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## Iowa City remembers Martin Luther King Jr.

The Iowa City community stages a march to honor Martin Luther King Jr. and to remember his values on more than just one day a year.

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Community members gathered on Martin Luther King Jr. Day to not just remember King's birthday but to remind each other that racial and socioeconomic issues are still around today.

Local residents hosted several events across Iowa City.

"I think it's about trying to understand

equality," said UI senior Reggie Ross, who spoke at a march outside the Old Capitol on Monday afternoon. "People don't know that Dr. Martin Luther King went beyond race. They think it's all about black people ... There's class warfare as well as racial warfare, and I want to stop it."

One speaker noted the Iowa City School District's decision last year to hold classes on the holiday. The district faced much criticism, and students had the day off this year.

"Last year, the school district took away MLK Day," said Fred Newell, the founder and executive director of the Dream Center, at a UI event in Currier Hall.

Many questioned the lack of progression in equality since King's slaying.

"We have a lot of challenges ahead of us, folks; we're not in the Promised Land, we're not wherever we need to be," Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, said.

Overall, marchers stated the need to

treat every day as Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Steve Birdine, a national speaker from the Harbor Institute, said if King were alive, "he would still be doing a whole lot of marches."

Given the tragic and continually debated events that have struck many with grief and terror this year such as the Ferguson

SEE KING, 5



UI President Sally Mason answers questions during an interview in the President's Office on Feb. 21, 2011. Mason has announced that she will retire on Aug. 1. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

## Community reacts to Mason's leaving

Locals look forward in response to University of Iowa President Sally Mason's coming retirement.

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University of Iowa President Sally Mason will retire on Aug. 1, and while many have praised her for several of her noted accomplishments during her eight-year term as president, several UI officials and members of student government say there's still work to be done.

Mason told *The Daily Iowan* that during her tenure improving things for students has been a large focus of hers and one that she considers to be a big accomplishment.

"I take great pride in not the least of which is so many things we've done for students on this campus," she said.

During her tenure, the four-year graduation rate rose from 47 percent in 2007 to 51.1 percent by the end of the 2014 school year.

UISG Vice President Jeffrey Ding said he'd like to see Mason continue to advocate for college affordability with the state Board of Regents.

UI Faculty Senate officials also said the new funding model could potentially create issues for the university.

"We have serious concerns, however, about the specific metrics of the task force's proposal," according to a statement from the UI Faculty Senate.

The new proposed system would slash UI funding in the future.

Ding said the continued support for college affordability is something Mason should accomplish in her last few months.

Melissa Zimdars, the chief campus steward for the Campaign to Organize Graduate Students, wrote in an email that while she hasn't agreed with many of Mason's decisions over the years, there is a factor of the unknown with a new president.

She said she wants to see Mason stand up for graduate students in her final semester on campus.

"I would love to see Sally Mason finally stand up for graduate students by supporting us in our fight against fees," she said.

Alexandra Thomas, the president of the UI Faculty Senate, said she hopes Mason can set the stage for campus to move on to a new chapter.

"I hope President Mason continues to set the framework for faculty and students to excel both together and separately at their work," she said.

Thomas said Mason has been incredibly open to listening to governing organizations on campus.

Ding said students might have an unfair view of Mason because they only have a few years at the university and may not see the whole timeline of her eight-year presidency.

"I think that a lot of students will react based on one or two events, but I think you have to look at the overall timeline," he said. "It's hard to look at that with a two-, three-, or four-year timeline."

## Council takes up cottages

The Iowa City City Council will hold a public meeting today to consider historic-landmark status for the Dubuque Street cottages.

By BILL COONEY  
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The Iowa City City Council will consider landmark status Tuesday evening for the two remaining Dubuque Street cottages, and local officials are unsure about the possible outcome.

"We're required to hold a public meeting now that the Historic Preservation Commission, the Zoning Commission, and the State Historical Society have said these cottages

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ETHICS & POLITICS SOTU

## Education, high tech on agenda

By AARON WALKER  
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In front of the first Republican Congress of his administration, President Obama will provide the annual State of the Union tonight, touching on topics that will include the economy, higher education, and technology, among others.

Obama will outline the issues he wants to depict his administration's legacy and represent the final quarter of his presidency.

"I think they are topics he might be able to sell to Republicans in Congress



Obama  
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Keynote speaker Fredrick Newell mingles among people prior to speaking in the Carrier Multipurpose Room on Monday. The event was put on by Herky Cares Project, focused on providing service to the community. (The Daily Iowan/John H. Baker)

# Biden urges building bridges

By **RANDALL CHASE AND KEN THOMAS**  
Associated Press

WILMINGTON, Del. — Vice President Joe Biden said Monday that communities around the country need to work to bridge the separation between police and the residents they serve.

Speaking at a breakfast honoring slain civil-rights activist Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Biden said minority communities and police departments need to build relationships of trust.

“Do we see each other?” Biden asked. “Do we see each other for who we are?”

Biden devoted his 27-minute speech to the tension between police

and minorities in some communities around the country following the deaths of two unarmed black men in encounters with white officers in Missouri and New York City this past summer.

The incidents touched off protests and a national debate over police conduct. Tensions escalated after two New York City police officers were fatally shot last month by a man who suggested in online posts that he was retaliating for the deaths of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, and Eric Garner in New York.

The gunman, who was black, committed suicide. “Men often hate each other because they fear

each other,” Biden said, quoting King. “They fear each other because they do not know each other. They do not know each other because they cannot communicate, and they cannot communicate because they are separated.”

“We have to bridge that separation ... particularly today between police and the community that exists in some places.”

Biden did not mention a weekend incident in which several gunshots were fired from a vehicle speeding by the driveway of his Delaware home. Biden and his wife were not home at the time, and there were no reports of injuries.

Police continue to investigate the incident, which

prompted the Secret Service to boost security at Biden’s home. New Castle County police spokesman Jacob Andrews said in an email Monday morning that authorities had no additional details to release.

“It really is good to be home,” said Biden, who left immediately after speaking to a crowd of about 200 people in a half-filled ballroom on Wilmington’s riverfront.

Secret Service spokesman Robert Hoback said on Sunday that the shots were fired near Biden’s home at about 8:25 p.m. Jan. 17 on a public road outside the home’s secure perimeter. Biden’s home is several hundred yards from the road.

METRO

Man faces drug charge

Authorities have accused an Ainsworth, Iowa, man of possessing and distributing marijuana.

Deon Johnson, 23, was charged with controlled-substance violation on Sep. 6, 2014.

According to online court documents, Johnson was driving a vehicle with a broken brake light. He was stopped for the violation. Upon approaching Johnson’s vehicle, the officer was reportedly able to smell marijuana coming from inside the vehicle.

A K9 smelled the vehicle and confirmed that there was marijuana inside the vehicle.

Upon further inspection, the officer allegedly found a glass jar with 58 grams of marijuana, 180 sandwich bag boxes, and a digital scale.

Controlled-substance violation is a Class-D felony.

IC man charged with mischief, burglary

Authorities have accused an Iowa City man of burglarizing and causing damage to an apartment.

David Parsons, 29, was charged with second-degree criminal mischief and third-degree burglary on Jan. 16.

According to online court documents, Parsons kicked in the door to an apartment and continued to cause

further damage once he was inside.

While inside the apartment, Parsons reportedly broke a television, a toilet seat, a door jam, and a window.

Parsons allegedly admitted to his actions to the police, saying they were a result of his anger at his brother for dating his ex-girlfriend. Parsons also admitted to being intoxicated.

The total cost of the damage was \$1,170.

Second-degree criminal mischief and third-degree burglary are both Class-D felonies.

Area man charged with 3rd OWI

Authorities have accused a North

Liberty man of driving while intoxicated.

Heath Janssen, 35, was charged with a third-offense OWI on Jan. 16.

According to online court documents, an officer observed Janssen driving recklessly. The officer followed Janssen and ran his license plate number, which revealed that Janssen had previous been charged with driving while intoxicated.

Once the officer stopped Janssen, he smelled a strong odor of alcohol. Janssen also allegedly had blood shot eyes and failed his sobriety tests.

Janssen blew a .166.

Third-offense OWI is a Class-D felony.

— by Alyssa Guzman

BLOTTER

**Pedro Andrade**, 21, Washington, Iowa, was charged Sunday with OWI.

**Richard Bell**, 29, 1556 Hemingway Lane, was charged Jan. 17 with tampering with a motor vehicle.

**Abby Berenstein**, 19, 305 Summit St., was charged Monday with presence in a bar after hours.

**Tyler Chase**, 23, North Liberty, was charged Sunday with driving with a revoked license.

**Arnold Curley**, 58, address unknown, was charged Jan. 15 with public intoxication.

**Jesse Duer**, 30, 1025 E. Washington St. Apt. 4, was charged Jan. 15 with criminal trespass.

**Ivy Van Dusseldorp**, 22, 427 E. Market St., was charged Sunday with assault on police/fire/EMT personnel, interference with official acts, and OWI.

**Kristin Ek**, 24, 624 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 11, was charged Jan. 16 with public intoxication.

**Dwayne Eskridge**, 21, 1740 Dover St., was charged Jan. 15 with criminal trespass.

**Elisabeth Fredrickson**, 19, 305 S. Summit St., was charged Monday with presence in a bar after hours.

**Dillon Freitag**, 20, 1210 Slater, was charged Jan. 15 with presence in a bar after hours.

**Eric Garcia**, 20, 425 S. Lucas St., was charged Jan. 15 with presence in a bar after hours.

**Michael Gillotti**, 20, Des Moines, was charged Mon-

day with presence in a bar after hours.

**Elijah Gustafson**, 19, 3005 E. Court St., was charged Jan. 16 with OWI and possession of a controlled substance.

**Britain Jones**, 22, Altoona, Iowa, was charged Jan. 17 with fifth-degree theft.

**Keaton Juergens**, 23, Waterloo, was charged Jan. 17 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

**Thomas King**, 50, 2430 Muscatine Ave. Apt. 2, was charged Dec. 8 and Jan. 17 with fifth-degree theft and public intoxication.

**Riley Kleen**, 20, 619 N. Johnson St., was charged Monday with PAULA.

**Andrea Lenartz**, 20, 917 E. College St., was charged Monday with presence in a bar after hours.

**Luis Marroquin**, 38, Postville, Iowa, was charged Jan. 16 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

**Katherine Martin**, 20, 305 S. Summit St., was charged Monday with presence in a bar after hours.

**Sergio Martinez**, 18, 4494 Taft Ave., was charged Jan. 17 with OWI.

**James McDonald**, 50, address unknown, was charged Jan. 17 with fifth-degree theft.

**Catherine McGurk**, 20, 305 S. Summit St., was charged Monday with presence in a bar after hours.

**Dabryana Miller**, 20, 641 S. Lucas St. Apt. 1, was charged Jan. 15 with OWI.

**Joshua Morgan**, 21, North English, Iowa, was charged Jan. 17 with third-degree harassment and smoking tobacco in prohibited areas.

**Kelsey Morgan**, 20, La Grange, Illinois, was charged Monday with presence in a bar after hours.

**Teresa Obert**, 27, Coralville, was charged Jan. 16 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

**Robert Owen**, 52, 3431 480th St. S.W., was charged Jan. 15 with OWI and possession of a controlled substance.

**Victor Pascual**, 20, 1130 Slater, was charged Jan. 16 with public intoxication.

**Christopher Phelps**, 20, Crawfordsville, Iowa, was charged Jan. 16 with fifth-degree theft.

**Zane Ploff**, 23, 228 Brown St., was charged Jan. 15 with domestic abuse and third-degree criminal mischief.

**Keith Riley**, 39, 716 Dubuque St., was charged Jan. 15 with domestic assault.

**Andrea Renner**, 20, Urbandale, Iowa, was charged Monday with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

**Guillermo Rios**, 20, 1210 Slater, was charged Jan. 15 with presence in a bar after hours.

**Bernabe Rodriguez**, 20, 425

S. Lucas St., was charged Jan. 15 with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

**Carly Ryan**, 20, 221 Iowa Ave., was charged Jan. 16 with presence in a bar after hours.

**Damian See**, 20, Marion, was charged Monday with presence in a bar after hours.

**Joshua Showalter**, 23, 812 E. Church St, was charged Sept. 7 and Dec. 21 with domestic assault.

**John Steskal**, 39, 716 N. Dubuque St. Room A5, was charged Jan. 17 with public intoxication.

**Jonathon Swearingen**, 24, Coralville, was charged Jan. 14 with theft.

**Cory Vandembroeke**, 25, Ankeny, Iowa, was charged Sept. 13 with fourth-degree criminal mischief.

**Colin Wadelin**, 20, Bartlett, Illinois, was charged Jan. 15 with presence in a bar after hours.

**Justin Walden**, 22, North English, Iowa, was charged Jan. 17 with smoking tobacco in prohibited areas.

**Andrea Wenz**, 48, 22 Green Mountain Drive, was charged Jan. 16 with interference with official acts.

**Jodi Williams**, 30, address unknown, was charged Monday with fifth-degree theft.

**David Wyss**, 21, 2468 Indigo Drive, was charged Sunday with OWI.

**Jamie Zeithamel**, 18, 5127 Hillcrest, was charged Jan. 16 with presence in a bar after hours.

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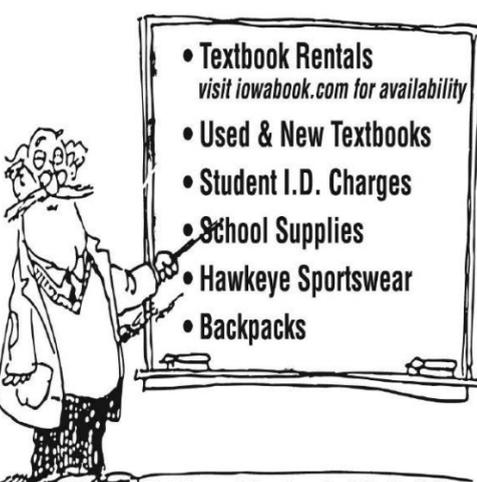
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ETHICS &amp; POLITICS

ELECTION 2016

## Vernon heads for another run

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At face value, 2014 was not a good year for Monica Vernon.

The Cedar Rapids city councilor known for helping to champion 2008 flood recovery and founding the Vernon Research Group was on the losing end of election campaigns. Twice.

Following a year of a pounding the pavement campaign, Vernon notched a second-place finish among five candidates in northeast Iowa's 1st Congressional District June primary. Three months later, she was approached by now-former state Sen. Jack Hatch for an insurmountable task: unseating five-term Gov. Terry Branstad and returning the state's executive leadership to Democratic hands for the first time since 2012.

Even before the Nov. 4 election that handed Vernon, 57, her second loss as an elected official, many Vernon backers had said she would make a strong candidate higher up the political ladder if she decided to run.

In a series of interviews over several months with *The Daily Iowan*, several longtime Vernon proponents and others with a heavy hand in Linn County politics said her strong fundraising capabilities and entrepreneurial background would make her fit for a different run. She announced last week that she would seek the Democratic nomination for the 1st Congressional District once again in 2016.

Several of Vernon's closest friends, cowork-

ers, and confidants were divided on her decision to jump back into the bigger political pool and if the congressional outlet was the best choice.

"I thought maybe she would've wanted to take a bigger break. That state-wide office, oh my God, was grueling," said Nancy Shey, a roughly 10-year friend of Vernon's and wife of Councilor Pat Shey. "I think everybody knew she's not done."

Should Vernon have considered a run as mayor of Cedar Rapids, Shey said, she would've jumped at the opportunity to manage the campaign.

City Councilor Don Karr, a Republican, called Vernon a "tireless worker," and a woman passionate about what the city's front door looks like. Without Vernon, Karr said, Cedar Rapids might not have been able to land Jeff Pomeranz as city manager.

Sen. Bob Dvorsky, D-Coralville, was one of the more than dozen Iowa Democrats to endorse Vernon's 2016 bid on Jan. 16 and one of three state legislators — with Sen. Liz Mathis and Sen. Rob Hogg, both D-Cedar Rapids — that Vernon sought advice from in her new congressional attempt.

That Vernon is a moderate Democrat should bode well for her, Dvorsky said, admitting that a campaign against any presumptive candidate will be tough for her.

Another avenue that shouldn't signal as a concern for Vernon is her ability to raise funds, he said. In the 2014 primary, Vernon was the top-fundraiser.

Vernon's network includes individuals at the University of Iowa and UI Hospitals and Clinics, and the Vernon Research Group (now owned by the Gazette Co.), as well as the Cedar Rapids business community prior connections made through a career as a journalist.

Libby Slappey, an influential Iowa Democratic activist and fundraiser who has been a frequent traveler with Vernon during her campaigns, said she wasn't surprised to hear of the effort to re-launch a congressional operation.

Slappey said a key piece in a successful Vernon ticket to Capitol Hill would be her "don't take yourself too seriously" humor.

"I think you've got to have a sense of humor to survive the madness of Washington, D.C.," Slappey said.

The one glaring elephant in the room that Vernon's adversaries have previously tried to target her with: She was a registered Republican until 2009.

"That is such old news; Hillary Clinton used to be a Republican. Who cares," she said. "She just didn't skip a beat on this. Some people lose an election and don't ever go back in."

## Rally tries to save cottages

Some Iowa City locals held a rally on Jan. 17 in front of 610 S. Dubuque St. to express their concerns and hopes for the future of two potentially historic cottages.

By **CORY PORTER**  
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A crowd of around 20 people gathered the afternoon of Jan. 17 in front of Suzy's Antiques & Gifts, 610 S. Dubuque St., to push for the preservation of the two remaining cottages on South Dubuque Street.

"There are two cottages left, and we need to save them," said Alicia Trimble, the executive director at Friends of Historic Preservation, at the rally.

Will Ingles, the owner of the Book Shop, 608 S. Dubuque St., in one of the cottages, attended as well. Susan Hultman, owner of the gift shop, was unable to attend.

The third cottage, 614 S. Dubuque St., which was home to the Moy Yat Ving Tsun Kung Fu Studio and owned by Bryan Pierce, was demolished on Dec. 25 or 26, in the late evening or early morning, Ingles said.

Iowa City officials have deliberated on whether the cottages will be demolished or preserved as historical landmarks since November 2014.

On Jan. 6, the Iowa City City Council decided to hold a public hearing on Tuesday to discuss the potential historical significance of the cottages.

Historian and writer

Jeff Biggers, who also spoke at the rally, urged the city leaders and the people of Iowa City to consider its cultural history before making a decision.

"Does history matter?" he said. "If history matters, how do we begin to learn from it and make sure we preserve it? Not preserve it as a museum piece but as part of a living city, and I think this is what this is about."

He closed by arguing urban renewal does not have to mean razing old buildings to build new ones.

"Must urban renewal be urban removal?" Biggers said. "Or can urban removal work to have an integrated neighborhood, a district that includes these cottages and includes the wonderful development that is going on?"

Following Biggers, local attorney Rockne Cole, who represents the tenants of the two remaining cottages, Ingles and Hultman, in a lawsuit aimed at property owner Ted Pacha, told the crowd Iowa City had reached a tipping point.

"I think the true measure of a community is not how we act when things are going well, when the coffers are full, but how do address when we have conflict, how do we resolve those as a

community, and I think that's the true measure of a place," he said.

Cole argued that the two cottages represent Iowa City's long history as a place of ideas, writers, bookstore owners, and antique-shop owners, noting the two shops in the cottages.

"That is what makes this place unique, is the culture we've been able to bring here," Cole said. "And I think the saddest thing about what's happening here is that there is a way that we can promote growth and allow the owners of these cottages to have economic development and preserve [history]."

Cole is representing both cottage owners in a lawsuit requesting an injunction. The deadline for Pacha's attorney to file a counter brief to Cole's suit is today. Pacha declined *The Daily Iowan's* request for comment.

Cole closed his speech by urging participants to continue their support for the cottages by attending any future legal proceedings or city meetings.

"If we stick together and we work together to try to find solutions, we can address these problems, and we can really address and grow this community without destruction," Cole said.

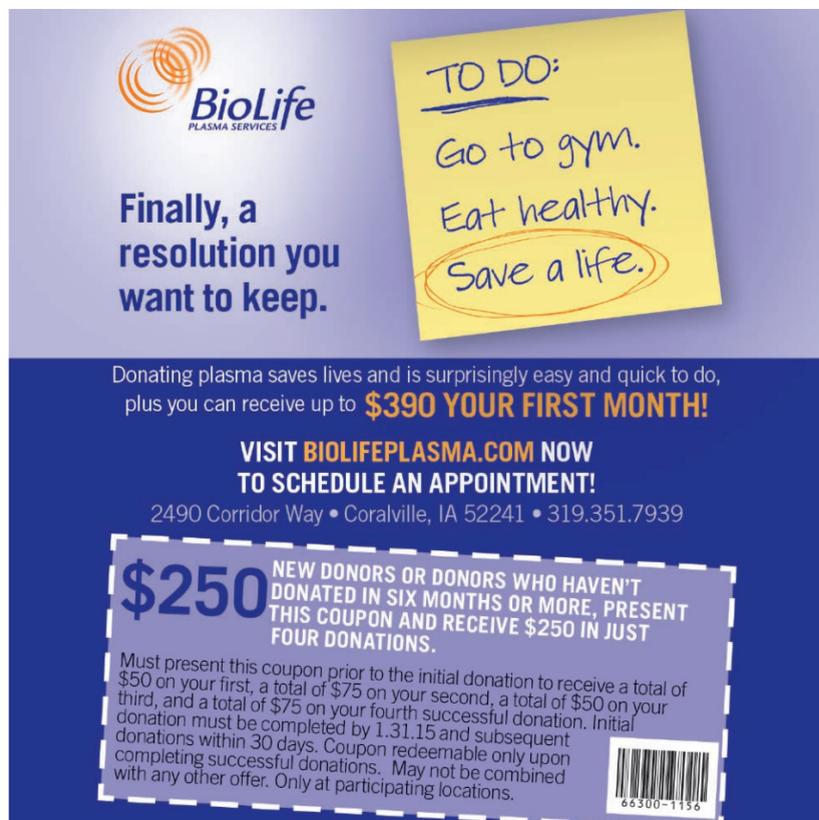
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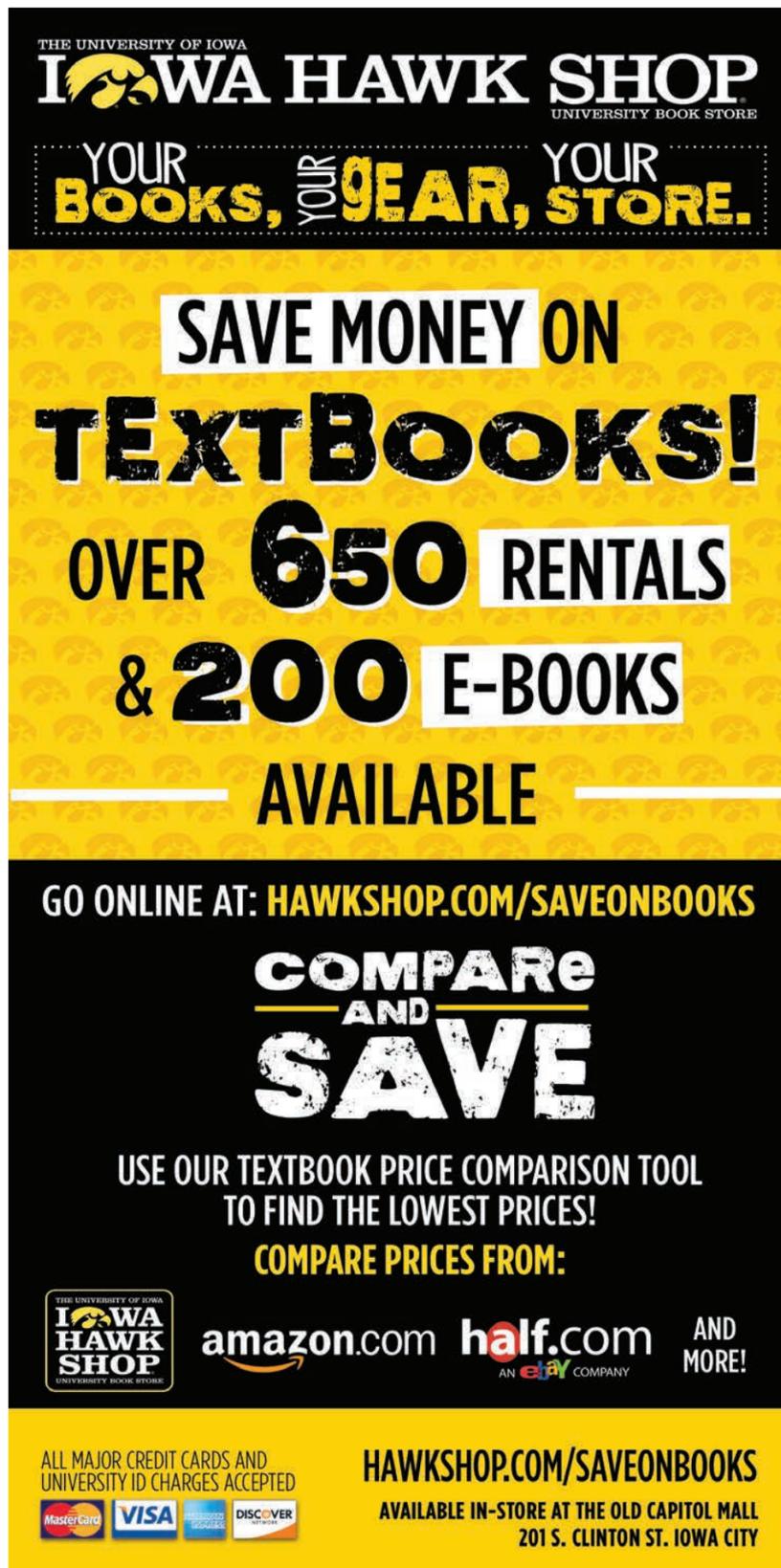
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## COLUMN

### Quantum nonsense



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Although, according to AP, the top 1 percent of the wealthiest of the world's population own more than 50 percent of the world's wealth.

Welcome to 2015, in which not vertigo does not seem to be quite so.

Take UI President Sally Mason, who saw fit to announce her coming retirement while the university was still on hiatus and a lot of UI people, including most students, were still out of town. Who does that?

Mason, apparently. At first, I thought that Athletics Director Gary Barta had forced Mason out, because he seems to be taking aim at all UI female leaders in order to take the attention away from the slide in the football program in recent seasons.

But no. It was just vertigo. Take that Alfred Hitchcock movie and run with it. All the way to the future.

Not that we understand the future, because, well, it hasn't happened yet. Of course. (And most Americans can't use the future tense correctly, but we'll pitch those tents when we come to them.)

But none of that stops us from thinking about the future. Especially, it appears, Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla. As he told Fox News (two words that, when juxtaposed, make me laugh uncontrollably): "[T]he truth is, the 20th century is over. The 21st century is here. The future is now. We need to begin to address 21st century problems with 21st century ideas."

Which is fine, except that Rubio doesn't exactly practice what he preaches. (Or

what he preaches, either.)

Take, for instance, his reaction to President Obama's "new" policy on Cuba: Rubio, who is of Cuban ancestry, vehemently opposes it. He prefers to stick with what has been the U.S. policy for 54 years — beginning in 1960. Which, as most of us can figure out, is a 20th-century policy. It would appear, on this one, that Obama has the 21st-century idea.

Rubio, just for the record, also opposes same-sex marriage, doesn't believe in global-climate change, and opposes Social Security and Medicare — which is pretty much 20th-century, standard Republican pablum. But, 20th century aside, Rubio is a rising star in the GOP universe, which, as much as I can figure out, doesn't include black holes or event horizons or any sort of quantum nonsense. Rising star, that is, according to the Great Mentioner, as former *New York Times* columnist Russell Baker once called him (or her).

As is new Sen. Joni Ernst, R-Iowa, who has barely taken three breaths in the Senate chamber. But she will be the GOP's answer to Obama's State of the Union Address on Tuesday. Pretty heady, pretty fast. Maybe she'll be the GOP VP candidate in 2016.

But she, like Rubio, has some peculiar notions, 20th century or not. She has said Obama is a dictator who should be impeached, she believes zygotes are persons and abortion providers should be punished, she doesn't believe in the federal minimum wage, she does believe that Iraq had WMDs, and, at one point, she said the U.N. had a plot to force Iowa farmers off their land.

Now, to be fair, when Ernst was challenged on those notions, she backed away from them. So that makes her perfect to deliver the GOP response to the State of the Union address.

Maybe, sometime in the future, Ernst could ask Rubio about the future.

## EDITORIAL

### Replacing President Mason

Toward the tail end of the university's winter break, UI President Sally Mason announced that she will step down from the position on Aug. 1. Mason was hired in 2007 by the state Board of Regents, and over her tenure, she has faced challenges from external forces such as heavy flooding and, in recent years, those caused by her statements on such topics as sexual assault on campus or controversies surrounding the university's sports programs.

Over Mason's eight years, controversies seemed to sprout like weeds. Whether it was the removal of an inflammatory art piece or allegations that the university had mishandled the firing of a field-hockey coach and squelched an investigation into on-campus assault by student-athletes, Mason has continually been forced to address perceived wrongs by the UI.

In February 2014, her comments on sexual assault in a *Daily Iowan* interview sparked the most vitriol. After saying ending sexual assault was "probably not a realistic goal, just given human nature," weeks of protests followed. A flashpoint for the backlash on campus came when a group of students interrupted Mason's speech at the 31st-annual Presidential Lecture, standing in front of her podium with signs and tape over their mouths.

Regardless of one's opinion on Mason's performance as the head of the university, she has been a successful advocate for it. The university's various fundraising campaigns have brought in more than \$1.4 billion under her guidance, bringing it within reach of the \$1.7 billion target, the highest ever for

the school. Any potential applicants for UI president will need to demonstrate an affinity for fundraising.

As the regents look to a new field of candidates to replace Mason in her final months, we must stress the importance of updating the searching process itself. Mason's hiring in 2007 was preceded by a failed search for a president in 2006, in which the board rejected four finalists for the position.

For the sake of the UI, we hope that doesn't happen again. Strict selectivity is certainly appreciated in finding someone to preside over a campus of 31,000, but it must also be balanced with taking in community input and completed in a reasonable amount of time.

It's a tall order for the regents, who will meet today in Iowa City to discuss the selection process. Finding a balance between someone who understands both the fiscal aspects of university operations as well as how to fulfill its academic mission may not be easy. The finalist will need to be adept at communication and interacting with faculty, the media, state lawmakers, and many others.

The selection process should also be transparent, in the vein of the regents' efficiency study with Deloitte Consulting that successfully identified areas to improve among the three state universities. By receiving and incorporating input on the presidential search from all the affected parties, be it faculty, administrators, and other in the campus community, the selection process should go much smoother this time around.

## COLUMN

### Importance of being Ernst



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Sen. Joni Ernst, R-Iowa, will deliver the GOP response to tonight's State of the Union Address. The nod from Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., places her once more in the national spotlight, and she will become the first first-year senator to deliver the response.

The importance of her appointment is debatable. The *Press-Citizen* recently spoke with Drake political-science Professor Dennis Goldford, who contended that few will watch the address and even fewer the GOP response. The nation as a whole may have

little interest in the State of the Union, but in D.C., many are all ears.

Democrats paying attention may note Ernst's aggressive view of the president. She has called him a "dictator" and supports impeachment. Symbolically, the move to promote Ernst appears not to be an olive branch from Congress but a spear. Here's to hoping the relationship between the legislative and executive branches becomes a productive one.

Ernst fills me with a feeling of déjà vu. She is a staunch conservative female from a rural background with a strong message of support for working and middle-class America. Not too long ago, there was another in who fit this description. I am, of course, referring to the All-American Alaskan Sarah Palin.

Palin was a gambit by

the GOP to modify its appearance. Female voters are famous for not checking "Republican" when ballot season comes around, and Palin might have changed that. Unfortunately, she backfired in the face of the Republican Party. I won't place blame on her, however. She was propelled into the spotlight by the GOP and fell face first into celebrity status.

Here's a new word: celebritization. Ernst holds the potential that Palin did for the GOP. Past attempts to rebrand the party have largely failed. Perhaps that's because instead of changing GOP policies, Republicans change the faces that preach them. Ernst may very well become a player on a national stage. She is poised to build bridges between conservatives and women.

Follow Ernst's political career with interest.

I would not be surprised if in a few years time she is a contender for the VP ticket. If not her career, follow Ernst's public image. She first attained national attention with her "pig castration" ads. If she doesn't find a new flashy statement to garner attention, she may fade into obscurity. If she decides to make waves as a character in the Senate, the nation will see much more of her. Palin wasn't the ideal voice for the GOP. She was often mocked for making outlandish remarks. Ernst will probably be a better conversationalist.

That said, the GOP should be cautious. Its previous attempt to push an Ernst-esque image into the foreground led to a reality show. The GOP turned a lawmaker into a celebrity, someone fit to be featured in *Us Weekly* rather than the *Washington Post*.

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## COLUMN

### Charlie should not back down



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A simple fact of life is that people can hold a lot of anger in them. Anger is fuel that can turn a spark of unhappiness into a cataclysmic inferno that will consume the lives of every individual unfortunate enough to get in the way. In most cases of growing, continual rage, the remedy is to let it go and to be at peace with the wrong done to you. My own personal philosophy is to forgive those who hurt me, not to placate them, but rather so I can move on and not allow the burning negativity that is anger control me.

So when I, a practicing Catholic, heard that Pope Francis was not only for the world to not only forgive the Muslim militants re-

sponsible for the Paris attacks but also to apologize for the "insulting" remarks aimed at their religion, I feel conflicted.

For those that don't know, the "Paris attacks" refers to the shooting at the headquarters of satirical magazine *Charlie Hebdo* that left 12 people dead. The assault was in response to some of the magazine's featured content aimed at satirizing Islam. Because of this tragedy's religious nature, the pope decided to enlighten the world on what needed to be done.

According to him, "You can't provoke, you can't insult the faith of others, you can't make fun of faith."

When asked on the natures of freedom of religion and freedom of speech, he responded by stating, "Everyone has not only the freedom and the right but the obligation to say what he thinks for the common good ... we have the right to have this freedom openly without offend-

ing." He then went on to summarize his message by saying that the magazine needs to forgive the assailants and apologize for the insult on Islam.

I do not agree with most of what Pope Francis said. Yes, we should forgive the perpetrators, at least personally and spiritually, but that is about it.

*Charlie Hebdo* is, as stated before, a satirical magazine. Its very purpose is to poke fun at various subjects by using exaggeration and ridicule. Because of the use of sardonicism and other rhetorical methods, it is apparent that the points made are not to be taken seriously. No doubt this satire has had many other religious targets, and it will certainly have more in the future. For it to issue out an apology to Islam for what *Charlie Hebdo* published would cause a domino effect. One by one, "sensitive" groups would cry out at mistreatment. Other satirical outlets would be

frightened, and therefore follow the example of *Charlie Hebdo*. Because of this fear, the institution of satire would degrade until it became a cracked husk of its former self.

Some people may call this hypothesized reaction a "little thing" in a big picture. Well, this "little thing" would pile up until it became an avalanche, one that topples over our society's principles. That is why terrorists and other extremists act in such a violent way. They wish to strike fear into the hearts of public so that their entire way of life is forever changed. By apologizing, we are giving in to fear and insulting the work that the deceased put their lives into. I sincerely hope that the magazine sticks with its guns and stands by what it has printed. What *Charlie Hebdo* must do now is adhere to the golden rule of comedy.

Either it's all funny, or none of it is.

**KING**

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case, many people are uniting under King this year for a revival of what he stood for in the civil-rights movement.

Other speakers and participants said those in society need to remember the civil-rights movement in light of a

recent wave of racial protests following high-profile deaths of African Americans at the hands of police, such as Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri.

Newell said minorities in the Iowa City community still face stereotyping and discrimination even 50 years after the civil-rights movement.

"I define who I am," he said.

He also spoke about service and how important it is to get involved in the community, asking students to "step out of the norm ... regardless if it's uncomfortable."

Birdine spoke about immigration and socioeconomics tying into racial issues in both the past and the present.

"King himself was not the movement," Birdine said.

Ross expressed Mar-

tin Luther King Jr. Day should go further than simply remembering King himself.

"It's not about the day or about MLK himself," he said. "It's about trying to understand equality. Dr. Martin Luther King went beyond race."

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Participants in the Martin Luther King Jr. march head around the Old Capitol on Monday. The march went around the Pentacrest to honor King. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

**COUNCIL**

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are historical," Mayor Pro Tem Susan Mims said.

The cottages were built in the middle of the 19th century and were originally working-class homes. Most recently, they have housed local businesses.

Ted Pacha, the owner of the cottages, was unavailable for comment on Monday night. Pacha previously had told *The Daily Iowan*

his intent is to rezone the property and sell it.

The City Council voted 4-3 against having a public hearing on the cottages on Dec. 9.

The vote was before the issue of the cottages had been brought before the Historic Preservation Commission, the Planning and Zoning Commission, and the State Historical Society.

The designation passed through the two commissions and the society, which prompts a review

by the City Council, despite the previous vote.

However, Mims said the council must take into account a broader range of issues. Those issues range from property owner's right to economic impact in the community, which other public bodies may not consider.

At the public hearing today, input will be available to the council that wasn't available at the previous vote, Councilor Rick Dobyns said.

He said the opinions of

organizations that passed a resolution on the issue would be available for councilors to review.

The meeting marks the first consideration by the council for the landmark designation for the cottages.

The decision made today is not binding; for landmark status to be adopted, the council must approve it two additional times.

"The demolition of this cottage was a huge loss, but it doesn't make the other two any less signifi-

cant," said Alicia Trimble, the executive director of the Friends of Historic Preservation.

That group submitted the application to rezone the cottages as historic landmarks.

The application went before the Historic Preservation Commission on Dec. 11 and the Planning and Zoning Commission on Dec. 18. Both voted to recommend local historic

landmark status to the cottages.

Trimble said mansions and large homes often get landmark status, but smaller structures, such as the Dubuque Street cottages, are often overlooked because of their size.

"This is some of the last working-class housing in Iowa City, and it must be preserved for the sake of history and culture," she said.

**ADDRESS**

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and specifically for general public enthusiasm, which would make it harder for Republicans to say no," said Tim Hagle, an associate professor of political science at the University of Iowa. "More of it probably has to do with trying to get additional accomplishments as he begins to finish his presidency."

of prioritizing green-energy technologies which he says can stimulate industry while protecting the environment.

"As a general matter, most economists would say we would be better off if we got rid of a bunch of those things," Solow said. "While most everyone would benefit, there is always the person that is going to lose or tends not to like that. And that's why they make contributions to senators and congressmen."

provides the service, said it was an honor for the president to recognize what these technologies have brought to the region.

"Clearly it has [had positive effects], both for business and just the quality of life for the residents, too," he said. "It's such an integral part of business today, or even your personal life at home, to have access to high-speed Internet."

spur a dialogue on the issue.

"It could be that Obama is just trying to bring attention to the country and start the conversation because frankly, when you have the Republicans running the House and Senate, they're not going to pass something like this," O'Shaughnessy said.

**Raising tax rates, closing loopholes**

One key topic many are expecting Obama — whose approval rating has recently reached 50 percent — to address is his recent proclamation to raise the top capital-gains tax and close economic loopholes.

UI economics Professor John Solow said this was targeted directly at the top 1 percent of Americans who make the bulk of their wealth by trading stocks and bonds.

"I'm not sure which loopholes; there are lots and lots of preferences in the tax code," Solow said. "One person's incentive is somebody else's loophole. If I benefit from it, it's a tax incentive, and if somebody else benefits, it's a loophole that needs to be closed."

He said it's easy for many economists to think of situations in which industry could benefit from these kinds of loopholes.

Solow used the example

**Increasing access to high-speed broadband**

An issue that would likely affect a large number of Iowans is his promotion for rural communities to collectively embrace high-speed broadband technologies.

Obama visited Cedar Falls last week to recognize the efforts of community members who established the state's first "gigabit" city, for providing Internet speeds of up to 1,000 mb/s.

"I believe a community has the right to make its own choice and to provide community broadband if it wants to," Obama said at the event. "Nobody's going to force you to do it, but if you want to do it, if the community decides this is something we want to do to give our community to give the edge and provide for young people, for businesses, they should do it."

Steve Bernard, the director of customer service and business development at Cedar Falls Utilities, which

**Making college more affordable**

Affordable education has been discussed in recent weeks as well, as Obama described a proposal that will offer free two-year community-college education to roughly 9 million qualified students.

Students would need to maintain a 2.5 grade-point average, enroll as at least half-time students, and show steady progress toward completing their degrees.

Higher-education expert Lynn O'Shaughnessy said although the issue of higher education costs needs to be addressed, she believes this is not the solution because the vast majority of community-college students never receive their degrees.

"They should absolutely spend more money, but they should help the kids who are in the system now with counseling and having more classes available to help reduce the dropout rate," she said.

Politically, she said, this could simply be an effort to

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# DAILY BREAK

## the ledge

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### Hipsterized Sesame Street:

- Big Bird (now Cage Free Organic Big Bird) is now mayor of Hooper's Store (now Hooper's Co-Op) on foursquare, which now has a three-star rating on Yelp. Elmo (now Emo) works there, selling Buddy Holly glasses, bow ties, fedoras, and mustache wax.
- "Won't you tell me how to get, how to get to Sesame Street ... via bike lanes ONLY (preferably on a fixie)."
- Grover is almost fired when producers find out his real last name is Norquist, and he's just so OVER everything. He just can't. He simply CANNOT.
  - It's not Sesame Street anymore, it's Quinoa Court. Which has been relocated from Manhattan to Brooklyn, which itself is now a neighborhood in Portland.
  - The Yup-Yup/Nope-Nope aliens now spend all their time arguing over imported coffee.
  - That "Dancing Feet" video has been recut to show one pair of feet, wearing Converse, standing motionless for 90 seconds while something appropriately shoe-gaze plays softly.
  - Every Sunday, there's a new special episode in which muppet Ira Glass (voiced by Ira Glass) interviews adult humans residents, uncovering their implicit biases about their muppet neighbors, often in three to five acts.

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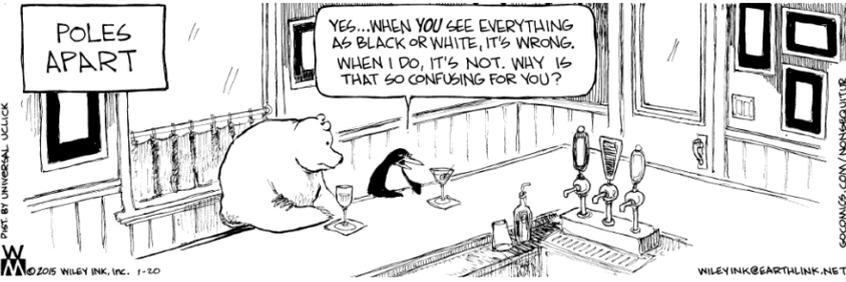
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by Scott Adams



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- **UI Health Care Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Rights Week Musical Performance**, Wycliffe Gordon, 10 a.m., UIHC Colloton Pavilion Lobby
- **International Cuisine: Egyptian**, Yasser Gaber, 10:45 a.m.-2 p.m., UIHC Fountain Dining Room
- **Iowa Girl Eats at Burge Dining Hall**, Kristin Porter, 10:45 a.m., Burge Dining Hall
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Distinguished Lecture**, Wycliffe Gordon, noon, 1110 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **Iowa Girl Eats at Main Library**, Kristin Porter, 2 p.m., Main Library Food for Thought Café
- **Colloquium**, "A tractable state-space model for

- dynamic covariance matrices," Jesse Windle, 3:30 p.m., 61 Schaeffer
- **"The Incredible Journey of Voyager 1 into Interstellar Space"**, Don Gurnett, 4 p.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **WorldCanvass**, "Food for Thought," 4 p.m., FilmScene, 118 E. College
- **International Cuisine: Egyptian**, Yasser Gaber, 7:30 p.m., UIHC Marketplace

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- Event with foxhounds
  - Lottery winner's feeling
  - Somewhat
  - Cookie involved in a licking race
  - Word after Mother or Google
  - Appoint to office
  - R&B singer backed by the Love Unlimited Orchestra
  - Banana discard
  - Unlikely derby winner
  - Thermos alternatives
  - When repeated, kind of pedal
  - "I can \_\_\_" ("Been there")
  - Late comic genius
  - Draw out
  - Scrape by
  - It might say "A-C" or "2013-14"
  - Was sick
  - Bighheadedness
  - Sparkly topper
  - TV diner boss
  - "\_\_\_ American Life"
  - Robert De Niro spy thriller
  - Children's author/illustrator with a National Medal of Arts
  - Hold protectively
  - Massage
  - No easy chore alternatives
  - Missouri feeder
  - Paul who sang "Diana"
  - Trio whose members start 17-, 26- and 44-Across
  - Agenda part
  - Flavor



- DOWN**
- Vagabond
  - Mountains (continent separator)
  - One whose favorite website is Sporcle, say
  - Not intact
  - Showy trinket
  - \_\_\_-di-dah
  - Football Hall-of-Famer Dickerson
  - Place, Butch Cassidy companion
  - Canterbury saint
  - Declare something boldly
  - Make \_\_\_ (get rich)
  - Thickheaded
  - Playwright Ibsen
  - Expressed boredom, in a way
  - Event with crumpets
  - Cab Calloway phrase
  - Bawl (out)
  - Cartoon dog with a big tongue
  - Something you won't see many bears in
  - Metalliferous rocks
  - Decomposes
  - Last name of 60-Across
  - Vocalist Vannelli
  - "Rocks"
  - Sound reasoning
  - Less literal
  - Puccini's "Un bel di," e.g.
  - Carom
  - \_\_\_ clef
  - TV network once called Pax
  - Tasty rewards
  - Jane who won a 1931 Nobel Peace Prize
  - Last: Abbr.
  - Top-notch
  - Committee head
  - Totaled
  - Friend of Scoob
  - French army headwear
  - Open-mouthed
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# Event welcomes students



UI students gather in the Currier Multipurpose Room to welcome international students on Monday. The International Welcome Night helps to acclimate international students to campus. (The Daily Iowan/Courtney Hawkins)

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On Monday, the University of Iowa hosted its second-ever International Welcome Night in an effort to integrate new international students, which has proved difficult after a rise in the international population over the past few years.

Though hundreds of students attended the fall welcome night, the event's organizer, Joelle Brown, anticipated various challenges for the spring welcome night. These included smaller enrollment of first-time international students and January's uninviting temperatures preventing some students from traveling to the event.

With this in mind, she said, she decided upon two separate event venues. By hosting a the event at Currier and Hillcrest simultaneously, she reached students on the east and west sides of campus and was happy with the turnout.

A majority of the attendees at the welcome night were international students new to campus and domestic students interested in making new international friendships. Dozens of students turned up at Currier.

After a week of very structured international-student orientation, new international students were encouraged to leave their comfort zones and participate in event that facilitated authentic, lasting friendships, Brown said.

In addition, several international students

from the fall event helped greet the new students. This allowed those who have already navigated American culture and classrooms to answer questions for their peers new to campus in their native languages.

"It warms my heart that they want to turn around and help out the next group," Brown said.

Geongu Park, a first-year student from Korea, spent the night playing Apples to Apples with his new Chinese and American friends. He met some throughout the past week but many more through the event.

"Orientation is just about listening, but here we can participate," Park said.

UI junior Tim Khan, who was one of the American students present, had served in the military and knew that arriving in a foreign country can feel isolating.

"I want to help international students feel like going to school here isn't big, scary or lonely," Khan said. "Events like these help them feel more at home."

While Brown organized the event, sponsors included UI International

Programs, UI Student Government, and Associated Residence Halls. Students enjoyed board games, hot chocolate, and snacks.

Brown's inspiration behind International Welcome Night came from her experiences.

The summer after Brown's sophomore year, she traveled to China to tutor people for English language tests.

After arriving, she was greeted by Chinese students on the street who noticed she was lost. They helped her carry her heavy bags across town for an hour and a half.

Overall, Brown said, the experience taught her to be more observant of international students after returning to the UI.

Brown is now a senior and volunteers with UI International Programs. She planned the event to help international students meet their peers more "organically" than they might at orientation or in the classroom.

Though International Welcome Night was new this year, Brown hopes it will continue after her graduation and become a campus tradition.

# Meanwhile, in the interim

## Governor nominates new regent

Gov. Terry Branstad selected a new regent to fill a vacancy late in December 2014.

Sherry Bates, 62, graduated from Iowa State University and worked as a social worker before retiring. She is from Scranton in the west-central area of the state and serves on various local boards.

Bates, who is subject to state Senate confirmation, will replace former Regent Nicole Carroll. She fulfills the state Board of Regents' policy of gender and political balance as a registered independent, and she is from the same Iowa region as Carroll.

Carroll resigned in November 2014 following a family move to Texas.

Bates' term will run through April 2017 should the Senate confirm her.

regents' first contract proposal.

University officials say fee costs at the UI fall in the middle among peer institutions, and they also point to a technology fee that is waived for graduate students.

COGS and the regents must reach an agreement by March 15 or head to arbitration.

— by Chris Higgins

## Whitey's Ice Cream closes down for now

Renovations to a century-old downtown Iowa City building have caused a longtime ice cream shop to close its doors until further notice, as the building's new owners embark on a plan to bring new loft-housing options to the city's center.

Whitey's Ice Cream co-owner Jon Tunberg said the downtown location has closed for now, but when renovations are complete, the business could return.

He said the decision was a mutual between Whitey's and the new building owner, Mark Ginsberg, who has plans to remodel the upstairs to create business space and lofts.

Ginsberg, the curator of M.C. Ginsberg Objects of Art, 110 E. Washington St., said the renovations were a result of needed structural repairs of the 100-plus-year-old building.

Ginsberg said his goal is to create 2,000 square feet of business space. Whitey's, established in 1933, didn't make its way into Iowa until 1984.

"Our plan is not to leave Iowa City," Tunberg said about the 112 E. Washington St. space. "We're working on some other places, but I can't say we're actively searching."

## Tong Shao warrants released

New information in the case of Tong Shao has been released.

The Story County Clerk of Court released warrants of the investigation related to the death of 20-year-old Shao, who was a student from China at Iowa State University.

The warrant states authorities searched property belonging to both Shao and the person of interest in the case, Xiangnan Li. In addition to searching their property, police spoke with a friend of Li's named Karen Yang.

The warrants were granted on Sept. 24, just two days before Shao's body was found in the trunk of a beige Toyota Camry in Iowa City.

The warrants show phone records for both Shao and Li and that Li traveled to China through Cedar Rapids with a connecting flight in Chicago.

The documents state Li has not been heard of or located in China.

## Iowa City School District rescinds diversity policy

The Iowa City School District rescinded its diversity policy during a Jan. 13 meeting. The policy, which the School Board approved in 2013, aimed to provide an equitable learning experience for every student in the district, according to its website.

The School Board will now work on updating and passing a revised version of the policy.

— by Nick Moffitt

## Legislature convenes

Broadband infrastructure, secondary education, bullying, and domestic abuse are just a couple of the new issues that should make their way through the Legislature.

The Legislature, which began Iowa's 86th General Assembly in the Iowa House chamber on Jan. 14, will also outline a recommended \$7.32 billion general fund budget for fiscal 2016.

## Branstad enters historic sixth term

Gov. Terry Branstad was sworn into his sixth term last week, en route to becoming the longest serving governor in the nation.

At the Jan. 16 inauguration, he discussed the need for growth in population, jobs, incomes, and opportunities across the state. He said the ways to meet those goals are to change the business climate, in addition to the skilled workforce and infrastructure, that reflect more of a 21st-century perspective.

Branstad will be the longest-serving governor in the nation come December, and he had nearly 1,200 people in attendance at the inauguration, including New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and Sens. Joni Ernst and Chuck Grassley, both R-Iowa.

## Obama visits Cedar Falls

President Obama made a stop in Iowa last week to discuss broadband.

Obama addressed around 200 people in Cedar Falls at Cedar Falls Utilities to address the city's community broadband speeds, which is nearly 100 times faster than the national average with 1,000 megabytes per second.

He also discussed growing demands for high-speed Internet access to encourage economic development.

Both Grassley and Branstad support the goal of improving broadband access. Grassley, however, said government intervention might not be the best way.

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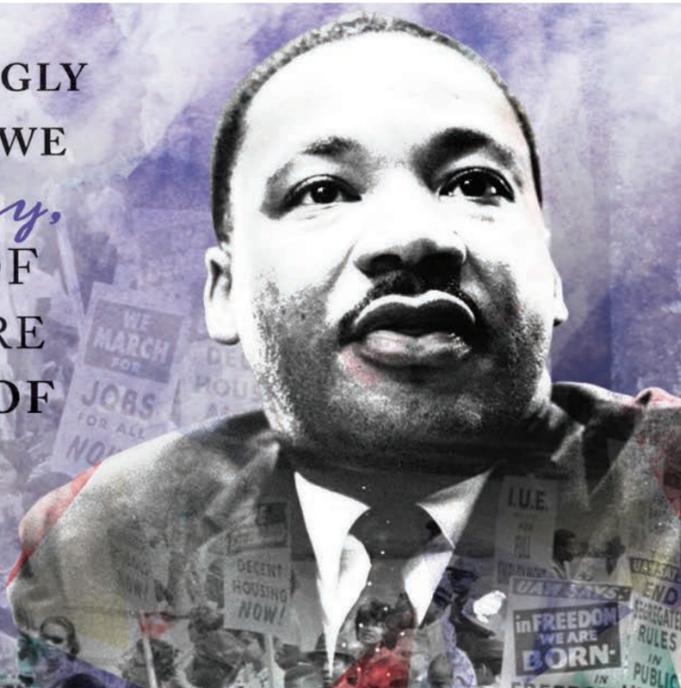
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## NOTEBOOK

## Eventful break for Hawks

The Iowa women's basketball team had quite an eventful winter break.



Iowa guard Melissa Dixon drives during the Iowa-Northwestern game in Carver-Hawkeye on Jan. 14. The Hawkeyes beat the Wildcats, 83-70. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

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The Iowa women's basketball team did everything but take a break over winter vacation.

The past four weeks has been more than just a little bit eventful for the Black and Gold, with the start of Big Ten play, a rise and fall in the top-25 rankings, and a few personnel milestones occupying the Hawks over the holiday break.

And with the spring semester kicking off today, head coach Lisa Bluder's team is eager to stay in the swing of things after a memorable January. Here's a rundown of what happened during break.

## Big Ten kickoff

The Hawks opened Big Ten play on Dec. 28, 2014, with a win over Penn State, and since then, they've gone 5-1 in conference matchups in the New Year.

Bluder and the Hawks notched an impressive road win over No. 16 Rutgers on Jan. 4 before suffering an upset loss of their own to Illinois on the road four days later.

The team has managed to stabilize since then, winning three straight, and despite the loss to Illinois, Iowa is still sitting pretty, tied for second in the conference with

Minnesota at 5-1.

What's more, the No. 22 Hawkeyes' most recent victory, over Michigan State on Sunday, was the team's first victory over the Spartans in East Lansing in 11 years.

## Personal Milestones

A few members of the Hawkeyes had a memorable January for personal reasons as well as team success.

First and foremost, senior Melissa Dixon became the all-time Iowa leader in 3-pointers after she nailed six triples in the win over Rutgers.

Dixon passed former Hawkeye Lindsey Meder's career total of 263 treys with still half of her senior schedule left to play (Meder was invited to participate in the men's 3-point contest at the Final Four her senior season). The Illinois native has morphed into one of the deadliest 3-point shooters in the country, ranking near the top nationally in total 3s made and shooting percentage from beyond the arc.

Dixon was not the only senior who eclipsed a personal milestone during break.

Center Beth Doolittle joined teammates Dixon and Samantha Logic in the 1,000-point club, becoming just the 33rd player in Iowa history to

hit the mark.

Doolittle earned the honor after a standout performance in the win over the Nittany Lions that saw the 6-4 senior turn in 12 points and 11 boards.

And with sophomore Ally Disterhoft closing in on 800 points as just a sophomore, the Hawkeyes could have four of their usual starting five in the 1,000 point club by the season's end.

## Tough road ahead

The last month has been anything but relaxing for the Hawks, but that's not necessarily a bad thing.

Iowa has set itself up pretty nice for a strong run to close out the season, but the next four games will be against some of their best competition yet.

After closing out its current home stand against No. 17 Nebraska on Jan. 26, Iowa will go on the road to Northwestern and No. 9 Maryland. The conference newcomer Terrapins have been the class of the Big Ten so far this season, posting an impressive 15-2 record, 6-0 in the Big Ten.

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## Gymnasts disappointed

The Iowa men's gymnastics team competed in the Windy City Invitational on Jan. 17.



Iowa gymnast Lance Alberhasky performs a floor routine at the Black and Gold intrasquad meet in the Field House on Dec. 6, 2014. The Black team defeated Gold team, 253.55 to 251.40. (The Daily Iowan/Valerie Burke)

By CHARLIE GREEN  
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Iowa men's gymnastics opened its season Jan. 17 with a fourth-place finish at the Windy City Invitational in Chicago. Illinois won the meet, while Big Ten powers Ohio State and Michigan rounded out the top three.

Going into its final event on the still rings, the team was in prime position to finish the night strong. But in the Hawkeyes' strongest event, they turned in a subpar performance.

"We kind of let our nerves get to us in the competition; we have the difficulty and ability to perform much better," sophomore Cory Paterson said.

The Hawkeyes got off to a blazing start on the vault, an event that has been a weak spot in recent years. All five gymnasts — Will Albert, Andrew Botto, Matt Loochtan, Dylan Ellsworth, and Brandon Field — in the event scored above 14.000, making it their strongest event of the evening.

The promising start preceded struggles in traditionally strong areas. Falls in the floor exercise proved fatal for the team when the final score was

tallied, as did unusual mishaps on the high bar and rings.

"We had some uncharacteristic falls, but did a good job of picking it back up and getting back on the right track," redshirt senior Lance Alberhasky said. "We got a little fired up and made some stupid mistakes."

Aside from the mistakes, several gymnasts put in promising performances for the Hawkeyes. Albert scored 15.000 on the rings, and Paterson scored a team-high 15.100 on the high bar.

On the pommel horse, junior Doug Sullivan led all contestants with a 14.900. Freshman Austin Hodges scored a 13.800 on the event in his first college action. However, three Hawkeyes — Elijah Parsells, David Spanier, and Emmanuel Monroy — failed to reach the 13-point mark in the event.

"Emotionally, we handled ourselves well," head coach JD Reive said. "But our focus and the way we handled competition is something we need to work on."

It was an up-and-down night for the team's veterans. Redshirt junior Cyrus Dobre-Mofid scored a 14.350 on the parallel

bars but struggled on the high bar with a 13.100. Junior Jack Boyle posted a 14.600 on the rings but just a 11.600 on the parallel bars. Loochtan also struggled on the floor, rings, and parallel bars.

"They're seasoned veterans at this point," Reive said. "I think in all the excitement, things just got away from them."

The team finished just 0.8 of a point behind Ohio State, posting a final score of 414.000. According to roadnationals.com, Iowa is ranked 10th in the country, one spot behind the Buckeyes.

Currently, Illinois sits at No. 4, and Michigan is No. 7. Minnesota, which finished fifth of the six teams at the invitational, is ranked 11th.

Illinois-Chicago, which finished last in the competition, will travel to Iowa City for the Hawkeyes' home-opener on Saturday.

"We scored 414 as a team, and that's not anything we want to stick around at," Alberhasky said. "It's just a matter of cleaning up the silly mistakes we made."

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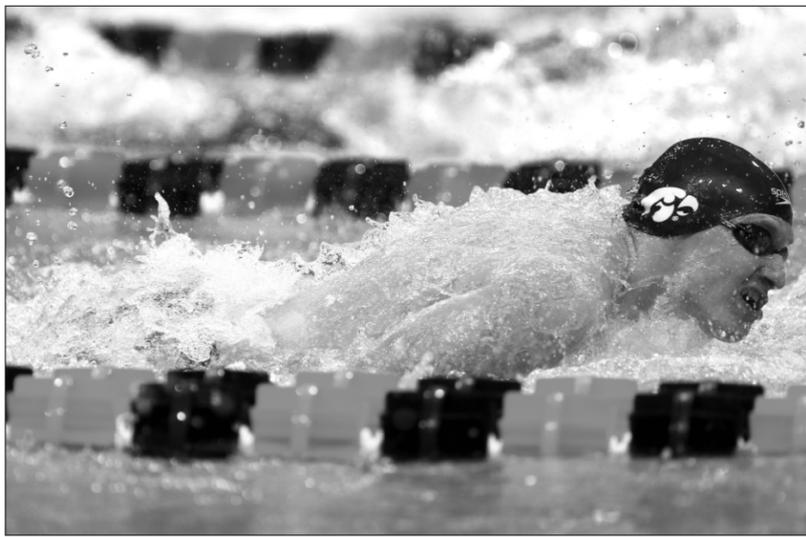
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# Long and short of swimming



Iowa swimmer Jerzy Twarowski races in the pool during the men's 200 butterfly in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center during the Hawkeye Invitational on Dec. 7, 2014. The Iowa men's team won the meet with a score of 918.5, followed by Notre Dame at 918 points. (The Daily Iowan/John Theulen)

The Iowa swim team trained long course over winter break.

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Every winter, the bulkheads in the middle of the pool in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center are pushed back, turning two pools into one and more than doubling the length of the pool.

Moving the bulkheads turns the pool from two 25-yard sections, two short-course pools, to a single 50-meter pool, the Olympic length, known as a long-course pool.

"The nice thing about long course is it's just great for stroke technique," head coach Marc Long said. "It's a totally different environment."

Training long course over the winter break allowed the coaching staff an opportunity to see their swimmers' strokes for a longer period of time and also emphasized the swimmers' stroke technique for the entire length of the pool. Short-course swimming tends to focus on turns and underwater kicking off walls.

Typically, long-course competitions are held at major international events and over the summer. Long said some of the international swimmers love long course.

"It's completely different swimming," said freshman Jerzy Twarowski, who is from Poland. "It's always good to swim long course."

Prior to the season-opener against Michigan, Twarowski had never swum in yards, although he did compete in short-course meters.

In addition to technique, the longer length challenges the swimmers.

"You can get some more challenging sets in, kind of get up your aerobic base" senior Grant Betulius said. "Long course you get a little more swimming in."

Betulius said the team typically trains three weeks in the long-course pool over the break, although he thinks there was an additional week this year.

Long said the team worked tough sets that helped to build that aerobic base, and the longer distance cut down on rest time from pushing off the walls after turns. He said the focus was still on technique stroke technique, and that was the main reason for the change.

"As a coach, you get to watch their stroke the whole way," Long said.

The swimmers said they feel the benefit of that training.

"When you switch back to short course, it makes all of your races that much shorter," sophomore Brandon Farnum said. "It takes out the endurance from the race."

Farnum is correct.

There are 4.28 more yards per 50 meters of a race in long course, a difference that adds up over longer races. Twarowski said long course helps with training for distance races.

NCAA swimming is raced in short-course pools, however, and the Hawkeyes are back to training in short-course yard pools, and they will focus hard on turns and being explosive into turns and off the turns.

"We do race in short course, and we pride ourselves on having great turns and being explosive in and out of the walls," Long said.

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# Swimmers push ahead



Hawkeye swimmer Becky Stoughton swims in the 500 free in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center on Oct. 4, 2014. The Iowa women's team came in second place, defeating Nebraska but falling to Michigan. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

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Competition is used to determine wins and losses, rankings and power; for the Hawkeyes, the competition that occurred during break allowed them to push to do better and start competing among themselves, as head coach Marc Long looks for improvements.

"I'd like to see improvement in all areas, especially in relays in order to reach this team's full potential," Long said. "They're a hard-working and competitive bunch, and I have confidence in their future."

Despite Long's concerns about the relays, the Hawkeyes traveled to the St. Petersburg Invitational in Florida on Jan. 3, and won all nine relays as the team took an early lead and never looked back.

New faces were able to enter the pool for the Hawkeyes while they were in the Sunshine State. The newcomers swam to first-place finishes while developing an edge.

"The new freshmen on

our team bring a new aspect to our training," senior captain Becky Stoughton said.

As the new swimmers remain eager to find their place in the Hawkeye lineup, Hawkeye vets took control as they prepare for the season.

Their impressive times gave Iowa a No. 21 ranking, one of six Big Ten schools in the College Swimming Coaches Association of America Division I rankings, joining Michigan (No. 9), Minnesota (11), Indiana (14), Penn State (17), and Wisconsin (24).

As students started arriving back on campus on Jan. 17, the Hawkeyes traveled to Illinois. They won six of the 19 events held while breaking three of Fighting Illini's pool records.

Sophomore Taylor Flummerfelt kept the Hawkeyes in the lead after a back-and-forth battle.

Iowa divers placed with a one-two-three finish on the 1- and 3-meter dives. Joelle Christy (316.5) earned first place on the 1-meter and Lauren Kelba

(332.17) on the 3-meter.

"All our divers performed at a peak level and really showed up ready to go," Hawkeye diving coach Todd Waikel said in a release. "We've got a lot to look forward to, and the girls are only getting better."

The Hawkeyes have a 4-2 dual record after the win over Illinois. Seven swimmers have also swum for a combined 16 NCAA B cut times with two being nationally ranked.

As preseason intentions continue to be surpassed and expectations continue to rise, the Hawks hope to put the Black and Gold into the NCAA championship pool.

"Each person is working as hard as she can day in and day out in order to achieve a higher goal: to fight for the highest place for the most number of points possible" sophomore Emma Sougstad said.

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**WOODBURY**

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comes from the small things. His value to Iowa is hard to measure statistically, and no one knows that more than Woodbury himself.

But largely, what Woodbury brings to the Hawkeyes is toughness and defense. Not defense in the obvious sense, rather the more intricate aspects, such as hedging a pick and roll, defensive rotations, and communicating.

“You know, what’s important about that is a lot of guys talk, OK? What are you saying?” McCaffery said. “... When he’s talking, he’s right. And they do what he says, and they listen to him. The way that that affects your team defensive concept is immeasurable, because they can’t hear me, but they can hear him.”

Woodbury says he doesn’t hear the criticism, although he obviously heard enough to prompt shushing the crowd.

He also seems somewhat understanding of the heat he takes, or at least understanding that a center who prides himself on getting on the floor, setting a good screen, or making a smart defensive play isn’t something that will necessarily put fans in the stands.

That doesn’t mean teammates won’t notice these small details, though. Or at the very least, feel them.

“He sets the best screens that I’ve ever played with,” said Mike Gesell, who also played with Woodbury in AAU basketball. “In practice, I hate being on the opposite team of him because I know I’m getting a charley horse. He just gets guys open, plays



Iowa center Adam Woodbury and guard Peter Jok high-five during introductions before the Iowa-Ohio State game in Carver-Hawkeye on Jan. 17. The Hawkeyes defeated the Buckeyes, 76-67, to sweep the season series. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

great defense in the post, especially before his guy gets the ball.”

While he doesn’t provide the highlights, so to say, Woodbury has taken significant steps in his game.

His face-up jumper has improved, his rebounding numbers are as high as they’ve been since he got to Iowa, and he’s getting to the free-throw line at the highest rate of his career.

“It might not always be pretty; I can’t get above the rim and dunk like Whitey or Gabe [Olaseini],” Woodbury said. “I’m a below-the-rim guy, and that’s not always what fans want to see. Fans want to see highlights, highlight blocks, stuff like that. I just try to do the little things to help us win.”

In Iowa’s next contest, Woodbury will face perhaps his toughest test since he showed up at Iowa. That task is facing one of the best players in the country in Frank Kaminsky, who just so happens to play for one

 <p><b>IOWA</b></p> <p>Forward <b>Aaron White</b> (16.1 ppg, 7.1 rpg, 52.2 FG%)</p> <p>Total made free throws 320 (10th in the nation)</p> <p>76-67 win against Ohio State</p>	<p><b>Player to watch</b></p>	 <p><b>WISCONSIN</b></p> <p>Forward <b>Frank Kaminsky</b> (17.2 ppg, 8 rpg, 40.8% from 3)</p> <p>Wisconsin’s FG% 48.8% (20th in the nation)</p> <p>70-55 win against Nebraska</p>
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of the best teams in the country, No. 6 Wisconsin.

During the game, there will no doubt be more criticism. One scroll through Twitter will confirm that.

If a player blows past Woodbury, people will say he’s too slow. If he gets blocked, he can’t jump.

But no matter what criticism he receives, he’ll continue to be appreciated by those around him on a daily basis.

“Everybody has their own opinion; everybody can say what they want to say,” Woodbury said. “We live in a free country, so I can’t let that bother me. I got to go play my game, and whether they like it or

not, I’m still going to be here.”

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Iowa 133-pounder Cory Clark wrestles Illinois' Zane Richards in Carver-Hawkeye on Jan. 16. The Hawkeyes defeated the Fighting Illini, 25-12. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

**BRANDS**

CONTINUED FROM 12

in a dual so far this season.

Three key factors play into a statement like that: upset losses, points left on the board, and normal starters being held from the lineup because of health or other issues. In Iowa’s six duals after the Iowa City Duals in November, there have been numerous instances of all three.

In five of the six duals, at least one Iowa wrestler was upset in his respective match, the outlier being the 37-0 win over Michigan State on Dec. 6. Against third-ranked Ohio State on Jan. 4, two Hawkeyes were upset — but Iowa still won by 4.

Even more, the 18-14 win over the Buckeyes has been the only dual in which every Iowa starter was healthy and finally in the lineup —

and that includes Brandon Sorensen, who has seemingly taken over as the guy at 149. In the other five duals, at least one starter has sat out because of health or other reasons.

But perhaps the biggest reason to believe that Iowa can wrestle better — the one Brands presses most often — is all the team points Iowa has left off the board in each dual.

In those six duals, Iowa wrestlers have had three instances in which another takedown would have secured the major decision as opposed to a normal decision. There’s also been another seven individual matches decided by 5 points.

Those, in Brands’ dream world, could’ve become majors with some more work.

“It feels good when you’re dominant and dictating everything,” 125-pounder Thomas Gilman said. “We take a lot of pride in that — especially when you just enforce your will on a

guy.”

To Brands, though, each dual has been different. Against Iowa State, he said Iowa left points off the board. Against Ohio State, his team scored just one first-period takedown. Against Illinois, two Hawkeyes lost in bonus-point fashion.

But that he hasn’t seen a perfect performance, despite winning each dual so far, is why Brands continually says that his team has to get better — and it’s something the wrestlers are very aware of.

“I believe it’s little changes that will make the big difference,” said 141-pounder Josh Dzievia, who’s 2-3 in his last five matches. “There are opportunities to blow [opponents] out of the water. I just have to figure out how to do it.”

Follow @codygoodwin on Twitter for updates, news, and analysis about the Iowa wrestling team.

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## GymHawks finish second

On Sunday, the Iowa women's gymnastics team finished second with a score of 194.425 at its home-opener against Michigan State and Ball State. The No. 22 Spartans took the title with a score of 195.625.

The women were very strong on the bar, yet they started off pretty slowly on the vault. Head coach Larissa Libby was impressed with how strong the team did on the floor routine, although the Hawks came up short on the beam. Even though their performance was strong, it was not strong enough to land them first.

The GymHawks began their meet with posting a 48.450 on vault while Michigan State posted a 48.700 on bars, and Ball State hit 47.700 on the beam. Hawkeyes Alie Glover and sophomore Angel Metcalf scored 9.725 on the vault.

Hawk Mollie Drenth posted a career best with a 9.875 on bars. Following in second was Metcalf, who tied her personal best of 9.850.

The Hawkeyes went on to beam with a team score booster from freshman Nikki Youd with a 9.800. The judges gave Iowa a score of 145.050, with Michigan State at 146.325, and Ball State with 144.575.

The team ended the day with a floor post of 49.375, with the assistance of senior Sydney Hoerr with a career best of 9.925 and Glover with her best score of 9.900.

Iowa will compete at Ohio State on Jan. 24.

—by Alexandria Griffin



The GymHawks celebrate in Carver-Hawkeye on Sunday. The Hawkeyes scored 194.425 and placed second against Ball State and Michigan State. (The Daily Iowan/Rachael Westergard)

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**Men's basketball at Wisconsin**, 8:05 p.m. today  
**Women's basketball vs. Michigan, Carver-Hawkeye**, 8 p.m. Thursday  
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# Iowa, Northern Iowa, Iowa State all ranked

By **DANNY PAYNE**  
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For the first time ever, Iowa State, Northern Iowa, and Iowa are all ranked in the AP Top-25 poll for Division-I men's college basketball. That is not a typo.

The latest edition of the weekly poll was released Monday. The Cy-

clones are ranked ninth, the Panthers No. 20, and Iowa 25.

The Hawkeyes snuck into the poll after defeating Minnesota, 77-75, on the road and completing a season sweep of Ohio State with a 76-67 win in Carver-Hawkeye Arena last week. Iowa is 13-5 and ranked for the first time since

March 3, 2014, when it held the No. 24 spot.

Iowa State was ranked No. 11 spot last week and made the jump after defeating Kansas, 86-81, last week. Head

coach Fred Hoiberg's team is 13-3 on the season. Iowa lost to Iowa State in Carver, 90-75, on Dec. 12, 2014.

Northern Iowa is 16-2 on the year and beat Iowa in the Big Four Classic on Dec. 20, 2014, in Des Moines. The Panthers are in the top 20 for just the second time in school history.

In 2010, the school was ranked 19th, which is the best ranking in program history.

Northern Iowa and Iowa State are not scheduled to play each other the rest of the season.

Iowa is scheduled to play No. 6 Wisconsin today in Madison, Wisconsin. That game is set to tip off at 8 p.m.



**McCaffery**  
head coach

# 'Woody' plays past critics



Iowa center Adam Woodbury drives for a lay-up against Ohio State in Carver-Hawkeye on Jan. 17. Woodbury ended the game with 13 points to help the Hawkeyes defeat the Buckeyes, 76-67. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

By **JACOB SHEYKO**  
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It's perhaps the defining image of Adam Woodbury's two and a half years at Iowa.

In the second half of Iowa's 85-67 throttling of Michigan last season, Woodbury received a pass on a fast break, reached back with his left hand, and threw down a dunk.

After the dunk, the 7-1 center turned around, lifted his right index finger to his mouth and shushed the crowd.

His own crowd.  
Since Woodbury first donned the Hawkeye black and gold, he's been the most criticized player on Iowa's roster.

Maybe it's because out of high school, he

was heralded as the player who chose Iowa over prestigious North Carolina, or despite the fact the junior stands more than 7 feet, it's a recurring joke that he can't dunk. More likely, it's a combination of numerous factors.

Whatever the reasons may be, they've dumbfounded those who coach and play with him.

"Never seen anything like it in my life," head coach Fran McCaffery said about the criticism of his center, who had just posted 13 points and 10 rebounds against Ohio State. "All that kid does is work his tail off every facet of everything he does, and he's got unbelievable character, represents the institution, his family, and he gets criticized unfairly."

"You know, he is who he is. And I'll tell you what, I'll take him on my team any day."

The praise Woodbury receives from his coaches and those who play with him

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# Brands seeks better results

Despite Iowa's 9-0 record, head coach Tom Brands says his team can be better — and he's right.

By **CODY GOODWIN**  
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Tom Brands knew he'd get fined if he answered the question honestly after top-ranked Iowa beat sixth-ranked Illinois, 25-12, on Jan. 16.

His team won seven of 10 bouts in the dual, but Brands was continually in the referee's ear, hoping he'd get a few stall calls so the Fighting Illini wrestlers would wrestle more rather than actively stall.

"You want me to say it? I'll say it. How much do they fine you for that?" he asked. "I'll tell you what: You talk

about a guy not wanting to get intimidated. That's all I'll say. He didn't want to get intimidated, and he made a point.

"But hey, we got a lot of work to do. We got a lot of work to do."

It'd be hard to find any Division I wrestling coach in the country that would be dissatisfied with a 9-0 start (4-0 against Big Ten competition), but those last eight words — "We got a lot of work to do" — are a staple in each of Brands' post-dual press conference.

There's reason to believe that he's right, of



Iowa head coach Tom Brands reacts to an official's call during the Iowa-Illinois duel in Carver-Hawkeye on Jan. 16. The Hawkeyes defeated the Fighting Illini, 25-12. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

course, because Iowa, hasn't pieced together a although unbeaten, still complete performance

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