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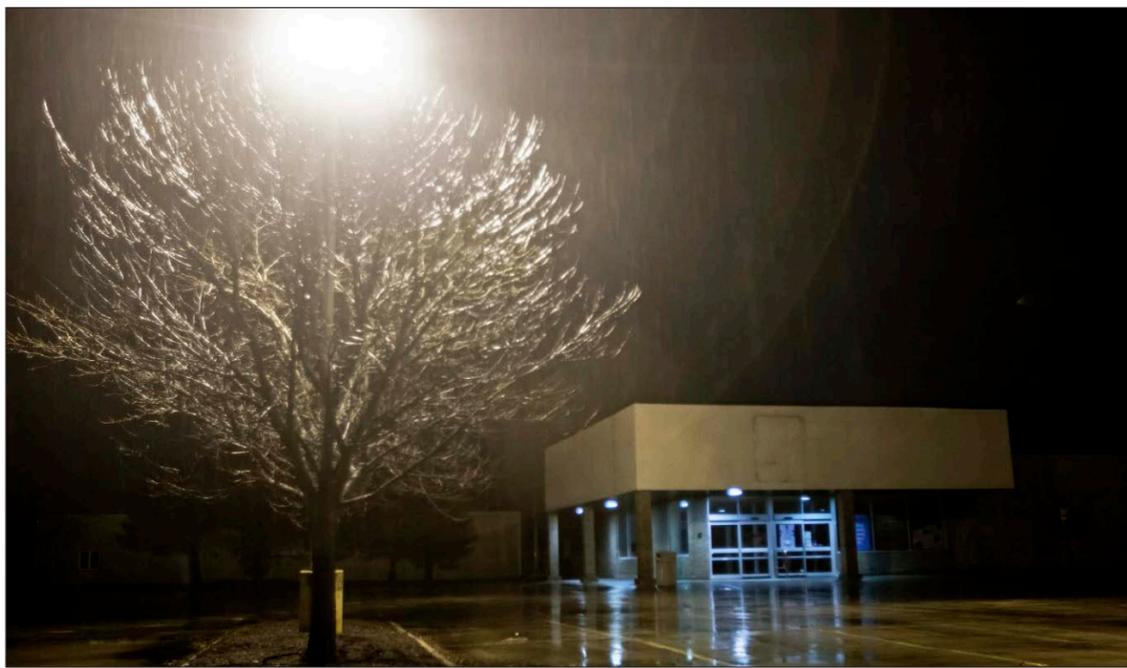
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City mulls winter shelter



The old Aldi's building is shown on Monday, Dec. 15, 2014. The location has been proposed as a potential shelter for the homeless during the harsh winter months. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

Iowa City may get a new temporary winter homeless shelter.

By **NICHOLAS MOFFITT**
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For those not allowed at other shelters in Iowa City, winters can be harsh — but a new temporary shelter is in the works to give those people a place to stay.

The Shelter House and the Local Homeless Collaboration Board are teaming up to potentially provide a temporary shelter at the former location of Aldi's, 1534 S. Gilbert St.

The shelter would provide a place for 20 to 25 people on average from 5 p.m. until 8 a.m. the next day, said Crissy Canganelli, executive director of Shelter House.

According to the Iowa City assessor, the building contains 15,492 square feet.

"The facility was the most limiting issue," Canganelli said. "Finding a location for the shelter was tough, because it had

to take into account finances, location, and an owner willing to let the space be used as a shelter."

The shelter, according to the emergency-funding request submitted to the city by Canganelli, is "intended to address the emergency shelter needs of these individuals who are homeless or chronically homeless."

The Iowa City City Council will vote on a measure today that authorizes the city manager's office to give \$20,000 to the project.

Councilor Kingsley Botchway II said the project is a step in the right direction of improving social services in Iowa City.

"It's trying to be proactive about the potential situation," he said. "I'm excited they're putting it forward, and there's a bigger question that has to be dealt with as well."

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City Council

The Iowa City city councilors will discuss homeless-shelter funding, rezoning matters, and more at today's meeting.

- Iowa City City Council Meeting
- 7 p.m. Tuesday
- Harvat Hall, City Hall

Source: City Council Packet

UIHC an Ebola center

UIHC officials have worked for many months on a system to treat Ebola.

By **CHRIS HIGGINS**
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As American fears over the Ebola virus have largely died down, the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics has reaffirmed the institution's preparedness for an outbreak.

On Monday, the UIHC was designated as Iowa's only Ebola treatment center. In addition, Mercy Medical Center and Iowa Methodist Medical Center, both in Des Moines, have been named as screening facilities.

There have been zero reported cases of Ebola in Iowa.

One individual in Iowa was quarantined in November after possible exposure.

There have been only four reported cases in the United States and none since October, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Of the four, three were health-care workers and one was a man who had traveled from Liberia to Dallas. The three workers recovered; however, the man died.

According to a UIHC press release, health workers will be able to care for an Ebola patient in a secured and isolated location the patient will not leave. Staff will not care for any other patients, and medical equipment will not be used for anyone but the Ebola patient.

"I am very proud of how hard our response team has worked over many months for extremely long hours to prepare for any potential patient who might be infected with the Ebola virus," said Loreen Herwaldt, the UIHC director of the Program of Hospital Epidemiology said in the release. "They have done a tremendous job of getting us ready to meet this challenge."

In October, UIHC officials announced they had set aside an area in the intensive-care unit to house two patients and had trained 20 nurses, up to 30 doctors, 20 housekeepers, and more to deal with the

SEE EBOLA, 3

University of Iowa eyes bike program

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In an effort to reduce the carbon footprint, the University of Iowa has applied to receive a \$135,000 grant to start a bike-sharing program on campus.

The grant would pay for 76 percent of the cost to set up three stations across campus, each housing 30 bikes.

The program would allow students to rent bicycles through the UI.

David Rose, the head of the Iowa Transportation Commission, said the commission approves the money for the grant, but another department decides on the grant.

"There is tremendous interest from all communities in Iowa," he said.

Liz Christiansen, the director of the University of Iowa Office of Sustainability, said the bike-sharing program would provide modes of transportation for people having to deal with parking problems because of construction.

She also said it would be a more affordable mode of transportation for those who do not own cars on campus.

"By the middle of January, we like to promote safe walking, safe driving, and safe bicycling," she said.

Christiansen said the idea of



UI student Ting Xuan Tan rides her bike near Schaeffer Hall on Monday. The university has applied for a bike-sharing grant. (The Daily Iowan/Peter Kim)

SEE BIKE, 3

IC rail taking baby steps

By **AARON WALKER**
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Passenger railroads are one step closer to a reality for people wanting to travel from Iowa City to Chicago, but possible construction remains in the distant future.

Last week, the Federal Rail Administration agreed to allow the Iowa Department of Transportation to begin preliminary

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School District ponders tax

The Iowa City School District is considering bringing a tax credit that can help district efforts in maintaining an equal environment for students.

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Officials are looking for approval for a tax that will help create greater equity for students district-wide in the Iowa City School District.

The School Board discussed a possible Public Education and Recreation Levy at its meeting last week. Officials hope the tax could help balance the district's facilities in an attempt to bring more equality to the district.

For example, the increased revenue could pay for playgrounds, libraries, cafeterias, and more.

"I think the real problem is some schools can raise \$10,000 in a few weeks from parent organizations, and others take much longer because of the makeup of families in the schools," school parent Julie Eisele said. "Some schools' families can't donate money or give to fundraisers as easily as others."

If the board approves the tax in January, mem-

bers will seek community approval. If the community shows interest, voters may see the levy on the ballot in September 2015. Following a simple majority vote from the community, the tax could be implemented as early as 2016.

Officials said the levy would use 13.5 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation on the property tax. They estimate average costs of \$6 per \$100,000 of household income.

Craig Hansel, the School District's chief financial officer, said some parent groups have helped in creating equal facilities, but those efforts are not matched district-wide.

One parent group created an equal accessible playground at Wickham Elementary, which is handicapped-accessible. If the school tax were to be applied in the future, similar playgrounds could be built across the district.

"We've been fortunate to partner with parent groups, but it is easier for some parent groups to raise money than others,"

Hansel said. "We don't want to get in a situation of inequity to raise money outside of what the school can provide."

Superintendent Stephen Murley said the tax could be used to continue the district's relationship with community facilities by building larger and more adequate facilities for both students and community members to use.

Board President Chris Lynch said he thinks the tax would be a great opportunity for students.

"It's an opportunity to implement equity and excellence across the district," he said. "It allows us to allow programing that will be beneficial to our students."

Murley said this is the first time the district has taken a close look at seeking revenue for such a purpose.

"[The tax can be used] to ensure across the district schools have equitable opportunities, regardless of the school," he said. "Community members can see a visible repre-

sentation of playgrounds, and increases of access to community facilities."

Hansel said if the community or district decides the levy is not working, officials could decide to not use it.

As Iowa City is looking to implement this model, however, officials say such a tax usage is shrinking in Iowa in general.

Des Moines is one of 20 districts that use the tax in a way similar to what district officials proposed, Hansel said.

Earlier this school year, the Bettendorf School District proposed a similar tax, and voters turned down the opportunity.

In terms of the district's needs, several parents and officials say they see the tax as a fair way to equalize opportunity for students.

"If our elementary schools had more balance in terms of poverty levels, it's possible we wouldn't need this," Eisele said. "I think it's worth asking the voters and letting them decide."

Farming sparks Iowa economy

A new study by the Coalition to Support Iowa's Farmers has shown that one-third of Iowa's economy comes from agriculture and family farms.

By **ALYSSA GUZMAN**
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Following a significant agricultural boost that began in 2007, farming continues to be a main factor in Iowa's economy, and experts expect it continue this way.

Agriculture in Iowa now accounts for about 20 percent of the state's job revenue, employing one in five Iowans and accounting for approximately 419,000 jobs, according to the 2014 Iowa Ag Economic Contribution Study by the Coalition to Support Iowa's Farmers.

"Agriculture is a really big business here in Iowa," said Rita Cook, an assistant field specialist with the Coalition to Support Iowa's Farmers. "We have a lot of farmers and a lot of jobs that are created because of agriculture."

Since 2012, agriculture in Iowa has seen very significant increases in the total value of agriculture production and value of crops and livestock sold.

"The growth has allowed Iowa to move into second place nationally in each category since the last [United States Department of Agriculture] Census of Agriculture in 2007," said Lee Schulz, an assistant professor of economics at Iowa State University.

From the 2007 Cen-

sus to the 2012 Census, Iowa's total value of agriculture production increased 51 percent. The value of crops sold also increased by 69 percent, and the value of Iowa livestock production increased by 34 percent.

Additionally, Iowa beat three major states in three farming categories, according to the 2012 Census.

Iowa passed Texas in the total value of production, Illinois in the total value of crops sold, and California in the total value of livestock sold — into second place in all three categories.

However, Iowa was beaten by California in total agricultural production value as well as crop production and by Texas in livestock production value.

"Iowa's agriculture land base makes an efficient, integrated system of crops and livestock possible," Schulz said. "A strong agriculture industry, performing well economically, will help keep a constant flow of revenue coming into the state of Iowa."

Tom Wall, a Johnson County farmer who has been in the business since 1982, said he believes the farming industry has continued to see positive changes because of technology and a newfound interest in farming among younger people.

"A lot of new technol-



Harvested soy beans are dumped into a truck, where they will then be taken to a grain cellar near Musser Farm on Friday, Sept. 17, 2010. Recently, more technologies, such as GPS, are being used in combines to make farming more efficient. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

ogy is coming along for the seeds," Wall said. "There's new technology for the equipment via computers, [but] the big factor is young people see a chance to make a living [through farming]."

Each year, more innovations for farmers have been developed, which helps them to be more productive.

These days, farmers are able to use GPS technology to make sure the right seeds and nutrients are acquired to make sure crops grow in the right places, Cook said. Additionally, there is now provision feeding to allow the livestock to grow properly and be more comfortable.

"Farmers take their responsibility to be good stewards of the land and livestock very seriously," Cook said.

According to the study, one in five jobs in Iowa are directly or indirectly related to agriculture, which provides employment for over 400,000 people in Iowa.

"If we didn't have agriculture, you could automatically write off 20 percent of employment," Wall said.

Cook said she believes Iowa doesn't feel the effect of many national economic downturns due to the local farming industry greatly benefiting the local economy.

"As agriculture grows and continues to grow, it continues to really boost Iowa's economy," she said. "When we had the nationwide economic downturn [in 2008], Iowa didn't feel the impact as much because we have such a strong agricultural presence in the state."

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Man charged with domestic assault

Authorities have accused a University Heights man of choking

his domestic partner.

Elijah Hood, 25, was charged Dec. 14 with domestic-abuse assault impeding air/blood causing bodily injury.

According to online court documents, Hood was in a fight with his domestic partner. During the fight, he choked the victim until the victim finally passed out.

Domestic-abuse assault impeding air/blood causing bodily injury is a Class-D felony.

— by Alyssa Guzman

BLOTTER

Sean Boies, 29, 810 W. Benton St. Apt. 315B, was charged Dec. 11 with unauthorized access to a computer and identity theft under \$1,000.

James Cason, 20, 961 Spring Ridge Drive, was charged Dec. 14 with interference with official acts and public intoxication.

Mackenzie Fields, 18, 17 Whitechapel Drive, was charged Monday with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana.

John Herman, 18, 2208 Quad, was charged Dec. 9 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Asaad Ibrahim, 29, address unknown, was charged Monday and Nov. 30 with criminal trespass.

Aneta Laciak, 19, 2419 Burge, was charged Dec. 12 with public intoxication.

Michael Lupa, 19, 211 Slat-er, was charged Monday with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Milton Nunez Lopez, 28, 2128 S. Riverside Drive Apt. 57, was charged Sunday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Jose Rodriguez, 18, South St. Paul, Minnesota, was charged Dec. 13 with public intoxication.

Mark Spicer, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Dec. 11 with criminal trespass and violating a no-contact protective order.

Harleen Thompson, 18, 3308

Burge, was charged Dec. 7 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Kathryn Tvedte, 18, 2214 Russell Drive, was charged Monday with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana.

Lichen Wang, 24, Ames, was charged Dec. 6 with public intoxication.

Lucas Wewerka, 18, 1326 Burge, was charged Dec. 6 with possession of a controlled substance.

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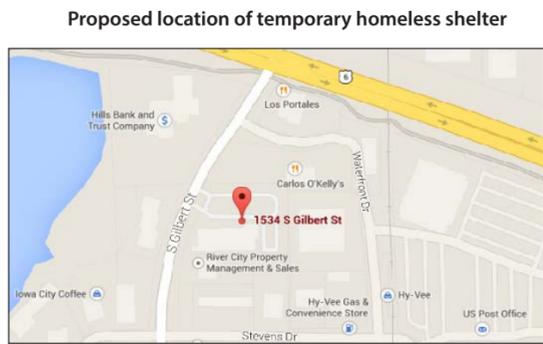
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Botchway said he'd like to see more money given to social services in Iowa City. The potential facility's budget is at \$67,760, plus \$24,495 of in-kind gifts, to bring the total budget to \$92,255. Canganelli said the budget for Shelter House is already stretched thin, so support from local municipalities and other organiza-

tions is needed to make the temporary shelter possible. To cover the rest of the expenses, requests have been sent to the Johnson County Board of Supervisors, city of Coralville, city of North Liberty, United Way, and the community foundation of Johnson County. The shelter has received in-kind gifts from numerous organizations, including Hodge Construction, which is renting the building for \$2,500 per month, a \$3,000 per month discount.

The Iowa City police have also offered an in-kind gift of prioritizing a walk-through of the shelter hourly. "This is an excellent example of the local business community stepping forward to partner and collaborate with the nonprofit and public sectors to address a local need," she said. She said it would be a barebones service, which is there to provide a safe place to sleep for those in need. The request states that the shelter would be super-

vised at all times by two employees and the shelter would buy 40 sets of sleeping mats and bedding. Assistant City Manager Geoff Fruin said opening the shelter was sparked by last year's harsh winter. Shelter House and the Local Homeless Collaboration Board are working on a long-term plan, because the temporary shelter won't be a recurring thing. "As of right now [it's] just a short-term project; we don't anticipate it to repeat itself," he said.



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EBOLA

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disease. That month, mass emails were sent out to students, faculty, and staff reaffirming the UI's preparedness.

The UIHC has also created specialized headgear to allow wearers to avoid contamination. The CDC reports that

there have been roughly 18,500 cases of Ebola in Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone, which have been hit

the hardest by the disease. Nearly 7,000 have died in those countries as a result. The disease remains a

significant health crisis in West Africa following a widespread outbreak earlier this year.

BIKE

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having a bike-sharing program was recommended after the UI became a bicycle friendly community. She also said the Biking Advisory Program will launch a bike-safety course in the spring.

University of Iowa Student Government Vice President Jeffrey Ding said he spent time with the bicycle committee in the summer of 2013 and sent in an application for the grant, but it failed. He also said since then, UISG has conducted surveys to provide statistical support making sure the bike-sharing program is still

popular among students. "There's a lot of benefits to encouraging more bicycling," he said. Ding said UISG also submitted a letter in conjunction with the grant proposal saying it will collaborate by providing necessary funds to support the program. "It will continue to show the University of Iowa is

bike-friendly," he said. Some students are unsure of whether they would use the bike-sharing program if it were created. UI sophomore Courtney Mercurio said she would rather drive her car on campus because it would be more convenient to have when it is raining compared with a bike.

"I drive a car everywhere because it saves time," she said. Mercurio, however, said she thinks the program might appeal to other students. "I think we're college students, and if we're presented with bikes, more students will take advantage of it," she said. UI senior Eric Lofstrom

said the bicycle-sharing program would help reduce bus traffic because more people riding bicycles means the buses will be less crowded. He also said this new program would be good for the university's image. "More people on bikes looks good for freshmen visiting the university," Lofstrom said.

RAIL

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nary engineering work and follow-up environmental assessment on the planned Amtrak route between Iowa City and Chicago. "Ideally, the next phase is preliminary engineering, which will not give a final design but will get us to about 30 percent [of the funding] to understand engineering requirements and eventually go to final design and construction," said Amanda Martin, the Iowa Department of Transportation's freight and passenger policy coordinator. She said the project would still need significantly more federal and/or state funding to further progress. The Federal Rail Administration planned an 80 percent federal and 20 percent state and local funding split. Of the roughly \$72 million estimated to complete Phase 2, this week's agreement only approves \$53 million in funding.

"The next phase will get us to about mid-2016, where we will be staged to move forward with additional phases," Martin said. "We're just doing this piece now, but after 2016, it's all to be determined." Sen. Tod Bowman, D-Maquoketa, the head of the Transportation Committee, said until the state has specific funds designated to the project, construction is probably in the distant future. He said he remains optimistic about the future of passenger rail to eventually go from Chicago across the state. "Most likely what we're talking about is infrastructure dollars in different funds that could be appropriated to that," Bowman said. "It would take the government and Legislature to work together to get it brewing." The rail network is planned to go from Chicago through Naperville and on to the Quad Cities and Iowa City. Iowa City Chamber of Commerce President

Nancy Quellhorst said in an email the line would provide an affordable option for locals to travel to and from Chicago without being concerned about weather or parking. "We have a limited, unique opportunity to capitalize on the Federal Rail Administration grant," Quellhorst said. "The Quad Cities route is in progress and once that route is in service, I'm confident Iowans will understand how very valuable passenger rail service is to our community." She said many communities have recognized the considerable economic development that surrounds stations. She also said many downtown retailers appreciate and rely on business from Chicago area residents. Of the 31,387 students attending the University of Iowa this fall, 6,232 students hail from Illinois. Minnesota has the next most with 702 students. Zack Sikat, a senior busi-

ness marketing major from Schaumburg, Illinois, said he's had great Amtrak experiences in the past and would definitely use it to travel home. "It would save me gas money and be less dangerous in the winter when I'm in my own car or on a bus," Seacat said. "So Amtrak is looking like the better option in my opinion." Julia Pfeifer, a senior from Barrington, Illinois, said it would be the best option for students traveling without cars. "If there's a faster and more leisurely alternative

where people can get work done at the same time, I think it might be appeal-

ing [for students and alumni] to come for a weekend," Pfeifer said.

Proposed Amtrak line from Quad Cities to Iowa City



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OPINIONS

Cruz control



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Who knew Ted Cruz was a secret Democrat?

Well, OK, maybe it just seems that way. (So much of life is like that, you notice? It's as if we don't live life, we live like life.)

It's like (that word again) people now thinking Iowa is a Republican state. Maybe it just seems that way.

Well, sure, the GOP holds the three main statewide seats (governor, the two Senate seats) and most of the U.S. House seats. The only Democrat in the House will be Dave Loebsack in Iowa's 2nd District, which is, of course, Iowa City's area. (Might be time for talk about the Republic of Iowa City to resurface.)

But in looking at Iowa's recent political history, it would seem the state is more purple than straight red.

Consider: In the last seven presidential elections, Iowa has voted for the Democrat six times, the exception being 2004, when incumbent Republican George W. Bush beat Democrat John Kerry by 0.67 of a percentage point.

In contrast, Democrat Barack Obama beat John McCain by 9.54 percentage points in 2008 and in 2012, beat Republican Mitt "Dog Lover" Romney by 5.81 percentage points. (Many sources maintain that Obama beat Romney by 5.81 percent in 2012, but that's not right; you can't simply subtract one percentage from another and wind up with a percent. In 2012, for instance, Obama beat Romney in Iowa by 5.92 percent of the total vote, as opposed to the number of percentage points.)

So before Republicans start doing their version of an Irish jig in GOP joy (which is re-

ally pretty amusing to observe as long as you don't stand too close), they should wonder why they can't take the presidential vote in the land of tall corn. ("Land of Tall Corn" was once proposed as the state's motto for the license plates, but too many people found it too corny. Is that like life?)

Well, Ted Cruz, the Republican/tea party senator from Texas, is like life. Like life somewhere, anyway.

In case you missed it, Congress held a party over this past weekend and wound up passing a budget bill. Hoo-hah. A \$1.1 trillion budget bill. And you thought Republicans were the small-government people. Some things need rethinking. Or maybe some thinking needs re-thinging.

There were some speed bumps along the way, a major one provided by Cruz, who was mad enough about President Obama's immigration plans (no, Virginia, he's not going anywhere) that he tried to put the kibosh on the bill to stop those immigration plans.

That move, according to many accounts, allowed Senate Majority Leader for the moment Harry Reid, D-Nev., to move ahead with considering Obama's many nominations for various posts that Republicans had blocked for quite some time. Victory, more or less, Democrats. Thanks, Ted.

And indeed, the Senate on Monday finally confirmed Vivek Murthy as the new surgeon general. After 17 months of breathless waiting.

A note on the new surgeon general: during the Ebola scare (Remember that? Me, neither.), a Republican lawmaker wondered why the surgeon general wasn't doing more. He had to be reminded that the U.S. had no surgeon general, because Republicans had blocked Murthy's nomination.

Life in like life is kind of like being on Cruz control.

EDITORIAL

Suing gun manufacturers not the answer to shootings

The anniversary of the shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary in Newtown, Connecticut, which claimed the lives of 20 students and six teachers in 2012, has brought with it a new development in the tragedy. A lawsuit is being filed by family members representing nine of the victims; it is directed against the manufacturers of the firearm used in the shooting.

Although the legality of the weapon sale isn't being challenged, the underlying question being raised is why the assault weapon was made available to the general public in the first place. Bushmaster, a firearms manufacturer based in Madison, North Carolina, in addition to the retailer and distributor responsible for the sale of the actual firearm, is named in the lawsuit.

It is important to look at this news in relation to the larger public debate on gun control vs. gun rights in the United States. Gun laws have become a point of contention among the American people with differing opinions on where public policy should stand in the wake of tragedies such as Sandy Hook in contrast to individual and constitutional liberties.

Naturally, support for stricter gun-control laws rose following the events of Sandy Hook. However, recent Gallup poll findings show that "fewer than half of Americans, 47 percent, say they favor stricter laws" in contrast to the "58 percent recorded in 2012." Sandy Hook polarized a nation in mourning, but two years later, the emotional landscape of the argument for strict gun-control law has plateaued to some extent.

According to findings by the organization Everytown for Gun Safety, there have been "at least 94 school shootings in America — an average of nearly one a week" in the two years following Sandy Hook.

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These findings take into account instances that fall outside the traditional classification of premeditated massacres such as the Columbine and Virginia Tech shootings. Instances such as gang-related activity, accidents, suicides, non-fatal incidents, and more were included when coming to this number.

The problem of guns in our schools is still a relevant, concerning problem that warrants the attention of the American people. The emphasis placed on such a prevalent issue should not fluctuate with the headlines and news coverage. That said, it is important to maintain a clear perspective on the issue as whole, as opposed to compartmentalizing the issue to the point of cultural solubility. The factors culminating in the Sandy Hook tragedy are multifaceted and extend further than one specific factor such as the manufacturing of the weapon in the first place.

Seeking justice for the families affected by the Sandy Hook massacre is an admirable goal. However, efforts must be made to holistically address the larger culture and factors that perpetuate rampant gun violence in the nation's school systems.

It is hard to say if the manufacturers of the weapon used in the shooting shoulder the blame, and by acting under this assumption, one runs the risk of detracting from the larger conversation on gun violence reform. This measure may just be a means to keep the national spotlight focused on addressing gun violence, and a lawsuit is a sure way to do it. But pigeonholing the responsibility of preventing school shootings to gun manufacturers alone will foster a culture that does not address the litany of influences and factors that result in tragedies such as Sandy Hook. The larger goal should be the prevention of these types of tragedy in the future rather than retrospectively looking to pin blame.

COLUMN

Sit-down redux



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Mark your calendar: *The Daily Iowan* will sit down with University of Iowa President Sally Mason on Jan. 26, 2015, following a nearly seven-month hiatus of one-on-one interviews.

Following a one-on-one meeting with Mason, the *DI* is now able to continue a long tradition of interviewing university presidents, from Mary Sue Coleman to David Skorton and Willard "Sandy" Boyd — just to name a few.

After I was told by UI officials Tom Moore and Joe Brennan that the *DI* would no longer be able to sit down with Mason

one-on-one, and instead all news organizations would be invited to a media availability, I decided to address my concerns with the state Board of Regents, the Iowa City and UI community, as well as Mason herself in a column published in the *DI* on Dec. 10. I highlighted the importance of these sit-down interviews for both my experience as a reporter and editor, as well as for the university and Iowa City community.

And with the help of several former *DI* editors, I was able to convey the importance of having a productive and sound relationship with the university administration.

My experiences interviewing Mason as a Metro reporter were both pleasant and cordial, and I consider it one of the many important experiences I've had while working at the *DI*.

I was quite overwhelmed by the number of people who extended their support regarding my concerns addressed in the column, and those who shared their thoughts — both positive and negative. People always say the *Daily Iowan* staff — current and former — is a family, and that has never rung more true than it has over the last few days.

But most of all, I appreciate Mason reaching out to me and requesting to meet one-on-one on Monday to directly address my concerns with how the *DI* and her office communicate.

Mason addressed many of the points in my column, including the lack of one-on-one access and the way the changes to the Q&As were delivered. She noted it was not her intention to limit the amount of access the *DI* had and was open to re-

instating the Q&As.

The *DI* will sit down with Mason once every four weeks for a conversation about current events and topics of interest to the campus and city. We will continue publishing a verbatim Q&A and accompanying story, and we will also include Daily Iowan TV coverage and possible photo opportunities. Mason said she will also continue her media availabilities with local news organizations every six weeks or so.

It was always about keeping the tradition alive and continuing what many former *DI* staffers have been able to do long before I came to campus in 2011.

And fortunately, once I graduate in May, I can leave knowing the *DI* will be able to continue developing a strong relationship with the university administration.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Presidential access

As a young man, I went to Hancher once a month. Not the auditorium, the man — Virgil M. Hancher, University of Iowa president 1940 to 1964.

He welcomed student leaders to his office in Old Capitol, patiently heard their concerns and forwarded them to the dean of students.

Regular visitors included the *Daily Iowan* editor. From May 1962 to February '63, that was me.

Wise policy, a monthly sit-down with student journalists. Friction is inevitable. But to visit with potential adversaries in tranquil times is to build rapport against the day controversy erupts. Hancher's successors over the years embraced the tradition.

Some of the time it can't have been easy. For example, when racial issues flared in Iowa City in the early '60s, *The Daily Iowan* reacted. Among other efforts, it implored the university to step up its push against off-campus housing discrimination. Hancher could have been tempted to insulate himself from the turmoil. But he and Dean of Students M.L. Huit responded, and the university and community were better for the reform.

So it's disappointing today to read that university officials have canceled the president's monthly sit-downs with student journalists. All because of the way the national news media picked up Sally Mason's remarks regarding sexual assaults on campus.

May they rethink their decision. Regular contact between university president and student leaders is too productive a tradition to discard in the heat of the moment.

Jerry Elsea

The purpose of higher learning

I understand that Serhat Tanyolacar's piece was offensive to some (and I do not doubt that it was intended to be) and that President Sally Mason felt called upon to respond to the legitimate concerns of the students. "Terrorized," however, seems to me a bit overblown as a description of any reasonable person's reaction to the sculpture. Offended, upset, repelled... sure, but let's not jump the shark with the terminology here.

And, while I agree with Erin Manfull that the First Amendment issue is important, my real problem with the university's response is its

assumption that the campus should be a pleasant place where everyone feels comfortable and free from the possibility that she or he may be offended. The administration seems to be operating with a business model that sees students as paying customers and that, as such, they should be cossetted, lest we lose their tuition dollars.

An older (and I think more valid) paradigm of an institution of higher learning is that of a dynamic environment in which everyone (and this, of course, includes the faculty, and to some extent, the administration and the staff) has her or his ideas challenged — even attacked — on a regular basis. Granted, I am a West Coast '60s kind of guy, so I have a certain bias.

But I believe the job of the artist is not just to make pretty things but to show us the world in ways that are not immediately visible to us. It's a risky enterprise, and often the artist's efforts are unsuccessful; but the cost of shutting down that discourse is the vitality of the intellectual realm.

Tom Baer

Online comment on 'Manfull: Removal

of KKK statue misguided'

He had no permission from the university to put the statue up to begin with, thus NO standing when it comes to his free-speech "violation." Simply because he is already in the wrong; he had no permission from the university to put the statue on its property, and that is merely enough reason to take it down.

Every student organization, visiting group, art display, etc., must be given permission by the university before they get on the Pentacrest. As a student-organization leader, I know we face fines if we fail to get permission beforehand, you MAY have a case. The university makes these provisions for a reason, and it is to protect people from harmful displays such as the KKK statue. Sure — it's art, art is supposed to elicit a response in the viewer. But had the artist himself followed the rules set by the university, there wouldn't be a problem. I'm no lawyer by any means, but we can't leave out crucial information such as this and then say it was an infringement upon the artist's rights.

Taylor Liana Watson

Hawk swimmers are flying

The Iowa women's swimming and diving team is breaking records at a crazy pace this season.

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The Iowa women's swimming and diving team has shocked not only Iowa fans but outside observers with the amount of success that has come out of the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center's pool over the course of the past two competitions.

Two standout swimmers have driven the success of the young Hawkeye team, and they continue to break records: senior Becky Stoughton and world-ranked swimmer and sophomore Emma Sougstad.

Their talent has caused them to be leaders outside the pool and has guided the victories over the past week of competition.

"The intense training has me prepared more than I can even imagine," Sougstad said. "I just keep a blank mind and go out and race."

The powerful duo haven't doubted the Hawkeyes' talent in the water; instead, they praise the young talent and see the swimmers' potential.

"They just stood up and raced," Sougstad said after the Hawkeyes' first win against a Big Ten opponent this season. "They concentrated on beating the person next to them, and it paid off."

Stoughton leads the Hawkeyes as captain of the team. She owns top school times in the 500 free (4:47.40), 1,000



Hawkeye Becky Stoughton swims during a 500-free race at the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center on Oct. 4. The Iowa women's team came in second place, defeating Nebraska but falling to Michigan. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

free (9:49.51), 1,650 free (16:21.97), 200 butterfly (1:59.48), 400 individual medley (4:18.32), and as a member of the 800-free relay (7:17.78).

Her past injuries have made her stronger and a positive figure on the sidelines by not creating any expectations for herself before she dives into the water.

"I never take any race for granted," Stoughton said. "Each race is a learning experience, so it is important to push yourself as hard as you can so that you can actually learn something from it."

Sougstad continues to prove why she is world ranked by her focus and drive. She posted a pair of NCAA B cut times when the Hawkeyes traveled to Minnesota and hasn't stopped since. She has been Big Ten Swimmer of the Week before the beginning of her record-breaking season.

Sougstad has been dominant in her relays alongside Hawkeye sprinting leader junior Olivia Kabacinski.

"We just feed off of each other while on deck," Kabacinski said. "A lot of people are getting best times, and that motivates us."

Despite Sougstad and Stoughton swimming different races and having contrasting mindsets, their competitive nature and desire to win brings out the best in each other and in their teammates.

But these Hawkeyes don't base their records on individual success but on team unity.

"No matter what our team looks like on paper, we will give it our all until the final teammate touches the wall," Sougstad said. "We have a dedication and a commitment to the sport, but more importantly to each other."

Atlanta knocks off Bulls

Horford scores 21, leads Hawks past Bulls 93-86.

By **PAUL NEWBERRY**
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Al Horford scored 21 points, including a huge jumper with just under a minute remaining, and the streaking Atlanta Hawks won for the 10th time in 11 games with a 93-86 victory over the Chicago Bulls on Monday night.

The Hawks led most of the way but never by more than 10 points. After Taj Gibson's dunk with 1:13 remaining brought the Bulls to 87-84, Horford got loose for a 19-footer on the wing and knocked it down.

Pau Gasol followed his own miss to make it 89-86 with 23.7 seconds left, giving the Bulls one more chance. Jimmy Butler made a huge defensive play, leaping high in the air to stuff a pass from Kyle Korver. The Atlanta player recovered from his miscue, getting his hands on the ball, too, as both players tumbled to the court to force a jump ball.

Butler won the tip, but Paul Millsap swooped in to snatch the ball away for Atlanta.

The Hawks sealed the victory at the foul line, ending Chicago's three-game winning streak.

Butler led the Bulls with 22 points.

The Bulls had won six straight over the Hawks, including a sweep of all four games last season.



Chicago Bull head coach Tom Thibodeau (right) argues against a foul called against the Bulls with official Pat Fraher left in the second half against the Miami Heat on Sunday in Miami. The Bulls defeated the Heat, 93-75. (Associated Press/Lynne Sladky)

During a frenetic sequence in the closing minutes, Horford was blocked by Gasol on a drive to the basket with the shot clock running down and the Bulls took off the other way. Kirk Hinrich appeared to have an open 3-pointer from the corner, but Korver came flying back to make the block.

Millsap had 17 points for Atlanta.

Gibson added 15, but Derrick Rose was held to 14 on 6-of-21 shooting.

TIP INS

Bulls: Joakim Noah sat out his fourth-straight game with an injured right ankle. ... Rose missed his first five shots. He finally made the scoresheet on a drive with 7:09 left in the second quarter. ... The Bulls had won their last six games against

the Hawks by an average of 15.8 points. ... The teams will meet two more times this season, both in Chicago.

Hawks: Atlanta had to go without backup center Pero Antic, who was sidelined with flu-like symptoms. ... With Antic out, 35-year-old Elton Brand was one of the first guys off the bench. ... DeMarre Carroll picked up a technical foul early in the second quarter for griping about a foul call while defending the baseline. ... The Hawks had 26 assists, the 22nd time in 24 games they've dished out at least 20.

UP NEXT

Bulls: Host the New York Knicks on Thursday.

Hawks: Play at the Cleveland Cavaliers on Wednesday.

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CLARK

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Here's another story: One summer, the exact date long forgotten, Clark picked up skateboarding. He spent hours each day working on flips and tricks, a normally simple hobby turned all-consuming task. He came inside once the Sun set with bruised and bloody shins, but he went out the next day to do it all over again.

"He would just do it all day long until he got the flip," says Robin VanHeeswyk, Clark's mother. "But he could do it by the end of the day or the few days it took."

This story has absolutely nothing to do with wrestling, of course, but it does offer some insight into Clark's mind and how he's wired. He stopped at nothing until he proved he could master a simple skateboard trick. He did whatever it took — which, in this case, was spending day after day outside, flipping and landing again and again until he ultimately put feet to board with all four wheels on the ground.

And perhaps that's all we need to know about Cory Clark, that he'll do whatever it takes to be the best, even if that means leaving his comfort zone and weathering some tough lessons in order to get what he wants.



In this still-young 2014-15 wrestling season, it's clear that Clark's decision to bump up to 133 pounds has paid dividends in numerous ways.

It opened the 125-pound spot in the lineup, and Thomas Gilman — who could have earned All-American honors last season at 125, as Clark did — has flourished there, to the tune of 10 wins and no losses. Having both Clark and Gilman in the lineup undoubtedly makes Iowa a better wrestling team.

But even more, it's allowed Clark to wrestle and train freely — he's ranked fourth according to Flowrestling and is 9-0, as of this writing — while continuing to learn and perfect his version of the necessary lifestyle that's required of an Iowa wrestler.

For all the good Clark has done this year, and even last, there have been moments like the 2012 Midlands, when good just doesn't get the job done. The sophomore's admittedly very hard on himself, whether it's a bad workout, not winning a tournament, or even surrendering points to former Iowa wrestler Tony Ramos in the practice room.

At times, that self-criticism reaches the forefront of his thoughts, often spilling out when he talks. After beating Iowa State's Earl Hall on Nov. 29, 8-3, Clark called himself out. He said the win was "not terrible," that he could've been more aggressive, that he could have widened the gap because "that's what I'm about."

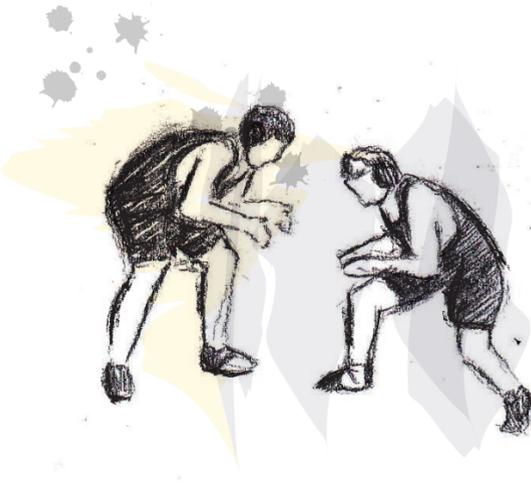
"I don't know if he's never not got it," Brands says. "It's more like — this is who he is. He's got a lot of other interests out there. He's a free spirit, I guess, would be one way to describe him."

"I think he gets it. I just think that, sometimes, those other things get in the way of what he knows is right. Does he always act? I think that's part of growing up and part of learning, that you continue to get better. It's not a you just get-better-overnight kind of thing."

It's here, according to those who have watched him, coached him, trained with him, that the learning process takes on a whole new meaning. Clark never had to cut weight in high school — "There's a lot of truth to that," says Jason Christenson, his head coach at Southeast Polk in Pleasant Hill, Iowa — and got by, at times, on his natural talent.

And it goes even deeper than that still, Clark said. The kind of lifestyle that's demanded of an Iowa wrestler is more than just drilling through pain and weariness. It's more than just learning to get out from bottom and being a better handfighter.

It starts before the day begins, he says, with a good night's sleep and continues when he sits down to eat that next morning.



One-by-one, the Iowa wrestlers enter the practice room and take a seat in the bleachers while Clark sits off to the side on a small chair. This season, he appears more open and honest, more willing to talk, to voice his sometimes-rambling thoughts as the words come to mind. He's comfortable and has no issue discussing what went wrong at times last year, but only to a point.

He's talked of how his weight was out of control, weighing as much as 140 pounds within a few days of having to make 125. He's talked about how, sometimes, he crumbled late in matches, be it because of fatigue or being mentally outmatched. The more he talks about those specific struggles, the more annoyed he seemingly gets — because, in the typical Iowa fashion, he's ready to move forward.

But on this day, in the practice room, he has no problem sharing details. Maybe because sorting these thoughts helps remind himself of what he needs to do. Maybe talking through what he's learned helps him stay accountable.

"A lot more discipline with my eating," Clark says when asked what needed to change. "It wasn't like I was purposefully eating whatever I wanted. I just wasn't really thinking, Oh, I can't eat this, or I can't eat that. That was one of the biggest changes."

Adopting a new diet was the toughest part of the transition for him. Because he didn't have to cut weight in high school, Clark generally ate whatever he wanted, and while he says his diet wasn't terrible, it wasn't exactly the healthiest, either.

Clark says it took a couple of hard lessons before he "cut out the crap" and began eating healthy foods, such as fruits, vegetables, and protein.

"A lunch can't be a cheeseburger, French fries, and a chocolate shake or something. That won't work too well for a 3:30 workout. Believe me," he says. "I'd come in here and have no energy. I'd talk to the coaches and be like, 'I don't know, I feel like crap today,' and they'd be like, 'Well, what did you eat?' And I wasn't ashamed to say it because I didn't really know any better. I'd say, 'Oh I had this and this and this.' And they'd be like, 'Oh, geez, you have to eat more than just a peanut butter and jelly.'"

Clark admits that not having to cut a lot of weight this year allows him the freedom of a "cheat meal" every now and then. His biggest weakness: ice cream. He's been known to come home with a big grin and an Oreo McFlurry. He says he could eat one after every meal. The flavor matters not.

"I would see him come home with ice-cream cones on the weekends," says Ramos, who lived with Clark last year. "And when if you were cutting to 125 like he was, the day after the meet, you have to start watching your weight. You can't be going out and having your ice cream. I don't know if he was doing the nutrition part right."

"But I think he gets it this year. I think it helps that he's up a weight class, where he's more around his natural weight, so he doesn't really have to be as strict as he was."

Clark noted that, like other things, the diet is still a work in progress.

"It took a while for it to really register, but once it started, my body responded," he says. "But even to this day, I could do a better job of it. I'm still working on it. I'm not perfect by any means."

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Like skateboarding and wrestling, Clark's competitive spirit, at times, seems almost unbelievable. His mother tells the story of Clark's early days playing Halo on his Xbox and that he'd stay up all night playing so he could beat certain levels or the entire game.

To this point, Clark is a self-proclaimed "night hawk," but his video-gaming prowess is no different from his dedication to landing a skateboard trick.

"I've played with him before, and it's crazy how good he is," Ramos says. "You just know he spends a lot of time practicing. He's got his microphone. He's got his mini screen. He knows everything. He knows all the glitches. He's pretty deep into it."

Clark's Halo skill has become part of his legend. Growing up, he and his buddies organized Halo tournaments, complete with a myriad of televisions and consoles with wires stringing across the living-room carpet. His dad jokingly thought he'd pick the game over wrestling. These days, he locks himself in his room, where he can be heard talking to his friends while gunshots ring out.

At one point, he was believed to be one of the top Halo players in the world, and his teammates continually tease him, a different kind of accountability. Former Iowa wrestler Brent Metcalf once took to Twitter and offered a scholarship to whomever could beat Clark in Halo.

"I used to, probably, but not anymore," Clark says about playing too much Halo (there's an unconfirmed rumor that a member of the team, be it athlete or coach, once took Clark's Xbox from him so he could focus more on wrestling). "But just staying up late in general and getting up early, you feel — we've all felt that. You feel tired, and you just get sick of it, so you start doing it right."

"Every now and then, you stray away from it and notice how big of a difference it can make. And that's when you get on track."

Clark admits he strays away in order to check out and relax. His Xbox is his escape from the lifestyle, what he does when he needs to get away from wrestling, something most wrestlers admit they need or they'll "burn out."

"You have these other guys you get downtown. They go down, and they party. But this is his thing that he does," Ramos says. "At the same time, you're trying to show him that it is a distraction. It keeps you up at night. You're not going to bed, not doing the right things to keep moving forward."

"We have to keep on him about it and make sure he's making the right choices. You know, do you want to be the best video-game player in the world? Or do you want to be a national champ? That's where we're having the conversations with him."

It's clear Clark has made strides in this area, too. At the team's media day in November, Brands was asked who the leaders on his team were, and he noted "one guy likes to maybe play video games, and the other guy likes to be outdoors all the time. But they still have common themes in their head, and that is to produce results on the mat and in the classroom."

There, he subtly referred to Clark and heavyweight Bobby Telford. More recently, Brands talked about how it's been a slow process for Clark, in terms of understanding the demands it takes to compete at his best — and that means putting the controller down at a reasonable hour so he can get a good night's rest.

"He's always handled tough conversations," Brands says. "He's been accountable. He's had to produce some things and blossom on his own a bit more."



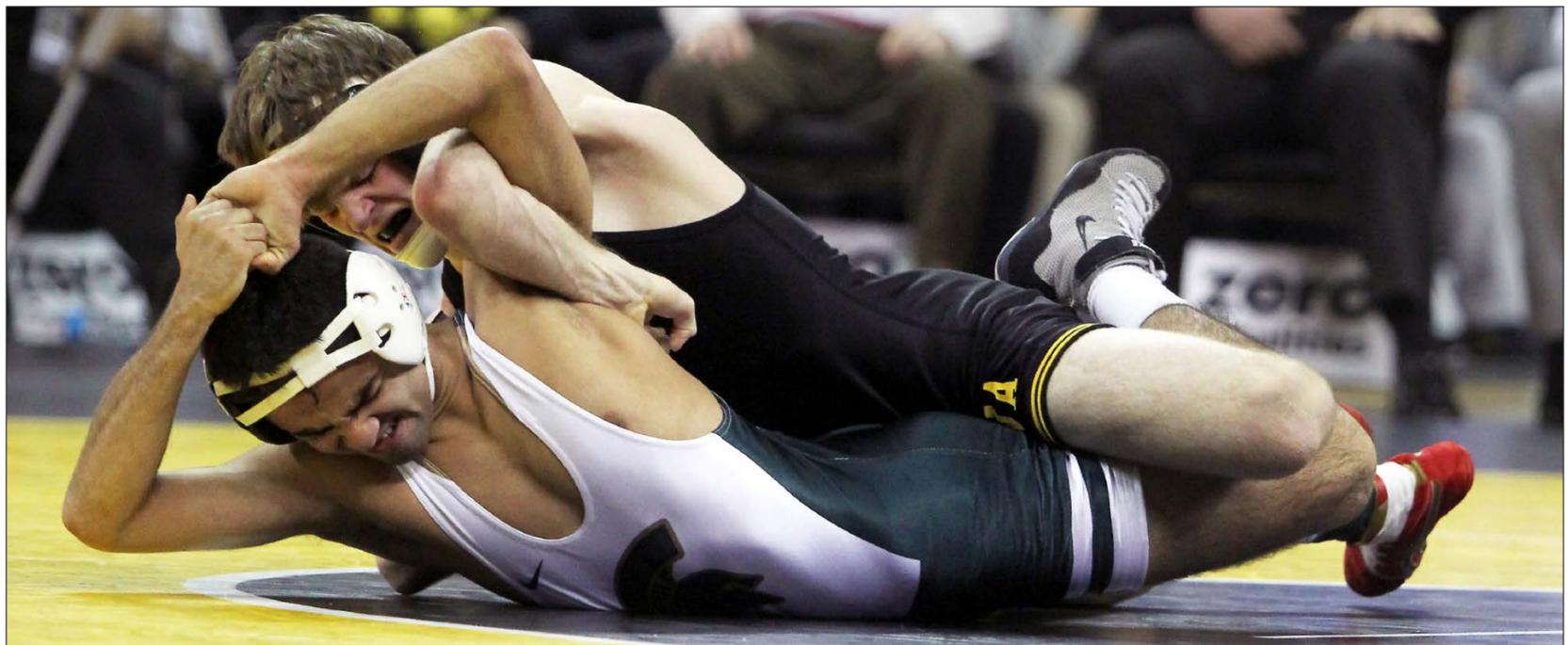
After Ramos won his national title, he brought back his commemorative bracket and hung it up on a wall at home. There were times when Ramos caught Clark staring at it, admiring it, maybe dreaming one day to bring home his own.

"I saw him stop a few times to turn around and look at it," Ramos says, smiling. "Maybe I have to go hang it on his wall again just to remind him of what he's trying to accomplish."

Those reminders always help, Clark says, whether it's a bracket on the wall or dialogue between him and Brands. He skips ice cream because he knows doing so is good for his body. He'll opt to not play Halo one night because it means he'll get more sleep, but he'll lock into a game of Slayer on a Sunday because he needs to recharge before preparing for the next competition.

He said he's working on it continually, and that's all he can share for now. Ultimately, we'll know how well he kept to his new wons by whether he brings home a national title, both for the team and individually.

That, too, will take time and practice. Clark knows this as he stands up from the small chair and joins his teammates in a warm-up jog — after which, he'll wrestle, and train, and prepare his mind and body for gold, because there's a chance every other color will land on the side of a highway on his way back home.



Iowa 133-pounder Cory Clark wrestles Michigan State's Hermilo Esquivel on Dec. 6 in Carver-Hawkeye. Clark won by major decision, and the Hawkeyes defeated the Spartans, 37-0. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)



Iowa forward Aaron White is fouled by Alcorn State forward Kenyan Pittman during the Iowa-Alcorn State game in Carver-Hawkeye on Dec. 9. The Hawkeyes defeated the Braves, 67-44. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

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Iowa ranks 33rd in the nation with 221 attempts from beyond the 3-point arc, yet it ranks 270th in the nation in 3-point percentage — 30.3 percent. Another common theme in Iowa's three losses has been big runs from the opponent with no response from the Hawkeyes' offense. In each of the Hawkeyes' three losses, there has been at least one five-minute span

where Iowa has failed to make a field goal. In two of the losses — Texas and Iowa State — that drought has lasted longer than eight minutes. "I thought we were past it," White said about the big second-half runs. "If I knew something that was happening, I would tell you, and I would fix it. But I really don't." However, despite the struggles on the offensive end of the floor, the team continues to stress defense. In moments when the offense isn't clicking, the defense is looked upon to hold

its ground until the offense comes around. "We just weren't responding defensively," Mike Gessell said about Iowa State. "We weren't forcing them to do what we wanted them to do. We were kind of just letting them run their offense, letting them run everything smoothly. There have been bright spots on offense. Aaron White continues to be efficient (55.4 percent) from the field, the frontcourt players have all played well, and Peter Jok appears to have found a groove recently. But as a team, the offense has been inconsistent. And for the near future, if Iowa hopes to beat teams similar to the ones it has lost to this season, the ball needs to find its way into the bucket. "You go back to work," McCaffery said about getting back on track. "You break the film down. You hold them accountable. You don't kill them. You're reasonable about it. You know, you've got to encourage them. You've got to get them believing again because they clearly had some doubt."

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A perk of this, according to Lewis, was being able to participate in the Black and Gold Intrasquad meet, which took place on Dec. 6. Lewis ran a 4:07 in the mile that day, topping his previous personal best and placing him seventh on the all-time list for the Hawkeyes. "To be able to run 4:07 on this track is really impressive, just because that time on an over-size track will convert to maybe a 4:04," director of track and field Joey Woody said. "I think that really shows what he's capable of doing." What he's proven he can do is even more impressive when considering a knee injury during cross-country season limited his training. But he believes working on his flexibility and strength to overcome the injury has worked to his benefit. According to his coaches — Woody and Layne Anderson — speed in shorter events has been a weakness for Lewis. However, he has been working to cut time in those events in hopes that it will trans-

fer over the longer events, such as the 3,000 meter, 5,000 meter, and 10,000 meter races — ones he believes he can break the school record in. In the back of everyone's minds are those school records. The senior is not focused on topping the times in just one event but all three. "With the type of runner he is, it's pretty exciting to think about the 3K and the 5K, and the school records. His potential to run those times is very realistic," Anderson said. "If we can keep bringing the speed around in the shorter events to where I think we can get it, then I think it makes getting those times even more realistic." Lewis' goals do not stop at breaking school records. He hopes to run well enough in the 10,000-meter race to qualify for the U.S. Olympic trials next summer. In order to do so, he would have to run around a 28:30. "The 28:30 time would be able to qualify me for the U.S. Olympic trials next summer because it would be in that time frame that counts," Lewis said. "It's pretty important for me to try to get a good time in the 10K." Woody and Anderson

are looking for Lewis to do big things in the upcoming season, and they believe his tenacity will help him achieve his goals. "When you have goals and you don't reach

them, it always brings a lot more motivation and a lot more toughness," Woody said. "When it comes down to it, [Lewis is thinking] 'Hey I really have to prove myself.'"

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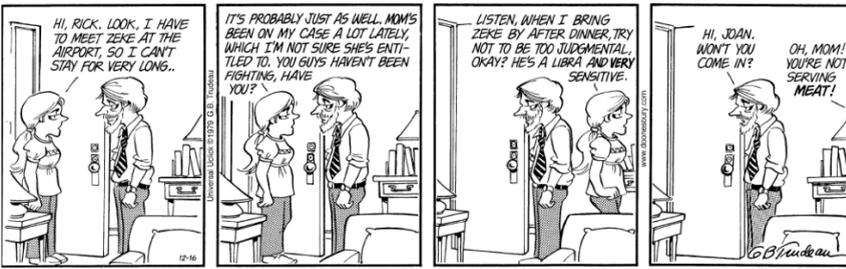
We hold these truths to be self-evident (and a little nerdy):

- Why is it taking so long for female-led superhero movies to catch-on? Is it because nobody likes attractive women in form-fitting clothes, or is it because nobody likes superhero movies? Is it both? It's probably both.
- Growing-up means finally admitting to yourself: you were probably always somewhere between a Hufflepuff and a Ravenclaw, even on your best days.
- How desperate was Prince Charming that he made every girl in entire the kingdom try on that glass slipper? Like, seriously: Give it the morning, then call it a day. Maybe post a flier, and let her come to you. You got princely stuffs to be doin'.
- "A stretched rope is a rope that is stretched," is a double tautology.
- I would pay good money to see a Superman movie where he's just Clark Kent trying to save print journalism.
- How pissed do you think Bowser is when he gets a report that Mario killed thousands upon thousands of his troops, only to die by accidentally falling down a shaft?

Andrew R. Juhl thanks many friends and many beers for the material in today's Ledge.

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- **Finals@IMU: A.M. Yoga**, noon, 179 IMU
- **Finals@IMU**, Free Popcorn, noon-midnight, IMU first floor
- **Finals@IMU: Healthy Snacks**, 2 p.m., IMU
- **Emeritus Faculty Lecture Series**, "Mechanisms of Adaptation of Bacterial Pathogens to the Human Environment," Michael Apicella, 4 p.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **Game Night**, 6 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Finals@IMU**, Massages, 8 p.m.-midnight, IMU first floor
- **Dylan Thomas' "A Child's Christmas in Wales,"** Dai Gwilliam (of Cardiff, Wales), 8 p.m., Sanctuary, 405 S. Gilbert
- **Finals@IMU**, P.M. Yoga, 9 p.m., 179 IMU
- **Finals@IMU**, Snacks, 10 p.m., IMU Hub
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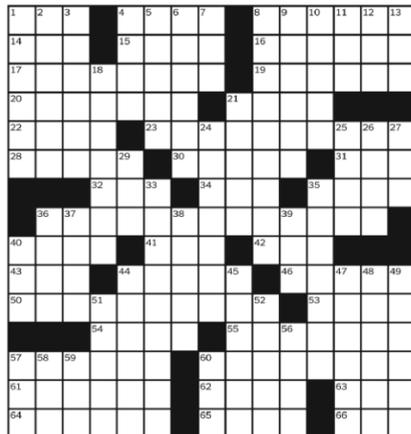
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- ACROSS**
- 1 And so forth: Abbr.
 - 4 Halfway decent
 - 8 Home of Plato's Academy
 - 14 "Your point being ...?"
 - 15 Ancient South American
 - 16 Complete mess
 - 17 Powdered lunch product from Lipton
 - 19 Moon of Neptune
 - 20 Digital device used to access Hulu and Netflix
 - 21 Bird bill
 - 22 Fishing device
 - 23 Just marvelous
 - 28 Birdcage swing, e.g.
 - 30 Skip, as a sound
 - 31 Poet's "before"
 - 32 Former Time Warner partner
 - 34 Commercial suffix with Tropic
 - 35 Mouth, slangily
 - 36 Alcoholics Anonymous and others
 - 40 Seamen
 - 41 Contend (for)
 - 42 When repeated, a popular puzzle
 - 43 Acid
 - 44 "The Hangover" setting
 - 46 Hollywood director Sam
 - 50 Confectionery brand with a logo designed by Salvador Dali
 - 53 "Chestnuts roasting open fire"
 - 54 Eight, to Dieter
 - 55 Stand-up comedian with multiple Emmys
 - 57 Drink that gets its name from the Tahitian word for "good"
 - 60 Share a single bed... or a hidden feature of 17-, 23-, 36- and 50-Across
- DOWN**
- 1 Steep slope around a rampart
 - 2 "Rug"
 - 3 Statue of Liberty material
 - 4 River to the Seine
 - 5 Units of nautical speed
 - 6 Contact lens brand
 - 7 Annoying bark
 - 8 Under the cloak of night
 - 9 Angry rant
 - 10 Three-line verse
 - 11 N.H. winter setting
 - 12 Sarge, e.g.
 - 13 Junior
 - 18 WHAT THIS IS IN
 - 21 Existence
 - 24 Stop getting any higher
 - 25 One chased in a car chase, for short
 - 26 Parts of history
 - 27 John Boehner, e.g., in two ways: Abbr.
 - 29 Use a pogo stick
 - 33 1968 #1 hit for Diana Ross & the Supremes
 - 35 Good source of omega-3 fatty acids
 - 61 Town with Yiddish speakers
 - 62 In ___ (actually)
 - 63 In the style of
 - 64 Pooped
 - 65 Blacken on a grill
 - 66 "Spy vs. Spy" magazine



- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**
- JAVA QUEST STUB
AVER UNDUET TARO
DONT MAKE MELAUGH
END AKIN UTTER
EVEN IDLE
FUHGEDDABOUDIT
ONION LEIS COG
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AFT GRAB HONEY
YOU'RE KIDDING ME
NIKE RANG
STRIP BAND FYI
THATSRIDICULOUS
OOZE INANE URAL
PRES ABYSS GENE
- PUZZLE BY JAMES MULHERN**
- 36 Where a Brownie's merit badges are attached
 - 37 Language of Pakistan
 - 38 "I know, ___?"
 - 39 "___ the land of the free..."
 - 40 Nurse's focus, in brief
 - 44 Move out
 - 45 Quiet sound of water on the side of a pail, say
 - 47 Clothes line?
 - 48 Eye part subject to degeneration
 - 49 What gets rubber-stamped?
 - 51 Hors d'oeuvres toppings
 - 52 "Minnesota March" composer
 - 56 Modern cab service alternative
 - 57 Asian food additive
 - 58 "Got it!"
 - 59 "___ your call"
 - 60 Kwanzaa time: Abbr.
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- ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Don't jump to conclusions regarding your status personally or professionally. Be willing to compromise, and you will find a way to make everyone happy. Put more passion into important partnerships, and you will get a good return.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Listen, observe, and ask questions. Don't let temptation lead you astray. Moderation and sticking to a simple workable plan is your best bet. Love is in the stars, and romance will enhance your personal life.
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Find a solution or a way to help others, and you will gain valuable experience. An energetic approach to work or helping your peers will pay off. Don't make an impulsive purchase or investment. Take your time, and stick to a budget.
- CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Avoid situations that are compromising. You will face difficulties if you let your emotions lead to presumptuous actions. Take a step back from whatever situation you face, and look for alternate ways to move forward.
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Take a bold approach, and go after what you want with strength and courage. You can make positive changes if you are persistent but patient. Execute your plans with precision and timing. Don't mix business with pleasure.
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Keep close tabs on your domestic situation. Make sure the changes taking place are mutual among those who will be affected. Love is on the rise, but don't feel you have to buy someone's affection or attention. Honesty is your best bet.
- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Erratic behavior will not help you get the results you are looking for. Focus on communication and sharing your thoughts and feelings. Once you open up a dialogue, you will discover who will be helpful and who will not.
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Keep your secrets in a safe place. You don't want anyone to have the upper hand or be able to outsmart you when it comes to work. Focus on what's trendy, and use your intelligence and imagination to outsmart the competition.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Shoot for the stars. Be progressive and aggressive in your pursuits. The changes you make will be accepted as long as you have your strategy in place. An emotional matter will bring about a positive alteration to the way you live.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Keep a low profile. If you work quietly behind the scenes, you will get ahead, giving you greater flexibility to enjoy the end-of-year festivities. Don't worry about the changes going on around you. Stick to your game plan.
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Push your ideas forward. You will feel better knowing you will reach your goals and complete what needs to be done before the end of the year. Make suggestions, but don't do the work unless you are offered something in return.
- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Say as little as possible, and don't make unrealistic promises. Take action, and do what's expected of you and more. You should focus on getting along with others and making personal improvements that will help you advance.

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On his way home



By **CODY GOODWIN**
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Before we talk to Cory Clark, who's sitting in the Iowa wrestling room before another Tuesday afternoon practice, there's a story you need to hear. During his true freshman season (2012-13), he competed unattached at the Midlands Championships in Evanston, Illinois. He placed fourth at 125 pounds, behind two All-Americans and another NCAA qualifier.

After the award presentation, Clark walked underneath Welsh-Ryan Arena. He looked pissed off. He found former Iowa wrestler Daniel Dennis, his coach and practice partner that weekend.

"Can I just throw this away?" Clark pleaded, motioning toward his bronze trophy. (His predecessor, Matt McDonough, would do just that after finishing second at that season's Big Ten championships.)

Dennis understood the disappointment. He, too, wrestled at that year's Midlands and finished second at 133 pounds. He lost, 8-7, in the finals, a tight match that was decided in the closing moments.

"Not here," Dennis said. "People will see. When we get out on the highway, we'll throw 'em out."

Clark smiled. The thought of tossing that piece of junk sounded much better than keeping it. Gold is the only color he takes home, the only one he accepts. He lost just once in high school and responded by inviting a friend over to wrestle for hours in a shed in the backyard, correcting and critiquing, making sure that match, that feeling, wouldn't dare happen again. Losing is not an option, especially when you wrestle for Iowa under Tom Brands.

Sometime later that evening, when he and Dennis sped west toward Iowa City, Clark threw that useless trophy out into the cold December night.

But even to this day, I could do a better job of it. I'm still working on it. I'm not perfect by any means.

— Cory Clark, Iowa wrestler

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The disappearing Hawk offense

Iowa's offense has struggled mightily when it comes to competing in big games, like Iowa State.

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The Iowa basketball team set out to establish an identity of toughness and defense. It was something the Hawkeyes believed was lacking last season, and for the most part, that identity has reared its head.

While far from pretty, Iowa has ground out games mostly because of its ability to defend.

However, 11 games is no small sample size but closer to a significant sign of what to expect this season from the Hawkeyes. And so far, all signs point to a struggling offense, one that has cost the Hawkeyes against quality opponents.

"You just got to shoot good ones and shoot them confidently," Aaron White said about Iowa's shooting woes. "That's all it is. You can't hunt shots; you can't shoot bad ones. You shoot the good ones, have your feet set, and be confident."

Head coach Fran McCaffery knew Iowa's nonconference schedule was tough before the season started.

Iowa has played No. 9 Texas, then-ranked Syracuse, No. 24 North Carolina, and No. 13 Iowa State in the first month of the season.

In those four games, Iowa has struggled to find its footing on the offensive side of the floor, including its most recent loss to Iowa State, in which the Hawkeyes failed to make a field goal for eight minutes spanning the end of the first half to the beginning of the second.

"It's a little like the Texas game in



Iowa guard Mike Gesell dribbles the ball in Carver-Hawkeye on Nov. 24. The Iowa Hawkeyes beat the Pepperdine Waves, 72-61. (The Daily Iowan/Rachael Westergard)

a sense that once the wheels started coming off, defensively we broke down, offensively we broke down," McCaffery said after the Iowa State loss. "Maybe a little more offensively than defensively in this game."

In those four games, Iowa averaged 63.7 points per game on 36.1 percent shooting from the field, just 26.6 percent from beyond the 3-point line.

Granted, tougher teams typically present tougher defenses, but the

drop-off from Iowa's shooting percentage in its other games — 45.3 percent — is enough to cause concern.

Some decrease was to be expected. Iowa lost three players to graduation last year, including Devyn Marble, who was the Hawkeyes' go-to offensive threat.

But it hasn't been the quality of looks that troubled the Hawkeyes but simply making them.

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Going for the distance

After a disappointing finish to cross-country, Iowa's Kevin Lewis is ready for track season.

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When Kevin Lewis did not qualify for the national meet or become an All-American during the cross-country season, admittedly, he was disappointed.

But that didn't mean he was discouraged. Instead, he turned his attention and training toward track season.

"Coming in, I thought that cross-country was probably my best chance to become an All-American because it's straight-up distance related, and there are more spots awarded for All-American status," the senior runner for Iowa said. "That kind of hurt when I didn't qualify, but now because I didn't qualify, I got to start track earlier."



Lewis senior

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