massey allowed only 1 run on 4 hits in a complete game, and she added a home run. Iowa won that game, 10-1.

The Hawkeyes will have their hands full, however.

The Panthers are a formidable opponent, sporting a 25-18 record, and they have the returning Missouri Valley Pitcher of the Year in senior Jamie Fisher.

Weather permitting, the first pitch is set for 6:30 p.m. On Tuesday evening, the National Weather Service forecast a 50 percent chance of rain for this evening.

— by Kyle Mann



Iowa softball head coach Maria Looper bumps backs with outfielder Megan Blank as a celebration ritual during the game against Northwestern on April 6. (The Daily Iowan/Callie Mitchell)

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Rights groups back NBA's Sterling ban

By **JESSE J. HOLLAND**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Several civil-rights organizations are applauding the NBA for its lifetime ban of Los Angeles Clipper owner Donald Sterling because of racist comments the league says he made in a recorded conversation.

However, those groups still want to meet with NBA Commissioner Adam Silver to discuss diversity in the executive ranks of the professional basketball league and to figure out ways to ensure such situations don't happen again.

The National Urban League, the National Action Network, the NAACP, and the

National Coalition on Black Civic Participation issued a joint statement cheering Silver's announcement that he banned Sterling for life and that the league would attempt to force him to sell the Clippers.

That decision, the statement said, was "a bold, courageous, and resolute message that the views expressed by Sterling do not represent the National Basketball Association as an organization today or the kind of organization that it seeks to be in the future."

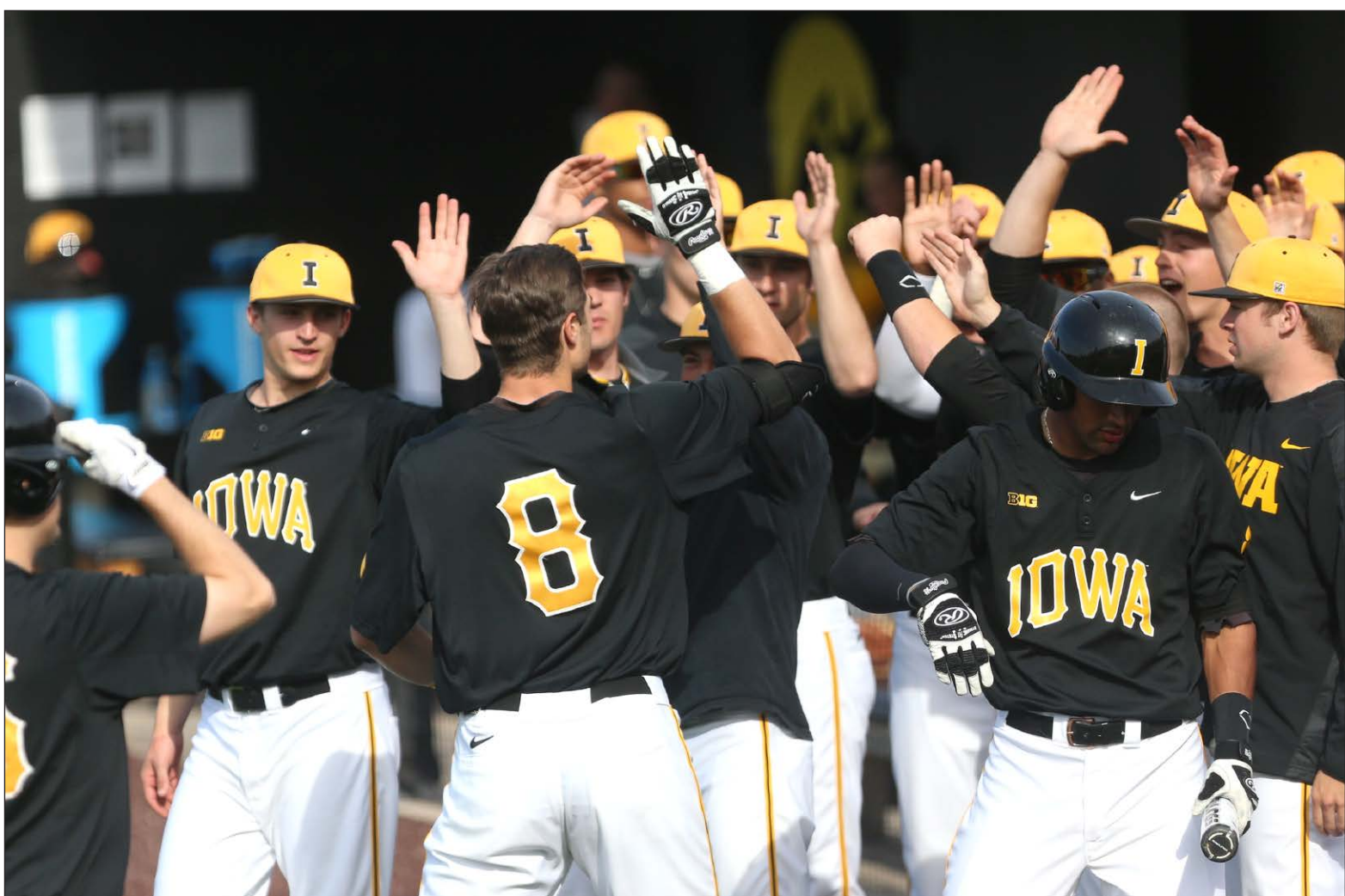
But Sterling's suspension isn't enough, the groups said, calling for Silver to meet with them to ensure Sterling "remains an anomaly among the owners and executives in the league."



NBA Commissioner Adam Silver addresses the media during a news conference in New York on Tuesday. Silver announced that he has banned Los Angeles Clipper owner Donald Sterling for life. (Associated Press/Richard Drew)

SEE STERLING, 10

Grading Hawk baseball



Teammates celebrate Iowa outfielder Taylor Zeutenhorst's home run against South Dakota State in Duane Banks Field on Saturday. Iowa defeated South Dakota State, 12-3. (The Daily Iowan/Allison Orvis)

The Daily Iowan grades the Iowa baseball team so far this season in offense, pitching, and defense.

By **RYAN RODRIGUEZ**
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Sitting pretty at 25-15 with close to a month left to play in the season, the Iowa baseball team has eclipsed its victory total from the 2013 season.

With the team in the middle of resurgence under the tutelage of first-year head coach Rick Heller, it has seen an improvement in just about every single category.

Offense: A-

Given where this team sat at the end of last season, the turnaround at the plate is nothing short of astounding.

A team that finished close to dead last in basically every single offensive category last season has turned it around this season.

The Black and Gold have nine men on the roster hitting above .300, including seven hitting at least .320.

Not to mention that the Hawks are second in the Big Ten in batting average, slugging percentage, and runs scored, as well as first in on-base percentage and stolen bases.

Junior-college transfers Dan Potempa and Tyler Peyton have enjoyed breakout years, and senior Taylor Zeutenhorst has homered in four of his last six games.

Iowa has relied heavily on its offensive power at the plate this season, and while it has been relatively sustainable, the oc-

casional lack of two-out hitting, especially with runners in scoring position, prevents it from getting a full A.

Pitching: B+

This is a tough one to nail down.

On paper, the Iowa pitching staff has not had a great year at all, ranking third in earned runs, fifth in walks, and first in home runs allowed with 20.

However Iowa's starting rotation has been wracked by injuries several times this season, forcing Heller to rely heavily on his bullpen to carry the bulk of the workload.

SEE REPORT CARD, 10

Softball's stumbles seen in numbers

Iowa's struggles both offensively and defensively have contributed to a disappointing season for the program.

By **JOSHUA BOLANDER**
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Forty-two games into the Iowa softball season, and we have finally reached the point where over-analyzing statistics to develop theories on a team ends, and the numbers instead become an accurate reflection on why the squad has struggled or had success.

In Iowa's case, the struggles have outweighed the positives, with Marla Looper's Hawkeyes in the bottom half of the Big Ten conference standings with only 15 wins this season.

Team Strikeouts: 244 (12th in the Big Ten)

One might be quick to point out that the lack of success at the plate might have something to do with a number of great defen-

sive teams in the conference, but putting the ball in play has been more of an issue this spring than perhaps any other Hawkeye team, with the Hawkeyes whiffing at the plate a combined 244 times and infielder Michelle Zoeller leading the Big Ten in strikeouts with 32.

Iowa's aggressive style (last in the Big Ten in walks) has backfired for the most part, with the Black and Gold also in the conference's cellar when it comes to plate appearances in 2014.

Fielding Percentage: .949 (12th in the Big Ten)

The offensive end hasn't been the only eyesore this campaign for the Hawkeyes. Iowa's .949 fielding percentage ranks last in the Big



Iowa head coach Marla Looper sends Michelle Zoeller home during the second game against Northwestern at Pearl Field on April 5. Northwestern defeated Iowa, 4-1. (The Daily Iowan/Alyssa Hitchcock)

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