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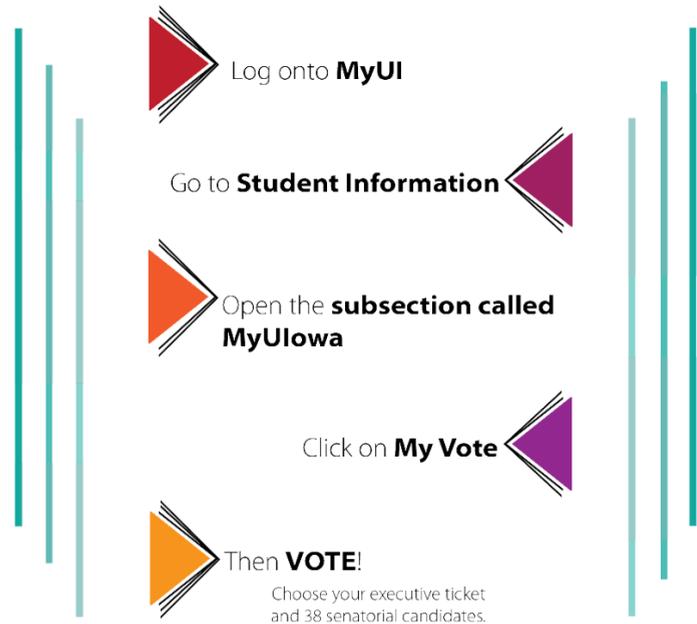
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All undergraduate students at the University of Iowa are eligible to vote  
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Candidates in the UISG election encourage students to vote today and Thursday through MyUI.

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The polls will open for the University of Iowa Student Government election at 8 a.m. today and close at 5 p.m. Thursday. Voting can be done on students' MyUI profiles.

Candidates encourage students to understand what kind of effect the UISG election has.

"I think voting in the student-government elections is important because it provides students an opportunity to make their voice heard and endorse what they hope to see happen with the university and the next year's administration," presidential candidate Jacob Simpson said.

He is running on the BridgeUI ticket. "I also think it's important [to vote] because a good electoral turnout shows to university administration, to the Board of Regents, to the state that we as 24,000 undergraduates really care about the outcome of our elections and our advocacy," Simpson said.

Voting in the UISG election is extremely  
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## UI student's impact remains

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"He was one of those people who you're like, 'Wow ... he's going to do really cool things,' and he still did. He influenced a lot of people and gave people a lot of great memories. He was just a really wonderful person to be around and to enjoy life with."

University of Iowa student Sarah Henry remembers her classmate Sean Wu as someone who was always genuinely interested in others' lives.

Wu passed away on April 8. He collapsed in the late hours and was taken to the hospital, where he was pronounced dead. According to UI officials, witnesses said Wu had "suddenly tensed up, as if he was having a seizure and collapsed."

The cause of death is still unknown and will only be available when the toxicology report is complete, which will take a "couple of months," UI officials said. They said there are currently no updates at this time.

Four days after Wu's death,  
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## Hearing feminist voices at last

**By SARAH STORTZ**  
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In the span of two hours, a large audience packed in a basement witnessed the lives and struggles of complete strangers, all through art.

These stories were featured in Public Space One on Tuesday night, when the University of Iowa Feminist Union held its 2017 Feminist Voices for the spring season.

According to the group's website, Feminist Voices is an art showcase that the union sponsors every semester in which artists can channel their feelings and experiences regarding gender and sexuality.

Artists from the community had the opportunity to create and submit work. The art focused on the artists' journeys toward their respective gender or sexuality. Many of these pieces ranged from music, spoken word, visual art, or improv.

Director of Public Space One John Engelbert said he has provided a space for

Feminist Voices for the past four years.

"The organizers have maintained this series and made it a quite special event," he said. "We've found it to be an excellent embodiment of the types of events we like to support."

"Now more than ever, it's important to open up space for voices that run counter to the dominant narrative."

This semester, there were 17 acts featured, along with eight gallery artists.

UI senior Sophie Katz said she has been the main organizer for Feminist Voices for the past four semesters. Some of the ways she has tried to promote attendance have included advertising on social media, encouraging submission during Feminist Union meetings, and designing posters to hang around campus, she said.

Katz said she became in-



Sarah Burgess performs during the Feminist Voices Showcase at Public Space One on Tuesday. The event featured art displays, music, and poetry. (The Daily Iowan/Lily Smith)

involved with this event because she wanted to give an opportunity for unheard artists to shine.

UI senior Ainsley Tharp was one of the featured artists who performed a piece that incorporated dance and body movement. Her performance was to be interpreted as a commentary over how female bodies are

pitted against each other.

"I wanted to show how dance can be appreciated as much as visual art," she said. "I had a voice that worthy to that shared space."

"We have to create art about feminist issues and give that art a platform to be seen, because that is how

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## Stand-your-ground gains ground

**By ISABELLA SENNO**  
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House File 517, a bill backed by the National Rifle Association dealing with several aspects of Iowa gun ownership and gun owners' rights, is slated to pass and head to Gov. Terry Branstad sometime within the next week.

The bill contains a section that would remove the duty to retreat for Iowans, creating what is more commonly known as a "stand-your-ground" Iowa law.

Additionally, the bill broadens gun rights for children, allows gun owners to go a full five years without a background check, and protects the confidentiality of weapon-permit holders.

"I'm extremely pleased that we've  
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Service workers fix a broken escalator in the Old Capitol Town Center on Tuesday. According to reports, the four escalators in the Old Capitol mall are the only ones in Iowa City. (The Daily Iowan/Anthony Vazquez)

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simple, he said. Students can vote for a presidential and vice-presidential candidates and then 38 senatorial candidates.

“We want students to know and understand that they can vote for all members of the ticket if they want to individually or all together, while at the same time voting for four independent senators separately,” said BridgeUI vice-presidential candidate Lilián Sánchez. “We want to make sure that those who feel like they want to support certain indepen-

dent senators understand that they can still support BridgeUI and vice versa.”

UISG President Rachel Zuckerman noted the effect low voter turnout can have in student-government elections.

“[Voter turnout] is much lower than I would hope it would be. Even lower than our national voter turnout, which is not great, either,” she said. “I think if students understood the importance of elections, they would be more apt to vote.”

Zuckerman pointed out that the decisions UISG makes and the work it does affects students’ daily lives. Student govern-

ment can be effective or it can be useless, she said.

“It’s up to students to hold their elected officials accountable, and that starts with giving them electoral legitimacy by electing them with strong voter-turnout numbers,” Zuckerman said. “Then those student leaders in meetings with administrators or whoever can cite their voter-turnout data and say, ‘The vast majority of the student body is supportive of my ideas.’”

Candidates encourage students to be informed about for whom they vote and to ask any questions they may have.

“It is critical that you make your voice heard in this election. You should look at the platform of the ticket and of the independent senators,” Simpson said. “Make yourself aware of who is running, and provide your feedback on those platforms.”

Sánchez echoed the notion that students should be informed about the candidates.

“Make sure you do your research, and don’t be afraid to reach out to the candidates,” she said.

Winners of the election will be announced at 5 p.m. Friday in the IMU Hubbard Commons.

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been able to move this legislation through in a bipartisan fashion,” Rep. Matt Windschitl, R-Missouri Valley, said. “It’s not everything that I personally as a Second Amendment advocate would like to see signed into law, but I also understand that this is still the most monumental piece of Second Amendment legislation the state has ever seen.”

The stand-your-ground provision would strengthen an Iowa gun owners’ right to use justifiable deadly force if they feel their life or safety is threatened.

There is an amendment in this bill that states anyone using deadly force in self-de-

fense is required to inform law-enforcement officials at the scene and is banned from destroying evidence or threatening witnesses.

Windschitl said this is meant to stop criminals from gaining protection under the law.

“We ... very carefully crafted [the bill] to say that if you’re not engaged in illegal activity that you have no duty to retreat,” Windschitl said. “So for the concerns that some people brought up about criminals being able to use this as a type of defense, if they’re engaged in criminal activity ... they have no opportunity to then claim the stand your ground defense if there’s evidence there pointing to the fact that they were engaged in illegal activity.”

According to a 2015 report released by a task force assembled by the Ameri-

can Bar Association, states with stand-your-ground laws have increased homicide rates. This has some of the bill’s opponents, such as Rep. Liz Bennett, D-Cedar Rapids, concerned about the same happening in Iowa.

“It seems to be a misconception in Iowa that you cannot protect yourself using deadly force if necessary; that’s not true [under Iowa Code Chapter 704],” Bennett said. “I think that people think that this is going to be the defense used by law-abiding citizens who are protecting themselves; in reality, it’s a can of worms. The person who’s dead because they got shot unreasonably doesn’t get a trial. They don’t get a chance to defend themselves ... so that person who shot them is judge, jury, and executioner.”

Austin Collins, the vice

president of the UI Second Amendment Law Group a nonpartisan organization at the University of Iowa, said he believes the bill’s passage through both chambers is a result of a Republican majority in the House and the Senate and their holding the governorship, the first Iowa has seen since 1997.

“The Iowa House of Representatives have passed this kind of legislation repeatedly, either to be blocked by an uncooperative Senate or by a Democratic governor’s veto,” Collins said. “This is something they’ve been trying to do for a long time and ... as much as legislation can be, almost guaranteed that to happen once they had a Republican Senate and a Republican governor.”

**WU**  
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friends, classmates, and others who knew him continued to reflect on his life and the impact he made.

Isabelle Macchiato, who went to Kennedy High School with Wu in Cedar Rapids, said he was “that goofball in class that everybody likes.”

“I only knew him for about a year of my life, but I’m going to remember him for the rest of my life,” Macchiato said.

For many people, Wu will be remembered as someone who constantly tried to make others laugh.

Lydia Yang, a close friend of Wu’s, knew him

for 12 years and graduated from Kennedy with him. She said Wu always tried making others laugh, especially with his puns.

“This one pun that he would always say is, ‘It makes dollars to me’ instead of ‘it makes sense to me,’” Yang said.

Wu’s love for films was well-known on campus and by those who were close to him. He was a member of the Bijou Horizons committee and joined Bijou in the fall of 2016. Michael Davis, a UI graduate student and executive director of the Bjiou Film Board, described Wu’s love for film as “contagious.”

“Sometimes, our board meetings can get dry,” he said. “Sean used his humor and his wit to fill the

room with laughter.”

Wu’s love and passion for films didn’t begin at the UI. Yang said Wu loved watching movies; his favorite was a 2014 coming-of-age movie titled *Boyhood*.

“Sean just loved it because he was able to watch movies, review them, talk about what he thought about them,” she said. “He had a blog that he’s been running throughout high school.”

Leah Vonderheide, a UI cinema graduate student, wrote in an email to *The Daily Iowan* that she worked with Wu on the weekly KRUI radio show “Bijou Banter.”

“He was often on as a guest this year, and he was preparing to become a full-time host next year,” she said in

the email. “Sean was an impressive contributor — thoughtful, knowledgeable, insightful, and funny. He was also a genuine joy to be around. I consider myself lucky to have been one of the members of his Bijou family.”

UI student Laura Schwager, who had a class with Wu, said she and him immediately clicked when they met.

“To say that someone like that went too soon is an enormous understatement,” Schwager said. “Sean just touched so many people. I know that his time on this planet serves as an inspiration for us to re-examine the way we view and conduct our lives. I just hope the best for his family and everyone who was close to him.”

**SHOWCASE**  
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we lift up neglected stories and how we open minds,” Katz said. “A lot of the people who submit their work

to Feminist Voices have stories, feelings, and experiences that they want to share but haven’t felt safe to do so in other contexts. Feminist Voices strives to be a platform for as many of those stories as it can.”

Katz said she expresses

the importance of these types of events because they act as an outlet for many college students.

“A lot of us have been told that our voices shouldn’t be listened to, because we’re too young, because we don’t un-

derstand how the world really works, because what we experience is so different from theirs that we must be making it up. That’s frustrating,” she said. “I think Feminist Voices speaks to that frustration.”

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“I encourage students to take this decision seriously because these students who are elected will go on to represent you at Board of Regents’ meetings, they will represent you in front of the governor, and they will represent you in front of administration on a daily basis,” Zuckerman said. “And beyond electing them, hold them accountable once they’re in office to serve you.”

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# Outback loss and found for Hawkeyes

By **BLAKE DOWSON**  
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This spring has been a bit more exciting than those in the past for the Iowa football team.

Different coaches hold positions at offensive and special-team coordinator, as well as positional coaches at quarterbacks, offensive line, running backs, and wide receivers. There also appears to be a full-fledged competition at quarterback between Nathan Stanley and Tyler Wiegert, which hasn't happened often at Iowa.

The football program made a number of other announcements on Tuesday, two focused on the past and one on the future.

## Iowa comes out ahead after Outback Bowl

The Hawkeyes came out of the Outback Bowl with a bad loss to Florida, but it also had a surplus of \$6,025. The Big Ten gave Iowa \$2.05 million to cover expenses, and the leftover money was what Iowa did not end up using.

"While we would have

liked to have a different outcome of the Outback Bowl game, it is rewarding to see that all parties involved traveled with the overall budget in mind," Iowa Athletics Director Gary Barta said in a release. "It is always a challenging and expensive undertaking to move such a large number of people for a bowl event. To be able to provide a great experience for our student-athletes, Marching Band, and staff, and to come in under budget, speaks well of the dedication of our staff in being

mindful of the budget we were working with."

## Hawkeyes 20th in attendance in 2016

Iowa had an impressive jump in attendance last season, which was likely because of the 2015 Rose Bowl season.

The Hawkeyes averaged 69,656 fans per home game, according to an Athletics Department's release, an increase of more than 6,000 fans per game. The jump in attendance was the eighth-most nationally.

There were four sell-

outs in 2016, including both night games, Iowa State and Michigan. Both were Iowa wins.

"We are proud to rank among the top programs in the nation in home football attendance, but it certainly isn't something we take for granted," Barta said in the release. "Coach Kirk Ferentz and his staff have maintained a level of excellence in the product on the field of play. We will continue to make home events in Kinnick Stadium enjoyable and exciting, while providing a fun, family atmosphere."

## Middle-Tennessee State to play at Iowa in 2019

Iowa's 2019 schedule is now set after adding Middle-Tennessee State from Conference-USA. The Hawkeyes will play the Blue Raiders on Sept. 28, 2019, after contests against Miami (Ohio), Rutgers, and Iowa State.

Although Middle-Tennessee isn't the marquee matchup many Iowa fans hoped for, the Blue Raiders did beat Missouri last season, scoring 51 points. They were 8-5 in 2016.

## RECAP

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then stole second and eventually made his way to third after Perkins walked Cropley.

Guzzo singled to left field and advanced to second on the throw. Meanwhile, Cropley advanced to third and Norman scored.

Matt Hoeg followed up the score with a deep

sacrifice fly to right field. Cropley scored.

Cropley scored again in the sixth. After a double, he advanced to third when Guzzo grounded out. Another ground out from Hoeg drove in the catcher and putting Iowa up by 3.

"It was really good to get the week started off the right way," head coach Rick Heller said. "I felt like the guys came to the park today with good

attitude, good energy. It wasn't a great game for us offensively but just enough to get it done."

The Leatherbacks broke through in the fifth inning, keeping things close midway through the game.

Connecting on 4 hits, Western Illinois scored its first run of the game. The last hit ended the inning, however, as Robert Neustrom launched a throw from right field

to home plate. Sitting in perfect position, Cropley tagged out Roman Visintine, who had taken off for home.

Elijah Wood made his first career start — and recorded his first win — for the Hawkeyes on the mound. The Washington native pitched the game's first three shutout innings, giving up 2 hits but recording 2 strikeouts.

He found out about

an hour before the game that he had received the starting nod.

"Right when I found out, I just prepared mentally and did everything like I needed to before," Wood said.

Entering Tuesday's game, Wood had allowed 5 runs and struck out 6 in his 12.2 innings pitched. He also allowed 15 hits.

Heller credited his team's solid defensive effort to a

"great start" from Wood.

Grant Judkins, who had started in four of Iowa's six midweek games, came in to relieve Wood in the fourth inning.

The Leatherbacks scored 1 run on 4 hits in Judkins' two innings.

On Friday, the Hawkeyes will travel to Lincoln, Nebraska, for a three-game weekend series against their border rival. Friday's first pitch is scheduled for 6:35 p.m.

## BASEBALL

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While his batting average might not be outstanding by any measure, his on-base percentage helps the team.

Before the game

against the Leatherbacks, Guzzo was batting an atrocious .167, but his on-base percentage was a terrific .419. Since then, his average has risen to .212, which has in turn increased his on-base percentage.

Guzzo also knows that because Hoeg, Boe, and

Cropley have been on a roll, he just has to get on base for his team to bring him around.

"I tried to do my job in the 7 hole of trying to get on base and trying to make something happen," Guzzo said. "I think my job was just to get on base because I

know those guys would either get me over, get me in, and that's exactly what they did tonight."

Another thing the bottom of the order was able to accomplish Tuesday was putting the pitcher at ease. So far this season, it has been the top and middle of the lineup

generating offense and giving the pitchers a cushion, but their roles were switched tonight.

In his first start of the season, Elijah Wood acknowledged the benefits of Mitchell Boe's second inning sacrifice fly.

"It was definitely nice to see the sticks swing-

ing at the bottom of the order," Wood said. "Getting a run up on the board definitely kind of made me feel comfortable up on the mound. I was able to keep getting the outs and not let up a run, so it made me feel a little more comfortable out there."

## SOFTBALL

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ble-header against a tough Nebraska team with a win," Looper said in a release. "It wasn't clean, so our challenge is to play cleaner in that double-header. A game like this against a great UNI team allows us to prepare for Nebraska."

The Huskers have won eight games in a row and are one of the hottest teams in the Big Ten. They have a 6-3 conference record, and they not only swept the Rutgers, they also swept Wisconsin, 7-4, 8-3, and 9-4. The Badgers won their series against the Hawkeyes, 2-1. Their lone conference losses all came against Minnesota, the best team in the Big Ten with 35 wins and 3 losses.

The only thing that favors the Hawkeyes is that the Huskers have the third-worst pitching unit in the Big Ten. Their team's average ERA is 5.01, whereas Iowa's is 3.33.

If the Hawkeyes are going to have a chance against the Huskers, they need to continue getting quality at-bats. Iowa only had 4 hits against UNI.

## Iowa

PLAYERS	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO
Thompson, RF	3	0	0	0	0	2
Cantu, PH	1	0	0	0	0	0
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Wood, CF	2	1	0	0	1	0
Rozier, DP	2	1	1	0	0	0
Schmiederer, C	3	1	1	1	0	0
Kilian, 3B	2	1	1	3	0	1
Pratt, LF	3	0	0	0	0	1
Fritsch, 2B	3	0	0	0	0	0
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Libby, PH	1	0	0	0	0	0

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PITCHERS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Doocy	6.0	5	2	2	2	8
Riding	1.0	3	0	0	0	1

The Panthers had 8 hits, yet the Hawkeyes came out on top.

The Hawkeyes have proven that they can win with a minimal number of

hits. The key against the Huskers will be to score early and keep the pitchers rattled if they are going to come away with two wins today at home.

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The following 42 students were nominated by their departments for the Student Employee of the Year award. **Special thanks to these fine student employees and their employing departments.** A water bottle commemorating student employee excellence was provided to each nominee along with framed certificates for the winners.

### 2016-17 Student Employee of the Year Winner - University of Iowa Campus & Science, Health and Engineering Category

Rachel Brufflodt, Undergraduate Research Assistant - Electrical and Computer Engineering

### Winner - Administrative Support Category

Lauren Himan, Student Graphic Designer - Division of Interdisciplinary Programs

### Winner - Student/Campus Services Category

Zach Steil, Student Manager - Banquets & Catering

### Certificate of Distinction

Roahn Kakavandi, WiSE Peer Mentoring and Ambassadors Assistant - Women in Science & Engineering (WiSE)  
Gabriela Magalhaes, Multimedia Development Studio Assistant - Language Media Center  
Rebecca Mansfield, Success@Iowa Teaching Assistant - Office of Teaching, Learning & Technology  
Anna Seydel, Undergraduate Research Assistant - Center for Computer-Aided Design  
Rochelle Yang, Research Assistant - College of Pharmacy, Health Science Research

### Student Employee of the Year Nominees

Erin Brandsgard, Student Clerk - UIHC Iowa River Landing Administration  
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Samantha Ellingson, Supplemental Instruction Team Leader - Academic Support & Retention  
Owen Finch, Police Dispatcher - University of Iowa Police Department  
Tristen Geiser, Office Assistant - Vice President for Research and Economic Development  
Marina Gibbs, Honors Administration - University Honors Program  
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Jessica Heberlie, Student Clerk - Oral Pathology, Radiology and Medicine  
Megan Helms, Student Research Assistant - Ophthalmology  
Joseph Henderson, Office Assistant - Carver College of Medicine Office of Student Affairs & Curriculum  
Haley Henscheid, Outreach Assistant - International Programs  
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Ngoc Hong Le, Student Assistant - Main Library Interlibrary Loan  
Conor McBrien, Student Manager - Hawkshop/Bookstore  
Mary McDonald, Marketing Associate - University Libraries Preservation Department  
Zainab Mounsa-Makky, Office Assistant - Study Abroad  
Luke Mozena, CRWC Facility Supervisor - Recreational Services  
Danielle Nauman, Office Assistant - UI REACH  
Kelsey O'Connor, Education Assistant/Museum Docent - UI Pentacrest Museums  
Alisha Patel, Receptionist - Academic Advising Center  
Leandro Perenzuela, Desktop Tech Support - Finance and Business Information Services  
Zoe Petersen, Administrative Office Clerk - Department of Chemistry  
Van Petty, Material Handler - Office of Animal Resources  
Wen Qu, Research Assistant - Department of Microbiology  
Erik Ramirez, Employer Relations Intern - Pomerantz Career Center  
Autumn Rieken, Lead Student Employee - Department of Family Medicine  
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Joe Thomas, Student Lead - Facilities Management  
Shelby Tracy, Office Assistant - Department of Theatre Arts  
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## COLUMN

### Autism group misses the mark

By ISABELLA ROSARIO  
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Last week, actor William Shatner tweeted “#NewProfilePic #lightitupblue #WorldAutismAwarenessDay” along with a chalk-drawn picture of a puzzle piece in a light bulb. The “Star Trek” icon’s tweet was met with immense backlash because the picture and “#lightitupblue” hashtag are trademarks associated with the group Autism Speaks, a self-proclaimed autism-advocacy organization that has faced major controversy since its conception in 2005 — and for good reason.

Bob and Suzanne Wright founded the organization after their grandson was diagnosed with autism. Despite its status as the leading organization in autism research and awareness, many autistic people claim Autism Speaks does not speak for them, citing its repeated dehumanization and demonization of their condition.

Autism Speaks’ controversial 2009 ad “I Am Autism” is a three-minute testament to the group’s deeply flawed “activism,” depicting autism as a harrowing monster that attempts to ruin the lives of all whom it affects: “I know where you live ... I hover around all of you ... I work faster than pediatric AIDS, cancer, and diabetes combined ... you are scared, and you should be.” “Autism Every Day,” a documentary produced by the organization, focuses on the struggles of the parents of autistic children rather than speaking to autistic people, describing the spectrum disorder as “heartbreaking” and a “battle,” only finding hope in the idea that scientists will someday find a “cure.”

But many autistic people don’t want a cure. They reject Autism Speaks co-founder Bob Wright’s belief that “We have an epidemic on our hands.” They don’t view their condition as some debilitating disease but rather as an integral part of their identity. The Autism Self-Advocacy Network, an organization run by and for autistic people, calls April “Autism Acceptance Month” rather than “Autism Aware-

ness Month.” This focus on acceptance emphasizes “working to make our world a better, more inclusive, safer place for autistic people of all ages and abilities” — without changing who they are. In contrast, most of Autism Speaks’ medical-research funds are put toward causation and “prevention.” For example, parental testing or eugenics. The organization would rather focus on eradicating autistic people and their unique qualities from the world than fund services that actually help them and their families — a meager 4 percent of its budget.

I don’t claim to know what it’s like to have autism or live with someone who does. As a differently able-bodied person, I recognize my knowledge on these issues is inevitably skin-deep. I acknowledge that autism, especially on the severe end of the spectrum, can present many challenges for autistic people in a world that is so sensory-laden. It would be irresponsible to ignore the varied ways in which autistic people experience the world, and that is why mental-health services and measures to protect their legal rights are so crucial. Just because autistic people don’t want to be “cured” doesn’t mean they would rather their disability be hidden or ignored. As the Autism Self-Advocacy Network notes, “Acceptance is not passive. Acceptance is an action.”

It says a lot about how our society devalues people with disabilities when the leading national autism organization doesn’t have any autistic people on its Board of Directors — could you imagine if the NAACP was run by all white people? It’s time we start valuing disability as difference. It’s time we stop assuming people with disabilities aren’t as intricately idiosyncratic in their identities as people without disabilities. Instead of asking how people with disabilities can be “cured,” how can we as neurotypical/differently able-bodied people help make our society more inclusive and accessible? Only they can answer that question.

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## COLUMN

### Trump’s Syria bombing: not so humanitarian as it may seem



President Trump walks away from the podium on April 6 after speaking at Mar-a-Lago in Palm Beach, Florida, about the U.S. firing a barrage of cruise missiles at a Syrian airfield. (Associated Press/Alex Brandon)

By JOE LANE  
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Last week, President Donald Trump’s administration authorized a military strike on the airfield from which the recent chemical attack in Syria was launched. The attack, according to a number of sources, resulted in the deaths of at least 72 people.

The attack was yet another terrible chapter in the ongoing Syrian civil war. Bashar al-Assad’s decision to launch chemical weapons against his own people was such a severe offense that it caused Trump to change his view on the Syrian president: from an acceptable, albeit frustrating, leader to a serious threat to national security and human rights. The attack also led to Trump’s decision to strike the airfield, which Pentagon chief James Mattis has said destroyed as much as one-fifth of Assad’s jets.

In his statement following the bombing,

Trump provided two reasons for the strike, one being a matter of national security. In his statement, Trump contended that it is in the United States’ best security interest to “deter the spread and use of deadly chemical weapons.” The second reason Trump claims he launched the air strike has more to do with humanitarian violations.

“No child of God should ever suffer such horror,” Trump said in his brief speech. For Trump to say such a thing, after turning his back on countless refugees trying to escape the civil war in Syria and other parts of the Middle East, is shameful, hypocritical, and downright embarrassing.

Syria’s gruesome civil war has claimed hundreds of thousands of lives. According to I Am Syria, a nonprofit media campaign that functions to educate the world about the Syrian conflict,

the death toll has now reached 470,000 people — 55,000 of whom have been children. The war is unquestionably a humanitarian crisis.

But for Trump to bar refugees from the United States one day and turn around to attack the country creating the refugee crisis the next is the epitome of hypocrisy. Unless, of course, his real motives for striking the airfield were not in fact related to humanitarian outcry but rather bumping his approval ratings.

The “rally ’round the flag” effect is well-known by presidents and their advisers, a phrase used to describe a short-lived increase in popularity of a president during a time of international crisis. However, a Gallup Poll taken on Monday shows that approval of Trump’s air strike is the lowest of any military strike polled since Grenada in 1983.

The president’s approval rating is historically low. The current well-aggregated poll data from FiveThirtyEight indicates that Trump’s approval rating is an abysmal 40.9 percent. A man who cares so much about what people think of him will undoubtedly pull out all the stops to improve his support. It would not be surprising if Trump feigned humanitarian outrage to gain support for not only his strike but his presidency as a whole.

This cannot be allowed to stand.

Trump has lied enough for political gain. The death of nearly 100 people — several of whom were children — cannot be used by our president to curry favor. If Trump hopes to gain support from the country by fighting humanitarian injustices, he needs to walk the walk as well as talk the talk.

## COLUMN

### Internet fosters communities

By WYLLIAM SMITH  
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Diversity at Iowa, held a screening of the documentary *Catfish* on Monday. In the documentary, Nev Schulman was catfished, meaning he was tricked into an online relationship with someone claiming to be someone else. The woman who catfished him, Angela Wesselman, said she did it as an escape from her life. The person she pretended to be was still her personality, she said, but that version of her had accomplished all the dreams that she hadn’t.

Wesselman felt as if she was trapped in her own life, and she couldn’t talk to anyone she knew about it.

Through the internet, she found solace, a place in which to express herself and be free. And while the way she did it was wrong, there are plenty of more healthy online relationships.

Something that is constantly said by the generations before mine is how much people my age rely on the internet. I’m sure I am not the only one who hears the phrases “You’re always on your phone” or “Back in my day, kids played outside.”

The online community has always been painted in somewhat of a negative light, which is not unjustified, because there are some truly horrendous acts done on the web. However, blaming the entire online community for this is the equivalent of saying all dogs bite just

because a dog bit you.

Claiming the internet is bad is a huge generalization, when in reality, a lot of online communities are very friendly. I for one have made plenty of friends online. For instance, I used to play the mobile game Clash of Clans and I met a lot of people whom I still talk to today.

There were times I spoke to these people about serious topics and we were always there for one another. I believe that the reason some people connect with people online is because it can be easier to talk to someone you don’t really know.

You can talk to this person without the fear of being judged, and in a sense, it’s like you get a chance to

start over. I compare it to reading a good book in the sense that you can lose yourself in a new world different from your own.

Let’s say that your life at home isn’t necessarily great. Maybe you’re being bullied, perhaps you simply don’t have any friends, or maybe you just work a 9-to-5 paper-pushing job. Online relationships could really be an escape, giving you someone to talk with and relate to.

I am in no way condoning catfishing or any other negative activity that happens online. I am, however, suggesting that in many ways, the internet has provided alternate spaces for people to come together in groups and make friends.

# POLITICS



(Associated Press/Evan Vucci)

## Supreme Court debate roils along

By MARIA CURI | maria-curi@uiowa.edu

If you look at public opinion polls, you'll see that historically the Supreme Court has a higher level of trust than the presidency or the Congress.

After contentious debate over Judge Neil Gorsuch's Supreme Court nomination, Senate Republicans resorted to changing the longstanding rules of the chamber — the number of votes needed to confirm a high-court justice were reduced from 60 to 51 by killing the filibuster. Despite the change, Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, said the move will allow the Senate to go back to its original function.

"I consider it this simple: getting us back to the way the Senate functions on judicial nominations between 1789 and 2001, when there hadn't been any filibusters of judges," Grassley said. "And then you have this filibuster, which was the first time in the history of the country that a partisan filibuster was lodged against a Supreme Court person, so I think it gets us back to the practice of the Senate."

Supreme Court nominee Abe Fortas was filibustered by Republicans in 1968, and President Lyndon Johnson withdrew the nomination at Fortas' request.

Cary Covington, a University of Iowa associate professor of political science, said ideology may now infiltrate judge nominations at a higher degree.

"So if you think of policy preferences on Supreme Court nominee as sort of spreading from left to right like we do, liberal to conservative, if you've got a Republican or conservative majority, then the idea is you have to worry about filibuster; then you have to move sufficiently far to the left and nominate a candidate sufficiently moderate to appeal to the support of that 60th senator," Covington said. "And that person [Supreme Court nominee] would probably be more moderate than someone who only had to appeal to the support of 51 senators. So in that sense, the Senate now is free to pursue smaller minimum winning coalitions, which means nominees who will be closer to the interests of the more ideologically extreme group of senators."

Grassley said the change in votes will not be a threat to Republicans if Democrats gain control of the Senate.

"Here's why a Republican shouldn't worry about that: Let's say, I'll use Clinton and Obama, there were two vacancies in Clinton and there were two vacancies in Obama, and Republicans never filibustered," Grassley said. "So as long as Republicans have never in our history filibustered a Supreme Court justice, then I assume if we get to be in the minority, then we wouldn't do it anyway, so the fact that it's 51 instead of 60 isn't really going to affect anything."

Although all other federal appointments already only require a simple-majority vote, Covington said the shift applies differently to the Supreme Court.

"Historically, the public has thought of the courts as being above politics," he said. "To quote Chief Justice Roberts, 'They're the umpires. They call the balls or the strikes; they're not a player in the game.' And what this action is going to do is make the nominees look more like players on one team or the other rather than umpires who are neutral and above the conflicts of the teams."

Gorsuch entered the Senate chambers as a climate of stark division among the American public over what the role of the high court is and deep ideological divides in Congress endures.

According to a survey conducted by the Pew Research Center, 46 percent of the American public says the Supreme Court should interpret the Constitution in its original form, while an opposing identical share of Americans say justices should interpret the Constitution in a manner that takes current times into account.

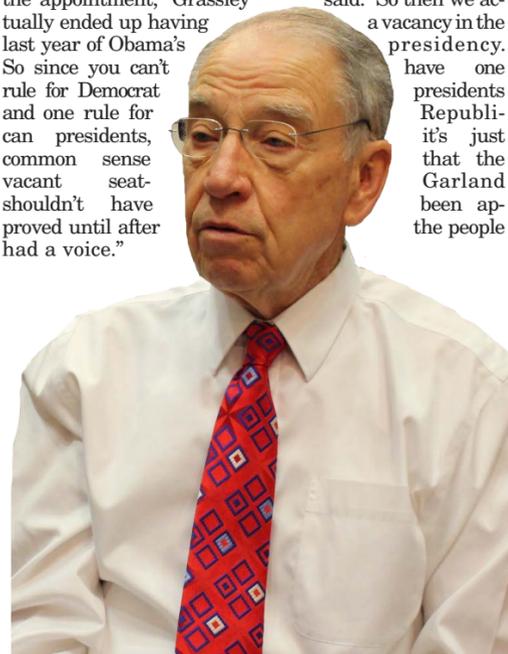
"If you look at public-opinion polls, you'll see that historically, the Supreme Court has a higher level of trust than the presidency or the Congress," Covington said. "You'll also see that recently, it has begun to lose that trust, and these kinds of actions are only going to accelerate the politicizing of the public's views of the Supreme Court."

Tim Hagle, a UI associate political-science professor, said the refusal of Republicans to consider former President Barack Obama's nominee Merrick Garland contributed to the contentious atmosphere.

"The folks that were talking about wanting a compromise; they didn't want another conservative on the court," Hagle said. "Democrats were upset because Republicans didn't hold any hearings on [Garland]. They were basically trying all these things, but they were all unsuccessful."

Grassley said it was common sense not to consider Garland.

"So you have the pattern of Democrat senators, when you have a Republican president, saying that if there's a vacancy in the last year, the new president should make the appointment," Grassley said. "So then we actually ended up having a vacancy in the last year of Obama's presidency. So since you can't have one president for Democrat and one rule for can presidents, common sense vacant seat shouldn't have proved until after had a voice."



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#### Spicer sorry about Holocaust remark

WASHINGTON — White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer apologized Tuesday for making an "inappropriate and insensitive" comparison to the Holocaust in earlier comments about Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's use of chemical weapons — remarks that drew instant rebuke from Jewish groups and critics.

Spicer said in an interview with CNN that he was trying to make a point about Assad's use of chemical weapons and gas against his people but "mistakenly made an inappropriate and insensitive reference to the Holocaust, for which there is no comparison. And for that I apologize. It was a mistake to do that."

During the daily White House briefing, Spicer told reporters that Adolf Hitler "didn't even sink to using chemical weapons." Critics noted the remark ignored Hitler's use of gas chambers to exterminate Jews during the Holocaust.

It was the second day in a row in which Spicer, President Trump's main spokesman, appeared to struggle to articulate the president's foreign policy at a critical time. The White House generated criticism at the start of the year when a statement on inter-



White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer prepares to go on cable news on the North Lawn of the White House on Tuesday. (Associated Press/Andrew Harnik)

national Holocaust Remembrance Day did not make any reference to Jews.

In the CNN interview, Spicer said his comments did not reflect Trump's views. "My comments today did not reflect the president's,

were a distraction from him and frankly were misstated, insensitive and wrong." He added, "Obviously, it was my blunder."

— Associated Press

# DAILYBREAK

## Art, freedom, and creativity will change society faster than politics. — Victor Pinchuk

### the ledge

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I'm an Idea-Bankrupt Writer for the Discovery Channel

- **Deadliest Hatch:** A game show, like "Deal or No Deal," only instead of one briefcase having a million dollars, one hatchway shoots a spear directly into the heart of the contestant, killing instantly.
- **Deadliest Batch:** A celebrity chef makes dozens of types of cookies from a pre-arranged pantry of ingredients, then blindly serves them to a dais replete with an array of highly acute allergies.
- **Deadliest Snatch:** A game of capture-the-flag played by professional paint-ballers, only their ammo has been switched-out for live rounds, unbeknown to them.
- **Deadliest Dratch:** A compilation of people's death caught on video, narrated by Rachel Dratch as Debbie Downer, accompanied by appropriate "sad trombone" interludes.
- **Deadliest Match:** A dating show in which each competitor is secretly a trained assassin assigned to eliminate their blind date before the evening concludes.
- **Deadliest Klatch:** Twenty old ladies enter the coffee shop. One old lady leaves.
- **Deadliest Hatch II:** A webcast of a dozen mother hens sitting on eggs. Eleven are chicken eggs, the 12th is a rattlesnake. Live wagering is encouraged and can be done in the lower righthand corner.
- **Deadliest Potlach:** A potlatch, but with human sacrifices.

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- **Data Management 101,** 1 p.m., 102 Sciences Library
- **Discussion with TIAA CEO Roger Ferguson,** 1 p.m., 166 IMU
- **3 Steps to Marketing Yourself to Employers,** 1 p.m., 347 IMU
- **Chemistry Department Thesis Defense,** Angie Thorn, 1:30 p.m., W107 Pappajohn
- **Staff Council Meeting,** 2:30 p.m., 2520D University Capitol Center
- **India Winterim Information Session,** 3 p.m., 3124 Seamans
- **The Money-Savvy Student,** Financial Literacy Services, 6:30 p.m., 100 Phillips
- **Iowa Bibliophiles,** Amy Chen, 6:30 p.m., Main Library Special Collections Reading Room
- **Ariel Quartet with Orion Weiss,** Piano, 7:30 p.m., Voxman Concert Hall
- **UI Jazz Combo Concert,** 7:30 p.m., 5 Voxman
- **"WorldCanvass": Women's Health and the Environment,** 7:30 p.m., Voxman Recital Hall
- **Brian Blanchfield & Kevin Brockmeier Reading,** 8 p.m., Dey House

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- DJ TRAINING 11 A.M.**
- NEWS @ NOON**
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- SPORTS SQUAWK 2 P.M.**
- TROUT MASK HOUR 3 P.M.**
- TRANSLATE IOWA PROJECT 4 P.M.**
- NEWS @ FIVE 5 P.M.**
- VACCI-NATION 6 P.M.**
- GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE 7 P.M.**
- ERIN AND ERIN 9 P.M.**
- THE PLUG 10 P.M.**

### horoscopes

Wednesday, April 12, 2017  
by Eugenia Last

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Get organized, and go ahead with your plans. Learn as you go, but don't let pride stand between you and success. Take care of personal matters pertaining to taxes, investments, and dealing with institutions.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Emotions will surface, making it easier for you to say exactly what you think and what you want to see happen to people who sometimes make it difficult for you to stand up for yourself. Follow through with your demands.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Do some fact-finding before you discuss your plans or the changes you are going to put in place. Knowing what you are up against before you make a promise to take part in a challenge will be necessary. Protect your partnerships.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Be prepared to voice your opinion if someone tries to force you into something you don't feel is in your best interest. Stay focused on what's important to you, and bring about the changes that will help you get ahead.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Be ready to prove your point. Have your facts ready, and prepare for battle. Once you establish your position, it will be much easier to manipulate the situation to suit your needs. Don't take risks while traveling or engaging in physical activities.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Make a point to show interest in someone who looks up to you. How you handle youngsters and peers will determine how much help you receive. Sharing personal information or taking a day trip to visit someone you miss is favored.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Use experiences to deal with personal issues. Once you isolate what the problem is, it will be easier to find a workable solution. Change can be good if everyone agrees. Strive for equality, and offer incentives.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Dreams can turn into reality. Let your imagination lead the way, and your intense and passionate approach to your goals carry you to the finish line. Victory will be yours, but it should be shared with someone you love.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You'll have trouble facing up to facts when it comes to emotional matters and the way someone treats you. Don't believe everything you hear when it comes to someone who is using emotional manipulation to get her or his way.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Look for alternative options when dealing with work-related problems. Working quietly on your own will help you avoid interference. Finish what you start before you decide to put your work on display. Romance will lift your spirits.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Emotions will be difficult to control once you let them out into the open. Think before you say something you might regret. Stay focused on making personal changes that will lead to greater satisfaction and confidence. Avoid senseless arguments.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Speak up about the way you feel. Share your expectations, and put together a plan that will help you reach your goals. You will gain ground as well as funds to help you turn your ideas into a reality.

### The New York Times Crossword

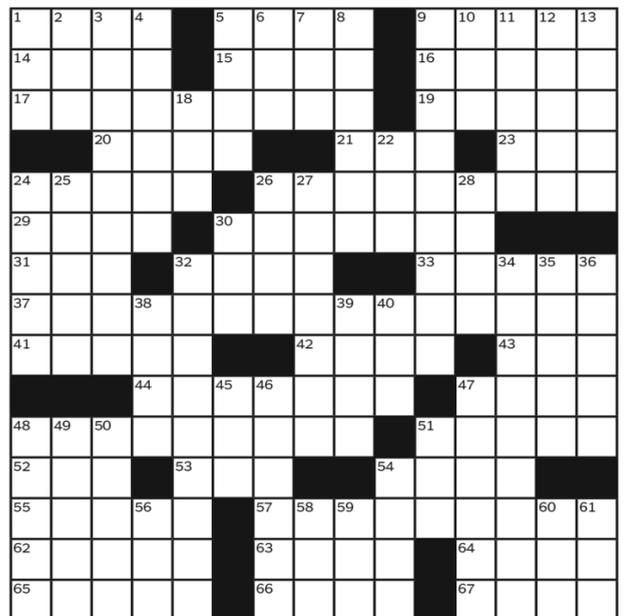
- ACROSS**
- 1 Condé \_\_\_\_\_ (magazine publisher)
  - 5 Ending with Lenin or Stalin
  - 9 Mixed \_\_\_\_\_
  - 14 Wedge or pump
  - 15 Princess of Alderaan
  - 16 Shackles
  - 17 "How's it goin', Washington?"
  - 19 Retreats
  - 20 Event presided over by a king and queen
  - 21 Cobbler's tool
  - 23 Museum-funding org.
  - 24 "To your health!"
  - 26 E.R. worker who sprained an ankle?
  - 29 Sgt. Friday's org.
  - 30 Sri Lanka's capital
  - 31 Inseparable
  - 32 How many TV movies can be seen
  - 33 Diminish
  - 37 Prescription for a prehistoric carnivore?
  - 41 Got wind of
  - 42 Many wine barrels come from them
  - 43 Car wash option
  - 44 The Geneva Conventions prohibit it
  - 47 Empire State Building style, informally
  - 48 "Keep that record in its case!"?
  - 51 Out of bed
  - 52 Sean \_\_\_\_\_ Lennon
  - 53 Slugger's stat
  - 54 [Shocking!]
- DOWN**
- 1 Sydney's state: Abbr.
  - 2 "\_\_\_\_\_ that feels good!"
  - 3 Endless melodrama
  - 4 Group of four
  - 5 Down in the dumps
  - 6 Good name, for short
  - 7 A helping hand
  - 8 From the beginning, in music
  - 9 Atmospheric pressure units
  - 10 Competitor of Tide
  - 11 "Nothing \_\_\_\_\_!"
  - 12 Against a thing, legally
  - 13 Syrian strongman
  - 18 Roman counterpart of the Greek Helios
  - 22 Typist's stat
  - 24 A deadly sin
  - 25 West with Roc-A-Fella records

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- 26 Christmas cheer?
- 27 One who leads a quiet, measured life
- 28 Celebrity chef Matsuhisa
- 30 Anderson Cooper's TV home
- 32 Animal that might be found curled up on a windowsill
- 34 Right now
- 35 Tiniest bit
- 36 Competitor of BP
- 38 Pretentious
- 39 Advocate for seniors
- 40 Maui music maker, informally
- 45 Chafe
- 46 Bridge units
- 47 Gossips
- 48 Some camera lenses
- 49 Map feature
- 50 XXX stuff
- 51 Maze runner
- 54 Rocker Stefani
- 56 The Cyclones of the N.C.A.A., for short
- 58 "As if!"
- 59 QB Manning
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## 'Bottom feeders' boost Iowa

By **PETE RUDEN**  
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Iowa baseball head coach Rick Heller was searching for consistency from the bottom of his lineup since Iowa's loss to Purdue on March 24.

The top five guys in the order were absolutely crushing the ball. At one point, all of them were hitting .330 or better.

However, the impressive averages fell off after that. Tyler Cromptley and Mitchell Boe were both hitting under .200, while Grant Judkins and Matt Hoeg were starting to slip into the lower .200 region.

But then the UNLV series came to rescue Boe. In a Saturday double-header, the sophomore second baseman went 4-for-8 with 5 clutch RBIs, including two game-tying 2-run doubles in the late innings.

Then the Northwestern series awakened Cromptley's batting. He ended up hitting 2 homers and bringing in 5 runs in the three-game road trip.

The improvement culminated in Tuesday's 4-1 win over Western Illinois. In the midweek contest, a big chunk of Iowa's offensive production came from the bottom of the order, including all 4 runs.

Designated hitter Austin Guzzo and Boe brought in a run each, while Hoeg plated 2.

Though the middle of the order had a rare off-night, head coach Rick Heller was glad that the bottom of it could come through.

"You're always a little bit worried when you see that the middle part of your order's not having a good night," Heller said. "That's a night that if those guys don't step up, you could get bit. It was good to see all those guys down there having good at bats."

Ever since Guzzo became a consistent piece in the lineup, his presence at the plate blossomed into a reliable late-order contributor.

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# Baseball shoots down Leathernecks



Iowa designated hitter Austin Guzzo steps into the batter box against Western Illinois at Banks Field on Tuesday. The Hawkeyes defeated the Leathernecks, 4-1. (The Daily Iowan/Alex Kroeze)

By **ADAM HENSLEY** | adam-hensley@uiowa.edu

Having only lost one game at Banks Field this season, Iowa (20-11) added to its winning ways at home against Western Illinois (9-21) on Tuesday. The Hawkeyes took down the Leatherbacks, 4-1, to stay undefeated in midweek matchups this season.

Iowa needed something, anything, to bounce back after dropping two out of three games against sup-.500 Northwestern.

"I think this weekend was definitely a heartbreaker for us, dropping those two games," Austin Guzzo said. "This game was huge for us."

Iowa failed to score in consecutive innings; instead, the Hawkeyes spread out their 4 runs through three innings.

The Hawkeyes struck first in the second inning after they left two runners on to end the first.

Guzzo recorded his first hit of the game in the second inning. The junior singled to left field and eventually scored on Mitchell Boe's sacrifice fly.

Western Illinois pitcher Jimmy Perkins hit Ben Norman, Iowa's leadoff man twice.

The second time came in the fourth inning. Norman

SEE RECAP, 3

### Iowa

PLAYERS	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO
Whelan, LF	2	0	0	0	0	1
Jenkins, CF	0	0	0	0	0	0
McCoy, SS	4	0	2	0	0	0
Adams, 1B	4	0	0	0	0	1
Neustrom, RF	4	0	1	0	0	0
Norman, CF/LF	3	1	0	0	1	1
Cromptley, C	3	2	1	0	1	1
Guzzo, DH	3	1	2	1	0	0
Hoeg, 3B	2	0	1	2	0	0
Boe, 2B	2	0	0	1	0	0

TOTALS	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO
	27	4	7	4	2	4

PITCHERS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Wood	3.0	2	0	0	1	2
Judkins	2.0	4	1	1	1	1
Robison (W, 2-2)	3.0	4	0	0	0	3
Ritter	1.0	0	0	0	1	1

## Softball knocks off Panthers

By **JACOB MILLER**  
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Iowa (10-23) needed a win against Northern Iowa (20-15) to create much-needed momentum marching into a double-header against Nebraska (16-20) today at 3 p.m. and 5 p.m.

The Hawkeyes got that win against their in-state opponent, 4-2, thanks to some strong pitching from freshman Allison Doocy.

Doocy had 8 strikeouts in six innings for her fifth win of the season.

"It's always fun and exciting to play against in-state teams," head coach Marla Looper said in a release. "UNI is a quality ball club. It's always going to be a battle when you get on the field with them. I have a lot of respect for Ryan Jacobs and what he has done with this program."

The Hawkeyes scored early in the first inning. It started with junior Angela Schmiederer hitting an RBI single to the right side to score junior Allie Wood. Sophomore Malory Kilian did the rest.

Kilian hit a 3-run homer over the left field fence that sealed the deal.

The Hawkeyes had a 4-0 lead by the end of the first and coasted through the rest of the game. Doocy got her team out of a bases-loaded jam in sixth inning, and the Panthers were unable to make a comeback in the bottom of the seventh.

This win propelled Iowa into double digits in the win column.

"It's nice to head into a dou-

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## 200 is the magic number

By **CARTER MELROSE**  
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For junior Brittany Brown, her love for the 200 meters compares to the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears, except in her story, instead of porridge, she contemplates distance.

"It's not too short like the 100, not too long like the 400," Brown said. "It's the 200, and it's perfect."

Brown loves the way it feels to come around the curve, she loves to feel the slingshot effect as she races toward the finish. This is what keeps her hungry, being able to come to work every day knowing she can run the 200 meters, a distance that is apparently perfect for her.

"The 200 is my baby," she said.

Not only does Brown love her 200-meter porridge, but given the chance, she will also run everyone off the track — just look at her previous races for evidence.

During the indoor track season, Brown found her stride. She won the Big Ten title in the 200 and followed up that performance by placing top five in the NCAAs.

"My best time was indoor, and I know people don't really count that," she said. "I want to race my best outside with the wind."

This outdoor chip-on-her-shoulder mentality worked wonders this past weekend. Surprising herself, Brown ran faster than any Hawkeye ever in the 200 outdoor.



Iowa runner Brittany Brown crosses the finish line in the women's 4 x 100 meter relay at Drake Stadium on Saturday, April 26, 2014. Iowa won first place in this event. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

"I was worried about injury, my hip and my knee," she said. "I was told to run relaxed and not fight it."

Brown was the hero of the team, but she believes that she hasn't reached her ceiling just yet.

"I don't have the best start, but I have top-end speed," she said. "It's really good."

Brown overcame her slow start and created some needed buzz for the Hawkeyes, buzz that will hopefully give the team a bit more swagger.

"I know [at] some meets, girls see Iowa on my chest and say there is no way she could be fast," Brown said.

An added motivation is that she wants to one day help put the Hawkeyes on the map as a track and field powerhouse. She's doing her part, breaking one record at a time.

Above all, she remembers the times in which all the hard work became worth it. During her freshman year with the Hawkeyes, she was on the

team bus traveling back to Iowa City when her perfect moment occurred.

"It was after we won the 4x100 that year, there was a song playing on the radio," Brown said. "We put down the windows on the bus and all sang together. We were just so happy."

While creating a legacy for herself and her team, she can be found on the starting blocks, smiling ear to ear, underestimated and determined to prove her worth to her doubters.