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WOMEN MARCH AHEAD



Iowa women candidates are more willing to discuss their families in this midterm election.

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Staci Appel opens the car door as her six children hustle out of her black SUV. This scene from one of Appel's ads may seem like a normal slice of life for the average Iowa mother.

But for the Democrat running in Iowa's 3rd Congressional District, it demonstrates a role that

hasn't often made its way to the forefront of elections.

Appel shows voters her role as a mother, a wife, and a hopeful congresswoman — something experts say has been one major difference between this year's campaign and years past.

For the first time, women running for office aren't afraid to talk about being mothers and wives.

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14 ELECTION COVERAGE

Annex fate on the line

A bond for a new courthouse annex will appear on the Nov. 4 ballot.

By CHRIS HIGGINS
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After two failures, a referendum Nov. 4 could expand the courthouse should voters approve it.

Voters will be asked to decide whether to move forward with a \$33.4 million bond to fund a new courthouse annex, \$2.6 million more than when it was originally proposed in May.

The three-floor, 69,167-square-foot facility would be dug into the hill the current Johnson County Courthouse sits on and would include six

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Teen admits to having gun

By NICHOLAS MOFFITT
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At a pretrial conference Thursday, an Iowa City West High student admitted he knowingly brought a .357 handgun and ammunition to school on Oct. 10.

Despite the admission, a lot of what can happen is up in the air, 6th District Associate Judge Stephen Gerard II told *The Daily Iowan*.

Gerard will now decide the consequences of the charge carrying a weapon on school grounds, at a later disposition hearing — the juvenile

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KID CAPTAIN

Always seeing the glass half-full

Iowa-Northwestern Kid Captain uplifts everyone with her positive and optimistic spirit.

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When Caitlyn Hill was 7 years old, she insisted on wearing flip-flops — something her mother didn't think was a good idea.

Caitlyn had just had a stroke the day before and didn't quite have the feeling back in her toes, which prevented her from wearing sandals.

Despite the discouraging

reminders, Caitlyn replied, "It doesn't matter," slipped on the flip-flops, and hopped around the intensive-care unit on one foot.

"Through everything, she's remained a child in the best way," said Lena Hill, Caitlyn's mother. "She's an old soul, but she also has retained her youthful zest."

This is something Hill said Caitlyn's entire family is thankful for.

"A lot of times, kids who are in and out of the hospital see too much too soon, but Caitlyn has retained that youthful and optimistic outlook," Hill said.

Caitlyn is this week's Kid Captain for the Iowa-Northwestern football game.

The Kid Captain program highlights the stories of pediatric patients at the University of Iowa Children's Hospital while introducing them on the field during home football

games, along with inviting them to Kids Day at Kinnick Stadium in August for a behind-the-scenes tour.

Eleven-year-old Caitlyn was diagnosed with sickle-cell anemia when she was born, which deforms red blood cells into a sickle, or crescent, shape, preventing them from carrying enough oxygen to the body.

Recently, Caitlyn received a

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David Yepsen, the director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University, said women no longer need to hide that they occupy the role of mothers and wives.

"Years ago, women had problems getting elected because they had difficulty raising money and because voters wondered how they could perform their roles as wife and mother as well as serve," he said. "So they downplayed that, except to use their husbands to affirm that it was OK with them if they were running."

"All that has changed." Both Appel and U.S. Senate candidate Joni Ernst have used their identities as mothers and wives in their campaigns.

Ernst has said many times she is a "mother, a soldier, and independent leader."

Her website also notes she is a mother and grandmother and says

she wants to ensure that her children and grandchildren inherit the same great nation and values everyone else inherited.

Appel is running against Republican David Young in the 3rd District and is currently behind by 2 percentage points, according to the latest Loras College Poll.

The poll sampled 1,121 likely voters from Oct. 21-24 and had a margin of error of 2.93 percentage points.

Appel and Ernst, along with Republican Marianne Miller-Meeks running in the 2nd District, have the potential of being the first woman or women Iowans sent to Washington.

"We may have come to a point where we've turned

a corner where women can use it as a positive experience and not as something they want to avoid as a barrier," said Dianne Bystrom, the director of the Catt Center for Women and Politics at Iowa State University.

Bystrom said this changed quite a bit following 2012, when women in Congress were seen as more collaborative in the media as their male counterparts.

Yepsen said this not only signifies a change for women but also a change of society as a whole.

"It's interesting to me that [Bruce] Braley is carrying more women than Ernst, and she's doing better among men than he is," he said. "It seems voters have figured out that a candidates gender isn't as important as their

character and position on issues."

Ernst and Braley are in a tight race for a seat that will be left vacant by Sen. Tom Harkin. Harkin will retire after a 40-year career.

According to the latest Quinnipiac University poll, Braley is down by 4 percentage points to Republican state Sen. Joni Ernst. Five percent remain undecided. The poll surveyed 817 likely voters with a margin of error of 3.4 percentage points.

"Women who get elected often do so because they campaign as someone who is in fact different than the good old boys who've messed up politics," Yepsen said. "They can more easily position themselves as agents of change."

"What was once a liability is now an asset."

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— David Yepsen, institute director



Ernst
candidate



Miller-Meeks
candidate

COURTHOUSE

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new courtrooms, increased security, and additional meeting space for officials, lawyers, and clients.

Should the local-option sales tax, a separate ballot item, pass Nov. 4, 10 percent of the revenue would go toward the bond. Johnson County Supervisor Rod Sullivan said that would allow the county to pay off the bond in about 10 years instead of the usual 15 to 20.

"We'll just pay it off the way we would [normally]," he said.

Supporters say the 113-year-old courthouse is cramped, outdated, and in dire need of an upgrade.

"The population in the caseloads has just outstripped the space, and so we obviously, and we definitely, need more courtrooms to deal with the backlog of cases that we have right now," said Patrick Grady, chief judge for the 6th Judicial District, which includes Johnson County.

Alongside security concerns with the current building, Grady especially noted special issues.

"Certainly if you go to the courthouse on a Friday or a Monday, which are probably the heaviest-traffic days, you see there are just a lot of people milling around," he said. "Attorneys don't have the proper space to talk with their clients, and sometimes people on opposite sides end up in

a little too cozy situation out in the hallway."

In the November 2013 election and a special March election of this year, referenda to fund a joint annex and county jail expansion, or "justice center," failed to gain 60 percent supermajorities. Although support was over 50 percent each time, it decreased in the second election.

The bonds would have cost \$48.1 million and \$46.2 million, respectively. The second contained a scaled-back jail.

Officials opted to snip the jail from the proposal this time, but detractors of the courthouse annex say that is not enough.

"We'd like to see reform happening in the way that police treat community members, students,

marginalized people in society," said UI senior Matthew Evans, a board member of Free Johnson County, an organization in opposition to the expansion. "We'd like to see that happen before the same people that are committing these atrocities get their \$33.4 million birthday present."

Those in opposition are critical of the plan leaving open space for a possible new jail connection.

They are also skeptical about whether there is true need for additional space, as well as the price reduction — around \$13 million sans jail.

"Basically, we don't support a \$33.4 million waste of taxpayer money when the project could be made much, much cheaper than that," Evans said.

CAPTAIN

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bone-marrow transplant, the only known cure for sickle-cell anemia. Although she is now considered cured, there are complications from the procedure, such as graft-versus-host disease.

That disease can affect the liver or digestive system. For Caitlyn, it affects her skin. Her parents said they are hopeful she will overcome this complication to become completely medication free.

Ayman El-Sheikh, a UI clinical assistant professor of pediatrics who has known Caitlyn for

about five years, said that throughout everything, he has been amazed with her maturity and responsibility.

"She's always been very optimistic. No matter what she goes through, she looks to the bright side," he said. "She does

'She's always been very optimistic. No matter what she goes through, she looks to the bright side. She does not get discouraged with the bumps in the road, and that was very good for her.'

— Ayman El-Sheikh, assistant professor

not get discouraged with the bumps in the road, and that was very good for her."

Caitlyn is above average when it comes to this, he said.

"You don't get that at

a young age," El-Sheikh said. "I don't see it that much, so that's why I was very impressed with her ability to be optimistic, ask questions, [and] understand. I was very impressed by that."

Stephen Rumelhart, a UI physician assistant of pediatric blood and marrow transplantation at UI-HC, said he thinks Caitlyn is mentally above the usual level of her peers.

"She keeps up on her schoolwork, is a very good student and very positive individual, and doesn't let much slow her down," he said. "She seems like somebody who doesn't seem to dwell on her illness."

Hill said she has noticed this optimism and positivity in her daughter throughout her life but especially over the last few years.

"No matter how difficult the treatment, she always focused on small things to be thankful for, and that was encouraging to me as a mother," she said. "As we struggled not to worry, witnessing her ability to maintain a thankful spirit that infused her with strength and optimism really kept our spirits up."

For Caitlyn, this positive outlook comes easily.

"I don't really have to try that hard. I can see good things in everything," she said. "The way I see it, if something bad medically happens to you and you sit there feeling sorry for yourself, that's not going to do any good."

"It's always better to see

GUN

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equivalent of a sentencing hearing.

The disposition hearing has yet to be scheduled.

"What's needed for rehabilitation is a good plan, which includes health-care people," Gerard said.

On Oct. 10, at 2:52 p.m. police were called to West High after a .357 Smith & Wesson handgun with five rounds of ammunition, two knives, cigarettes, and a bag of pills were found in the student's backpack.

Today, Iowa City police declined comment on the gun's owner.

The juvenile was taken into custody by police on Oct. 10 and was transferred to the Linn County Juvenile Detention Center.

Gerard, is how the 16-year-old will keep up with schoolwork. Johnson County Juvenile Court Officer Chris Arenas said the Iowa City School District had written a letter to the student's grandmother — who serves as his legal guardian — that detailed the district's plan to move forward either with expulsion or with a voluntary suspension for the 2014-15 school year.

"You can't just let him sit at home all week," Gerard said. "That will be the real issue going forward."

Arenas said educational concerns have been apparent since the beginning.

"My concern — I shared this with [the juvenile] from first meeting him — is that he is not going to be in school for the duration of the remainder of this year. That's definitely a concern," he said during the hearing.

Gerard said alternative schooling is one option officials will look into at the disposition hearing.

For now, officials engaged with the case believe the student will remain out of school.

Arenas, Assistant County Attorney Pat Weir, and the juvenile's private attorney, Anthony Haughton of Linn County Advocate Inc., agreed that continued detention until residential placement is the best option for now.

Since the juvenile has been in detention, said Arenas, there has not been any trouble with him.

"He is taking psychotropic medication, and the detention staff has reported he has not had any issues," Arenas said during the conference.

He also said a reason for placing the juvenile in the detention center is

that his legal guardian will leave the country, and after some forms are filled out, residential placement could be possible.

A wide range of potential consequences exists. Haughton said punishment could range from a consent decree — the equivalent of deferred judgment — to placement at the Eldora State Training School for Boys.

Gerard said the cooperation of the juvenile and his guardian in the case, previous history of mental-health issues, and recommendations from Johnson County Juvenile Court Services in the pre-disposition report would all play into the decision.

Haughton made it clear his goal is to obtain his client the equivalent of deferred judgment.

"I want him to get a consent decree," he said.

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14 ELECTION COVERAGE

Key district up for grabs

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An area district will play a key role in which political party will control the majority in the Iowa House of Representatives until 2016.

Two candidates are vying for the seat representing House District 73, which encompasses Cedar County, small portions of Johnson County, and the town of Wilton in Muscatine County.

Democrat David Johnson, D-West Branch, faces Republican incumbent Bobby Kaufmann, R-Wilton, in the Nov. 4 election, and legislators say it will have an effect on whether the Democrats can take back the House.

Currently, the Republican Party holds the majority by six seats.

Education spending is important to Kaufmann.

"The House refused to pass the allowable-growth measure this year," Johnson said. "And that really puts school boards in a bind when they're setting their budgets."

Allowable growth is a

percentage increase of the state per-pupil cost to be calculated by the state Legislature for the upcoming budget year.

Kaufmann has a track record of voting in favor of allowable growth.

He said this election took a significant turn for the negative, and the "education myth" of Republicans is just not true.

"I've supported 4 percent Allowable Growth for 2014, 6 percent for 2016, and both tuition freezes," Kaufmann said. "I've clearly supported all levels of educations."

One issue the candidates disagree on is raising the minimum wage.

Johnson said he supports raising the minimum wage, but to \$15 rather than \$10.10. He said this is the number the wage needs to be in order for students to pay for tuition, room and board, and other living expenses.

Three minimum-wage bills were presented in the Democrat-controlled Senate, and none of them got a floor vote, Kaufmann said.

Sen. Bob Dvorsky,

D-Coralville, said this election may garner enough open seats so that it is possible for Democrats to take back the Iowa House.

"It's possible to have a gridlock coming out of this election," Dvorsky said. "This year is really unusual, and a lot of elections are up in the air, like this one."

Rep. Chip Baltimore, R-Boone, said if Johnson wins, Democrats will most likely take control of the House.

He said if Democrats win back the majority in the Iowa House, the Democratic Party will get to choose the heads of the committees and the members on each committee.

"Basically, the Democratic Party would control the House agenda," Baltimore said.

This is a key race that will affect the House for the next two years, he said.

"I think the people who reside in District 73 have been fortunate to have Rep. Kaufmann there to bring their concerns to the House," Baltimore said.

14 ELECTION COVERAGE

Funding model draws fire

By ALEKSANDRA VUJICIC
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As Election Day approaches, several area Iowa House representatives aren't feeling the uncertainty or campaign fury as they run unopposed, but they are already thinking about their top priorities for the 2015 legislative session.

Representatives from Districts 74, 77, and 86 are guaranteed a seat in the Iowa House, and a common theme has played out in each of their agendas: discussing the state Board of Regents' performance-based revenue model.

Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City, the assistant minority leader, said her top priority would be to make sure the cost of tuition remains affordable for students.

"This new funding formula that has been rolled out by the Board of Regents is devastating to the University of Iowa, but we're going to do everything we can to fight that," she said.

The regents' revenue model was adopted in September.

Several provisions outlined how money would be allocated to the regent universities, with 60 percent of the funding based on in-state student enrollment,

15 percent for progress and attainment, 10 percent for access (for a diverse student body), 5 percent for sponsored research, 5 percent weighted for graduate and professional students, and 5 percent based on regent-selected metrics.

Recently, Regents Bruce Rastetter and Katie Mulholland, and all three regent university presidents sent a letter to Iowa legislators, which outlined why the regents thought the new model was equitable.

"The letter to the General Assembly clearly outlines the board's position, and the university presidents are supportive of the initiative," Regents' Executive Director Robert Donley said in a statement.

Rep. Sally Stutsman, D-Riverside, also a former member of the Johnson County Board of Supervisors, said the weights put in the funding model need to be reviewed, especially because graduate students only account for 5 percent of the funding model.

"It costs a whole lot more to educate a dentist than it does, for instance, a history major," Stutsman said. "I think we need to be fully aware of that so that everybody is dealing with a level playing field."

Rep. Dave Jacoby, D-Coralville, who is serv-

ing his sixth term, echoed Stutsman, saying his top priority is to develop relationships with "pro-UI legislators" to look at an adequate formula.

"The current Board of Regents is not treating the University of Iowa with respect," Jacoby said. "So what I'm going to try to do is work with both parties on University of Iowa getting the respect it has earned."

Rep. Vicki Lensing, D-Iowa City, is the fourth area representative unopposed in the upcoming election.

Mascher said another one of her top priorities includes maintaining Iowa roads and bridges, which she cites as a public-safety issue. The gas tax is an option from covering infrastructure costs.

Reasonable alternatives are up for discussion, but Stutsman said she hasn't heard of anything that would generate that kind of money to address infrastructure needs.

"Most people don't want a gas-tax increase, and they're opposed to gas increases, but they all want safe roads and bridges, so the bottom line is you can't have it both ways," Mascher said. "If you want safe roads and bridges, then we have to pay for that some way."

CORRECTION

In the July 21 story "Dorm construction still on pace" and the Oct. 24 story "Pharmacy building project moves forward," *The Daily Iowan* incorrectly reported the state Legislature turned down \$64.3 million in funding for the University of Iowa's new pharmacy building. The Legislature authorized the funding over three years — fiscal 2016 through 2018.

In the Jan. 28 story "Officials, students mull new pharmacy building" and the Oct. 24 story, the *DI* incorrectly reported the faculty and enrollment numbers in the College of Pharmacy were dropping. Enrollment and faculty numbers have remained consistent.

The *DI* regrets the errors.

CLARIFICATION

In the Oct. 29 story "Iowa City cancels winter farmers' market," the story states that the Winter Farmers' Market will be discontinued. The winter market and the Holiday Farmers' Market are two separate events. Though the winter market will be canceled, the holiday market will run on Nov. 15 and Dec. 13 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The *DI* regrets the error.

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COLUMN

Debt rally ineffective



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The reason Martin Luther King Jr. and Gandhi (along with those who joined them) are remembered for their acts of non-violent peaceful protest is because they not only protested, rallied, and marched incessantly, but did so with purpose and with answers to the problems they were identifying. While last week's student-debt rally certainly paid homage to the brilliance of the work of men such as King and Gandhi, it did not fully capture the effectiveness of such campaigns.

Lowering student debt (or, at the very least, freezing it) is an honorable cause, to be sure. Not only here in Iowa City but around the country, student debt is crippling to individuals who graduate. Understandably, increasing tuition angers thousands of students on campus.

But when dozens of such students congregated on the Pentacrest for the rally — organized by Campaign to Organize Graduate Students — displaying anger appeared to be the primary cause for the gathering.

In reviewing several accounts of the rally by both *The Daily Iowan* and other local news sources, it was clear to me one critical piece of a strong rally was missing — a fully developed solution as the focal point.

Naturally, the two major sources of financial support for the university are students and state funding. While the state shifting more money toward education would allow students to pay lower tuition, thereby lowering student debt, this idea doesn't explain which programs would suffer losses in this budget realignment.

"Stop balancing the budget on our back," argued the protesters. Fair enough.

But when, according to the *DI*, tuition makes up 60.7 percent of the operating budget of the university, and a slight tuition increase (of 1.75 percent) will keep the university operating in its current state and competitive with other major universities, simply telling the state Board of Regents to balance its budget elsewhere isn't really proposing a complete solution.

And if a rally isn't proposing a solution to a problem, then all it's really doing is complaining, loudly. The fact of the matter is the regents, and everyone else, know students don't want tuition to rise. So my question is, then, what was the point of this rally?

Bringing an issue about which several people care to the attention of those in charge is always worthwhile. But this was not the reason nonviolent peaceful protests were successful.

To be successful, a nonviolent protest must have two major components. First, the demonstration must present the issue and prove people truly care about it. The rally passed this test with flying colors. The next, arguably more important aspect, is presenting a logical solution. While the rally and the group behind it scraped the surface of a solution, it didn't seem to be the focal point.

According to the *DI*, Deloitte Consulting claims its efficiency proposals for the regents could save up to \$80 million a year. Plans such as these, which work toward solutions to financial discrepancies between actual tuition costs and the desired tuition is something I would like to have seen arise from this rally.

Although I agree something must be done to lessen the effect of student debt, I don't think last week's rally provided the regents, or me, with an answer to that problem.

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ETHICS & POLITICS

2014 ELECTION ENDORSEMENT

Voting for Young

In just a few short days, the midterm elections will come to a close (as well as the obnoxious political advertisements). In the 3rd Congressional district, the race could not be closer between Republican David Young and Democrat Staci Appel. Both candidates entered the House of Representative race when longtime Rep. Tom Latham, R-Iowa, announced he would not run for re-election.

Polls are far too close to call at this point, with each candidate taking the lead at various points. But the clear choice is Young.

Understanding the elusive idea of the American dream, the Young family has sown its roots in Iowan soil since 1881, and he has yet to call another state home. Young's history with Iowa is an indication for how he will represent this state in the House.

The 3rd District (in various different configurations because of redistricting) has been held by Republicans for most of its history, including Sen. Chuck Grassley, who held the seat from 1975-1981. After serving as the senator's chief of staff, Young will try to take another step in his service of the people of Iowa.

Young has proposed a set Better Budget Principles. These include the Balanced Budget Amendment, never spending more money than the government has revenue, and Zero-Based Budgeting, every year, the budget for all government programs will begin again at \$0, creating a level playing field. While these proposals may never see the light of day in Congress, demonstrating fiscal respon-

sibility is a positive trait for any candidate. Appel, on the other hand, has not made her position on raising the federal debt known.

A strong supporter of veterans, Young believes that veterans, those who have laid their life on the line for America, deserve the fastest and best care available. As a proponent of an investigation into the inexcusable actions of VA hospitals, he has invested time and effort into fixing these problems.

As for health care, Young is avidly looking toward dismantling Obamacare. He doesn't believe in a "one size fits all" system and says individuals should be able to purchase insurance across state lines and to have price transparency, as well as improving follow-up care in effort to reduce hospital readmissions (ultimately saving money for the individual). To be fair, Appel has looked to make improvements to the act, but we question to what degree. We are still dealing with the effect of President Obama's landmark legislation, and taking a critical eye to its flaws is important.

He's not perfect. Young has dismissed the current science on climate change and believes the cause is still undecided. His views on abortion and other social issues are opposed to what we have advocated for in the past.

But in representing the people of his district, David Young is the best choice to replace his Republican predecessor in Iowa's 3rd District.

COLUMN

Protecting the children



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"Here Comes Honey Boo Boo" is a TLC reality TV show featuring "Toddlers and Tiaras" pageant winner Alana Thomas (Honey Boo Boo) and her family. June Shannon (Mama June) has announced that TLC will no longer air the TV show because of her reported relationship with Mark McDaniell, who was put on the sex-offender list in March after serving 10 years in prison for child molestation.

Shannon said, "I would not ever ever put my kids in danger" on a video that she posted on Facebook. In this video, she also denies the relationship with McDaniell, claiming that she

has not seen or spoken to him in 10 years, regardless of the photos of the two.

Though this high-profile case has brought attention to the issue, child molestation and sexual abuse is nothing new to society. Recorded child sexual abuse dates all the way to the 15th and 16th centuries. According to a physician's journal, King Louis XIII was a victim of sexual abuse as a child.

Handling child sexual-abuse cases differed in the late 1800s to the 1900s. Boy and girl cases were not treated the same. When it came to convicting the perpetrator, officials first looked at if there was any physical harm or if the victims' reputations were ruined. From 1896 to 1926, 30 percent of cases were resolved by financial payments.

As the 20th century hit, child molesters were seen as moral monsters. When thought of, the description

of dirty old men usually came to mind. As some experts tried to claim that there was no long-lasting effect of sexual abuse, it became clear that there was. Long-lasting effects can be more than just physical pain and can include mental distress and other disorders.

Approximately 1 in 10 children will be sexually abused by their 18th birthday. Nearly 70 percent of reported sexual assaults happen to children age 17 and under, though only around a third of child sexual-abuse cases are identified.

These statistics comes from Darkness to Light, a nonprofit organization that was started in 2001 to end childhood sexual abuse. The members believe they can end child sexual abuse through education and by raising awareness.

Darkness to Light published "The 5 Steps to Help Protect Our Children,"

built on a foundation that we can make choices, take risks, and support each other. Following these guidelines cannot only help save a child from emotional scars but can help eliminate the issue all together.

Sexual abuse for children is not something to take lightly. It's sad that it takes the cancellation of a reality TV series to help raise awareness of the situation, but I respect TLC for its efforts toward protecting children and not allowing McDaniell to be on air. Over time, recorded cases of child sexual abuse has decreased, but it is still not enough. Parents should educate their children on how to react, along with what kind of situations to avoid. Public awareness and education are the key ways to help eliminate this problem; it is up to society to make it happen.

GUEST COLUMN

Freeze tuition for all students

The day after last week's Oct 22nd Rally Against Student Debt, a few members of the Iowa Board of Regents came out in support of a continued tuition freeze for in-state undergraduates despite previous reports of the Board considering a "modest" increase for all students. Iowa Governor Terry Branstad and Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds issued a joint statement supporting those members of the Board, which at least ideologically joins Iowa State Senator Joe Bolckcom, among others, in an increasingly bipartisan effort to make Iowa higher education affordable.

However, if the Board of Regents and state politicians are serious about student debt and the high cost of being a student in Iowa, then they need to consider the financial burden of all students attending Iowa's Regent universities.

Despite in-state freezes, out-of-state undergraduate tuition has increased

at UI by over 15 percent since the 2010-11 school year (and by over 250 percent since 2000-01!), with this current academic year costing out-of-state undergraduates over \$27,000.

Additionally, graduate students at the University of Iowa pay around \$1,000 a year in mandatory fees, which have gone up over 500 percent for all UI students since 2000-01. For graduate employees who hold teaching or research assistantships, exorbitant mandatory fees are a form of back-door tuition that forces TAs and RAs to pay to work, or in other words, to give a portion of their already-small salaries back to their university employers.

Once upon a time, revenue from student tuition and fees supplemented state financial support as opposed to being the primary source of financial support, as it is today. According to the Iowa Policy Project, in 2000, 67 percent of public university funds

came from the state, and tuition and fees paid for another 26 percent of university operating costs. However, as of 2012, just 35 percent of public university funds come from the state while tuition and fees cover 60 percent of all operating costs. This reliance on tuition has resulted in the average tuition for Iowa students increasing by more than 75 percent since the 2000-01 academic school year, despite two years of recent in-state tuition freezes.

It's pretty clear that our current student debt crisis, with Iowa students carrying the sixth largest average student debt burden in the nation, is the consequence of this flip in Iowa's public higher education funding model.

So, with all of the sudden bipartisan concern over student debt, tuition, and fees, it seems like the perfect time for the Iowa Board of Regents to work with state legislators to reverse this trend of ed-

ucational defunding. By increasing state appropriations, Iowa can continue to provide high-quality education for all of its students, whether undergrad or grad, in-state or out-of-state, without burdening them with unmanageable debt.

If the Iowa Board of Regents and state politicians on both sides of the aisle really care about student debt, they need to freeze tuition for all students, as well as reduce or eliminate mandatory fees for graduate employees, and commit to supporting public higher education as a social good. COGS, UI's graduate employee union, looks forward to working with the Iowa Board of Regents to achieve these goals both at the state level and during negotiations over the upcoming graduate employee contract.

Melissa Zimdars
Campaign to Organize Graduate Students
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fense was so good that the defense was relatively unchallenged. However, when it comes to actually preventing the opponent from making shots, there's undoubtedly room to progress.

Center Bethany Doolittle

can't be faulted for her defensive efforts last season; the senior logged an Iowa single-season record 106 blocks. She is, in fact, among the best rim protectors in the conference. This year, the defensive anchor is anticipating an improved unit around her.

"From last year, being one of the top teams in offensive points but one of the lower ones in defen-

sive, that's been an emphasis in practice," Doolittle said. "We've been working really hard on rebounding and ball pressure."

With a traditionally guard-oriented system, Bluder may have to look to a pair of newcomers, Chase Coley and Carly Mohns, sooner rather than later in order to boost the team's presence down low. The 6-3 Coley was Min-

nesota's Gatorade Player of the Year and ranked a top-100 recruit by ESPN; she could be able to provide some strength in the paint immediately. With 870 career blocks during her four years at Washburn High (Minneapolis), Coley is the state's all-time overall (men's and women's) blocks leader.

Mohns, a 6-1 forward, has also been praised by

Bluder for being a tenacious rebounder in her early days on campus. The Wisconsin native was a volleyball, high-jump, discus, and shot-put standout at Brodhead High, and as such is a versatile, strong athlete who can battle in the paint.

"I hope I can make an impact, I hope I can help the team. I'm here for whatever they need me

to do," Coley said. "Even if that just means making Beth better in practice, or if she gets in foul trouble, and I have to step up. I think I need to work on my strength a little bit, but I'm going to go in there and work as hard as I can."

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NOTEBOOK

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"This year, there are no more predetermined home sites for the NCAA Tournament," Bluder said. "The last two years, we've been able to secure some home sites, but this year, we're going to have to earn it in a different way, and the way to do that is by being one of the top three or four teams in your conference."

Senior Sam Logic echoed

Bluder's thoughts. A four-year starter, Logic knows that a usually competitive Big Ten got even harder this season with the addition of two new teams.

"Some conferences, you can take a night off and not have your best game and still win, not in the Big Ten," Logic said. "You're going to have to play some of the best teams in the country if you want to compete, and you have to want to play the best teams if you want to succeed."

Freshman class with a lot to prove

One of the biggest question marks for the Hawks this season is how they will use their relatively strong freshman class.

It's a group that Bluder would like to use in as many situations as she can, including freshman guard and Miss Indiana Basketball Whitney Jennings.

"Coach made it clear to all of the freshmen that she wants us to contribute right away and wants us to know that we're all

capable of doing what's asked of us," Jennings said. "Right now, we're constantly watching everyone else and just trying to learn as much as we can."

While specific roles have yet to be established, it's a matter more of when than if when it comes to these first-year players.

"They're going to see the floor, trust me," Bluder said. "They're too good not to use."

Logic the key for Iowa

Bluder spared no time

in singing the praises of Logic, a leader who, in her mind, stands out above the rest.

"No one in the country perhaps has as much experience leading her team like Sam does," Bluder said. "I know that I wouldn't want anyone else to be leading our team this season."

Logic, along with fellow seniors Bethany Doolittle, Kathryn Reynolds, and Melissa Dixon, embraces the opportunity to take control of the Black and Gold as they push one last

time for a Big Ten championship and beyond.

"You have to set a good example and hold yourself to a certain standard when you lead a team," Logic said. "Beyond that, you have to have the trust and respect of your teammates, and when you're around great people like here, it makes it that much easier."

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But when the Hawkeyes look back at their season, they'll look back at this final stretch of games as

what determined their fate.

Whether they want to end it on high note or a low note is up to them.

"We've got five games left that we're guaranteed," Davis said. "We're trying to win them all, and, hopefully, that takes

us to where we want to go.

"We all control our destiny. It's just how do we want to go out?"

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WOMEN'S XC

Hawk harriers psyched

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Nov. 2 marks the beginning of the Big Ten cross-country meet. It also marks the day on which opportunities lie for those who choose to take them.

The Hawkeyes have focused on Big Tens all season long, and now that the time is finally here, it is time to seize the opportunity presented on their home course.

"We have a group that has prepared well for the opportunity this Sunday," head coach Layne Anderson said. "Our pack running has been our strength, and our goal moving forward remains to get that pack closer and closer to the front of the race."

Nine runners will compete in the hope of capturing Iowa's second Big Ten championship. The first, and only one, came in 1982.

This Iowa team has competed against tough Big Ten competition all season long and has always seemed to fall short, but now the opportunity has been created at the Ashton Cross-Country Course to take control of the pack.

"We have been close to several schools throughout the season, and it

would be nice to push ahead of them this week," Anderson said. "The mindset is consistent with our preparation all year. Compete and be the best version of yourself on race day."

As the big day approaches, Anderson continues to stick to his regular practice routine until it is time to switch attention to the race on Nov. 2. This has been in the mindset of freshman runner Marta Bote Gonzalez as she prepares to compete in her first Big Ten meet.

"I have been working hard this week, and I feel good," Gonzalez said. "All of us have been working together and we are ready now to demonstrate all that work."

Nerves do not come into the minds of these Hawkeye runners as the pressure builds. Anderson assures that his team is not nervous, only prepared in what hopes to be the enjoyment of a successful day.

"We're all excited to see how they do individually and as a team," junior Lisa Gordon said. "I think some big breakthroughs are inevitable."

With 14 teams competing, being able to stand out in the pack will be imperative in

order to cross the finish line ahead of the pack. This will be Iowa's second 6,000-meter race this season. The first one recorded at the Big Ten Preview, which took place in Iowa City.

Being able to run on familiar grounds in front of fans of the Black and Gold will encourage the Hawkeyes by being in the comfort of their own territory.

"It should give us a comfort with knowing the course and staying in our routine in the days leading up to the race," Anderson said.

Anderson has had his Hawkeyes focused on the preparation of this race all season long, and now the opportunity will present itself Sunday at 10:45 a.m.

"I am confident in our preparation," Anderson said. "The work is done. We must now believe collectively that a breakout race awaits this Sunday."

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Big Ten Cross-Country Championships

When: 10:45 a.m. Nov. 2
Where: Ashton Cross-Country Course

MEN'S XC

Runners set for big meet

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The Iowa men's cross-country squad will host the Big Ten championships on Nov. 2.

Eight runners will compete in the Big Ten matchup. Sophomores Ben Anderson, Kevin Docherty, Nate Ferree, Anthony Gregorio, and Daniel Huff. In addition to those runners, freshman Michael Melchert, and seniors Kevin Lewis and Ben Witt will run.

Anderson, who led the team to a 18th place finish at the Pre-National Invitational, is approaching the big matchup like any of the squad's other meets of the season.

"I like how we have approached other meets, and I don't think we should psych ourselves out by approaching this one differently," he said.

This week the squad has prepped for this weekend's matchup with workouts at the Hoover Nature Trail. After the workouts, the sophomore felt good about where the team stands going into the championship.

"I think we fit in great," the Clive native said. "We're ready to go out and compete and put on a good show. We are fully prepared and ready."

Unlike Anderson, Docherty believes that following a different approach

going into the championship will make the team much more successful.

"We are approaching this meet with high standards considering we have yet to run to our full potential," he said. "I think with the team we have, we should be anywhere from fourth to seventh place, third place if we all run a perfect race."

Lewis, who has been the squad's top runner all season, didn't run in the team's last meet because of soreness in his knee. The senior will compete in the Big Ten matchup. Because he has led his team all season, he plans to continue that same tactic this weekend.

"I need to keep everyone together and toward the front," the Ot-

tumwa native said.

Iowa head coach Layne Anderson has high expectations for his runners. As a team, the squad has worked out and prepared for the season since mid-June. The head coach believes everything up until this point has prepared them for this matchup.

Sunday marks the sixth time the cross-country team has hosted the Big Ten championships. The last time the harriers hosted the big matchup was 10 years ago, and that team finished in third place.

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Halloween Need-to-Know Week — Witches:

- Modern-day “witches” are usually practitioners of Wicca, which is like a religion, but without all the stuff that’s depressing to think about. But it DOES have lots of bad poetry and setting stuff on fire.
- Wiccans call their craft “magick,” to signify that it’s kind of like magic but totally different. Compare to Deng Xiaoping’s 1982 introduction of “Ckommunism.”
- Some Wiccans claim that those hanged in the Salem witch trials were actually practitioners of Wicca. Scientists think that they may have eaten wheat that contained poison fungus, causing adverse behavioral changes. Given that Wicca hadn’t yet been invented in 1692, I’m inclined to go with the scientists on this one.
- Wiccan covens tend to congregate in one of two places: either the forest or the beach. Forest covens are sometimes referred to as “Arboreals,” whereas beach covens are more colloquially known as “Sand Witches.”
- Some practitioners of magick believe that it is a power that one is born to, and people who are not “adept” can simply never hope to be as enlightened and spiritually awake as a magical person. Beliefs of this type are sometimes also called “fascism.”

Andrew R. Juhl would like to thank his friend Mike for collaborating on this week’s Ledges.

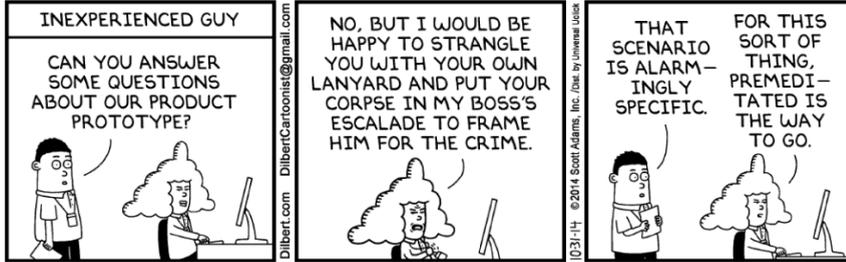
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- **Family Weekend, Mission IMPROVable**, 7 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Dance/IWP Collaborative Performance**, 7:30 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- **Camerata/Women's Chorale**, 7:30 p.m., IMU Second-Floor Ballroom
- **Kimberly Akimbo**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theater, 213 N. Gilbert
- **As Above So Below**, Campus Activities Board, 8 & 11 p.m., 348 IMU
- **Guardians of the Galaxy**, Campus Activities Board, 8 & 11 p.m., IMU Iowa Theater
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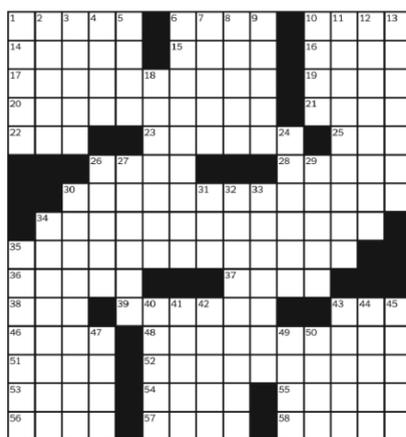
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0926

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- 1 "Ninotchka" setting
 - 6 Fad dance of the 1930s
 - 10 Swedish Air Force supplier
 - 14 Hollywood job
 - 15 Water bearer
 - 16 Lady Antebellum, e.g.
 - 17 Someone might call your number this evening
 - 19 Asian tourist magnet
 - 20 Delayed sensation?
 - 21 1920s-'30s debate opponent of Einstein
 - 22 15-Across shape
 - 23 "The road of excess leads to the palace of...": William Blake
 - 25 Succumb to drowsiness
 - 26 Exceed 21 in twenty-one
 - 28 Orchard Field, today
 - 30 Spending time unprofitably
 - 34 Little homeworkers?
 - 35 Some carved Victorian toys
 - 36 Strong and durable, in a way
 - 37 Maid
 - 38 Deli offering
 - 39 Gin cocktail
 - 43 They're on during the wee hours, briefly
 - 46 Arab League member
 - 48 Lengthened unnecessarily
 - 51 Roofing material

- DOWN**
- 1 Brewer of Schlitz, nowadays
 - 2 Catlike, in a way
 - 3 Soprano Fleming
 - 4 "Splendor in the Grass" screenwriter
 - 5 Telegraphy word
 - 6 Secretly carrying (off)
 - 7 Weathercast numbers
 - 8 Fruit grower's bane
 - 9 Reach
 - 10 Uninformed guess
 - 11 Ancient mariners
 - 12 Banned items at Wimbledon
 - 13 Left the gate, say
 - 18 Post office workers?
 - 24 Hard-to-escape situation
 - 52 1963 song investigated by the F.B.I. for supposedly obscene lyrics
 - 53 Cartridge fillers
 - 54 Forever, basically
 - 55 In the intervening time
 - 56 Cole Porter's "Magnificent"
 - 57 Three-player card game
 - 58 Wound up



- PUZZLE BY PATRICK BERRY**
- 26 Philosopher who wrote "Superstition is the religion of feeble minds"
 - 27 Working while others play?
 - 29 Improves
 - 30 Answers wrongly?
 - 31 Ultimate degree
 - 32 Fault finder?
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 - 34 Where fire-damp can form
 - 35 Like Tik-Tok in the Land of Oz
 - 40 Runs without moving
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 - 42 Ritzy gym feature
 - 43 Egyptian monetary unit
 - 44 Power, slangily
 - 45 Jousting need
 - 47 First flight locale
 - 49 "Somethin'": (Eddie Cochran song)
 - 50 Dispatch

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horoscopes

Friday, October 31, 2014 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Do things in partnership. Plan to attend a networking function that promises fun as well as opportunities to expand your interests. Don't view a difference of opinion as being negative. Listen, learn and collaborate to come up with the best alternative.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Keep things moderate and within your means. Don't feel obligated to pay for someone else. Taking care of your personal finances will help you stay on top of your situation, and avoid a loss. A short trip will improve a partnership.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Getting involved in home-improvement projects or making a residential move will lift your spirits but may upset your bank balance. Tread carefully if you plan to make expenditures that can swell out of proportion. Embrace change, but be realistic.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't expect others to do things for you. Take responsibility for what needs to be done. Express your thoughts, and don't fear hearing a different opinion. Live by your rules, and follow your heart. Your intuition won't let you down.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make plans to improve your life. A change of scenery or philosophy will get you moving in a direction better suited to who you are and what you want to accomplish. Don't let anyone hold you back.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will get ahead if you are receptive to change, learning new methods, and adopting new concepts. The people you meet on your quest to improve will make contributions along the way, leading to long-lasting connections.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Take a moment to reflect and rejuvenate. Nurture, pamper, and do the things that you love to do. Taking care of your needs will help clear your head and prepare you for what's to come. A youngster will offer innocent insight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be called upon to assist someone you love. You may be short of energy, but what you offer will be extraordinarily helpful to both you and the ones you help. Your emotions will be mixed.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may think you have everything figured out, but be wary of the people feeding you information. Mixed messages will lead to a costly mistake. Now is not the time to trust someone else to do what's best for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Take your time, and think carefully through every move you make. There is no room for error when it comes to discussions. Use your insight and brawn if necessary to keep things moving along as required to reach your destination.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't let emotional confusion take over. Think about the consequences before you leap into action. Discuss your plans with whomever they will affect, making sure you are on the same page before following through. Having someone's blessing will make your victory sweeter.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): An innovative, creative approach to the way you divvy up your money or what you invest in now will make a difference to how well you do down the road. Romance will bring added benefits and a nice contribution.

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F. hockey faces stiff test

By RYAN RODRIGUEZ
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To keep its NCAA Tournament hopes alive, the Iowa field-hockey team will have to go on the road on Saturday to finish out the season against the second-best team in the nation, conference newcomer and perennial powerhouse Maryland.

No big deal, right? Luckily for the Hawkeyes, the situation, while daunting, is far from unique.

The Black and Gold made a habit of it early on this season, defeating a handful of top-ranked teams including a dramatic 4-0 shutout win over No. 4 Penn State last weekend on Senior Day.

The Hawks know firsthand what it takes to get the job done against anyone in the country. Now, it's just a matter of going out and doing it.

"Maryland is obviously a different team than even Penn State, but they do have some similar strengths between them," head coach Lisa Cellucci said. "When you can bring a similar game plan against numerous teams, it's definitely an advantage going in."

The Black and Gold ended a two-weeklong offensive skid against a Penn State defense that is one of the stingiest in the country, rattling off 4-straight goals to down the Nittany Lions on Senior Day at the Iowa Soccer Complex.

And while the atmosphere in College Park won't be quite so cordial for the Hawkeyes, the big-game experience matters the most.

"If we can keep the momentum going from last game, I think we'll be just fine," freshman Mallory Lefkowitz said. "If we're



Iowa forward Mallory Lefkowitz and Miami (Ohio) back Ali Froede run after the ball at Grant Field on Oct. 12. Iowa defeated Miami, 3-1. (The Daily Iowan/John Theulen)

able to come in with the same energy and click like we did last week, it should go well."

Momentum aside, this is a vastly different team from the one that dropped three-straight conference games a few weeks ago.

A rejuvenated offense, to go along with an increased confidence level, has the Hawkeyes playing arguably their best field hockey of the season.

"We wanted to get them on their heels early, and I think sticking to that game plan and executing it like we wanted to is what's helped us recently," Lefkowitz said. "We passed well and stayed spread out the whole game as well."

Lefkowitz, whose played the bulk of her minutes on the top forward line with junior Natalie Cafone and sophomore Steph Norlander, has been at the forefront of Iowa's offensive explosion recently, and she wants to help continue the trend against the Terrapins.

"They're a fast team with a lot of skill, so I think what we talked about communicating and passing off of each other is going to be huge

against Maryland," she said. "Staying wide and passing well are keys."

Cafone will no doubt be one of the key factors for Iowa who Maryland will try to neutralize.

The reigning Big Ten scoring champ, Cafone broke into the top-10 all-time scoring list last at Iowa last week with a goal against Penn State.

And while the New Jersey native has struggled with man-marking at times this year, Cafone is confident that she and her teammates will be able to break through and find the back of the net this week in Iowa's biggest game of the year.

"Now that we showed we can do it for a full 70 minutes, it's something we know we're capable of doing again this week," Cafone said.

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Iowa field hockey at Maryland

When: Noon Saturday
Where: College Park

Soccer seeks revenge

By JORDAN HANSEN
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Iowa has never beaten Nebraska in soccer in the seven times the teams have played.

In fact, the Huskers beat Iowa twice last year — once in the regular season and once in the Big Ten Tournament championship game, which the soccer players do not take lightly.

"This is a huge game for us, pride wise — it was huge thing for us to get to the championship last year, and the result was kind of disappointing the way it ended up," junior Sarah Mazur said. "We want to go into the Big Ten Tournament with a win and feeling, and we can't overlook Nebraska."

Beating Nebraska would not only serve as a sort of revenge for Iowa, it would give the Hawks a better seed in the Big Ten Tournament. It would ensure them a spot against either Rutgers or Minnesota in a fourth-fifth seed matchup and avoid a top seed until the second round.

As Mazur said, the team will not overlook Nebras-

ka. Throughout the season, there has been a one-game-at-a-time focus for head coach Dave DiIanni's squad, and he hopes that will not change.

In fact, he was not exactly thrilled to hear the players are seeing this game as anything different from any regular-season matchup.

"Not to undermine the emotion of it, but this seems to me no different from any other game we've played this season," he said. "It wouldn't make much sense for us to take the one-game-at-a-time mentality this season and then treat this game as something different."

His belief is ironclad and a major reason Iowa has enjoyed the success it has — which, with a win, will culminate in a program record for conference wins.

However, in order to set that mark, the Hawkeyes have to survive an onslaught by one of the Big Ten's best offenses in Nebraska.

"They're going to try to send a lot of balls over the top, and we just have to be prepared for that," said junior keeper Hannah Clark.

"We've all been playing well and have really come together, much better than we did before, and we're going to play as hard as we can."

To Iowa's credit, defense has been its calling card throughout the season, and that has brought them victories on more than one occasion.

On the flip side, the Hawkeyes' much improved offense has flourished in the last six games, and it should have a field day against a Nebraska defense allowing nearly 2 goals per game.

"We'll have a lot of space in the backfield to play the ball around, but that means when we go forward, we have to pick and choose our times," Mazur said. "I think we match up well with them. We played Penn State last Sunday, which plays a lot like them, and that will help."

"We definitely want some revenge, and we will be going into this game hard."

Iowa soccer at Nebraska

When: 3:30 p.m. today
Where: Lincoln

Golfers' numbers falling

By COURTNEY BAUMANN
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Since the first tournament of the season, the Iowa women's golf team has continued to drastically cut its team score. Iowa finished 87-over at the Mary Fossum Invitational Sept. 14; most recently, it ended 39-over on Oct. 22.

"I think we definitely feel like it is a positive step in the right direction. We've continued to see some really good numbers out of people, whether it's one day or two days," head coach Megan Menzel said. "We're just really trying to build on that. We're seeing a little bit more consistency throughout the lineup, and we have more people who can help us out, and we're very excited about that."

The lower scores can be contributed to continuing work on short game. One goal the Hawkeyes had was to get their up-and-down percentage above 50 percent, which they have accomplished, Menzel said.

Freshman Elisa Suarez has been helpful in reducing the number of strokes. She recently finished 1-over to finish fourth at the Old Waverly Bulldog Invitational. Like Menzel, Suarez attributes her success, as well as the team's, to chipping and putting.

"We've been working a lot on our short game, and I think that's what can make a really big difference in the numbers," she said. "We've been doing pretty well in that area."

The Hawkeyes will close their fall season with a trip down to Boerne, Texas to compete in the Jim West Invitational. Shelby Phillips, Amy Ihm, Jessie Sindlinger, Jessica Ip, and Suarez will compete.

This trip will mark the end of the last fall season for Phillips. Rather than feeling nostalgic, she is enthusiastic to see what her team can do.

"I'm excited," the senior said. "It's one of the first times I've felt like I can look at all my teammates and know that we can all compete at a high level. Every week is getting better, and it is really exciting to think that we could get to regionals, maybe even nationals. It's really exciting as a senior."

While Phillips has three years of college experience behind her, two freshmen — Suarez and Ip — have contributed to the better scores for Iowa.

While Suarez noted short game as her main concern, Ip has worked on keeping her mental game in check.

"I've just really been trying to stay focused and not think so much. I've kind of focused more on my own game to keep within myself and block out anything going on around me," she said.

The result of the upcoming tournament will be important for how the Hawkeyes view the upcoming winter months.

"I think we really have to use this tournament as a good memory to keep during these tough winter months

in between for preparation for the spring season," Suarez said. "If we are able to make this last tournament a good one, then it's going to be very helpful for us to keep concentrated on working on what we have to improve."

Follow @cbomb12 on Twitter for news, updates, and analysis about the Iowa women's golf team.

Iowa women's golf at Jim West Invitational

Where: Boerne, Texas
When: All day Nov. 2

Volleyball heads east

By KYLE MANN
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The Iowa volleyball team is heading to the East Coast, ready to meet Maryland and Rutgers this weekend. This will be Iowa's first conference matchup against either school.

The road trip will begin in Maryland, with first serve scheduled for 6 p.m. central time today. Both teams enter this matchup with overall records of 9-12, but Maryland (2-8) has a one game advantage over the Hawkeyes (1-9) in the conference standings.

This weekend finally gives Iowa a break from ranked opponents, coming off a stretch against four top-25 teams. With that said, the Hawkeyes know they can't arrive thinking they can get away with coasting not far from the coast.

"We need to have confidence, but we can't go in there expecting to win, expecting that we're not going to have to work for it," senior Alessandra Dietz said. "They're new, but this is the Big Ten, and they've played a couple teams close. We just have to play our Iowa volleyball game plan, and that's how it has to be no matter whom we're playing."

Senior Ashleigh Crutcher leads the Terrapin attack, averaging 3.54 kills per set. Her hitting percentage is merely .203, however, and that is indicative of a larger advantage for the Hawkeyes.

Coming off a rough loss to Minnesota last weekend that saw the Hawkeyes nearly log as many errors as kills, col-



Northwestern's Maddie Slater and Kayla Morin try to block a hit by Iowa's Alessandra Dietz on Oct. 18 in Carver-Hawkeye. Iowa defeated Northwestern, 3-2. (The Daily Iowan/Courtney Hawkins)

liding with a Maryland squad that hits only .153 as a team will relieve some pressure and allow Bond Shymansky's group to focus on executing his system and getting another conference victory.

"These are teams that are situated around us in the conference standings right now, so we need to assert ourselves over them," Shymansky said. "We really need to be hungry. This a great road trip opportunity to get our first road win in the conference."

After meeting the team directly above it in the standings, Iowa will turn around and face the only team below it in 7-16 (0-10) Rutgers.

The Scarlet Knights are led by freshman Meme Fletcher, posting 2.59 kills per set. Again, however, the team leader's lowly hitting percentage of .095 is representative of a largely error-prone attack.

Iowa is fourth-last in the conference with a .201 hitting percentage, Maryland's .153 is good

for 13th of 14, and Rutgers comes in last at .142.

The playing field will be a bit more even this weekend, but Iowa also needs to get away from sloppy play in recent matches. Given their recent struggles, the Hawkeyes' focus will be on not playing to the competition and not taking any points off.

"Just because these two teams are not comparable to Wisconsin or Minnesota from last week, we can't go in there expecting to walk out with a win," junior Julianne Blomberg said. "Because they're going to give us just as hard of a fight as anybody in this Big Ten."

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Iowa volleyball at Maryland

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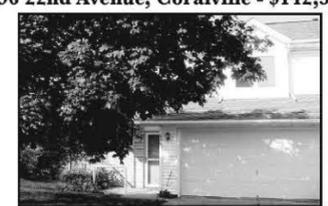
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Men's tennis at Big Ten Singles/Doubles, Minneapolis, All day Saturday
Football vs. Northwestern, Kinnick Stadium, 11 a.m. Saturday
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Iowa forward Carly Mohns shares a laugh with head coach Lisa Bluder during media day in Carver-Hawkeye on Thursday. (The Daily Iowan/Valerie Burke)

FEATURE

Hawks eye better defense

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We all know about Lisa Bluder's style of play. The fast pace, the shooting, and the downpour of points were on full display in 2013-14. As good as the offense was, and as good of a season as the Hawkeyes had, looking forward to this season, it's worth asking: What about the defense?

The Hawkeyes led the Big Ten in scoring offense, averaging 78.2 points per game, and did so incredibly efficiently. They were also top in the conference shooting 46 percent from the field, as well as with their 17.9 assists per game.

All that resulted in a 27-9 record and a trip to the Big Ten championship, so it was a good year. But as the adage goes, "There's always room for improvement," and in this case it doesn't sound like it's on the offense.

Iowa was 11th of 12 Big Ten teams last season in scoring defense, surren-

dering 69.3 points per game. Furthermore, the team was also 11th in defensive rebounds.

Bluder is aware of her team's weaknesses, but she says it may not be as worrisome as the basic statistics would indicate.

"Absolutely, the areas that we need to improve on are defense and rebounding," Bluder said. "But I don't always look at scoring defense because we play an up-tempo game; we're going to give opportunities for our opponents to score more because we're shooting the ball quicker. I like to look at margin and field-goal percentage defense."

In that respect, Bluder had to have been pleased with her team's plus-8.8 scoring margin, good for third in the conference. Still, the Hawkeyes were ninth in opposing field goal percentage (40.6 percent).

What these more tempo-conscious stats indicate is that, yes, Iowa's of-

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NOTEBOOK

Tough slate for Hawkeyes

By **RYAN RODRIGUEZ**
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The Iowa women's basketball team met this Thursday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, as head coach Lisa Bluder and her team spoke about the upcoming season and what they expect to see.

The 2014 Hawks return four of their starters from last season, a campaign that ended at the hands of No. 5 Louisville in the NCAA Tournament.

With another opportunity on the horizon, the Black and Gold look poised once again to make an impact in the Big Ten.

Earned, not given

Head coach Lisa Bluder wasted no time in her press conference getting down to business.

Playing a tough nonconference slate before launching into an even tougher conference schedule, Bluder and the Hawks know that doing things the easy way won't be an option this year.

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GAME PREVIEW

Final five to set Hawks' fate

By **JACOB SHEYKO**
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Saturday marks the start of the Big Ten playoffs. And no, that's not a real thing.

It doesn't have an official bracket, there's no committee to determine what teams get in, nor does it have any real implications.

But to Iowa defensive tackle Carl Davis, the Big Ten playoffs are real. Dubbed by defensive coordinator Phil Parker, the general idea is that from here on out, every game is practically a must-win for Iowa.

"This is a whole new season," Davis said. "It's the Big Ten playoffs right now; the race to Indianapolis. Every team, they're going to be tough. From here on out, there are going to be no easy games. Everyone is coming to play, because everyone has a point to prove."

Even if Iowa doesn't win the next five games — which would put it in the Big Ten championship game, its remaining schedule is highly

important to deeming this season a "success" or "failure."

Unfortunately for Iowa, the remaining schedule is perhaps the toughest stretch of games the Hawkeyes will face all season.

The next five games on Iowa's slate are Northwestern — which has defeated Iowa in six of the last nine meetings — Minnesota, second in the Big Ten West, Illinois, a somewhat surprising 4-4 team, Wisconsin, which just defeated Maryland, 52-7, and Nebraska, perhaps the best Big Ten West team.

"All goals are pretty much still intact from the start of the season," running back Mark Weisman said. "It hasn't gone the way we've planned, I'd say. It never does. You have to go through the ups and downs of a game, a season, whatever it may be, you got to bounce back."

An area of the game Iowa will need to improve drastically is stopping the run, something it

hasn't done the past two games.

Against Indiana and Maryland, Iowa allowed 528 yards on the ground. It was a far cry from earlier in the season, when the Hawkeyes were regarded as one of the top run defenses in the Big Ten.

In the first five games of the season, Iowa allowed 466 rushing yards.

Some of the reasons for this were technical things such as pursuit angles and holes in the defensive line. However, linebacker and co-captain Quinton Alston sees another reason.

"It's leadership," he said. "I take full responsibility. I have to continue to stay on these guys and make sure they don't relax at all. We just have to keep our focus, and keep our focus is all from the neck up. It's all mentality."

Not so luckily for Iowa, the talent it faces in opponents' backfields is only going to get more difficult to stop.

Of the next five teams Iowa plays, three of them



Iowa running back Mark Weisman rushes down field in Kinnick Stadium on Oct. 26, 2013. Weisman rushed for 56 yards, averaging 4.3 yards per carry, and Iowa defeated Northwestern in overtime, 17-10. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

contain top running backs in the league — Minnesota's David Cobb, Wisconsin's Melvin Gordon, and Nebraska's Ameer Abdullah.

"We don't think about them," Alston said. "We think about one step at a time. I know it's pretty cliché, but we're just thinking about the next game."

"There's no thinking about the past. There are no clouds over our heads, no melancholy stuff around here."

To this point, Iowa's sea-

son has been considered somewhat of a disappointment. Maybe that's because of unrealistic expectations, a few bad breaks, or because the team is not as good as previously thought to be. All of these reasons could and have been debated.

Iowa vs. Northwestern

When: 11 a.m. Saturday,
Where: Kinnick Stadium
Watch: Big Ten Network

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