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Bitcoin slips into IC

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University of Iowa transfer student Cameron Schorg calls himself an advocate for the bitcoin.

He sees it as such an interesting innovation that he started a club at the University of South Carolina centered on the currency. Now, he wants to do it here.

"It's just a new currency, a new technology," Schorg said. "You have the U.S. dollar, Japanese yen, European euro, and the Internet bitcoin."

Bitcoin is a type of crypto-currency — currency that uses coding via Internet — through which users can send very small to very large amounts of money quickly, securely, and with little to no transaction fees, Schorg said.

Bitcoin grew in popularity last year.

After years of a downward spiral into irrelevance, bitcoin surged in popularity with funding from corporations such as Facebook and Horowitz and Co. as well as the New York Stock Exchange.

In fact, in the last year or so, more than \$500 million of capital funding was pushed toward bitcoin-related companies, Schorg said.

Here in the Iowa City/Coralville Area, there are businesses willing to try it out, including the Watch Co.

"It's going to be the future, hands down," said Brandon Baines, the manager of the Watch Co. at the Coral Ridge Mall. "Basically, we believe that everyone at some time will run off the same currency."

The business started accepting bitcoin roughly six months ago. It doesn't charge transaction fees,

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'IT'S GOING TO BE THE FUTURE, HANDS DOWN!'

transaction steps



1) People decide they want to buy something and use their digital wallet to start the transaction.

2) This transaction is made public on bitcoin's network. Bitcoin is a crypto-currency that uses coding via internet.

3) Other computers on the bitcoin network attempt to validate the transaction by solving a mathematical equation

4) The solved transaction goes back on the public ledger for everyone to see and as a record of the exchange.

5) The people or businesses see through their wallets they have received the digital currency.

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ETHICS & POLITICS

BIDEN AT DRAKE

Biden touts recovery from recession

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DES MOINES — Vice President Joe Biden and the Obama administration may be entering the home stretch of their time in the White House, but Biden says the Obama strategy needs to stay.

The vice president spent roughly an hour and a half addressing the Drake University community in the Sheslow Auditorium on Thursday.

He touted the Obama administration's ability to take the country from "crisis" to "recovery" and now on the path to significant resurgence and re-establishing the middle class, urging Democratic hopefuls to follow Obama's footsteps.

Outlining the 2016 presidential race, Biden said those seeking leadership

roles should "own what we have done. Stand for what we have done. Acknowledge what we have done. And be judged on what we have done."

Biden highlighted the stark differences between GOP's "top-down" approach to economics and the Democratic working "from the middle out," which he said the country has been built on.

He asked the audience, "Are we going to continue resurgence, focus on growing the middle class" or "return to policies that, I would argue, have failed the country?"

He said the opposition focuses on lowering taxes on the wealthy while placing less emphasis on sustaining social programs. He noted that the country hasn't seen a greater concentration of wealth in the top 1 percent since the 1920s.



Vice President Joe Biden speaks to a crowd at Drake University on Thursday. Biden, who has been pegged as a potential 2016 presidential candidate for the Democrats, touted several successes under the two-term Obama administration. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

"I hope you all end up being millionaires and billionaires, but the last thing somebody making more than \$1 million a year now needs is another tax cut," he told the crowd, made up mostly of Drake students. "They're OK. They're do-

ing just fine." Drake junior and political-science major Ben Verhaselt said the speech was about apolitical as it could've been heading into election season,

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Proposal may trump 21-only

By NICHOLAS MOFFITT
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A new piece of legislation proposed in the state Senate could have a big effect on Iowa City's 21-ordinance.

The new legislation would ban cities and counties from adopting any ordinance restricting people 19 or older from entering businesses that have liquor licenses.

The bill was introduced Wednesday by Sen. Wally Horn, D-Cedar Rapids, and Sen. Rick Bertrand, R-Sioux City, who said safety is the primary concern with the legislation.

Bertrand told *The Daily Iowan* safety at off-campus house parties is a concern for him.

"They really don't have a place to go," he said. "So they end up at an off-campus house party binge drinking."

Iowa City's ordinance requires businesses that sell alcohol, and don't have exemptions, to bar entrance to anyone not 21 years old after 10 p.m.

Iowa City currently provides exemptions to businesses that have 50 percent of sales from food and to certain music venues.

City Attorney Eleanor Dilkes wrote in an email that if passed, the legislation would have an effect on the current ordinance.

"If this bill became law, it would require the repeal of the city's under-21

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E-cigs get more scrutiny

By BILL COONEY
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Puffing vapor from an e-cigarette may be more like inhaling smoke from a traditional cigarette than many people realize, according to a new study.

Researchers at the University of Rochester recently tested e-cigarette vapors on mice and found they led to lung damage and inflammation. This is in sharp contrast to tobacco companies, which tout their products as a safer alternative to traditional cigarettes.

"The tobacco companies are going back to an old playbook with this one; they know it will take five to



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LITERATI



Daniel Khalastchi, the associate director at the Magid Center for Undergraduate Writing, introduces writers Jericho Brown and Amber Dermont at Prairie Lights on Thursday. The Magid Center hosted the two visiting writers-in-residence. (The Daily Iowan/Lexi Brunk)

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Uber resists taxi ordinance

Uber says the new city taxi ordinance is a barrier, but city councilors disagree.

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Uber has described the Iowa City City Council's recently passed taxi ordinance as a barrier to bringing its service to Iowa City.

Despite the claim from Uber, the City Council isn't budging on its support of the revised ordinance.

"A lot of people spent a lot of time working on this ordinance, and I think it's fair to both traditional metered cabs and networked cabs," Iowa City Mayor Matt Hayek said. "This is not an Uber ordinance by any means."

He said most of the provisions in the new ordinance address safety issues with cabs operating in Iowa City.

"Recently, there was an assault involving a

taxi here in Iowa City," Hayek said. "It took over 100 police man-hours to track down the cab that the assault took place in. This ordinance is about ensuring the safety of anyone who uses a cab, traditional or networked."

Hayek said there are exceptions in the ordinance that would allow networked taxis to operate in Iowa City as well.

"For example, metered taxis are now required to have a dispatch office answering phones between midnight and 6 a.m.; this is not required for networked taxi companies, because their

communication happens most often through an app," he said.

Overall, Hayek said, the council wants tax- is in Iowa City to have regulations that ensure rider safety.

"The City Council is responsible for the taxi ordinance, so therefore we are responsible for the safety of anyone who takes a cab in Iowa City," he said.

Despite the ordinance passing that allows network cabs to exist, an Uber official said the new rules are overbearing.

"The ordinance as proposed creates an environment in which Uber cannot operate," Uber representative Jennifer Mullin wrote in an email.

"We are happy and eager to be a resource for the city and hope

the desire is to create a framework that both ensures safety for residents and visitors but also leaves the option for Uber or other transportation network companies to operate in the future," she said.

Potential riders may have to now wait longer for Uber to come, Mullin said.

University of Iowa students who have used Uber praised the company.

"I took an Uber when I was out in LA with some girlfriends," UI student Taylor Wyatt said. "It was really cheap and got me where I was going quickly."



Hayek
Mayor



Mullin
Uber representative

Discussion ponders race at UI

The African American Cultural Center holds an open discussion on race.

By **THOMAS JARDINE**

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What it means to be African American and racial understanding is an important topic all year round, said students at Thursday's discussion at the University of Iowa African American Cultural Center.

"The university should be producing more communication and discussion on racial understanding for everyone," said Maggie Butler, a UI Ph.D. student. "Meetings like this should not just occur during Black History Month."

The African American Cultural Center held an open discussion that emphasized "what it means to

be black." The discussion is held annually during February in honor of Black History Month.

The session was open to anyone and was facilitated by Tawanda Owens, a graduate student and assistant at the cultural center.

Attendees expressed personal incidents that ranged from racial ostracizing to forced assimilation of African-American students.

The objective of the meeting was to assist students in understanding themselves as individuals through group discussion, regardless of race, Owens said.

"One of the main issues experienced by African-American students here at Iowa is micro-aggression conveyed by both students and faculty," Owens

said. "The university should be taking greater efforts to educate its students and faculty on racial understanding."

When asked on whether Iowa City could improve on its racial and cultural appreciation, Butler said the city is fine in terms of its tolerance of race, but there needs to be a greater understanding of race and culture in Iowa City.

UI student Shawn Bourisquot said there have been growing cases of micro-aggression among students and faculty toward the African-American community.

"It's difficult to communicate with people without being identified for my race," he said. "I'm tired of being the guy that everyone looks to for information on

African Americans; I want to simply be respected as an individual."

Nearly all attendants at the meeting expressed concern that life at the university needs to be more conducive to students of different races, and they should not feel pressured to assimilate to the cultural norm.

At the meeting, legislation to increase diversity education among faculty members was praised.

"Cases of micro-aggression and stereotyping against students is a systematic problem," Owens said. "Parents and faculty need to be educated so that we can eliminate issues like this in the future and make Iowa City a better environment."

METRO

Some law-school hopefuls may skip LSAT

Some University of Iowa students could now gain admission to the College of Law without taking the LSAT, a nationwide testing program.

The Daily Iowan learned this

afternoon that eligible students have been notified of the college's Kinnick Legal Scholars Program, which allows students to skip the nationwide standardized Law School Admissions Test.

The program is available only to UI undergraduate and graduate students. To qualify, students must be in the top

10 percent of their classes or have a 3.5 grade-point average after six semesters of course work.

They must also be in the 85th percentile or higher on one of the following standardized tests: ACT, SAT, GMAT, or GRE.

The move comes after a policy

change by the American Bar Association specialty group on legal education and admissions to the bar. The ABA accredits law schools.

The law school has planned to roll out such an admissions program since last year.

— by Chris Higgins

BLOTTER

Daniel Andrade, 20, Hinsdale, Illinois, was charged Wednesday with presence in a bar after hours.
Robert Burhans, 51, 2401 Highway 6 E., was charged Wednesday with violating a no-contact domestic-abuse protective order.
Cameron Hobin, 25, Coralville, was charged Thursday with driving with a revoked license

and second-offense OWI.
Alfred Jackson, 24, 1015 Cross Park Apt. C, was charged Thursday with domestic assault.
Terene Jones, 41, 2443 Whispering Meadow Drive, was charged Wednesday with domestic assault.
Antwon Jordan, 27, 814 Oakcrest St. No. 2, was charged Tuesday

with fourth-degree theft.
Jon Jorgensen, 59, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.
Daylan Kozak, 18, North Liberty, was charged Thursday with possession of a controlled substance.
Emily Peterson, 32, Mount Vernon, Iowa, was charged Tuesday with driving with a revoked license.

Devonte Richardson, 21, Coralville, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.
Samantha Tasker, 19, Richmond, Illinois, was charged Wednesday with presence in a bar after hours.
Skylar Thomas, 20, Clinton, was charged Wednesday with presence in a bar after hours.

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BITCOIN

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and management thought it would become a common payment method.

"We are, to my knowledge, the first business in the Coralville area to

accept bitcoin," Scott Birney, the general manager of the Watch Co. said. "Everyone who passed by and saw that we accept bitcoin, they get excited to have somewhere to spend it locally."

The currency has found home in national retailers, too. Target, Subway, and

Victoria's Secret all accept bitcoin; however, the idea has not been adopted as frequently in the Midwest as in other parts of the country.

"Most of the bitcoin companies are happening around coasts," Schorg said. "The majority of them are in the Silicon Valley right now and big port cities."

On the other hand, bitcoin did not work out as well for one local business.

"For a small restaurant, it's just not worth it," said Devon Friese, a manager of Devotay, 117 N. Linn St. "With bitcoin, people wouldn't tip. They would just pay the tab and leave." Devotay once accepted

bitcoin but recently stopped.

Because a restaurant's business model so heavily relies on customers tipping their servers, the bitcoin wasn't a good match for Devotay, Friese said.

"Maybe if they tailored it with a greater ability toward restaurants, such as a gratuity slot,

then you would see more restaurants using it," Friese said.

Overall, bitcoin could affect how consumers pay for goods locally and nationally.

"It's pretty astronomical, really," Schorg said. "I call it the future of money."

BIDEN

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but he also acknowledged Biden's attacks on Republican opponents.

"There were also a lot of very charged statements and trying to instill confidence in their economic policies of the last five six years," he said.

Biden gave credit to the Obama administration for changing the economic dynamic and putting wealthy families on a level playing field with the rest of the country, while touting new programs and tax incentives rolled out in Obama's newly released budget.

The programs include tax cuts for working-class families and higher tax rates for the wealthiest Americans.

Biden also promoted two free years of community college.

"Six out of 10 jobs now require more than 12 years of education," he said. "What allowed us to lead the world from the late 1890s to today? We're the first nation in the world that had universal education, free education for 12 years. Does anybody think that's enough?"

Drake University senior and student-body President Joey Gale, who introduced Biden, said the vice president's speech was well-received by the audience, especially because college students want to hear about finances surrounding higher education.

"Getting to college, especially a private institution, it's definitely a challenge for students," he said. "It seems to be one of the biggest roadblocks for students these days, especially for their

families, so I'm glad he touched on those."

The announcement of Biden visiting Iowa, a key caucus state, sparked speculation about a 2016 run for president, but Jennifer Konfrst, a political-communication assistant professor at Drake, said it didn't seem to be a tightly scripted speech of somebody who's running for office.

"It was certainly the kind of speech that didn't seem to be tight-messaged focus-group speech, so if an announcement is impending, this speech wasn't a part of that big-picture strategy," she said.

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Vice President Joe Biden shakes hands with a woman after a speech at Drake University on Thursday. Biden, who has been pegged as a potential 2016 presidential candidate for the Democratic ticket, touted several national successes for the two-term Obama administration. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

PROPOSAL

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ordinance as to persons 19 and 20 years of age," she said. "Said another way, it would become an under-19 ordinance."

The ordinance was originally passed in 2010, and it was upheld in the 2013 election with 66 percent of voters favoring to keep the ordinance.

The bill was referred to the Senate Commerce Committee on Wednesday.

Bertrand said the bill directly targets college towns, because bars offer a safer place for students.

He said 19- and

20-year-olds can both vote and get drafted, so it's time to take a look at restricting them from places that sell alcohol.

Bertrand said he didn't think the bill has a chance



Barenders work at the Summit on March 7, 2014. A proposed bill in the state Senate could have a big effect on Iowa City's 21-ordinance. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

of passing this session, but he is optimistic about the progress that can be made.

"It opens conversation to when we're going to start treating our kids like adults," he said.

E-CIG

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ten years to definitively come out and say: These things kill people," said Iowa City City Councilor Rick Dobyms. "In that time, they know they can get a lot of people addicted to these devices that deliver a large amount of nicotine into the system."

This is the beginning of many studies that show e-cigs are dangerous, Dobyms said, and if more studies are published, laws could begin to be passed that restrict their use.

"Banning them from indoor spaces might be an option," Dobyms said. "The council still needs to look and see if that would be legal."

Iowa City banned e-cigarettes on city property in 2014, but decided to hold off on banning use in other indoor spaces until further information was published.

Doug Beardsley, the director of Johnson County Public Health, said he'd like to see equal treatment for e-cigs.

"Ideally, we would like to see them treated the same as tobacco cigarettes in the future," he said.

Beardsley said he be-

lieves the debate over e-cigs is not going away soon.

"If we don't do anything, we'll find ourselves in the same boat as when smoking was allowed inside," he said.

For now, smoking e-cigs indoors is allowed except on University of Iowa property, Johnson County, or city buildings.

Local businesses have been slower to adapt e-cig policies.

"We don't have a policy on e-cigs because they haven't been a problem yet," said Aaron Jennings, the owner of Micky's Irish Pub, 11 S. Dubuque St. "If a customer were to complain that it were bothering them, we would ask the customer vapping to stop or go outside."

Martinis, 127 E. College St., has a similar policy.

"Customers are allowed to vape inside," said Martini manager Kaitlyn Jacobs. "We do recommend that users go outside, but we're not going to force them to."

Beardsley said e-cigs contain nicotine and particulate matter, just like regular cigarettes, so they should be regulated for indoor spaces.

"The choice between e-cigarettes and traditional cigarettes is, 'Do I

want a little bit of poison, or do I want a lot of poison?'" he said.



E-cigarettes are displayed at Black and Gold Vapors on April 30, 2014. A new study contends that e-cigs are more like traditional cigarettes than previously had been thought. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

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COLUMN

Smile, we're recording



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Given the civil unrest sparked by events in New York City and Ferguson in July and August 2014, it should come as no surprise that lawmakers in Des Moines are drafting a bill that would require all uniformed police officers to don the much discussed and debated body cameras. While still in the drafting stage, this bill has potential to bridge the gap between law-enforcement officers and the people they are obligated to protect.

Even though the process is rather lengthy and the bill has yet to pass through several committees before making it to the floor, where it will ultimately be accepted or rejected, the future looks bright, Rep. Bruce Hunter, D-Des Moines, told *The Daily Iowan*.

"Almost all law-enforcement officials and personnel that I have spoken with seem to be on board," he said. "We have made some hopeful strides and have a fairly decent opportunity [for] this year."

Should this bill be enacted into law this year, it will represent both the importance of a transparent relationship between police and its residents, as well as the progressive strides Iowa has made in response to excessive force by police officers.

Hunter said the bill would include "safeguards" to protect against possible concerns related to privacy and unlawful recording.

By collaborating with the NAACP and Public Safety Committee, Hunter is working not to overlook any of the legal details that would govern how the law is put into use. The new bill would

provide legal processes people could use should they feel that they are unjustly being recorded or should they not want their recorded footage released to the public. However, while the bill would safeguard against the invasion of privacy, there is one facet that could end up defeating the bill before it even makes it to the floor: funding.

"Funding is our biggest obstacle," Hunter said.

Money would be needed for producing, distributing, and training thousands of law-enforcement agencies across the country in how to use the developing technology.

In November 2014, the Iowa City City Council unanimously overturned the proposal to allocate roughly \$211,000 for body cameras for the Iowa City police. Those 84 cameras would have been enough for every police officer to have one on duty when interacting with the public, as previously reported by the *DI*.

Police Chief Sam Hargadine recommended the city instead invest in less expensive cameras for police officers.

According to NBC News, President Obama's plan to bankroll such developments would provide \$75 million to aid state budgets specifically for this purpose over the next three years.

In the first ever study of the effect of body cameras on police officers, Tony Farrar, police chief in Rialto, found that over a 12-month period, the number of "use of force incidents" was cut in half compared with the control group, and the number of complaints by citizens against police officers was 10 times fewer than in the previous 12 months. With these noteworthy fluctuations in police interaction with the public, combined with the rising public demand for such practices, Iowa could very well be promoting a new kind of contemporary cop.

EDITORIAL

Get behind the gas-tax hike

On Tuesday, *The Daily Iowan* reported that "Iowa lawmakers have set their sights on raising the state's gas tax, as state's infrastructure continues to erode and a deadline nears." As of Thursday, a House subcommittee consisting of five representatives voted unanimously in support of the bill, which would result in a 10-cent increase in gas tax for Iowa. A small price to pay, both literally and figuratively, for the benefit it would bring to the state.

Currently, each penny of state gas tax provides around \$20 million per year. Should the legislation go through, the tax would raise an estimated \$215 million annually to be allocated to road and bridge improvements.

The Daily Iowan Editorial Board supports the implementation of such a tax, given the bipartisan support for such legislation and the low current level of state's gas tax.

When compared with the rest of the United States, Iowa's gas tax is miniscule. The national average, according to NPR, is 29.89 cents per gallon. Iowa's gas tax is 22 cents per gallon, which, as of Jan. 1, was higher than only 13 states.

Although the discrepancy between the national average for state-level gas taxes is only 7.89 cents higher than Iowa's current level, the proposed increase is 10 cents. This increase of 2.11 cents over the national average, however, would be the first of its kind in Iowa since 1989, the *DI* has previously reported.

A chief concern surrounding the implementation of

the gas tax is the volatility of gas prices. While prices are lower now than they have been in years, this may change in the future. And a 10-cent increase in gas prices may not seem terribly large when prices are hovering around \$2, but if prices back up near \$4, even small increases in gas prices could be tough for Iowans to get on board with.

Important to remember, to this point, however, is that the change in gas price would not change the gas tax itself. According to the latest statistics by the Federal Highway Administration, as of September 2014, the average American driver traveled 13,476 miles annually. This, along with the consideration that, according to the EPA, average fuel consumption of a 2013 model year car was 24.1 miles per gallon would equate to approximately \$55.92 increase in taxes annually — on average.

Obviously, the assumption that all cars driving in Iowa are from the 2013 model year is foolish, but the point is valid. Furthermore, miles driven are based on the use of automobiles. If the tax is significant enough in the minds of Iowans, perhaps it can have the unintended benefit of promoting carpooling and the use of public-transit systems.

The Daily Iowan Editorial Board supports the implementation of a gas tax because of a combination of bipartisan support, minimal effect on the budgets of Iowans, the positive effect that such legislation could have on our roads and bridges, and that the state-level gas tax is comparatively low.

COLUMN

Danger in Canadian bill



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The Canadian government is planning on introducing a bill that would drastically expand the power of law enforcement and federal government to prevent acts classified as terrorism. The bill, titled Bill C-51, will encroach on the civil rights of the Canadian people under the pretense of protection from the ambiguous plague of terror.

Partially a response to the attacks on Canadian soldiers and Parliament in October, this bill would give the Canadian spy agency Canadian Security Intelligence Service the power to pre-emptively thwart terrorist plots, detain people without a charge

for up to a week, and invade homes, among numerous other frightening items. In its entirety, this bill is tantamount to a conspiracy theorist or 1984 enthusiast's wet dream. Furthermore, the grounds on which these measures can be implemented are vague at best, setting the precedence for a full-on strip and cavity search of civil rights if incorporated into such an agenda.

Responses such as these are natural from governing powers in the wake of seemingly indisputable attacks on the freedom of the people they are entrusted to protect. It is easy to cajole the masses in turning over their rights in the name of preserving security. Jingoistic rhetoric can take the place of logic. Suddenly, there's an "us versus them" mentality making the general population unwitting persecutors of an imaginary minori-

ty while tying their own nooses at the same time. There's nothing more appealing than the unison chant of freedom, liberty, and security. Who wants to be the guy in the background mumbling about preserving rights that could potentially give terrorists the ability to dismantle our way of life? If you aren't guilty, what do you have to fear?

More frightening than the possible powers allowed by Bill C-51 is the reluctance to oppose it. Naturally, the bill is being pushed by Canada's Conservative Party, but even the opposition parties support the bill (or not being vocal about their disapproval). The seeds of tyranny grow in the soil of mob-thought, fear, and propaganda. These elements grow harder and harder to recognize in times of turmoil and panic. Apprehension becomes sedition, and the willingness to be oppressed becomes patriotism.

Lines blur with good intentions, and during moments of adversity, it becomes all the more important to maintain distinctions. By distinctions, I do not mean between us and the enemy. The only distinction a citizen must keep in mind is that between a social contract and totalitarianism. The citizen of any functioning government must on some level sacrifice certain personal freedoms to ensure the continued functionality of the government and by extension society. However, it works both ways. When the governing body takes and does not give, it becomes totalitarian. The implementation of Bill C-51 may prove beneficial to the Canadian people, but there is a danger in cutting the nose of the nation to spite its face. Furthermore there's a danger in an over-willingness to turn over rights by the people. The enemy changes when your freedom changes.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR / COMMENTS

Evanson wrong on coaching changes

In his column "Title IX complaints against UI valid" *DI*, Feb. 10), Keith Evanson doesn't present the facts accurately.

Athletics Director Gary Barta holds all of his staff, student-athletes, and coaches accountable to the values of "Win. Graduate. Do it Right." As such, 11 head-coach positions held by men and six such positions held by women have turned over during his nine years as the UI AD.

And, as stated previously and repeatedly by the university, the decision to change leadership in the field-hockey program was unrelated to gender.

Barta decided a change in leadership of the field-hockey program was necessary after an independent investigation conducted by staff of the UI Department of Human Resources and the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity found it "very concerning that several (student-athletes) described a team environment of fear, intimidation, and/or mistreatment by Coach Griesbaum."

The investigation was initiated in response to numerous complaints of harassment and mistreatment (by Griesbaum) from student-athletes in

the field-hockey program over a period of several years.

Griesbaum's employment contract with the University of Iowa contained the right to terminate her employment without cause that, if acted on, required payment of \$200,000 to Griesbaum. The UI terminated Griesbaum's contract and fulfilled its financial obligation to Griesbaum.

Richard Klatt
UI associate athletics director

Comment on 'Brown: Action on sexual abuse in the Catholic Church'

"... the commission advising Pope Francis is looking into the POSSIBILITY of sanctioning bishops ..."

The assault and insult to the abuse victims and their families has no end ... shame on the leadership on the Roman Catholic Church.

Michael Skindzielewski

Comment on 'UI/AIB concerns remain unaddressed'

My understanding is that AIB's

financial stability threatened the future of the school itself. Gifting AIB to UI will keep a higher-education option to students in that area, at least, and perhaps attract students in that area to benefit from UI programs. As the gift was only recently given, answers about the transition seem premature. And I assume AIB students, though I sympathize with their situation, would be equally upset if AIB closed without a viable alternative.

Sarah Langenberg

Comment on 'UISG bill provokes tensions'

"Great student movements have sparked great changes in history," Ding said. THIS IS NOT ONE OF THEM.

Oswaldo Francisco Diaz-Duque

Online comment on 'tenure-track positions disappearing at UI'

These changes in hiring practices were first documented by John Cross and Edie Goldenberg, formerly dean and associate dean, respectively, of the College of Literature, Science,

and the Arts at the University of Michigan. Cross and Goldenberg had noticed their own increasing reliance on non-tenure-track faculty in their college but felt the reasons for this were not accurately reflected in claims that administrators were hiring more non-tenure-track faculty in order to "intentionally save money by hiring less-expensive teachers" and further exploit them by providing little pay and benefits for many hours worked.

Many non-tenure-track faculty members labor under conditions that hinder the professional quality of their work. Lack of office space or basic equipment is a common problem that plagues their efforts to prepare course materials and meet with students. Non-tenure-track faculty are typically ineligible for research or travel funds, and those who are part-time substantially more so. Many institutions that require regular evaluation of tenure-track faculty lack any process for reviewing the performance of part-time and full-time non-tenure-track faculty members. This absence of incentives or rewards for performance speaks bluntly to the marginal status of non-tenure-track faculty in these institutions.

Oswaldo Francisco Diaz-Duque



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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

IOWA 69, NEBRASKA 61

Hawkeyes rally in second half to defeat Cornhuskers

Iowa defeats Nebraska in Lincoln for the first time since 2005.

By RYAN RODRIGUEZ
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A rematch of Iowa's upset win over Nebraska on Jan. 26 had the Hawkeyes coming on late and stunning the Huskers in Lincoln, 69-61.

The win was Iowa's first at Nebraska since 2005 and moves the Hawkeyes to 20-4 overall, 11-2 in the Big Ten.

"First and last time playing here," Hawkeye Sam Logic said. "Technically a pinnacle, and we just wanted to turn it around how we're playing against Nebraska."

Both squads came out firing from the hip in the early going, with Logic and Nebraska's Emily Cady trading 3s on the game's first two possessions.

From there, the scoring and the pace only went up. An 8-point run by the hometown Huskers gave Nebraska an opportunity to go for the throat less than halfway through the first, but Logic and the Hawks battled back, and three minutes later things were knotted up at 12.

But another 8-0 run from Nebraska coupled with a six-minute scoring drought for the Hawkeyes put Iowa right back in the hole it had climbed out of.

And while the Nebraska offense didn't seem to miss a beat without the services of junior standout Rachel Theriot, Iowa was clearly weakened by the limited minutes of senior Beth Doolittle.

In a replay eerily reminiscent of the last time these two teams met, the 6-4 center got in foul trouble early in the game, committing four fouls in the first five minutes.

She played just six minutes as the Hawkeyes limped into

halftime down 37-28.

"I don't know what happened in the first half; we did not perform correctly," head coach Lisa Bluder said. "Bethany, again, played limited minutes because of the fouls. I thought both Chase [Coley] and Clair [Till] played well."

Luckily for her teammates, Doolittle emerged from the locker room to start the second half on the floor for the Hawkeyes, hoping to help spark a comeback.

"Our defense, we just did not do a very good job on their guards in the first half," Logic said. "They just kind did whatever they wanted, getting to the

rim, getting open 3s."

And right from the start of the second frame, Doolittle's presence on the floor was noticed, knocking down a pair of field goals as part of a 7-0 Hawkeye run to start the second.

'They've only had three losses in this building in two years. We haven't won here in a long time, so we're extremely happy to get out of here with a win.'

— Lisa Bluder, head coach

She finished with 12. And while Iowa's big guns of Logic, Doolittle, and Melis-

sa Dixon all turned in solid performances, the Hawkeye bench players stepped up and carried the team for much of the game.

Junior Kali Peschel finished second for the team in scoring with 13 points in 16 minutes of playing time, while Coley got her first taste of big-game action in what seems like forever.

And to her credit, she didn't squander the opportunity, making the most of her nine minutes on the floor by sinking a pair of buckets and adding an offensive rebound.

All of the buildup culminated to Iowa clinging to a

1-point lead with under a minute to play.

With the Huskers pressing hard, Dixon, who had been relatively quiet earlier in the night by her standers, stepped up and drained a deep 3 to ice the game for the Black and Gold.

"It was just two different teams out there [in the first and second half], both offensively and defensively," Bluder said. "They've only had three losses in this building in two years. We haven't won here in a long time, so we're extremely happy to get out of here with a win."

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



Nebraska guard Natalie Romeo attempts to drive past Iowa guards Ally Disterhoft and Whitney Jennings in Lincoln on Thursday. The Hawkeyes defeated the Cornhuskers, 69-61. (Daily Nebraskan/JP Davis)

IOWA HAWKEYES (69)

	MIN	FG	3P	FT	RB	A	TO	TP
Doolittle	26	6-13	0-0	0-0	5	1	1	12
Disterhoft	38	4-10	2-4	4-4	7	3	3	14
Jennings	29	2-4	0-1	2-4	0	3	2	6
Dixon	33	3-7	3-5	0-0	1	2	3	9
Logic	39	3-13	2-6	1-2	6	10	2	9
Kastanek	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	2
Till	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Coley	9	2-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	4
Peschel	16	5-9	1-3	2-3	2	0	1	13
TEAM					5			
TOTALS	200	26-60	8-19	9-13	28	20	12	69

NEBRASKA CORNHUSKERS (61)

	MIN	FG	3P	FT	RB	A	TO	TP
Cady	36	3-8	1-2	2-2	19	3	5	9
Laudemill	38	7-17	3-8	1-4	5	1	7	18
Sample	37	4-6	0-0	0-1	9	4	2	8
Romeo	31	3-10	0-5	0-0	3	1	4	6
Jeffery	34	6-12	1-3	3-3	5	2	3	16
Havers	10	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	2
Smith	14	0-4	0-3	2-2	2	1	0	2
TEAM					2		1	
TOTALS	200	24-59	5-21	8-12	46	12	22	61



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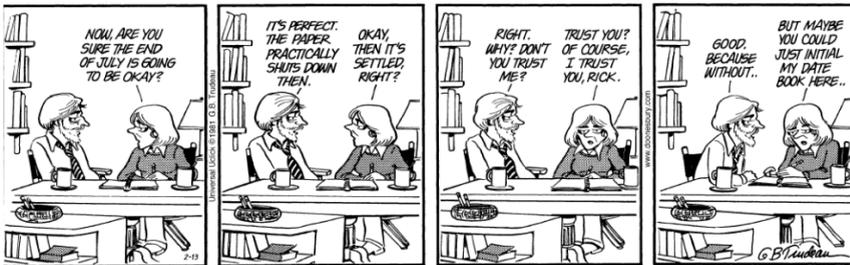
Know your Ledge author

- I, for one, have stopped being pretentious ever since I read that article about the evils of pretentiousness in *The Atlantic*.
- All of my self-fulfilling prophecies are probably doomed to fail.
- This isn't my first rodeo. It's my 187th. I go to a lot of rodeos. And I keep meticulous rodeo-going records, thankyouverymuch.
- I think that *Pacific Rim* is probably the best rom-com Geoffrey Rush has directed since *The Outsiders*.
- I'm a cultured man, and from time to time I like to relax with a nice glass of dry white wine, a charcuterie plate, and a sleepy-sleep-nappy-poo.
- I know *The Drill*. The Drill and I were roommates for three years. I dated *The Drill's* sister for a bit. It didn't end well. We don't talk much, anymore, and usually just on Facebook. But, yeah, I know *The Drill*.
- I've been looking for love in all the wrong places, as my court records will confirm.
- Even though I'm probably the most creative and intelligent person I know, I'm pretty humble about it.
- I ate a lot of pizza back in my salad days. Ironically, my post-salad days have been pretty salad heavy.
- If I had to name my one flaw as a person, it would be my innumerable flaws.

Andrew R. Juhl thinks you know plenty, now.

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



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- **Jericho Brown and Amber Dermont Q&A**, 10:30 a.m., Dey House Frank Conroy Reading Room
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Research Symposium**, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Lindquist Center Jones Commons
- **Biology Seminar**, "Stress signaling and protein homeostasis: insights from *C. elegans*," Veena Prahlad, 4 p.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner**, Students Today Leaders Forever, 5-8 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **Terrell Stafford Quintet**, 7 & 9:30 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Dance Department Faculty/Graduate Concert**, 8 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- **Dumb and Dumber To**, 8 & 11 p.m., IMU Iowa Theater
- **Elena Pedersen**, saxophone, 8 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall
- **Good Kids**, Mainstage Series, 8 p.m., Theater Building Thayer Theater
- **Ten-Minute Play Festival**, 8 p.m., Theater Building Theater B

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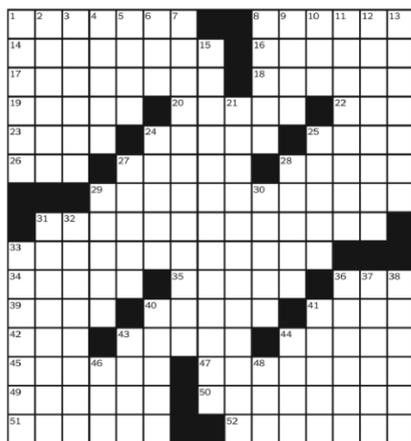
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0109

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 - 8 The Great Pyramid was his tomb
 - 14 Singular find
 - 16 Constrained
 - 17 Amateurish
 - 18 ___ James, the so-called "King of the Slide Guitar"
 - 19 They're "friendly" in an ad campaign
 - 20 Indy 500 winner Bobby
 - 22 Ginnie ___ (home loan source)
 - 23 Footwear brand since 1916
 - 24 Intimated
 - 25 Auto engine pioneer
 - 26 Mrs., abroad
 - 27 Cause for alarm
 - 28 Immerse oneself
 - 29 Resin-yielding tree whose name comes from the Bible
 - 31 1978 arcade classic from Japan
 - 33 Inaugural addresses?
 - 34 Mutes, with "down"
 - 35 "Inside the Actors Studio" topics
 - 36 Zippo
 - 39 Unimaginative
 - 40 Court no-nos
 - 41 Elvis impersonator's accessory
 - 42 Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge locale, for short
 - 43 Give a damn?
 - 44 Angular acceleration symbol
 - 45 Famous Manhattan deli
 - 47 Driver's license info
- DOWN**
- 1 Checks for heat, say
 - 2 Not so filled out
 - 3 Maker of Pixie Crinkles
 - 4 "What we pay for civilized society," per Oliver Wendell Holmes
 - 5 Lunkheads
 - 6 Long-ago greeting
 - 7 2012 film adaptation of "Snow White"
 - 8 Deviate from Hoyle
 - 9 Fire place?
 - 10 Slippery ___ (herbal remedy source)
 - 11 What's manipulated in the crime known as "clocking"?
 - 12 Hunting school?
 - 13 Brought blessings upon oneself?
 - 15 Law offices?
 - 21 Made a speedy return?
 - 24 Aspic ___ (savory French dish)
 - 25 Rolls in a field
 - 27 Diplomatic triumphs
 - 28 Waits
 - 29 Made fully visible
 - 30 Dormant Turkish volcano
 - 50 "Milk" man
 - 51 Haywire
 - 52 Department store window display
 - 30 Hearts and spades, e.g.
 - 31 Thread in a series
 - 32 Emergency exit feature
 - 33 They make up poetry
 - 36 Kingdom of the Two Sicilies capital
 - 37 Product introduced with the line "And now, we're going to bring multi-touch to the market"
 - 38 Gathers nuggets
 - 40 Rigidly old-fashioned
 - 41 Bridle path sounds
 - 43 Esophageal pouch
 - 44 Marks of adolescence
 - 46 "Blessed ..." (1971 Joan Baez album)
 - 48 Where to find Darwin's tubercle



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horoscopes Friday, February 13, 2015 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Consider your professional options, and prepare to make whatever changes are necessary to ensure you can maintain your position. Use your intelligence to come up with a game plan that will fit your lifestyle and your budget.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Focus on details and making positive progress. Sign up for a class, visit someone who is well-connected, or make personal improvements that will add to your marketability. The more initiative you show, the further you will go.
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Do what you can to impress the people who are responsible for your advancement. A disciplined, self-motivated approach to your job will separate you from the competition. Someone you least expect will try to make you look bad. Protect your position.
- CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Aggressive action will pay off if coupled with discipline and hard work. Don't let anyone slow you down. Love is in the stars, and a romantic evening will enhance an important relationship. A professional or personal move should be considered.
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Travel will entice you. A romantic encounter may be costly, but the experience will be priceless. Strive to be around people who can challenge you mentally and emotionally. Shake up your routine, and you will find alternative solutions.
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Keep a healthy distance from anyone complaining or making demands. Self-improvement projects should be your target. If you work toward being happy with who you are, how you look, and what you do, you will have no regrets.
- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Small, simple changes will bring the best results. It's important to pay more attention to quality and detail rather than quantity. Taking a serious approach to domestic situations will help you avoid complaints and confusion. Procrastination will set you back.
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Take the initiative when it comes to personal self-improvement. Challenge yourself mentally and physically, and you will get great satisfaction knowing what you can accomplish. Love is on the rise and will improve your attitude.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** A challenging situation will develop if you dodge emotional issues. A change in a personal relationship will leave you feeling uncertain. Take time out to rediscover what you want and how to go about getting it. Self-discipline will be required.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Don't initiate change, but be fully prepared to deal with the inevitable situations that unfold around you. Remember past goals, and try to resurrect some of the activities that used to bring you joy. Be open to compromise.
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Remember past mistakes and re-evaluate your present situation. Don't allow your emotions to lead you in the wrong direction. Do your best to stabilize your position. You are in a better spot than you realize. Make your next move count.
- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You'll face emotional uncertainty. Avoid conversations that have the potential to back you into a corner. Put your needs first, or you will end up having regrets. Taking on responsibilities that don't belong to you will lead to resentment. Stick close to home.

Look, there's no metaphysics on earth like chocolates.
— Fernando Pessoa

Iowa wrestlers put Wolverines in their sights

By **CODY GOODWIN**
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When Thomas Gilman found out Iowa had clinched a share of the Big Ten regular-season title last weekend, he stopped and thought about it. He was confused and responded with a question of his own.

"A share of it?" he said. "Who are we going to share it with?"

Well, nobody — but only if the team beats Michigan tonight in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Iowa, the No. 1 team in the country, according to Flowrestling and 13-0 this season, including eight wins over Big Ten opponents, will close its regular season at 7 p.m. against the 16th-ranked Wolverines, who come to Iowa City with a 6-5 record, 4-4 in the conference.

It's been a mixed bag of a season for Michigan and coach Joe McFarland. The Wolverines have proven they can compete with some of the better teams in the country, losing by just 1 point to No. 2 Minnesota and by 4 to No. 5 Penn State, but they haven't been consistent — the Maize and Blue lost by 10 to No. 3 Ohio State and then by 13 to No. 10 Nebraska.

The inconsistency in Michigan's dual results means Iowa coach Tom Brands is making certain his team is focused. He said earlier this week the Hawkeyes need to be ready for whatever McFarland and Company decide to throw their way.

"They're coming to do some damage," Brands said. "They have a heated rivalry with us, in their mind, and if you look at the lineups they've put out the last

few times out, they seem to be gearing for us. This isn't something that I'm going to pretend is a secret. We have to be ready.

"That's what's in front of us. That's what we're focused on."

But on top of clinching the Big Ten regular-season title outright, tonight's dual is also Senior Night. Of the 10 usual starters this year, half are in their final season in a Black and Gold singlet.

It's a big deal for them, Brands said, because of how far they've come since their first year on campus.

"There was a lot of damage control that we had to implement early on in their careers," Brands said and chuckled. "It was kind of like the Wild, Wild West, and that's a reflection on their personalities being competitors and being wild — and

I'm not saying wild like in a bad way.

"I think we've done a good job of [corralling them], especially when you see how these guys have emerged as leaders. Bobby Telford, Mike Evans, the way they speak to the media, the way they've created personalities for themselves — that grabs the fans' attention."

Specifically, Brands noted Telford's ornery antics and Evans' mustache as trademarks that have helped establish them as characters — not just in Iowa's fan base but throughout college wrestling. The coach noted that fans were probably attracted to their wrestling first, and that's how he wants them to be remembered.

The Hawkeyes, of course, have bigger goals than the Big Ten regular-season title, but

Telford said it'd be a nice addition to the already-huge collection of hardware — and a good start to what's going to be a wild postseason of wrestling.

"It's another feather in your hat," Telford said. "It's another accomplishment. It's not what the initial goal of the season was, but it's a milestone."

"It's good, but we're looking at the bigger picture also."

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Iowa wrestling vs. Michigan

When: 7 p.m. today
Where: Carver-Hawkeye Arena
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Baseball set for opener

The Hawkeye Baseball team will head to Florida for the annual Snowbird Classic.

By **IAN MURPHY**
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Dates with Kansas State, St. Louis, and George Mason await the Hawkeye baseball team when the plane lands in Florida.

Iowa will kick off its season at the Snowbird classic in Port Charlotte, Florida, with high expectations both internally and externally.

The Hawkeyes return several core members from their 30-win team a season ago, and the first game against Big 12 opponent Kansas State is exactly the kind of game the Hawks wanted.

"I'm excited to see [the team] play," second-year head coach Rick Heller said. "K-State is kind of the big question mark for us."

The Wildcats were the Big 12 regular-season champions in 2013 with a 45-19 record but struggled in 2014, finishing 25-30.

"There are a lot of new faces on that team," Heller said. "Who knows what you're going to see."

Jumping into the season with a tough opening weekend, Heller said, will give him a chance to see what his team needs to work on.

"Obviously, we're going to try to win all three games," he said. "Regardless of what happens, seeing us play and giving us an idea of what we need to work on in the next week and the week after is just as important at this point in the year."

The opening weekend is not weighing heavily on the mind of opening-day pitcher junior Tyler Pey-

'This early on, I just want to see how guys go out and react to playing against good opponents.'

— Rick Heller, head coach

ton, who started 14 games on the mound for the Hawkeyes last season.

Peyton's goals are simple for Kansas State; he said the big-name opponent will not bother him.

"Just execute the pitches that coach calls," he said. "And hopefully, they don't hit them where we're not."

The goals for the Hawkeyes are to get the wins, although they won't come easily.

St. Louis finished 34-21-1 last season, and George Mason finished 34-22, so the Hawkeyes have a challenging

weekend ahead of them.

"It's a general theme around our team that we'd rather play a hard schedule and maybe not win as many games, but the ones we do win are going to mean more," senior Jake Mangler said.

Heller had similar beliefs, noting that his expectations are to see great effort and execution.

"This early on, I just want to see how guys go out and react to playing against a good opponent," he said.

However challenging the weekend, Heller looks forward to getting his team outside. The Iowa winter limits the team to practicing indoors, although Iowa did work out outside earlier this year when weather allowed.

"They haven't had a bad day in the indoor practice," Heller said. "Now, it's time to get outside and see the guys compete."

Follow @IanFromIowa on Twitter for news, updates, and analysis about the Iowa baseball team.

Iowa at Snowbird Classic

When: Friday-Feb. 15
Where: Port Charlotte, Florida

Softball catching a luxury

Iowa catchers Holly Hoffman and Angela Schmiederer are both getting time at the position.

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When Iowa heads to Gainesville, Florida, this weekend to play the defending champion Florida and North Carolina, the team will do more than try to pull an upset — it will also try to fine-tune its defensive lineup.

Through the team's first five games, head coach Marla Looper and her coaching staff have made the biggest moves at catcher.

Junior Holly Hoffman, who has had the job locked down since 2013, started three games, and freshman Angela Schmiederer started two.

"I wouldn't consider it a competition," Hoffman said. "I mean, I absolutely don't mind sharing playing time, you know. It's easier on my body, and it means we're both fresh heading into the game. Double-headers can be tough, but I wouldn't really call it a competition."

However, Looper did not say they weren't in competition for playing time. There might still be opportunity for movement in the depth chart, she said.

"If we can keep people fresher, longer, we're better off, but if one of them steps up and becomes an

offensive threat, and we can't afford to take her out, she might see more playing time than an even split," Looper said. "We don't go into the season saying, 'This is the only way we do things.'"

In-house competition or not, if the Hawkeyes end up having two catchers who can be relied on, it could end up being a major boost for the program.

It's a good situation to be in, but it also seems as if Looper is looking for the Hawks to raise their performances at the plate.

"We haven't necessarily had the luxury of having numerous catchers that can catch in a ball game and have success and help our team," Looper said. "Now we are in that spot, and we're still trying to see which is our best fit, because right now neither is outshining the other offensively."

Hoffman does have a slight advantage in batting average and fielding percentage, but that hasn't dissuaded Schmiederer.

If anything, she feels that the competition has brought out the best in her.

"Obviously, it's a competition; that's what we're here for, but I think Holly and I complement each

other very well," Schmiederer said. "Right now, it's just we're working to push each other harder. She's trying to make me better, and I'm trying to make her be better as well."

Whether they will split time at this weekend's tournament in Florida is unknown, but as Iowa does have a double-header on Saturday, Looper may very well continue to give Schmiederer looks as well.

The lineup is still in a bit of a flux, and while the three games this weekend aren't all that many, it should shed a little more light on what the coaching staff has in mind behind home plate.

"I'm just expecting to play softball," Schmiederer said. "Whoever's out there is out there is going to be out there and do a great job. I'm just taking it one step at a time."

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Iowa at University of Florida Tournament

When: Saturday-Feb. 15
Where: Gainesville, Florida






Minnesota forward Maurice Walker blocks Iowa guard Mike Gesell's lay-up attempt on Thursday in Carver-Hawkeye. Walker finished the game with 2 blocks and 2 steals. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

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just 19 seconds left. Left with the chance to take a 3 to tie or a quick 2, point guard Mike Gesell opted for the latter. The play resulted in Minnesota's Maurice Walker stripping him — Iowa's 16th turnover of the game. Walker was eventually fouled and knocked down two free throws to seal the victory. "It was big because guys get scared to be aggressive in that spot," Pitino said. "They just want to be passive, so for him to have the alertness to get a steal and then knock down big free

throws was huge." McCaffery did have time-outs to burn before Gesell's turnover unfolded, yet he chose to hold on to them in case Gesell got stuck in a situation that called for a time-out to bail him out or that he would convert and need a time-out to set up the full-court press on defense. "Again, coaches are different," McCaffery said. "If we can get a quick 2, we're going to take a quick 2... I'm sure if Mike had to do it over again, he would have either gone or come to a jump stop." However, Gesell has no do-over, and as a result, Minnesota left Carver-Hawkeye Arena with its first win at Iowa since 2011 and its fifth win in

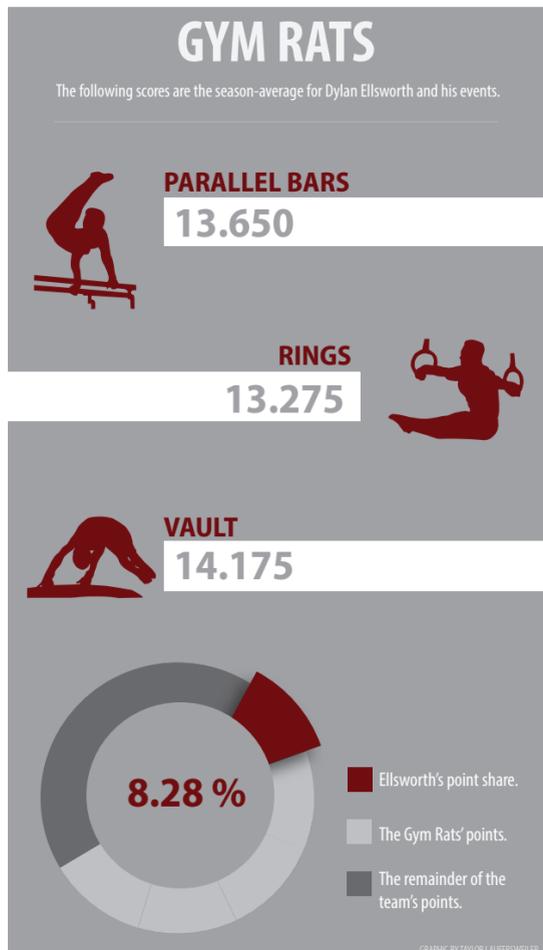
its last seven games. All Iowa is left with is questions about how it can quickly turn things around at Northwestern on Feb. 15. "That's a great question," White said. "Just the thought process of you're going to lose games, but when it comes down to it, what can you do right now that's going to affect that game?" "... You have to try to spin this into a positive light, which I'm already starting to do in my head. It'll be a little easier to do after this soaks in." Follow @JacobSheyko on Twitter for updates, news, and analysis about the Iowa men's basketball team.

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rigorous program," junior Del Vecchio Orozco. "Especially with all the numbers and the strength, I'm really surprised at how well he's accepted the overall change." But he's handled it thus far, establishing himself as a cornerstone for the future of the program. "With the surgery setting me back, and even coming back from it and excelling as much as I have, I feel like this summer I'm going to excel so much more," Ellsworth said. In all four meets this season, the freshman has cracked the lineup on the parallel bars, still rings, and vault. He has improved every meet on the parallel bars, going from 13.400 in the opening meet Jan. 17 to 14.450 last weekend at Illinois. The Hawks have benefited from his consistently improving ring scores. After posting 11.200 in the opener, he added a personal-best 14.250 last weekend. And he's been even more valuable on the vault, an event he's helped turn around this year for the Hawks. "We lost Matt McGrath from last year," senior Lance Alberhasky said. "He's come in and done a great job of landing his vault in meets, and we needed that this year." Reive called Ellsworth an immense addition to

the team — one of the best recruits he's had as a head coach. The numbers recently back that up. The team will need the youngster to stay the course in Saturday's Big Ten bout — the first televised event for the Hawkeyes this season — when they host Minnesota and Nebraska

for Senior Day. It is about as evenly matched as a meet can get. According to points per meet, Iowa comes in ranked eighth, Minnesota 10th, and Nebraska 11th. Ellsworth may crash the seniors' party, and his time with the program is just getting started.



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essentially to the front of the rim. The kid, Walker, made a nice play. He poked it from him." Exactly what McCaffery described — the decision whether to shoot or pass — Iowa struggled with all evening. This indecision led to passing up open looks early in the shot clock, which led to forced attempts late in a given possession. At times, this formula snowballed into turnovers, which was most evident in an 8:11 scoreless stretch before halftime. In that span, Iowa turned the ball over seven times on 12 possessions. "We were trying to do everything to get them out of that mode they were in, which wasn't going to be good enough," McCaffery said. "... It wasn't going to be good enough tonight if we kept playing like that. "We were trying to knock it off center a little bit and be more aggressive and attack the rim." To its credit, Iowa did shoot 50 percent in the second half and began to figure things out, but it wasn't enough. Knowing when to continue moving the ball or to put up an attempt is what made Iowa so successful in its last two games — the Hawkeyes shot better than 60 percent in wins over Michigan and Maryland while moving the ball with great efficiency. "There's a very fine line between taking that open shot right away or moving the basketball," Gesell said. "I think tonight we were passing it back and forth, and our cuts weren't to score. I think we were just cutting to get open, and we were satisfied with just swinging the ball around the perimeter." This was something Peter Jok, who finished with 16 points on 50 percent shooting including 2-of-5 from beyond the arc, said troubled his team. Jok made a few early shots, but Minnesota — a strong defensive team whose opponents have turned the ball over 441 times (a number good for fourth in NCAA) — adjusted and played the sophomore well. "I made my first couple shots, and I felt like they were going to jump at me and test my shot, so I was just trying to pump fake and drive," Jok said.

"They stayed down, and as the game went on, I knew what I had to do, but we have to keep working on that." Jok is exactly right. Moving the ball so well has produced some of the best basketball Iowa has played this season, but if it can't do so consistently, the Hawkeyes may wind up trailing late in games and be forced to come down to do-or-die situations, such as the one Thursday night. "We turned down a lot of shots, but at the same time we've been working on moving the ball side-to-side," Jok said. "I feel that's confusing to some players, but we just have to keep working on that, and we'll be good." Follow @dannypayne on Twitter for news, updates, and analysis about the Iowa men's basketball team.

IOWA HAWKEYES (59)

	MIN	FG	3P	FT	RB	A	TO	TP
Uthoff	33	5-12	1-3	6-7	7	2	1	17
White	34	5-10	0-1	3-3	8	1	3	13
Woodbury	22	2-3	0-0	0-2	3	2	2	4
Jok	31	5-10	2-5	4-4	4	1	3	16
Gesell	30	0-4	0-1	0-0	3	4	3	0
Olaseni	17	1-2	0-0	0-0	4	1	1	2
Oglesby	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0
Clemmons	14	2-4	1-2	0-0	2	2	1	5
Uhl	8	1-4	0-2	0-0	3	0	0	2
TOTALS		21-49	4-14	13-16	38	14	16	59

MINNESOTA GOLDEN GOPHERS (65)

	MIN	FG	3P	FT	RB	A	TO	TP
Walker	23	1-5	0-0	5-6	3	0	0	7
Buggs	26	3-5	1-2	0-0	4	0	1	7
King	29	2-6	0-3	0-0	2	1	1	4
Hollins	32	7-14	4-8	2-2	3	3	1	20
Mathieu	23	3-10	0-2	0-0	6	0	0	6
Mason	26	4-10	1-3	3-7	1	2	0	12
Morris	18	3-7	0-1	0-2	1	1	1	6
Diedhiou	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Elliason	17	0-0	0-0	2-2	5	0	1	2
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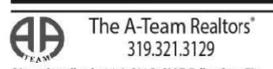
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New roles for B. Ferentz, Woods, and Wallace

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Three assistant Iowa football coaches — Brian Ferentz, LeVar Woods, and Seth Wallace — have been given new responsibilities, Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz said Wednesday. The changes will take effect immediately.

Brian Ferentz, the team's offensive-line coach, will take on the added responsibility of the Hawkeyes run-game coordinator. Woods, previously the team's linebacker coach for three seasons, will coach the tight ends. Wallace, the team's recruiting coordinator, will shift his focus from the defensive line to the cornerbacks and nickel backs.

"I believe these adjustments in coaching re-

sponsibilities will add to our efficiency and productivity as a staff," Kirk Ferentz said. "We have an outstanding group of teachers, and we look forward to the challenge of building a strong 2015 Hawkeye football team."

Iowa's 2015 football season is slated to begin on Sept. 5 against Football Championship Series runner-up Illinois State in Kinnick Stadium.



MEN'S BASKETBALL

MINNESOTA 64, IOWA 59

Too little, too late for Hawkeyes



Iowa forward Aaron White battles Minnesota forward Joey King for position in the paint on Thursday in Carver-Hawkeye. White finished the game with 6 defensive rebounds. The Gophers beat the Hawkeyes, 64-59 (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

Lack of energy, first-half offensive woes, and turnovers proved to be Hawkeyes' demise against the Gophers on Thursday.

RECAP

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Nothing felt familiar in Iowa's 64-59 loss to Minnesota on Thursday night. Not even the warm-ups.

As forward Aaron White prepped for the Hawkeyes 11th Big Ten game of the season, something felt different, or rather, missing.

"I thought we lost this game almost in warm-ups," White said. "I didn't think we were ready to go from the beginning. It's frustrating to say because you've got 40 minutes to turn it around, and we never were quite able to do it."

Iowa came out of the gates OK, although no part of game screamed

shootout. But eventually the Hawkeyes hit a wall, a little of which was self-imposed and some a result of Minnesota's defense, which opted for a bigger starting lineup with Charles Buggs over Carlos Morris.

This big lineup, among a myriad of factors — turnovers and passing up open shots to name a few — was one of the reasons Iowa failed to score a point for slightly more than eight minutes toward the tail end of the first half.

"I thought our defense did really good," Minnesota head coach Richard Pitino said. "I think [Iowa is] a very good team. It's hard to beat a team twice."

Despite the first-half offensive woes, which led to just 19 first-half

points for Iowa, there were still opportunities to win in the end, or at least make the game more interesting.

However, on three separate occasions, Iowa took the lead but quickly lost it after a Minnesota basket.

"Our defense was just OK tonight," Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said. "It was all right. Obviously, not good enough to win. Good enough to be close, good enough to hang around, but not good enough to win."

Iowa eventually began knocking down its shots — it shot 50 percent in the second half, and with the help of a few 3-pointers, the Hawks had one more opportunity, down 3 with

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FEATURE

By **DANNY PAYNE**
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The end of Iowa's 64-59 loss to Minnesota (16-9, 5-7 Big Ten) Thursday night was almost too fitting. After clawing its way back from trailing by as many as 11 points, Iowa was down 3 with 19 seconds remaining, Mike Gessell drove the lane, tried to get a quick basket, but was stripped by Gopher Maurice Walker.

It was Iowa's 16th and final turnover of the evening, the one that put the nail in Iowa's coffin and dropped the Hawkeyes to 15-9 (6-5).

"He's got some options there. He's got action on his left, he's got action on his right, and he's got space. We trust him to make a play," Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said. "He got it es-

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GYM RATS

Frosh gymnast comes on strong for Hawks

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Over the course of the week, DI staffer Charlie Green will provide an in-depth look at five core individuals on the Iowa men's gymnastics team who typically combine for more than 50 percent of the team's points. Each athlete holds a defining characteristic that contributes to the team's successes in addition to his quantitative contributions in competition.

While seniors Lance Alberhasky, William Albert, and Brandon Field will say goodbye to Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Saturday, freshman Dylan Ellsworth is just getting started.

Although he's young — just 19 — the Utah native is a constant in several events.

"I said it right when we got him," head coach JD Reiving said. "If he's healthy on every event, he's [going to] add a lot of depth to this team. And he's just now starting to get there from

the ankle surgery he had back in the fall."

He may be new to the team, but he is fifth in points on the season, accounting for 8.28 percent of the team's total.

He started his first season as a Hawk fresh off surgery for a fracture in his foot, a cyst on his heel, and bone spurs.

It held him out for over a month at the start of the fall semester, and when he came back, the real struggle began.

"I felt good after six weeks," Ellsworth said. "But gymnastics beats you up a little more, so it took me more like eight or nine weeks to feel like myself."

It's a physically taxing sport as it is, let alone when you're still recovering from an injury. On top of that, he faced the challenge of transitioning to college gymnastics.

"I remember when I was a freshman just having such a hard time adapting to such a

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Iowa gymnast Dylan Ellsworth preforms on the parallel bars in Carver-Hawkeye on Feb. 1. Ellsworth participates in vault, parallel bars, and rings. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)