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That was the year



1. Iowa linebacker Anthony Hitchens and defensive back John Lowdermilk tackle LSU fullback Connor Neighbors during the Outback Bowl in Tampa, Fla., on Jan. 1. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh) 2. In the final hours of Dance Marathon 20, the organization announces the money raised this year in the IMU Main Ballroom on Feb. 8. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing) 3. Protesters stand on the Pentacrest on Feb. 24. (The Daily Iowan/James Soukup)

By **STACEY MURRAY**
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Dance Marathon

Dance Marathon celebrated its 20th "Big Event" in February. The dancers

in lime green danced for 24-hours straight, with no sitting, no caffeine, and no sleeping. The organization said it raised a record \$1.8 million, \$271,000 more than the previous year. This year's fundraising brought the 20-year total to more than \$13 million.

Flood recovery

Flood recovery continued on several UI construction projects, but the colder-than-usual winter and archaeological discoveries in Hub-

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Courthouse plan nears ballot

Johnson County officials continue planning the Courthouse annex.

By **DANIEL SEIDL**
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An Iowa City landmark may be moving closer to improvement.

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors will vote next week to place the Johnson County Courthouse annex bond referendum on the ballot in November.

Supervisor Rod Sullivan said it is important to get this item approved as soon as possible.

"A number of people in the community go away for the summer," he said. "This way, they'll have an opportunity to implant in their brains that this is something they will be voting on in November."

The supervisors have planned additions to the courthouse for several years. There are various safety concerns with the building, as well as a lack of space.

Before this proposal, the county had recommended a referendum including courthouse and jail improvements.

"We've tried two times to combine those projects into one building that we called the justice

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Courthouse

Johnson County officials are moving forward with plans for a Courthouse annex.

- The annex would add additional courtrooms.
- One goal of the additional space is to reduce the number of backed-up cases.
- Sometimes, civil cases may be delayed up to two years.

Source: Johnson County Supervisor John Etheredge,

Student debt still rising

By **KAITLIN DEWULF**
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Many graduating University of Iowa seniors will go from walking across the stage to walking into debt.

Over the last year, student loan debt nationwide skyrocketed an additional \$125 billion, according to a report by Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Reaching a new milestone, student loan debt today totals more than \$1.1 trillion.

Student loans are the second largest

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EntreFest draws statewide pitches

A Tipton daycare focused on special needs won \$10,000 in a state contest.

By **BRENT GRIFFITHS**
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Finalists for a statewide business contest talked about happy cows, vacant buildings, and an idea to revolutionize health care on Thursday.

Ten business owners had eight minutes to persuade a large crowd at the Englert Theater, 221 E. Washington St., and a panel of judges why they should

win the Dream Big, Grow Here contest.

Entrepreneurs have ventured to Iowa City for EntreFest, a conference geared towards helping Iowans expand their existing businesses or find a catalyst for a startup. The pitch competition is just a small part of the overall conference.

Deborah VanderGaast won for her pitch to develop her

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Deborah VanderGaast receives the grand prize award for the Dream Big, Grow Here competition from Lt. Gov. Kin Reynolds at the Englert Theater on Thursday. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

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Bowling almost done



People smoke at Tobacco Bowl on Thursday. The Tobacco Bowl was scheduled to close in April; it apparently will now close soon. (The Daily Iowan/Rachael Westergard)

An aroma of melted cheese will replace the smell of burnt cigarettes in the coming weeks. The Tobacco Bowl, 111 S. Dubuque S., will close sometime next week, said owner Thomas

Connolly. The café has been open for 25 years. The business was initially set to close in mid-April but was set back after renovation plans were being sorted out with city officials.

In March, Connolly announced the business will undergo renovations and will be converted to a pizza parlor and video arcade. The establishment will have a new kitchen and emergency exit.

The closure resulted from complaints from neighboring business and apartment residents about smoke odors, as well as concerns about stricter indoor smoking regulations. — by Rebecca Morin

DOT to study Corridor traffic

The state is working to improve interstate traffic and driving conditions through a study.

By LILY ABROMEIT
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Iowa City drivers might see clearer roads next year. A bill recently passed by the Iowa Legislature calls for the DOT to conduct a study focused on transit needs, specifically traffic on the Iowa City and Cedar Rapids Corridor. “There are a lot of commuters between the Iowa City and Cedar Rapids corridor, and certainly that is evident by the amount of traffic ... especially in the morning peak-hour traffic and the late-afternoon peak-hour traffic,” said Stuart Anderson, the director of the Planning, Programming, and Modal Division at Iowa DOT. “The intent is looking at, ‘Are there other options besides just interstate connection?’” The bill has not been signed by Gov. Terry Branstad, but Anderson said he expects the governor will. “We understand that the legislative intent was really focused on the Cedar Rapids and Iowa City Corridor,” he said. “We’ve actually learned the impetus in including this bill was a request

from ... local planning ... out of Cedar Rapids.” The study is set to formally begin in upcoming weeks and be completed by December 2014. Anderson said researchers hope to find tools to make traveling easier for commuters, such as simpler ways to sign up for car pools and enhancing bus service. “Not all people are able to have personal automobiles or want to have automobiles, so they need to have options, especially with fuel prices increasing,” he said. “It’s really expensive, so finding other solutions for that is important.” Currently, gas in Iowa costs around \$3.35 per gallon, according to the Iowa State Gas Prices website. Hopefully, Anderson said, the ultimate addition in the future would be a light-rail system, although this might be beyond the scope of this specific study. “The challenge with implementing a light-rail system is it will require a lot of funding ... up front and then [including] annual update costs,” Anderson said.

One Johnson County official said he has noticed a long-standing commitment to finding solutions for transit routes in the state. “I think the reason this is important is because our average daily traffic counts on the I-380 corridor are ever increasing,” said Kent Ralston, acting executive director of the Metropolitan Planning Organization Committee of Johnson County. “I think for environmental issues, safety issues, and efficiency reasons, there are a lot of reasons to get people out of their cars or use public transportation or other forms of transportation.” Ralston said a large portion of the traffic comes from the University of Iowa. Originally, he added, the bill proposed a collaboration between the East Central Iowa Council of Governments, Cedar Rapids, and Iowa City. However, the final responsibility falls on the shoulders of the DOT, exempting any projected costs. “The proponents of the study requested \$150,000 to hire a consultant to complete the study, but

now the study will be completed by the Iowa DOT and absorbed into its workload,” Ralston said. “So I’m not sure that there will be a cost, per se; I’m assuming just staff time, which has a cost but may not be itemized for a particular study.” By 2020, DOT Iowa Transportation Commission head David Rose said, the corridor will be maxed out. “That’s why we need to do the study,” he said. “To make sure [we know] what we need to do, what direction we need to go [and they can] tell us what we need to improve for traffic.” Although it will take a while to get the information back from the study, he said, it is important for the future of the state. “It’s a great corridor, and it really is blossoming really well, and when things like that happen, we always need to take a look at them ... and be prepared for the future,” he said. “We always hope that Iowa continues to grow and we need to expand our corridors, and that’s good for jobs, good for safety ... and good for Iowa.”

METRO

Council eyes Riverfront amendments

A developing Iowa City district may be changing soon. On May 20, the Iowa City City Council will vote on two resolutions relating to the Riverfront Crossing District. The first resolution would be an amendment to the Downtown and Riverfront Crossings Comprehensive plan adding a section concerning affordable housing. This amendment would allow benefits to be given to developers who include affordable housing units. These benefits could include allowing higher buildings and reducing density requirements. The second resolution would establish the Riverfront Crossings form-based code.

The code would create a set of guidelines for development of new properties in Riverfront Crossings. The goals of the code are to ensure new buildings are located beneficially to help create a walkable and sustainable urban neighborhood. — by Daniel Seidl

Businesses may be fined

Iowa City officials may give out civil penalties to various local businesses. On May 20, the City Council will consider nine resolutions assessing civil penalties. The first resolution would level a fine of \$300 against CVS Pharmacy, 2425 Muscatine Avenue, on the charge of selling tobacco to a minor. Happy Daze, 361 E. College St.,

would also receive a fine of \$300 for selling tobacco to a minor. The third and fourth fines would be against North Dodge Sinclair, 2153 ACT Circle, each for \$300 for selling tobacco to a minor. Because this establishment has two infringements in a two-year period, it is also subject to either an additional \$1,500 fine or a 30-day suspension of its tobacco license. The fifth fine would be in the amount of \$300 against the Den, 123 E. Washington Street, for selling tobacco to a minor. This would be the Den’s second fine within a two-year period, making it subject to either a \$1,500 fine or a 30-day suspension of its tobacco license. Gasby’s, 1310 S. Gilbert St., would get the sixth fine in the amount of \$300 for

selling tobacco to a minor. This is Gasby’s second charge in a two-year period, therefore leading to either a \$1,500 fine or a 30-day license suspension. The seventh and eighth fines would be against the Convenience Store, 106 S. Linn St. These are the Convenience Store’s second and third charges in a two-year period, making it subject to either a \$1,500 fine or a 30-day license suspension. For its third fine in this period, it could be subjected to both a \$1,500 fine and a 30-day suspension. Zombies, 316 E. Burlington St., is the ninth fine, of \$300 fine. This would be Zombies’ second charge in a two-year period, subjecting it to either a \$1,500 fine or a 30-day suspension of its license. — by Daniel Seidl

BLOTTER

Mondell Beach, 25, 817 S. Summit St., was charged April 2 with OWI and possession of marijuana.
Eugene Beard, 33, 628 N. Linn St. Apt. 4, was charged Tuesday with public intoxication.
Eddie Carey, 58, 1121 Gilbert Court, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.
Terry Douglas, 27, Burlington, Iowa, was charged Tuesday with driving while barred.
Carlene Hardman, 20, Lake

Zurich, Ill., was charged Thursday with public intoxication.
Jordan Hawkins, 24, Dixon, Ill., was charged Thursday with assault causing injury.
Curtis Hughes, 37, Coralville, was charged Tuesday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Kaylin Lewis, 20, 2604 Bartelt Road Apt. 1C, was charged Wednesday with assault, third-degree criminal mischief, and criminal trespass.
Gage Olson, 18, 646 S. Dodge St. Apt. 6, was charged

Wednesday with interference with official acts, tampering with a motor vehicle, and public intoxication.
Gabrielle Pawlikowski, 24, 2025 Kountry Lane Apt. 308C, was charged Thursday with OWI.
Lisa Ridings, 47, 429 Southgate Ave., was charged Tuesday with public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.
Catrina Toro, 20, 1958 Broadway Apt. 4C, was charged May 8 with assault causing injury and fourth-degree criminal

mischief.
Viona Vartanian, 52, Crestwood, Ill., was charged Wednesday with fifth-degree theft.
Jasmaine Wilburn, 25, 1814 Hollywood Court, was charged Tuesday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Daniel Wren, 56, address unknown, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.
Brett Young, 43, 23 Penfro Drive, was charged Wednesday with domestic assault and public intoxication.

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bard Park held up some projects.

IMU construction is set to finish by April 2015.

Crews working on the new Hancher worked around-the-clock to ensure its construction stayed on time. The arts-building project went vertical in March, and officials said the project remains "consistent" with the original plan.

Athletics

After an 8-4 regular season, the Iowa football team traveled to Tampa, Fla., to play in the Outback Bowl against LSU. Iowa lost on Jan. 1, 21-14.

The Hawkeye men's basketball team broke the collective hearts of Iowa City, finishing 20-13 and going from a top-10 team to one that lost in a play-in game in the NCAA Tournament. The Hawks finished 9-9 in the Big Ten and suffered an embarrassing 67-62 loss to Northwestern.

The Iowa wrestling team finished fourth at the NCAA Tournament with 78.5 points; it had a 15-2 regular-season record. The Hawkeyes split a share of the Big Ten dual-meet championship with a 7-1 conference record. Tony Ramos won the national championship at 133 pounds.

Party School

The University of Iowa took the top spot.

In August 2013, the UI moved from second place to first on the *Princeton Review's* list of party schools. The ranking is determined by surveys done by 126,000 students from across the nation. An average of 333 students are surveyed per campus.

According to the report, the UI is No. 1 in "Lots of Hard Liquor" and No. 4 for the "Lots of Beer" and

the "Students Study the Least" lists.

UI spokesman Tom Moore told *The Daily Iowan* the UI has engaged in work to decrease the amount of high-risk drinking. Since 2009, the number of students engaging in high-risk drinking has dropped 17 percent, according to the National College Health Assessment survey.

UI officials have maintained that there is no scientific or valid method behind the survey.

Sexual assault

During the 2013-2014 academic year, 12 sexual assaults on campus were reported to UI officials. During a monthly Q&A session between *The Daily Iowan* and University of Iowa President Sally Mason, she said the goal would be to end sexual assault but said, "That's probably not a realistic goal, just given human nature ..."

The quote sparked outrage from the university community, and some interrupted Mason during the 31st-annual Presidential Lecture to protest her comments. At that point, eight sexual assaults had been reported to UI officials.

Following the backlash from the community, Mason held a listening post and shared her story of having her breast grabbed by a strange man while she was an undergraduate student at the University of Kentucky.

At the listening post, UI students, faculty, and staff called for a zero-tolerance policy that would ensure students accused of sexual assault are expelled. At the time, UI Dean of Students David Grady said no students had been expelled in recent years for this type of misconduct.

Mason then outlined a six-point plan to combat the issue on the UI campus: cracking down on offenders, increasing support for survivors, im-

proving prevention and education, improving communication, additional funding, and listening more and reporting back.

Since the plan was announced, funding for Nite Ride has increased, the wording in warnings sent to the university community following a reported assault has been changed, an advisory committee of students has been formed, and one student has been expelled for sexual misconduct.

The issue also took its place in the national spotlight. President Barack Obama released recommendations to colleges across the nation in April after forming a task force in January. The call for federal intervention followed outrage in several schools across the country, including UMass-Amherst and Vanderbilt University in Tennessee.

Gateway

The Iowa City City Council approved design parameters for the Gateway Project earlier this year. The design will raise a portion of Dubuque Street to the height of a 100-year flood plus 1 foot and redesign

the Park Street Bridge to the height of a 200-year flood plus 1 foot, with a through-arch design.

The project will cost more than \$40 million; it aims to protect the city from flooding levels similar to 2008.

TA scandal

In October 2013, a UI teaching assistant in the Mathematics Department accidentally sent inappropriate photos to roughly 80 students in her class instead of solutions to math problems.

The TA was removed from teaching that class. She remained a TA but performed non-teaching duties.

Students turned to social media to share their findings, eventually being picked up by popular websites such as Gawker.com and TotalFratMove.com.

21-ordinance

Iowa City voters turned to the ballot box yet again in November 2013 to determine the fate of the contested 21-ordinance.

And yet again, it failed to pass.

Voters upheld the ordinance that prevents un-

derage patrons from being in bars past 10 p.m., with 66 percent of voters backing the ordinance.

The 2010 ordinance has been voted on three times in six years; this was the second time the ordinance was upheld.

Since November, many Iowa City establishments have applied for exemptions. Most recently, Union Bar had its exemption revoked, and the Summit was denied an exemption after it had one cited sale to a patron under the legal age and a lack of a plan to host 150 live shows — a requirement for the exemption.

The Union had its exemption revoked after its ratio of minors cited for alcohol possession to police visits rose past the acceptable threshold.

Union owner George Wittgraf has appealed numerous times, with the most recent appeal being rejected earlier this month.

Tuition Freeze

The state Legislature approved funding allowing the state Board of Regents to freeze undergraduate resident students tuition for the 2014-15 academic year. In total, the bill allo-

cated \$538 million for the three universities.

This is the second-straight year tuition has been frozen for that group of students at the University of Iowa, the University of Northern Iowa, and Iowa State University.

The freeze following a slight bump in the road after House Republicans and Senate Democrats disagreed on how much funding should be directed to the UI. House Republicans claim the UI had extra money in the bank, which contrasts how much ISU and the UNI have saved.

But the bill managed to pass in the Senate on a 28-21 vote and in the House, 89-8.

Efficiency Study

The state Board of Regents hired the Deloitte consulting firm to review the spending of the regent universities in an efficiency study. Funds found from inefficiencies will be reinvested into the areas in which they were found.

The study is the first of its kind since the 1980s and will cost the regents \$2.45 million.

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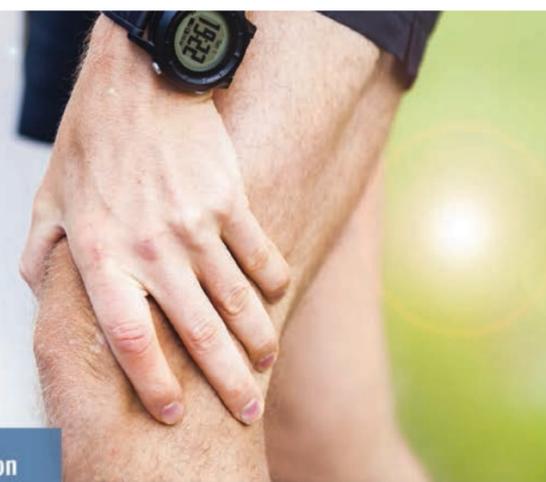

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COLUMN

Scrap 7:30 a.m. finals at the UI



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If I resent one thing, just one thing about the University of Iowa, it's that for some godforsaken reason, I always have at least one final exam scheduled for 7:30 a.m.

Few people in their late teens or early 20s operate well at such an hour. Physiologically, we get tired later in the evening and require more sleep than most adults.

Once we become old farts like the rest of society, that won't be a problem. In what will seem like no time at all, we will wake up at 5 a.m., suffer from terrible back problems, complain about kids these days, watch "Wheel of Fortune," and spend our twilight years completing crossword puzzles.

But because so many college students are coming straight out of high school, not the retirement home, the UI really ought to consider pushing back starting times for final exams, not just for students' sake but for the university as well.

It's not just biology; our environments also affect sleep. Researchers from the University of North Carolina-Wilmington found in a study of students who took a finance class at 8 a.m. that "student performance is enhanced with more adequate sleep, in classes starting later than 8 a.m., for students who do not work, and for students who complete their undergraduate studies at a single school."

In a nutshell, if you don't get much sleep, thinking (a vital component of learning) isn't so easy.

Last semester, I rarely

got enough sleep and even after I drank 28 ounces of super cheap Mountain Dew from the Den, I would still accidentally nod off while sitting in the front row of a 40-ish-person class that I found really interesting.

In fact, only 34 percent of UI students got restful sleep in five of the past seven days, and one-third of the students report insufficient sleep as a serious problem, according to the 2013 National College Health Assessment.

If you don't get enough sleep, academic performance suffers.

Pushing back final exam times will let students sleep more and therefore, improve grades. Given that in so many classes, grades depend largely on test scores, moving back final exam times would probably give students' GPAs a real boost.

Now, if universities love to do just one thing, it's brag about how wonderful they are. Scheduling final exams later in the day (at least later than 7:30 a.m.) so we can actually get enough sleep to remain conscious during the exam seems like it would help us perform better and allow the UI to talk about how smart its students are.

This would look great to prospective students, parents, the State Board of Regents, the Iowa Legislature, and a whole bunch of other important people who give the UI lots of money.

Sure, I get that we may not have enough space for all students to take their finals if we push back exam times. So why not encourage faculty to replace final exams with take-home tests, papers, projects, and other large assignments — or maybe just assign the last exam a week or two before finals week.

It would at least give me one less thing to bitch about in 550-ish words.

EDITORIAL

Common Core needs refining

You wouldn't expect programs designed to prepare kids for the real world to be so contentious. But whether it's No Child Left Behind or the Common Core, national education standards have polarized the U.S. education dialogue.

The latest fuss comes over Iowa's iteration of the Common Core, which aims to raise student literacy and achievement in certain "core" areas by standardizing what is taught nationwide. The Iowa Core goes above and beyond the national standards, which cover English and math. It is defined by the Iowa Department of Education as a set of academic standards that articulate what concepts and skills Iowa students need to master in math, science, English language, and social studies as they move from kindergarten through grade 12.

These standards, some say, are being forced on to states by the feds. In an interview on the Tea Party Network, Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, said federal money was effectively coercing states into giving up their educational autonomy.

"Let's allow people to make up their minds about the substance of Common Core," Grassley said. "If states want to adopt it, that's their business. But it shouldn't be crammed down their throat by the secretary of Education in Washington, D.C., using federal money."

Grassley referred to the Education Department's multibillion-dollar Race to the Top initiative, which offers funding automatically for states that agree to adopt Common Core standards. So far, 45 states have adopted some version of the standards, though Indiana has since repealed its version, and several other states are considering doing so as well.

But what is the substance of Common Core that Grassley talks about that has drawn such controversy? Proponents say the standards will result in a workforce that's better prepared for the challenges they'll need to face in an increasingly globalized economy, while detractors argue students are best served by policies drawn up at the local level, tailored to an individual district's needs.

There is truth in both of these assertions. The standardized benchmarks brought about by the Common Core let educators know how their students stack up not only against those of other states, but other nations. The standards will also increase the rigor and diversity in most curricula, which one would be hard-pressed to argue is bad for students.

But the increased difficulty will undoubtedly make for a rough transition. New textbooks, equipment, and a change in education standards required by the Common Core are not easy pills to swallow for teachers who have their own styles of educating students. And the issue of "teaching to the test," in which curriculum is focused on preparing for high-stakes standardized exams instead of learning, has been bemoaned by educators since No Child Left Behind put a heavier emphasis on it.

These issues with the Common Core are not trivial, and as repeal efforts in several states have shown, many are choosing simply not to deal with them. But many of the problems that come from a federal top-down approach to education can be solved through the states. Iowa's approach, which expands upon the Common Core standards and provides a balance between what is determined at the state level and local districts, should be lauded. Not only does the state get to take advantage of federal education funds, it also retains control over the curriculum and provides meaningful decision-making for the districts, which ultimately implement the standards in the Iowa Core.

In refining the Iowa Core, Iowa's Department of Education should look to give as much control as possible to local districts. With federal funding, state standards, and leeway for local implementation, Iowa's students will get the best of all worlds.

YOUR TURN

Do you think the federal government should be involved in education? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sustainable future

Johnson County is predicted to continue to grow, and we need to manage that growth in a way that is sustainable for our environment and our economy to continue to be the desirable type of place to live that we enjoy today.

For 15 years, I have worked as an environmental lobbyist for renewable energy and sustainable growth at the local, state, and national level for the Sierra Club, Friends of the Earth, Iowa Renewable Energy, and other groups. Now, I want to put that experience to work in county government to create sustainable environmental and economic policies for our future.

I am the only candidate for Johnson County supervisor who wants to protect farmland in the North Corridor Development Area from residential development. My opponents would rather plant houses there than crops.

The County Land Use Plan has an internal contradiction. The plan states that two of its highest priorities are to preserve agricultural land and to encourage growth in cities through infill development. But when residential development is allowed in the large North Corridor Development Area, those two priorities are violated and fail to meet our goals.

The county should shrink or eliminate the North Corridor Development Area. New growth areas should be drawn

one-half mile around city boundaries. A moratorium on new rezonings should be implemented while the existing 1,600 ready-to-build lots (800 in the North Corridor Development Area) are consumed. The county should use this time to consider a more sustainable direction for rural residential development. Preserving the agricultural areas of our county will bring greater prosperity for all residents of the county.

Johnson County should devote additional support to farmers growing and selling food locally through opening the County Farm to new produce farmers to get them started. The county needs to review its ordinances to allow small produce farms.

The county needs to update our Courthouse to make it safe and accessible for all users. The reorganization of mental-health services from the state has left our local support services needing more funding, and I will fight for that. Johnson County is losing millions of dollars a year in tax base to TIFs. I will be a strong advocate for TIF reform to bring that revenue back to the county coffers.

If you want to save all our farms and scenic areas from residential development, walk with me into a sustainable future and vote for me in the June 3 Democratic primary election.

Mike Carberry
Democratic candidate for
Johnson County supervisor

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COLUMN

Rise of the machines coming soon



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This was a landmark week for killer robots across the planet.

Tuesday's meeting at the United Nations in Geneva was the first time human government officials gathered to focus on an increasingly probable future in which nations use lethal autonomous robots for warfare and law enforcement.

What are "lethal autonomous robots" you ask?

Those types of robots would have the capability — in an ideal world — to use deliberate reasoning to assess possible targets and use appropriate force. Basically, it would be like EVE from *Wall-E*, or even Samantha from *Her*, if she were more violent and had several machine guns. According to a report in *Foreign Affairs*, these "security surveillance guard robots ... can detect targets through infrared sensors" and "have an automatic feature that can detect body heat in the demilitarized

zone and fire with an on-board machine gun without the need for human operators." Terminators, basically.

Unfortunately, the ideal world and the real world can be very different. Opponents of lethal autonomous robots have a very good reason to be unsettled by the notion of thousands of robots being trusted to take human lives in an "appropriate" way, whatever that means.

For me, the issues of programming sticks out like a robot from the future inexplicably speaking in a heavy Austrian accent. I'm not a rocket surgeon, and I'm sure the technology will somehow be viable in the distant future, but I have no idea how robots can be programmed to use deliberate reasoning with enough reliability to successfully differentiate enemy combatants from civilians. I also have no idea how a robot can be programmed to have intuition (again, like Samantha in *Her*).

Movies can get away with highly-functional artificial intelligence and robots, but in real life, I don't know how some of the things our brains can do are transferable into something completely

synthetic. There's still something very inexplicable, perhaps innate, about the way we work. Robots just wouldn't be the same.

Humans and robots are imperfect, but for different reasons. Both make mistakes, but for different reasons. Humans get tired, for example, whereas robots generally do not get influenced by things such as sleep deprivation and stress (mentally speaking). On the other hand, robots might be able to use such things as thermal vision, but humans have things such as feelings and are also not bound by some kind of invisible set of parameters, unless you want say something pompous about time and space being the limits of perception for us humans.

I mean, what makes a robot distinguish from a crouching soldier and a large kid? How do you program feelings?

There's a reason nobody has voiced concerns over a possible apocalypse started by robots — the robots would be too stupid to do it. I guess it would also be awkward for a country's representative to lose her or his mind à la Michael Shannon in

Take Shelter over something a little silly like that at a U.N. convention, but still.

Nobody is saying robots have to be as human as humans are, but I think striving toward that achievement would lessen civilian collateral damage and also make warfare more efficient (which sort of sounds horrifying).

The last issue with lethal autonomous robots revolves around rules and laws. Arms-control rules need to get updated just as everything else, which means there are currently possible loopholes for any mischievous country to do some unseemly things with robots — which would promptly backfire, I bet.

Ultimately, the goal of the U.N.'s focus on robot warriors is to address those loopholes, and opponents of lethal autonomous robots will strive to get a treaty passed declaring human orders mandatory for a robot to fire on a target.

I'm in favor of such a treaty, even if it comes at the expense of future news headlines like "Robot pulverizes intoxicated college student after mistaking him for prone enemy combatant."

Dental students aid children in northeast Iowa

In its second year, Project SEALED is seeing more students than ever in the schools it serves in Waukon and Postville.

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Four times a year, students in the Allamakee School District can step out of their math and English classes and into a dentist's chair.

A collaborative program allows third-year UI dental-school students the opportunity to provide discounted dental care to 110 to 140 students in the last week, a number that has increased from the initial visits.

Project SEALED — Service, Engagement and LifeCareer Education in Dentistry — is a partnership between the school systems in Waukon and Postville, Iowa, in Allamakee County and the U of I College of Dentistry.

Dan Caplan, a UI dentistry professor and the organizer of Project SEALED, takes third-year dental school students to the northeastern-most county of Iowa to provide oral screenings and clean the teeth of students whose families otherwise may not be able to afford dental care.

Project SEALED has provided dental care to students at the schools six times. Caplan estimated the dental students have provided care to 500 children this year alone.

The group saw from 70 to 80 students during both the first and second visits.

"There were not any services available because of a lack of dentists in the county," said Allamakee School Superin-

tendent Dave Herold.

He said many children in the district are eligible for Medicaid, but not many dentists in the county are Medicaid practitioners.

An income of 133 percent of the poverty line

"That's an expensive trip for many of those families," he said.

Caplan said a member of the Allamakee County Board of Health reached out to the UI dental school about the lack of

ect; we spent the last two years putting it together," Caplan said.

The initial grant covered much of the startup costs, including transportation, equipment, and lodging for the two days students are providing health care, but Caplan said the biggest costs are not monetary.

"The costs have come on a lot of time and effort donated on behalf of the project," he said. "When the students go up there, they aren't here [at school]."

However, Project SEALED makes up some of the lost education time.

"It's like a dental school set up in a classroom," Caplan said.

He noted that it provides valuable skills training for the dental students as the project coincides with students' third year of dentistry

school, when they have the pediatric operative rotation.

During that rotation, students are required to work with young patients.

For students such as Chase Wicker, who just returned from the project on Thursday, the experience was eye-opening.

"We see a lot of kids in the pediatric rotation, but it's a different population up there than in Iowa City," said Wicker, a third-year dental student at the UI.

Caplan said four different groups of students are sent four times a year — in mid-October, mid-December, late-March, and mid-May.

Overall, Herold said, he is glad the dental school elected to partner.

"We're lucky to have the University of Iowa," he said. "This brings services to our families."

'The costs have come on a lot of time and effort donated on behalf of the project.'

- Dan Caplan, UI dentistry professor and organizer of Project SEALED

qualifies for Medicaid coverage. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 11 percent of Allamakee County residents are below the poverty line.

Herold said families whose children needed dental care would have to drive to Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, and sometimes Waterloo.

dental care available in the spring of 2012 and asked what the college could do to help.

He said at the time, the Provost's Office had grant applications available, and the dental school decided to seek funding for a partnership with the county.

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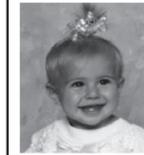
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You're off to great places. Today is your day. Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way. CONGRATS!
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JOSHUA BEHRENDT

Congratulations on graduating with a Mechanical Engineering degree! We are very proud of you. Good luck in all of your future endeavors. **Love, Mom and Dad**



Alexandra Savini

Congratulations! I am so proud of you and wish you a successful future. I will miss Herky. LOL
XOXO, Mommy



Kate Resch -

You had just turned seven when we took you to the Iowa Hawk Shop for the first time. You loved the corn head and declared you would be a Hawkeye forever. It looks like you have succeeded! We are so proud of you and look forward to your next adventure.
Love always, Mom, Dad, John, Cara & Maggie



Sarah E. Campanella

Where has the time gone?! We are so proud of you! We know this is just the beginning of your next exciting adventure and are confident you will continue to leave a positive impression on all those who are lucky enough to be touched by your kindness, generosity and amazing spirit.
All our Love, Mom and Dad



Kristin Marie Campbell

Congratulations, "Cook's"!
From your first day of kindergarten to your graduation at Iowa, you have made your mom & dad very proud. And now as you journey down a new pathway of life, never doubt your abilities, believe in yourself. Great things are waiting.
Love, Mom & Dad
P.S. INVEST in "GOD" pays huge DIVIDENDS



Callan Kennedy Sorteberg

If you think you are cheering about graduating from the Univ of Iowa, imagine how we feel about it?
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Look what you did! Congratulations, Emily!

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 Congratulations on your graduation, we love you and are proud of your accomplishments. Wishing you God's Guidance and Blessings in all your future endeavors.
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I am so proud of you! Continue to follow your dreams, pursue happiness and you will find success.
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 All our love, Mom, Dad and Allie



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An extra hurrah for achieving your goal, we are so Proud of you! Our love and blessings go with you as you face a new career and new challenges.
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Tyler –
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We love you! Mom, Dad, and Meگو



RUSSELL STERNSHEIN -
 From Power Ranger to Accounting Major and off to Law School. Congratulations on your accomplishments.
Love, Mom, Dad, Jack & Evan



Charles, *So proud of all that you have accomplished.*
Love you to the moon and back.
Mom



CHELSEY PENCE
 Congrats! We're all so very proud of you and all your accomplishments! Good luck at Boeing - they're getting an amazing Engineer!
 Love, Mom, Dad, Hayley, Casey & Chloe



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Your loving family



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 Congratulations to our Iowa graduate! We are so proud of you and all your hard work. You have a very bright future ahead!
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 We couldn't be prouder of the bright confident young man you have become. We know you will be successful in all that you do.
We love you so much.



Tommy C. Clark
Congratulations on a job well done.
We are very proud of your accomplishments as part of the class of 2014. Wishing you a bright and successful future ahead. Watch out there's a NEW Sheriff in town. Happy Graduation T!
Love Mom, Dad and Uncle Bob



To Our Precious Melissa Riordan,
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This is just the beginning of your journey to greatness. We are proud of you and wish you many more successes in the future. Congratulations!
 Love, Mom and Dad



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 Congrats on your graduation. Welcome to the real world! Good luck in your future success.
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Gina Melchiorri
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JACOB ESSER
No thanks Vicky!
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Love, Mom & John xoxo



Haylie Anna Miller
Even though Grad School took us miles apart, we made it!
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Love, Heidie



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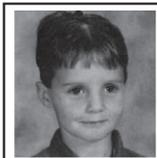
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Love you, Dad, Mom, Kenzie & Mallory

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REYNOLDS

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home daycare for children with special needs into a full-fledged daycare center. Her goal is to open this summer, and she will put the money towards classroom improvements.

VanderGaast said these types of services are not in Tipton, so the money will have a dramatic effect on the community.

Other ideas included starting a brewery for a wedding chapel in Shelby, reclaiming a vacant building in Mount Pleasant for an automotive repair shop, and taking the wares of an organic ice-cream shop in Indianola to new markets across the state.

The three-day conference was started six years ago when a handful of organizations wanted to create a place where innovators could come together.

The University of Northern Iowa latched on to the idea, and it has hosted the event ever since. An official who helps put on the event said even though he has only been in the state for a short time, he has seen how the event helps form a community of people.

"The time is ripe to build a business in Iowa," said Paul Kinghorn, the director of regional business center and entrepreneurial outreach at the UNI.

Kinghorn said Iowa's size allows for a community of business owners to be formed at events such as EntreFest, noting that in larger states, the focus is really on community development, but in Iowa, the focus is on bringing everyone together.

Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds, who emceed the Dream Big, Grow Here contest, said the focus is on getting entrepreneurs and young people to stay in Iowa to pursue their dreams.

Reynolds said she sees a business ecosystem thrive as the state expands its outreach efforts to small businesses.

Josh Krakauer, who attended to EntreFest for a second year, said having such a large gathering of people similar to him made it easy to come back.

"Best networking party you could ever imagine," he said. "Right next door is full of most interesting makers, doers, and builders in Iowa."

Krakauer, who founded Sculpt — a social-media marketing agency, 316 E. Court St., said the competition illustrates how business owners don't need to leave the state to find success.

"[EntreFest] pouts a density of interesting, crazy ambitious people that all have one thing in common, passion for growing in Iowa," he said. "It's validation that you can grow a company like this here."

COURTHOUSE

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center," said Supervisor Chairman Terrence Neuzil. "That ballot initiative failed."

The board decided to separate the two projects after public comment.

Splitting the projects may ensure that the court-

house improvements are completed as soon as possible, Neuzil said.

"I believe there is a sense from each of the policymakers, me being one of them, that there is a better chance to address the courthouse need first," he said. "That's why we are pursuing a ballot initiative to address the courthouse annex that would connect to the existing courthouse."

Much of the negative public comment after the previous votes was about the jail, Supervisor John Etheredge said, and the courthouse may be more likely to pass separately.

"Last time, we heard a lot of citizens being opposed to the jail," he said. "There didn't seem to be that much opposition to the courthouse."

The annex will add additional courtrooms, and the total cost will be roughly \$30 million. Etheredge said the additional space will facilitate the justice process.

"Right now, civil cases are waiting at least two years," he said. "That's just a really long time. To expedite those cases as well as other cases ... would just be phenomenal, and

I think it would also decrease our jail population."

After the courthouse vote, the county may wait a while for the jail project, Neuzil said.

"I don't anticipate that we will have any new bond referendums in the immediate future beyond this one, but the issue doesn't go away," he said.

Neuzil added the county is prepared to spend as

much as \$2.5 million to maintain the current jail while officials work on a plan for enhancements.

"Beyond that, it will be the next major project for Johnson County government to have to address," he said. "It will take quite a bit of work to persuade a pretty progressive county that you have to have a place for those who are in jail."

DEBT

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source of debt in the United States, being surpassed only by mortgage debt, according to the report.

At the UI, 16,771 students received financial aid during the 2012-13 school year. Those who graduated that year had an average debt of \$27,304, according to a recent report by the Office of Student Financial Aid.

UI senior Scott Carlson said that because he is an out-of-state resident, he is graduating with roughly \$30,000 in student loan debt. Additionally, his parents will have \$15,000 in debt to pay.

"I think it is really hor-

rible so many students are graduating already in debt," he said. "This level of debt is unacceptable."

He said it bothers him he will have to struggle with debt when he graduates in order to provide himself with a future.

Six months after graduation, students are required to begin paying back their student loans, plus 3.4 percent interest.

Deciding how to repay these dues is a difficult burden many students face.

"In all honesty, I might have to move back in with my parents for a couple of years to save up the money needed to start living on my own and paying my debt," Carlson said.

Mark Warner, the assistant provost for enrollment

management and director of Student Financial Aid, said this amount is an increase of 3.8 percent from the average student debt for those who borrowed and graduated in 2012.

Warner said his office is doing all it can to minimize the amount students "need" to borrow by maximizing education about money management.

Beginning July 1, the Office of Student Financial Aid will employ two full-time financial-literacy specialists who will expand the services provided by the UI, Warner said.

Since 2005, the total student loan debt in the U.S. has increased more than \$700 billion, and the impact of this trend may be a serious problem.

"Too much student debt may cause students to delay or forgo plans to enroll in graduate or professional programs," Warner said. "It also might cause them to take second or third choice jobs simply because the pay is better."

UI economics Professor Anne Villamil said the rising student debt could be attributed to two factors, including tuition at colleges and universities rising faster than the rate of inflation along with rising returns to a college education.

She said these returns to education — economic gains people may make by investment in their education — cause more students to want to bor-

row in order to enroll in college.

"Some evidence indicates graduates with large amounts of debt consume less," Villamil said. "Other evidence indicates graduates with debt are less likely to buy houses and cars, or decide to marry and start families."

She added these factors could have large impacts on the economy and society, and student-loan debt shows no signs of slowing.

Martin Gervais, a UI associate professor of economics, said something he's seen come from student debt is that students with more debt tend to accept jobs with lower pay.

"Since these individuals with student debt must repay their loans, they are

Grad debt

Of the 4,451 University of Iowa undergraduate students who graduated in 2013, 61 percent graduated with student loan debt.

In 2013:

- 12,584 undergrad, graduate, and professional students graduated with student loan debt.
- Nearly 46 percent of students were out-of-state.
- Average student debt was \$27,304.
- Average student debt increased 3.4 percent from 2012.

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willing to take up jobs that are relatively easy or quick to find," he said.



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Hawkeye Coach of the Year?

Should Ron Rainey or Lisa Bluder have been named the *DI*'s Coach of the Year?

Lisa Bluder

Rick Heller turned a program around, and Ron Rainey took a program — one that only recently started having success — to new heights. But what's more impressive than all of this is what Lisa Bluder did with the 2013-14 Iowa women's basketball team.

In her 14th season of coaching the Hawkeyes, Bluder took a team that had just lost Jaime Printy and Morgan Johnson and turned the squad into quite possibly the best Iowa team she has ever coached.

Iowa won 27 games — second-most in program history and most for a Bluder-coached Hawkeye team, it was seven points away from winning a Big Ten championship, and it advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the seventh-straight season in a row.

And if it weren't for an extremely unlucky draw of Louisville in the second round of the NCAA Tournament, we could be talking about this team as the first under Bluder to advance to the Sweet 16.

But forget about the wins — this team was simply fun to watch. The Hawkeyes led the Big Ten in scoring, all five starters' scoring averages were in the double digits, and they passed the ball as well as any team in the conference. It was a team that in many eyes, exceeded expectations.

That seems fitting, as

when Bluder began coaching 30 years ago, the expectations were low as well. With a \$2,500 per year salary and no prior head-coaching experience, Bluder could have easily quit coaching early on, and no one would have noticed.

But much like this team, she stuck with it. And as a result, on Feb. 10, she passed Tom Davis and C. Vivian Stringer for most wins for an Iowa basketball coach — fitting accomplishment for one of the best coaches the Big Ten has to offer and one who should have been the Coach of the Year.

— Jacob Sheyko

Ron Rainey

The Iowa women's soccer team had its best year in program history largely because of a coach who has since moved on to a different program. We're talking about a coach who took his team to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in program history. That's an extremely strong case for Coach of the Year.

Rainey's crew started the season on a nine-game winning streak and finished the year 15-7-1. After squeezing out a pair of 1-0 victories over Michigan and Penn State in the quarterfinals and semifinals of the Big Ten Tournament, the Hawkeyes lost a 1-goal game to Nebraska in the title game.

Not so different from Bluder's squad, Rainey and Company got an un-



Women's basketball head coach Lisa Bluder is carried out onto the Carver-Hawkeye court on Oct. 25, 2013. (The Daily Iowan/Tyler Finchum)

lucky matchup in its first contest in the Big Dance. Notre Dame gave Iowa its worst loss of the season and ended Rainey's time in Iowa City.

Even though Rainey took the head-coaching job at Dartmouth — congrats to him, by the way — he deserved to win our Coach of the Year award. Really, any coach leads a scrappy, defensively sound team such as Iowa to its first NCAA Tournament appearance deserves to be in the running for this award.

— Danny Payne

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Wacha sparks Cardinals over Cubs



St. Louis Cardinal Matt Carpenter (13) celebrates with Peter Bourjos and Allen Craig (21) after they scored on Michael Wacha's 2-run single in the second inning against the Chicago Cubs on Thursday in St. Louis. (Associated Press/Sarah Conard)

ST. LOUIS — St. Louis rookie Michael Wacha pitched seven innings and drove in 2 runs, helping the Cardinals to a 5-3 victory Thursday afternoon over the Chicago Cubs.

The 6-6 Wacha (3-3) had lost his last three decisions since an April 13 win over the Cubs. The 22-year-old right-hander allowed 7 hits, including a homer but did not walk a batter. He struck out 5.

Trevor Rosenthal pitched 1.2 innings for his 11th save. Rosenthal, who blew a save Tuesday, inherited a one-out, bases-loaded situation and gave up a sacrifice fly but closed out the inning and retired the side in the ninth.

The Cubs have lost nine of their last 11 and are off to the worst start in 39 games (13-26) since 2002.

Chicago starter Jason Hammel (4-2) gave up 5 runs on 5 hits and 2 walks in 5.1 innings, raising his ERA to 3.06. He had 6 strikeouts.

St. Louis scored 4 runs in the second inning on Wacha's 2-run single in between a run-scoring groundout by Yadier Molina and Matt Carpenter's RBI double.

Chicago got 2 runs back in the fourth on a home run just inside the left field foul pole by Starlin Castro. He drove in No. 3 hitter Anthony

Rizzo, who beat the St. Louis shift to the right side with his second bunt to the left side in two at-bats. When Rizzo came to bat in the fifth and seventh, St. Louis did not shift.

The Cardinals made it 5-2 when Molina lined a 3-2 pitch just inside the line in left for a one-out RBI single.

Junior Lake hit a sacrifice fly for a run in the eighth, but Rosenthal got out the jam.

St. Louis lost a challenge in the third when Holliday was called out on a close play at first after hitting a grounder to shortstop. The time of the review was 2 minutes, 54 seconds.

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BUY OR SELL

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Buy or Sell: The Hawks will improve on last season's finishes — fifth for the men, 11th for the women.

Do: Buy. The Hawkeyes finished in last place in both the indoor and outdoor Big Ten championships last year.

The women's squad improved on last year's Big Ten indoor finish, and there's no reason

the same thing wouldn't happen for the outdoor championship. The freshmen have also taken the spotlight this season, and their performances have contributed to the team's overall development.

The 4x400-meter relay team won the title at the Big Tens in 2011, and it also held the school record — until the 2014 relay team beat that record earlier this season. The 4x400 relay team ranks second in the conference, but the 4x100 team leads the Big Ten with its historic win

at the Drake Relays.

Hansen: Sell. Last season, the Hawkeyes had a very balanced team that was ranked for most of the season and should have placed even higher than fifth.

This year's team is not nearly on the level that last year's team was and is far less balanced to boot. While it certainly is not a poor team by any means, a finish somewhere between fifth and ninth is likely where it will end up.

With a young team

such as the Hawkeyes, growing pains are going to be had and a mid-level finish this season is just part of that process.

Buy or Sell: The underclassmen will carry Iowa.

Do: Buy. The 2013 recruiting class is a new generation for the women's track and field program, and it seems the freshmen highlighted every meet this season.

Consider the 4x100 relay team, which consists of three freshmen

and one sophomore. The 4x400 relay team is made up of two freshmen and two sophomores.

However, the upperclassmen in the field events have also shown strong performances this season. Junior Annemie Smith and senior Ashlyn Gulvas rank third and fifth in the Big Ten. Gulvas placed fifth in the conference meet last year.

Hansen: Buy, to an extent. Iowa has relied all season on its underclassmen, especially in the sprints, to be the back-

bone of the team. Hawks such as freshman O'Shea Wilson, Mallett, and sophomore James Harrington have all provided big boosts to a team that only has seven seniors.

Young guys also populate the field events, such as sophomores Sam Joens and Kevin Spejcher who throw javelin and high jump, respectively.

While I'm not expecting every single one of these events to win, a strong showing by them — and really the whole team — is certainly in the cards.

HELLER

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In 2013, Iowa was dead last in slugging percentage, home runs, and total bases. Just one season later, the Hawks are second in slugging (.396), second in home runs (23), and fourth in total bases.

Not to mention that

they also rank in the top three in on-base percentage, total runs, total hits, RBIs, and total bases.

Heller trusts his players. He knows the talent that sits in his dug out, and by letting them work themselves out of jams, he has boosted his team's confidence in themselves as well as those around him.

Think of the team like a computer. Instead of

coming in and wiping the hard drive clean, Heller and his staff ran a virus scan and eliminated a few of the problems that were slowing the team down.

It sounds simple, but sometimes, that's all it takes.

"We just have the belief in us this year," junior Jake Yacinich said. "You can tell by the park on game days, too. Peo-

ple have really started coming out, and supporting us, and believed in us all year, so it feels good to be able to play for some of the best fans in the country."

Heller is a player-first coach who trusts his guys to get the job done, and Iowa has risen to the occasion.

And while the team still has tons of room for

improvement, the foundation for future success has been laid.

Banks Field finally houses a team that believes in itself.

"The confidence is there," junior Eric Toole said. "We don't get freaked out by any opponent anymore. We know we can beat anybody, no matter what's across their chest."



Iowa head coach Rick Heller talks to his team at Banks Field on April 7. Indiana defeated Iowa, 5-3. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

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Mall, and find these experiences on your own time.

I was fortunate enough to fail my math for business class as a freshman, and get welcomed into the newspaper with 100 pairs of open arms. Not many are that lucky to find a niche carved out just for them so early in life.

I decided to make the most of opportunities offered to me as a sports-writer. I implore you to make the most of your opportunities offered to you, whether you're an RA, bartender, or engineering major, it doesn't matter. As long as it makes you happy, do it. You have four years here to make an impression, so why not fit your own mold? This town doesn't hold grudges or judge. It appears Vodka Samm has landed on two feet, so you can too.

I remember in 2012, I was in Evanston covering the Iowa-Northwestern football game. Ferentz was particularly salty in the postgame of that loss to the Wildcats and had an unbecoming aura to his demeanor. He apparently got in a nasty exchange with a well-known Iowa football reporter behind the scenes later on. That same reporter came up to a colleague and me in the press box afterwards and rhetorically asked; "You guys are going to law school, right?" (I'm not trying to make Ferentz look like a bad person here, that's just how it went down).

While it would be cool, and make my parents incredibly happy if I went to law school, the two of us knew that we weren't cut out for it. We have spent countless hours for little to no pay honing our craft, traveling to faraway places, and spending time with people who didn't seem to

appreciate our work. To change one's career just because a man of great recognition in a position of power treats you poorly is no reason to give up what it is that makes you happy.

I can only hope you all have loved or will enjoy your time on campus as much as I did. If you're not loving every second of college and learning from the experiences you're harboring here, then it's likely you're doing something wrong.

The Daily Iowan, you've given me a platform to be heard, and even though most don't care to listen to what I have to say, that's OK. Thank you.

Iowa City, you've made a man out of me. I wish there was more I could do to thank you other than sing your praises from these hallowed pages.

This isn't goodbye, Iowa City, and those who made my time here special. It's see you later.

SPORTS

Marble shoots well at combine

Former Iowa basketball player Devyn Marble took part in the NBA draft combine on Thursday in Chicago. The NBA Draft is scheduled for June 26.

Marble went 18-for-25 shooting from beyond the NBA 3-point line in the spot-up shooting drill and 37-of-38 shooting off the dribble.

"Devyn Marble excelled in transition in Iowa's fast-paced system," ESPN analyst Jay Williams

said. "He can attack the rim." The combine will continue today.

— By Danny Payne

Morris, Stribos receive postgraduate scholarships

Former Iowa student-athletes James Morris and Marike Stribos have received the Big Ten's postgraduate scholarships. Each scholarship, based on academic achievement, is \$7,500.

Morris, a linebacker on the Iowa football team who recently signed with the New England Patriots, has a 3.87 GPA and is a political-science major. He received the Big Ten's

Medal of Honor for an Iowa male. Stribos, a midfielder on the Iowa field-hockey team, has a 3.89 GPA, and she double-majored in finance and management. She was named to the National Academic squad during all four years as a Hawkeye. Requirements for the scholarship include achieving a minimum 3.2 GPA, demonstrating leadership qualities, serving as an excellent role model, and intending to continue their academic work.



Morris
Former Hawk

— By Danny Payne

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Baseball clinches tournament berth

The Iowa baseball team beat Purdue, 10-3, in the series opener, clinching a Big Ten Tournament berth in the process.

It will mark the Hawkeyes' first appearance in the tournament since 2010.

Iowa's bats stole the show, drilling 12 hits in nine innings, including 3 on which the Black and Gold score 2 runs apiece.

Eight of Iowa's nine starters had at least 1 hit, with sophomore Tyler Peyton leading the way with a 3-for-4, 2-run, 2-RBI performance. Juniors Eric Toole and Jake Yacinich both had 2-hit games as well.

Iowa's bullpen also helped shoulder the load in the victory. Junior's Nick Hibbing and Jared Mandel held the Boilermakers to just 1 run over the final seven innings, with Hibbing picking up his third win of the season.

The second game will start at 5:30 p.m. today.

— by Ryan Rodriguez



Iowa's Tyler Peyton swings at a pitch at Banks Field on April 15. Iowa lost to Western Illinois in extra innings, 8-6. (The Daily Iowan/Valerie Burke)

Hawkeyes sixth after first day

The Iowa golf team finished the first day of the NCAA regional tied for sixth place with Arizona State. The Hawkeyes shot a team score of 291, 3 strokes over par. Oklahoma State is in first with a score of 272.

Hawkeyes Raymond Knoll and Carson Schaake finished tied for 12th, each carding a 72. Brian Bullington is tied for 23rd after shooting a 73, and Steven Ihm is tied for 30th with a 74. Ian Vandersee had the worst day for Iowa, finishing with an 80.

The Hawkeyes will resume competition at 8 a.m. today.

— by Danny Payne



Iowa golfer Steven Ihm putts during the Great River Entertainment Hawkeye Invitational at Finkbine Golf Course on April 13. (The Daily Iowan/Alyssa Hitchcock)



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St. Louis 5, Chicago Cubs 3
Cincinnati 5, San Diego 0
Milwaukee 4, Pittsburgh 3
Minnesota 4, Boston 3
Toronto 4, Cleveland 2
NY Yankees 1, NY Mets 0
Baltimore 2, Kansas City 1
LA Angels 6, Tampa Bay 5
San Francisco 6, Miami 4

NBA

Indiana 93, Washington 80
Oklahoma City 104, LA Clippers 98

WHAT TO WATCH

NHL: Los Angeles, Anaheim, 9 p.m., NBCSN
MLB: Chicago Cubs, Milwaukee, 1:20 p.m., WGN
MLB: Chicago White Sox, Houston, 7:10 p.m., CSN



BUY OR SELL

What prospects for track teams?

The Big Ten track and field meet is set to take place this weekend in West Lafayette, Ind.

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Buy or Sell: Iowa will crown a champion at this weekend's Big Ten meet.

Do: Buy. While the women's team features a number of talented individual athletes — from hammer throwers to sprinters — the relay teams have proven to be its strongest asset.

Sophomore Lake Kwaza placed fourth in the 100 meters at last year's Big Tens; team-

mate Brittany Brown claimed the 100- and 200-meter titles at the Musco Twilight Invitational on May 3.

Kwaza and Brown have run stride-for-stride throughout both the indoor and outdoor seasons, but together, they perform even better — which was proven at the Drake Relays, when they led the



Brown
Sprinter

4x100 relay team to victory.

Hansen: Buy. I have little doubt in my mind that junior Gabe Hull will be an individual champion by the end of the weekend. He won at the Mt. SAC and Drake Relays and is throwing the best he has in his career.

Other Hawkeyes to watch include the triple-jumper tandem of Klyvens Delaunay and Babatunde Amosu as well as freshman hurdler Aaron Mallett. All have performed well, and Amosu has an indoor championship under his belt this season.

Mark my words, Iowa will ride home with at least one individual champion.

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Big Ten Track and Field Championships

When: Today and Saturday
Where: West Lafayette, Ind.
Watch: Big Ten Network; coverage begins 5 p.m. Saturday

YEAR-END AWARDS

Heller: Coach of the Year



Iowa head coach Rick Heller talks to his team at Banks Field on April 7. Indiana defeated Iowa, 5-3. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

Iowa baseball coach Rick Heller is the *DI's* Coach of the Year.

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There have been some truly remarkable coaching performances at Iowa this year.

Women's basketball head coach Lisa Bluder became the basketball coach with the most victories in school history as she guided her team to an appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

Head football coach Kirk Ferentz doubled his win total of four games in 2013 to eight in 2014, and Ron Rainey guided the women's soccer team to the Big Ten championship game and its first NCAA tournament appearance in program history.

And while all of these performances are remarkable, newcomer Rick Heller deserves the title of Iowa Coach of the Year.

In his first season at the helm of the Iowa baseball team, Heller has taken the bottom-dwelling Hawkeyes and catapulted them into the top half of the Big Ten standings, and with just two games left in the regular season, the Black and Gold have clinched their first Big Ten Tournament bid since 2010.

"We have some great guys here who have been around and have really done a great job of buying into the new way of doing things," Heller said. "We've made some huge strides, and there's still a lot of room for us to grow."

A program that had been lying stagnant for several years under previous head coach Jack Dahm was given a breath of fresh air when Heller was brought in in mid-July 2013.

And from the very onset, it was clear that Heller's Hawks were not to be taken lightly.

Offensively, Iowa went from a middle of the pack club in 2013 (7th in team batting) to an offensive powerhouse in 2014. The team batting average of .297 is second in the Big Ten, behind only college World Series runner-up Nebraska.

It doesn't end there, though.

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THE ROSSTER

Well. See you later, Iowa City.



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Well. This is it. For the past four years I've brought you the what's what on Hawkeye sports for *The Daily Iowan* and that time has come to a close. All good things must come to an end, and really, you deserve someone better.

I've brought you ghost stories and tales of courage. From tennis matches to football games, from semitrucks to treadmills, I've written about it all. The words and the stories I have brought to you, the reader, over the past eight semesters have given me nothing but pleasure, and that's something I hope you can appreciate and respect.

The past four years have been a life lesson, with sports just being the backdrop for the teaching. I've learned to deal with and cater to certain per-

sonalities. Kirk Ferentz once facetiously asked me if I was eligible to play football for Iowa. Bob Rydze, a former diving coach, once crumpled a copy of the newspaper up into a ball and threw it at me because he had a problem with what I was writing.

The former baseball coach threatened to cut off our coverage because I spoke to some players in a manner he deemed inappropriate. I've had a former swimming coach cry to me and worry about her wrongful termination. Devyn

Marble once complimented me on my tie. I've seen grown men cry and moan for direction in the wake of defeat.

These interactions aren't something you can teach, and how one handles himself in front of a stranger is the ultimate test of becoming a functioning member of society. While Iowa City offers a wide range of these unique experiences on its own, it's up to you, dear reader, to leave the comforts of the bars on the Ped

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