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## Dining in a vegetarian desert



Some of the vegetarian food options offered at the Hillcrest Marketplace are displayed on Feb. 12 and Sunday. UI vegetarian students are not satisfied with the food that is offered for them in the dorm dining halls. (The Daily Iowan/illustration by Mikaela Parrick)

A perceived lack of options in the University of Iowa dining halls may cost vegetarians.

By **NOELLE ALKHAWAJA**  
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Despite attempts to offer a variety of options at the dining halls, vegetarian students may find themselves at a disadvantage, both health-wise and financially. "I could not survive just eating vegetarian options that were on the menu," University of Iowa senior and vegetarian Chance Lacina said. "It seemed like it was

just spaghetti or cheese pizza every day."

In the last year, University Housing and Dining has tried to find new menu items and dishes to serve to students.

"I would say that we are always looking for different things to serve," said Jill Irvin, the director of University Dining. "It's very possible that we have added

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### PRESIDENT MASON

## 1st search forum draws few

By **CARLY MATTHEW**  
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Low attendance marked the town-hall-style meeting Monday afternoon that was intended to gather feedback on selecting the next University of Iowa president.

"It's a small turnout, but I think we are very, very early in the process," said Jean Robillard, the University of Iowa vice president for Medical Affairs and head of the Presidential Search Committee. "I think you often have that with a first forum."

Approximately 20 people attended the forum, which lasted just over 12 minutes.

The meeting was also available for live streaming through the presidential-search webpage. Four people asked questions or suggested qualifications for the new president, including a single online comment.

"I didn't have any expectations when I came here whether this would be crowded or empty or somewhere in between," Regent Milt Dakovich said. "I certainly appreciate all the comments."

Robillard hosted the forum in order to allow the UI students, faculty, and staff to share the qualifications they "believe will be most important in selecting the next president of the [UI]," according to a mass email he sent to students, staff, and faculty on Feb. 13.

The first was a general forum open to the community



Officials listen to a question in the IMU Main Ballroom on Monday. An open meeting was held to discuss the qualifications of the next UI president. (The Daily Iowan/Courtney Hawkins)

members, students, staff, and faculty.

UI junior Sam Wampler, the speaker of the UI Student Government Senate, said he would like the next president to be involved with the students through shared governance similarly to the way he said he felt President Sally Mason was.

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ETHICS & POLITICS TRADE

## Iowa farmers eye Cuba

By **REBECCA MORIN**  
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Iowa just can't wait to be friends with Cuba.

This past month, Sen. Steve Soddors, D-State Center, filed a resolution in the Iowa Legislature supporting an enhanced trade relationship between Cuba and Iowa.

The United States has a trade embargo on Cuba.



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MUSIC AT THE RIVERSIDE



UI junior Zach Crane plays a concert grand piano at the UI School of Music's Riverside Recital Hall on Monday. The hall was previously a Catholic church; the facility was acquired by the university following the 2008 flood, which severely damaged the Voxman Music Building. (The Daily Iowan/John Baker)

# Islam Awareness Week begins

By **BEN MARKS**  
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Some University of Iowa students will soon “hijab-it-up,” break a “fastathon” with crêpes, and pass out flowers of faith.

This week, the UI Muslim Student Association will host its first Islam Awareness Week, a series of events designed to raise awareness and understanding of Islam on campus.

“With all the issues going on in the news, with Muslims and Islam in general, we want to try to make the gap smaller between what people think they know and what is actually going on,” said Moustafa Ibrahim, the president of the Muslim Student Association. “[And] bring some closure to some unanswered questions that people might have on campus.”

On Monday, the group held the Islam Expo in the UI Main Library, during which they stood in front of poster-board displays and answered questions from curious students on topics ranging from the Five Pillars of Islam to Islam and science and Islam and marriage.

The group chose topics based what they thought college students and faculty would be most interested in, said Muslim Student Association Vice President Noha Karim.

“I have a lot of friends

who aren't Muslim who have questions continuously about something they heard or something they don't understand,” Karim said. “We just want people to understand what our views are about and why we have them.”

At a research university such as the UI, Karim said, the topic of Islam and science was a particular draw, with several professors stopping by with questions.

Iowa City resident Leiden Cervantes also visited the expo and said it was a very rewarding experience as an atheist.

“It was actually really cool, a bunch of people explaining how their religion exists to them,” Cervantes said. “It's a lot easier than reading the creeds online where it's like, ‘Yeah, OK, this is what it's about,’ but what do people actually believe in their day-to-day lives?”

Cervantes said he will most likely attend some of the group's future events, including an “Around the World With Abrahamic Faiths” panel on April 9.

The rest of this week will feature various events, including a “Hijab It Up” today, in which non-Muslim women will be invited to try wearing a hijab for a day to see what it's like, then attend a panel discussion afterwards.

Although the main pur-

pose of the week is education and awareness, Karim said, bringing people together is also very important.

“We also want to get the Muslim community together more,” she said. “Everyone is so busy with everything going on, so it's nice every once in a while to have these events where you see more Muslim faces around.”

UI junior Asaju Walker, a newly converted Muslim, said being able to visit the expo and talk with others who share his faith helped him feel a part of the community.

“It's not guaranteed that you're going to have a Muslim classmate or people who are understanding of you,” he said. “For me, personally, it's helping me see these faces, so when I see them in other settings I know they're a Muslim person, or they're there to build that friendship or community and hopefully, have it continue throughout the year.”

Although Ibrahim said he believes the UI is better than some places in regards to Islamophobia, there is still a lot of work that must be done.

A veil-wearing friend of Karim's, she said, has had objects and insults thrown at her, while some students once threatened to pour soda on Karim while she was praying.

Although nothing happened, Karim said, it was the first time she had experienced something like that and she was shaken.

“We're all human. We're all equal, regardless of what you believe or what you don't believe, or what I believe or what I don't believe,” she said. “That shouldn't get in the way of treating people as humans with justice and being more sympathetic and being more open to knowing people.”

## Islam Week

The UI Muslim Student Association is holding an Islam Awareness Week this week to encourage education about Islam and Muslim students.

- **Today:** Hijab It Up  
Handing out hijabs, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., IMU River Room Café  
Discussion, 5:30-7:30 p.m., IMU Iowa Theater
- **Wednesday:** Islam in Our Community, 6-8 p.m., 256 IMU
- **Thursday:** Fastathon, All day  
Dinner, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Crêpes de Luxe Café  
Tickets: \$3
- **Friday:** Flowers of Faith, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., IMU River Room Café  
Source: UI Muslim Student Association

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# MCAT shakes up exam

By **GRACE PATERAS**  
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The new MCAT will have local medical-school hopefuls taking a test for double the time beginning in April.

The Medical College Admissions Test is a national exam that the Association of American Medical Colleges issues for students wanting to go into med school.

Some students, such as University of Iowa junior Collin Thatcher, said classes in undergraduate school will help on the MCAT.

“[The MCAT is] a comprehensive overview of my entire college career,” he said. “My classes all will help.”

The test has undergone its first content modification since 1991, and the medical-school association is confident the changes will improve tomorrow's physicians.

The new test, which will first be issued on April 17,

will no longer feature the writing portion.

Instead, biochemistry, psychology, and sociology sections will be included on the test.

The test will take seven and a half hours, which includes an hour and a half of breaks between tests and an additional lunch break. The new exam is around two and a half hours longer than the old test.

“The main reason people believe it will be difficult is because preparation is more difficult,” said Owen Farcy, a Kaplan Test Prep instructor. “It's practically double the length of the exam.”

He said with areas added to the test that pre-med students didn't have to study for previously, it could create a harder test.

With the new additions to the tests, students are expected to know a broader range of topics.

“With the test covering more doesn't make me ner-

vous because everyone has to take the same test,” UI junior Alex Meyer wrote in an email. “But there is just some extra work involved studying the extra material.”

Instructors at Kaplan Test Prep help students prepare for the MCAT, as well as other nationalized tests across the nation.

Farcy said students who take the test need to be aware the tests are more than a standard science test.

“It's not a science test; it's a critical thinking test,” he said. “It incorporates science that they need to be aware about [for the real world].”

Farcy said his firm's program charges \$2,000 for an extensive training course, which includes review of all content, needed to know for the exam.

Other ways Kaplan offers help to students is through its study aid books.

Students, such as Thatcher, use the books to study on their own for tests.

The reason students want to pay for additional help to do well on the MCAT, he said, is to look good for medical-school admissions offices.

“Med schools are looking to see whether or not students can succeed in the rigorous of medical schools,” Farcy said. “It's very important to have a strong test score to succeed in med school as well.”

From a Kaplan survey study of 78 medical schools, 41 percent of the admissions offices said a low MCAT score was “the biggest application killer,” said Russell Schaffer of Kaplan.

The test adjustment, according to Thatcher, has both positive and negative judgments.

“I think it was a good idea to add the psychology side of stuff,” Thatcher said. “People need to know how to communicate with people. But I don't like the fact that I have to study more now.”

## BLOTTER

**Shelby Avenarius**, 23, 1244 Melrose Ave., was charged Feb. 13 with selling alcohol to minors.

**Andrew Hamlett**, 29, West Liberty, was charged Feb. 13 with selling alcohol to minors.

**Seth Owen**, 1113 Franklin St., was charged Monday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

**Cailey Parker**, 21, 201 E. Burlington St. No. 1525, was charged Feb. 13 with selling alcohol to minors.

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## VEGETARIAN

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some vegetarian menu items for this past academic year.”

Some options aren't openly available and have to be requested at the counter, such as veggie burgers.

According to a 2012 Gallup Poll, around 5 percent of people identify as vegetarian in the United States.

However, dining officials find it “challenging to put

out menu items with appeal,” Irvin said.

The issue at hand, she said, is the difficulty for directors and kitchen staff to prepare healthy, yet tasty, foods in a way that also appeals to students.

“We may get comments periodically from people about how much variety we might have in our vegetarian menu, but no matter how hard I try, I can't make what your mom makes,” Irvin said.

Some students said the real problem seems to lie in

the repetition of food choices, not leaving any variety in their nutritional intake.

“I don't want to get cheese pizza all the time, or just fries, or just fruit,” said UI freshman and vegetarian Ridhi Jani. “I feel like I have the same thing every single day.”

Because of insufficient vegetarian options, Jani said, she is forced to find other places to eat.

“I end up eating out a lot,” she said. “I feel like it's a waste because I have

unlimited swipes at the dining halls.”

When residing in the UI residence halls, students must choose a meal plan giving them access to the dining halls.

“It's terrible,” Lacina said. “If you're in the dorms, you're forced to buy a meal plan.”

If they do not live in Mayflower, which includes a kitchen, students must purchase a Black or Gold meal plan — which cost \$1,525 and \$1,687.50 per semes-

ter for a certain number of swipes, respectively — even if the student doesn't use the meal plan.

“Being in the dorms and having to pay for the meal plan is unfair if you're a vegetarian,” Lacina said. “It's a waste of money.”

Mayflower residents can purchase a cheaper meal plan with fewer swipes.

Burge Marketplace has made ongoing attempts to offer more variety through opening “more action stations,” Anne Harkins, the

Burge Marketplace manager, wrote in an email.

At an action station, food is made to order, such as the omelet or stir-fry stations.

Despite attempts to offer more options, some vegetarian students said they feel more action and thought is necessary for University Housing and Dining to address dining halls fairly.

“They should have vegetarian versions of every menu item — like imitation meat,” Lacina said. “They could easily fix this.”

## PRESIDENT

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Wampler said he hopes the new president will work on preventing sexual assault on campus, boosting sustainability efforts, creating a welcoming environment for international students, and promoting diversity.

Linda Stuart Kroon, the director of the UI Women's Resource and Action Center, asked why more staff members were not included in the search panel.

The state Board of Regents chose to have one staff constituent — either the UI Staff Council president or a designee — in its 21-member search committee while choosing seven faculty members.

“To my understanding, there's only one, which seems small to me, given the sheer numbers of staff who work here at the institution in a wide variety of capacities and are critical to the university's success,” Stuart Kroon said. “I'd like to see as much representation as possible.”

Robillard noted that the regents, not the university, outlined the committee's membership.

The regents have yet to release the names of the search-committee members.

On Monday afternoon, the regents released the name of the firm that will help conduct the search, Parker Executive Search of Atlanta.

The firm's role will be to develop criteria for the position, evaluate candidates, facilitate interviews, and participate in follow-up

communications, according to the Monday release.

The regents previously selected Parker Executive Search in past Iowa State University and University of Northern Iowa presidential searches.

Stuart Kroon, along with others who spoke at the meeting, believes the next university president should be able to relate well to UI students, staff, and faculty

as well as the regents and the institution.

Though she was dissatisfied with the number of staff members who will be appointed to the committee, she said she appreciated the opportunities to speak at open forums.

On Friday, various UI governance groups will host three similar targeted forums for students, staff, and faculty.

## CUBA

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President Obama is trying to normalize relations with the Caribbean country.

Cuba imports about 75 to 80 percent of goods for food needs, much of it being agriculture because of inadequate farming in that country. Iowa leads the nation in corn production and is second in the nation in soybean production, which was cited in Sodders' resolution.

Several state senators and representatives are planning to take a trip to the Caribbean to visit Cuba, along with Marshalltown resident Carlos Cortés.

“We're No. 1 in almost every one of those commodities,” Sodders said. “We want to show [Iowa's] a welcoming place, [and] we want to work with [Cuba] in case at the federal

level they really do open things up.”

But even with the urge, Iowa can't make the decision on its own.

Brian Latell, a senior research associate with the Institute for Cuban and Cuban American Studies at the University of Miami, said he believes the embargo on Cuba will stay in place for a few more years.

This past month in the U.S. Senate, Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., has begun trying to raise support to lift the Cuba embargo. Not everyone is on board.

Cuban-American Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., has in the past been verbal in his to about restoring relations with Cuba.

There is a loophole, however, for Cuba to buy goods from the United States.

Since the early 2000s, Cuba could pay cash to buy American products, which had to be paid for before the shipment left the port.

In the past couple of

years, the amount of commodities bought by Cuba has gone down, though. Other countries, such as Argentina and Brazil, have begun allowing Cuba to use credit to purchase products — leaving Cuba to take advantage of those opportunities.

“The Cubans are certainly interested in importing agricultural goods,” Latell said, noting that only Congress can lift the embargo. “There is a general movement to facilitate this.”

More than half of Americans are in favor of renewing diplomatic relations with Cuba in addition to ending the embargo. According to a survey conducted by Pew Research Center in January, 63 percent of Americans support re-establishing affairs, and 66 percent want to end trade restrictions.

In that mix are farmers. Russell Meade, Johnson County Farm Bu-

reau board president and a corn farmer, said he thinks any Iowa farmer would welcome an opportunity for more enhanced trade with Cuba.

“We did have some shipments, but with the restrictions with how they bought it [with cash] created barriers,” Meade said. “If we can reduce restrictions with trade, we always feel like it's positive for Iowa and the United States.”

Cattle farmer Steve Swenka, who usually exports his meat across the nation and has in the past exported cattle semen to Canada and New Zealand, said he would like the opportunity for more trade.

“Naturally, when you expand trade with any regions, it just opens up any market; in this case,

it would be agriculture,” Swenka said. “The bigger picture in opening up trade with Cuba is opening for export masses of agri-

cultural, as their country continues to develop. That is the big thing that will affect the masses in agriculture.”

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For more information, email us at: [studorg-uimsa@uiowa.edu](mailto:studorg-uimsa@uiowa.edu)

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Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm  
Location: IMU River Room Cafe  
Discussion: 5:30pm - 7:30pm at Iowa Theater

**Wednesday February 18th: Islam In Our Community**  
Time: 6 pm to 8 pm  
Location: IMU Lucas Dodge Room

**Thursday, February 19th: Fastathon**  
Time: All day, Dinner at 5:30 - 7:30 pm  
Location: Crepes de Luxe Cafe  
Tickets \$3

**Friday, February, 20th: Flowers of Faith**  
Time: 10:30 am to 12:30 pm  
Location: IMU River Room Cafe

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### What's a Niue?



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Remember measles? Me, neither.

Remember when Ebola-mania swept every corner of the country, and it turned out that the outbreak was thousands of miles away, on the other side of a fairly major body of water? Now, Ebola seems so January, if not so 20th century.

So, no wonder we don't remember measles. And vaccines.

I, at least, have an excuse: San Diego Fox News 5.

Ah, yes, Fox News, the cure for measles. Or at least thinking about measles. (If you think about measles too much, you get all these tiny red spots all over your brain.)

Apparently, on or around Valentine's Day, ran a story about a rape suspect, and to illustrate the story behind the anchorwoman reporting, ran a photo of President Obama with the caption "No Charges." (Yes, Virginia, that President Obama.)

The Fox News 5 people probably thought that was hilarious. You know, Obama-rape, rape-Obama. I'm still chuckling.

But, in truth, I think the Fox News 5 people probably had measles as children and the tiny red spots all over their brains never went away.

I mean, that's almost as funny as the Alabama congressman who recently claimed that aliens (as in immigrants, not as in flying saucers, but with Alabama congressmen, you never know) caused the measles outbreak in the U.S. That would be Rep. Mo Brooks, who is, as luck or measles would have it, a Republican.

The interesting thing, as Think Progress points out, is that Central American countries have higher measles-vaccination rates than the U.S. We sit at 92 percent; Mexico (99 percent), Nicaragua (99 percent), Panama (98 percent), Belize (96 percent), Guatemala (93 percent), Honduras (93 percent), and El Salvador (93 percent).

What's more, it turns out that 108 countries in the world have better measles-vaccination rates than the U.S. It's as if Jenny McCarthy fever is sweeping every corner of this country (well, at least our corners aren't dusty).

Think Progress has put together a small list: Uzbekistan, Niue, Eritrea, Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea; yes, that North Korea), all at 99 percent. At 98 percent, Kyrgyzstan. Tanzania and Rwanda chip in at 97 percent, and Vietnam and Bangladesh sit at 96 percent. Gambia (95 percent) and Tajikistan (94 percent) follow, with Kenya, Cambodia, and Burundi each at 93 percent. Then the United States at 92 percent.

Apparently, all those people have never heard of Jenny McCarthy. How do they survive? (Hint: They don't get measles.)

Niue, you ask? What's a Niue? It's a small (100 square miles) island in the South Pacific some 2,400 miles northeast of New Zealand. It seems, just looking at a map, to be more or less in area of Tonga and American Samoa, in the sense that, given the size of the planet, Iowa City is in the area of Detroit.

(Drive there some time and see just how much in the area of Detroit Iowa City is.)

Niue was also, in 2003, the first nation in the world to offer free Wi-Fi to the entire country. Yet another category in which the United States trails Niue. Hmm.

Ah, measles. Ah, Americans. Remember when DeflateGate swept every corner, etc.?

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## ETHICS & POLITICS

### MINIMUM WAGE

## Raise the Iowa minimum wage

The battle over the minimum-wage increase may never end. This week, Iowa Democrats plan to move a bill out of committee that will provide an increase to hourly minimum wage by \$1.50 by July 2016.

The state's current minimum wage is \$7.25 per hour. If the plan is successful, minimum wage will see an increase of 75 cents on July 1. The next 75-cent increase would come one year later, making minimum wage \$8.75 on July 1, 2016. Before the latest changes to the bill, the goal was set at an increase of \$2.85 — placing the minimum hourly wage at \$10.10.

The *Daily Iowan* Editorial Board supports the current proposal for a raise in minimum wage because the moderate increase places Iowa in line with other Midwest states' minimum wage, and it will help improve the lives of working families across the state.

Iowa has one of the lower minimum-wage rates in the Midwest. When compared with its Midwest counterparts, Iowa comes up short. Minnesota and Nebraska both have a \$9 minimum wages, and South Dakota and Illinois have minimum wages above \$8.

According to the National Conference of State Legislators, 17 states have increased their minimum wages from what it was in the early part of 2014 as of Jan. 1. Furthermore, many of these states had hourly rates above not only Iowa's current minimum wage but above the minimum wage

the proposed increase would be in Iowa as well.

The increase — which has been lowered since the initial proposal — is a modest and reasonable one when compared with other states. Not only have several other states' proposed increases been put into place, but between those with recent hikes and those with already increased minimum wages, Iowa is falling behind.

There are 29 states that have a minimum wage above Iowa's \$7.25. Furthermore, several of these states are in the midst of incremental or segmented increases that would push the national average further from Iowa's \$7.25.

But more important than the relative size of the increase when compared with other states' increases is the effect the change will have on Iowa families.

According to Iowa Senate President Pam Jochum's news conference last week, the raise in minimum wage could result in \$3,000 more for Iowa working families. This \$3,000 additional income is beneficial to not only individuals in the state of Iowa but of course, to the state's economy as well.

The economic and personal effects of a such a significant income gain for families in the state of Iowa is benefit enough to be in favor of this legislation. However, combined with Iowa's minimum wage falling behind much of the country, The *Daily Iowan* Editorial Board confidently supports this modest proposal to increase the minimum wage incrementally to \$8.75.

## COLUMN

### Curtailing the Supreme Court



Michael Korobov  
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The concept of "pregaming," or drinking before an event or gathering, is certainly not a foreign one for Iowa students. Apparently, the act is familiar to the Supreme Court as well.

Immediately after the State of the Union Address, images began to surface of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg slumped over in her seat, bowing her head down during the president's speech. It wasn't until last week that she revealed that she "wasn't 100 percent sober" during the speech. By her own admission she just couldn't resist "the very fine California wine."

This hasn't been the only bizarre statement to come out of the 81-year-old juror throughout her career. Earlier this month, she remarked that "people ask me sometimes, when — when do you think it will be enough? When will there be

enough women on the court? And my answer is when there are nine." In essence, only an all-female Supreme Court would satisfy Ginsberg.

Perhaps she wasn't 100 percent sober then as well.

Most business executives would be fired for showing up drunk and falling asleep during a major event. Yet somehow, one of the most influential decision-makers in the world gets away with it. Americans need to start thinking more seriously about how much power the Supreme Court really has.

Many believe that the Supreme Court has assumed much more authority in recent years than it was ever intended to have.

Mark Levin, the host of a syndicated radio show, wrote in his book *The Liberty Amendments* that "the reason the framers did not specifically grant to the Supreme Court the much broader authority to judge the constitutionality of federal laws is that there was a strong sentiment that such a function was well outside the authority of judges." To allow the Supreme Court to over-

rule federal legislation gives the nine justices an inordinate amount of power over nearly 320 million Americans.

In his older age, Thomas Jefferson, an author of the Declaration of Independence, grew more and more wary of judicial power. He wrote "to consider judges as the ultimate arbiters of all constitutional questions is a very dangerous doctrine indeed, and one which would place us under the despotism of an oligarchy." I wonder how he would feel now.

Consider, for example, when the individual mandate of the Affordable Care Act was brought before the Supreme Court. Representing the majority opinion, Chief Justice John Roberts concluded that the individual mandate was not constitutional under the Commerce Clause, but could pass when interpreted as a tax. The drafters of the legislation, however, disagreed. President Obama stated that it was "absolutely not a tax increase." This means that the Supreme Court assumed the authority to interpret legislation in a way that the original writ-

ers didn't even agree with.

There is a philosophical divide among the nine justices even today as far as what their roles really entail. There are justices, including Ginsburg, who believe that they should use their authority to bring about policy changes that they believe are right for the country, regardless of the Constitution. Writing about sexual equality, Ginsburg wrote that "boldly dynamic interpretation, departing radically from the original understanding" of the Constitution is sometimes necessary. She is not the only one with this outlook.

Levin offers several solutions in his book to curtail the authority of the Supreme Court. These include enacting term limits for Supreme Court justices and allowing Congress to override the court's opinion with a three-fifths vote.

At the end of the day, Supreme Court justices are human, too — and if we grant nine individuals in black robes the power to make decisions for all of us, we risk becoming the oligarchy that Jefferson warned us about.

## ONLINE COMMENTS

### Excerpts from online comments on 'Osgerby: Feminism does empower women, as it should'

Mr. Osgerby, all you've got is the Reductio Ad Merriam-Webster and the utterly discredited, utterly false "one-in-five" statistic. (I refer you to the report, below, for more accurate numbers.) The "notorious water-cooler conversations"? I've never seen or heard one, except in TV sitcoms or industrial "sensitivity training" films. No doubt they exist, but do you suggest that "F-Bombs for Feminism" or SlutWalk are effective ways to reduce them? And I'd counter that the "hookup culture" (which has been around for a long time: I know because I'm old) is just as much women's

doing as men's. I'd advise you, if you self-identify as a feminist, to encourage the parts of feminism you find worthwhile and discourage those manifestations that give it a bad name.

Joseph Dobrian

Joseph Dobrian, you do realize in the article you quote it states (in regards to sexual assault on campus), "Regardless of enrollment status, rape and sexual assault victimizations were more likely to go unreported than other types of violent crime (not shown)." There is no doubt a large portion of sexual assaults occur during college and that most go unreported, especially with poor systems of disciplinary action used in response to sexual violence (I would like to point out the recent changes the University of Iowa has made, I applaud them). No one will ever know for sure exactly how many women have, are, and continue to

be sexually assaulted on campus. I would like to add that doesn't make it OK to say what you have said because some women in the world say it, too. I'm all for free speech but please don't use that as a counter argument. You can't exclude your white, male privilege from the argument because it has in part come from societal institutions that have misogyny and racism ingrained in them, and you reap the benefits because of how you were born.

I would also like to point out the process used to reach equality and make a change in our country. You can't make a change in society by sitting down and shutting up. There are many people with radical views that will gladly take the spotlight given the chance; while they may be radical, they are the ones who make changes for the rest of society.

While you might be uncomfortable seeing scantily clad wom-

en walking through the streets, there is a bigger message behind appearances. This goes back to rape culture: "What were you wearing the night of the attack?" Not a fair question by any means, and it's sad how people believe appearance plays a role in acts of sexual violence. These protests are used to empower women to reclaim the catcalls, unwanted sexual advances, violence or sexual assaults or to simply say "I am not what I wear."

Isabel Dizzy Detrick

If you want to "make a change in society," there are usually more effective ways of doing it than deliberately gross, infantile behavior. And no sensible person suggests that an assault on a woman can be excused on account of what she was wearing. Even if I needed convincing on that point (and I don't), a SlutWalk would not be persuasive.

Joseph Dobrian

# DAILY BREAK

## the ledge

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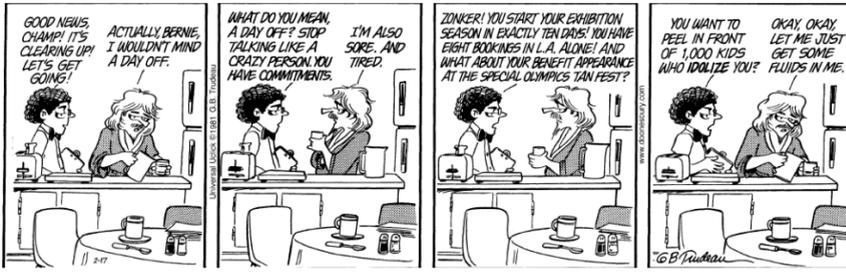
### Things learned while cooking in a restaurant kitchen:

- If you're really allergic to onions, I'd recommend not being anywhere near any restaurant kitchen ever.
- Butter comes in quarter-pound bricks for a reason: That's the smallest unit you'll ever need to use.
- Garlic makes everything taste better.
- Bacon is like garlic, in meat form.
- Something doesn't taste right? More salt.
- Still doesn't taste right? More garlic.
- Still doesn't taste right? More bacon.
- Still doesn't taste right? Screw it; it tastes better this way.
- You wouldn't think it, but it's possible for someone to send back a well-done steak for being overcooked.
- Never eat anything a line cook offers you on a spoon.
- Always smell your water. It could be vinegar.
- Yesterday's chowder is tomorrow's bisque — assuming the immersion blender gets fixed in time.
- Oh, your feet hurt? Sorry, but that's what the boxed wine is for.
- Unless you cut off at least an inch of your finger, you don't need to go to a doctor. Suck it up, and keep working.
- Culinary schools are for people who don't belong in restaurant kitchens.
- Restaurant kitchens are for people who don't belong in public.

Andrew R. Juhl thanks Matt Gorman for today's Ledge idea.

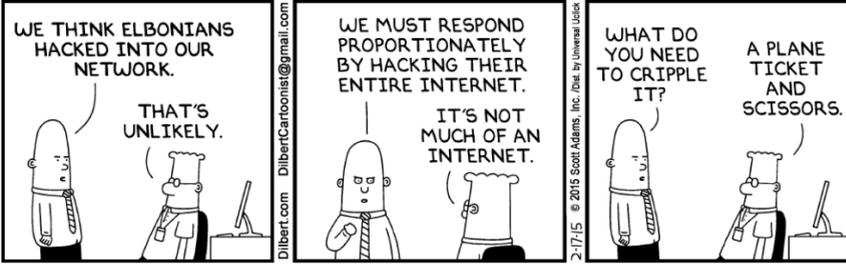
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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



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- **Biochemistry Workshop**, "New roles of MRAP2 in the regulation of energy homeostasis," Julien Sebag, 12:30 p.m., 283 Eckstein Medical Research Building
- **College of Education Distinguished Speaker Series**, "Are Dominant Educational Reforms Really Democratic?," Michael Apple, N140 Lindquist Center
- **Operator Theory Seminar**, "Characterizations of Rectangular (Para)-unitary Rational Functions," Izchak Lkwowicz, 1:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen
- **Math Physics Seminar**, "Treeability and Planarity in Measured Group Theory," Robin Tucker-Drob, 2:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen
- **Microbiology Seminar**, Bacterial microcompartments, widespread prokaryotic organelles for metabolic optimization," Tom Bobik, 3 p.m., Bowen Watzke Auditorium
- **Emeritus Faculty Lecture Series**, "Medieval Scribes and the Absurdity of Music Notation," Elizabeth Aubrey, 4 p.m., 101 Biology Building East

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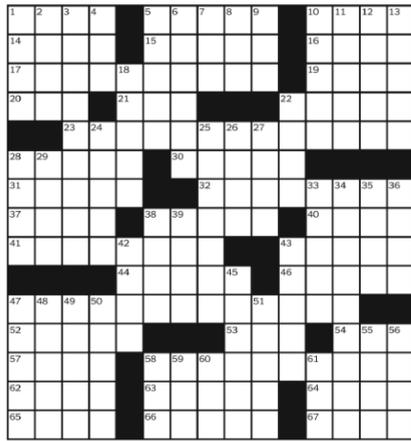
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## OBJECTS OF ART

## The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0113

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  - Huge amount
  - What milk will do if you add lemon juice
  - Diva's number
  - "Wake Up Little" (Everly Brothers hit)
  - Diced dish
  - Tourist attraction in Charlottesville, Va.
  - Word after bump or break
  - Lee who directed "Life of Pi"
  - One of "dase," in Brooklyn
  - Born earlier
  - Largest wild animal in the United States
  - Seville snacks
  - Picnic table place
  - Roughly
  - Turned loose
  - Geek
- DOWN**
- Doll's cry
  - Press
  - Country in which English and Mandarin are official languages
  - Feedbag bit
  - 2012 award for 20-Across
  - It's chocked in a pool hall
  - Nonnative speaker's course, in brief
  - Hurt
  - "The Matrix" hero
  - Potluck supper serving, maybe
  - Touches down
  - Prefix with -plasty
  - Rose's protection
  - I.e., spelled out
  - Cousin of a bassoon
  - Bea Arthur sitcom
  - Image on the reverse of a Canadian quarter
  - "Up and \_\_\_!"
  - Setting for a classic Agatha Christie mystery
  - Zippy flavor
  - \_\_\_ Prize, annual international award for mathematics
  - Run out of rhythm?
  - Practice game, in sports
  - "\_\_\_ Tur" (1974 hit)
  - "Bro!"



PUZZLE BY MICHAEL BLAKE

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- Ernest nicksmed "The Texas Troubadour"
- Computer key near Shift
- One year's record
- Resident of the so-called "Chicago of Japan"
- Splenda rival
- Prize in horse racing
- Ignite
- "\_\_\_ Gold" (1997 Peter Fonda film)
- Tech support callers
- LSD
- Big Apple-based designer label
- Gridiron grp.
- Vexation
- Org. in "The Bourne Ultimatum"
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We gave up some of our country to the white men, thinking that then we could have peace. We were mistaken.  
— Chief Joseph

# Common Core testing begins

Testing based on Common Core standards starts this week.

By **KIMBERLY HEFLING AND JULIE CARR SMYTH**  
Associated Press

STOCKPORT, Ohio — Sixth-grader Kayla Hunter considers herself pretty tech savvy. She has a computer at home, unlike approximately half her classmates at her elementary school. And it matches up well with the one she'll use this week to take a new test linked to the Common Core standards.

Still, the perky 11-year-old worries. During a recent practice exam at her school in Ohio, she couldn't even log on. "It wouldn't let me," she said. "It kept saying it wasn't right, and it just kept loading the whole time."

Her state today will be the first to administer one of two tests in English language arts and math based on the Common Core standards developed by two separate groups of states. By the end of the school year, approximately 12 million children in 29 states and the District of Columbia will take them, using computers or electronic tablets.

The exams are expected to be more difficult than the traditional spring standardized state exams they replace. In some states, they'll require hours of additional testing time because students will have to do more than just fill in the bubble. The goal is to test stu-



In this photo taken Feb. 12, 2015, sixth grade teacher Carrie Young guides her students through an exercise on their laptops as practice for the the Common Core State Standards Test in her classroom at Morgan Elementary School South in Stockport, Ohio. On Tuesday, Ohio becomes the first state to administer one of two tests in English language arts and math based on the Common Core standards developed by two separate groups of states. (AP Photo/Ty Wright)

dents on critical thinking skills, requiring them to describe their reasoning and solve problems.

The tests have multimedia components, written essays, and multi-step calculations needed to solve math problems that go beyond just using rote memory. Students in some states will take adaptive versions in which questions get harder or easier depending on their answers.

But there's been controversy. The tests have been caught up in the debate playing out in state legislatures across the country about the federal role in education. Although more than 40 states have adopted Common Core, which spells out what reading and math skills students should master in each grade, sev-

eral have decided not to offer the tests — known as the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium and Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers. Some states are introducing other new state standardized tests this year.

The Common Core tests fulfill the requirement in the federal No Child Left Behind law for annual testing in reading and math in grades three to eight and again in high school. But as Congress seeks to rewrite the education law, there's debate over whether the tests should be required by Washington and whether students are being tested too much. Parents in pockets of the country have joined a movement to "opt out" of these standardized tests.

## Regents choose presidential-search firm

The state Board of Regents announced it has selected Parker Executive Search of Atlanta as the search firm in finding the next University of Iowa president.

Parker has worked with national and international clients in executive searches, according to the group's website.

At the UI, Parker plans to create a search timeline, identify and assess candidates, facilitate interviews, and negotiate and provide follow-up communications, according to a release from the regents.

Parker helped to find new university presidents at Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa in 2011 and 2012.

Selecting Parker is consistent with a statement President Bruce Rastetter made at a Jan. 20 press conference, in which he said the UI's presidential-search model would be similar to that used to find presidents at ISU and UNI.

— by **Carly Matthew**

## Patel tosses hat in congressional ring

Ravi Patel, an eastern Iowa entrepreneur with key influence in Iowa's burgeoning entrepreneurial ecosystem and a leader in Iowa's

hospitality industry will run for U.S. House of Representatives as a Democrat in the state's 1st Congressional District, he told *The Daily Iowan* in an interview Monday afternoon.

"There are so many industries that we've innovated, and I think now it's time to innovate politics," Patel said.



**Patel**  
democrat

The announcement by the 29-year-old resident of Cedar Rapids who serves as the president of Iowa City-based Hawkeye Hotels comes less than a month after he outlined his perceived campaign expectations to the *DI* in late January.

He becomes the second Democrat to announce congressional aspirations in the Democratic-leaning district in the northeast portion of the state. On Jan. 15, Cedar Rapids City Councilor Monica Vernon unveiled a bid to unseat first-term Rep. Rod Blum, R-Iowa.

Vernon, who was former state Sen. Jack Hatch's lieutenant-governor pick in the 2014 gubernatorial election, has already amassed over a dozen endorsements and is weeks from what she has described will be an aggressive fundraising campaign.

Patel has already mustered

up several state and national endorsements but declined to name supporters Monday afternoon.

He said he has met with almost every county chairman in the 20-county area, which includes Cedar Rapids, Waterloo, Cedar Falls, and Dubuque.

— by **Quentin Misiag**

## IC attorney appointed judge

Gov. Terry Branstad has filled a local judicial vacancy with an Iowa City attorney.

Last week, Branstad appointed Chad Kepros as a 6th District judge, which covers six counties: Benton, Iowa, Jones, Johnson, Tama and Linn.

Kepros, of North Liberty, serves as a magistrate judge, a position whose jurisdiction includes simple misdemeanors, in Johnson County along with private practice work as an attorney Bray and Klockau PLC, 402 S. Linn St.

Branstad's appointment fills a vacancy left by Judge Stephen Jackson, who was appointed as a federal magistrate for the Southern District of Iowa — which covers 47 counties and is centered in Des Moines.

Kepros received an undergraduate degree from Coe College and a law degree from the University of Iowa College of Law.

— by **Brent Griffiths**

What is that on that girls head? Well don't just ask why don't you come and experience a day with hijab. On Tuesday, February 17th, we will be handing out hijabs from 10:30am-12:30pm at the IMU by the Hub office.

After a full day of wearing it, share your experience with us at the Iowa Theater in the IMU from 6:30pm-8:30pm.

Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to attend all University of Iowa-sponsored events. If you are a person with a disability who requires accommodation in order to participate in this program, please contact UIMSA at studorg-uimsa@uiowa.edu.

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# Eckert becomes 'hep cat'

Iowa's Jack Eckert couldn't ask for a better start this season.

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For many heptathletes, it may be arduous to not only compete in a number of events but also make a mark in those events. For Jack Eckert, this wasn't a complication.

The Sellersburg, Indiana, native competed in the men's heptathlon at the Sevigne Husker Invitational in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Feb 6-7. He finished fourth in the competition, snaring 5,172 points. Additionally, his mark now ranks third in school history and fourth in the Big Ten this season. In nearly every event, Eckert achieved a personal best, and if he didn't post a personal best, he snagged a season best.

The senior described his feat as a starting point for what's to come this season.

"This was a really good indicator that we're on pace to do really big things at the Big Ten meet," he said. "It's a really good stepping-stone for where we are at this point of the season."

In past seasons, Eckert has had trouble in the first three events of the men's heptathlon — the 60, long jump, and shot put. He achieved personal bests in these events and said it was vital for the remainder of the competition.

"It has been awhile since I've PR'd in those events," he said. "It was really nice to get me going for the rest of meet."

Training an athlete such as Eckert doesn't come easy. The senior has to focus his attention on a number of events, unlike many other track Hawks. To lead him in the right



Iowa's Jack Eckert leaps over the bar during the Big Four Duals at the Lied Recreation Athletic Facility in Ames on Jan. 24. Eckert finished seventh with a height of 1.85 meters, and the Iowa men took first in the meet. (The Daily Iowan/John Theulen)

direction, the senior has the guidance of Iowa Director of Track and Field Joey Woody and multi-events coach Molly Jones.

The heptathlete tries to train for every event once per week and sometimes more than one event in one practice.

"When you practice for your events, and you do the technical things, you can't waste any time, and you really have to make sure you take away something from every practice," Eckert said. "You can't waste days and take days for granted."

Eckert finds his two coaches' communication key to training him to become a better athlete.

"They're just on the same page all the time," he said.

However, that wasn't always the case. Eckert has had three different coaches in the span of four years. While this is Jones' second season as Eckert's coach, she believes the senior has developed some trust despite a few bumpy roads.

"He's had a lot of trouble adjusting to a new coaching style every year,"

Jones said. "The trust has helped a lot with him believing in himself and knowing what we've been doing has been working."

Six of the seven events in the men's heptathlon require much speed and power. With this, Jones tries to focus training Eckert just on that.

"We do a lot of jumping and a lot of technical work in every event," she said.

The technique work mainly consists of running technique the multi-events coach believes will set Eckert and other athletes up for much success.

"We've been really working a lot on approach work, pure running, and running correctly," she said. "Once you do that, you can set yourself up for a really good performance," she said.

Woody noted Eckert's performance in Lincoln, Nebraska was great, and he looks forward to see what's to come.

"He's on the verge of doing some big things," Woody said. "We have a couple weeks to tune some things up, but he looks great."

# No. 2 Virginia holds off Pitt

By HANK KURZ JR.  
Associated Press

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Malcolm Brogdon insists that No. 2 Virginia's offensive inconsistency isn't as big a deal as many seem to think.

The Cavaliers struggled to score for long stretches Monday night, but they had their defense to thank for keeping Pittsburgh at bay until the shots started falling, clearing the way for Virginia's fifth-straight victory, 61-49.

"It's frustrating when your shots aren't falling and you can't seem to get things going offensively, but at the same time, as long as we were getting stops, we weren't going to be too frustrated with ourselves," Brogdon said. "When your offense isn't going well, you've got to lean on something, and for us, our identity is defense. It works out great for us."

Brogdon scored 18 points, including the 1,000th of his career, causing coach Tony Bennett to joke that he needs to follow the lead of NFL quarterbacks that reward their linemen and buy watches for the teammates whose screens he has used.

Virginia used a late 8-0 scoring run — and another defense-forced scoreless spell for the Panthers — to pull away.

The Cavaliers (24-1, 12-1 ACC) three times held Pittsburgh scoreless for more than five minutes, and they needed all three. The victory tied



Pittsburgh forward Michael Young (2) shoots between Virginia forward Mike Tobey (10) and forward Darion Atkins (5) during the first half in Charlottesville, Va., on Monday. (Associated Press/Ryan M. Kelly)

the best start to a season in program history, first done in the 1981-82 season.

Darion Atkins, the lone senior on the team, said the Cavaliers "have gotten used to" the offensive struggles.

"We just have to stay poised and not settle for a good shot but a great shot," he said.

And, he said, remember what has brought them to this point.

"If we can't do it on the defensive end, offense is just not going to win it for us," Atkins said.

Jamel Artis scored 20 and Sheldon Jeter 10 for the Panthers (17-10, 6-7), who got no points from scoring leader Michael Young (13.3 points per game). He fouled out in 21 minutes and took just three shots. Nonetheless, the Panthers cut a 10-point deficit to 3 with just under eight minutes to play, but the Cavaliers then reeled off 8-straight points.

"They keep coming, and they keep making

you make the right play time and time again," Pitt coach Jamie Dixon said. "Their size at all positions, I think, is a real attribute for them. Their size and their strength and experience at all spots."

Anthony Gill added 12 points, and London Perantes had 10 points and 6 assists for Virginia.

The Panthers trailed 25-15 at halftime but scored 10 of the first 15 points after the break to get within 30-25. Jeter had 7 in the burst, and he and Artis each contributed a 3-pointer. For the third time, Pitt then went more than five minutes without a point. They missed five free throws in the drought, but Virginia had a similar dry spell, so the game remained close.

A 3-pointer by Artis pulled the Panthers within 36-32, and Cameron Wright had a chance to cut the deficit to 2, but he made only the first of a pair of free throws with 7:54 remaining.

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# Gymnast Doug Sullivan not just horsing around

Iowa junior Doug Sullivan was an afterthought his freshman year; now, he's one of Iowa's most valuable assets.

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At 5-6, 120 pounds, junior Doug Sullivan may be the smallest giant you come across. Two years ago, the Iowa men's gymnast came to the program with a tough row to hoe.

His start values were low, he was designated to one event, and he struggled through a rigorous training program.

"Doug was like a little boy when he got here," head coach JD Reive. "He could legitimately barely climb the rope."

Now — three years later — Sullivan is easily the team's most vital specialist.

He realized in high school that he would have to focus completely on the pommel horse if he were to become a successful gymnast, and that's exactly what he did.

Because he is a specialist, Sullivan has been able to put in two-and-a-half hours each day on his event — part of the reason he has come so far.

In an ideal world, Reive recruits gymnasts

to come in and immediately perform routines with a 15.5 start value.

But when Sullivan started in the program, he practiced a routine with a lowly 14.1 start value. Now, however, he starts out at 16.1.

"Doug came in with very little and put himself up where some of the top-tier kids would be," Reive said. "It's tremendous. It's like a kid crawling around the track and then being able to sprint in the top 10."

Taking the time in his freshman season to prove to coaches he was worth a spot on the squad, the results began to show late in his sophomore campaign.

"Halfway through the season, but mostly Big Tens last year," Sullivan said. "It finally clicked in my head that I was one of the top guys on horse and that I could actually compete and contend."

At that meet, he finished eighth on the pommel horse with a 14.800, but Sullivan's progress was far from over.

This year he has yet to score below his Big Ten championship mark last

season. In the Hawkeyes' most recent meet, on Feb. 14, Sullivan scored a season-high 15.150.

In what has been the Hawkeyes' lowest scoring and most flawed event lineup, Sullivan has been a rock, averaging 14.970 for the season.

No one else even sniffs the 14-point mark, making the junior an absolute necessity for the team, which needs all the points it can muster on the event.

And it's not just this season the Hawks have struggled on the horse — it has been their worst event for the past few seasons.

Reive and Company said it's just a different animal.

"You take your mind out of the event for a second, you fall," freshman Elijah Parsells said. "You're always moving, so you can't take your eyes off the event for a second."

It is indeed a mentally demanding monster of an event. Botching any of the several turns is almost an automatic fall. Failing to transition into a successful dismount



Iowa gymnast Doug Sullivan competes on the pommel horse at the Black and Gold intrasquad meet in the Field House on Dec. 6, 2014. The Black team defeated the Gold team, 253.55 to 251.40. (The Daily Iowan/Valerie Burke)

will mean a costly loss in points. Concentration is of the utmost importance.

But Sullivan has made it look easy so far. He's consistently shown the determination and focus to cement his place on the team. That place may not leave him at the top of the scoreboard with the all-arounders, but one thing is sure:

His role cannot be replaced.

"He just worked really hard every day," Reive said. "You just saw it in his eyes, and he worked hard enough to get himself to that point."

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

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they're watching.

Either way, the Northwestern loss has left the Hawkeyes in

a bit of a defining moment.

The Hawks — who hold the nation's No. 55 spot in RPI — may have to win the rest of their games this season if they wish to keep their NCAA Tournament hopes alive, or at the very least win

five of the remaining six games, which include games against Illinois at home and at Indiana.

It's not implausible. If Iowa's proven anything this season, it's that the outlook on the team — and its performance on the court — can change

in the blink of an eye.

"I think we need to finish out the season with all wins," Uthoff said after being asked about the NCAA Tournament. "This is a tough loss. I think we'll bounce back next game."

"We have the ability. We have the ability to win out

the rest of the games this year. Whether we do that or not is really up to us. I think we have the ability to do it, and I think we can."

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## NFL

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ess. Davis's numbers won't jump out of the box score, of course, but a look at his film proves he's much more than figures that have come to define elite pass rushers.

"When put in one-on-one opportunities in Mobile, [Alabama], he was nearly unblockable, using his initial quickness, brute power and natural leverage to shine during drills," wrote NFLDraftScout.com's Dane Brugler ahead of the

Reese's Senior Bowl last month. "Davis was already considered a top-75 draft pick entering the week, but after this week, he might have cemented himself as a top-50 prospect."

Even more, NFL media analyst Mike Mayock said before the Senior Bowl that Davis "did way more than that" before adding, "He played every snap, he showed athleticism, an ability to push the pocket and get to the quarterback. He may have elevated himself right into the first round."

But which is it? When

a player is classified as a "top-50 prospect," that usually means somewhere in the mid-to-late-second round, but Mayock believes Davis could go late in the first round. Other experts see Davis as a good fit for both the Detroit Lions and New England Patriots — who own the 23rd and 32nd overall picks, respectively.

So the question surrounding Davis isn't if he's going to get drafted — it's when. And with the NFL scouting combine set to start on Friday at Lucas Oil Stadium in In-

dianapolis, there's a chance Davis could climb even higher up the draft boards. Davis knows this. On Feb. 13, he tweeted the following: "The difference between a winner and a loser is a winner plays until he wins. So get money."

Funny he mentioned that, because regardless if he gets drafted on the last

day of April or the first day of May, Davis will likely make somewhere north of \$4 million for his first contract — which should be enough for a bigger, nicer, more complete set of drums.

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## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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road to conference leader Maryland two weeks ago. But how do this year's Hawks stack up against last season's Big Ten champs, Nebraska? A closer look at the numbers reveals quite a bit.

It's Hawkeyes against the Huskers in the latest edition of the Box Score.

### Scoring offense — 2015 Hawkeyes second, 2014 Huskers second

Last year saw the top two offenses going head to head for the Big Ten title, with Nebraska eventually emerging victorious. The Huskers averaged 75.6 points per game, behind only the Hawkeyes, whom they defeated.

This year, the roles are flipped, with Iowa boasting the second-best offense with 79.3 points to Maryland's astounding 82.2. If history is any indicator, a high-scoring offense is trait shared by almost every conference champion, something the Hawks have in spades.

And while they're scoring at a slightly slower clip than last season (around 2 points per game), there should be

no doubt about the Black and Gold's ability to push the pace offensively.

### Scoring defense — 2015 Hawkeyes 12th, 2014 Huskers first

While this current Hawkeye squad is just as deadly on offense as the reigning Big Ten champs were a year ago, it could not be any further apart on defense.

Bluder likes her teams to play with pace, a mindset that by design leaves itself open to fast breaks in the other direction. If the shots are falling for the Hawks, they typically don't have much of a problem using the dynamic scorers on the team to outscore the opposition.

But on a day when they're not shooting so well? A bit of a different story.

Iowa's average of allowing 70.1 points per game puts it less than a point behind basement-dwelling Penn State and Ohio State for worst in the Big Ten.

Is the best defense a good offense? Maybe, but the ability to physically

shut down your opponent is a great skill to have, one the Hawks have yet to showcase so far this year.

### Free-throw percentage — 2015 Hawkeyes 11th, 2014 Huskers first

You'd think a team that shoots so well from the floor would be better at knocking down free throws, but it's not really the case with the Black and Gold.

Averaging less than 71 percent from the line, the Hawks own one of the lowest conversion rates in the conference despite ranking fourth in attempted free throws in the league.

When a team built on maximizing offense, it's tough to throw away easy points against the elite defenses of the conference.

And when considering that three of Iowa's four losses were by 10 points or fewer, giving away those easy points can really sting you in tight games.

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**Men's tennis notches big win**

The Iowa men's tennis team improved its record to 6-1 and gained its first victory against a ranked opponent this year against No. 54 Utah on Monday, 4-3.

The Hawkeyes finished their trip 2-0 including a win over BYU on Sunday, also 4-3.

"It was a great weekend," senior Matt Hagan said. "A lot of guys stepped up in big situations. To leave here with two wins is a huge step in the right direction for the program."

The Hawkeyes dropped the doubles point to the Utes with losses by Hagan and junior Dom Patrick in the No. 1 pairing and freshmen Lefteris Theodorou and Stieg Martens at No. 2. However, singles wins by Hagan at No. 1, Patrick at No. 3, freshman Josh Silverstein at No. 5, and freshman Jake Jacoby at No. 6 sealed the victory for Iowa.

The players said a win against a ranked team such as Utah can give the young Hawkeyes a lot of confidence heading into the conference schedule.

"Our confidence is very high right now," Hagan said. "Hopefully, we can continue this success in future matches."

— by Blake Dowson



Iowa's Matt Hagan hits a forehand against Northwestern at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on April 13, 2014. The Wildcats defeated the Hawkeyes, 5-2. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

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# Jekyll & Hyde on the hardwood



Iowa center Gabe Olaseni and guard Mike Gesell contest a lay-up by Minnesota guard DeAndre Mathieu in Carver-Hawkeye on Feb. 12. The Gophers defeated the Hawkeyes, 64-59. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

Iowa has flipped between looking like one of the best teams in the Big Ten and one still looking for answers.

By JACOB SHEYKO  
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Iowa was 4-1 in the Big Ten with two wins over Ohio State, then 4-4 with losses to Wisconsin (twice) and Purdue.

The Hawkeyes were once 6-4, fresh off two dominating wins over Michigan and Maryland, and now find themselves 6-6 with losses to Minnesota and, perhaps the most perplexing, a 66-61 defeat at the hands of Northwestern.

Iowa has had last-second wins and last-second losses. It has blown out some of the better teams the Big Ten has to offer and has lost in a similar manner to the same level of teams.

The one thing the Hawkeyes haven't had this Big Ten season is consistency, making it nearly impossible to predict the outcome of any game involving the Hawkeyes.

Then again, nothing about this team this season has been predictable.

"It's the highs and lows of the season," guard Mike Gesell said after the Northwestern loss Sunday. "It's how it goes. It's

obviously not fun right now, but we have to keep staying positive and just go back to work tomorrow."

Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery has repeated it ad nauseam all season long.

No matter the result of the previous game, he — and the team as a whole — tries to approach the next game in the same manner.

So when asked following the Hawkeyes' sixth loss of the Big Ten season how the team would move ahead from the worst loss of the year, the answer stayed the course.

"Same way after you win two big ones," he said. "You try to stay grounded. And you just go back to work. You hold them accountable. But you don't beat them up. They're as down as anybody because even though we had two losses, we had two chances to win. We were in a position to win both games. And that's sometimes more frustrating. We just have to play better."

McCaffery was right. Iowa had chances to win both games.

Against Minnesota, the Hawkeyes

had the ball with 19 seconds left down 3 points. Iowa turned it over. Against Northwestern, a last-second heave from Jarrod Uthoff sent a game Iowa had been outplayed in into overtime, in which the Hawks made two field goals in five minutes.

"I think we're pretty frustrated," Gesell said. "To lose one on the road we feel like we needed, we wanted to get, in the way we did. It's frustrating."

There's no easy fix, something Aaron White admitted amid his short, clearly frustrated answers following the game.

But one theme throughout Iowa's Big Ten losses has been a lack of offense.

Iowa has yet to win a Big Ten game this season when it scored fewer than 70 points. When they score 70 or more, the Hawkeyes are 6-0, including wins over Maryland and No. 24 Ohio State (twice).

Perhaps that's what's been most frustrating to the team and its fans: Iowa at its peak has been so good, and at its low points has left fans wondering what team

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**2015 NFL SCOUTING COMBINE**

## Davis draft stock rising

The question isn't *if* former Iowa defensive lineman Carl Davis is going to get drafted — it's *when*.

By CODY GOODWIN  
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Iowa defensive lineman Carl Davis runs off the field at the end of the first half in TCF Bank Stadium on Nov. 8, 2014, in Minneapolis. The Gophers' dominated the Hawkeyes, 51-14 to reclaim the Floyd of Rosedale trophy. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

Carl Davis has seemingly always had a buzz around him. Growing up, he banged on pots and pans with a wooden spoon next to his mother while she played her church music on an organ at home. At 7, he replaced the dishes with a three-piece drum set. He developed an innate ability to use his hands quickly, often without looking, a kind of muscle-memory and natural instinct that's become a primary reason for his still-rising draft stock.

Indeed, the former Iowa defensive lineman — lauded for his playmaking ability, strength, and sound technique — has made waves in the run-up to the NFL draft. Davis opened the 2014 college football season as one of the

best defensive tackles in the country, and after a season in which he collected only 2 sacks and 9 tackles for loss, he has continued to trend upward.

The 6-5, 321-pound Detroit native has impressed NFL scouts and league experts with both his size and pro-

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## Hawkeyes by the numbers

By RYAN RODRIGUEZ  
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With the Iowa women's basketball team picking up yet another win to improve to 21-4 overall and cement their standing in second place in the Big Ten, it appears the Black and Gold are starting to play their very best basketball at the most important time of the year, something that bodes well for their chances come tournament time.

Head coach Lisa Bluder's Hawks are winners of nine of their last 10, with their only loss coming on the

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