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Applications for tickets are due THURSDAY by 5 p.m.

By KATELYN WEISBROD | katelyn-weisbrod@uiowa.edu

The Hawkeye football team is heading to the Rose Bowl — followed by at least 22,000 of their most dedicated fans.

Tickets for the Jan. 1, 2016, game against Stanford in Pasadena, California, became available on Tuesday. The bowl allocated 22,000 tickets for Hawkeye fans, and they are in high demand.

The Hawkeyes finished their regular season with a 12-0 record — never before seen by the team. After a 16-13 loss to Michigan State in the Big Ten Championship, the Hawkeyes have a chance to redeem themselves in “The Granddaddy of Bowl Games” in Pasadena.

Pam Finke, director of ticket operations, said well more than 22,000 fans have applied for tickets. Fans

who have a more priority points — a system that awards points to UI alumni, season-ticket holders, and I-Club donors — will be receive their tickets first.

These tickets range from \$150 to \$185, while general tickets can be upwards of \$1,000.

“The Rose Bowl is like the Super Bowl for college football,” UI freshman Becca Scadden said.

Attending a bowl game is something she said she has always wanted to do, and she’s hoping to be one of the lucky ticket recipients.

Applications for tickets are due by 5 p.m. on Thursday. Applicants will then be notified Dec. 14 whether they will receive tickets.

Finke said only about 1,000 of the ticket requests

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Evals join 21st century

By KENYON ELLSWORTH | kenyon-ellsworth@uiowa.edu

The campus is embracing the digital age with new online course evaluations.

After previously using software that was 30 years old, the University of Iowa College of Liberal Arts and Sciences has recently switched to a new system called What•Do•You•Think? from the CollegeNET company. The evaluations, previously found on bubble sheets, now live entirely online.

The switch from paper to online has several driving forces behind it, but it predominantly stems from faculty and student input.

“This isn’t necessarily a tech project,” said Annette Beck, the director of enterprise instructional technology for the UI. “It’s more about feedback and how students and faculty wanted to see things done.”

The switch will save the UI \$18,000 in paper costs. In fall 2014, the evaluations used 82,866 sheets of paper on top of 78,850 sheets in the spring. Although these numbers are significant, they don’t even call into account issues of staff time.

Kathryn Hall, the liberal-arts senior director of academic programs and student development, saw large amounts of staff time being used up under the previous evaluation process.

“A lot of data had to be figured out by hand, and it took a lot of time to hand it out, pick it up, and often type everything out,” she said.

Hall also hopes the switch is more suited to students.

“It just seemed that our students de-

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O’Malley pushes views on pot

By QUENTIN MISIAG | quentin-misiag@uiowa.edu

Jordan Burmeister is an unabashed supporter of Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders’s insurgent presidential bid, unafraid to challenge the political speech of his primary opponent, Hillary Clinton.

But on Tuesday, the 23-year-old University of Iowa finance major witnessed his presidential preference shift, ever so slightly. He sat less than 15 feet from former Maryland Gov. Martin O’Malley.

“What will lead you as president and why do you think so many candidates take such a weak stance on the issue, such as Hillary Clinton?” he asked, before being met with a near-full room of laughter to his direct jab at the former secretary of State.

Under his leadership, O’Malley said Maryland had more serious drug offenses that needed to be addressed.

“If you talk to young people in our country, it’s pretty apparent where our nation’s attitude is headed,” the former Baltimore mayor said in terms of medical marijuana in an interview with *The Daily Iowan*.

Although Burmeister still plans to caucus for Sanders



Former Maryland Gov. Martin O’Malley speaks at a meet-and-greet in the IMU on Tuesday. O’Malley has visited the state of Iowa more than any other Democratic candidate. (The Daily Iowan/Courtney Hawkins)

come Feb. 1, to his own surprise, a movement on marijuana has helped put O’Malley at a close second-place option.

“It didn’t hit the nail on the head, but it was still better than Hillary Clinton,” he said about O’Malley’s response.

In October, Sanders called for removing marijuana from a list of the most dangerous drugs outlawed by the federal government. That would allow states to legalize it without penalties from Capitol Hill.

In the past, Clinton and

O’Malley have both said they are waiting from experimental results in Colorado and Washington before they make any commitments.

In September, O’Malley

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Droning on & on & on

By MATTHEW JACK | matthew-jack@uiowa.edu

In recent years, drones have made headlines for their increasing appeal to hobbyists and professionals alike. As technology advances, so does the autonomy of unmanned aircraft and the range of applications they can serve.

The University of Iowa Operator Performance Laboratory, directed by Associate Professor Thomas Schnell, researches the ways drones will be controlled in the future — when the presence of a human operator is not always guaranteed.



Schnell UI associate professor

“There are drones already that are fully autonomous, so the question that we try to answer is: when can they be fully integrated in the national airspace,” Schnell said.

The lab partners with Rockwell Collins, a Cedar Rapids-based avionics manufacturer, to design technology to ensure drones can make decisions in their environment in a way that will not cause damage to itself or its surroundings.

“They’ve been really great at helping us pinpoint solutions,” said Mathew Cover, a UI graduate student serving at

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FEELING FINALS



A student takes a break from studying in the Old Capitol Mall on Tuesday. With finals right around the corner, students are preparing to finish the semester strong. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

UI team works towards potential Ebola drug

By **MATTHEW JACK**
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A team of researchers led by University of Iowa virologist Wendy Maury has made strides towards creating a treatment for a disease that has plagued Western Africa recently.

Ebola is a particularly difficult virus to study, and an effective vaccine eluded discovery until July 2015, when clinical trials showed a particular candidate — developed by the pharmaceutical company Merck — reduced new infections by 100 percent in a small sample size.

This breakthrough allowed physicians in the field to identify infected patients and then vaccinate those closest to them, such as family and others sharing their living space. Still, hope for those already infected with the virus is low.

Maury and a colleague, now-retired UI professor Martha Monick, began their study after discussing “how a normal immune system might respond to an Ebola infection,” Monick said.

Maury, an expert on the Ebola virus, and Monick, an expert on the type of cell the Ebola virus infects, began “an exciting and productive collaboration between laboratories,” Monick said.

“My lab performed the gene expression studies leading up to our original

hypothesis: that interferon-gamma might block Ebola infection,” she said.

They found interferon-gamma, a naturally occurring protein in the human body, and an FDA-approved drug already used to treat a range of diseases, to be effective in reducing the infection of a surrogate virus in mice, as well as improving their chance of survival.

Because of the risks scientists face handling

are very similar.”

When early trials proved promising, Maury submitted her team’s results to a BSL4 lab at Texas Biomedical Research Institute that replicated their findings using real Ebola samples.

Mice infected with the virus experienced positive results after being administered the interferon-gamma treatment anywhere between 24 hours before or after exposure.

Because of the unprecedented scale of the 2014 Ebola outbreak, researchers are noticing collateral damage that was not apparent in smaller epidemics, such as patients experiencing hearing or vision loss after recovering from an Ebola infection.

Looking at the genes that encode interferon-gamma in humans, and at specific mutations in those more susceptible to the virus, may have implications for treatment, Rhein said.

“There were a lot of big question marks about the infection overall, we’re studying things that are happening in the body during infection,” she said.

However, bringing these results to patients in under-developed countries is a challenge in itself.

“People who received good medical care mostly overcame infection,” Rhein said, but patients may be reluctant to accept care partially due to bad public health education.

“Patients thought Ebola treatment centers were death camps because of what they’d heard happened there,” she said.

Rhein recalled stories told by field physicians where patients “begged their family members not to provide care for them to avoid infecting themselves” but were refused, and spread the virus to their caregivers.



Maury
virologist



Monick
retired professor



Rhein
postdoctoral student

samples of the Ebola virus, they may only conduct research in highly regulated Biosafety Level 4 laboratories.

Instead, UI researchers used a virus that had a similar enough structure to be used to simulate its more deadly biological relative.

A member of Maury’s team, UI postdoctoral student Bethany Rhein, said because the surrogate virus is from the same biological order as Ebola, the “internal replication and processes

Although these results are significant on their own, further trials must be conducted — first on primates, and eventually on humans — for the treatment to be fully accepted and implemented.

“The gold standard in virology is non-human primate testing, and we’re working towards it, but BSL4 labs are really backed up due to recent outbreaks,” Rhein said.

Until then, Rhein expects the genetics of infection to be one next crucial area of research.

METRO

Keller discusses graduate program review

University of Iowa Graduate College Dean John Keller spoke to the University of Iowa’s Faculty Senate on Tuesday to discuss a review of the graduate programs.

Keller said the graduate programs submitted data in February 2010 and a series of recommendations since that time have hit their mark.

The initial review, labeled Task Force 1.0, received recommendations from graduate students and faculty members. A 21-member council, consisting of 20 faculty members and one student, reviewed them.

Keller stressed the review is also focusing on the American Association of Universities graduate programs standards. He said much attention was needed to look

at where the AAU standards were going and the where the university stood on those issues.

The AAU looks for particular metrics regarding what Ph.D. students do with a degree obtained from a university and various graduation rates. Keller said he has not spoken with the state Board of Regents on the review, but has paid a lot of attention to having efficient length of time on programs.

Keller said a second review, Task Force 2.0, will begin at the end of the current fall term.

— by Austin Petroski

Aspire at West Campus class action lawsuit pending

A local lawyer has filed a pending class action lawsuit against BBCCS-Hawkeye LLC,

alleging Aspire at West Campus leases contain illegal provisions.

Balfour Beatty Communities, LLC serves as a property manager and agent for the landlord BBCCS - Hawkeye Housing LLC, 158 Hawkeye Court.

Christopher Warnock, whose law offices host the Iowa Tenants Project, filed the case on behalf of client Elizabeth Reetz on Oct. 7.

“At this point, it’s still pretty early in the case,” Warnock said.

The provisions in question shift blame to tenants and away from landlords, Warnock contended, even if the landlord is negligent. Warnock said similar provisions in other landlords’ leases have already been found illegal in district courts and violated the Iowa Landlord and Tenant Law.

The Iowa Tenants Project has

previously filed class actions lawsuits against Apts Downtown Inc. and Tracy Barkalow, who operated Big Ten Property Management LLC, and TSB Holdings, LLC.

Reetz is no longer a tenant at Aspire. For this reason, Warnock said, current tenants are invited to act as representative plaintiffs in the case.

Warnock differentiated the class action from the advocacy organization Graduate Students Against Gentrification. The group is petitioning against rising rental costs at Aspire.

“We’re really focused on getting the leases cleaned up here,” he said.

Balfour Beatty Communities representatives could not be reached at the time of publication.

— By Cindy Garcia

CORRECTION

In the Dec. 8 story titled “Graduate Students Take on Advocacy,” the *Daily Iowan* incorrectly reported graduate student Raven Maragh said she may leave Iowa altogether. Maragh would pay a moving company to leave Aspire if she cannot re-sign her lease at the current rate. The *DI* regrets the error.

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served an online service, they're used to typing, and I think the goal really was to modernize," she said.

UI sophomore Brianna Delgado said she prefers the online evaluation.

"I like it online much better," she said. "I'm already always on my computer anyway, and I don't have to write anything by hand. It's just more convenient."

The process has been gradual, starting with Beck's predecessor, Joyce Moore, putting together a faculty committee.

Beck worked with Aar-

on Elam, an instructional technology consultant, to meet with associate deans in colleges to discuss moving to online course evaluations.

The College of Engineering piloted the software in the fall of 2014 and the College of Nursing did the same with several of its departments in spring 2014.

Now, most colleges are using the software.

At Iowa State University, online course evaluations are the standard.

Bill McClelland, a professor in the UI department of Earth & Environmental Sciences, had similar concerns.

"Evaluations are critical. It's not a bad idea, and it's

great that it saves paper, but implementation will take time," he said. "Most cases I am familiar with have seen evaluations become more negative once they are online. There is no incentive for students doing well or happy with the course to give feedback."

McClelland said he is likely to administer the on-

line evaluation during class to encourage a greater spectrum of participation.

Hall is optimistic about student involvement.

"They are entirely optional, but it's kind of like voting; you want your voice heard," Hall said. "I just hope students know how much it really benefits them and future students."

O'MALLEY

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gathered with policymakers, law enforcement, and business owners in Denver for what was billed as a "marijuana legalization listening session."

And on the trail, he has consistently cited Maryland's marijuana legislation as one of his chief ac-

complishments.

Fifty-eight percent of Americans say marijuana use should be legal in the U.S., according to the latest Gallup Poll published in October.

The telephone poll, conducted Oct. 7-11, randomly sample 1,015 Americans, aged 18 or older living in the U.S. The poll's margin of error was plus or minus 4 percentage points.

As governor, O'Malley had

a murky relationship with proponents of being able to "puff, puff, pass" or consume "edible" candies laced with the active ingredient, THC.

When the Maryland Statehouse took up the issue in his final legislative session, he expressed concerns that recreational pot use could be "a gateway to even more harmful behavior."

However, he later signed a bill to decriminalize the possession of small

amounts of marijuana, making it a civil penalty and fine for people caught with less than 10 grams.

He also threw his support behind the state's legalization of the medical variety.

That's welcome news for Karen Moser, 58, whose close friend has battled ovarian cancer for two years.

"She doesn't want to eat, and she can't smoke because doctors say it could cause a strain of lung cancer to de-

velop," said Moser, a 2007 Iowa caucus supporter of John Edwards and a 2012 backer of President Obama. "If she could just eat a gummy bear like in Colorado, the edible marijuana would ease her pain and nausea."

If elected president, O'Malley has said he would use executive authority to reclassify marijuana as a Schedule 2 drug, a shift that would allow doctors to issue prescriptions and ac-

celerate medical marijuana research.

Adderall, cocaine, Vicodin, and methamphetamine are each classified as Schedule 2 drugs. Marijuana is a Schedule 1 drug at the federal level, similar to Ecstasy, heroin, and LSD.

"People should be able to go into the store and buy marijuana with a debit card or money," Burmeister said. "That would eliminate the black market."

DRONES

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the lab as a project engineer. "Our lab has a really cool relationship with them in that we're one of the few places in the country that allows even undergraduates to work on this stuff."

Rockwell Collins provides professional-grade hardware to the lab that allows the researchers to test drone software in a diverse range of conditions, includ-

ing circumstances where the aircraft loses radio contact with its operator.

"We're not relying on that test radio for controls of the [drone]," Schnell said. "We're using it as an extra payload and we assess the performance."

Regarding the timeframe of fully integrated autonomous drones in the air, both Schnell and Cover agree there is "close to a decade" of progress to be made.

"The technology is almost ready today, but you need to get all the legal ramifications and get people ready

to accept that [drones] are going to be a part of U.S. airspace," said Cover.

He said the first phase in their research is spent perfecting the link from the drone to the controller and making sure the operator can receive data about the aircraft.

The second phase, beginning "probably next year," will involve making sure data can be sent back from the operator to the drone, using the professional-grade hardware provided by Rockwell Collins.

Finally, the drone must

be able to make decisions without an operator present, "which is where you get into some exciting things with autonomy and 'see and avoid' technology," Cover said — referring to the drone's ability to broadcast its own location as well as determine the location of other aircraft in its vicinity.

"This will be happening probably in the next two to three years," he said.

The applications of autonomous drones are nearly endless, from "the insurance industry being able to

look at properties that were damaged" to "railroads looking down the tracks for obstructions," Schnell said.

Some applications, like law enforcement and counterterrorism, "would be very clear immediate applications which may not need full integration into the national airspace."

Cover says the bulk of the process is "not as exciting as you would imagine," collecting permits and paperwork to perform tests.

Once cleared, however, "we start getting into the

exciting things, where the engineering really starts happening," he said.

TICKETS

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have been from students, who can request one ticket, and indicate which students they would like to sit next to. The rest of the requests have

been from the public.

"I want to go because football is a fun sport to watch, and it's great that we made it," UI freshman Autumn Hagemaster said. "It would be a good time. We have a strong fan base, so I think we'll have a lot of support."

The Rose Bowl holds more

than 92,000 people. The ticket office will know this weekend whether it can secure more than the Hawks' allotted 22,000 tickets in order to fulfill as many ticket requests as possible.

Before the Hawkeyes emerged as a top-five team, September showed re-

cord-low tickets sales. Season ticket sales dropped about 10 percent from 2014.

The first game, on Sept. 5 against Illinois State, had a turnout of 59,450 people. Kinnick Stadium can hold more than 70,000 people, which made the game the lowest attended for a Hawk-

eye opening in 12 years.

As the season went on and the Hawkeyes continued to add to their perfect record, each home game saw a fuller stadium.

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Conflating Muslims with terrorism



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After Donald Trump's statement that he would ban Muslim immigration, politicians of both parties have been quick to condemn the Republican presidential candidate. But Trump is not alone in being unable to distinguish between the Islamic religion and violent extremism.

President of Liberty University Jerry Falwell Jr., made a problematic response to the recent shooting in San Bernardino, California, that left 14 people dead during a convocation speech Dec. 4. Liberty University is a private Christian university located in Virginia, and taking that into account only adds to the controversy surrounding Falwell's statement.

He said, "If more good people had concealed-carry permits, then we could end those Muslims before they walked in and killed them." He would later attempt to clarify the distinction he should have made between practitioners of Islam and terrorists, but the damage had been done.

Words are the vessel of intention and mean nothing until they embody the thoughts and emotions of the speaker, and by extension the context of the speaker. The fault in Falwell's statement does not lie solely in using Muslim and terrorist interchangeably but in the lack of intent to differentiate between the two as well. This could have been a genuine mistake on Falwell's part, but that does not excuse the culture of blatant generalization that excuses if not fuels this type of detrimental rhetoric. We must

hold ourselves to a standard above hateful and misinformed ideology built upon fear and reluctance to understand the entirety of the world around us. The desire to marginalize a group on which to impose unrelated insecurities and apprehension has plagued history and brought with it the lowest points of civilized society.

The implications of unannouncedly lumping together practitioners of Islam and terrorists do not end with the assimilation of a discriminatory culture within the American borders. By doing so we will unwittingly propagate an unwarranted ideology that will eventually become institutionally acceptable discrimination for a group of people based upon their religion. Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton went so far as to deem Falwell's statement as "giving aid and comfort to ISIS and other radical jihadists" and rightly so. We cannot condemn the attitude in which our enemy regards us while doing the same to them on our own soil. We do not need to speak highly of those who have committed atrocities in the name of a twisted ideology masquerading as religion, but we cannot engage in the same manner of hatred as those opposed to our own ideology.

When we as a people find ourselves participating in the same practices vilified by the supposed enemy, it becomes imperative to question what we are willing to part with in the name of war. War is a battle of ideologies, not individuals. The victor is not necessarily the side with the least casualties, but rather the side that has managed to preserve its ideology in the wake of horror and bloodshed. Once we as Americans begin to lose sight of our own ideology of freedom and equality that this country was supposedly built upon, we have begun to lose.

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EDITORIAL

Police reform still needed in Iowa and in Iowa City

The nation's police are under heavy scrutiny, and in Iowa, there's no exception. Body cameras on active officers have been fully implemented in Coralville, North Liberty, and Iowa City. The University of Iowa's police have had body cameras since 2012. The move to place cameras on officers has consequences that are still being sussed out, but they are far more beneficial than detrimental.

Civilian safety and police behavior can benefit with the use of body camera technology. The financial costs of such programs are exceeding local expectations. In Coralville, the body cameras worn by officers were purchased with federally allocated money. The storage of footage is the problem that continues to cost more.

Initially, 6 terabytes were purchased for storing the footage. Anyone with any experience in data storage, such as a home movie, could recognize that the multitude of hours recorded daily would require far more space. To be clear, an officer's day isn't recorded, just the interactions with civilians. It's still a lot of data that come from the Coralville police force of 33 officers. The city moved to purchase 60 terabytes for storage and another 60 as backup. This should hold for now, but eventually the question of how long video should be held will be subject for debate.

Still, body cameras don't make all people feel safe in their communities. Sometimes, the footage can add to the very real fears civilians have. The recent release of dashboard cam footage from Chicago, in which Laquan McDonald can be seen unarmed and killed, shot 16 times, is terrifying. That the city fought desperately to keep this video from the public for 14 months and it is now missing audio, are chilling reminders that cameras don't magically solve problems. Those who have the

footage will be the ones who can use it.

The NAACP was understandably outraged (as all should be) by the McDonald video and its lengthy time away from the eyes of the public and federal authorities, having called for the release since the shooting. It took the videos release for the Justice Department to launch an investigation. Right next door, of course, is Iowa. Iowa has not been a national focal point of racial tension, but that doesn't mean there aren't serious concerns in racial bias by police. So the NAACP has introduced a new anti-bias bill for the Iowa Legislature. Thirty-one states have adopted anti-profiling laws, and Iowa is in need of such a bill. It must be comprehensive, specific, and actually passed for it to be effective. And Iowans need it to be effective. Racial profiling is commonplace.

A study by the ACLU in 2013 found that though marijuana is used by white and black Iowans at the same rate, black Iowans are eight times more likely to be arrested for possession of small amounts of the substance. There are only two cities in Iowa that track and share traffic arrest data, Davenport and Iowa City. In both, a study by St. Ambrose found black motorists were more likely to be pulled over than white motorists. A study of two years of data found that in many Iowa counties, blacks are incarcerated at a rate 10 times higher than any other race. It easy to see why being a black Iowan can mean feeling intimidated by the racial targeting of police.

The *Daily Iowan* Editorial Board would like to see the bill proposed by the NAACP of Iowa and Nebraska passed during the next session of the Iowa Legislature. Black Iowans are being targeted unfairly. When targeted unfairly, fear and distrust follow.

GUEST OPINION

A grad student's letter to Harreld

President Bruce Harreld, I visited your office Monday morning to request a meeting. I'm just a grad student, but you say you're interested in talking individually with stakeholders across our university. And I carry an urgent concern around which all our stakeholders share a common interest. Thus, I hoped to meet with you in order to articulate this challenge and possible opportunity.

Some background. I returned from Thanksgiving to find a flier in the door of my campus-owned, contractor-run apartment. Aspire at West Campus' two-bed, two-bath monthly rent increases from \$1,149 this year to \$1,239 next year. Renew within five days and pay a "discounted" rate of \$1,199. My neighbors and I did not anticipate this increase. But in the last week I have learned that it is a predictable consequence of a lopsided contract.

The state Board of Regents signed this deal with the private contractor Bal-

four four Beatty Campus Solutions in 2013. Balfour pays \$1 per year to use a tract of university land, which the university services with its free bus system and its brand. In return, Balfour has constructed and now manages apartments on the property, charging the highest rent it can clear.

Balfour is publicly traded; the law requires it to maximize profit. A reasonable contract would have balanced the university's subsidy of the land lease with protection of rental rates and prohibition against certain abusive pricing schemes. Instead, the contract is a giveaway, subsidized by Iowa taxpayers.

I hope that you, President Harreld, will reach out to the regents and Balfour to urge them to renegotiate this rotten deal. At least reassure us all that you, too, see that this is a bad deal. Renounce giveaways like this. Partnerships should benefit both parties.

At your office, I was careful to emphasize that my chief concern was

general (stewardship of public resources) rather than particular (housing). Your staff was very helpful. In an email to your two senior advisers, they summarized my position accurately: "... in regards to student housing, and the long term contract the BOR signed, [he] would like the deal to be renegotiated."

"He is concerned as the price of his housing is going up \$90/month, and he wants the university to benefit from its resources."

Your senior adviser and VP for External Relations (same person) then referred me to the VP for Student Life, who directed me to his assistant VP, who is also the senior director for Dining and Housing. We have an appointment on Thursday afternoon.

Yet, my chief concern is not about housing; it is about "stewardship of the university's financial, physical, and human resources" by "offering high quality, cost-effective, and efficient services" and "creating an attractive, accessible, functional, and safe

campus." These are the mission of the university's Office of Finance and Operations, and so I requested for your office to refer me to an appropriate official. Oddly, they declined.

Unsuccessful in my effort to meet with you (I appreciate that you're busy), I have drafted this letter. I still believe there's an opportunity for you to seize. Surprise people. Challenge the regents on this bad deal they signed, and unite our campus in urging Balfour to renegotiate. It might resist. Its position is strong (contractually, if not ethically). But if nothing else, you can prove to the university community that you intend to uphold basic standards for ethical stewardship of public resources.

Take a stand against this 41-year, \$41 giveaway. Take a stand for our university, for its people, and for Iowan taxpayers.

Urgently and sincerely,

Thomas Kindred
Ph.D. candidate, mathematics

ONLINE COMMENTS

RE: Graduate student affordable housing

It's insane to me that other grad students, some who actually get stipends rather than pay tuition (unlike myself), are claiming an entitlement to live [in] a private apartment complex. The sense of entitlement from this group is astounding. This is not a university-owned facility, it is a public-private partnership. The reason the university partnered with private business and used the P3 vehicle is because the university didn't have the money to build this complex on its own. To do so, it had to attract private investment, thus it needed to lease the land on the cheap to attract the massive capital outlay necessary to build and maintain the complex. Without partnering with private business, this structure wouldn't exist at all, and NO grad students could live there. And thus, all the students would have to find a place they can afford in the Iowa City private market like I do. I get that people feel slighted by the fact

that the University provided a "subsidy" to create a service that some students are not financially able to take advantage of (including me) but that argument boils down to: "Well, if I can't have it, nobody can." Look, people, you're not required to live there as a grad student, and nobody promised you that you would when you got your offer of admission. Find an apartment you can afford, just like the rest of us.

Adam Foresman

Hi Adam,

I have to disagree with your point that students and families who can't afford to live in Aspire should simply leave. These are people (me included) with capped incomes who provide vital services (e.g., teaching, research, and clinical work) to the university. They live in graduate-student housing, the purpose of which is to afford graduate students and their families cost-effective housing that is not entirely governed by market rates. Certainly, market forces are almost always an important factor. But for

years, it seems the university had a commitment to maintaining reasonable rent rates for graduate students, which is not currently happening at Aspire. For example, rents have increased more than 100 percent in two years. In your view, what is the purpose of graduate student housing?

Daniel Elchert

Daniel, were these students and families promised housing as part of their grad-school offer here? I know I wasn't. I can't afford to live there, because, unlike research and teaching assistantships... law students don't get stipends. The simple fact is that they made no such promise. Also, you freely acknowledged how the university was not investing in Hawkeye Court. If anything, that acknowledgment suggests that the university had not been "maintain[ing] a commitment to maintaining reasonable rent for graduate students." Unless you simply look at the raw rent number, because those apartments were legally unlivable at the end. And I found

cheaper rent at nicer places on the private market. As an aside, I am not defending the rental practices of Balfour, it might be a horribly run company. But the fact is, it has a legal right to charge whatever it wants, and there's nothing you or I can do about that except choose not to pay it.

Adam Foresman

"There's nothing you or I can do about that except choose not to pay it." From my perspective, that specific comment is dismissive of meaningful challenges some graduate students may face in their housing decisions. For example, students living with disabilities who have very few ADA compliant housing options in the community. Additionally, there is a waiting list of occupants at Aspire, so simply moving without demonstrating a sense of advocacy will only perpetuate the problem. In my view, the presence of a contract shouldn't automatically dissuade people from engaging in respectful advocacy that is consistent with their values.

Daniel Elchert

Football wins bring prosperity

By LAUREN O'MACHEL
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Everything is coming up roses for the Hawkeyes — and local businesses, too.

A near-perfect season has not only put a smile on coach Kirk Ferentz's face, but also for those who own businesses in the Iowa City area selling Hawkeye merchandise. Ellie Ejiasi, store manager for Tailgate Clothing, 30 S. Clinton St., has been preparing for this all season.

"It's been a really awesome season. It obviously helps when they're winning," Ejiasi said as the phone was ringing off in the store on Tuesday. "We have Rose Bowl graphics coming out next week."

Iowa has not appeared in the Rose Bowl since 1991, and will do so on New Year's Day against Stanford.

Richard Shannon, director of the Iowa Hawk Shop, 125 N. Madison St., has also been busy making sure Hawkeye fans are all geared up for the big game.

"The response has been tremendous," said Shannon.

He said the store has seen a large number of orders: over 500 after the Hawkeyes won the division championship and around 2,000 after the Rose Bowl announcement.

Shannon hasn't seen these many orders since the football team went to the Orange Bowl back in 2003.

A sign hung above empty shelves and hanging racks that re-assured customers the new shipments will be coming in frequently.

Kirt Vanderhoef, manager at Iowa Book, 8 S. Clinton St., was busy



Samantha Peterson organizes clothes in the Tailgate clothing store near the intersection of Clinton Street and Washington Street on Tuesday. Tailgate first opened June 2014. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)



Madigan Brands shops in the Tailgate clothing store near the intersection of Clinton Street and Washington Street on Tuesday. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

logging in the merchandise online as well as keeping track of Rose Bowl gear as it is flying on the shelves.

"We're doing inventory today but all around we are really excited for our Hawkeyes," Vanderhoef said.

Sarah Wahlin, a sophomore at the University of Iowa, was shopping for her dad who wants to go to the Rose Bowl to cheer on the Hawkeyes on Tuesday. She was buying

plenty of sweatshirts in advance of the game at Iowa Book. Shelves were bare with only large and extra large sizes left.

"I think it's really cool because I remember last year I went to a bunch of the games and it's really fun to see how well they are doing this year," Wahlin said. "I'm definitely going to have to buy season tickets next year."

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POLITICS

U.S. FRACTURES ON FIREARMS

Recent terror attacks have put the focus on deeply divided stances on gun rights.

By **ALEKSANDRA VUJICIC**
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Following what has now been defined as a terror attack that took the lives of 14 people in San Bernardino, California, party preferences on gun rights remain distant, highlighting a gap that seems to mold to party lines.

And some political experts told *The Daily Iowan* this gap exists because Republicans have responded to the shootings as a terrorist threat, while Democrats have stuck with gun-control rhetoric.

"I don't even know if they're defining the same problem," said Christopher Larimer, an associate professor of political science at the University of Northern Iowa. "The way it's being framed right now by Republicans, it's just increasing that gap."

Larimer noted some Republicans seem to now be combining the topic of terrorism and gun control, offering a response that focuses on protection.

On the other side, Democrats have stood by their traditional viewpoint of more gun control and implementing thorough background checks.

"In any debate if you can control the terms of the debate, you can win the debate," said David Yepsen, the director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University. "So is this gun control or taking away your firearms?"

As of October, 41 percent of people said they had a gun in their home, according to Gallup, and 55 percent said laws covering the sale of firearms should be made more strict.

Texas Sen. Ted Cruz has been adamant about protecting the Second Amendment and has recently even upped his talk on destroying Islamic terrorists, saying "we will carpet bomb them into oblivion" in Cedar Rapids on Dec. 5.

But his stance on guns was clear. "You don't stop the bad guys by taking away our guns," Cruz said at the Dec. 5 Rising Tide Forum. "You stop the bad guys by using our guns."

Cruz has recently surpassed Donald Trump in one Iowa poll, putting him in first place, according to a Monmouth University Poll. Cruz received 24 percent support

among likely Republican caucusgoers, while Trump had 19 percent support.

The poll has a margin-of-error of plus or minus 4.8 percentage points and was conducted by telephone Dec. 3-6.

Another presidential hopeful former Hewlett-Packard CEO Carly Fiorina, pushed against Democrats and what she thought was an inappropriate response to last week's shootings.

"It is delusional, ladies and gentleman, as a terrorist attack is ongoing for Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton to be tweeting about gun control," she said in Cedar Rapids.

But Democrats have taken a different approach, highlighting the danger of getting guns in the hands of the wrong people.

In a prime-time address from the Oval Office Sunday night, President Obama called the California shooting an act of terrorism. But he also took a jab at lax gun laws, saying people on no-fly lists should not be able to purchase guns.

"What could possibly be the argument for allowing a terrorist suspect to buy a semiautomatic weapon?" he asked. "This is a matter of national security."

Republicans wasted no time criticizing the president's gun rhetoric.

"The notion that a radical jihadist who is on a no-fly list is going to walk into a local gun shop to purchase a gun is absurd," Florida Sen. Rubio said during an appearance on Fox News.

This widely divided response was not seen after the 9/11 attacks.

Larimer described this as a time in which there was a sense of unity between Democrats and Republicans. Both sides came together because of what was perceived as a real external threat, Larimer said.

Then-President George W. Bush had soaring approval ratings, reaching a peak of 90 percent on Sept. 21-22, 2001, according to Gallup.

But more isolated instances, such as San Bernardino, are going to affect people in different ways depending on how close they were to the incident, Larimer said.

"On cases like mass shootings, I think Republicans are starting to talk about it more as a real threat, but not everyone may see it that way," Larimer said. "That's going to affect how people define the issue."



'WHAT COULD POSSIBLY BE THE ARGUMENT FOR ALLOWING A TERRORIST SUSPECT TO BUY A SEMIAUTOMATIC WEAPON? THIS IS A MATTER OF NATIONAL SECURITY.'
— President Barack Obama, Oval Office address



'IF YOU ARE TOO DANGEROUS TO FLY IN AMERICA, YOU ARE TOO DANGEROUS TO BUY A GUN IN AMERICA.'
— Hillary Clinton tweeted



'THE SAN BERNARDINO SHOOTING WAS THE 355TH MASS SHOOTING THIS YEAR. GUN VIOLENCE HAS REACHED EPIDEMIC LEVELS IN THE UNITED STATES'... 'NOW THE BAD NEWS IS THAT THIS NATION IS DIVIDED OVER GUN LEGISLATION.'
— Bernie Sanders statement



'YOU DON'T STOP THE BAD GUYS BY TAKING AWAY OUR GUNS. YOU STOP THE BAD GUYS BY USING OUR GUNS.'
— Ted Cruz, Rising Tide Summit



'IT IS DELUSIONAL, LADIES AND GENTLEMAN, AS A TERRORIST ATTACK IS ONGOING FOR BARACK OBAMA AND HILLARY CLINTON TO BE TWEETING ABOUT GUN CONTROL.'
— Carly Fiorina, Rising Tide Summit



'HOPE HE WON'T SPEND TOO MUCH TIME RIPPING APART THE SECOND AMENDMENT!'
— Donald Trump tweeted before Obama's Oval Office address

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Dean to stump for Clinton

Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean will make stops in Iowa to campaign for Democratic presidential frontrunner Hillary Clinton.

Dean, who ran for president in 2004 and came in third on caucus night, will be in the state on Dec. 15 and Dec. 16.

According to a Dec. 7 CNN/ORC poll, 54 percent of Democratic likely caucus-goers said Clinton would be their first



Dean
former Vermont Gov.

choice. Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders came in next at 36 percent.

With 442 Democratic likely caucus-goers surveyed, there is a margin of error of plus or minus 4.5 percentage points.

Here are some of the locations Dean will stop at:

Iowa City Organizing Event
Where: Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room A, 123 S. Linn
When: 7:30 p.m. Dec. 15

Cedar Rapids Organizing Event
Where: Hillary for Iowa Office, 1420 First Ave. N.E.
When: 11:30 a.m. Dec. 16

— by Rebecca Morin

The University of Iowa Iowa Electronic Market is a small-scale futures market using real money that can lead to a payoff depending on economic and political events — including the 2016 presidential election. The stocks are based on \$1.

Here are the bids for the 2016 Presidential Vote Share Market, which is similar to a poll that will determine which party a voter will choose.

The number of votes Democrats and Republicans could receive has gone unchanged. According to the latest bid, both Democrats and Republicans will receive almost an equal number of votes, with a small lean to the Democratic side.

	BID	ASK	LAST
DEMOCRAT	0.482	0.514	0.512
REPUBLICAN	0.476	0.490	0.490

Here are the bids for the 2016 Winner-Take-All Market, in which the prices in the graph are the probability of that party being chosen. According to the latest bid, the probability Democrats will win has gone slightly up, now at 62 percent. The probability for Republicans also not changed.

	BID	ASK	LAST
DEMOCRAT	0.605	0.619	0.62
REPUBLICAN	0.391	0.397	0.398

DAILY BREAK

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BETTER Horoscopes

- **Aries:** Your dentist's receptionist will mistakenly record your follow-up appointment as an hour later than she tells you.
- **Taurus:** Everything you've ever wanted to know about sex will be revealed in next week's "Garfield" comic strip.
- **Gemini:** Despite being an openly bigoted blowhard, you'll be the Republican frontrunner.
- **Cancer:** Exactly 50 percent of your closest friends are lying to you 80 percent of the time.
- **Leo:** An extremely important meeting will go poorly as a result of your inability to articulate the key differences between Cheese Nips and Cheez-Its.
- **Virgo:** Embrace culottes.
- **Libra:** Roseanne realizes that Becky and Mark are drifting apart.
- **Scorpio:** Remember to report the number of times you've been convicted of a felony.
- **Sagittarius:** This is not a good time to borrow money from friends. Steal it, instead.
- **Capricorn:** Your lucky Netflix Original Series: Scrotal Recall.
- **Aquarius:** Do not go searching for the source of the Smell.
- **Pisces:** That awkward, quiet guy down the hall? Not a serial killer.

Andrew R. Juhl knows these are accurate; his horoscope told him so.

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



DILBERT

by Scott Adams



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today's events

- **Anatomy/Cell Biology Seminar**, Christine Blau-mueller, 1 p.m., 1-561 Bowen
- **Staff Council Meeting**, 2:30 p.m., 2520D University Capitol Center
- **Human Rights Day Teach-In**, 3-5 p.m., 1117 University Capitol Center
- **Interpretation of Non-German Art-Song Recital**, 5 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall
- **Creative Matters Lecture**, Marilynne Robinson, 5:30 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **17th Century Voyages and Travel Literature: Iowa Bibliophiles December Talk**, Arthur Bonfield, 6:30 p.m., Main Library Special Collections
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Writers Gone Public, undergrad nonfiction, 6:30 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Anya Egense and Elizabeth Salerno**, flutes, 8 p.m., 376 Clinton Street Music
- **Dance Gala 2015**, 8 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- **Mackenzie Mead**, mezzo-soprano, 8 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall

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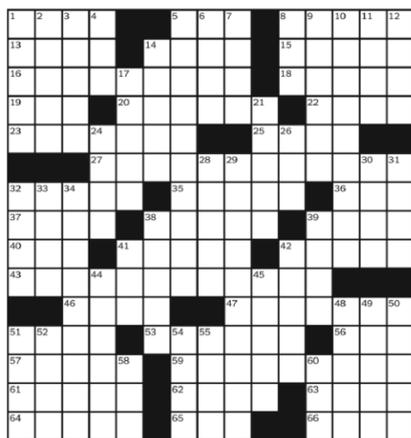
OBJECTS OF ART

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 1104

Note: The answers to this puzzle's four starred clues can each precede a hidden word in 16-, 27-, 43- and 59-Across.

- ACROSS**
- 1 "Event in 'Cinderella'"
 - 5 Sound of admonishment
 - 8 "Watch it!"
 - 13 Mishmash
 - 14 Branch of Islam
 - 15 Nut with a cupule
 - 16 Sumerian king in an ancient epic
 - 18 Self-description after a lifestyle change
 - 19 Shaver's alternative to cream
 - 20 In need of a rally, say
 - 22 Like a control freak
 - 23 One of Seuss's Star-Bellies
 - 25 Old World Style sauce brand
 - 27 Saying sorry, say
 - 32 Storm locator
 - 35 New, in Napoli
 - 36 "Agnus ___"
 - 37 '60s designer for Jackie
 - 38 Swearing-in staple
 - 39 Partner of show or kiss
 - 40 Permanent member of the U.N. Security Council
 - 41 Jackal or coyote
 - 42 Like otologists' tests
 - 43 Reason to get Tommy John surgery
 - 44 Futures analyst?
 - 47 Finally reach
 - 51 Vast expanses
 - 53 Like a doormat, only more so
 - 56 Bon ___
 - 57 Hilda and Zelda, to TV's Sabrina
 - 59 Trojan War hero of myth
- DOWN**
- 1 Wade who was five-time A.L. batting champ
 - 2 Very strange
 - 3 French textile city
 - 4 Where to record a stardate
 - 5 Movie with the classic line "Here's Johnny!"
 - 6 Pedro's emphatic assent
 - 7 "It Had to Be You" lyricist Gus
 - 8 Relo vehicle
 - 9 When mastodons roamed
 - 10 Where "G'day!" is heard
 - 11 Singing sister of Aretha Franklin
 - 12 Student in Torts or Contracts, most likely
 - 14 Artist's garb
 - 17 Where some sacrifices are made
 - 21 Like the accent in "crème"
 - 24 Online read
 - 26 Docs' org.
 - 28 Egypt/Sudan border region
 - 29 Nobel Prizes, e.g.
 - 30 Crème ___ crème
 - 31 Flowerpot spot
 - 32 Blowout, as in sports
 - 33 "Oh, I almost forgot..."
 - 34 Wish list opener
 - 38 Puppeteer Bil
 - 39 "Swan Lake" attire
 - 41 The Cavs, on sports tickers
 - 42 Agassi of tennis
 - 44 Trojan War sage
 - 45 "The bad guys"
 - 48 Black-and-white zoo attraction
 - 49 One in a tryst
 - 50 Like forks and tridents
 - 51 Car company once owned by G.M.
 - 52 Prefix with zone or trash
 - 54 Rank below marquis
 - 55 Like Gruyère cheese, for 5-12 months
 - 58 Farm product bought in rolls
 - 60 Bub



PUZZLE BY RUTH BLOOMFIELD MARGOLIN

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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horoscopes

Wednesday, December 9, 2015 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Put travel plans or educational pursuits into motion. Pick up information, and negotiate deals that could ensure a brighter future. Only you can bring about the changes you want in your life. Reassess your current situation, and make a move.
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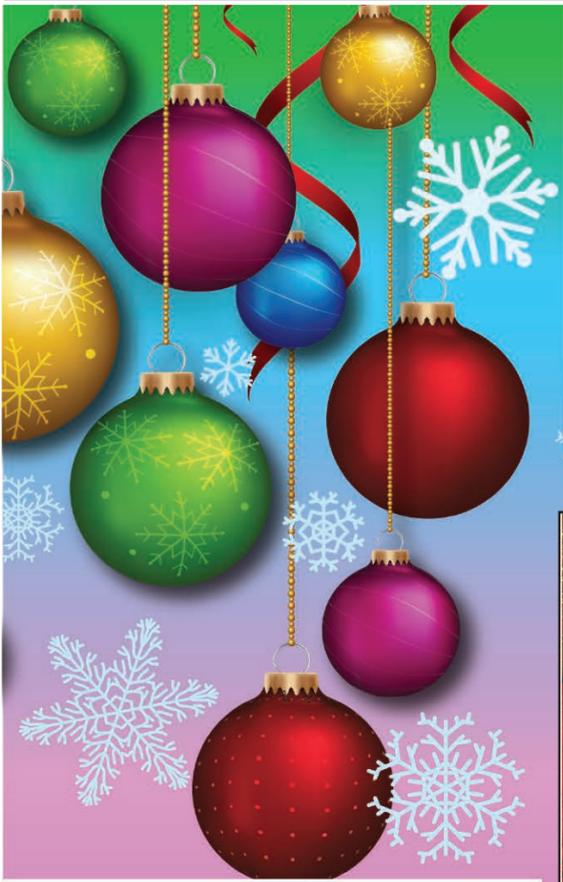
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NOTEBOOK

Rutgers, rankings, and returns

By COURTNEY BAUMANN
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Following Iowa's defeat of South Dakota State on Dec. 4, there were a few questions — especially about the pace of some of the matches. Although the Hawkeyes put up 28 points to the Jackrabbits' 15, a few were unsatisfied with the way some of the matches went.

Iowa head coach Tom Brands said that although some of his wrestlers — Thomas Gilman, Sammy Brooks, and Sam Stoll, for example — competed well against South Dakota State's wrestling style, the team as a whole would not get a good grade.

Mentality is the biggest thing when it comes to starting off on the right foot, Brooks said.

"You're never going to feel your greatest when you're going out there unless you're mentally feeling like that," Brooks said. "If you climbed a couple of mountains then swam in lava, then you had to go out and wrestle, you still have to get yourself mentally ready for that."

Rutgers comes to Iowa City

Brands said the Rutgers wrestling team is "under-ranked and off the radar." The Scarlet Knights, which has four ranked

wrestlers at 125, 141, 165, and heavyweight, will come head to Carver-Hawkeye looking to prove themselves on Thursday night.

"We can't just look at it like, 'It's Rutgers ... we don't have to be ready,'" Brands said. "We have to be ready to go or there will be frustration like a week ago."

Gilman and Brooks will be prepared for their matchups, but they are not so sure Rutgers is as "under-ranked" as their coach thinks the Scarlet Knights are.

Gilman sees every time out on the mat as a chance to prove himself but has to see it to believe it from Rutgers.

"They say they're up there, they think they're up there,"

Gilman said. "We'll see."

Rankings not a huge factor

Brooks has continued to climb in the rankings, thanks to four pins and two technical falls. Flowrestling now ranks the junior No. 9, but the Hawks aren't particularly concerned with that at this point.

In fact, he does not even remember when he first got into the national rankings.

"Rankings change every week. Things could change, and I could go down, and it wouldn't really bother me much," Brooks said. "I'm just trying to stay focused on me and what I'm doing and sort

of cut out that noise."

The rest of the team's outlook is similar to Brooks'. He noted most of his teammates are not big into looking at rankings, including the rankings of opponents they will be facing.

Iowa has six ranked wrestlers in Gilman (No. 2), Cory Clark (No. 3), Brandon Sorensen (No. 2), Alex Meyer (No. 5), Brooks, and Nathan Burak (No. 4).

Burak is back

Burak was in the lineup for Iowa against South Dakota State, but the team ended up forfeiting that match.

Brands said it was just

a precaution because Iowa had the dual locked up; the senior will be back and ready to wrestle against Rutgers.

However, his absence from the meet — whether it becomes a recurring thing or not — is not something that the rest of the team should be worried about.

"It doesn't matter who's in the lineup; it shouldn't affect anybody no matter what," Gilman said. "Everyone has to take care of his business."

Burak will be in the lineup on Thursday for Iowa's last meet of 2015 until the Midlands Tournament in Evanston, Illinois, at the end of this month.

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other players, and fortunately for me the shots

were dropping this game," Uthoff said. "I wasn't concerned about how many points I scored. I never am."

Uthoff's unselfishness is far from an act, and so long as he won't be the guy to try

to force his shot, nights like this will come from his ability as a pure shooter making good shots. For what it's worth, his teammates weren't all that surprised. "I know what he's capable

of doing," Adam Woodbury said "Sometimes you guys get on him for not being more aggressive, but he's capable of doing that pretty much every night out." Gesell agreed, making an

assertion Uthoff would never make on his own.

"We expect nothing less from him," Gesell said. "He's one of the best shooters in the country, one of the best players in

the country, and he really showed that in the first half tonight."

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WRESTLING

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of adding more rules.

"It can get kind of annoying if a guy is just

sitting there and holding you," Iowa 197-pounder Nathan Burak said. "But you can't let it get to you, and you have to stay focused."

For the most part, the wrestlers say the rules

haven't caused any major changes in how they approach duals. This is because the mindset among the team already is to be aggressive and force the other teams to either stall or be aggressive. Iowa has

done that for years, and it is a fundamental part of the program.

The Hawkeyes will continue to push the pace of matches as they always have and this season, it's proving even more costly

to other teams. "You wrestle at a high pace like we like to in this

room," Iowa heavyweight Sam Stoll said. "Good things will happen."

SWIMMING

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On the second day of competition, freshman McNamara turned heads once again as she earned a solo record of her own. In the 100 fly preliminaries, McNamara touched in 53.90.

McNamara, who impressed observers from the moment she stepped on campus, credits upperclassmen such as Kabacinski for pushing her throughout the weekend. "[The seniors] were such a big help throughout the competition," McNamara said. "Obviously, I never expected to be doing this well right now, but it was just really cool to look up and see my time."

With the youth of the team performing so well, it seems pretty clear that the team is in good hands when senior leaders such as Kabacinski graduate.

And Kabacinski is cer-

tain that McNamara will be one of those who step up to take control of the program.

"It's great to see someone so young excelling already," Kabacinski said. "It's cool for her to recognize what's out there for her to accomplish, whether that's NCAA titles or just making it to NCAAs."

'I can usually feel from my first 25 [meters] how the race is going. If I kind of get in to my pace and feel strong and catch a lot of water, I can tell that it'll be pretty good.

Then you just have to hold on until the end.'

— Olivia Kabacinski, senior

She'll be a great one to lead for years to come."

On the third and final night of the meet, the Hawkeyes put the cherry on top of the event with a school record in the 400-free relay with Kabacinski, Nikol Lagodzinksa, Sougstad, and sophomore Carly O'Brien in the water. They touched in 3:20.58.

Head coach Marc Long was more than impressed with his team following the final day of competition,

noting that the swimmers hadn't shaved for the event.

"We had a lot of great swims and great performances overall, getting records in the pool" Long said. "The relay got a school record at the end, which is amazing, because we suited up. We didn't shave."

After contributing to two of the four broken records over the weekend, Kabacinski said she's begun to feel when a good swim is in the works.

And she's had more than her fair share of "good swims" this season.

"I can usually feel from my first 25 [meters] how the race is going," Kabacinski said. "If I kind of get in to my pace and feel strong and catch a lot of water, I can tell that it'll be pretty good. Then you just have to hold on until the end."

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(shot put/40-00; 12.19), sophomore Leah Colbert (weight throw/48-04.75; 14.75 meters) and senior Dakotah Goodell (discus throw/157-04; 47.97 meters).

As for the distance runners, the women didn't compete in the intrasquad meet, but head coach Layne Anderson expects them to be ready and healthy going forward.

"We got five weeks to go back to work and to get over any aches or pains," he said. "Hopefully, the weather stays favorable [in training] that always helps, because we don't have much time before we come back and jump into a highly competitive [Illinois meet]."

With five weeks of training before the next meet, Anderson expects the same women who led the cross-country team to continue their leadership role on the distance running team.

"Madison [Waymire] and Tess [Wilberding] will be leaders," Anderson said. "It will be the same people you saw on the cross-country course and hopefully, some new runners as well."

With this exhibition meet completed, the Hawkeyes will prepare for the Border Battle in Champaign, Illinois, on Jan. 9, 2016.

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NOTEBOOK

Hawks eye Iowa State

By IAN MURPHY
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Almost one-third of the way through the season, the Iowa basketball team sits at 7-2 heading into a matchup with the country's No. 4 team.

Success has come early, aside from the two hiccups at the AdvoCare Invitational, and the Hawkeyes played their best game of the season against Western Illinois.

Big man, big minutes

Senior Adam Woodbury has seen his role expand with the graduation of Aaron White and Gabe Olaseini, and the expansion is reflected on the score sheet.



Woodbury
senior

Woodbury averaged 21 minutes per game last season, but now as the only center on the roster, he has seen an increase in his average, although only by a minute.

The increase is only a minute is indicative of the Hawkeyes' play this season. Big wins saw Woodbury off the court early, while he

logged 33 minutes against both Wichita State and Florida State.

Woodbury will be relied on even more so as the season goes on.

He also averages 9.2 points per game.

Scouting the Cyclones

There's a reason Iowa State is the No. 4 team in the country, or, more accurately, there are five.

The Hawkeyes may have their hands full on Thursday, as the Cyclones starters are more than capable on the offensive end of the floor.

All five of the Cyclone starters average in double digits, and they have a legitimate Player of the Year candidate in Georges Niang.

The Cyclone offense can either run through Niang, a senior power forward averaging 18.6 points per game, or Monté Morris, arguably the best point guard in the country, who averages 14.9 points per game and 7.3 assists.

Then there's Jameel McKay, a 6-9 rebounding machine who averages 13.9 points and 11.6 rebounds.

Naz Mitrou-Long and Abdel Nader round out the starting five; they average 14.6 and 12.9 points per game, respectively.

Bench play

It's hard to judge the play of the bench so far this season, as the Hawkeyes early season schedule lacks a tough test.

The bench players have been solid when they have played, however, averaging 27.5 points per game as a unit.

Redshirt freshman Nicholas Baer, who McCaffery has been high on all season, continues to see significant playing time, as does fellow redshirt freshman Brady Ellingson.

True freshman Ahmad Wagner also has seen time in close games.

Absent from significant minutes, however, has been Andrew Fleming. The freshman did not play a minute against Florida State, which would have seen him match up with high-school teammate and five-star recruit Dwayne Bacon.

It's too early to draw conclusions on the young platoon, but if the promise of the early part of the season translates to the Big Ten, the Hawkeyes will be in good shape.

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Iowa forward Jarrod Uthoff goes up against UMKC forward Kyle Steward near the basket in Carver-Hawkeye Arena in on Dec. 5. (The Daily Iowan/Anthony Vazquez)

Uthoff's shooting makes a point

Jarrod Uthoff scored 24 points in the first half and a career-high 27 in the game.

By **KYLE MANN**
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Several weeks ago, Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said he hoped to see more aggression and assertiveness from senior forward Jarrod Uthoff, who will shoulder a heavy scoring load this season but routinely rejects the notion that he has to carry the team.

In Monday's game against Western Illinois, Iowa fans got a glimpse of the Uthoff that McCaffery hopes to take with him into Big Ten play.

McCaffery has said it's important for Uthoff to get plenty of looks, and it was clear early on that the ball was running through Uthoff. Even more so, it was clear that he was in a zone.

The Hawkeyes started the game with a 6-3 lead, and Uthoff first got in the board with a lay-up just over three minutes into the game. Brady Ellingson scored shortly after to make the score 10-3, and then observed with the rest of his team as Uthoff scored 9-consecutive points to go up 19-6.

"He couldn't miss the first half; he was playing really well," Mike Gesell said.

Uthoff had made it known that he was going to have a good night, starting the game 4-of-6 and hitting double digits still with 13 minutes remaining in the half. As good as he started, his most impressive stretch was still to come.

A Uthoff jumper had extended Iowa's lead to 22 at 34-12, with eight minutes to go in the half, but Western Illinois used a run after that to cut the deficit to 34-19. Then, Uthoff started shooting again.

A stand-still 3 halted the Leatherneck run, and that was followed by another kick-out 3 assisted by Gesell. The next time down the floor, Uthoff was flat-out feeling it as he let one fly from several feet beyond the arc and rattled it home. All in all, an offensive rebound and lay-in the next time down the floor marked 13-consecutive points for the senior.

"It changes the whole complexion of the game. We already had a lead, then all of a sudden he does that," McCaffery said. "They hit a couple shots right around there, as well. Just kind of nullified any run they were going to make. That's obviously what you want your best player to do."

Uthoff used his 11-point and 13-point stretches to score 24 points in the first half, only one off of his career high. He set a new mark, finishing with 27 points on 16 shots in 23 minutes in a lopsided 90-56 affair.

So was this Uthoff's response to McCaffery's challenge, or merely something that happened? With Uthoff, you can be sure he definitely didn't set out to do anything special.

"If I'm open, I shoot it; if I'm not, I move it on and try to find

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Tracksters shine in intrasquad

By **CONNOR SINDBERG**
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On Dec. 4 and 5, the Iowa women's track and field team kicked off its indoor season with the Black & Gold Intrasquad meet.

In the Gold team's victory over the Black team (41-37), the underclassmen had an excellent showing. In the four running events, three underclassmen finished at the top, beginning with sophomore Lydia Harold winning the 60 meters, edging teammate Jalynn Roberts-Lewis at the finish line.



Harold
sophomore

Sophomore Jahisha Thomas joined in on the underclassmen domination by breaking a meet record with a time of 8.62 in the 60-meter hurdles. Thomas continued her excellent showing by taking the crown for the long jump competition with a jump of 5.88 meters.

But freshman Briana Guillory stole the show, setting a meet record and gliding to the finish line with a time of 38.65 in the 300 meters.

"I was so nervous," Guillory said in a release. "I was running scared. Running in an outside lane, I didn't have someone to chase; I was the chase, so I just had to get out and keep my speed. I think this was a really great start for me."

While underclassmen impressed observers in this meet, the upperclassmen balanced the team in the middle-distance and relay events.

In the 1,000 meters, Mahnee Watts, competing for the Black squad, pulled away from Gold squad upperclassman Jordyn Sindt in the last lap. Watts, a native of Bettendorf, finished in 2:55.72.

Sindt, a native of Griswold, returned the favor to Watts in the 4x400 meter relay, as the (3:54.90) Gold team of Sindt, Alexis Hernandez, Lake Kwaza, and Elexis Guster outran the (3:55.17) Black team of Watts, Sheridan Champe, Roberts-Lewis and Guillory.

To round out the track competition Khanishah Williams out-jumped Madison Rouw to win the high jump. The additional winners for the field events were freshman Nia Britt

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Hawkeyes grappling with stalling

By **JORDAN HANSEN**
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So far this year, several rule changes dealing with stalling are affecting some of Iowa's wrestling matches this season.

Twice this year, an opposing wrestler has been disqualified in a match for accruing too many stalling calls. Stalls have been called with more frequency this season, which bodes well for the Hawkeyes' aggressive style.

"We have been on the benefiting side of the rules more than not. First of all, it's what the program's about — you own the center of the mat," Iowa head coach Tom Brands said. "Second of all, when new rules come out, we coach to them, and our guys are very aware."

Dominating opponents in the center of the mat means lots of takedowns, lots of action and lots of points. Those are among the things wrestling fans enjoy the most, and stalling diminishes the excitement of a match for many.

One of the rules instituted by the NCAA rules committee was the neutral-position stalling rule. It was used experimentally at the 2014 All-Star Classic and made official this year.

"When wrestling is stopped in the neutral standing position for going out of bounds,



Illinois heavyweight Brooks Black gets a warning for stalling during the Iowa-Illinois dual in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 16. Telford won in a 4-0 decision over Black. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

the referee can make one of the three following calls," the NCAA said in a release. "Stalling on one or both wrestlers for leaving the wrestling area. Stalling for pushing or pulling the opponent out of bounds. Wrestling action is taking place."

Action is being pushed to the inside of the mat as wrestlers don't want to give up easy points on edge of the mat.

However, even with it benefiting Iowa, Brands still has

a few qualms with how it's being implemented.

"What's going to happen is guys are going to learn to stay in the center, they're not calling stalling in the center of the mat," he said. "So even if a guy is going backwards at the center of the mat, and they're stalling, they're not calling it because now all they're looking at the edge of the mat."

The second rule attempt to fight stalling is called the drop-down. It tries to stop

wrestlers from hanging on to ankles and legs, which results in less action.

In five matches against Division-1 programs this season, the changes have been obvious. Iowa has tallied 14 stalling calls, while opponents have been hit with 54.

Referees want to see more movement and have been making more calls. Getting wrestlers to move around and create action is the point

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School records fall in the pool

By **JAKE MOSBACH**
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When the Hawkeye women's swimming and diving team entered the pool for the Hawkeye Invitational on Dec. 4, it quickly became clear that no school record was safe.

Four Hawkeye records fell before the weekend was over, with a host of Hawkeyes contributing to the historic performances.



Sougstad
junior

Dec. 4, the first night of competition, featured two record-breakers, with junior Emma Sougstad setting the new mark in her 50 free split of the 200-free relay. She completed the leg in 22.63 (the overall relay time was also the second-best time in school history).

To cap the night off, the 400-medley relay team of senior Olivia Kabacinski, freshman Kelly McNamara, sophomore Meghan Lavelle, and Sougstad grabbed the school record with a time of 3:38.62.

"To break some of the records we broke, that was really unexpected," Kabacinski said. "Those times could give us some really good seeds at the Big Tens, so we're all so happy with how it went."

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