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It's official: Robillard will become interim leader

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The search continues, but one major step is complete.

The state Board of Regents appointed Jean Robillard, the University of Iowa vice president for Medical Affairs, to serve as interim president during its meeting in Council Bluffs on Thursday.

Robillard is also the head of the Presidential Search Committee tasked with helping to find a replacement for President Sally Mason.

He will become interim president on Aug. 1, immediately following Mason's retirement.

Robillard opted not to receive an additional salary as interim president. During fiscal 2014, Robillard's salary was more than \$760,000.

"We hadn't even gotten to [salary], and he volunteered that he did not want additional pay for that," Regent President Bruce Rastetter said. "I think that, in the true spirit of what a terrific individual he is, he wants to help provide leadership for the university during that interim."

The search panel will play a major role in



Robillard
interim president to be

helping the regents select the next president.

As the head, Robillard said gaining an understanding what the UI community wants to see in the new president has been one of his main goals.

He said he visited with the leadership of each college as well as community leaders, such as elected local officials.

Robillard listed a wide range of criteria he said he felt these groups think are important, including someone who could energize the student body.

When Regent Subhash Sahai asked Robillard what traits were most important, he said they included the candidate's ability to

work with an interdisciplinary team and to connect with the community and donors.

"I think we want a leader to be highly intelligent in communication and relationship-building," Robillard said.

He said the committee members had not yet decided exactly how many interviews they would conduct privately during the preliminary interview stage, but the panel would bring three or four to campus during the public portion.

Sahai expressed concern about the number of applicants the committee would pres-

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Success in IMU



Daymond John speaks to the crowd in the IMU Main Ballroom on Thursday. John, a member of the popular show "Shark Tank," gave a lecture on entrepreneurial success to a sold-out crowd. Following the lecture, students were given an opportunity to pitch their businesses at the Hawk Pitch. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

Entrepreneur and TV personality Daymond John spoke in front of a sold-out crowd Thursday night.



(Top) Daymond John takes a selfie with the crowd in the IMU Main Ballroom on Thursday. (Bottom) Daymond John imitates LL Cool J in the IMU Main Ballroom on Thursday. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

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To the sounds of Run-DMC, Prince, and the Beastie Boys, famous entrepreneur — and "shark" on the reality television series "Shark Tank" — Daymond John spoke to a sold-out crowd about his life growing up in Queens and the role hip-hop played in launching his multimillion-dollar fashion empire.

The University of Iowa Lecture Committee on Thursday night hosted the talk, the final event scheduled as part of the Hawkeye Innovation Summit.

Growing up in a poor house with a single mother, John described his first job at the age of 10, handing out fliers for a soon-to-be-opened mall for \$2.25 an hour.

As hip-hop became more popular as a music genre, John said, he began to notice similar fashion trends among the youth in hip-hop culture.

Capitalizing on the popularity of hip-hop's distinctive style, he and his mother mortgaged their house for \$100,000 and turned it into a makeshift clothing factory, the beginning of a company, which today has earned more than \$6 billion in sales.

During the talk, John presented "S.H.A.R.K. Points," five business tips he calls the keys to personal success.

"I came to see if he could share some knowledge and also some humor, and I think he did a good job of that," said UI alumnus John Slump, a cofounder of Corvida Medica and Iowa Approach. "He evokes that ambition and borderline craziness you have to have as an entrepreneur."

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Silent rally questions racism

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Perhaps the strongest way to send a message is to not say anything at all.

Roughly 20 people gathered on the T. Anne Cleary Walkway on Thursday to express their concerns about African-American students on the

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(The Daily Iowan/Tanner Siegworth)

ETHICS & POLITICS CONGRESS

Senators oppose Lynch

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After a five-month delay and an abortion-related scrum, Loretta Lynch was confirmed as the next U.S. attorney general on Thursday. She will be the first African-American woman to hold the position.

"I think it is always significant when we break barriers with regards to class, gender, or religion," said Rachel Caufield, an associate professor of political science at Drake University.

The 56-43 vote will replace Attorney General Eric Holder, a frequent target of conservative ire and one of President Obama's last original Cabinet members.



Lynch
U.S. attorney general

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University of Iowa campus.

The demonstrators included student members of three different campus groups: NAACP, Hubbard Group, and Sistah Speak.

Some concerns are the support for African-American student organizations as well as racism across social media.

Participants linked arms across the walkway to block oncoming students. Several held signs reading, "Black Voices are Not Heard" and "Black Voices Matter."

However, none of the protesters' voices were actually heard. As a symbolic gesture, the protesters covered their mouths with duct tape and stood in silence as students walked by on their way to class.

It was a gesture that Hubbard Group member Matthew Bruce believed would capture the attention of the campus.

"The point today is to try to symbolically show that our voices do exist and make people see that fact," Bruce said. "And we deserve to be heard. This is our campus as well as it is any other students' campus."

Demonstrators deferred to Bruce after interview requests.

The Hubbard Group was created to support black males on campus and to



Participants duct-tape their mouths as part of the "Black Voices are Not Being Heard" rally on the T. Anne Cleary Walkway on Thursday. (The Daily Iowan/Tanner Siegworth)

address the individual and institutional concerns of African-American students and faculty.

Among those concerns is what demonstrators call a spread of racist posts and comments on social media around campus, including anonymous posts on the mobile app Yik Yak.

"There are constantly racist updates on Yik Yak," Bruce said, holding up a sign with examples of recent posts from around campus.

The Hubbard Group also raises concerns about diversity among faculty and the retention rates of African-American students.

"These are just some of the things we believe the university isn't talking about," Bruce said.

High-profile discussions of national racial issues and cases have reached Iowa City over the past few months with social-media activism and several demonstrations on campus.

In December 2014, controversy erupted over a statue in the likeness of a KKK robe placed on the Pentacrest, and President Sally Mason put a Black Student Advisory Committee in place. The group hosted a forum earlier this month.

Following Thursday's

demonstration, which lasted approximately 30 minutes, the participants huddled together in silence.

"Try to understand, or at least listen to the experiences that we go through," Bruce said. "I feel like that's the first step to maybe creating some change."

Although they didn't say a word, the message was heard loud and clear by some of those passing by.

One protester held a sign asking "Do we belong here?" Without hesitation, a white man approached him and acknowledged the sign.

His response was a thumbs up and a "Yes."

Regent Walsh notes issues

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COUNCIL BLUFFS — Outgoing Regent Hannah Walsh voiced both her appreciations and concern for the state Board of Regents during a meeting in Council Bluffs on Thursday, Walsh's last. Her term will expire April 30.

"I promised myself I would do my very best to represent all of our regents' students," Walsh said.

Walsh is a University of Iowa senior and political-science major. One member of the nine-person board must be a student of one of the three regent universities.

She said that, though she appreciates the opportunity to look at higher education from a dual-perspective and the positive effect education policy can make on people's lives, she sees several issues with the structure and mentality of the regents.

Walsh highlighted what she said she sees as lack of attention to graduate and professional student populations as well as to special school students.

She said she believes there should be two student regents — one graduate student and one undergraduate student — as well as one faculty member of the

board. That way, she said, these three regents could represent each of the three regent universities.

"As much as I would love and attempted to represent all the regents' students, it's simply impossible to truly do so," she said.

Another issue Walsh noted was the regents' proposed new funding model, which bases funding heavily — 60 percent — on in-state undergraduate student enrollment, with 5 percent tied to resident graduate students.



Walsh regent

Walsh said she voted in favor, though conflicted, last year for the new model but said she came to regret her decision.

"We cannot tear down one university to build up two," she said.

Because it has a higher proportion of out-of-state students, the UI stands to lose tens of millions of dollars under the model, and the funds would be redistributed to Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa. It still requires legislative approval.

The governor's proposed budget did not apparently shift money around, according to the regents' proposal.

Walsh said the percentage devoted to undergraduate students is too high and the portion devoted to graduates is too low.

"No two of our universities are totally alike," she said. "Each contributes differently to the state of Iowa, each bettering our state for future generations. Individually, our institutions are strong, but together they're even stronger."

In response to the regent's proposals, the UI has boosted advertising and recruitment efforts to draw more in-state students to Iowa City.

"Without being implemented, performance-based funding is working," Regent President Bruce Rastetter said.

He said though the policy has not yet been implemented, the UI is set to grow 13.5 percent in resident enrollment and will also grow 9.5 percent in nonresident enrollment.

"I think that, clearly over the past year, there's been a lot of overreaction and lobbying going on worrying about all the negatives of performance-based funding, but it will work," Rastetter said.

Walsh has filled the re-

mainder of former Regent Greta Johnson's term since 2012.

"I have watched you from your first days on campus as a young freshman," UI President Sally Mason said to Walsh at the meeting.

Walsh plans to attend the UI in the fall to earn a master's degree in higher education and student affairs. Taking her place will be Rachael Johnson, a University of Northern Iowa student, appointed by Gov. Terry Branstad.

Walsh previously told *The Daily Iowan* she sought the governor's reappointment.

She said she discovered her passion for the American political system early in life. Her experiences, especially those as a regent, influenced her special interest in education policy.

"As a student and regent, I've come to realize the importance of the development of quality policy and the need to understand the many complexities of the issues facing each educational institution," Walsh said.

She took time to thank the governor, Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds, Mason, student leaders, the regents, and her family.

Regents Robert Downer and Ruth Harkin will also see their terms end April 30.

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Three vie for ambulance project

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Three area companies have been selected as possible contractors to design Johnson County's future \$3.4 million medical examiner and ambulance building.

On April 29, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors will hold hourlong interviews with each of the three companies. Two of them — Carlson Design Team and Rohrbach Associates — are from Iowa City, while OPN Architects is from Cedar Rapids.

"All things being equal, for me, I would prefer to go with one of the local companies," Supervisor Mike Carberry said. "Johnson County taxpayers are paying for that, and local money has a turnover effect."

Although Supervisor Janelle Rettig said the supervisors have not worked with any of the companies

before, Rohrbach built the last two Iowa City fire stations, and Carlson built the Medical Laboratories and the Bowen Science Building for the University of Iowa.

The future building, to be located at 808 S. Dubuque St., will house the Medical Examiner's Office, the Ambulance Services, as well as the Facilities Department and storage space for the Auditor's Office.



Rettig supervisor

The Ambulance Service has been housed in its current building, at the same location, for over a quarter of a century.

Rettig said the facility would be mostly taken up by a garage, but will most also have a second-floor for offices.

Carberry said the building will be environmentally friendly, built to get LEED certification from the Green Building Certification Institute.

Originally, 10 companies applied for the contract. The Space Needs Committee, a group of officials tasked with selecting the finalists, weeded the list down to the final three.

Facilities Manager Eldon Slaughter, a member of the committee, said the main benefit from Facilities Department moving into the space will be its ability to have a larger service area.

After the contractor has been selected, Slaughter said officials would sit down and discuss what exactly the department needed in the building.

Mike Hensch, the administrator of the county Medical Department

and also a member of the committee, said his department has two goals: to have a single building and to store everything in the same place.

"We're split among four different buildings," he said. "So this will be the first time we have an integrated space for storage ... supplies, our vehicles ... and administrative offices."

Right now, Hensch said, whenever employees need something, they must walk between one building and another, and in the winter and summer, the vehicles stored outside don't fare too well.

"It's pretty exciting we're moving forward with this project," he said. "We've been talking about it for five or eight years, so to finally have it come to fruition ... it's very refreshing."

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SEARCH

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ent to the regents as finalists. "I know it sometimes can be tough, especially going out in public, for such high-caliber people," Sahai said.

Rastetter, however, said he wasn't particularly concerned the search committee would come up short because the same process the UI search committee will use worked in the past at Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa. "We think that process

will work well, and the committee's a good committee," Rastetter said. He said they expect 70 to 80 applications, 12 to 14 of whom would be interviewed, with three to four finalists that would visit campus for town-hall meetings in the fall. The regents have previ-

ously discussed concerns over the number of candidates brought to the table in past searches. So far, the committee members have gathered once to meet one another as well as the search firm, Parker Executive Search, which will help them find

and interview candidates. At their second meeting, Robillard said, the members will establish a position description for president, more clearly define their search processes, and establish a firm timeline for meetings and, ultimately, bringing a president to campus.

"They feel that, now that we've passed the flood, that the place is extremely well-positioned to do well," Robillard said. "Everything has been put in place." The search committee's next meeting is set for May 8 in the Carver Biomedical Research Building.

JOHN

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Sophomore Connor Watters, a UI marketing and management major, said he enjoyed the talk and appreciated John's style. "Hopefully, one day, I want to open my own business, and I love 'Shark Tank,' and I know he's a successful guy, so I just came to learn," Watters said. "When you look at businesses, numbers and such, it can be so methodical, straight and strict, but sometimes when you listen to a lot of these guys they bring a lot more 'human' to it." Morgan Holtz, the owner of Redhead Hair salon

in Cedar Rapids, said she is a fan of "Shark Tank" as well, and she came to learn how to grow her business. "I was taking notes while he was going over his four main keys," she said. "I've only been in my business for a year, so I just wanted to come down and get his advice." After John's talk, he opened it up for a Q&A session in which people asked him questions about their business and entrepreneurship. At one point during the Q&A, instead of asking a question, a man told a personal story about his father and then asked John for a photo on stage. Despite the awkwardness and some discontent from the crowd,

John agreed and took a photo with the man. UI senior Kyra Seay, an entrepreneurship and social innovation major who was directly behind the photo man in the Q&A line, became worried there wouldn't be enough time to ask her question. Seay was eventually able to talk with John. During her question, she noted that she will graduate in May, and John told her to get him her information, something Seay said she was on her way to do. "I come to events like this to learn," she said. "I think the entrepreneurial community is one you can never get sick of because it's constantly changing."



Guest fill the IMU Main Ballroom on Thursday. Daymond John, from the popular show "Shark Tank," gave a lecture titled "Five S.H.A.R.K. Points: The fundamental Keys to Business and Personal Success." Following the lecture students, were given an opportunity to pitch their businesses at the Hawk Pitch. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

LYNCH

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Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky, cast what was viewed as an unexpected vote in favor of Lynch. His decision to hold up a vote until a separate matter was resolved helped lead to the delay. Nine other Republicans broke ranks to join McConnell, including Sen. Mark Kirk, R-Ill. Both of Iowa's senators voted against confirming Lynch, which was in line with their previous statements. Sen. Chuck Grassley voted against Lynch

when her nomination was front of the Judiciary Committee, on which six-term senator serves as chairman. "After thoroughly reviewing that testimony, I concluded that she won't lead the department in a different direction," Grassley said on the Senate floor. "And that's unfortunate. Because after six years of Attorney General Holder's leadership, the department desperately needs a change in direction." During her confirmation hearing in front of the Senate Judiciary, Lynch voiced her support for Obama's executive actions on immigration. Ultimately, this and other stances led Grassley to vote against

Lynch's confirmation when it came in front of the Judiciary Committee. Iowa's junior senator, Joni Ernst, who was elected in 2014, also voted against Lynch. Ernst, like Grassley, was worried about the current U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of New York's independence from Obama — especially when it comes to immigration. "I have serious concerns with Loretta Lynch's intention to uphold President Obama's policies — especially executive amnesty," Ernst said in a statement. "... I am not confident that Ms. Lynch will act independently

from President Obama when the role requires it and therefore could not vote to confirm her as attorney general." Ernst's characterization of "executive amnesty" is related to conservative views about Obama's decision in November to expand previous actions for people who have entered the United State illegally — specifically parents of U.S. citizens. While the decision to push any confirmation to the new Senate contributed to the delay, so did questions about an unrelated piece of legislation effects on public funding for abortions. The debate centered on

legislation aimed at addressing human trafficking. While entirely unrelated to Lynch, McConnell vowed that no confirmation vote would occur until the bill was finished. Despite passing the Judiciary Committee unanimously, the bipartisan bill was derailed after Democrats found what is called the "Hyde Amendment" in the final text. The amendment is used on major appropriation bills to restrict taxpayer funding of abortions. Because the trafficking legislation would create some revenue through fines, the amendment was tacked onto trafficking legislation.

After senators reached a compromise on Wednesday, the bill passed 99-0, paving the way for Thursday's vote on Lynch. Caufield said that given how bad Holder's relationship was with Republicans, it would be nearly impossible for Lynch's relationship to not be better. Republicans once voted to hold Holder in contempt of Congress. It was the first time Congress had used such a measure against a sitting Cabinet member. "Congress' relationship with Eric Holder was always a difficult one; it's almost hard to imagine that it won't improve," she said and laughed.

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Sexual abuse and people with disabilities



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April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and as such, an opportune time to discuss sexual abuse toward a specific demographic that is often overlooked — people with disabilities.

According to a study cited in the People's Law School of Canada, males with disabilities are twice as likely than those with without disabilities to be sexually abused. The rates are the same for females with disabilities, except this statistic broadens to include all types of abuse — physical, mental, financial, etc.

Lioness Ayres, a University of Iowa associate professor of nursing, has devoted much of her research to exploring how caregivers and family members respond to chronic illnesses. In her research, she has also learned about the abuse of people with disabilities.

"People with disabilities are easy to abuse," she said. "Blind people are easy to rob, people with closed-head injuries are easy to exploit financially, people in wheelchairs are frail or fragile oftentimes. And it's easy because — and this is terrible but true — when people with disabilities complain about abuse, they're often not taken seriously."

Let's imagine a potential stereotypical sexual-assault scene involving an able-bodied and able-minded person. The attacker comes up to them, and physically tries to overtake them. It is possible that the person who is being assaulted could run away or phys-

ically fight back. If the person being attacked has a physical disability, this possibility is greatly decreased, as they may neither have the strength or the stamina to do either.

We also know, however, that most sexual-assault perpetrators are acquaintances of those who are assaulted. And on top of the manipulation and guilt-tripping that often is involved in an acquaintance assault, a person with a disability is often dependent on this person in the situation, or, in the case of someone with an intellectual disability, may have a hard time realizing that what is being done is wrong. They may also be easier to manipulate.

Even if someone does not have an intellectual disability but has a physical disability, they may find themselves in a situation in which they are being manipulated into accepting sexual abuse as "normal." Or they may be so dependent on the person who is abusing them that they may believe that they have to accept the abuse or go without care.

Of course, as Ayres said, there is also the issue that when people with disabilities choose to report abuse, they are often not believed, because they are often seen as not as sound of mind. With this in mind, it is likely that they will simply choose not to report anything wrong, and thus the cycle of abuse continues.

As someone with a disability, this fact horrifies me. If you don't have a disability, you should be horrified, too. Why? Because "people with disabilities" is the only minority group that you can become a part of anytime in your life. Not everyone with a disability is born that way, meaning that you, too, could one day find yourself in a position where you are dependent on other people to perform everyday tasks.

EDITORIAL

Tread carefully with drones

It has been several years now since the term "drone" ventured beyond the vocabulary of science-fiction fanatics and into the minds of politicians, engineers, and even the guy standing next to you at the coffee shop.

Despite an increased familiarity with the technology — whether through their use as weapons or as alternatives to package delivery — there has been no such increase in public comfort surrounding these machines.

On Thursday, the Obama administration declassified an incident that occurred in January of this year; in which a drone strike aimed at killing Qaeda terrorists also killed two civilians. One of the civilians killed was an American, Warren Weinstein, the other an Italian, Giovanni Lo Porto.

In his address, President Obama admitted that his administration was not aware of the presence of Lo Porto and Weinstein at the compound. And although the counterterrorism effort did eliminate terrorists, and the White House claims the strike was consistent with counterterrorism policies, the incident can only serve to heighten public unrest about drones.

The *Daily Iowan* Editorial Board believes that Obama's statement to "do our utmost to ensure it is not repeated" holds little weight while funding is still poured into taking the step from semi- to fully autonomous drones. Furthermore, we support legislation and projects that protect U.S. soldiers and citizens but not at the cost of detriment to the U.S. human-rights standings.

Atop the list of human-rights concerns surrounding drone technology use in the military is the increased risk of civilian casualties. According to a report pub-

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lished in 2012 by the Human Rights Watch, "fully autonomous weapons that could select and engage targets without human intervention could be developed within 20 to 30 years."

While the prospect of such machines that don't require U.S. soldiers on the battlefield is enticing, the fear that something may go wrong outweighs the benefits of such machines. After all, the killing of an innocent civilian — American or otherwise — is one of the worst side effects of war.

Of course, the point can be made that drones may have the potential to lead to human-rights violations, but such potential is a small price to pay given the purpose of drones. In practice, drones are often used in counterterrorism efforts — fighting individuals who refuse to follow human rights themselves.

But when it comes to human rights, killing one to save 1,000 cannot apply.

It is important to note that the killing of these two civilians in January was more a function of an under-informed mission than of a drone strike itself. But with each civilian death on the hands — so to speak — of a drone, the support to prevent their increased proliferation gains ground.

Amid the unrealistic, science-fiction aspects of drones there is a legitimate fear of completely autonomous weaponized robots being the root cause of human-rights violations in the future. It is entirely fathomable that an unmanned aerial vehicle could make a catastrophic mistake and at that point, it will be too late to prevent the damage.

VOICES OF PHILANTHROPY

The secret sauce of UI education

My connection to the University of Iowa began when I was 8 years old. I grew up in Iowa City, attending elementary school across the street from what is now the UI Tippie College of Business, where I would later get my M.B.A.. I earned my undergraduate degree in speech communications from the UI, and my first management position was at the UI Alumni Association, where I served as associate director.

When I left Iowa City 35 years ago to begin a career in media and entertainment, I was armed with the rich history and tradition of this university and the community that surrounds it. As my career and my life took me to Chicago, then New York and Toronto, I often

found myself reflecting on the value of my Iowa education. I believe it was a significant contributor to my business success, both in terms of the substance of my education and the less tangible lessons I learned about independent thinking, open-mindedness, and fair play.

I got a sense of perspective at the UI — a broader and more balanced view than I often found in colleagues whose earlier lives were spent elsewhere. And I believe that education, those lessons and that perspective, encouraged me to make more thoughtful decisions, take a longer-term, more strategic look at issues, and be a more effective manager and leader.

I come back to the UI often now, in my role as a

board member of both the UI Foundation and the Tippie Advisory Board. And I find that I always leave refreshed and reinvigorated, finding those same values at work today among enthusiastic students, insightful faculty, and leading-edge administration and staff.

My own philanthropy comes from a strong desire to make sure we don't lose that magic, that secret sauce that enabled me to learn simple truths at the University of Iowa that I could use to navigate a complex world. I feel fortunate to be able to support

unique programs at the Tippie College of Business that fuel my own passions. I support one that develops strong people-management skills among our M.B.A. students, and another that provides leadership development opportunities for women.

Private support — our individual and collective philanthropy — ensures that tomorrow's UI graduates will have the opportunity to experience that same magic, building a strong foundation for lifelong success as well as a deep and lasting connection to the University of Iowa.

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VOICES OF PHILANTHROPY

Dean: Phil is an 'angel investor'

The term "angel investor" is associated with an affluent individual who provides capital for a business start-up. Bluntly speaking, such individuals are focused principally on one thing: generating more wealth. However, throughout much of my life, I have come to use the term in a much more personal and philanthropic way. To me, "angel investors" are the countless individuals who, through the gifts of time, talent, and treasure, strive to advance the lives of others. Each seems to possess deep-seated values that are centered on the adage "It is better to give than to receive." Because of my personal faith, my mind tends to emphasize the "angel" part of the term — but frankly, without the "investor" element, the fundamental essence of those good intentions could not possibly be realized.

I am the eldest of eight

children, the son of a fifth-generation cabinet-maker/carpenter, and first-generation college graduate. Growing up, our home was rich with a treasure trove of love, but we were of very modest financial means. From strictly an economic viewpoint, who in their wildest dreams could have ever imagined that from such humble beginnings I would one day graduate from college, obtain a professional graduate degree, complete postgraduate residency training, and eventually have the distinct privilege of serving as dean of one of the finest colleges of pharmacy in the world?



Letendre
dean

Certainly not I; yet here I am.

The truth is, my journey was made possible in large measure by some very caring, considerate, anonymous angel investor-philanthropists who helped fund my education. Without their support, I could not have possibly afforded the wonderful education I received. And for that I will forever be grateful.

As dean of the UI College of Pharmacy, I experience daily the joy of interacting with students. They serve as a constant reminder of the hopes and dreams of the future. Yet, given the ever-increasing cost of education, the financial burdens students face are a constant source of concern. Counterbalancing this concern are the countless individuals, not unlike those angel investors who aided me, who are investing in our

students through their support of scholarships, educational facilities, technology, and the faculty who serve as the backbone of our educational enterprise.

In Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, Juliet asks, "What's in a name?" I think of these philanthropists as angels, but the University of Iowa calls them "Phil" for short. Whatever you choose to call them, they are helping in numerous ways to keep students' hopes and dreams alive through their generous philanthropy. They made a tremendous difference in my life, and I hope the wonderful "angel investors" who helped make my own education possible feel that their return on investment was worthwhile.

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Iowa conservatives stretch their muscles

By AARON WALKER
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Republican presidential hopefuls have flocked to faith-based events in Iowa such as the Good Friday Prayer Breakfast, Homeschool Iowa Day, and Saturday's Iowa Faith & Freedom Coalition Spring Kickoff, vying to harness the conservative sector of the party.

During the 2012 election cycle, 57 percent of Iowa's caucus goers identified as evangelical or born-again Christians, according to a CNN entrance poll. That makes the Republican-leaning subset a key demographic for GOP hopefuls.

And more events that cater to social conservatives in Iowa may be because that sector of the Republican Party may feel their values are more endangered than in years past.

"I think among American evangelicals there is a feeling of being threatened right now," said Cara Burnidge, an assistant professor of religion and politics at the University of Northern Iowa. "The public debate is about whether or not that feeling of being threatened is supported by legislation and by candidates."

Although social issues may be make-or-break topics for social conservatives, Burnidge and Iowa Faith and Freedom Coalition President Steve Scheffler

said the evangelical population cares about a wide range of topics.

At this Saturday's event, he said, he expects candidates to address a range of issues including education, taxes, and national security.

Still, a powerful force in the movement is Bob Vander Plaats, the CEO of the Family Leader, a Christian conservative organization. In 2011, *The Hill* called Vander Plaats' one of the top 10 most-coveted endorsements for Republicans running for president.

He is one of many Iowa conservative heavyweights hosting events across the state with 2016 GOP hopefuls to promote Christian principles in governance.

"2016 is a different environment than '08 and 2012," Vander Plaats said. "At this point, there needs to be level and fair playing field while we discern which candidate will be the best candidate to champion pro-family leadership for country."

Those family values create a social platform based on pro-life, anti-gay marriage, and abstinence-based student education stances.

Still, experts agree Vander Plaats' sway remains significant. Miranda Blue, a senior researcher at People for the American Way, a liberal advocacy group, said he has great influence in Iowa's social-conservative realm.

"You can see from the vast majority of Republican candidates are eager to be seen with him and eager to attend his events, that his endorsement and support means a lot in the race," Blue said. "I think that his influence in the presiden-

tial race in Iowa speaks to where the Republican Party is ideologically at."

Those moral issues have triggered Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa, to introduce a bill this week that, if passed, would prevent federal courts from overturning state bans.

"For too long, federal courts have overstepped their constitutionally limit-

ed duty to interpret the Constitution," King said in a release. "Rather, federal courts have prevented the Constitution to make law and create constitutional rights to things such as privacy, birth control, and abortion."

King is also a major player when it comes to GOP endorsements. *The Des Moines Register* ranked him No. 5

on its list of most wanted Republicans for 2016.

For many other socially conservative donors in Iowa, centrist ideology won't grab their attention or their support.

"I think if we nominate a moderate that is Hillary-like, we'll get steamrolled," Vander Plaats said. "It won't even be close."



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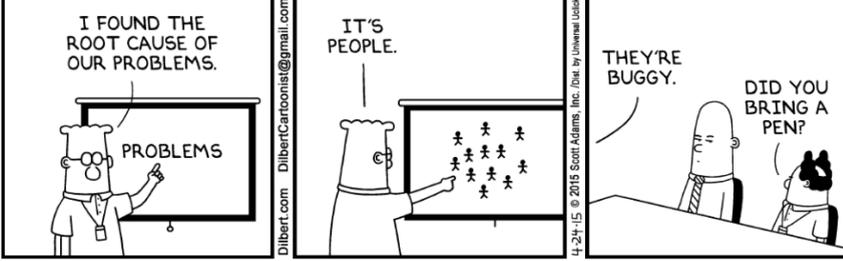
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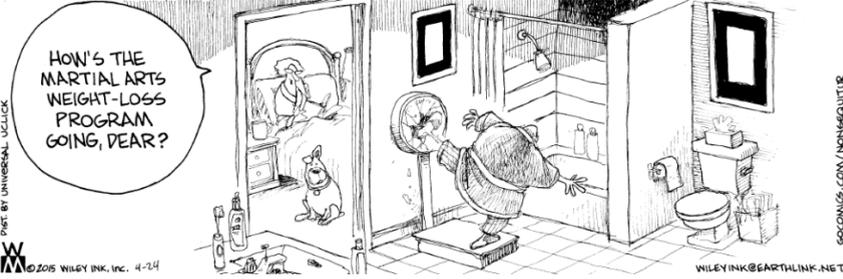
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by Scott Adams



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today's events

- **Virgil Vigil**, all day reading of Virgil's works, Black Hawk Minipark
- **Spring Bike Tune-up**, 2-4 p.m., Pentacrest
- **10th-Anniversary Celebration of UI and China Daily Exchange Partnership**, 3 p.m., Adler Rotunda
- **Alexandria Miller**, mezzo-soprano, 4 p.m., Clinton Street Music 376
- **Baroque Organ and Flute Concert**, 5 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **Hanna Ralson**, mezzo-soprano, 6 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall 2
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Poets on the Book, Ted Mathys & Matt Hart, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Aly Olson**, soprano, 8 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall
- **American Sniper**, 8 & 11 p.m., IMU Iowa Theater
- **Matthew Laughlin**, cello, 8 p.m., Trinity Episcopal Church 320 E. College
- **The Liar. Mainstage**, Theater Building Mabie Theater
- **The Wedding Ringer**, 8 & 11 p.m., 348 IMU
- **Alternative Prom**, 9 p.m., Currier Hall Multipurpose Room

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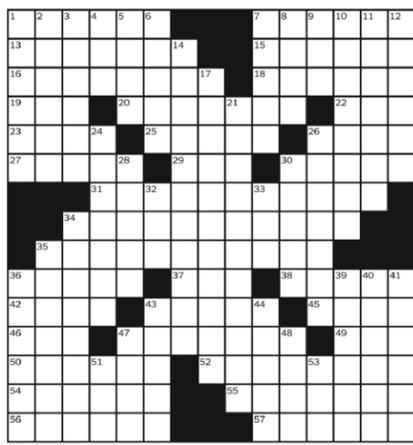
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0320

- ACROSS**
- Writes a Dear John letter, say
 - Ones taking a bow?
 - Like many movies on file-sharing sites
 - Lane in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame
 - Prime times
 - Title locale in a 1987 Czech Marin film
 - It starts in late winter in N.Y.C.
 - Betray some nervousness
 - "Licensed to _____" (first rap album to reach #1)
 - Career
 - Appetizer served with a two-pronged fork
 - Mayberry moppet
 - Songwriter Carole Bayer
 - Hosp. workers
 - Staple of Hindustani music
 - Event often with gate crashers?
 - Not to be taken seriously
 - Just deserts
 - Spaghetti western persona
 - Chinese dynasty of 2,000 years ago
 - Tiny, informally
 - Model married to David Bowie
 - Medicinal shrub
 - Natural history museum exhibit, informally
 - Longtime news inits.
- DOWN**
- Reese's field
 - "You got me there"
 - Private identification?
 - Dump
 - Saint-Pierre et Miquelon, e.g.
 - Nature's pacifiers?
 - Spinning
 - V-8 sound
 - Hosp. workers
 - So as not to wake anyone, say
 - Leader at the Battle of Hastings
 - Eskimo hunter, at times
 - Tin alloys
 - Word on many fragrance bottles
 - Who wrote to Ptolemy I "There is no royal road to geometry"?
 - So-called "teardrop of India"
 - Her helmet is shown on West Point's coat of arms
 - Amble
 - Kind of jar
 - Break off
 - Augustus, to Julius Caesar
 - Wisenheimer
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horoscopes Friday, April 24, 2015 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will not see an emotional situation clearly. Don't jump to conclusions or act in haste. Concentrate on contracts, finances, and negotiations, not petty arguments that you will live to regret. Change can be good if you make the right choice.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Consider taking a mini-vacation. Someone special will be eager to take off at short notice. The more spontaneous you are, the better. You'll enjoy learning about different cultures or spending time relaxing with a loved one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Check out your career options, but don't make a hasty decision or quit one job without securing a better one first. Make personal improvements that will add to your comfort at home or update your looks, appeal, or knowledge.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A nervous stomach caused by an unpredictable situation is likely if you have something to hide or have neglected your health. Backtrack quickly, and use all the charm you can muster to turn a negative into a positive. Express your feelings.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Do your best to get along and to exhibit consistency when faced with emotional situations. Let relationships develop naturally. Share physical activities instead of getting into a deep discussion that has the potential to turn into a polarizing debate.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Helping others will give you an opportunity to show off your skills. Don't give in to anyone making unreasonable demands. A relationship will turn sour if a lack of honesty is allowed to develop.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Learn from the experience you have with others. You can make changes that will enhance your appearance or add to your spiritual awareness. A positive change in a romantic relationship is apparent if you are patient and control your emotions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Do something you really enjoy doing. This is a great day to discuss partnerships and creative projects. Don't limit what you can do because you are too shy or secretive to speak up and share. Listen carefully, and respond honestly.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Find a way to cut expenses. Review bank statements, income-tax deductions, utilities and residential bills, and set up a budget you can stick to. Saving in order to raise your standard of living will pay off and impress someone you love.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Emotions will be difficult to control. Share your thoughts, and consider innovative suggestions. You can get ahead and improve your living arrangements as well as your personal relationships if you speak truthfully about your feelings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take care of your needs. Check out alternative medicines, practices, and fitness programs that can help you stay balanced and energetic enough to keep up with your peers, children, and your partner. Don't get angry or disappointed; get moving.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Problems with authority figures or immigration and customs officials can be expected if you travel. Instead, stick closer to home, and do things with friends and relatives. Talking about your money ideas or professional plans will lead to helpful responses.

We may achieve climate, but weather is thrust upon us.

— O. Henry

ETHICS & POLITICS

TRANSPORTATION

Iowa officials move on ethanol

By **QUENTIN MISIAG**
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Much of Iowa's congressional delegation says the Environmental Protection Agency is improperly placing binds on renewable-fuel companies and consumers. Members in the U.S. House and Senate have introduced acts that would strip "burdensome restrictions" placed on the ethanol sector.

Reps. Rod Blum and David Young, both R-Iowa, introduced the Fuel Choice and Deregulation Act of 2015 in the House on Wednesday. The act would also align the same tax rate between liquid natural gas and diesel fuels and further push companies to create new technological advancements.

"It is time for the EPA to stop denying American consumers access to new fuels in the marketplace," Blum said in a prepared statement.

Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, and Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., first introduced a version in the Senate.

Strong support for the bill actually began with Paul, who, while campaigning for president, had long discussions with ethanol producers in his home state and Iowa, according to a source familiar with the conversations who wished to remain anonymous because of her or his position in the renewable-fuels industry.

Ethanol is cleaner to burn than gasoline but in some vehicles provides lower miles per



A tractor sits in a field outside Iowa City on April 15. The U.S. House and Senate have introduced bills that would strip away "burdensome restrictions" on ethanol. (The Daily Iowan/John Theulen)

gallon.

In a statement Wednesday, Grassley praised Blum and said the effort is an example of understanding the appeal behind cleaner, domestic renewable fuels.

Currently, the EPA allows gas stations and other suppliers to sell E10 — a blend of gasoline with 10 percent alcohol — year-round in Iowa. Larger quantities of ethanol, specifically E15 — are limited because of vapor pressure and the state's climate.

The bill calls for the EPA to issue waivers year-round so the E15 blend could be sold throughout the year.

That's a key step for 80 to 90 retailers in Iowa that sell E15 and can only do so between April and September, said Amanda De Jong of the Iowa Corn Growers Association, an agribusiness lobbying group that wields strong political influence.

Small "mom and pop" gas stations and ethanol

suppliers see the financial pinch when they have to switch their fuel pumps regularly, De Jong said. Consumers can also become confused when they pull up to a pump and see that an E15 option has switched to E10, she said.

Greg Olsen, who serves as the general manager for the POET Biorefining in Corning, Iowa, said the EPA's regulations have come at such an expense for the 44-person operation that the company had to hire one person just to thumb through the company's files to make sure it is staying in compliance with the EPA and its many regulations.

The company consumes approximately 23 million bushels of locally grown corn and makes almost 65 million gallons of ethanol annually.

"More regulations are coming all the time," Olsen said. "We're kind of shooting our selves in the foot as a country saying we want cleaner air but aren't allowing it into the environment."

Senior Week set to kick off

By **CORY PORTER**
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University of Iowa seniors will graduate in less than a month, but before they walk across that stage and into the real world, they have a going-away present: Senior Week.

Started last year by the Campus Activities Board and the Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow, Senior Week will be six-day celebration giving seniors the chance to get together, have fun, and remember their time at the University of Iowa.

Hundreds of tickets have been sold so far, a major improvement over the inaugural year.

"I think it's really important to show the seniors how far they've come ... and to show them that their time was well spent and that the university is really proud of what they've done," said UI junior Tess Lough, executive director of University and Alumni Relations for Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow.

Senior Week will start the week off with a VIP Party at the Misterwives show, a Last Lecture and Wine Tasting on May 5, a Sendoff Lunch on May 6, a Trivia Night on May 7, and on May 8 a Giveaway Day and "Kick Return" at Kinnick Stadium.

For the Kinnick event, organizers plan a recreation of the On Iowa photo, in which students will form an "I" at the 50-yard line; the seniors this year were the first freshman class to participate in the photo as part of OnIowa.

When planning for the event, junior Kaitlyn Chizek, the special events director for the Campus Activities Board, said emails were sent out to

seniors asking them what they would like to see.

"We tried to build the event based on their suggestions, so we changed a lot of events," Chizek said. "We don't want this to be our event that we're trying to get people to come to. We want it to be something that the student body can get excited about."

This is the second year Senior Week will take place, which replaced the annual end-of-the-year musical event RiverFest.

Lough and Chizek said the planning for Senior Week is split nearly evenly between the two groups they're a part of, while Tiffany Leschke, the coordinator for student activities and programming at the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership, acts in an advisory role.

She said she's seen a lot more effort and planning go into this year's event, meaning it will have even more to offer seniors.

"The first year, ticket [sales] were minimal. I'd say we didn't sell more than 20 tickets. Planning started in February," she said. "It was kind of a last-minute. This year, they've been planning for the entire year, already sold probably close to 400 tickets sold, and we're still a week and half out, which is amazing."

She said the planning that has gone into this event will give seniors a good chance to reminisce over their time at the UI.

"This is our way of thanking them for their time [and] kind of recapping the memories for them," she said.

Tickets are available for \$10 at the Hub or across from the Hawk

Shop, where graduation caps and gowns are available.

Senior week

Senior Week starts May 4, and hundreds of tickets have been sold. Events include:

- May 4: VIP Party at the Misterwives Show
- May 5: Wine Tasting
- May 6: Sendoff Lunch
- May 7: Trivia Night
- May 8: Giveaway Day

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Dog fetches retirement

By BEN MARKS
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The newest retiree from the Johnson County Sheriff's Office will most likely spend his free time running, enjoying time under the sun, and playing fetch.

K-9 Patrol Dog Lazer, who will retire April 30 after 12 years of loyal service to the Sheriff's Office, attended a recognition ceremony during the Board of Supervisors' meeting Thursday.

Lazer joined the department in June 2003, trained in areas such as narcotics, tracking, and particle searches.

Deputy Chris Langenberg, who has been Lazer's handler since he was first on the force, recalls the first night he spent with the dog.

"I remember when I was initially assigned to the canine unit," Langenberg said. "I had Sgt. [Randy] Lamm with me down there as my decoy, and we quickly discovered [Lazer] didn't like being in kennels. He was sitting there the whole night barking. I remember looking at Randy saying, 'What the heck did I get myself in to?'"

Despite the struggle of the first few weeks, Langenberg said, Lazer quickly became like family, and they have been inseparable ever since. In Johnson County, K-9 units live with their handlers, and Langenberg said his children weren't at the ceremony because they were afraid they'd cry.

During his time on the force, Lazer has worked hard and won several regional and state awards.

In 2004, he received the U.S. Police Canine Association Region Detector Dog Case of the Year award for his role in seizing \$372,000, and in 2008 he was named one of the top-21 patrol dogs in the region for tracking a burglar suspect 5.2 miles — the longest in Johnson County history.

"As far as work goes, I've demanded and required that he be perfect," Langenberg said. "I don't know if we've always achieved that, but we've always strove to do it."

During the ceremony, Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek praised Lazer for the work he had done, as well as Langenberg.

"It's a huge burden for officers to take a canine, with all the additional training they have to do that most people forget about," he said. "Most deputies can go home and take their uniform off, while Chris has to go home and attend to his family and Lazer."

Lazer is also the longest serving K-9 in the department. The preceding serving dog, Turbo, was the first K-9 Johnson County had, and he worked for 10 and a half years.

This is especially remarkable, Pulkrabek said, given the national average for police canine is four years.

Supervisor Janelle Rettig added her thanks not only to Lazer but Langenberg's family.

"I'm sure the dog has been family," she said. "But it also has to work. So the emotions of sending two loved ones off to harm's way every morning is probably doubly troubling, so thank you to your family."

And although Lazer did not comment, he wagged his tail and was reportedly looking forward to the dog days of summer.

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2015 DRAKE RELAYS



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Iowa sprinters Jared Ganschow, James Harrington, and Brendan Thompson return to the Drake Relays.

By MARIO WILLIAMS
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Athletes start somewhere before competing on the collegiate level, and for three Iowa sprinters — Jared Ganschow, James Harrington, and Brendan Thompson — it started at the Drake Relays.

This weekend, the athletes will return to Des Moines, where it began before they were Hawkeyes.

In 2011, Ganschow and Clear Creek/Amana competed with rival Fort Madison, Thompson's alma mater, in the men's 1,600-meter relay. Both sprinters said the outcome in their heat was close, but Thompson's squad finished on top.

"We were always in the same events, and it was just a friendly competition," he said. "Ever since my sophomore year of high school, we were always rivals."

Ganschow, a native of Oxford, Iowa, was eager to take to the track against Thompson because they were both so competitive in the relays. Their drive to win made the races more fun, he said, and it was always a battle.

In Thompson's senior year, he competed in the men's 100 meters against Harrington, who went to Cedar Falls High, a different district and class from Thompson's and Ganschow's.

Initially, Ganschow was going to compete in that event, but he didn't because of a hamstring injury. Thompson came in ninth and he didn't get a shot at finals with Harrington, who won the event.

While there was never a time the three sprinters competed in the same event, they were all on the oval during their time in high school, and all there for one reason — to win.

However, what these athletes couldn't know is that they would wind up a part of the same program, competing in the same stadium in which they were once rivals.

That familiarity with one another helped bring them together. Thompson hosted old rival Ganschow on his visit before he committed to be a Hawkeye. The junior had no problem taking Ganschow under his wing.

From Thompson's experience before committing, he said, he had lots of questions and wanted to clear those when

Ganschow came to visit. He wanted to help him through the process of making the right decision about college.

"I actually hadn't known he had come to Iowa until I visited, and I was surprised," Ganschow said. "When I came here and saw what he was doing, it was so great to see that."

"It was a lot of fun to get to see him, know a little bit more about his races, and how he's been doing since we ran. I had raced against him so much so we knew a lot about each other, and that made the visit more fun for me."

Harrington transferred from Alabama after his sophomore year, and now all three sprinters are roommates and best friends.

This weekend will be the first time since high school all three will be together competing for the same program at the Drake Relays. Harrington and Thompson competed last year, but Ganschow didn't.

"We've all competed at Drake, so we know what to expect, and we know the atmosphere," Harrington said. "It's always good to come back where you have history and show everyone you've been making progress."

TOP 5 COMPETITORS

Five Iowa athletes competing at the Drake Relays are nationally ranked in the top 20 in their events.



No. 4

Aaron Mallett
110-meter hurdle



No. 12

Brittany Brown
200 meter



No. 13

Lake Kwaza
100 meter



No. 18

MonTayla Holder
400-meter hurdle



No. 20

Gabe Hull
Discus

BUY OR SELL

By COURTNEY BAUMANN AND MARIO WILLIAMS
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Buy or Sell: Iowa will find more success in their relays than individual events.

Courtney Baumann: Sell. Iowa's relay teams are up against some tough competition. With relay powerhouses such as Arizona State, Notre Dame, Ohio State, and Texas Tech competing on the women's side and Arizona, Arkansas, Baylor, and Illinois on the men's side, the Hawkeyes will have a tough time trying to break into the top.

Mario Williams: Sell. Iowa's relay teams on both the men's and women's side have seen some tough competition so far in the season. Sure, they've done well, but their success doesn't compare with the success in the individual events. Athletes such as sophomore Aaron Mallett, junior MonTayla Holder, and sophomore Elexis Guster know how to put up great times and come on top in their events.

Buy or Sell: Iowa's team captains will lead the way for the Hawkeyes at Drake.

Baumann: Sell. Of the six Hawkeye captains, only three are in the lineup in individual events. Allison Gattone will compete in the javelin, Lake Kwaza in 100-meter dash, and Gabe Hull in the discus. Hull has a chance of topping his event for the second year in a row, but Gattone's and Kwaza's performances thus far in the outdoor season have been less than convincing. Gattone just barely ranks in the top 300 in the country for javelin, sitting tied for 299, and even though Kwaza did have an exciting weekend at the Mt. SAC Relays,



Iowa's Gabe Hull reacts to his throw in the discus at the Drake Relays in Des Moines on April 27, 2013. Hull is ranked No. 20 in the nation in the discus. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

she has been extremely inconsistent in individual events.

Williams: Buy. Despite half of the team captains' not competing this weekend, don't doubt the success of Hull and Kwaza. Both have experience at Drake, and Hull has a chance of defending his title. Kwaza hasn't had an impressive outdoor season — until recently at the Mt. SAC Relays, in which she broke the school record with a time of 11:40. I'm sure she'll be able to keep the momentum up going into an environment in which she's performed well in.

Buy or Sell: Iowa will send numerous athletes to the podium.

Baumann: Buy. Maybe they won't all be gold, but Iowa has a good chance

of sending at least three athletes to the top of their categories. Sophomore Aaron Mallett will have the opportunity to face two of the three 110-meter hurdlers that are ranked higher than him in the nation — he'll definitely want to prove something. Hull won discus at Drake last season, and he will surely have some confidence. Additionally, No. 18 ranked MonTayla Holder only has two competitors with a better time than she does.

Williams: Buy. On the men's team alone this season, more than five athletes have had a chance to experience being on the podium. I'm sure that those athletes will continue to prove what they can do on the blue oval against some of the same competition it has seen this season. Mallett will be able to compete in many other events other than his signature event, which can give him a shot at the podium.

KEY EVENTS

Open Events

Men 1,500 meter
Saturday, 2:55 p.m.

Women 100 meter
Saturday, 2:07 p.m.

Women 3,000 meter Steeplechase
Saturday, 10:40 a.m.

Relays

Women 4x100 meter
Saturday, 3:25 p.m.

Women 4x400 meter
Saturday, 3:45 p.m.

Men 4x400 meter
Saturday, 3:52 p.m.

Hurdles

Men 400 meter
Saturday, 1:13 p.m.

Men 110 meter
Saturday, 2:24 p.m.

Women 400 meter
Friday, 12:08 p.m.

WAITING IN THE WEIGHT ROOM



Shoes sit on shelves in the weight room of the new Iowa football facility, the Hanson Football Performance Center, on Thursday. Students received free water bottles and were entered into a raffle for a locker-room tour at Kinnick and a pregame on-field experience at a game in the fall. (The Daily Iowan/Mikaela Parrick)

BASEBALL

CONTINUED FROM 12

“Playing in center field, I can see every pitch, and Blake has a lot of movement on his curve ball or slider,” senior Eric Toole said. “His change-up moves a lot, too. When you can throw 95 or 96, that off-speed stuff is a huge thing to have.”

No longer a one-trick pony, Hickman’s arsenal is quickly becoming one of the nastiest in the conference.

“If you’re only throwing fastballs, anybody can time up your pitches no matter how hard you’re throwing,” Hickman said. “Doesn’t matter if you’re throwing 100, 95, or 85. I think if I have all my pitches working to go along with that, I’ll be sitting pretty come game time.”

Now 6-1 and the owner of the lowest opposing batting average on the team, Hickman’s confidence has allowed him to come full circle and blossom into the talent on the mound that head coach Rick Heller and Brickman saw in him last season.

“He was a work in progress last season, but the

way he’s grown into the mental part of the game this year has been great,” Brickman said. “And really, that’s something he should get all of the credit for.”

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Iowa’s Blake Hickman looks for a sign at Banks Field on Thursday. Hickman has added a sharp slider and a killer changeup to his pitching repertoire this season. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

TENNIS

CONTINUED FROM 12

Josh Silverstein at No. 2 doubles.

Iowa kept its foot on the gas heading into singles play, winning all six first-set games.

Senior Matt Hagan, freshman Lefteris Theodorou, Silverstein, and Jacoby all took their first sets easily, while Patrick and sophomore Nils Hall-

in the year.

“The first time we played [Wisconsin], it was close, and the conditions were bad,” Wilson said. “But today, we haven’t had too many matches like that where we took control in doubles, kept momentum, and killed it in singles.”

The win against the Badgers means that Hagan, who was named to first team All-Big Ten hon-

“We can push anyone. I think if we believe in ourselves and fight for every single point, you never really know what can happen.”

— Matt Hagan, senior

ors before the match, and Andres Estenssoro get to put on the Iowa uniform at least one more time.

Hagan has advanced in the Big Ten Tournament for the first time in his career, and he relishes the moment.

“It’s a pretty great feeling right now,” he said. “My last couple years, we lost in the first round. It’s cool going out in a winning way. We’ve had a good season, and it’s refreshing to

beat Wisconsin.”

Waiting for the Hawkeyes today is No. 3 Illinois, the top seed in the tournament.

Although beating the Illini stands as a tall task, anything is possible at this point in the season.

If Thursday is any indication, the Hawkeyes are playing their best tennis at the right time. If they play as they did against Wisconsin,

perhaps Illinois will tighten up and play timidly.

If Iowa can steal the doubles point, it will could put the match up for grabs.

“We just need to keep playing like we have been,” Hagan said. “We can push anyone. I think if we believe in ourselves and fight for every single point, you never really know what can happen.”

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FOOTBALL

CONTINUED FROM 12

Saturday will give fans and others surrounding the team an opportunity to see if Iowa uss Beathard’s big arm in a larger capacity than years past or if that run/pass trend plateaus.

How many linebackers are capable of playing well?

So far this spring, there has been a lot of talk regarding the depth Iowa has at linebacker. Talk is cheap, and Saturday will give a glimpse into how much real depth there is at those three spots. Even more, some are wondering how capable those backups are of playing effectively.

In theory, they should be able to make plays. Five of the six players listed as

linebackers on Iowa’s two-deeps have at least one letter, the only non-letter-winner being co-backup weakside backer Aaron Mends, a redshirt freshman from Kansas City, Missouri. And for what it’s worth, linebackers coach Jim Reid praised Mends’ physical ability and toughness earlier this spring.

Depending on how you look at it, seniors Travis Perry and Cole Fisher are listed as No. 2s is either a good thing or bad thing. It could mean Ben Niemann, Josey Jewell, and Bo Bower are showing that much promise, or it could mean the Hawkeyes may not be as deep as they look at face value.

Only time will tell.

How much will Beathard run?

While the run/pass balance will likely be a

realistic peek into the offense, the number of times Beathard uses his feet may not be so realistic.

Davis and other coaches on Iowa’s roster have said they like the idea of a gunslinger with the ability to use his feet — Beathard’s average of 5.6 yards per carry last season solidifies that — but he’s the only signal-caller on Iowa’s roster who has played a game. Put simply, the Hawkeyes want to use him in the running game as much as possible but not to the extent of risking an injury.

He will wear the red “don’t touch me” jersey Saturday and could take advantage of that attire, knowing he won’t be tackled, but we probably won’t see how much freedom to run Beathard has until Iowa’s opener with Illinois State on Sept. 5 in Kinnick.

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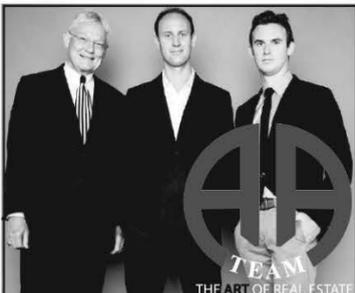
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Iowa pitcher Blake Hickman gets ready for practice at Banks Field on Thursday. Hickman's 2.56 ERA ranks 12th in the Big Ten. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

Hickman pitching CONFIDENCE

Iowa Hawkeye pitcher Blake Hickman boasts a 6-1 record and is the owner of the lowest opposing batting average on the team — but it didn't always come that easy.

By **RYAN RODRIGUEZ**
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Confidence is the ability to win games before they have started, the willingness to get back up after failing, and to do the same thing to come out on top the next time around.

Confidence is bold. The tenacity to ignore the circumstances surrounding the current situation all the while knowing that you have what it takes to beat it.

Confidence personified, Iowa pitcher Blake Hickman has taken that mindset and amplified it this season.

"Now that I'm a pitcher, I think you have to be confident," Hickman said. "Now that you're facing nine guys throughout the whole lineup, you have to carry yourself with a lot of confidence to be out on the mound and be in control."

Now that Hickman has moved to the other end of the battery, the confidence in his abilities, both mental and physical, has allowed the junior hurler to propel himself into the upper echelon of baseball talent in the Big Ten.

But it hasn't always been that way. "I think sometimes you see guys get complacent, but that's never been the case for Blake," Iowa pitching coach Scott Brickman said. "We know that

success comes from preparation, and he does a tremendous job with preparing on a weekly basis."

A standout on the Simeon (Chicago) baseball team, an athlete factory, Hickman came to Iowa three years ago as a catcher and converted first basemen.

Needing to bolster a group of arms that was still woefully thin on the depth chart, the Iowa coaching staff asked Hickman to channel that insane velocity and try his hand on the mound for the Hawkeyes.

The transition was rocky to say the least. The then-20-year-old Hickman couldn't find the control to match the velocity on his 93 mph fastball, and his ERA in 17 appearances ballooned to almost 4 runs per game.

Unable to control the situation at hand, Hickman frequently let his opponents get the better of him once he got in a hole.

"I think he'll probably admit this too, but last year, there were times in which he would get into trouble and have a hard time trying to figure out how to stop it," Brickman said.

A summer halfway across the country in the Cape Cod League allowed Hickman to grow from within, returning to Iowa City this past fall a completely changed player both mentally and physically.

No longer the easily rattled player he was a year ago, a growth in confidence has transformed Hickman from a work in progress to Iowa's ace in the hole.

"This year, he really has the ability to hit the reset button and refocus," Brickman said. "Last year, if he had a slip-up, it might have been 3 or 4 runs; this year, it's maybe 1."

More than anything else, Hickman desperately needed time to work on the control issues that plagued him his first year on the mound.

Already the owner of a blistering fastball, Hickman added a slider that serves twofold as a devastating off-speed changeup that's become nearly impossible for opposing batters to make contact with.

And while opposing teams have started to take notice, so have the Hawkeyes.

SEE BASEBALL, 10

No. 21 Iowa baseball vs. Nebraska

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SPRING FOOTBALL 2015

Things to watch at Kinnick

The Iowa football team is scheduled to end its spring practice on Saturday.

By **DANNY PAYNE**
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The Iowa football team is scheduled to have its final practice of the spring at 1 p.m. Saturday in Kinnick Stadium. To preview that event, the *DI* has three things to watch Saturday.

What is the balance between the running and passing game?

The biggest question so far this spring has been surrounding Iowa's new-look offense, which will be led by junior C.J. Beathard. With Beathard having a better arm than two-year starter and future Michigan Wolverine Jake Rudock, it's not a stretch to expect an expanded passing game.

However, that's not the whole story of Iowa's offense. As fourth-year offensive coordinator Greg Davis said Wednesday, the Hawkeyes have the deepest group of running backs since he arrived, led by Jordan Canzeri and Le-Shun Daniels Jr.



Beathard
quarterback

If the trends under Davis are any indication, Iowa could be in for more passes in 2015. Excluding his first year, which was a complete failure (Iowa ran 793 plays in 2012, 931 in 2013, and 951 last year), the Hawkeyes' percentage of passing plays jumped from 41 percent in 2013 to 46 percent in 2014.

There are other factors in play there too, such as increased familiarity in the offense with Rudock starting two seasons in a row, among other things.

SEE FOOTBALL, 10

Iowa spring practice

When: 1 p.m. Saturday
Where: Kinnick Stadium
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Hawks beat Wisconsin, get Illini

The Hawkeyes dominated in their first-round win against Wisconsin.

By **BLAKE DOWSON**
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The Iowa men's tennis team lives to fight another day after a 4-0-blow-out victory over Wisconsin in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament on Thursday.

Although it's only one match, Iowa definitely chose the right time of the year to start playing its best tennis.

"We played really well," interim head coach Ross Wilson said. "Everyone in the lineup, they all played well. We took the momentum from doubles, and we didn't look back."

Every healthy Hawkeye played in what was possibly the best performance from the team of the season, even with freshman Stieg Martens sitting out because of a nagging foot injury.

The Hawkeyes took control of the match from the start with wins from freshman Jake Jacoby and senior Andres Estenssoro at No. 3 doubles and junior Dom Patrick and freshman



Wilson
head coach

SEE TENNIS, 10