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Public-bargaining changes protested

Many people attended a public hearing held at the State Capitol on Monday evening to protest a bill proposing drastic changes to Iowa's collective-bargaining law for public employees.

House File 291 — the bill in question — would seriously limit the collective-bargaining rights guaranteed to public workers by Iowa's Chapter 20, which was introduced in 1974 by a bipartisan group and signed into law by a Republican governor.

Although it preserves existing collective-bargaining rights for public-safety employees, HF 291 strips other public workers of their existing rights except the right to negotiate base wages.

John Thomas, a West Des Moines police officer, urged the Legislature not to continue fast-tracking the bill.

"A harm to one public employee is a harm to all public employees," he said.

However, Gretchen Tegler, president of the Taxpayers Association of Central Iowa, said HF 291 is a win-win for all Iowans.

Tegler said raises sometimes come at the expense of other public services.

"I have . . . watched locally as our communities have closed libraries, cut back on street maintenance, and even cut public safety in order to pay for settlements they cannot afford," she said.

After the bill was introduced, Joe Gorton, a University of Northern Iowa associate professor, began a petition to halt House Study Bill 84, the predecessor of HF 291. The petition, which addressed both the state government and the state Board of Regents, advocates for the protection of collective-bargaining rights.

HF 291 and its companion bill, Senate File 213 were introduced last week. The Senate Committee on Labor and Business Relations

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Student debt in crisis, says professor

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For one expert, the issue of college affordability stretches to more than just student debt; it also goes back to the lack of financial support.

Professor Sara Goldrick-Rab of Temple University discussed the "crisis" of student-loan debt in a Monday evening lecture at the Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn St.

Goldrick-Rab, who teaches higher education policy and sociology at Temple University, is the author of *Paying the Price: College Costs, Financial Aid, and the Betrayal of the American Dream*.

The book is based on a 2008 study of 3,000 students who attended public universities in Wisconsin using federal financial aid, including Pell Grants.

Prior to conducting the study, Goldrick-Rab said, she wanted to focus on "the people who walk the walk and endure the struggle on a daily basis."

Her study found that 74 percent of ninth-graders from low-income families expected to attend college, but just 51 percent of those who graduate from high school will make it to college.

The United States spends around \$200 billion a year on financial aid, but only 2 in 5 will earn a degree of any kind within six years, she said in the lecture.

The state of Wisconsin has an average student loan debt of about \$29,460 per student, according to the Institute for College and Success. The state of Iowa has about a \$29,547 loan debt per student.

Sara Even, an associate director of UI Student Financial Aid, said many of Iowa's funds are limited, so it is important that students apply for financial aid early to be considered for grants and scholarships.

She said Financial Aid's policy is to award grants and scholarships before student loans.

SEE LOAN DEBT, 2

Salazar stresses high-tech future

Oscar Salazar provides his expertise on technology to students.



Oscar Salazar, the former CTO of Uber, talks in the IMU on Monday about his experience with entrepreneurship and the artificial-intelligence revolution. (The Daily Iowan/Osama Khalid)

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Oscar Salazar, an entrepreneur and investor, ended his lecture on Monday with a message of hope, emphasizing the need to look toward the future. He spoke in the IMU as part of the Summerwill Lecture Series.

Salazar, a cofounder of Uber and its one-time CTO, spoke about the technological advancements relating to artificial intelligence, surgery, transportation, education, and strategy.

The lecture was followed by a question-and-answer session to engage the audience. He gave advice to many students who may need help achieving their ideas.

"What you learn here is the foundation of the structure; it's what makes you stronger, education is the foundation," Salazar said. "If you keep learning and moving, that's your survival."

Students came to ask different questions about entering the workforce and what they can do to achieve their goals.

"It's never too late to start building," Salazar said. "It's never too late to start coding. It's never too late to start building things."

Hailey Courtney, the communications coordinator for Outreach & Engagement in the Provost's Office, said during the collaboration process, they wanted to explore the topics relating to technology and the internet.

She said she thought it would be beneficial for Salazar to tell his story and talk about his experience as a tech entrepreneur.

"Oscar's work as a tech entrepreneur fits really well into the changing technology subtopic and to hear more about his experience with the tech industry and how to change his work," she said. "And as we continue to live our lives online, today and be-

SEE SALAZAR, 2

Local writers join D.C. march

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Iowa City writers made sure their voices of discontent were heard in the political heart of the country.

The Association of Writers and Writing Programs held its 50th-annual Conference & Bookfair in which several writers' marches were conducted to promote free speech in Washington, D.C., from Feb. 8 through Feb. 11.

Writers and editors from publications associated with the University of Iowa such as *Ink Lit Mag* and *earthwords* took part in the conference and march.

"The conference is the biggest convergence in America and possibly the world," said Harrison Cook, the managing editor of *Ink Lit Mag* and drama editor for *earthwords*. "It's a great networking opportunity."

According to the association's website, more than 12,000 people attend the conference every year.

"There were several undergrads, interns, and published authors all combating the issue," Cook said. "Established authors sent letters to Congress."

One of those authors was poet and director of the march D.A. Powell of the Poetry Foundation, who contacted Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., to support the event, said Lauren Himan, a graphic designer for *earthwords*.

Originally, there was only supposed to be one big march, although there



A man holds up a sign as part of the Writers' March in Washington, D.C. (Contributed photo/Lauren Himan)

was some miscommunication among the writers. So there were several spur of the moment marches because some people thought they were meeting in the lobby during the time of the first march, Cook said.

"Some information on timing was off, so the march broke into separate groups, but I was in the first group, which was biggest with about 200 to 250 people," Himan said.

The marches didn't have a definitive goal. It was more of a statement as a community of writers, Cook said. He said

he feels greater action needs to be taken by the public more than the writers because writers are not going to support censorship in their words.

"The march was a Writers Resist, so it was a group of artistic people marching against the wall, the ban, education, women's, and refugees' rights," Himan said. "Of course, we also protested the cut of the National Endowment for the Arts."

Cook marched to promote "less policy [and] more empathy." He said peo-

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DON'T NEED A WEATHERMAN



With the weather turning into Frisbee season, Evan DeBoer flips one around on the Pentacrest on Monday. The temperature is forecast to get into the 60s by Friday. (The Daily Iowan/Alex Kroeze)

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recommended passage of SF 213 on Feb. 9. An amendment to HF 291 was filed Feb. 10 that would be making the only

change to Chapter 20 the addition of safety equipment to the list of negotiable items. A more drastic amendment for SF 213 was filed Monday by Sen. Nate Boulton, D-Des Moines. That amendment would remove all the changes to Chapter 20 proposed by SF 213, which are similar to those

outlined in HF 291, and instead establish a Public Employee Health Insurance Reform Study Committee. "The clear purpose of these bills is to eliminate public-sector unions. . . . To be clear: Iowa City's City Council does not object to thoughtful amendment of Chapter 20. But thoughtful

amending is not what the House and Senate are doing. Consequently, we strongly believe the proposed bills should be rejected," said a statement from the website of Iowa City Mayor Jim Throgmorton.

— by Molly Hunter

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yond, just provides great dialogue for the conversation we're trying to have." David Hensley, the executive director of Pappajohn Entrepreneurial

Center, said he believes hearing Salazar's stories was a great opportunity for students and community members on the entrepreneurial side and to learn some of the strategies that helped his success. Hensley noted Salazar used his background and education as leverage into a

successful business career. "He is also very interested in the social aspects on how to make the world a better place," he said. "When you can hear from somebody that has been successful in business and also understanding the importance of giving back to the community and helping others, I

think, it is very important and meaningful for our students and community." The lecture was made possible through collaboration among the Tippie College of Business, the Office of Outreach and Engagement, the Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center, and the UI Lecture Committee.

LOAN DEBT
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The UI Financial Literacy Service, Even said, which is housed in the Financial Aid Office, has met with more than 2,000 students during this academic year. "Student-loan debt is often the reason students request meetings," wrote Even in an email to *The Daily Iowan*. "So the specialists create individualized spreadsheets for students detailing their projected debt and monthly payments." She noted the Financial

Aid Office has eight counselors who work with students. The counselors, she said, help students on a "walk-in" basis. Office counselors "especially" work with helping first-year students and families understand their financial-aid awards. "Many funds are limited, so it is important that students apply for financial aid early in order to be considered for the maximum in grants and scholarships," she said. Work-study and part-time employment are offered and encouraged by the Financial Aid Office. The average stu-

dent-loan debt of those who take out loans has decreased from \$27,415 in 14-15 to \$26,557 in 15-16. Even wrote in the email. UI sophomore Emma Baumgarten, from Denver, said she is able to attend the UI at a lower price than most out-of-state students. Baumgarten received two scholarships through the university. "I got really lucky," she said. "I loved that I got to [go to] a football game Saturday, then see my favorite author read on Sunday." She received two additional scholarships separate from the UI, which reduced her tuition to the equivalent

of in-state tuition. Goldrick-Rab suggests five steps to fixing the "crisis on college affordability." She advises rethinking how students are supported, how living costs of attending college are addressed, how we can help students keep their financial aid, how university communications can be approved to let students know "they are part of the family," and how to "make work pay" by fixing work study, raising the minimum wage, and working with local employers. "We must do better," she said. "The financial-aid system is so convoluted."

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ple needed to listen to one another's viewpoints, because he doesn't believe in silencing people.

The march was not the only political statement in the conference; there were speakers and panels that spoke about how writers can use their platforms for political use, Cook said. "At the Bookfair, several people lined up and held

hands while chanting 'black lives matter,'" said Charlotte Elsasser, an *earthwords* nonfiction editor. Besides providing a platform for political activism, the UI students who attended also found the event rewarding. "Overall, it was a great

experience, and I hope to be able to do it again," Himan said. "I've never been to D.C. before, and it felt good to get my voice out there even as a young 19-year-old. It was a great way to get my voice heard to many more people than I could do in Iowa City."

Keeping an eye on campus crime

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The number of on-campus burglaries have increased over the years; however, the numbers may not indicate a true trend. Hayley Bruce, a spokesperson for the UI Department of Public Safety, provided data from the Campus Safety and Security Report with *The Daily Iowan* of instances of on-campus residency burglaries, with five burglaries happening in 2013, seven in 2014, 30 in 2015, and 28 in 2016. However, Bruce said, she would be careful about calling the yearly variations in charges an increase. "Burglaries tend to be crimes of opportunity on this campus," she said. "And, in many cases, the number can fluctuate year to year based on one individual committing a number of crimes in one evening."

For example, Bruce said, most of the 2015 burglaries can be credited to a small group of people who committed a series of crimes in campus residence halls. Also, 11 of the 2016 burglaries happened in one night, and they continue to be active cases, she said. The Public Safety Department does not see any trends indicating the UI is more dangerous or likely of having a burglary problem than any other year, she said. One possible explanation for the high numbers, she said, could be the addition of more buildings to the area that the department serves. UI freshman Devin Degen said while he believes burglaries and other forms of theft is an issue on campus, he does not lock his door when he and his roommates are not in the room. "Perhaps I'm too trusting, and it just hasn't come

back to bite me yet," he said. "Hopefully, it never will." Officer Alton Poole, the community outreach officer for the UI police, said he, like Bruce, does not believe the number accurately reflects the number of burglary cases at the UI, he also does not believe students should ever leave themselves in a situation in which they are vulnerable. Some safety measures Poole recommended include locking doors, keeping valuables out of sight, not holding open doors for strangers, not lending keys, and reporting all suspicious behavior. In most of the Midwest, Poole said, there is no invisible wall from neighbor to neighbor, because everyone is used to knowing the people in their community. In this region, he said, people are socialized to be nice and avoid confrontation. Howev-

er, he said, no one should ever be afraid to stand up for her or his personal safety. Poole said the department believes in the "See Something, Say Something" campaign of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and everyone should always call the police, even on a suspicion, in the case of a burglary or any other crime. Also, he said, the UI police encourages students to use the tip feature on the RAVE app to report anything they see. Having students be diligent, he said, also helps the department in ensuring student safety; the more eyes looking and reporting crimes, the better. "The police can't do it alone," Poole said. "Lots of people want to separate law enforcement from the community, but we are the community, and everyone would take part in public safety."

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Locals chafe at Legislature's low school funding

The Iowa Legislature passed 1.1 percent plan, reducing the K-12 funding level for the Iowa City School District.

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Recent adjustments to the Iowa K-12 funding has sparked disapproval from some Iowa City School District officials.

Gov. Terry Branstad on Feb. 8 signed Senate File 166 into law, modifying the K-12 funding level for 2017-18 school year.

Branstad had recommended a 2 percent increase, but the Legislature decided that was unaffordable and instead passed a 1.1-percent funding level, which could restrict the districts' funding. The Senate passed the bill,

28-21, and the House passed it, 55-40.

Iowa City School Superintendent Stephen Murley said he was disappointed about the funding.

"The state has underfunded public education for the past seven years," he said. "Given the focus of public education on preparing the future work force for Iowa, this funding level does not seem to match that aspiration."

Murley said the district will continue to focus on providing best education for each student; however, it will be more difficult in the next academic year.

"It is likely that class sizes will continue to increase, and we will

have to look very carefully at all programming throughout the district," he said.

In a statement on the Iowa government website, after signing the bill, Branstad said he "challenged the Legislature to set the school funding in the first 30 days of the legislative session."

"With \$40 million additional dollars, the total state commitment to schools next year will be \$3.184 billion funding," Branstad said in the statement. "While Iowa is facing challenging budget times because of the downturn in our agricultural economy, I'm appreciative of the

House and Senate Republicans working with us to exempt K-12 education funding cuts in fiscal 2017 and increasing funding for next year. I remain hopeful that the Legislature will be able to set funding for fiscal 2019 after the March revenue estimate."

Iowa City Assistant School Superintendent Matt Degner said he was frustrated by the state's lack of commitment to the schools.

"Our class sizes in the district are hurting as a result, and program cuts have been made in previous years to deal with the lack of funding," he said. "As a district, we are con-

tinuing to be fiscally responsible where we can, while recognizing the shortfall in our budget."

Degner noted the district is continuing to grow, and he hopes the district will be in a more financially secure position than school districts that face a decline in enrollment.

Finance Support Director Shawn Snyder of the Iowa Association of School Boards said the main driver of a school aid's formula is its enrollment, emphasizing the need to look at the combination of the enrollment and rate of the plan.

"Districts that are growing, I mean, they're

still going to have a difficult time meeting their budget because it is a relatively low rate, but the districts that are really affected by the low rate are the school districts that are losing enrollment," Snyder said.

The Iowa City District may have a difficult time during the 2017-18 school year, but Degner said he hopes it can provide the same high-level programming it has in the previous years.

"We should be clear that this is a choice the state of Iowa is making," he said. "There is money to do this if they were really committed to public education in Iowa."

Boating seeks wave of future

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Autonomous vehicles have been the subject of research this century, with many automotive companies testing driver-less cars.

A group on campus now wants to create a self-driving boat.

A new club at the University of Iowa, the Iowa Marine Autonomous Racing Club, arrives in response to the naval-hydrodynamics undergraduate-certificate program the UI has recently added.

A grant from the Office of Naval Research, an agency in the Defense Department, funded the certificate.

"There's a big back story to this, actually," said James Buchholz, a UI associate professor of mechanical and industrial engineering and faculty adviser for the club. "The reason we established [the naval hydrodynamics] undergrad program is we have had a [graduate] program for about 60 years."

He noted the Navy was interested in helping fund the program, which takes 18 credit hours to complete, to show students some of the different engineering problems and situations they face.

Buchholz also developed a fluids workshop to promote the naval-hydrodynamics program, along with giving undergraduate and graduate students the space to conduct open-ended projects.

"The key is you need a community," he said. "There needs to be knowledge base. You need other people who are interested in the same things or are doing things along the same lines."

After the creation of the new undergraduate certificate, Buchholz approached Michael Watkins, the president of the

new student organization, and Brian Von Arb, the vice president of the new club, about the idea of the club.

"Our faculty adviser was interested in creating a club to teach students about fluid design," Von Arb said.

The club will participate in a competition in June called RoboBoat, which will be held in Daytona Beach, Florida.

The club will face difficult challenges. In addition to the creation of an autonomous boat that has the ability to go through an obstacle course, members must write a report, create a website, give a presentation, and perform other

on-land tasks.

"The officers have just been doing a fantastic job," Buchholz said.

Club members said the competition is designed to give students experience in thinking about and working through challenges that occur when working with autonomous marine systems.

"These are real-world problems," Von Arb said.

The club uses REX, a computational fluid dynamics software that models fluid flow. The software team is also developing a system to navigate the competition course.

The club is putting together its autonomous boat and raising funds for the trip.

Buchholz said there is a possibility after some of these designs in the competition occur, a new idea could develop and advance the technology.

"Our main goal is education," Watkins said.

Von Arb, Watkins, and Buchholz all stress that their organization is a multidisciplinary club, so there is a spot for anyone who would like to join.

"If people are interested, we'd love to have them," Watkins said.

Members typically meet every Wednesday evening in the Seamans Center. There may be a few exceptions to the scheduling, such as midterms or finals.



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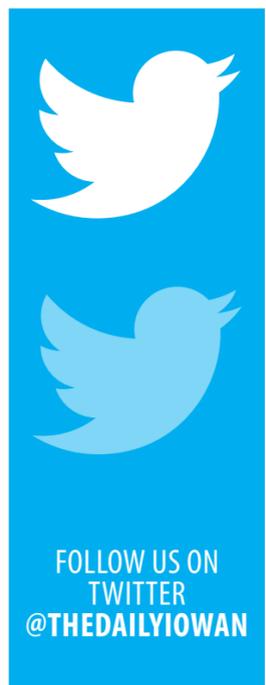


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Sisyphus again and the boulder of our days



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It was well-known during the not-so-recently concluded presidential campaign — which somehow never seems to conclude, actually. It just keeps going on and on and on like some sort of Sisyphian contraption that the media gods have doomed us to watch. And watch. And ... you get the idea.

Kind of like that Wednesday afternoon when you got lost in Bowen and accidentally wandered into a lecture on some type of enzyme that

does something more obscure than Patagonia and you came out two hours later with eyes like two glazed doughnuts. But not so nourishing.

Oh, well. Whatever. (What's a Sisyphian contraption? you wonder. Don't sweat it; it's just another rock band. There won't be a pop quiz.)

In any case, the campaign showed everyone that the Trumpster had the thickness of skin that you could only measure in nano units. Or something equally obscure. The bad news is he's now in the West Wing. The good news is his skin is still that thick.

Remember the brouhaha over the size of the Trumpster's inauguration crowd? And many people contending it was relatively small, like small hands? Well, Grumpy Trumpy didn't forget. He hung — well, his minions did — some photos of the crowds in the White House.

And the photos hanging in the White House of the crowds during the Trumpster's inauguration do indeed show an incredible number of people, thus backing up the Fake-News-in-Chief's claim that 17 billion people attended the event.

Of course, given the non-alternative fact that the Earth's population is around 7 billion, 17 billion people at the inauguration means that many billion illegal immigrants from the moons of Neptune and Uranus (Grumpy Trumpy's old stomping grounds) had somehow slipped into Washington, D.C. But they weren't Muslims or Mexicans, so they were OK, the Trumpsterites say.

There is one problem with the White House photos showing the swarming mass of crowds: The photos are dated Jan. 21. The Trumpster was inaugurated on Jan. 20. The Women's March on Washington, which drew many, many more

people, occurred on Jan. 21.

Hmm. Maybe White House trusted adviser Kellyanne Conway, who in her side job as a cosmologist discovered alternative facts, will come out and tell us that the Trumpster was actually inaugurated on Jan. 21. Or that the fancy-dancy high-tech camera's interior calendar thought it was still a leap year. (Though that actually takes a leap of faith, but what doesn't, these days?) Well, maybe that would take everyone's mind off Conway's recent sally into advertising.

It seems that the White House was particularly miffed that Nordstrom had decided to nix Ivanka Trump's line of clothes. The Trumpster himself led off the offensive, tweeting: My daughter Ivanka has been treated so unfairly by @Nordstrom. She is a great person — always pushing me to do

the right thing! Terrible!

Then Press Secretary Sean Spicer waded into the fray. (Why do human beings always wade into frays? Isn't there another way to fray?) "This is a direct attack on his policies and her name," he told reporters on Feb. 8.

And, of course, trusted adviser Conway couldn't contain herself, either. On Feb. 10, she told "Fox and Friends," "Go buy Ivanka's stuff is what I would tell you. I hate shopping, I'm going to go get some myself today."

Ah, what a White House we have. Of course, there is the slight problem that in Conway saying what she did, she violated government ethics and may have broken the law. But details, details. Russia? China? North Korea? ISIS? No, the real problem is Nordstrom.

Makes one long for the days of Sisyphus.

COLUMN

Laugh through the fear with 'Saturday Night Live'

By LOGAN PILLARD
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"Saturday Night Live" has gone down as one of the most revolutionary television shows in the history of late night. From its first season in 1975, it has satirized the current events and issues in our society through the use of parody and humor, often at the expense of political figures and celebrities. For many, the show has offered some comfort through the hostile 2016 election season and now into the fourth week of a presidency that already feels like his four years are up.

Despite President

Trump's claim that "Saturday Night Live" is "failing" and that Alec Baldwin's portrayal of him is "a disaster," the show received its highest ratings in six years with Baldwin hosting Feb. 11 for a record 17th time. Baldwin assumed his role as Trump during the show's season premiere and continues to reprise each episode, providing humor and hyperbole to an already mess of a presidency.

While Baldwin draws in the masses, the women of the cast capture the spotlight. Kate McKinnon, who played Hillary Clinton through the election, has proven herself as a true asset to the show. Regard-

less of the role she takes (and there are many), she brings each character alive and makes them instantly recognizable. In the latest episode, she took on newly confirmed Attorney General Jeff Sessions, capturing his Southern drawl and overt racism.

Melissa McCarthy debuted her role as Press Secretary Sean Spicer, receiving immense praise for her performance. Her costume and makeup were spot on, as well as her characterization of the man she calls "Spicey," resulting in what critics called "the best performance on SNL in years." This week's performance was just as memorable,

as Spicey sported Ivanka Trump brand heels and bangle, with a QVC logo added to create just the right jab at recent events (I'm talking to you, Kellyanne).

Despite each minute detail he could have attacked the performance on, our president once again proved his misogyny with his single criticism that Sean Spicer was played by a woman. "Saturday Night Live" responded to Trump's comment by casting Leslie Jones as Trump himself.

What better clap back to a president whose campaign was built on racism and misogyny than a black woman playing said president? Bravo, Leslie, Bravo.

Advertisers have also taken notice to the rising popularity of "Saturday Night Live" for a concerned public, as well as the beady eyes of the president. Vote-Vets, an organization dedicated to campaigning for issues specific to veterans, released a commercial that aired during the show's commercial break. The ad showed a veteran with an amputated leg calling Trump out on his morning TV habits rather than taking his morning intelligence briefings, ending with a challenge for the president: "You want to be treated like a legitimate president, sir? Then act like one."

I'm not going to sugarcoat it, and neither will "Saturday Night Live." The very ideology of democracy and our system of checks and balances is under attack by an administration that is already the least-approved in modern polling history. Not only have the members attacked the judiciary, they've worked tirelessly to delegitimize the free press, spreading lie after lie to promote a false reality our president seems to live in. People are scared. Shows such as "Saturday Night Live" are needed now more than ever, to bring laughter in a frightening situation, and promote discussion of change needed in our country.

GUEST COLUMN

'For Iowa. Forever More.' campaign successful

[Last] week, the University of Iowa and the University of Iowa Foundation shared the results of our historic, eight-year campaign "For Iowa. Forever More." More than 272,000 contributors from 99 Iowa counties, 50 states and 76 countries gave \$1.975 billion to support scholarships, faculty positions, research and programs, facilities, and so much more.

Support for students is our top priority. Our donors answered the call

and made donations to enhance all aspects of the academic experience, including study-abroad experiences, student research and more. This also includes creating new scholarships that will support students now and far into the future. In the last fiscal year alone, more than 3,071 students were awarded scholarships, and that number will continue to grow with each passing year.

Donors to this campaign

are also help to advance research and programs across all disciplines. Their investment in areas such as translational medicine, the arts and humanities, science, and business will not only improve knowledge and inspire creativity, it also contributes to a stronger economy and a healthier society.

Gifts also support UI Health Care, which includes Iowa's only academic medical center that serves patients from

throughout the state and the world. Donations to the campaign further research and improve patient care and helped us build a dedicated facility for our nationally ranked UI Stead Family Children's Hospital.

We truly are grateful to everyone who donated during this campaign. While we received extraordinary gifts from our most generous donors, more than half of donors to the campaign gave \$100 or

less, totaling \$4.6 million — an important demonstration of the collective power of our alumni and friends. More than 85,000 alumni from around the globe contributed, and more than 11,000 of our UI faculty and staff gave as well.

Private giving plays an important role in the university's success, and this campaign continues our long tradition of partnering with the state and our network of supporters

to build a flourishing university. Together, we will strengthen our academics and outreach, advance initiatives that drive economic growth and spark new breakthroughs that will benefit people here in Iowa and around the world. We are forever grateful to all who championed this campaign — for Iowa.

— Lynette Marshall
President and CEO
of the UI Foundation

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

With women in the lead

After the Women's March on Washington, it is obvious that women will be the saviors of American democracy. I, an African-American woman, have heard arguments made by Black Lives Matter women that white feminists disregard black women's concern. However, white middle/working-class lives have not mattered since the

1980s — and African Americans as Americans are a subset of this neglect. This means that white feminists and black feminists have something in common, even more so now in the age of Trump. We had better "hang together or hang separately."

The history of women leading to victory is historically and racially based. In the Old Testament, we find Deborah, who when Barak was afraid, told him, "I'll go with you."

When all the men denied Christ, the women (Mary Magdalene in the lead) never deserted Jesus, while Peter denied him. Joan of Arc led the French to victory, but a cowardly king denied her. Sojourner Truth said, "Ain't I a woman," and went South to free her people. And in January, women marched South in a mixed crowd, in spite of differences, to tell Trump, "Let the American people go," because we understand

that he and his "evil coalition" have stolen our democracy.

So instead of crying foul against white feminists, Black Lives Matter must "straighten up the hand that stands enfeebled" and get on with freeing the American people (and ourselves) from the greatest challenge to the American Republic since the Cold War.

— Mary Gravitt

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Lunar New Year welcomes all

The local community comes together in the IMU to celebrate the Vietnamese Lunar New Year.

By SARAH STORTZ
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Vietnamese students have maintained some of their New Year traditions in Iowa.

The University of Iowa Vietnamese Student Association organized an event last weekend to celebrate Tet Nguyên Đán, otherwise known as Lunar New Year, an important holiday in Vietnam.

The celebration took place in the IMU on Feb. 11, welcoming guests of all backgrounds.

During the celebra-

tion, the association put an emphasis on Vietnamese culture by serving traditional food and hosting entertainment with a wide array of acts, including the Alliance Lion Dancing Team, Iowa Andhi, and UI Breakers. The event also provided a raffle and children's games.

UI senior Thanh Johnson, the president of the association, said holding the event is important for the Iowa City community.

"For our event, there are a lot of community

members, especially from the Vietnamese community," she said. "A lot of alumni come, as well as children and elderly."

In Vietnam, each Lunar New Year is typically symbolized by one of 12 different animals. This year is the Year of the Rooster.

While the Lunar New Year also has an emphasis on starting anew and leaving the past behind, it has some notable differences to New Year's Day.

"Lunar New Year is celebrated throughout the

entire first week of Lunar calendar instead of one to two days like our New Year," UI alum Emii Le said. "We follow the Lunar calendar, which is the Moon phases, instead of the Sun."

UI freshman Hung Nguyen said the New Year in Vietnam has a large focus on family.

"We'll have 'Tat Nien' which is similar to Thanksgiving. The whole family and relatives gather around, talk, and have fun together," Nguyen said. "The meal is viewed as a

goodbye to the last year and getting ready to welcome the New Year. I really enjoy spending time helping my mom cook. The atmosphere is just so relaxing, yet bustling at the same time, since we have to get it done by tomorrow."

Le recounted on a similar experience while celebrating the holiday.

"Lunar New Year is the time for family reunions. We normally celebrate with our family over dinner serving traditional dishes," Le said. "The elders are sup-

posed to give 'Li Xi,' or red pocket filled with a few dollars, to the little ones. The little ones are expected to wish them good luck, good health, and fortune. It's a great time to catch up with our family members while enjoying the best homemade meals."

With the holiday officially over, Johnson said she was overall satisfied with how the event turned out.

"It's something that caters to the community," she said. "It's very important to them so people still come back regardless."

Found in translation

The Translate Iowa Project will soon release its first print publication.

By NATALIE BETZ
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Overcoming language barriers and fostering better understanding of diverse exchanges could be easier with the help of a publication.

The Translate Iowa Project is a student organization, which began in May 2016, in which writers can submit their works to get published and translated into Arabic, Armenian, English, Farsi, French, German, Hebrew, Japanese, and Korean.

The project will release its first print publication at the end of

in print, Flavin said.

He said a piece may get translated into a couple different languages online, while in the print, the organizers plan on having every piece translated into the nine languages they provide.

Several people help translate a piece so there are no mistakes.

"Especially with poetry, sometimes the translation can be hard to keep the same rhythm and rhyme schemes, so we have creative editors work with translators to analyze and interpret a piece to help translations by keeping in mind

the treasurer of the project. "It also brings different departments together, since we work with the international and English Departments."

Members of the project have been working with the UI Division of World Languages, the UI Division of Literature and Culture, the Magid Center for Undergraduate Writing, the Creative Writing Workshop, and the English Department for donations, Flavin said. They are currently trying to work with local businesses and organizations to help contribute.

The project plans to re-

ments into several languages, Gormally said.

"There is a wonderfully diverse community here, and we encourage all voices to be heard by providing an outlet," said Christian McConnell, the head of creative collaboration of the project.

The organization has also translated documents for the Salvation Army's Toys for Tots in November 2016 and translated the UI family calendar and Orientation booklet over the summer, Gormally said.

Last semester, the

group started a radio show on KRUI from 4 to 5 p.m. in which members of the group play music from around the world and discuss global issues such as Canadian immigration policies and Canada's response to Syrian refugees, McConnell said.

"I think it's really important because it brings together individuals we don't typically get to hear from on campus. It also brings different departments together, since we work with the international and English Departments."
— Keegan Gormally, Treasurer of the Translate Iowa Project

April. The group closed submissions on Monday.

"We wanted to do a print publication to create conversations regardless of linguistic borders," said Bryan Flavin, the president of the Translate Iowa Project.

The group releases almost all online submissions monthly on its website, translateiowa.com. However, members are selective about which pieces will be published

what the most important messages of the stories are," Flavin said.

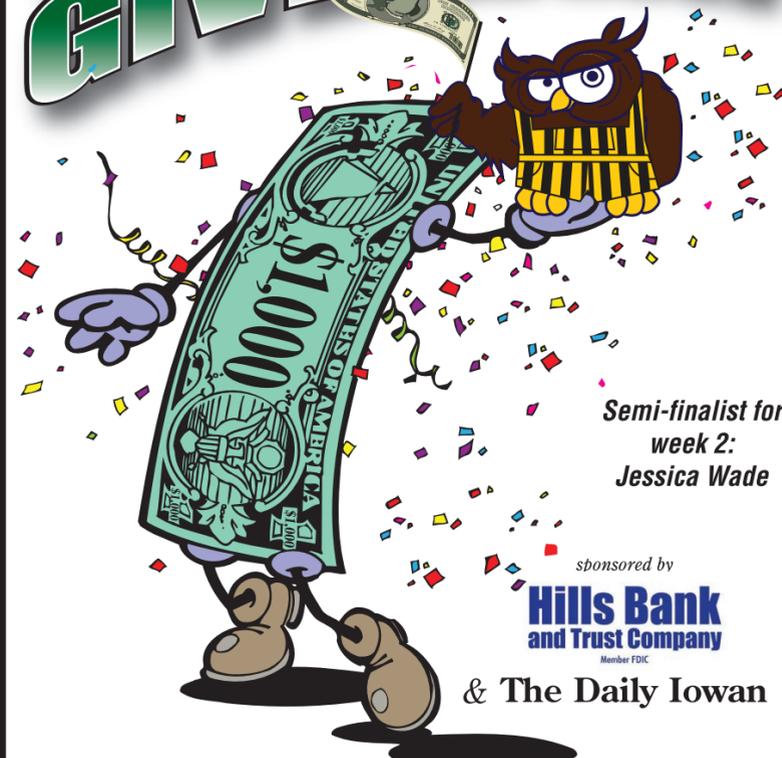
Submissions are not exclusive to University of Iowa students; the project allows the community, and people worldwide, to submit their writing, Flavin said.

"I think it's really important because it brings together individuals we don't typically get to hear from on campus," said Keegan Gormally,

lease a print publication annually, and it will begin taking submissions in September or October until February 2018 for the next edition.

The group's newest goal is to become familiar with local businesses in hopes of finding sponsors for the publication. The members would like to become involved with biannual advertising, in which they would assist in translating advertise-

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Learn as you go. Put in the time to discover new possibilities. Be a participant, and offer alternatives. It's up to you to follow through, so don't wait to be asked to join in.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Work toward a better you. Get into better physical shape. The changes you want to see happen will only take place if you instigate them. Emotional relationships with children, family, or your partner will improve with conversation.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Keep your life simple and your plans within budget. Don't be tempted to keep up with those who profess to be doing spectacularly. Someone offering false impressions will distract you from reaching your goals.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make plans to travel. Plan to incorporate both business and pleasure into your arrangements, and you'll learn by observing someone with experience. Take care of responsibilities, and you will gain support and long-lasting allies. Romance and domestic changes are encouraged.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Money problems will develop if you aren't smart about the way you handle investments, spending habits, and your generosity. Being able to say no to someone asking for too much will help keep you out of trouble. Honesty must prevail.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Change will be within reach. Take the initiative to reach out and grab what you want. There is no room for hesitation if you want to get ahead. Share your thoughts, and make things happen. Engage in intellectual and physical activities.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Check out what's going on behind the scenes, but don't share information about your personal affairs. Learn from the way others behave and the outcome of questionable decisions. Don't feel pressured to participate in something that doesn't interest you.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Express the way you feel about situations at work and at home, and you will have a positive effect on the outcome. Your willingness to do the work to make things happen will help you gain respect.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A diplomatic approach to any situation you face involving peers, neighbors, or relatives will help you avoid trouble. Don't fold under pressure or give in to someone using brawn over brains to get her or his way.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Do whatever needs to be done in order to get what you want. Make this a day of celebration, and join forces with someone who contributes positively to your life. Explore, experience, and work to become the person you want to be.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't feel overwhelmed or pressured by what others do or say. Make choices that suit you, not those around you. It's important to live up to your standards and beliefs, not someone else's. Observe, but don't give in to pressure.

today's events

- **Laura Burke, M.A. student in photography**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Art West Levitt Gallery
- **Lindsay Godin, M.A. student in photography**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Visual Arts Drewelowe Gallery
- **Kassie Mattia, M.A. student in painting/drawing**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., E260 Visual Arts
- **Caffeine & Careers: Internships**, 9 a.m.-noon, C310 Pomerantz Center
- **Bodies in Motion**, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., IMU Visual Classroom
- **CAB Giveaway: Val-O-Grams**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., IMU Hawkeye Room
- **Text Mining**, Padmini Srinivasan, 11 a.m., 133 Nursing Building
- **Spring 2017 Engineering Career Fair**, noon-4 p.m., IMU Main Lounge
- **Love in the Stacks**, 1-3 p.m., Main Library Group Area D
- **Faculty Senate Meeting**, 3:30 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber
- **Maximize Your Internship**, 3:30 p.m., 345 IMU
- **Faculty Innovators Workshop**, 5:30 p.m., 1289 Carver Biomedical Research Building
- **Swing Dance Club Lessons**, 6:30 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **Junot Diaz Reading**, Magid Center for Undergraduate Writing, 7 p.m., 100 Phillips

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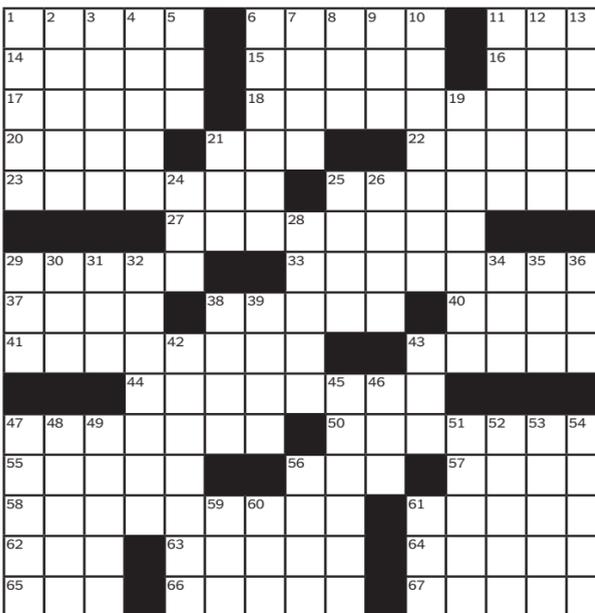
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 - 16 Actress Vardalos
 - 17 Aggregate
 - 18 Buildings in a Washington, D.C., "row"
 - 20 Widespread
 - 21 Julio is part of it
 - 22 *Formation of poker chips
 - 23 Disc-flipping board game hinted at by a word ladder formed by the answers to the nine starred clues
 - 25 Slaps with a court fine
 - 27 Where "Hamlet" opens
 - 29 *Celery unit
 - 33 Largest U.S. univ. system
 - 37 Baltic capital
 - 38 *Hackneyed
 - 40 Not just bite and swallow
 - 41 Haphazard
 - 43 *Sedimentary rock
 - 44 Dollar bill, e.g.
 - 47 Moves heavenward
 - 50 Another name for 23-Across
 - 55 *Pinocchio swallower
 - 56 Part of L.G.B.T.
 - 57 The Panthers of the A.C.C.
 - 58 Twosome in a Shakespeare title
 - 61 Nut jobs
 - 62 Fair-hiring letters
 - 63 Mimic's ability
- DOWN**
- 1 "Congratulations!"
 - 2 Actor Paul of "American Graffiti"
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Taking a look at the arms

Who has the best starting rotation in the MLB? With pitchers and catchers reporting to Arizona and Florida today to begin Spring Training, we at *The Daily Iowan* took the opportunity to debate which team's starting staff is the most loaded heading into the 2017 season.

Boston Red Sox

The Red Sox have three pitchers alone who could make up the best starting pitching staff in the MLB. With the addition of five-time All Star Chris Sale, along with last season's Cy Young winner Rick Porcello and David Price, who has five All-Star selections and a Cy Young of his own, they basically have the Golden State Warriors of pitchers (Draymond Green is overrated, but that's a story for another day).

According to its depth chart, Boston also has knuckleballer Steven Wright, Drew Pomeranz, and Eduardo Rodriguez. If any of those three can prove to be a solid

starter, the Sox should have no problem winning plenty of games.

With a lineup that includes proven veteran Dustin Pedroia and up-and-coming left fielder Andrew Benintendi, they should be just fine when it comes to scoring runs as well.

The thing about the All-Star trio is the same as it is with the Warriors; all three don't have to be completely dominant, as they're capa-

ble of, all season long.

But while 2016 was kind of a weird pitching year for the Red Sox, they're hoping it will be more consistent this season.

Along with his Cy Young,

Porcello earned AL Comeback Player of the Year honors after finishing the 2015 season with a 9-15 record, while giving up 25 home runs. But he had an amazing rebound in 2016, posting a 22-4 record,

with career bests in numerous categories.

Price had an inconsistent year in 2016, even though he finished with a 17-9 record.

Either way, the Red Sox are now co-Vegas favorites with the Chicago Cubs to win the World Series, and if it happens, the pitching staff will be a huge part of it.

— Pete Ruden

New York Mets

The Red Sox rotation can make an argument for the best in baseball, sure. But Price has been inconsistent, Porcello is only one year removed from 4.92 ERA debacle of 2015, and Sale is now pitching in the tougher AL East.

The New York Mets' rotation, if it shows up on Opening Day with a clean bill of health, is far and away the best in the Bigs.

Live arms aren't everything when it comes to getting guys out, but it helps when hitters don't have as much time to react in the box. The Mets have three starters in Noah Syndergaard, Matt Harvey, and Jacob DeGrom who average better than 95 mph on their fastball.

It doesn't stop with those three, either. Steven Matz, the young lefty in the rotation who will balance righties Syndergaard, Harvey, and DeGrom, throws just as hard.

The Mets rode their

starting staff to the World Series two years ago, and with the Nationals' front office doing everything in its power to destroy its closing window for a World Series, it could happen again this year.

Injuries killed the Mets' shot at the playoffs last year — DeGrom started only 24 games, Harvey 17, and Matz only 22.

If the Mets get, and stay, healthy this season, all four of the pitchers I've mentioned will get more than 30 starts. All of them have the stuff to win 20-plus games and have ERAs hovering around 3.00.

That's not fun for anybody else in the MLB.

— Blake Dowson

WRESTLING

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That night led Berger to Twitter the week before Sunday's dual, where he asked Kemerer how it felt to be a "marked man" and even tagged him in the tweet.

But since suffering yet another letdown to the Murrysburg, Pennsylvania native, the tweet has been deleted.

"I like to score points, and 3 points, I'd like to score more than that," Kemerer said. "It's good to get the

win, and I guess if it only takes seven minutes, it only takes seven minutes. Just as long as it takes, really."

Since his first dual in Carver-Hawkeye against Iowa State, Kemerer has undoubtedly improved. In his match at that meet, he was nearly upset by the Cyclones' Colston Diblasi.

While Kemerer did end up getting the win, 8-7, he has had much more impressive performances than that, and Sunday's was no exception.

Since that match against Diblasi, Kemerer has scored bonus points in nine of 14 matches. In an incredible

redshirt freshman season, Kemerer has improved to 24-1 after his last win, with his only loss coming to No. 1 Jason Nolf of Penn State.

"He's definitely come a long way," Brands said. "This is the end of his first year in Carver-Hawkeye Arena ... But look at his first dual meet in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on the big stage against Iowa State. Look at the progress, and that's probably a characteristic of this team, that there's progress."

After suffering back-to-back losses against No. 1 Oklahoma State and No. 2 Penn State, the Hawkeyes

have now won five straight as the regular season comes to a close.

With the postseason now in its sights, Iowa wants that momentum to carry into the Big Tens and NCAAs.

"If you talk to anybody on the team, they're going to tell you the same thing: We need more, we need more," senior 141-pounder Topher Carton said. "Everybody's wrestling really, really well. We just gotta keep building, keep training, stay positive, stay healthy, and like I said, let the fur fly."



Iowa's 147-pounder Topher Carton gets a hold of Cornell College wrestler during the Iowa City Duals in Carver-Hawkeye on Nov. 18, 2016. Iowa beat both Cornell College, 45-0, and Iowa Central College, 55-0. (The Daily Iowan/Anthony Vazquez)

BASEBALL

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fact that Iowa had 22 new players on the roster, but the culture of the team is very strong — thanks in part to Martsching, among others.

"[They] really did a nice job, Day 1, back in August of setting the tone with this team and not letting that culture go backwards," Heller said.

Martsching made a statement against Ohio State in the Big Ten Tournament in 2016; he recorded the final three outs in the comeback victory.

Iowa's pitching depth

even goes down to the sophomore class. The second-year Hawkeyes could easily sneak up and grab a starting position.

Cole McDonald, Iowa's midweek starter, went 4-1 with a 3.33 ERA last season. In 24.1 innings, he struck out 29 batters.

Zach Daniels showed promise in his freshman season last year, earning Big Ten Freshman of the Week on March 14. He also had a team-high 5 saves in 16 games, which ranks ninth in the conference. Daniels also allowed no runs in 14 appearances.

"I think you'll see a couple guys get a shot in [Sunday's] spot and just trying to figure



Iowa right handed pitcher Cole McDonald pitches the ball to Northwestern during the Iowa vs Northwestern baseball game at Duane-Banks Field on Tuesday, March 8, 2016. The University of Iowa baseball team beat Northwestern College 28-0 at the Iowa's home opener. (The Daily Iowan/Anthony Vazquez)

out which one is better starting and which ones are better coming out

of the pen," Heller said. "I think all of them are quality pitchers."

TENNIS

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she learned the basics of coaching, including how to be observant of the players. An aspect of coaching she enjoys is watching the progression of each individual as the season goes on.

At first, it took some adjusting for Seaborne to get used to not having a racquet in her hand and ready to compete on game day. But now, she finds it just as rewarding to be able to give her players advice on the court and tell

them about her experiences from when she played.

With a year's worth of coaching experience, Seaborne returned to her alma mater and became an assistant coach with the Hawkeyes. Schmid said the addition of Seaborne to the team has been great.

"She is wonderful in practice because she is such a good player," Schmid said. "I think it's just great to have someone to be able to hit in at that high level."

Schmid said Seaborne helps reinforce her decisions and it's nice to have another coach who

can help her players understand why decisions are made. Another element that Seaborne adds to the team is being able to identify with the players who come from overseas.

Seaborne is from England, as are freshman Elise van Heuvelen and juniors Zoe Douglas and Anastasia Reimchen, and she knows what it is like for these players making the transition from junior tennis to college tennis. In addition to being from the same country, Seaborne has also met the parents of van Heuvelen, Douglas, and Reimchen, which

makes for a deeper player-coach relationship.

Another Hawkeye who knows of this deeper player-coach relationship is senior leader Aimee Tarun. In the 2013 fall season, Tarun was a freshman when Seaborne was a senior. With Tarun just starting her college tennis career, she learned a lot from watching Seaborne compete.

"She just set a really great standard everytime she was on the court," Tarun said. "She was an amazing teammate to have, and she was such a great role model."

SPORT BRIEFS

Big Ten recognizes 2 Hawkeyes

The Big Ten honored Iowa women's basketball players Makenzie Meyer and Ally Disterhoft on Monday with weekly awards.

Meyer was named Big Ten Freshman of the Week after averaging 15 points over the course of two games last week.

In contests against Michigan State

and Ohio State, she scored 14 points and 16 points.

She shot lights out as well — 70 percent overall for the week (7-of-10) and 75 percent from downtown (3-of-4).

Meyer's uptick in production



Meyer
Freshman

couldn't have come at a better time for the Hawkeyes. The game against Michigan State on Feb. 9 was the team's first without starting point guard Tania Davis, who tore her ACL in a game versus Michigan on Feb. 5.

Davis had contributed 11 points per game and was the team's leading assister.

Senior Disterhoft was also recognized by the Big Ten, being named to the Big Ten Player of the Week

Honor Roll. It was the fourth time in her career she was so honored.

Disterhoft was the catalyst in the Michigan State win, dropping 25 points on the Spartans and grabbing 12 rebounds to record her second double-double of the season.

She followed up that performance with a 22-point, 7-rebound effort against No. 13 Ohio State on Feb. 12.

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Kemerer lets 'fur fly'



Iowa's 157-pounder Michael Kemerer gets a hold of Cornell College's Aaron Engle during the Iowa City Duals in Carver-Hawkeye on Nov. 18, 2016. Iowa beat both Cornell College, 45-0, and Iowa Central College, 55-0. (The Daily Iowan/Anthony Vazquez)

By **PETE RUDEN** | peter-ruden@uiowa.edu

While Sunday was all about the seniors as they wrestled their final matches in Carver-Hawkeye, it was also about Michael Kemerer.

On Senior Day, No. 3 Iowa took down No. 6 Nebraska, 27-9, in what was originally expected to be a close battle.

Four of five seniors won their matches, and while that got a rise out of the Hawkeye crowd, so did Kemerer.

The redshirt freshman, ranked No. 2 in the country at 157 pounds, used a takedown and an escape to beat No. 3 Tyler Berger, 3-2.

With about six seconds left, there was a review for a Berger takedown to take the lead, but it ultimately didn't count, and Kemerer was able to run the clock out.

"The big thing there is that we're relaxed and we're wrestling that whole match

until maybe 20 seconds to go, then we started doing things that aren't characteristic of us, and [Kemerer will] tell you that," head coach Tom Brands said. "The bottom line is just keep wrestling."

Before this match, Kemerer and Berger had met one time, in the championship round of this year's Midlands. That match took more than just seven minutes, though, as the two battled through two sudden-victory periods and two tiebreaker rounds to decide a champion.

Kemerer ended up winning the title with a 6-5 decision, but there was more action afterwards.

Words were said after the final buzzer, and Iowa's No. 1 125-pounder Thomas Gilman had to be restrained from going out on the mat.

SEE WRESTLING, 8

Baseball makes strong pitch

By **ADAM HENSLEY**
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Iowa baseball head coach Rick Heller, the program's winningest coach in the first three years of his tenure, knows a thing or two.

So when he says that Iowa had its strongest pitching unit in the past few years, it's wise to listen up.

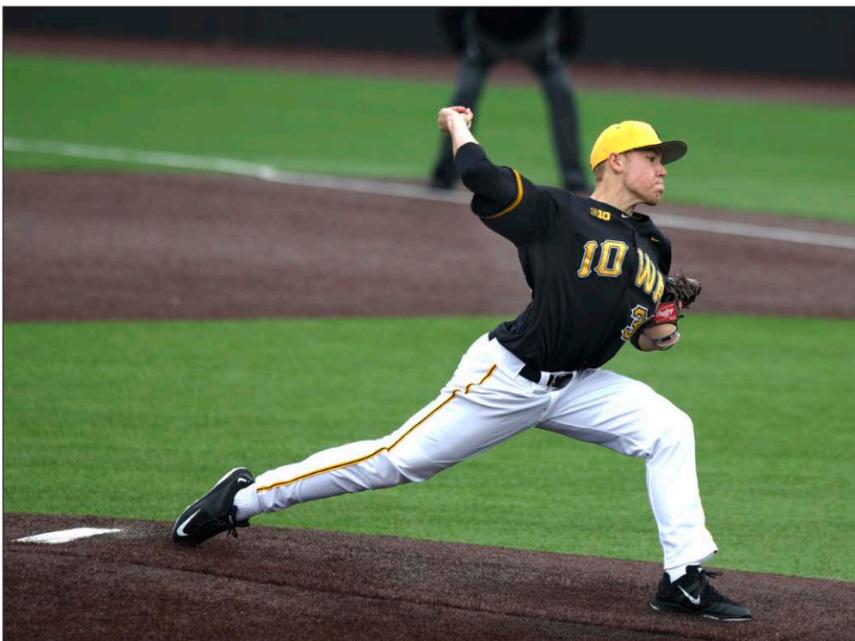
"We've had really good pitching the last three years, and I guess we feel like this staff might be the deepest, from top to bottom," Heller said. "Starting pitching should be solid. The back end, the bullpen, with the guys we have returning should be good. This year, the depth in the middle is probably what makes it a little deeper than the other three years."

Junior Nick Gallagher, a Big Ten All-Tournament Team selection, will be Iowa's Friday night pitcher this season.

His coach said Gallagher earned that spot because of his work ethic and makeup, not just by his numbers.

Last season, he started four of the 14 games he appeared in, recording 8 wins (a team high), compiling a 2.57 ERA, and limiting batters to a .211 batting average.

"I figured out in the last couple years how to pitch a lot better than



Iowa pitcher Nick Gallagher winds up at Banks Field on March 26, 2016. The Hawkeyes erased a 1-0 deficit in the bottom of the eighth, scoring 4 runs to beat the Terrapins, 4-1. (The Daily Iowan/Alex Kroeze)

just throwing and trying to blow guys away," Gallagher said. "[I'm] trying to hit my spots a lot more and keep people off balance."

Those 8 wins ranked second in the Big Ten and sixth all-time in the Hawkeye program.

Last season's Friday night starter, C.J. Eldred, will take over the Saturday duties, and he's confident that even with the change, he and Gallagher will form a duo to be reckoned with.

"I think we have a

chance to be one of the best one-two punches in the country," he said. "I'm really excited to see what we can do."

Eldred had success in the Big Ten Tournament last season, in which Iowa made a deep run.

The redshirt junior allowed just 2 runs (6 hits) over 7 innings against Minnesota, then pitched a scoreless 2.1 innings in the Big Ten title game against Ohio State.

"His makeup is off the charts, his toughness is

there, he's a guy you definitely want to give the ball to," Heller said.

Eldred noted that just because he and Gallagher bring the heat on Friday and Saturday, the damage doesn't stop there.

"We've got a lot of options for Sunday," he said. Senior Josh Martsching's leadership could easily elevate him to the Sunday starter.

Heller noted that he was concerned with the

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New coach fuels tennis Hawks

By **NICHOLAS MOREANO**
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The Iowa women's tennis team started this season with two new coaches. Neither of them had to get a tour of Iowa City upon arriving, however.

New head coach Sasha Schmid, who was hired this past summer, was a four-year letter winner at Iowa from 1992-96. The second was assistant coach Ruth Seaborne, who transferred to Iowa in the fall of 2012 as a junior.

Seaborne, in her two-year career with the Hawkeyes, made quite an impression. In the 2013 spring season, she was a first-team All-Big Ten honoree, ended with a 13-8 overall singles record, defeated four ranked opponents, and was named team MVP.

In the 2014 spring season, she was named Big Ten Athlete of the Week on two occasions. She also ended with a team-high 15-7 record in singles, went 8-3 against conference opponents, was 9-3 in singles on the road, and was named MVP for the second year in a row.

For Seaborne, playing for the Hawkeyes will always have a special place in her heart. From her playing days, there is one thing she missed more than anything.

"Game day ... I've always loved to compete," Seaborne said. "Just being out there on the court and just being in the heat of the moment, I still love playing."

After graduating in 2015, Seaborne's passion for the game led her to pursue a coaching career, and she went on to become an assistant coach at Utah State. There

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