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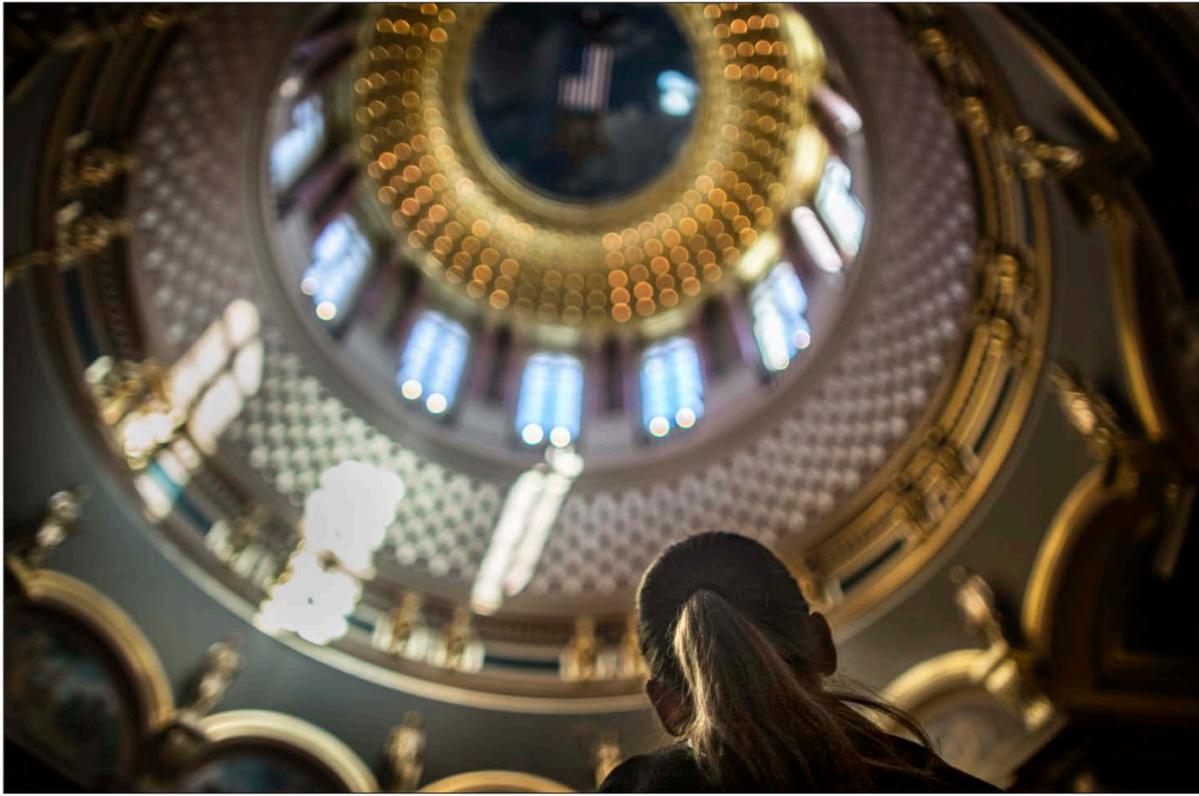
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## HAWKEYE CAUCUS



Iowa senior Keely Banach looks at the dome of the Capitol Building in Des Moines on Tuesday. The annual Hawkeye Caucus brought University of Iowa students and alumni to the Capitol to meet with Iowa lawmakers. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

# Caucus swarms Capitol

Hawkeyes take control of Capitol during Hawkeye Caucus as students advocate for a tuition freeze.



Students fill out forms to meet with members of the Iowa Legislature in the Capitol in Des Moines on Tuesday. The annual Hawkeye Caucus brought University of Iowa students and alumni to meet with Iowa lawmakers. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

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DES MOINES — The State Capitol in Des Moines became a sea of black and gold Tuesday as University of Iowa students packed the halls to share their stories with lawmakers and to advocate for a third tuition freeze.

Hawkeye Caucus is a student organization that focuses on building relationships between students and state lawmakers, said Joelle Brown, the president of Hawkeye Caucus.

“Our main focus is to build a relationship so lawmakers think more about the students they

are representing,” she said. “We encourage students, if they’re from in state, to advocate for another tuition freeze. Otherwise, we have students thank the lawmakers for their support.”

The state Board of Regents called for a third-consecutive freeze on tuition for all in-state undergraduate students in December 2014, and this year, Gov. Terry Branstad recommended putting in appropriate funding for a freeze in the state budget.

The Legislature holds the purse strings and sets funding

SEE CAPITOL, 3

## ETHICS & POLITICS EDUCATION

# Officials wrangle over \$\$

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DES MOINES — With the debate over school starting dates settled, the floor has opened to discuss funding Iowa’s schools.

Senate Majority Leader Mike Gronstal, D-Council Bluffs, pulled his motion to reconsider school starting dates, setting the earliest possible date at Aug. 23.

Now, Democrats and Republicans will need to come to a consensus on K-12 funding. Senate Democrats proposed of a 4 percent increase, while Republicans in the House appear set on no more than a 1.25 percent increase.

Gronstal said in a statement Tuesday the issue affects teachers, students, parents, and employers; and that the state must provide necessary funding to ensure student achievement and teacher quality.



**Gronstal**  
senate majority leader

“The alternative [1.25 percent increase] will result in more crowded classrooms, fewer course offerings, and higher property taxes,” he said.

Many senators, including Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, said they believe a compromise will have to be made.

“[House Republicans] don’t want to spend a dime more than [1.25 percent], so I think we’ve got our hands full persuading them to move from that number,” Bolkcom said. “I’d like to get to 2 percent, 2.5 percent, that would be a reasonable number.”

SEE SCHOOL, 3

## UISG ELECTIONS

# UISG hopefuls tangle in debate

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The University of Iowa Student Government presidential-candidate debate started off calm on Tuesday in the IMU, but shortly after opening statements, things got heated.

The debate questions ranged from affordability to sustainability, including questions on diversity, campus safety, and UI student organizations.

On the topic of affordability, BEACH Party candidate Sam Wampler discussed a new initiative called the “Cut Your Cost” campaign, as well as other affordability strategies.

“We want to make sure that all students are cognizant of the money they’re spending and ways they can save money,” he said. “We also have our student financial literacy piece. Student debt is rising, and it’s something that we want to combat.”

REAL Party candidate Liz Mills discussed the party’s affiliation with the Hawkeye Caucus, in which students lobby state legislators in Des Moines. The event was held Tuesday.

Things began to heat up as Wampler described his

is very important,” she said. “That is why I developed one two years ago called ‘See Something, Say Something, Do Something.’”

Mills said the campaign is for bystander intervention and awareness.

The debate closed with a bit

A REAL Party official said he believed his candidate won the debate.

“I really am convinced that Liz was able to give a better debate performance mainly because I felt that she gave very detailed answers and was able to prove what she’s done for the university before,” REAL Party manager Danijel Pejkanovic.

Current UISG President Patrick Bartoski took the opposite view.

“The best thing you can do when running in a competitive election is to focus on your ideas,” Bartoski said. “At the end of the day, Sam stuck to the point, and Liz used that as a rebuttal and to throw a punch at the Beach Party.”

The vice-presidential debate will take place at 8 p.m. today in Main Library Shambaugh Auditorium.

Elections will be held through ISIS on April 8 and 9.



**Elizabeth Mills**  
REAL president candidate



**Sam Wampler**  
BEACH president candidate

“Hawkeyes Got Your Back” campaign, in which members of the university would pool resources, such as a website listing contacts and offices, for those who have experienced sexual assault.

Mills responded with a fiery rebuttal.

“I think the BEACH Party campaign for sexual assault

of fire, as Mills had the last word on the debate floor.

“Life isn’t always a beach,” Mills said. “There are real problems the students are facing on this campus. It’s not a vacation; we’re here trying to learn and trying to get the best we can possibly get for the money we are spending.”

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- **I Dream of Wires**, FilmScene, 6:30 p.m., tickets \$10
- **Cameron Esposito**, Englert, 7 p.m., tickets \$20
- **Silver Apples**, Gabe’s, 8 p.m., tickets \$15
- **NE-HI**, Mill, 8 p.m., tickets \$8, ages 19 and over
- **Sidewalk Chalk**, Yacht Club, 9 p.m., tickets \$8, ages 19 and over
- **Upsidedown Cross**, FilmScene, TBD, tickets \$4



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GUITAR MEMORIES



A UI student practices guitar on the steps of the former location of St. Patrick's on Tuesday. St. Patrick's was destroyed by the tornado in 2006. (The Daily Iowan/Mikaela Parrick)

# Distraction looms in teen crashes

By BEN MARKS  
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Distracted teenagers are a lot more dangerous than previously thought.

A recent University of Iowa study of 1,700 in-car videos found some type of distraction — such as texting or a passenger — causes about 60 percent of all teen crashes.

The study was the first of its kind, said Cher Carney, a senior research associate at the Iowa Public Policy Center and one of the researchers who conducted the study.

Previous data, relying on police reports, showed only 14 percent of all crashes were distraction related.

“A lot of times people are unwilling for various reasons to tell police they were on their phone, or may not even realize they were distracted,” she said.

According to the research, interacting with other passengers caused 15 percent of crashes. The next highest rate was 12 percent of crashes from phone use.

The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety funded the study.

“We’ve always felt distracted driving, especially among teens, has been underreported,” said Gail Weinholzer, the director of public affairs for AAA Minnesota and Iowa. “[The study] now allows us the opportunity to give further education and work toward getting people to understand the seriousness of the issue.”

In addition, Weinholzer said, she believes there needs to be a tightening of legislation surrounding graduated driver’s licenses in Iowa.

In most states, before getting their full licenses, young drivers are limited to one minor passenger who is not a relative, and in some states, they aren’t allowed any passengers at all.

Although Iowa has a



Illustration by Joshua Housing

passenger restriction on graduated driver’s licenses, it’s the only state in the United States that allows parents to sign a waiver to opt their child out of the restriction.

With the waiver active, Iowa joins four other states in the county — South Dakota, North Dakota, Mississippi, and Florida — that have put no passenger restrictions on learning drivers.

“What we’ve found in our research is, as the number of passengers a teen has in the car increases, the number of distractions increase,” Carney said.

A report released in 2013 found 15- to 17-year-old drivers were eight times as likely to be in a fatal accident when there were two or more teen passengers.

“[AAA doesn’t] want any teens in the vehicle for the first six months of driving and prohibits cell-phone use of any type until the age of 18,” Weinholzer said.

Currently in Iowa, using a phone and driving without a full license is a primary offense, meaning teens can be pulled

over for nothing other than texting.

For adults in Iowa, however, using a phone is a secondary offense, meaning the driver cannot be pulled over for cell-phone use alone.

A bill that recently cleared the Iowa Senate, however, aims to make texting while driving a primary offense for all drivers. Weinholzer said she believes in addition to tightening graduated driver’s license laws, such legislation would help reduce the number of crashes.

Kara Macek, the communications director for the Governors Highway Safety Association, which represents all U.S. highway safety offices, said many aspects of Iowa’s licensing laws are troubling, including the lack of passenger restrictions.

“In Iowa, you can begin to drive as early as age 14,” she said. “There’s only a handful of states that start that young, and we recommend 16.”

Macek also said Iowa has very loose nighttime driving restrictions, allowing learners to drive as late as 12:30 a.m. The best

practice they recommend would have the restriction start around 10 p.m., and many states start their restrictions at sundown.

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety maintains a calculator, which finds what percentage of fatal and non-fatal crashes states could avoid by altering different aspects of licensing laws.

For Iowa, reducing the number of allowed teen passengers to zero could reduce the number of fatal crashes by 21 percent, and raising the permit age to 16 could cut it by another 24 percent.

Overall, bringing licensing laws up to national standards, best practices could help reduce fatal teen crashes by 55 percent, according to the Insurance Institute.

“We have an interest in maintaining parental rights,” Weinholzer said. “But once your child is on a public roadway where other people’s children, parents, and spouses are — when their lives are at risk because of your teenager’s behavior — it’s a societal issue, not a parental issue.”

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**Hospice Home receives donations**

A local group chose the Hospice Home of Johnson County to receive more than \$27,000 to aid its effort in building the only Hospice Home Support Center in Johnson County.

On March 26, the members of 100+ Women Who Care Hawkeye Chapter drew three groups at random to present on why they deserve the donation. After presentations, group members chose Hospice Home, and they will present it a check in the upcoming week.

This past week, Hospice Home received a \$50,000 anonymous donation.

Hospice Home Board President Carol Tippe said more people are learning about the care center, and it is one step closer to choosing a location to build the facility.

— by Grace Pateras

**Area man faces drug charges**

Authorities have accused an Oxford, Iowa, man of possessing and intending to deliver marijuana.

Brandon Feijo, 22, was charged with three counts of controlled-substance violation and failure to affix a drug stamp on March 30.

According to online court documents, the Johnson County Drug Task Force and the Iowa City police Street Crimes Action Team conducted a narcotics transaction with Feijo.

Feijo allegedly had arranged to sell two pounds of marijuana in exchange for \$6,800.

According to the report, Feijo met with an undercover officer, was taken into custody, and was sold him the marijuana, and was

Controlled-substance violation

and failure to affix drug stamp are both Class-D felonies.

— by Alyssa Guzman

**AIB begins implementing teach-out plan**

AIB’s closure is one step closer. The Higher Learning Commission, an accreditation body, has given AIB College of Business permission to begin implementing its teach-out plan as it prepares to shutter next summer.

Under the plan, Grand View University in Des Moines will serve as AIB’s local teach-out partner and Buena Vista University in Storm Lake will be its online teach-out partner.

If AIB doesn’t have a qualified faculty to teach a particular course, those two universities would teach them instead under AIB tuition rates, and credits

would transfer back to AIB.

The plan would involve select classes only. The HLC will potentially formally approve the plan at a meeting on May 4 and 5, when it will be publicly posted.

The University of Iowa intends to take over AIB’s facilities and transform it into a “regional regents center” which it would own and operate while offering space for other institutions to provide courses. The proposal still requires state Board of Regents approval.

Originally, the plan was to convert AIB into a UI Des Moines campus, with AIB students becoming UI students, but that plan fell through over accreditation concerns. They would now have to meet UI transfer requirements.

AIB will close in June 2016.

— by Chris Higgins

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for the UI, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa. One-third of Iowa regent university funding comes from state appropriations.

Hawkeye Caucus members wearing UI colors spoke with representatives in the Capitol's rotunda among various tables displaying programs of study at the UI.

REACH, UI's program for individuals with disabilities, was one of the most heavily discussed during the day.

Caucus members talked to representatives about what brought them to UI, their experiences at school, and their plans for after graduation. Many students also chose to use their time with legislators to advocate for a continuation of the in-state tuition freeze.

The freeze has attracted many supporters in the Legislature since last year.

The Hawkeye Caucus is a good opportunity for lawmakers to see the effect of items they pass, such as a tuition freeze,

can have on the state regent universities, Rep. Kevin Koester, R-Ankeny. "This is a good reminder of how important each of the state universities is to the state," he said. "It's really engaging; as a [UI] alum, I'm having a lot of fun."

John Forbes, D-Urbandale, said it's important to be reminded of the role the regent universities play in Iowa.

"It's good to see the impact the university has on research and development that creates jobs and generates revenue within Iowa," he said. "It's important to me to see that the investments the state is making in the university is having positive results."

Rod Lehnertz, the UI interim senior vice president for Finance & Operations, said the Hawkeye Caucus also gives the university the chance to showcase the diverse areas of study available to students who attend.

"I'm impressed each year with the connections and impressions our students make with lawmakers at this event," he said. "It's important to engage with



Students wait to meet with state lawmakers in the Capitol in Des Moines on Tuesday. The annual Hawkeye Caucus was held bringing University of Iowa students and alumni members to meet with Iowa officials. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

lawmakers and remind them of the students and their needs."

Hawkeye Caucus member Brendan Power said building relationships was his main goal for the day. "We want to get leg-

islators to see students' faces when they read 'University of Iowa' on a piece of legislation," Power said. "It's really all about having a conversation with them and getting to know them."

**'IT'S GOOD TO SEE THE IMPACT THE UNIVERSITY HAS ON RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT THAT CREATES JOBS AND GENERATES REVENUE WITHIN IOWA.'**

— John Forbes, D-Urbandale

**SCHOOL**

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The 1.25 percent increase comes to approximately \$90 million more in funding while the 4 percent increase comes to \$212 million. These expenditures would come from the state's general fund.

Both totals include roughly \$50 million to dedicate to teacher leadership.

Bolkcom argued that the funding increase is justified and reasonable, especially when compared with the state economy's nearly 6 percent increase during this fiscal year.

But House Education Committee Vice Chairman Rep. Tedd Gassman, R-Scarville, said he believes the Senate proposal doesn't add up.

"We're going to have to do some cutting to make some things work," he said. "We just honestly don't have the money to do that this year. So K-12 schools got to realize that."

Bolkcom and Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City, said the money would be available from the general fund. But many Republicans believe cuts would have to be made in other areas.

Mascher said the issue is not fiscal but philosophical.

"It's in the general fund, and we have the

dollars to do that," she said. "It's just a matter of whether or not we have the will to do that."

Historically, the funding increases have tended to fluctuate between 2 and 4 percent. But Sen. Amy Sinclair, R-Allerton, said the growth has not matched the pace of Iowa's economy.

"The problem is this year with the softening of the [agriculture] economy it has softened the state's increase in

revenues, which makes it difficult to increase spending," she said.

House Republicans may rely on a 0 percent increase as a fallback, which is Iowa law if lawmakers can't reach a compromise. In the meantime, Republicans wait for an offer closer to theirs.

"[Senate Democrats] haven't moved," Sinclair said. "The ball is really in their court. We took a vote, they voted against it, and they did not set another

meeting and did not offer another option."

Once this issue is solved, Mascher said, lawmakers will be able to address a broader range of topics related to education and budgeting.

"It's kind of like dominoes falling," Mascher said. "Once you get this set, for K-12 schools, then we'll be able to set the other budget areas as well and actually identify how much we have available in those other areas."

Despite Mascher's hopes to settle the dispute soon, Gassman said the only foreseeable

able timeline for an agreement is June 30, the last possible day to set the budget.

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## COLUMN

### In battling ISIS, imams use pens



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Since 9/11, ethnic profiling of Arabs has, undoubtedly and unfortunately, been on the rise. As unrest grows and fear of terror attacks by extremist organizations seems more imminent, many stereotypes begin to gain ground.

The rise of ISIS and the maintained prominence of other extremist organizations based in Arab countries have fueled this unrest.

One group, however, is trying to fight the stigma attached to the religion of Islam. Last week, *The Independent* reported on a small group of Muslim leaders who are trying to “drown out violent voices” through the creation of a digital magazine called *Haqiqah*.

*Haqiqah*, which brilliantly translates as “reality” or “truth,” focuses on addressing the “twisted ideologies” of terrorist organizations such as Al Qaeda and ISIS. The first issue of the magazine, in fact, addresses the ridiculous explanations for the killing, raping, and pillaging so frequently perpetrated by ISIS.

The imams (Muslim scholars commonly found leading prayer at mosques) who founded *Haqiqah* are trying to create a counter-narrative to the distorted Koranic verses that extremist groups use to gain followers and motivate their murderous regimes.

Upon discovering this story, I learned a horrifying fact. According to CNN, ISIS has a recruitment budget of \$2 billion (with a “B”) that it uses to produce video and social-media content used to attract young people. While the terrorist group having access to such funds is terrifying, it is the

organization that ISIS possesses that scares me most.

Terrorist organizations were once thought of simply as loosely tied, poorly organized — albeit frightening — militias of extremists, but ISIS appears to be shifting the paradigm.

When a terrorist organization is as organized as ISIS, disruption, Muslim leaders argue, cannot come simply from reactive or preventative violence. Marayati explains perfectly how the unique idea of *Haqiqah* may be the only thing capable of stopping terrorist organizations.

The creation of *Haqiqah* represents a less-often-seen side of the problem with Islamic extremist organizations: the battle between the small sects of Islam committing such heinous crimes and the larger portion of Muslims battling to prove they, too, are outraged by such actions.

Contrary to popular belief, it may not be missiles, Navy SEALs, or drones that are responsible for the ultimate demise of terrorist organizations.

The collapse of ISIS may come from within the religion of Islam itself. Rather than physically fighting those who have no rules by which to abide in their killing, imams are pursuing the road less traveled: education.

In trying to combat terrorism with knowledge, *Haqiqah* has the potential to single-handedly destroy Islamic extremism by starting from the bottom. By educating the Muslim population of the Middle East — and, increasingly, the rest of the world — in the fallacies promoted by terroristic leaders, *Haqiqah* has the chance to destroy ISIS without pulling a single trigger.

While the impact that “*Haqiqah*” may have is anyone’s guess, it represents an interesting possibility in the fight against terrorism. Unfortunately that these circumstances may be, *Haqiqah* is quite literally trying to prove that the pen is mightier than the sword.

## POINT/COUNTERPOINT

### Should Bergdahl face U.S. military charges?

After reportedly leaving a U.S. military base in Afghanistan, Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl was captured by the Taliban and spent five years in captivity. He was released as part of a prisoner exchange. Should he face the full punishment of military law?

#### Bergdahl’s crimes warrant punishment

The U.S. Army announced last week that Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl would be charged with desertion and misbehavior before the enemy. Given the disgraceful nature with which Bergdahl performed while in the Army, the charges against him are not only fair but perhaps do not go far enough.

During his service, he became embittered with the war effort. He wrote to his father that he was “ashamed” to be an American, complaining that “life is way too short ... to spend it helping fools.” Rather than encouraging his son to carry on with his duty, his father replied, “Obey your conscience.” Despite the obligations he made to his country and fellow soldiers, Bergdahl did exactly what his father told him. In June 2009, he abandoned his platoon in eastern Afghanistan.

The Army was quick to react, and the 501st Parachute Infantry became increasingly focused on personnel recovery after Bergdahl vanished. During this rescue effort that six soldiers died. Bergdahl claims he was captured and remained a prisoner of the Taliban for five years.

In May 2014, the United States was able to retrieve Bergdahl in a prisoner swap that resulted in five senior Taliban commanders being released. Many in Congress were outraged that the Obama administration had ignored the statements of Bergdahl’s own platoon-mates and made up their own story for political reasons. National Security Adviser Susan Rice described Bergdahl as serving with “honor and distinction.” To this date, this claim stands as a mystery, unsupported by any facts.

Sgt. Matt Vierkant, a member of the platoon, was furious with both Bergdahl and the Obama administration’s deception. He said, “I was pissed off then, and I am even more so now with everything going on.” The parents of Lt. Darryn Andrews, one of the men who died looking for Bergdahl, shared Vierkant’s sentiment. They said, “I think people need to be aware that the guy was not a hero, and American lives have been lost trying to save this deserter.”

The military could not be clearer regarding the seriousness of desertion. The Uniform Code of Military Justice, a federal law enacted by Congress, states that the punishment can be as severe as death.

Bergdahl claims that he was tortured, beaten with a copper cable, chained, and held in a cage while he was imprisoned. While I cannot begin to imagine that experience, it is his own traitorous and gravely irresponsible behavior that landed him in this situation. It also led to the deaths of innocent men. It is not farfetched to assume that the released Taliban leaders are now assisting ISIS in the Middle East. How many more innocent people lost their lives because of them?

The specific charges the Army has against Bergdahl include a maximum of life imprisonment, dishonorable discharge, and the elimination of all pay and benefits. If the testimony of Bergdahl’s platoon-mates is accurate, which I believe it is, I sincerely hope he receives the maximum retribution for his crimes.

Michael Korobov

#### No bars for Bergdahl

A U.S. soldier on tour in Afghanistan by the name of Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl went missing in June 2009 and was then captured and detained by Taliban forces until May 2014. In a deal cut with the Taliban, he was back in American hands at the cost of releasing five Taliban prisoners from the facility at Guantánamo Bay. He is now being charged with both desertion and misbehavior before the enemy.

People have claimed that the deal made for the safe return of Bergdahl was a bad one on the American end: a reported cost of \$1 million for intelligence and then, ultimately, those five who were detained at Guantánamo. According to a 2013 estimate by Harvard economist Linda Bilmes, costs of both the Afghan and Iraq wars come out to a total cost of around \$4 trillion to \$6 trillion.

Spending \$1 million to bring a soldier home, rather than \$6 trillion to send them to war, seems like a drop in the bucket to me. As for the Taliban detainees? With the consistently shady history of America’s Cuban-based prison, five fewer human beings incarcerated there doesn’t seem all too bad.

The repercussions of a guilty charge of desertion and misbehavior before the enemy could carry a sentence of life behind bars, as if an ordeal as traumatizing and mentally strenuous as being detained abroad for five years wasn’t enough?

Though some could argue that because of his alleged desertion, the closing of Combat Outpost Keating was delayed, resulting in the deaths of eight Americans on Oct. 3, 2009, when 300 Taliban soldiers overran the outpost. Of course what happened to the “no man left behind” morality of the U.S. Army? I suppose things are different in terms of accusations of desertion. But even then, if we’re looking for retribution for casualties of war, then we ought to put a few people on trial for the countless misguided drone strikes, resulting in the death of many innocent bystanders. Or are Middle Eastern lives not worth as much as American lives?

Even Bill O’Reilly can see the harsh nature of this possible conviction when on the airing of “The O’Reilly Factory” March 23, he said, “I would not send him to prison. I think we have to show some mercy here, because the guy has suffered.”

This entire situation seems to be absurd. Instead of letting this man return home and rebuild his life, he is being dragged through another ordeal. Though it seems to be a bit late to let him peacefully reintegrate into civilian life, the least that could be done at this point is to let him at least attempt a civilian life.

Jack Dugan

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## COLUMN

### No blaming the victim



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There has been an anomaly in the litany of cases in which unarmed African-Americans are brutalized by the police. This anomaly is the case of African-American University of Virginia student Martese Johnson.

Johnson was arrested outside a bar on March 18 and charged with public intoxication and obstruction of justice. During the arrest, Johnson sustained injuries resulting in widely circulated photos of him handcuffed and bleeding profusely from his head and face. Officers from the Virginia Department of Alcohol Beverage Control made the arrest, not the

Virginia State Police. What is unusual about this case is not the circumstances of the encounter but rather the media’s response to it.

The exact details of the interaction are still unknown, and the case has been continued until May 28 in order allow time for a thorough investigation to be completed. Although many key elements in the case are inconclusive, I am relieved that coverage of this ongoing story has not followed the typical format.

The format I am talking about is one in which an African-American is beaten or killed by law enforcement, and the following days become a race to uncover as much incriminating details from the victim’s past as possible. At some point, that is what news reporting has become. The story becomes less about informing the people and more of a retroactive justification for the actions against the victim.

The word “victim” being the operative term.

In the case of Johnson, it would be difficult for anyone to try to blame the victim. Johnson is a third-year Honor student at a nationally ranked university with no criminal record. In this case the means to rationalize the behavior of law enforcement are simply not there.

As disappointed as I am that this happened to Johnson, I cannot deny that part of me was overjoyed when more details became public. I was happy when I read that he is a Honor student. I was happy when witnesses stated he was not belligerent before the time of his arrest. I was happy when the potential ammunition I was certain would be used against Johnson was disproven or challenged. I was happy because this is important. It is important for people to remember that blame

doesn’t always rest on the head of the face-down black man handcuffed or dead in the street.

The case of Johnson is important because it can help stop the perpetuation of a certain way of thinking. It can help stop the perpetuation of a wrong way of thinking. We publicly sympathize with a wrongful death and tweet #BlackLivesMatter, but in the back of our minds, a seed has been planted. This seed will eventually sprout into the idea that in some way due to actions past, present, or future, the victim was at fault.

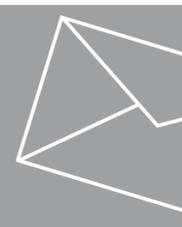
The questions inevitably asked are “What did he do wrong?” “Did he have a record?” and “Whose fault was it really?” There will certainly be times in which the accused is truly at fault, but we can’t get used to assuming that. Our initial recourse cannot be punish first and rationalize later.

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# Iowa senate OKs anti-bullying measure

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With bipartisan support, the Iowa Senate approved a bill that aims to prevent bullying in Iowa's K-12 schools by a 43-7 margin.

"Every Iowa child has the unquestionable right to be safe and secure at their school and in their community," said Sen. Kevin Kinney, D-Oxford, who voted in favor of the measure. "Today, Democrats and Republicans in the Senate took action to continue their leadership in the fight against bullying in Iowa schools."

Gov. Terry Branstad and Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds applauded the Senate for passing the legislation.

"I am pleased that the Iowa Senate today joined Lt. Gov. Reynolds and me in calling for ending bullying in Iowa," Branstad said in a statement following the vote. "Every child in Iowa deserves to go to school in a safe and respectful learning environment. The passage of Senate File 345 will give

schools the tools they need to prevent bullying."

Branstad went on to say he is hopeful the bill will receive support in the Iowa House and come to his desk for approval.

Branstad introduced the Bully Free Iowa Act of 2015 during his Condition of the State Address at the beginning of the legislative session.

"This is the year that we stand up to the bully. We can't wait any longer"

—Terry Branstad, governor

we stand up to the bully. We can't wait any longer," Branstad said while addressing legislators in January.

Last year the Senate passed a comprehensive anti-bullying bill, but the House did not debate the measure.

Bullying legislation has been a topic of debate in the Legislature for the past few years, and this year's version of the bill tries to fine-tune some language that has been a sticking point in previous years.

New this year, the legis-

lation would implement a peer-mentoring pilot program in two middle and high schools in the state, allowing older peers to interact with younger students in an attempt to recognize and prevent bullying behavior.

The bill also addresses cyberbullying, by giving school officials the authority to look into bullying that occurs on Twitter or Facebook, for example. Along with that, school officials

would have the ability to investigate and impose school discipline off school grounds.

The bill also allows for an exception to parental notification if school personnel believe parental knowledge of a bullying incident could lead to abuse or neglect at home.

"Senate File 345 breaks new ground by addressing bullying that uses electronic communications to bully others and bullying that occurs outside of school grounds," Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, said. "It also creates a



Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad gives a speech at the annual Republican Party Breakfast on Jan. 12. Branstad is serving an unprecedented sixth term as Iowa's governor. (The Daily Iowan/Sergio Flores)

state-level working group and mandates training in local schools when funding becomes available."

The House version of this bill, which has made it past the Education Committee, includes a total of \$200,000 in funding — \$150,000 would go toward training programs, and \$50,000 would go toward the student-mentoring pilot program.

But the Senate version does not include any funding parameters, leaving the funding aspect to go through an Appropriations Committee separately.

In his closing remarks to the Senate chamber, Sen. Rob Hogg, D-Cedar Rapids, said the basic principle in this legislation is that every Iowa student deserves a safe learning environment at school.

He cited a 2007 bill that was passed requiring schools to policies that guard against bullying.

"Unfortunately despite that law there is still too much harassment and bullying in our schools," he said. "Nearly 40 percent of our students report being subjected to name calling or teasing in a hurtful way."

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# WAITING FOR WARREN

## Elizabeth Warren

Age: 65

**Education:** University of Houston, Rutgers University

**Family:** Husband Bruce Mann, 2 children

**Experience:** Attorney, professor of law at Rutgers, University of Houston, University of Texas, University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, and Harvard Law School

**Political Career:** Chairwoman of the Congressional Oversight Panel (November 2008- November 2010), U.S. senator from Massachusetts (2013-present)

Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren has repeatedly said that she won't run for the Democratic Party's presidential nomination in 2016. So why are activists in Iowa and across the nation still asking?

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Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., is a dark horse lurking in the shadow of presumptive Democratic candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton's colossal lead in the polls. But many Iowans see Warren's candidacy not as far-fetched naivety but as the liberal foil necessary to challenge Clinton's more moderate policies.

"If we do our job correctly, we can show her there's support in the state and a path to victory here in Iowa," said Blair Lawton, the Iowa field director for Run Warren Run, a product of MoveOn.org Political Action and Democracy for America.

The organization has been the backbone of an effort rallying to persuade Warren to seek the 2016 Democratic nomination for president. More than 311,000 Americans nationwide, with representation from all of Iowa's counties, have signed a petition asking her to run.

Support for the first-term senator may appear futile compared with how President Obama was viewed in his 2008 campaign. By March 2007, political reporters and pundits characterized Obama as an underdog for polling at around 25 percent; current polls show Warren averaging around 12 percent, well beneath Clinton's 60 percent, according to an aggregation of polls by Real Clear Politics.

But momentum is growing in Iowa as Run Warren Run efforts increase, and as advocates for student-loan reform and middle-class resurgence hope to thrust her into the competition.

"People are really hungry to have conversations about income inequality and recognize Sen. Warren is a real champion on those issues," Lawton said. "Obviously, it's a very diverse group of supporters we've got. Our volunteer base has a lot of different activists, progressive Democrats young and old."

Many Democrats simply desire a viable competition in the Iowa caucuses not only to test all candidates but also to increase awareness and interest in the election.

In March, 16 political and busi-

ness leaders in Iowa, including Johnson County Supervisor Mike Carberry, signed an open letter to Warren imploring her to enter the race.

"I don't want this to be a coronation; I'm encouraging everyone to run," Carberry said. "Even if she doesn't beat [Clinton], her pressing the issues will make Hillary define herself on those issues and actually make Hillary a better candidate."

Polk County Democratic Chairman Tom Henderson mirrored that belief.

"The more candidates the better, and if Elizabeth Warren wants to run, I would say do it," Henderson said. "It would be wonderful for the Democratic Party and good for the caucus system, good for variety and choice, and bring diversity ... a diversity of ideas. She'd bring unique ideas to the table that would benefit the discussion."

And college students — who make up much of her base — say they benefit from those ideas. Warren has introduced bills to fight student-loan debt, and she has taught law at a number of schools, including the University of Texas-Austin and Harvard.

Warren visited Iowa last fall while speaking in support of former Rep. Bruce Braley's unsuccessful Senate campaign. On the University of Iowa campus, her presence garnered around 600 supporters. While there, she encouraged investments in education and infrastructure.

Her largest legislative effort in that arena was a student-loan reform bill that was ultimately shot down in the Senate in September 2014. The more than \$1 trillion owed in student-loan debt makes it the largest form of personal debt in the United States. The bill would have raised taxes on millionaires in order to help students refinance their loans.

Run Warren Run has established campus organizers at the UI, Iowa State University, and Drake University. One of the local volunteers, UI sophomore Maggie Kelehan, said student debt is one of the main reasons she believes the movement has gained momentum.

"Students in the U.S. should be able to get an affordable education," Kelehan said. "An educated society is a better society, and Elizabeth Warren really shows she cares about the issue."

Although no Democrats have officially announced their candidacies, Warren has repeatedly said she won't seek the nomination. Carberry, like many Iowans, remains sanguine in his efforts to prompt her candidacy.

"She said over and over she's not running ... But nobody's running," Carberry said. "Hillary's not running either; that doesn't mean she's not going to."

Lawton said he admires Warren's reluctance to pursue the Oval Office because she is thriving and advancing through popular support rather than a personal desire to ascend to the apex of the political hierarchy.

But Henderson differed in that regard.

He said candidates who want to succeed need the fire in their hearts and a clear desire to pursue the office. But he added he's seen more activism for Warren than any other candidate.

"I don't get why all this energy is being spent when she's not going to run," Henderson said.

If Warren does enter the race, many Iowans do not believe Clinton is a lock for the nomination. The unpredictability of election season has yet to unfold.

"Right now, [Clinton] might be front-runner, but minds are not made up," Henderson said. "Under certain circumstances, she could be the Democratic nominee. We don't know until the race is run."



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## Blum opens Cedar Rapids office

CEDAR RAPIDS — Rep. Rod Blum, R-Iowa, greeted Iowans on Tuesday in Cedar Rapids for the ribbon-cutting of one of his three district offices.

Blum, who was elected to the 114th Congress in November 2014, has three district offices outside Washington, D.C.: one in Cedar Falls, Dubuque, and Cedar Rapids. The grand opening for the Cedar Rapids location, 310 Third St., had an attendance of roughly 40 community members.

"Thank you so much for being here today. We're honored, humbled to be doing what we're doing, serving the folks of eastern Iowa in the halls of Congress," Blum said. "I'm glad we could be located in Cedar Rapids."

Cedar Rapids Mayor Ron Corbett

thanked Blum for having one of his district offices located downtown.

"You have a personal vested interest now, working to make sure this building is protected," Corbett said, drawing a laugh from those at the event.

To that point, Blum said he was told the building that houses his office was under 8 feet of water during the 2008 flood.

Other people present at the event included various members of Blum's district staff from Waterloo, Cedar Rapids, and Dubuque. Blum employs a number of outreach coordinators for various demographics in the 1st Congressional District, including farmers, veterans, minorities, and youth.



Rep. Rod Blum, R-Iowa, talks to guests at his ribbon-cutting ceremony for his new office in Cedar Rapids on Tuesday. Blum has offices in Cedar Falls, Dubuque, and now Cedar Rapids. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

Blum also said that he's interested in a mobile office that would allow his staff and him to travel through all counties in the 1st District.

Blum, a Dubuque native, serves on the House Budget Committee and the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee.

— by Kristen East

## ETHICS &amp; POLITICS EDUCATION

## School starting date settled

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The debate over school starting dates is finally coming to a close as a bill setting Aug. 23 as the earliest starting date for schools makes its way to the governor's desk.

Iowa Senate Majority Leader Michael Gronstal, D-Council Bluffs, dropped his hold on the bill Tuesday morning.

The Senate originally voted on a bill that would give full local control to school districts in determining schools' starting date, but the Senate agreed to compromise with the House-approved Aug. 23 date last week, the same day the Iowa State Fair comes to a close.

Gronstal halted the progress of the bill by filing motions to reconsider its passage. His biggest concerns were rooted in an amendment lacking approval for

high schools to pursue year-round calendars.

Gov. Terry Branstad spokesman Jimmy Centers told *The Daily Iowan* the governor intends to sign the bill into law.

"The governor is pleased that Sen. Gronstal withdrew his motion to reconsider and allowed schools more stability and predictability regarding school starting date," Centers said in a statement.

For roughly three decades, state law has required schools to open their doors the week of Sept. 1, but most schools were almost always granted waivers to begin the school year earlier.

This debate became a hot topic in the state Legisla-

ture after Branstad and the Iowa Department of Education announced that the state would no longer grant automatic waivers, and the guidelines would become stricter.

Rep. Tedd Gassman, R-Scarville, the vice chairman of the House Education Committee, said he didn't understand why Gronstal filed a motion to reconsider the bill in the first place.

"We can't just keep going on and on with something like that," he said.

Although the school starting-date issue may finally be put to bed, Gronstal said, this "single-handedly created a significant problem for schools and parents."

While the compromise ends a major distraction,

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## MISSION CREEK FESTIVAL SCREENDANCE

## Dancing through the screen

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FilmScene welcomed guests on the first day of Mission Creek Festival to view a collection of short films, compiled together as the Iowa Screen-dance Festival.

The festival is a combination of eight short films created by local and national dance filmmakers. Local filmmakers Tori Lawrence and Elizabeth Bergman curated the show.

Each film is a product of Lawrence, Bergman, or their close friends.

"[Bergman] and I knew everybody we curated in this show," Lawrence said.

The show featured a variety of films, ranging from documentary-esque shorts with dialogue to shots of a dancer running through fields in Ireland.

In one film, "That Dizzying Crest," by Jeremy Moss, a woman danced accompanied by only a piano. The screen was bright, flashing with inverted colors through an old film reel.

"It played around with 16-millimeter film — that was really interesting," said University of Iowa senior Jacob Holland. "I also liked that it played with digital format."

Cinema major Holland said that although he wasn't sure what to expect from the show, the films impressed him.

"I was not entirely sure what I was going into," he said. "It actually surprised me how awesome all of these pieces were."

One memorable one for Holland was "Pidgin/Pigeon," a creation of Bergman's. The short featured a woman in a pink tutu dancing on top of soda cans. She kicks the cans, dances around them, and lies down on them.

"When I saw the cans next to the Dumpster, at first, I was very critical," Holland said about the fourth film in the show. "I thought, terrible sound, terrible image, but then it went into a really interesting commentary."

Most of the films only featured female dancers, something Lawrence said she and Bergman find to be an interesting concept.

"Men still dominate

choreography," Lawrence said. "[Bergman] works with a male cinematographer, and I have two male cameramen. But we were interested in female perspectives in this male dominated field."

This interest manifested in one of her featured films, "Muirín." In the film, a woman dances in the wind over cliffs and through water, very aware of the nature around her.

For Bergman, the focus was not entirely on making a statement about the male-dominated industry but commented on self-reflection as well.

In "Introspect," by Bergman, a woman is first shown in a dressing room, looking at herself in a mirror. The shot then moves to her dancing on broken mirrors in the aisle and on stage of the Englert.

"Mirrors lie, and they can be dangerous to stare into," Bergman said. "The mirrors used in my piece symbolize reflection and the idea of how I want to be more aware of what my body is doing and not how it looks. The male gaze coming from the audience in the theater shows my awareness of others looking at me."

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# DAILY BREAK

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### Moments from a totally stable marriage

**Me:** I really think you'd like "Doctor Who."  
**Her:** I'd like to watch it, but you keep watching it without me.  
**Me:** Just the most recent season. I'd like to start over, with you.  
**Her:** (stonefaced) I'd like to start over with you, too.

**Me:** Bet you're wondering why I was laughing in the shower. I thought of a good joke.  
**Her:** Oh? Really? One of yours or a funny one?

**Her:** I wanna watch a movie.  
**Me:** How about *Captain America*?  
**Her:** I'm more in the mood for a documentary.  
**Me:** *Captain America* IS a documentary. It's a documentary about how good the movie *Captain America* is.

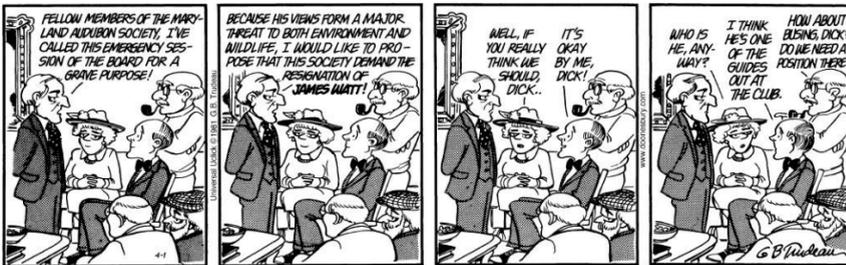
**Her:** Did you eat somewhere BEFORE coming home tonight?  
**Me:** It's time to be honest with you, Honey. I have a secret second family restaurant in another town.  
**Her:** Yeah ... maybe your mouth can keep a secret, but your tummy can't.

**Me:** Never bring a gewgaw to a bric-a-brac fight.  
**Her:** (laughs) I hate you.

**Andrew R. Juhl** does, despite all evidence to the contrary, love his wife.

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



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by Scott Adams



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- **Anatomy/Cell Biology Seminar, "Genetic and electrophysiological modifiers of a fruit fly model of migraine,"** Thomas James, & "Loss of Irx1 function in mice leads to pulmonary immaturity and neonatal lethality," Wenjie Yu, 1 p.m., 1-561 Bowen
- **2015 International Edible Books Festival,** 3-4:30 p.m., 1103 & 1105 Main Library
- **"The City as Classroom,"** David Gould, 4 p.m., Obermann Center for Advanced Studies
- **Latin American Studies Program Spring Speaker**

- Series, "Contacto Ancestral's Living Links: Constructing a Maya Diasporic Historical Memory on the Airwaves," Alicia Ivonne Estrada, 4 p.m., 315 Phillips
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Emily Wilson & Michael Morse, poetry, 6 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **"Food for Thought: Inedible Aesthetics,"** Dale Fisher, 7:30 p.m., Museum of Art@IMU Visual Classroom

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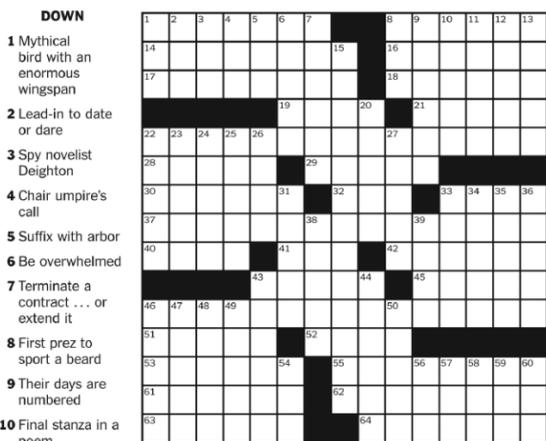
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Part of "rico" or "roja"
  - 8 Lives in a cell?
  - 14 Like the praying mantis, anatomically [weird, but true]
  - 16 Goofs
  - 17 Guaranteed to succeed
  - 18 Covets
  - 19 Bit of smoke
  - 21 1,000 kilogrammes
  - 22 Midwest capital #1
  - 28 Take on
  - 29 Many radio songs after Thanksgiving
  - 30 Think up
  - 32 Where to find some very sick individuals, for short
  - 33 U.F.O. shape
  - 37 Midwest capital #2
- DOWN**
- 1 Mythical bird with an enormous wingspan
  - 2 Lead-in to date or dare
  - 3 Spy novelist Deighton
  - 4 Chair umpire's call
  - 5 Suffix with arbor
  - 6 Be overwhelmed
  - 7 Terminate a contract ... or extend it
  - 8 First prez to sport a beard
  - 9 Their days are numbered
  - 10 Final stanza in a poem
  - 11 Life form
  - 12 Sports venue
  - 13 German steel city
  - 15 Midwest capital #4
  - 20 Musical composition
  - 22 Boxer Ali
  - 23 Computer extra
  - 24 Constantly
  - 25 Constantly daydreaming, say
  - 26 Leave \_\_\_ the pros
  - 27 Black suit
  - 31 Symbol on the flag de Argentina



PUZZLE BY MICHAEL SHTEYMAN

- 33 Game of motor precision that, strangely enough, is often played while inebriated
- 34 Playground retort
- 35 Women's tennis garment
- 36 "The Trial" author
- 38 Paavo \_\_\_, the Flying Finn of 1920s Olympics
- 39 Jack's love in "Titanic"
- 43 Eggnog ingredient
- 44 Catch
- 46 "Get lost!"
- 47 Principal melody
- 48 Polytheistic
- 49 Trevor of the N.B.A.
- 50 Like Little Red Riding Hood
- 54 Las Vegas-to-Austin dir.
- 56 V.I.P. on the Hill: Abbr.
- 57 Singing syllable
- 58 Hang out, with "around"
- 59 F.B.I. employee: Abbr.
- 60 Suban of old TV's "The Partridge Family"

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## horoscopes

Wednesday, April 1, 2015 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES (March 21-April 19):** A different approach to a hobby or endeavor you are undertaking will help you advance. Use your talents to directly increase your earning potential. A serious approach and good negotiating skills will bring good results.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Make a positive change. Participating in activities that will bring about greater opportunities should be on your agenda. You will learn a lot from the people you encounter. Take control of your life, and follow your heart.
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You must cover your back. You have good ideas and connections, but someone will lead you astray if threatened by your popularity. Emotional manipulation is apparent, and it must be kept at bay if you want to make steady progress.
- CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Something unexpected will catch you off guard. Don't bend under pressure. Be confident, and execute what you can do to the best of your ability. Personal self-improvements will lead to compliments and enhance your love life.
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** A change will do you good. Attending a conference or trade show or taking that long-overdue vacation will infuse you with new ideas and energy that can help you make new acquaintances and positive steps in a new direction.
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Put more time and effort into your talents and appearance, and you will be happy with the results. Don't let anyone take up your time with unreasonable demands that will deter you from investing in the things you want.
- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Make suggestions, and offer solutions to the people you are dealing with; you will gain respect, and you will control the outcome of a situation that concerns you. Negotiate to secure a financial, legal, or contractual deal.
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Take a back seat, and observe what others do. Indulgence, overspending, or taking on too much responsibility will be detrimental to achieving your personal goals. Put your needs first, and follow your intuition. Love is on the rise.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Don't let emotional matters stand between you and your goals. Make positive changes at home, and you will stabilize your financial position. Refuse to get involved in a fast-cash scheme when protecting what you already have will bring the highest returns.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Property investments, contracts, and taking care of personal business will put you in a good position. Don't worry about what others think or say. Ignore opposition, and follow through with your plans. Take the route that benefits you. Romance is encouraged.
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Revisit what has worked well for you in the past, and consider ways to update and put similar goals in place. A chance to advance is within reach if you make a couple of positive changes.
- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Re-evaluate your current position, and consider whether someone who has ulterior motives is manipulating you. Protect your ideas, your possessions, and your financial security. Love is in the stars, but you shouldn't feel that you have to pay for it.

# The trouble with practical jokes is that very often they get elected.

— Will Rogers

# Disterhoft will lead new-look Hawks

The Iowa women's basketball team has to find a way to move on from Sam Logic, Bethany Doolittle, and Melissa Dixon.

By **KYLE MANN**  
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After losing its Sweet 16 matchup to Baylor on March 27, the Iowa women's basketball team is likely still basking in the warmth of a historic season amid the sadness of sending off a historic senior class. When the Hawkeyes get around to it, they'll be refreshed to realize that looking ahead, they'll reload rather than rebuild.

The impact of losing seniors Sam Logic, Bethany Doolittle, and Melissa Dixon cannot be softened. The trio, along with Kathryn Reynolds, were the senior class with the most wins in 21 years and achieved numerous individual records. Despite that, the Hawkeyes will not be bereft of talent next season.

Meet Ally Disterhoft, your new star player. She's already familiar to Hawkeye fans, born and raised

in Iowa City, she followed a sensational freshman campaign with a sophomore season in which she tied for the team lead at 14.8 points per game, in addition to grabbing 5.9 rebounds and dealing out 2.4 assists per game.

She enjoyed the presence of the seniors taking attention away from her defensively in her first two seasons, but the numbers indicate that she has potential to remain an efficient scoring weapon.

Disterhoft shot 43 percent from the floor as a primary driver, a number with room to improve, but her relentless attacking the hoop was often rewarded. She made 137 free throws in the 2014-15 season on 78 percent from the line, good for 12th in the Big Ten. She also finished as a 37 percent 3-point shooter, but she became lethal during the final stretch of the season, particularly with her feet set.

Disterhoft will be the

primary scorer and receive much of the defensive attention, but the thing that Iowa will be most desperate to replace — offensively, that is — is the penetration and ball movement provided by Logic.

Enter: Whitney Jennings. She started 31 of 34 games as a freshman and showed plenty of flashes of the potential head coach Lisa Bluder raved about in the preseason. Jennings has the ball on a string as a ball handler and is similar to Logic in her fearlessness as a penetrator. She was most impressive with her ability to get shots up around taller defenders, and she also has vision to find cutters and shooters.

Her 1.74 assist-to-turnover ratio was second behind Logic, as was her 2.7 assists per game. She was Indiana's Miss Basketball as a senior in high school, and given that her talent already seems to translate

to Bluder's system, her experience alongside Logic bodes well for her chances of becoming yet another dangerous playmaker at point guard for the Hawkeyes.

So the offense, once again, appears equipped to be potent next season. Of all the uncertainty amid the turnover, however, the biggest question mark remains where it always has: on defense and on the boards.

And in that regard, fans may be surprised to hear they could see their team improve.

Doolittle's departure takes away the only rim protector from the roster, but 6-3 freshman Chase Coley will have another year of strength training, and she is the all-time leader in blocks in Minnesota high-school history (both boys and girls), so will be relied on heavily down low.

After Coley, seniors-to-be Kali Peschel and Claire Till



Iowa guard Ally Disterhoft shoots a 3 during the Iowa-American game in Carver-Hawkeye arena on March 20. The Hawkeyes defeated the Eagles, 75-67. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

combined to form a scrappy bench duo of rebounders and length in the post. Christina Buttenham and Alexa Kastanek will also likely see increased minutes and will provide much-needed pressure on the perimeter.

The Iowa faithful would be crazy to not anticipate an adjustment period, but they'd be remiss to not expect to be near the top of the Big Ten once again.

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# Int'l seasoning aids golfers

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With the Iowa women's golf team recruiting four freshmen earlier in the fall season, including one from Canada and one from Spain, it seems as if Iowa's latest recruitment is paying off.

Two of the freshmen are performing exceptionally well. Elisa Suarez of Spain has the teams lowest average of 76.1 in 26 rounds, with her lowest score of the season at 70. Canadian Jessica Ip has an average of 78, with her lowest score of the season at 71.

The team has changed substantially in the past few years, as Iowa has pushed to recruit internationally in an attempt to pull from a broader range of talent.

"The first year I came here, I was the only one from outside of the Midwest," said senior Shelby Phillips, who is from Gilbert, Arizona. "Last year, we got a girl from Spain and a girl from Canada, and they're starting to reach out there and get some foreign players, which is great."

The exceptional performances from Suarez and Ip may be credited to the ease of transition that the players have had when they first came to the United States.

"It's been good because I've had friends who came to the United States, and I talked to them before, so I knew what I was going to go

through," Suarez said. "So I was mentally prepared, and all of my team has helped me make the transition much easier."

Suarez never came for an official visit to the Iowa, but communicating with the coaches and looking through the UI's websites helped her to decide that she wanted to go to Iowa City.

As far as playing, Ip had a little more difficult of a transition when it came to the physical aspect.

"I've never played 36 holes in a day before," Ip said. "That was kind of a shock, but everything else has been great."

Unlike Suarez, Ip visited Iowa before joining the team and liked the players on the team and facility, which ultimately persuaded her to join the Hawks.

The coaching staff also believes that Suarez's and Ip's transition into college has been smooth even though they both came from a foreign country.

"Elisa and Jessica have made the transition seamlessly," head coach Megan Menzel said. "They're trained from a young age, and they've both played on their national teams, and Elisa has spent some time playing at a boarding school in England, so a lot of it is probably more familiar to them coming to college, be-



Iowa golfer Shelby Phillips hits out of the sand at the Diane Thomason Invitational at Finkbine on Oct. 4-5, 2014. Illinois took first in the tournament, beating Iowa by 14 strokes. (The Daily Iowan/Valerie Burke)

ing in a dorm, and being with people you don't know even more so sometimes than the players from the United States."

The success of the freshman class can also be attributed to assistant coach Todd Selders. He performs all of the team's recruiting and travels around the country and in foreign countries to try to sign the best talent.

Selders has his own template when he recruits a player.

"We have a checklist when we recruit a player," he said. "First, we look at their scores, academics, and most importantly, how they treat their parents. If we see a player treating their parents poorly and disrespectfully, we won't take that player, because that's a sign that the player won't

respect the coaches, either."

This strategy helps the team pick players who are level-headed, which is a key attribute for a golfer's mental game in order to be successful.

It seems that is paying off. The coaching staff is excited about the remainder of season because there have been many improvements in the team's scoring.

"We're really excited," Menzel said. "We feel that things are kind of clicking right now, and we've seen great improvement this spring so far. This is really good for us to see these scores dropping, because we're in a northern climate. They've worked extremely hard in this off-season and have bought into what we've asked them to do, and it's paying off."

# Versatile Mallett turning heads

By **MARIO WILLIAMS**  
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It's no surprise that sophomore Aaron Mallett has turned some heads and made a name for himself thus far in the 2014-15 season for the Iowa track and field team. If people are surprised, they shouldn't be.

The road to success began when the sophomore was crowned a Big Ten runner-up at the indoor conference meet in the men's 60-meter hurdles, along with a third-place finish in the men's 1,600-meter relay. Mallett's effort at the conference meet landed him a spot to compete at the NCAA Championships, where he recorded the highest NCAA 60-meter hurdles finish in school history, with a time of 7.79 — good for sixth. His performance snagged him an All-America honor as well.

If that wasn't enough, Mallett opened the outdoor season at the Baldy Castillo in Tempe, Arizona, with a bang, winning the 110-meter hurdles with a personal

best of 13.85, a time that ranks third in the nation and sixth on Iowa's all-time list. Mallett also anchored the men's 400-meter relay, which finished second with a time of 40.07 and sits at the No. 5 nationally. With this, Mallett was crowned the Big Ten Athlete of the Week on March 25.

"I had to go into the outdoor season and keep a level head like I did in the indoor season," Mallett said. "I wanted to bring all the good energy from the indoor season, and I definitely found the success."

Success, sure, but perhaps Mallett's versatility as an asset that has been just as big for the Hawkeyes this season.

"He can do everything from the 100 hurdles, the 4x1 outdoors, all the way to the 400 hurdles, and the 4x4," Iowa Director of Track and Field Joey Woody said. "You have to be smart with an athlete like that with the training and set them up for success in all the events."

Although the sophomore has to compete and train



Iowa runner Aaron Mallett pushes to the finish line in the 110-meter hurdles at the Musco Invitational on the Cretzmeier Track on May 3, 2014. Mallett placed first in the event. (The Daily Iowan/Rachael Westergard)

for the large number of events, he is becoming more focused. He said the opportunity to compete in a number of events is more helpful than hurtful.

His teammates feed off his attitude and leadership.

One of those teammates, Brendan Thompson, who also competes on the 4x1 relay, has no worries when it comes to what Mallett can do.

"It's inspiring to see all of his hard work paying off considering he's only a sophomore, and he's accom-

plishing all of these things," Thompson said. "It drives me to continue to work hard day in and day out."

With much more to go in the outdoor season, Mallett is hoping to get another shot at the NCAA Championships and break a few school records down the line.

"I wanted to go to nationals really bad, and I knew I was working hard enough to get there; I just needed to put the right race together," he said. "It was definitely a great experience that I want to experience again."

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# Iowa men's gymnasts face tough road in NCAAs

Iowa men's gymnastics finished the regular season ranked No. 8, setting the stage for an uphill battle at the NCAA Championships.

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Going into the Big Ten Championships on March 27, Iowa men's gymnastics was in control of its own destiny — technically, it still is.

However, the squad could not hold its position as the No. 7 team in the country, and California (previously ranked No. 8) passed the Hawkeyes after a performance that has huge implications going into the NCAAs.

"Realistically, we just try to sell it to the kids that the battle is between us," head coach JD Reive said. "Our job to win is to go out and hit 30 routines, and if it's not 30, it's to be as close to that as humanly possible, with minimizing all the errors we make."

Iowa's score of 427.600 was considerably lower than California's 432.700 at the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Conference Championship, more than

enough to leapfrog the Bears over the Hawks in national qualifying average, a ranking that determines which of two groups teams will be placed in for nationals.

Previously, the rankings had been based on a four-score average, consisting of a team's four highest scores, counting a maximum of two home meets.

The qualifying average replaces a team's highest score with its score from their conference championship meet, which accounted for more than an 8-point drop-off from Iowa's season high of 435.750 at Penn State on Feb. 27.

Each group advances its top-three teams to the second day of competition. Cal slipping in to the seventh seed and Group 2 gives the Bears a better shot at advancing; it will likely come down to them and No. 6 Minnesota — a team Iowa beat twice this year.

For the Hawkeyes, being placed in Group 1

makes getting to the second day an uphill battle. At 430.213, its qualifying average is at least 6 points behind No. 5 Illinois and No. 4 Michigan.

Recent history provides solace to an Iowa team that ranked as high as No. 6 this season.

In 2013, the Hawks entered the NCAA Championships at No. 11 and advanced to the final day en route to a fifth-place finish.

So, there is hope. It's likely going to take the team's highest score of the season, as well as a few mistakes from Michigan and/or Illinois, to advance past the competition's qualifying round.

The NCAA Championships will begin on April 9 in Norman, Oklahoma.

"If we go in, do our best, and walk away saying that we left everything on the floor, then we'll be fine," assistant coach Ben Ketelsen said. "If that means we move into the team fi-



Iowa's Cory Paterson perform on the bars during the meet against Nebraska and Minnesota on Feb. 14. The Hawks will travel to Norman, Oklahoma, for the NCAA Championships on April 9. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

## NCAA Championships groupings

### GROUP 1:

- 1. Oklahoma (447.163), 4. Michigan (436.938), 5. Illinois (436.213), 8. Iowa (430.213), 9. Ohio State (429.663), 12. Army (416.675)

### GROUP 2:

- 2. Stanford (438.025), 3. Penn State (437.850), 6. Minnesota (433.250), 7. California (431.113), 10. Air Force (427.113), 11. Nebraska (421.838)

nal, that's awesome, but if not, then we did everything we could do."

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## BASEBALL

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throw strikes and make them hit you," Gallagher said. "No free bases, and I tried to do that the best I could today."

He was strong for most of his time on the mound but was pulled after giving up a run on a Grand View single in the fourth inning.

Heller used three other pitchers after Gallagher, including Jared Mandel, who was credited with the win.

"It was great to get Nick Gallagher out there for a real start and let him roll, his first one, and we were just going

to let him go until he was done," Heller said. "I thought Jared Mandel did a nice job, too, and it was good to see him go

out there and get some innings under his belt.

"We're going to need both of those guys down the stretch."



Iowa's Cory Paterson perform on the bars during the meet against Nebraska and Minnesota on Feb. 14. The Hawks will travel to Norman, Oklahoma, for the NCAA Championships on April 9. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

## SOFTBALL

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on her season ERA. Not gaudy numbers by any means, but it was noticeable improvement against a top-5 team in the country — something Starkenburg credits in part to Hoffman's experiences.

"I think she's taken a lot of things from Kayla to help me," Starkenburg said. "But Kayla and I are very different pitchers and throw different pitches, so I think it's been a learning experience for Holly as well — we've been able to help each other

out with that, too."

As the pitchers and catchers have gotten more comfortable as the season has gone on, Looper also feels that better in-game feedback has been a major positive for the team.

"I think Holly and all of our catchers in general have been more honest with our pitchers, not saying 'Great pitch, great pitch' when it's not," Looper said. "Honesty across the board has been huge for the development of all our pitchers."

For a relatively young team, that communication should only improve the team as the Hawkeyes move

toward the back part of their season.

There's also a good deal of confidence in Starkenburg and with five games coming up in the next five days, she'll have plenty of opportunity to prove just that.

"I think she's definitely fine-tuned some of her pitches, and she has built up a lot of confidence," Hoffman said. "That's why she had the success against Michigan, and it's something I think she can keep doing."

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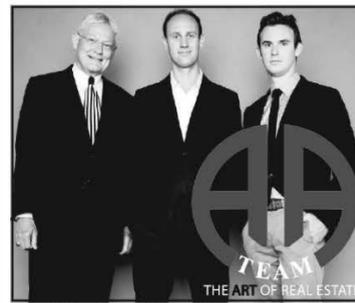
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**Logic makes third-team All-American**

The Associated Press released its All-American teams on Tuesday, and Iowa senior point guard Sam Logic was named to the third team.

Logic averaged 13.4 points per game along with 8.1 assists and 7 rebounds per game, had nearly 2 steals per game, and shot 48 percent from the floor. Her 8.1 assists per game was good for third in the nation, and she leaves Iowa as the all-time assists leader.

She was joined on the third-team by Maryland's Lexie Brown, Jillian Alleyne of Oregon, A'ja Wilson from South Carolina, Ruth Hamblin of Oregon State, and Reshanda Gray from California.

Logic was jumped by Ohio State freshman Kelsey Mitchell, who made it on to the second team.

Logic was named to the All-America preseason team, was recognized by the Big Ten for the fourth-consecutive year (first team), and is the only player in NCAA history to score 1,400 points, collect 800 rebounds and assists, and 200 steals.

She was also named second-team All-American by ESPN and the Writers Association.

— by Kyle Mann



Iowa guard Samantha Logic drives for a lay-up during a second-round game of the NCAA Tournament in Carver-Hawkeye on March 22. The Hawkeyes defeated the Hurricanes, 88-70. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

**Big Ten honors Toole**

Eric Toole took home Big Ten Player of the Week honors after hitting 8-for-16 last week.

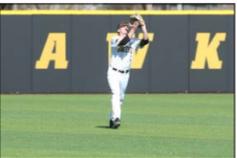
The 6-1 senior outfielder ended his 15-game hitting streak, a career high, against Grand View on Tuesday, but he extended his on-base streak to 23 games.

Toole played a big part in the Hawkeyes' series sweep of Indiana. In the second game, Toole went 1-for-2 with 2 runs. In the third game, he went 3-for-5 with 2 RBIs and scored 1 run in the Hawkeyes' 10-6 victory.

Toole ranks first on the team and ninth in the Big Ten with a .347 batting average. He leads the team in steals with 15.

This is the first time Toole has been honored by the Big Ten.

— by Ian Murphy



Iowa center fielder Eric Toole catches a fly ball during the Iowa-Grand View game at Banks Field on Tuesday. (The Daily Iowan/John Theulen)

**Cubs 15, Rangers 10**

**SURPRISE, Ariz.** — Kyuji Fujikawa failed to retire any of the five batters he faced in an 8-run ninth inning as a Texas Rangers split squad lost to the Chicago Cubs, 15-10, on Tuesday.

Fujikawa, who signed with the Rangers in December after pitching for the Cubs last year, had retired 21 of 25 batters in exhibition games. Chicago sent 12 batters to the plate in the ninth, and Fujikawa's ERA jumped from 1.35 to 13.50.

"There were a lot of positives, discounting the ninth inning," Ranger manager Jeff Banister said. "I felt like the fastball got away from Fujii. I felt like one ball got hit well off him. The walk in the inning is what got him, I believe. It started to snowball from there on him. After the triple, I felt it was time to get him out."

Ranger starter Derek Holland, slowed by a sore left shoulder early in spring training, threw 81 pitches. He allowed 5 runs — 4 earned — 6 hits and 2 walks in 5.1 innings. He is slated to start the home-opener against Houston on April 10.

"I'm ready to go. There are no shoulder issues," Holland said. "My pitch count is up, and I'm happy. I'm not going to lose sleep over some of these results."

— Associated Press

**Bluder to coach Pan-Am team**

By **RYAN RODRIGUEZ**  
ryan-rodriguez@uiowa.edu

Iowa head women's basketball coach Lisa Bluder will coach the U.S. team at the 2015 Pan-American Games.

Bluder has represented USA Basketball at numerous other international tournaments, including the 2001 World Uni-

versity Games in Beijing.

The 2015 Pan-Am Games are scheduled to take place from July 10-26 in Toronto. The 12-player roster is expected to be announced on May 17 after tri-



**Bluder**  
head coach

als from May 14-17 at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

"It is an honor to be selected to coach a USA Basketball team," Bluder said in a release. "I had such a wonderful experience as an assistant coach for the World University Games, and I am looking forward to working with our elite athletes

in the Pan American Games. I don't think there is anything more meaningful than representing your country, and to do it by virtue of coaching the game I love is remarkable."

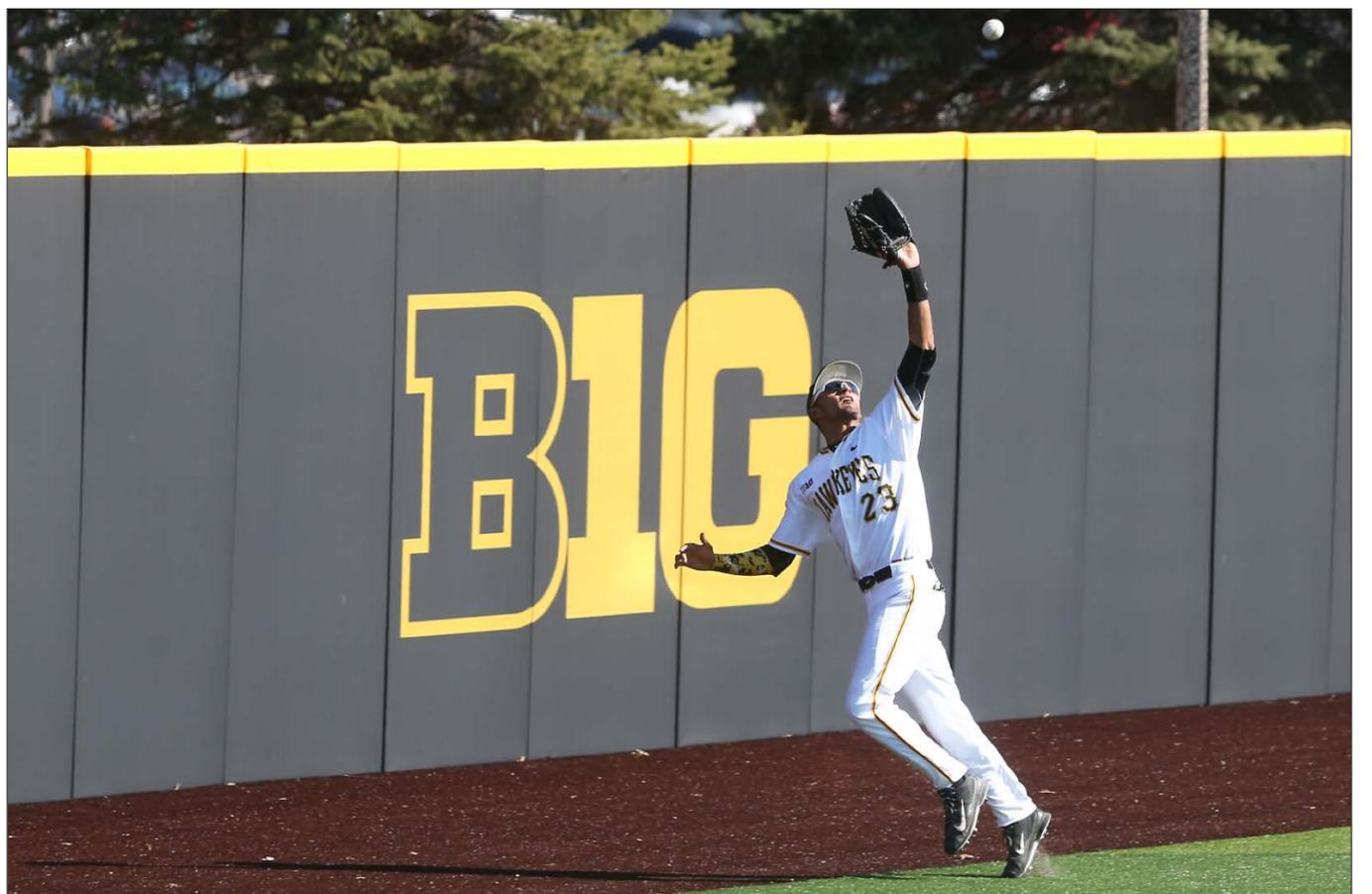
The Iowa head coach will have two assistants — Michelle Clark-Heard of Western Kentucky and Scott Rueck of Oregon State.



**BASEBALL**

**IOWA 9, GRAND VIEW 2**

**Big inning buoys Hawks**



Iowa right fielder Joel Booker tracks a fly ball during the Iowa-Grand View game at Banks Field on Tuesday. The Hawkeyes defeated the Vikings, 9-2. (The Daily Iowan/John Theulen)

**Seven Iowa runs over the sixth, seventh, and eighth innings blew the Hawkeyes' game with Grand View wide open.**

By **JORDAN HANSEN**  
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Up 2-1 going into the bottom of the sixth inning in the Iowa baseball team's eventual 9-2 win over Grand View (9-11) Tuesday, the Hawkeyes needed a bit of breathing room.

Grand View starting pitcher Spencer Lockwood had struggled mightily early, walking five batters and forcing the Vikings to pull him just two-thirds of the way through the first inning.

After that, however, Iowa (18-6, 3-0 Big Ten) hadn't been able to get much of anything going, managing only one hit through the first five.

The sixth inning, however, went a bit differently. Outfielder Kris Goodman hit a

lead-off double, which was quickly followed by a triple from freshman Grant Klenovich. It was his first college hit.

"I saw fastballs early and wasn't able to put it in play with a runner in scoring position and trying to hit the ball hard up the middle," Klenovich said. "I got two strikes on me, and I did the two-strike approach that our coaches preach to us every single day, and it worked out."

"I got an elevated curve ball, and I was able to sit back and drive it to the right side."

The Hawkeyes tacked on a second run and then another in the seventh, and the floodgates really opened up in the eighth inning, when they scored another 4 runs to go up 9-2.

"I think our confidence was there the whole time, and it just came around at

the end," centerfielder Eric Toole said. "We were getting walks early, we were getting hits early, then they'd throw that one strike, and we'd ground into a double play and that's unfortunate sometimes, but I feel we were swinging well the whole day."

Most of Iowa's 9 hits came in the fifth inning or later, and a solid outing by the Hawkeye pitchers kept the Grand View bats at bay until a cushion was in place.

Freshman Nick Gallagher got the start for the Hawkeyes — the first of his college career — and went 3.2 innings, striking out 3, walking 2, and giving up a single earned run.

"It was a lot of fun, I just tried to pound the zone, and Coach [Rick] Heller tells us to

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**Chemistry lessons in softball**

The bond between the pitcher and catcher is perhaps the most vital on Iowa's softball team.

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As far as relationships on the softball field go, the bond between a catcher and a pitcher is perhaps the most important on the team.

This season, the Hawkeyes returned a solid catcher in redshirt junior Holly Hoffman, who, including this season, has started 124 games in her Iowa career.

Having such an experienced catcher is a major boon for Iowa. She caught for one of the better pitchers in recent Iowa memory — 2014 senior Kayla Massey — and has tried to give some of that experience to this year's No. 1, Shayla Starkenburg.

"When I'm catching Shayla, each pitch I try to give her feedback," Hoffman said. "If she hangs one out, I say, 'Hey, try to get a little more bite on it, or a little more off the plate, you just missed this spot right here.' Or if it's a great pitch, I let her know that."

"We work together a lot in practice, and there's a lot of communication, and I think that's why we have had the success that we have had."

While Starkenburg has struggled at points this season — entering Wednesday's contest with Drake, she has a 5.11 ERA and sat out a week to make some "adjustments," head coach Marla Looper said — Hoffman still feels that there are a lot of similarities between her game and Massey's.

"As far as approach goes, their approach to the game is very similar," Hoffman said. "They want to go right at batters and attack batters. We try not to pitch around people. As far as their pitches go, however, they differ."

"I've taken time to get to know my pitchers and what they throw strongly, where their weaknesses are."

Recently, however, it looks as if she has taken palpable steps forward. After he week off, she got two shots at No. 4 Michigan in Ann Arbor the past weekend.



Iowa's Holly Hoffman catches a pitch at Pearl Field on May 4, 2014. The Hawkeyes will face Drake in Des Moines today. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

She went 1-1 with an ERA of 4.84 and recorded 10 strikeouts in those two games. That's right with her season average in strikeouts and a slight improvement

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**Iowa softball at Drake**

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**Where:** Des Moines