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Gas leak shuts down North Side area

At about 6 p.m. Thursday, Iowa City Fire and Police Departments blocked off streets on the North Side because of a significant gas leak caused by telecom construction crew members striking a gas line, said Eric Nurnberg, a Fire Department battalion chief.

A construction crew was working near Hamburg Inn throughout the day, and it struck the gas line in the late afternoon. The gas leak caused the 300 block of Market Street and the 200 block of North Linn Street to be blocked, and the businesses were evacuated.

Establishments on the east side of

Linn were emptied around 6:30 p.m., including Hamburg, IC Ugly's Saloon, Taste of China, and Oasis. Police lines were put up, and no unauthorized people were allowed in the area.

"It may be a while before the streets are cleared," Nurnberg said. "We evacuated the affected area to decrease any chance of injury."

Nurnberg says authorities took special precautions, because gas leaks can be tricky. "There also a chance for the gas to go underground into basements or sewers and cause an explosion," he said. "As soon as MidAmerican has this issue fixed, we'll secure the area and then open it up again."

— by Travis Coltrain



Iowa City firefighters stand in the middle of the street after evacuating businesses on Linn and Market Streets because of a natural gas leak. The evacuations and street closures began at 6 p.m. (The Daily Iowan/Joseph Cress)

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Reporter: Media must be watchdog

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While posts on President-elect Donald Trump's Twitter page suggest "failing" newspapers are "becoming irrelevant," journalists believe their importance to society will only rise over the next four years.

As with any government official, it is important that journalists play watchdog roles when reporting on Trump, said Brianne Pffannenstiel, a reporter for the *Des Moines Register*.

"I think we play an important role in democracy and in ensuring that the people are aware of what's going on in their government from a nonbiased point of view," she said.

Over the course of his campaign, Trump alarmed reporters after revoking the credentials of media outlets such as the *Washington Post* "based on the incredibly inaccurate coverage and reporting of the record-setting Trump campaign," according to Trump's Twitter account. He also denied a reporter from *The Daily Iowan* access to a campaign event in October.

"Trump more than any other candidate in recent history made criticizing and attacking the media one of his signature points," said Cary Covington, a University of Iowa associate professor of political science.



Pffannenstiel
reporter

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Council moves on justice, equity

By **MOLLY HUNTER**
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The Iowa City City Council has introduced three social-justice and racial-equity initiatives in an effort to foster a more inclusive and sustainable community.

The initiatives include grants for organizations serving the interests of minorities, a racial-equity tool kit intended to decrease occurrences of marginalization, and "Conversations on Diversity," a lunch-and-learn series.

Iowa City-based organizations were able to begin applying for the Social Justice and Racial Equity Grant on Thursday.

"The grant lists six priority service areas: Education, Building Community, Housing, Criminal Justice, Health, and Employment," wrote city Equity Director Stefanie Bowers in an email to *The Daily Iowan*.

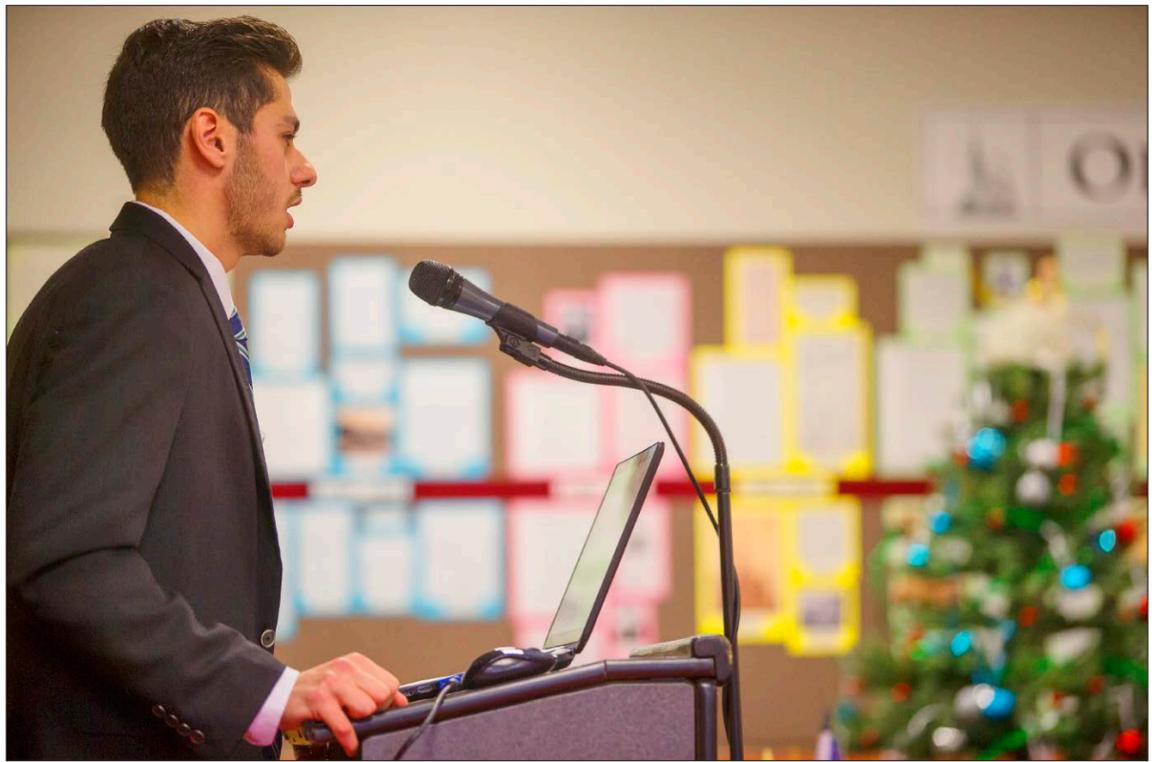
The money must be used to help eliminate inequalities in the Iowa City community. Organizations whose work addresses one or more of the priority areas will be given precedence.



Ghoneim
rights panel

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Life after fleeing Syria



UI junior Moe Shakally speaks during a presentation for Iowa City Foreign Relations Council about his experiences as a Syrian refugee on Thursday. Shakally is also an intern for the council. (The Daily Iowan/Joseph Cress)

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One of the first things Monzer "Moe" Shakally bought after stepping off the plane from Damascus, Syria, was a huge, puffy jacket. The other thing he bought? Starbucks.

Shakally fled Syria first as a refugee to Egypt, and then at 16, he moved to Des Moines to live with his older brother and attend high school. He learned to speak English from watching "The Simpsons" and took his nickname from Moe, the bartender on the show.

Shakally shared his experiences Thursday at a presentation hosted by the Iowa City Foreign Relations Council about his experience growing up as a Syrian asylum seeker.

Shakally's talk was at times emotional, but with his straightforward style of storytelling, he managed to have the entire

room laughing at times, too.

In one of the most powerful moments of his speech, he described the disparity of wealth in Damascus, a place where, he said, a 12-year-old orphan could be looking for food with a younger sibling, and yet across the street, people are out getting drunk and enjoying the entertainment and restaurants in Damascus.

"Civil wars destroy the fabric of society," Shakally said to a silent audience. "Those kids will not grow up without hatred in their hearts."

More than 80 percent of Syrians now live below the poverty line, according to a U.N. report. Shakally is an intern for the council, and he spent the summer setting up speak-

SEE SHAKALLY, 2

Community honors AIDS victims

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Various University of Iowa student organizations and events highlighted the Nov. 29 to Dec. 7 IC Red Week, including the Reading of Names on Thursday to honor those who have passed away from HIV/AIDS and to further spread awareness for Iowa City residents.

According to 2014 data from the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, an estimated 9,731 youth ages 13 to 24 were diagnosed with HIV. From that number, 81 percent or the 7,868 youth diagnoses occurred in persons aged 20 to 24.

The event consisted of almost 100 volunteer readers alternating every five minutes, each reading a list of names from a podium to honor those who had lost their life to HIV/AIDS. It ran from dawn to dusk on the east side of the Old Capitol, with dignitaries reading from noon to 1p.m.

Speakers such as UI President Bruce Harreld, Dean of the College of Public Health Sue Curry, and UI Student Government President Rachel



Jack Stapleton reads names of those lost to AIDS in front of the Old Capitol on Thursday. Stapleton has worked at the UI AIDS clinic since 1986. (The Daily Iowan/Karley Finkel)

Zuckerman read names.

"The event puts a name to the HIV epidemic," Zuckerman said. "By reading the names, an identity and story

is created, showing what AIDS can inflict. The issue tends to be tuned out

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CONTINUING TRADITION



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Alpha Theta Chapter, initiates two new members into the historically African-American fraternity on Thursday. The fraternity was founded on Dec. 4, 1906, at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, and is the first black college Greek-letter fraternity. (The Daily Iowan/Simone Banks-Mackey)

SHAKALLY

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ers and creating program brochures for the organization. The idea of him giving one of the talks this year was brought up to him this summer during the planning stages. During the presentation, he showed the audience, who were enjoying a luncheon of chicken kabobs, pita, and tahini, a selfie he had taken at the top of Willis Tower in Chicago, formerly as Sears Tower. Now, he's a junior and evolutionary biology major

who is minoring in international relations and is on the pre-med track, hoping to become a dentist. "He says exactly what's on his mind; he doesn't beat around the bush, and that's what I like about him," said Michael Buffa, a junior psychology major who is also on the pre-med track. Buffa, who is Shakally's roommate, has known Shakally since freshman year; they met in a chemistry class, Buffa said. They spend a lot of time studying together, and they are also both in the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Shakally also spoke on a panel earlier this year

hosted by the Human Rights Student Collective as part of Refugee Relief Week. "Right away, he just kind of radiates this openness," said UI junior Brooke Roberts, an economics and marketing major and a close friend of Shakally. "You just feel OK saying anything to him. And you feel comfortable around him." Roberts saw Shakally speak at the Refugee Relief Week panel, and she said she learned a lot about his history that she didn't know before, and continued to talk to him after the talk was over about his experiences.

Shakally said that going to talks like his, discussing the refugee crisis enough to keep the issue alive, writing to representatives, and having conversations with people about immigration reform are all important steps to take to help the cause. War, Shakally said, "exposes societies"; it shows both the worst of a country but also the best. And in the state of Iowa, Shakally found well-intentioned, kind people and an accepting, open community. The differences among all of us, Shakally believes, are so minute, and louder, angrier voices often drown out the kind ones.

RED WEEK

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in society, and we want to change that." The first Reading of Names took place in 2014 and was made possible by the support of the Digital Studio for Public Arts and Humanities, which brought in a portion of the AIDS Memorial Quilt.

"We have two blocks out of nearly 6,000," said art Professor Jon Winet, the Faculty Director of the event. "The names we read are provided by these quilt blocks, which have names of those who passed nationwide. It represents that these people have not been forgotten." In addition to honoring those who have died, the event aimed to get

more people on campus talking about HIV/AIDS and sexual health, topics generally inundated with stigma. "Many of the individuals who passed were shamed and shunned from society for having HIV. We are honoring them now," said Apoorva Raikwar, one of the event organizers. "The idea is to honor as many individuals who have passed

from AIDS as we can by reading their names aloud. Putting a face to the staggering statistics we often hear about this disease makes the issue more personal." "We hope that people will take the issue seriously," she said. "We hope that honoring those who died will not only bring light to the issue but also prompt the students on our campus to get tested."

WATCHDOG

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Based on how Trump has treated reporters and reacted to the media over the course of his campaign, Pfannenstiel acknowledged concerns that Trump will limit press access once he is in the White House. Jack Shafer, a reporter for Politico, said journalists can use other bureaucratic systems to report on Trump. "Journalists are resourceful enough to be able to report on a president or any other public official who's not outwardly cooperative," he said. An article from the *Washington Post* checked some of the stories from the *New*

York Times that Trump has commented about on social media and found the stories were accurate despite Trump's claims of inaccuracy and dishonesty. The media can report these findings to the public, Covington said, but Trump supporters in particular are unlikely to trust the national media because they are not held in high regard as an institution. "People who are inclined to support Trump basically don't believe anything that the traditional mainstream news organizations say, including claims that Trump lies," he said. Both Pfannenstiel and Covington said the reason Trump supporters readily dismiss proof that Trump

has lied is because people seek information that does not challenge their fundamental beliefs. "The public has gotten used to finding outlets that cater to their own pre-existing viewpoints, and they tend to prefer those," Pfannenstiel said. Another reason this occurs, she said, is because many Trump supporters simply don't believe the media. "As reporters, we expect that once you fact-check someone in a position of power that people will respond to that, and a lot of Trump supporters definitely didn't care," she said. Pfannenstiel said she believes the media will have to work hard to regain the public's trust.

"This election has really been kind of a turning point for us, and I think we need to be more vigilant about holding people accountable and not letting our own biases creep into our coverage," she said. Covington said it is more complicated than aiming to regain the public's trust; it really boils down to reporters will always frame stories a certain way. "You'll frame a story one way or another, and within the frame of the story you're telling, you may be factual, you may be accurate, but the facts you think that matter or the way they apply to the story you're telling is very much shaped by the ... point of view that you're taking to the story," he said.

EQUALITY

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"After reviewing applications, the Human Rights Commission will forward its funding recommendations to the City Council for final review and approval," Bowers said. Shams Ghoneim, the head of the Human Rights Commission, believes the grants are a step toward increased social justice and racial equity throughout Iowa City. "At year's end, the organizations would be expected to submit to the City Council their final report," she said in an email to the *DI*. At that time, it will be evident how successful their efforts have been." The City Council has approved \$25,000 in grants for fiscal 2017, and funds are available to both for-profit

and nonprofit organizations. The grant application is currently available online at the Human Rights Commission's website. Submissions are due Jan. 5, 2017, and funding will be awarded by June 1, 2017. City departments began a one-year pilot of the racial and socioeconomic review tool kit in July. It uses a series of questions to review and evaluate programs, policies, and initiatives. "[The] review tool kit will assist city staff and the City Council in working toward racial equity by providing a process that identifies when the city's policies or practices are causing different outcomes for certain populations," Bowers said. The tool kit is also a preventative measure. "When decisions are being made, we analyze what some of those effects may be and try to anticipate how different

populations may be affected before the program, initiative, or service is put in place," said Simon Andrew, the assistant to the city manager. Ghoneim said she believes the tool kit will be helpful but also stressed the importance of assessing usefulness. "After one year, it would be important for each city department using the kit, to ... evaluate its success, submit its own progress report to the City Council and make/recommend any adjustments as needed to improve the desired results," she said. The tool kit first shows the proposal's effects on determinants of equity. Next, it identifies the affected groups and then indicates opportunities for action. "Conversations on Diversity" will be held at City Hall and led by University of Iowa education Associate Professor Katrina Sanders. The series promotes cultural competen-

cy by exploring the history of American race relations, and the meetings are open to city board, commission members and the community. Ghoneim said the series' success will depend on attendees and their responses. In the end, Ghoneim, said all three initiatives are important, particularly given the current climate. She believes the number of negative actions and amount of hate speech toward minorities have escalated significantly since the presidential campaign and election. "This, unfortunately, will be with us for some time to come," Ghoneim said. "There is clear fear and intimidation experienced by many, and it is incumbent on all of us individually to speak up against it and unite en masse against hate, discrimination, and bigotry."

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Beating the drying out in the winter

Dry skin is a prevalent irritation during the winter months, but daily practices can go a long way in preventing this problem.

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The start of December, particularly in the Midwest, marks the beginning of frigid, dry months of winter weather.

While hypothermia and stalled transportation represent the major difficulties experienced by many during the winter season, another problem lies in the palm of the hands.

Dry, cracked skin is a prevalent skin problem known for being worse during the winter. In addition to the cold, one of the biggest problems for the skin during the winter is the drop in humidity.

"The lower humidity doesn't hydrate the skin as well as a high humidity environment does," said

Melissa Willis, a University of Iowa clinical assistant professor of dermatology.

The outermost layer of the skin is known as the stratum corneum and is composed of a "brick and mortar" structure of dead cells and the body's natural oils.

To understand how the skin desiccates, consider a cake, as describes Michael Elliott, UI physician assistant in dermatology.

"Think of the layers of the skin as the layers of the cake, where the outermost layer acts as a plastic wrap that serves to keep water in the body," he said. "Water keeps the skin soft, pliable, and smooth, and dry skin results when there isn't enough water due to evaporation because that protective layer, or plastic wrap, has

rubbed off."

Low humidity during the winter does not keep the skin well hydrated, but many people also do several things to exacerbate the dryness, such as turning on the heat and taking long, hot showers.

"Hot water tends to leach skin of its natural moisturizing factors more than lukewarm water does, and rubbing the skin creates more friction, leading to more inflammation," Willis said.

The best practice to avoid dry skin consists of adopting a more conscious bathing routine.

This involves limiting bathing to five to 10 minutes in a warm bath or shower with fragrance free cleansers, followed by gentle blotting with a

towel and applying thick moisturizers such as Vaseline within minutes after getting out to seal the water in the skin before evaporation occurs.

"Most of the recommendations we make are to apply thick moisturizers directly after bathing — typically, the thicker the better," Elliott said.

When it comes to moisturizers, "the thicker the better" is a good rule.

Most hand lotions are not effective for dry-skin problems because they are too light to trap moisture.

"Ointments are better than creams, and creams are better than lotions," said Kathleen Wittich, the UI Student Health & Wellness medical director.

While skin ointments and creams are generally

not harmful, be cautious when using anti-inflammatory and itch-suppressing compounds because they can lead to allergic reactions in some people.

"With anti-inflammatory and itch-suppressing creams, there is a risk for developing allergic contact dermatitis, and you want to make sure you are applying the appropriate medication to your skin," Elliott said.

Besides applying thick moisturizers and exercising precaution with hot showers and excessive towel rubbing, another healthy solution is to always staying hydrated.

"It is important to remain hydrated, not just on the exterior," Wittich said. "Increased non-caffeinated fluid intake is essential

in the dry months."

Beyond maintaining one's bodily fluids, such actions as wearing gloves outdoors, plugging in a humidifier to add moisture at home, and keeping one's distance from open heat sources can also help in retaining water in the skin.

If the skin becomes very dry or inflamed and remains so over extended period of time, prescription ointments or creams may be required.

"Sometimes when the skin gets inflamed, topical corticosteroids or other prescription medications can be used to help calm the inflammation," Willis said.

For most people, simple, everyday life changes during the winter season can substantially help in preventing dry skin.

Singular tequila splashes into Iowa City

An Iowa City restaurant unveils its a unique barrel of tequila.

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El Patrón — Mexican Kitchen and Tequila Bar will present its own barrel of tequila today and Saturday at the El Mayor Barrel Pour Celebration.

El Patrón has partnered with El Mayor Tequila to create its unique barrel in a yearlong process.

The two-day event will feature the barrel of tequila, which produces 271 bottles. The restaurant will be giving away El Mayor mer-

chandise and free samples of tequila while educating people on the process of creating it.

George Etre, the owner of El Patrón, said they had previously partnered with Patrón Tequila to go through the process of creating homemade tequila similar to this one.

Etre and Jason Alt, the project manager for the El Patrón, took a survey so El Mayor could get a feel for how it wanted the tequila to taste. That then turned into the creation of the tequila,

including what was in it and what barrel it was kept in.

They chose an American oak wood barrel with tahona, an old-school method of processing the tequila plant and roller mill processed tequila, the same general idea using modern technology.

"It's a really rewarding experience," Alt said. "We were looking for something different to do and I think we really succeeded with the El Mayor Barrel."

This unique tequila does not come cheap. Etre estimates that it could cost

some around \$50,000 to go through the yearlong — or more — process.

El Patrón has collaborated with John's Grocery to sell bottles of the tequila, and it is going for around \$33 a bottle.

"It's great to have El Patrón and John's Grocery collaborate; it's those collaborations that really help the downtown economy thrive," said Nancy Bird, the Iowa City Downtown District executive director.

Since the tequila is so expensive, Etre said, the

restaurant would not normally give it away, but the establishment still wants people to have to opportunity to really try it this weekend.

They also are excited to share with people what really goes into making tequila, and the time intensive process that it is. This specific barrel sat for almost 18 months before the makers finally got what they were looking for.

"It's really a once in a lifetime opportunity to taste some of the finest tequila in

Iowa City," Etre said.

Once the tequila is gone from El Patrón and John's, there will never be another quite like it.

Alt said people could try to remake it, but the specific barrel makes it impossible to replicate. The people at El Patrón realized they could make a limited quantity of something new and unique, and that was what they wanted to do.

"In the Midwest, you're not going to find anything like this," Etre said.

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COLUMN

The utter failure of dogmatic liberalism

By HANNA GRISSEL
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Earlier this month, Mark Lilla, a professor of humanities at Columbia University, published in the *New York Times* what he might consider a “leftists jab at PC culture.” The piece was titled “The End of Identity Liberalism.”

Lilla writes, “In recent years, American liberalism has slipped into a kind of moral panic about racial, gender, and sexual identity that has distorted liberalism’s message and prevented it from becoming a unifying force capable of governing.”

Like many moderate liberals, he finds oppressed people’s pushing for acknowledgment to be a destructive force, working to diminish the values he believes to be operating smoothly for all. Apparently, this is what is preventing liberalism from becoming a unifying force.

The idea is misguided. Even a cursory inspection of the movement’s history proves that liberalism lost its ostensibly unifying ability back when the Democratic Party adopted neoliberal economics. And if we’re being honest, because of liberalism’s insistent lack of inclusivity, the movement has never been as unified as the bourgeois believe.

Liberalism’s loss in the last election is not the fault of radical progressiveness. It is the fault of traditionalists resisting to evolve their beliefs and address the actual issues that American liberalism is losing support across the board.

David French echoed Lilla’s misguidedness in an article in the *National Review* titled “Identity Politics is Ripping Us Apart,” noting “the ticket to white acceptability in progressive politics is a form of self-loathing; a constant attitude of repentance.” He goes on later to say, “oddly enough, this self-loathing doesn’t diminish the power of the white progressive.”

French is right about self-loathing as a response to one’s discontent. However, he thoroughly misunderstands the response that is necessary upon realizing one’s privilege in the light of progressivism.

This misunderstanding is a reason for stagnancy, one

that Audre Lorde explains in her 1981 presentation of “Uses of Anger: Women Responding to Racism.” She states, “Guilt is not a response to anger; it is a response to one’s own actions or lack of action,” and it later “becomes a device to protect ignorance and the continuation of things the way they are, the ultimate protection for changelessness.”

In actuality, only recognizing one’s own privileges and prejudices followed by knowledge-seeking and collective action in the fight for equality will produce results.

It is no surprise that traditionalists such as Lilla and French haven’t seen the progression. It’s also quite obvious they see the advent of identity politics to be their enemy because they cannot identify with it.

An interesting notion to say the least, considering they are the same folks that claim progressive politics is narcissistic in nature, a notion that leads me to question what Lilla actually identifies with.

According to his piece, he believes in a traditional “American Liberalism.” He fervidly declared that Franklin D. Roosevelt’s Four Freedoms remind him “of what the real foundations of modern American liberalism are.”

But while these liberals defend the frameworks of pre-identity liberalism, they hinder the progress of a sustainable and unifying structure being built upon it. As long as leftists continue to feel comfortable idealizing outdated theory, disjointedness in the movement will continue.

In Susan Griffin’s essay “The Way of All Ideology,” she writes, “When a theory is transformed into an ideology, it begins to destroy the self and self-knowledge. ... All that it fails to explain it records as its enemy. Begun as a theory of liberation, it is threatened by new theories of liberation; it builds a prison for the mind.”

In the end, it’s simple: the more inclusive a movement, the more people will be behind it. And as we well know, there’s power in numbers. If we wish for liberalism to truly unify the people, we must not resist change any longer.

EDITORIAL

Lessons after Ohio St. attack



Police cover the body of a suspect outside Watts Hall on the campus of Ohio State University in Columbus following an attack that left several people injured. The man, identified as Abdul Razak Ali Artan, plowed his car into a group of pedestrians and began stabbing people with a butcher knife Monday before he was shot to death by a police officer. (Adam Cairns/ Columbus Dispatch via AP)

On Monday, Abdul Razak Ali Artan, an 18-year-old student of Somali descent, carried out an attack on the Ohio State University campus. Following the event, 11 individuals were hospitalized with one in critical condition. None of the individuals have passed away.

Artan was shot three times and killed by Officer Alan Horujko, whose actions prevented the attack from lasting longer than two minutes. Artan’s attack primarily involved the use of a vehicle and a knife, and although his actions were terrifying, destructive, and atrocious, he may have inadvertently provided the United States with its most concrete argument for gun control in years.

According to CNN, Artan had not been known to be violent and had exhibited no changes in behavior leading up to the attack. He was, however, featured in a story on *Humans of Ohio State* in which he explained, “I wanted to pray in the open, but I was scared with everything going on in the media.”

CNN also reported that Artan wrote on Facebook, “By Allah, we will not let you sleep unless you give peace to the Muslims. You will

not celebrate or enjoy any holiday.”

Through these messages, it is clear that Artan had truly horrendous intentions for his rampage on Monday, but (at least in part) because he carried it out without guns, he was not able to cause nearly the damage he would have liked, and that is the reason there are headlines in national newspapers about other topics. Ohio State is one of the largest public institutions in the country, and if Artan had been armed with guns, the damage he could have caused is terrible to imagine.

Because of recent political developments in this country, however, the attack may have much broader implications than gun control alone.

According to the *New York Times*, Artan was the son of Somali refugees and was admitted to the United States in June 2014.

Naturally, following the attack, President-elect Donald Trump was quick to point this fact out in a tweet reading, “ISIS is taking credit for the terrible stabbing attack at Ohio State University by a Somali refugee who should not have been in our country.”

We cannot make the mistake of rooting the motive of Artan’s actions in foreign ideologies. His

attack was the result of a distorted reality inflamed by the very rhetoric that Trump preaches, a rhetoric that was born and bred in the USA. Artan was a scared and sick individual, not an ISIS agent.

Trump’s xenophobic preaching and his general fear of “the other” is the exact mindset that enraged Artan. Whether correctly or not, Artan did not feel safe in his own community. While this is absolutely not a justifiable excuse for his heinous actions, this attack may have stemmed from these feelings, and the violence merely further proves to American society that spreading hatred and prejudice based in ignorance will not solve nothing if not worsen the situation.

In fiscal 2015, according to the State Department, the United States welcomed just under 70,000 refugees from around the world. The vast majority (though “vast” is too small a word to capture the true scale) are decent, well-meaning people.

The solution is, therefore, not to accept fewer refugees but to do a better job of supporting these individuals who have lost everything and who have come to America looking for another chance, not for more hatred and danger.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The University of Iowa Community Credit Union and the Crisis Center of Johnson County are teaming up to raise funds for the Crisis Center’s Food Bank.

As the holidays, cold weather, and end of the year approach, families’ budgets are stretched thinner and the need for Food Bank services

grows. In order to help meet the need of Johnson County families, the Credit Union will match every donation to the Food Bank up to \$10,000 from Dec. 5 to Dec. 16.

“This time of year can be hard on any family, let alone those already living paycheck to paycheck,” said Sara Sedlacek, Crisis Center

communications and development director at the. “Having this gift from the Credit Union helps us meet our clients’ increased need this winter. We are so grateful for its generosity, and we know we can count on the community to ensure we receive the full match.” The Credit Union and Crisis

Center staff will talk about the importance of giving during this time of year at a campaign kick-off event today at the Crisis Center Food Bank. The media and public are encouraged to attend.

—by Sara Sedlacek,
Crisis Center communication & development director

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Age is something that doesn't matter, unless you are a cheese.
— Luis Bunuel

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Random Thoughts

- It's pretty weird that I'm related to both my mother and my father, yet they're not related to each other.
- Two peas would be a pretty small pod.
- It's disconcerting that a pickle is the best thing a cucumber can turn into, while at the same time a raisin is the very worst thing that a grape can become.
- The name "The Black Crows" is stupid. All crows are black. It's as stupid as calling your band "The Striped Zebras" or "Hootie and the Blowfish."
- There is milk inside almonds. There is milk inside coconuts. What other seemingly solid foodstuffs are hiding milks inside their rigid carapaces? Corncoobs? Avocado pits? Incredibly stale bread? Skittles? Tomorrow, my Magic Bullet and I find out.
- All these years later, and I still can't figure out why the cast of "Friends" were dancing in that fountain. Like, I've lived a full life. I've had some very high highs and some very low lows. But never have I ever, even for a moment, thought that dancing in a fountain was good idea — or even an option, to be perfectly honest.
- Even with the best of intentions and a solid statistical model, you can never be truly sure how many teeth any of your friends have until you break down and simply count them.

Andrew R. Juhl has had too much time to think, lately.

today's events

- "Marian Anderson and the Desegregation of the American Concert Stage," Carol Oja, 1:30 p.m., 2 Voxman Music Building
- Museum of Art First Friday, "Cold Days, Hot Art," 5 p.m., FilmScene, 118 E. College St.
- Megan Small, horn D.M.A. Recital, 5:30 p.m., Voxman Recital Hall
- Joffrey Ballet, *The Nutcracker*, 7:30 p.m., Hancher Auditorium
- Horn Studio Recital No. 1, 7:30 p.m., 2451 Voxman Music Building
- Jazz Repertory Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., Voxman Concert Hall
- Korak Lertpibulchai piano D.M.A. Chamber Recital, 7:30 p.m., Voxman Recital Hall
- Blair Witch, CAB, 8 & 11 p.m., IMU Iowa Theater
- Here. A Collaborative Performance, 8 p.m., Space/Place
- The Magnificent Seven, CAB, 8 & 11 p.m., IMU Illinois Theater
- Trocadero Rose, 8 p.m., Theater Building Theater B
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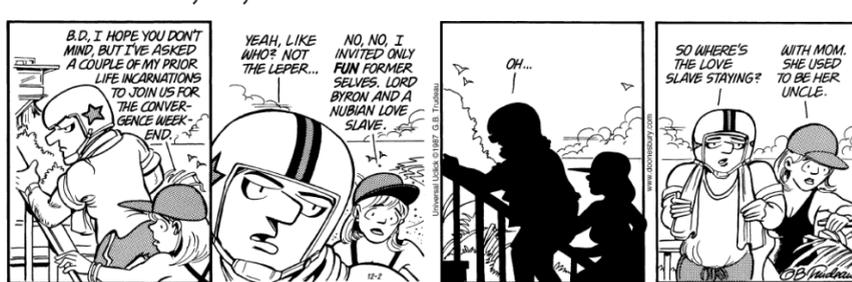
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- 12:30-1 p.m. BUSINESS UPDATE
- 1-2 p.m. COLLEGE FOOTBALL FRIDAY
- 2-3 p.m. FULL COURT PRESS
- 4-5 p.m. DECOLONIZE YOUR MIND
- 5-6 p.m. NEWS @ FIVE
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horoscopes

Friday, December 2, 2016
by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Personal problems will interfere with your work if you don't take better care of your emotional and physical well-being. Keep your life simple by attending to your basic needs. A partnership situation will be in your best interest.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Do what comes naturally to you. If you try to push something you don't agree with or believe in, you will fall short. Adapt whatever you do to fit your life, and you will make an honest impression on someone.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Temptation can be daunting if you believe you will be left behind if you don't sign up. Time is on your side, so reject any deals that are not in your best interest. Bide your time, and something better will come along.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Let the talks begin. If you want to structure a change to the way you do things or how you choose to live, now is a great time to air your thoughts and consider the feedback offered from a reliable source.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your desire to make a sudden move could lead to conflicts. Do your best to take a patient approach before you agree to take part in something volatile. Take care of your physical and emotional well-being.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Avoid getting involved in joint ventures or get-rich-quick schemes. Attend an event that will allow you to network and socialize at the same time. You'll attract someone with your common sense and detailed plans. Romance is highlighted.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You'll face opposition at home if you are spending too much time taking care of outside business. Turn your focus toward what needs to be done to keep the peace before a small issue turns into major conflict.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Refrain from getting sucked into other people's problems. Do your best to stick to your plans, and focus on getting ahead. Ulterior motives may be behind someone's emotional manipulation. Don't give in to bullying.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Consider all the angles before you get involved in a joint venture. Don't let an emotional plea put you in a precarious position. Protect your home and family from any situation that is unpredictable. Don't invest in someone else's scheme.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Do something that will make you feel good. Getting into a workout routine or updating the way you look will give you the boost you need to take on new and exciting challenges. Don't give in to emotional manipulation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Hidden facts could impede your ability to make a good decision. Time is on your side, so sit back, and work on projects that offer the highest return until you see concrete evidence that your interests are worthwhile.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll be in a good position to call in a favor. Don't lose out because you aren't willing to ask for help. An emotional plea will demonstrate your courage, determination, and desire to get things done.

The New York Times Crossword

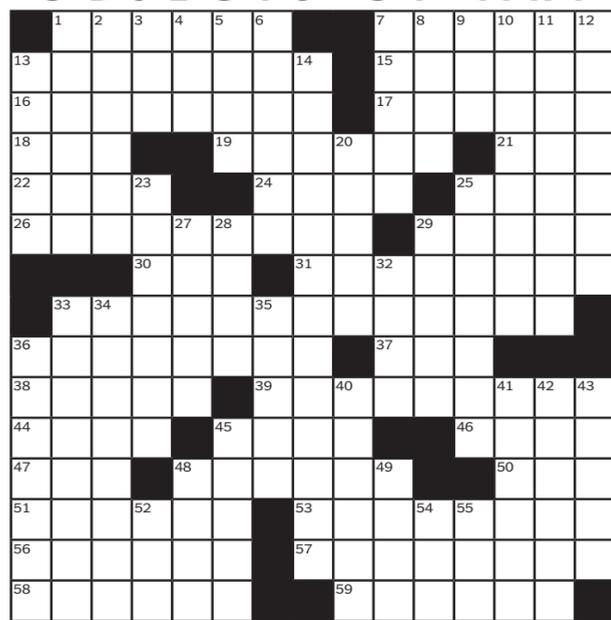
- ACROSS**
- 1 Like the national currency known as the tala
 - 7 Axilla
 - 13 "Hold on there now!"
 - 15 Chasm
 - 16 Powerful pitch
 - 17 Settled with
 - 18 London locale: Abbr.
 - 19 Like the outer core of the earth
 - 21 Certain logic gate
 - 22 One Direction member Payne
 - 24 The Flying Dutchman, e.g.
 - 25 Limb-entangling weapon
 - 26 One nearly cut Bond in half in "Goldfinger"
 - 29 Rise up
 - 30 1983 double-platinum album by Duran Duran
 - 31 Everyday productivity enhancer, in modern lingo
 - 33 Fictional character whose name is French for "flight of death"
 - 36 Leading newspaper that took its name from a stage comedy
 - 37 It's nothing, really
 - 38 One making introductions
 - 39 "You can't make me!"
 - 44 Queen dowager of Jordan
 - 45 Beyond repair
 - 46 Ago, in an annual song
 - 47 Animal with horns
 - 48 Norman ____, first Asian-American to hold a cabinet post
 - 50 Abbr. in an office address
 - 51 Princess cake and others
 - 53 Simply not done
 - 56 Show disdain for, in a way
 - 57 Subject of some PC Magazine reviews
 - 58 Mixed forecasts?
 - 59 N.F.L. Hall-of-Famer nicknamed "The Kansas Comet"
- DOWN**
- 1 Singer Twain
 - 2 Blood lines
 - 3 "Are you ___?!"
 - 4 Cries that might be made while hopping on one foot
 - 5 Slight interruption
 - 6 Sure-to-succeed
 - 7 One with commercial interests, for short
 - 8 Nothing, in Nantes
 - 9 Chant often heard toward the end of an N.B.A. season
 - 10 Rick's, for one
 - 11 Speech habits unique to an individual
 - 12 The first one was delivered in 1984
 - 13 "___ Stop the Rain" (1970 hit)
 - 14 Fright night?
 - 20 Pusillanamous

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- 23 More festive
 - 25 Views
 - 27 Hiker's climb
 - 28 Six-time Hugo Award winner Ben
 - 29 Invoice word
 - 32 Actress Sherilyn who was an Emmy nominee for "Twin Peaks"
 - 33 Common ingredient in furniture polish
 - 34 "No doubt!"
 - 35 NASA spacecraft designed for travel to Mars
 - 36 Units at a horse race
 - 40 Whiskered animals
 - 41 With 54-Down, longtime Long Island home of Theodore Roosevelt
 - 42 Lays to rest
 - 43 Frigid temps
 - 45 They may have bullets
 - 48 Main thrust
 - 49 Field
 - 52 The Nikkei 225 is one of its indexes: Abbr.
 - 54 See 41-Down
 - 55 Some lines of Milton

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3	4	5	2	8	7	9	6	1
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WRESTLING

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tory coming last year by a score of 28-15, it's a new season, and anything can happen.

With Brands praising the team and the coaching staff the Hawkeyes will face, his lineup is still motivated to prove that it is better with a win.

"I think they're an up-and-coming program. That's good for them, and I think it makes the sport better," senior 174-pounder Alex Meyer said. "It also gives us a

good challenge. It makes us get up and get ready for the dual, and not just walk in there and take care of business, but really focus."

One of the most intriguing matches of the night will be at 133 pounds, in which Iowa's No. 1 Cory Clark will take on South Dakota State's Seth Gross, a former Hawkeye ranked No. 7.

The two wrestled and sparred every once in a while in the year they were both in Iowa City together, when Gross was at 141, while Clark was at 125.

Because of those stints,

both wrestlers have an idea about what the other is going to do.

"I know he's a competitor and is going to come out and wrestle," Clark said in a release. "Whatever he has to do to win is what he is going to be doing. I have an idea of what that is going to be, but I have to not be worried about what he's going to do. I have to get to my stuff, and I should be fine."

If Iowa does pick up a victory tonight, it will be Brands' 200th win of his career. Brands has a record of 199-37-1 in his 13 years as a college head

coach with a 91.3 winning percentage in his time at Iowa.

Iowa will have to work a bit harder in the coming weeks, as the schedule picks up. After South Dakota State, Iowa has Iowa State at home, followed by the Midlands Championships in Evanston, Illinois.

"I'm looking forward to Friday. That's the next dual," Meyer said. "Then after Friday, then we look forward to Iowa State the next weekend. The season's here. We're getting right into the thick of things: ranked opponents, ranked guys. It's fun. This is a fun part of the year."



Iowa 133-pounder Cory Clark picks Nebraska's Eric Montoya up in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Jan. 24. Clark defeated Montoya, 2-0, and the Hawkeyes defeated the Cornhuskers, 21-11. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

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spect back (looking at you, Penn State), that faces a Wisconsin team simply trying to see if it can continue its strong run of success.

Do not forget these games have a tremendous

impact on how the playoffs will work out. Penn State and Wisconsin both hope they can crash the party, while Michigan is hoping for Colorado to beat Washington in the Pac-12 Championship. Fans of a team rooting for a school they've hardly heard of, just for the chance to even be considered among the final four teams.

Meanwhile, Clemson is just looking for a shot at redemption (you there, Dabo Swinney and Deshaun Watson?) and perhaps the chance to once and for all beat the stigma that lives around the program. A feisty Virginia Tech team stands in its way, a huge upset on its mind.

Meanwhile, deep in the American West, San Diego

State and Wyoming will face each other in the aptly named Mountain West championship game. This game "doesn't matter" on the big stage. But for those two teams, it's a chance for a bit of glory. It'll also probably be one of the best games of the weekend.

We get Bedlam in Norman this year, of course, which this year has one

team that's literally not counting one of its losses (Howdy, Oklahoma State). Both the Cowboys and its in-state cousin, Oklahoma, are trying to stay in the playoff picture, which seems less and less likely.

Once the dust clears, however, we'll know for sure. But until it's done and settled, sit back and

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They have played the Hawkeyes tough in the past as well, competing with Iowa all the way until the end in 2013, but ultimately lost, 83-75, in Iowa City.

The Summit League opponent gives McCaffery another chance to let his freshmen log some major minutes. He had three frosh in the starting lineup against Notre Dame — Isaiah Moss, Jordan Bohannon, and

Cordell Pems, all made their first career starts.

The overwhelming consensus was good for the young Hawkeyes. Bohannon, if the Notre Dame game is any indication, seems to have taken a firm hold on the starting point guard position. He lit it up with 7 3-point field goals, 7 assists, and only 1 turnover in 32 minutes, and McCaffery said that's the Bohannon to expect.

"[Bohannon] did that regularly in high school," he said. "[The] basket's the same distance. He's going to make 6 or 8 3s,

because he's going to keep shooting them and working to get open."

Moss is another freshman to keep an eye on.

His head coach said it was obvious he was nervous making his first start, but after he calmed down, he played pretty well.

Moss is one of the streakier scorers on the team — when he gets going, he can really fill up the stat sheet. Having someone such as that in the game when leading scorer Peter Jok is shooting 20 percent from the field is vital.

Until freshman Tyler Cook comes back from a broken finger, expect Moss (and Pems) to eat a lot of those minutes.

McCaffery said as much in his postgame press conference in South Bend.

"No. 1, [Moss has] been playing better, and No. 2, I think I did him a disservice in our last game not playing him enough," he said. "I wanted to shake up the lineup, I wanted to go small, so I thought he's got the speed, the quickness, the size, and length that would matchup."



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EMANUEL AX

Tuesday, December 6, 2016, 7:30 pm

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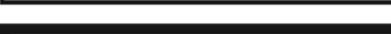
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An ode to Football Title Weekend



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There will be passion, and blood, and glory. Superlatives, and narratives, and incredible feats of athleticism that say "to hell with what you thought before the game."

There will be coaches holding their children on the 50-yard line as they do quick video interviews, their voices cracking. Heroes will be made and names etched into the history books, both good and bad. And, of course, Gatorade baths to go along with the confetti showers.

Schools that "weren't supposed to be there" (hello, Colorado) *really* are there. Programs having a run of success that will never be replicated (how you doing, Western Michigan of the glorious Mid-American Conference?) get to put the cap on something special.

Of course, there will also be the shoo-ins, the Alabamas of the world, that crush the opponents' spirit before the physical toll of the game even begins to register. Who manage to have the mental game half-won before the opponent even steps on the field.

But those are not, thankfully, the majority. There's a school fighting for its self-re-

SEE COLUMN, 6

Wrestlers focus on ranked challenger



Iowa head wrestling coach Tom Brands reacts to a call at the Big Ten Championships in Assembly Hall in Champaign, Illinois, on March 9, 2013. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

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For the first time this season, the Iowa wrestling team will face a ranked opponent when it takes on No. 20 South Dakota State today.

Iowa heads into the dual ranked No. 3 with a 3-0 record that includes wins over Iowa Central, Cornell College, and Purdue.

After rolling, 34-3, over its first Big Ten opponent of the year last weekend, the Hawkeyes will go up against competition that has a chance to make the dual competitive. South Dakota State seeks to become a real championship contender, and in order to do that,

it must compete with the best.

"If you're a coach that's aspiring to be the best, it doesn't matter if you're at South Dakota State or Iowa, or a powerhouse or a nontraditional powerhouse," head coach Tom Brands said. "He believes, and so he's trying to schedule the best teams. That's how he runs his program. He's looking to wrestle the best competition, and we have to be ready."

A program that keeps getting better has the potential to upset a lot of good teams. Even though Iowa leads the all-time series 5-0, with its most recent vic-

SEE WRESTLING, 6

Hawkeyes maintain their swagger

BY MICHAEL MCCURDY
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Coming off a hard-fought game versus No. 1 Notre Dame, the Iowa women's basketball team hopes to bounce back in Carver-Hawkeye at 2 p.m. Dec. 4 against Northern Iowa.

Iowa enters the contest with a 5-2 record and seeks to get back in the win column when it takes on the Panthers.

On Wednesday, the Hawkeyes hung with the top-ranked team in the country by playing lockdown defense while also rebounding exceptionally well.

Even though the Hawkeyes were down once the final buzzer rang, they gained a fiery swagger and confidence knowing they can play with the nation's best. Iowa hopes to carry that confidence into its Northern Iowa matchup, fully aware when it comes to March, the in-state games will help boost the résumé.

While the Hawkeyes realize they can play the best, there are still numerous areas the team needs to tidy up if it wants to compete against quality teams such as Northern Iowa.

Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder said the high number of turnovers has got to be cleaned up, but as of right now she is uncertain why the turnovers continue game after game.

"You know, this has been happening; we have a lot of turnovers in the first half, and the second half, we get it pretty cleared up," Bluder said. "It's been happening like this all year. It's like the first half, we're so juiced, I



Iowa's Megan Gustafson shoots a free throw during an exhibition game on Nov. 6. The Hawkeyes defeated Lewis, 61-35. (The Daily Iowan/Osama Khalid)

think we're so ready to go, that we're almost not playing calm and collected like you have to do."

The early game mishaps for Iowa might come from the lack of experience on the team — the Hawkeyes start two true freshmen and two sophomores. Bluder still employs her platoon system in the first quarter, letting 10 different players see the court early in the game, which could be one of the direct causes of the extra juice the players experience early on; they are not getting enough time to settle in.

The Hawkeyes are searching for more answers

when it comes to bench production, including who is willing to step up and make baskets. Northern Iowa will be a great opportunity for the Hawkeyes to answer some of their underlying questions.

The Panthers are currently 4-2, with those two losses coming on the road at the hands of Iowa State and Oklahoma State. Iowa must be ready to defend the Panther guard Madison Weekly, who averages 17.4 points per game. The Panthers appear to have a heavy backcourt, so Iowa sophomore Megan Gustafson will need to make her mark in the post.

Bluder said she has been really pleased with the fight her team has displayed this season, especially the last game against Notre Dame, and she sees it as a sign of good things to come for these upcoming in-state contests.

"We've kept fighting; I've been proud of my kids for that," Bluder said. "And it sounds simple, you know of course you should fight every second you're out on the floor. But some kids don't, and when people are down, they don't. And our kids keep fighting, and I wouldn't expect anything else."

After tough stretch, Iowa regroups

BY BLAKE DOWSON
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While most Iowa students were enjoying their time at home during Thanksgiving break, the men's basketball team was in Florida getting beat up by No. 7 Virginia and Memphis.

After the Emerald Coast Classic losses, the Hawkeyes (3-4) traveled to South Bend and lost, 92-78, to a tough Notre Dame squad.

After all of that traveling and playing teams that will likely make the NCAA Tournament, seeing Nebraska-Omaha in Carver-Hawkeye will be a sight for sore eyes for head coach Fran McCaffery and his team.

The Hawkeyes haven't played a complete game in a while, something that needs to happen against the Mavericks on Saturday.

Against Virginia, Iowa couldn't score. Against Memphis, Iowa couldn't defend. There were stretches of both instances against Notre Dame.

"We had that one cold spell in the game where we didn't score the ball, and they did," McCaffery said after the loss to the Fighting Irish. "So there's the difference in the game."

Nebraska-Omaha should be an opportunity to work out some kinks in both the offense and defense. The Mavericks also sit at 3-4 this season, although the level of competition hasn't been that of the Hawkeye's schedule.

However, Omaha kept a game close against Southern Cal earlier this season, losing, 82-72, in Los Angeles and 81-68 to Kansas State in Manhattan.

SEE MEN'S, 6