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News To Know

Hawkeye football starts the season right



Ferentz After the Hawkeyes pulled a 24-3 victory over Wyoming Saturday, head coach Kirk Ferentz noted the strength of his team's defense. "I think the strength of our defense is up front right now, the front seven. They certainly did a really good job and helped us through some of the tough spots," Ferentz said. **Sports, 10**

Businesses downtown feel safe

Several bars and restaurants downtown remain confident in their security in wake of the Pedestrian Mall shooting. **News, 3**

No solution yet to state funding shortfall

As state funding for universities declines, the state Board of Regents still have no solution to recommend. The regents will discuss the Tuition Task Force report at their Sept. 7 meeting. **News, 5**

Shooting victim leaves behind family

Kaleek Jones died Aug. 29 from injuries he sustained during the Pedestrian Mall shooting the weekend before. Jones left behind his fiancée, two children, and an unborn baby. **News, 3**

Review: Middle of Nowhere festival impresses many

The electronic music festival showcased a multi-venue experience that illuminated Iowa City over Labor Day weekend. **News, 5**

Food pantry sees success

One year after its establishment, the Iowa Food Pantry has served 277 students and handed out more than 9,040 pounds of food. **News, 2**

Volleyball starts strong

Iowa volleyball looked sharp in its home-opener. The team went undefeated in the Hawkeye Classic last weekend against Nebraska-Omaha and Coastal Carolina at Carver Hawkeye Arena. **Sports, 10**

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Mostly sunny, rather windy and semi-Canadian.

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Rally pushes for higher wage

Labor Day protesters at the Capitol call for a \$15 an hour minimum wage in the state of Iowa.



Protesters line the street and chant pro-labor slogans during a Labor Walkout event in Des Moines on Monday. Organizations including the Service Employees International Union, Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement, and Democratic Socialists of America participated in the rally. **Ben Smith/The Daily Iowan**

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DES MOINES — More than 100 protesters gathered in front of Mercy Medical Center, 1111 Sixth Ave., on Monday morning to demand that the state of Iowa raise its minimum wage to \$15 an hour.

Pete D'Alessandro, a Democrat running for the seat in Iowa's 1st Congressional District, forcefully backed the higher wage.

"The fight for 15 ... starts at \$15 an hour," he said. "It's not what we're going to get to. It starts at 15, and then after we get to 15, we're going to make sure everyone in this country has a chance to organize in a proper union."

Cathy Glasson, one of several candidates running for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, told *The Daily Iowan* Labor Day should be about bringing awareness to the state that workers are getting the short end of the stick.

"They can't pay their bills, they [have] two and three jobs to make ends

meet, they won't have a secure retirement," Glasson said. "That's not a future for Iowa that I believe in and value."

At the rally, Johnson County Supervisor Mike Carberry said one way to protect the health and welfare of Iowa's citizens is to raise wages and build strong unions.

"As we all know, nobody can survive on \$7.25, and we need to raise the wage," Carberry said.

Carberry said that is why he worked to raise the minimum wage in Johnson County to \$10.10 once he was elected Johnson County supervisor two-and-a-half years ago.

"I ran on that, and we got it done," he said. "The problem was, after we

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New murals celebrate diversity on UI campus

Student artists hope recently completed murals leave a message of acceptance and showcase diversity on campus.

BY SARAH WATSON
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The University of Iowa Student Government unveiled four student-painted murals around campus on Sept. 1. The murals, located in two tunnels, showcase the theme "Underrepresented at Iowa."

"One of the reasons we started the project was because we wanted to showcase more undergraduate artwork on campus," organizer Alexia Sanchez said. "Within the theme that we chose, I think it shows that Iowa and student government want to advocate for, and showcase, and give students the opportunity to have that freedom of speech through art."

The project, which has been in the works since winter, was headed by UISG members Sanchez and Abby



Ben Smith/Contributed Photo

Simon as well as art student Kalena Meyer.

The first tunnel, located under a bridge near the IMU, showcases the National Panhellenic Council on one wall with painted figures to represent each of the nine African American sororities and fraternities.

Although lead artist junior Melissa Ortiz is of Mexican-American heritage and not a part of the council, she said she was impressed with the unique qualities of each fraternity and sorority when she first went to a

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Shelter from the storm in Iowa

Three Iowa shelters join forces to help a Houston-area shelter hit by Hurricane Harvey.

BY EMILY WANGEN
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As Hurricane Harvey swept through eastern Texas, Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, and De Soto animal shelters teamed up to rescue nearly 50 dogs from an Alvin, Texas animal shelter.

Eight dogs were brought from the Houston area shelter to the Iowa City Animal Care and Adoption Center, a municipal animal shelter serving Iowa City, Coralville, University Heights, and unincorporated Johnson County.

"We don't normally take animals from outside these areas, but because we were able to get so many donations from the public, we can take these [dogs] in and help them out," shelter director Liz Ford said.

Last Hope Animal Rescue, with AHeinz57 Pet Rescue and Transport in De Soto, were the first to arrive at Alvin Animal Adoption Center, shelter manager Autumn Miller said.

"They literally made the difference between life and death for these animals," Miller said.

The hurricane's impact on the shelter and the rescuing of dogs was an emotional topic for Miller; she teared up discussing the situation of the dogs in the shelter.

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SMELLS LIKE BREAKFAST



David Harmantas/The Daily Iowan

Brian Glaus grills breakfast before the Iowa/Wyoming football game on Sept. 2 at Kinnick. His son is a freshman on the Hawkeye football.

Pantry reaches out in fighting hunger

A year after opening its doors, the Iowa Food Pantry isn't slowing down on serving the community.

BY ANDY MITCHELL
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According to Iowa Food Pantry, 48 percent of students in the U.S. are food insecure.

For more than a year now, UI students and members of the community have spearheaded a program to fight against food insecurity locally with the Iowa Food Pantry, located 209 IMU.

In its first year, the Iowa Food Pantry served 195 students in need, saw 835 visits, and dealt out 9,040 pounds of food, and it isn't slowing down. Now, it has served 277 students and has seen more than 1,000 visits.

The pantry is run by UI students for students, faculty, and staff, offering essential items such as nutritious food, gluten-free and vegan varieties, as well as such hygiene products as diapers and toothbrushes.

"It's something we need on campus," Food Pantry manager Rachel Whitesitt said. "The really good thing is how ac-

cessible it is to students; they don't need a bike or a car."

Whitesitt said that some individuals who visit the pantry bring in friends and others to the service.

"Food insecurity affects everyone," Executive Director Carissa Bailey said. "Undergrads, grad students, families."

The Food Pantry not only prides itself on the services that it provides for fellow Hawks but also for how the staff members treat the delicate situations their clients have.

"We're trying to make a comfortable and welcoming environment," Whitesitt said.

Program summer director Charlie Rupp devoted her spare time to join the program while working a laboratory job.

"It's really rewarding to make a difference," Rupp said.

The services of the Food Pantry are made possible with more than a few helping hands from all over Iowa

City. It receives a great deal of food from other nonprofits, including the Johnson County Crisis Center and Table to Table.

With the help of UI Student Government funding, the Food Pantry can provide its own supplies. In addition, the UI Gardeners provide fresh produce.

Bailey believes with feedback she's received from people, the facility is not only a boon to a people's nutritional health, it aids students' academics as well.

"If you don't know where your next meal is coming from, or [you're] eating food that makes you tired, it is really difficult to focus in lectures or meetings," Bailey wrote in an email to *The Daily Iowan*. "We hope that the Food Pantry helps members of the UI community live with one fewer distraction."

After a year of serving people in need, the Food Pantry is prepared to do even more. In the facility's second year, Bailey and the



Lily Smith/The Daily Iowan

Nonperishable food items are seen at the Food Pantry on Monday. The pantry is located in 209 IMU.

rest of the directors plan to expand as an educational resource on food insecurity in hopes that the pantry can evolve into an advocacy program.

"This year, we're working more on outreach," Bailey said. "We want to make a bigger impact."

MURALS

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council step show.

"Being a minority at a [predominately white institution], I didn't feel at home here, but when I went to the step show, everybody was so friendly. It was like a big family, and I felt like a part of it," Ortiz said. "I followed everybody on Instagram, and I watched their steps and their strolls and what they stand for and thought that was amazing."

In April, when UISG sent out mass emails requesting applications for mural ideas, Ortiz felt it was her chance to show the community the Panhellenic Council's unique and vibrant culture.

"I am so thankful to Me-

lissa for even thinking of doing a mural for [the council] because she did not have to do that," the council President Gabrielle Young said. "It's a stamp on this campus of [the council] and what we're doing."

Facing that mural is a henna-style painting of an anatomical heart, a tribute to Pakistani culture. Lead artist Mahnoor Wazirzada said she hopes it leaves a message of acceptance.

"It's a heart, it's flowing, there are flowers flowing out of it; it's just kind of this all-encompassing image of beauty and love and happiness," Wazirzada said, "I want that message to be sent out to everybody, no matter who someone is. I'd judge them on their heart and what's inside of them rather than what I can see."

The second tunnel, locat-

ed on the west side of the river, honors Latinx heritage with several clenched fists and flags from 25 countries. Lead artists Kimberly Castillo and Cassandra Garza echoed the theme of recognizing underrepresented communities. Castillo and Garza said every part of the mural represents a characteristic of Latinx society, emphasizing the people's strength, unity, and inclusiveness.

Opposite the mural, the Delta Lambda Phi fraternity, led by artist Harrison Freund, painted a mural to represent the history of the LGBTQ+ community. In the center are historical figures important to progressing the LGBTQ+ community starting with Harvey Milk, the first openly gay elected official, and ending with Ellen DeGeneres. Surround-

brought so many dogs to safety, she said, but knowing there were more dogs left behind was gut-wrenching.

She described the trip home with the dogs as slow going with plenty of stops, but noted everyone made it safe and sound.

"It was a surprisingly quiet ride home," Rushton said, "I think the animals coming from that shelter environment likely had a sense that something was happening."

Some of the dogs have been placed in foster homes while the others are still at the adoption center awaiting medical evaluation, she said.

"The great thing about rescuing animals is there are a lot

of us out there, and we're really good at networking with each other," she said.

Ford said the dogs that arrived in Iowa City were relaxed and eager to make friends with people.

"One of them was a little nervous, didn't really want to be handled, but that's really common when animals arrive here," she said.

Ford noted the shelter has a robust volunteer program, and they have helped with the additional animals. She started an emergency-response team of volunteers a few months before Hurricane Harvey arrived in the Gulf.

"Several of those folks were

on hand Thursday night to help us, and take these dogs, and get them settled in quickly," Ford said. "Our job is to give them good homes, and that's what we'll do."

With the dogs out of the Texas shelter and the space freed up, the Alvin shelter officials have been able to focus on the incoming pets and finding their owners.

"It's just amazing to see people pull together for the love of animals," Miller said. "We were so stressed out and worried about what we were going to do with the animals, and they came in, and they saved them. They saved those animals, and they saved us as people."

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DOG RESCUE

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"It was heartbreaking to be there," said Amanda Rushton, the intake coordinator for Last Hope Animal Rescue. "The shelter was absolutely bursting at the seams with dogs."

Last Hope Animal Rescue is a Cedar Rapids nonprofit rescue group that aims to be a primarily foster home. The group is 100 percent volunteer run.

Rushton said she selected dogs that were difficult to adopt from the shelter, and did so with the help of AHeinz57 Dog rescue. It felt amazing to have

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Businesses feel secure downtown

Downtown bars and restaurants remain confident about their security in the wake of the Ped Mall shooting.

BY BROOKLYN DRAISEY
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In light of the recent shooting in the Ped Mall, local bars and restaurants are confident in their security and customers.

"I'm the new owner, but I was manager for 10 years, and I haven't seen a single fist fight," said Ben Mummey, the owner of Deadwood. "We generally have just an older, more mature crowd, we never seem to have those kinds of problems."

Donnelly's Pub general manager Levi McCurn and Studio 13 owner Jason Zeman said they feel the same way, both noting that their customers don't belong in "that kind of crowd."

While these establishments haven't had any horrible incidents with their customers, that doesn't mean they aren't prepared for trouble.

Studio 13 has a qualified security staff and its day-to-day staff has trained with the police's LGBTQ+ liaisons along with training for conflict resolution. They also have different plans in place for different emergencies.

"We've always tried to make sure that the Studio is a safe place, that's what

we want to be for people," Zeman said. "We've always had pretty robust security and continue to do so."

Studio 13 is in a unique position because it is an LGBTQ+ nightclub. With the targeting of LGBTQ+ spaces in the past, such as the Orlando nightclub shooting, staff members strive to ensure their customers feel safe and that the crowds on busy nights stay respectful, Zeman said.

The Deadwood doesn't have a security staff, but the employees are formally trained, Mummey said. If they have real trouble that can't be handled by crowd control or conflict resolution, they let the police handle the situation.

"We call the police if there's a problem, and they have a pretty good response time," Mummey said.

Mummey said Deadwood doesn't have any specific plan for an emergency, but they have employees in the front and back at all times, numerous exits in case of fire, and a basement that customers could go to in case of an emergency that prevents them from going outside, he said.

Donnelly's Pub also uses its staff as security if the need arises, McCurn said.

"If anyone gets rowdy, the



File Photo/The Daily Iowan

kitchen guy or me as the general manager will step in as a kind of security," McCurn said.

Bo-James employees also forgo formal training, employee Jack Berning said. (Berning was a staff writer at

The Daily Iowan last year.)

"I guess we're naturally trained in crowd control because of football season," Berning said. "We get a lot of hands-on experience."

Despite their security confidence, employees

at Bo-James and Donnelly's Pub have been told to stay vigilant, Berning and McCurn said.

"We were reminded to stay wary and keep an eye out for suspicious behavior," Berning said.

"We're being more aware and alert, but we don't really attract that kind of crowd ... it's a shooting, so you never know what's going to happen, but right now, we're just taking it with a grain of salt," McCurn said.

Victim of shooting remembered

One of the victims of last weekend's Ped Mall shooting has died, leaving behind a family and unborn child.

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Kaleek Asham Douglas Jones, who died of wounds sustained from the Aug. 27 Pedestrian Mall shooting, had a family and an unborn child.

Jones, 22, was a man whose "loyalty and dedication to his family never went unnoticed," his obituary stated. "Vari and Lilla, his children, were the apples of his eye. As a Daddy, he did it all: bot-

ties, diapers, and playing 'Mr. Frog.' Kaleek had a gift with children, and they loved him."

Family members grieving their loss declined to comment during this difficult time. Jones leaves behind fiancée Alyssa and three children: DaVari, Lillianna, and an unborn child according to his obituary.

Jones lived in Iowa City since he was 7, and graduated from City High.

"Kaleek was a very nice

young man with great enthusiasm for life," City High Principal John Bacon said in a statement to *The Daily Iowan*. "His friends and teachers cared for him very much."

Community member Sara Barron set up a GoFundMe page to help the Jones' family pay for hospital and funeral expenses. As of Monday, the page had raised \$3,200 with a goal of \$10,000.

"Thank you to the community that is joining together in honor of Kaleek's life, and

in loving support of all those grieving the loss of their Leek," the page said.

He was the host of family gatherings and known as the "grill master." Jones was planning to go back to school and open up his own restaurant alongside family members, according to his obituary.

Services for Jones will be held Friday at River Community Church in Iowa City. A visitation will begin at 10 a.m. followed by a funeral

service at noon.

"Everyone knew Kaleek, loved him for Kaleek. He was real, loyal and unwavering on his journey in life," his obituary said. "His experiences during life will be the moments and treasured memories we will all cherish ... Most of all, his love for life and his family. Kaleek made everyone and everything a little better simply by sharing his love and spirit."

Jones was one of three gunshot victims injured in

the shooting, which occurred at about 1:30 a.m. Aug. 27. All three were transported to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics; the other two victims are in stable condition.

The alleged shooter, Lamar Cheyenne Wilson, 21, of Iowa City was initially charged with three counts of intimidation with a dangerous weapon, a news release said. Since Jones' death, that charge was upped to first-degree murder.

LABOR DAY

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instituted it, we really pissed a bunch of people off here at the State Capitol, and they took it away."

Carberry called on those present to vote the GOP out of office.

"What we really need is some bold, progressive Democrats," he said. "Let's get people elected at every level, from the dogcatcher to the governor, that support our values ... We need to organize every day, not just every two years."

Carberry said nonpartisan elections for school board and city council are taking place all over the state this year.

"That is our pipeline," Carberry said.

Nurse Sandy Daren also spoke at the rally after having finished a 12-hour shift at work.

"Iowa worker's compensation comes in at 50th in this country. It comes in dead last," she said. "However, our cost of living is not 50th."

In many states, Daren said health care is the step into the middle class for families, but not in Iowa.

"Here, we have to work

multiple jobs with dangerously low staffing — dangerous to our jobs and to ourselves," she said. "That's why hospital workers from all over Iowa, from across the Midwest, are joining together to fight for the \$15 an hour minimum wage for all hospital workers and a union for all."

Glasson said labor began with workers' organization and mobilization.

"We've got to go back to our roots and get back to the mobilizing and organizing that we know works to bring power to working people that are suffering so much in our state," Glasson said.



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A Des Moines police officer attempts to remove protesters from a McDonald's in Des Moines on Monday. Protesters attended numerous events on Labor Day in support of a \$15 per hour minimum wage.

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Hard rains in the wind



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Picture this: Our Great Leader, standing on the edge of a disaster, praises those gathered for being a great crowd. Kind of like a rookie comedian at his first open mic. But no, you don't have to picture that. It happened. When Our Great Leader first visited Texas in the wake of Hurricane Harvey, that's what he did. A fire station in Corpus Christi (which he managed not to mistake for Gov. [for now] Chris Christie of New Jersey, who used to be a best-buddy-lackey type). A disaster command center in Austin, full of guys named I'm the schlep who has to clean up all this mess. No Houston. No victims/survivors. No flooded homes. No flooded streets and highways and pretty much everywhere. No. But plenty of tweets. It wouldn't be a lovely day in paradise without tweets. "After witnessing first hand the horror & devastation caused by Hurricane Harvey, my heart goes out even more so to the great people of Texas!" — Donald J. Trump (@realDonaldTrump) Aug. 30, 2017.

Exclamation point and everything. F. Scott Fitzgerald was right; only lousy writers need exclamation points. Which would be all fine and good, relatively (even with the misspelling of "firsthand"), except that the Trumpster didn't witness any of the "horror & destruction" firsthand. And, as leaders do, he had some reporters accompanying him who saw what he saw: "I traveled with the President yesterday. Personally, I would not claim to have seen Harvey's horror and devastation firsthand." — Andrew Beatty (@AndrewBeatty) Aug. 30, 2017 "Our reporting does not match claim that @POTUS witnessed any horror or devastation firsthand." #harvey@dallasnews — Todd J. Gillman (@toddgillman) Aug. 30, 2017 (Yeah, I know; nobody seems to be able to spell "firsthand" anymore. Perhaps because hardly anybody experiences life "firsthand" anymore.) And then this from *Politico*: "It was a presidential trip to a deluged state where the president didn't meet a single storm victim, see an inch of rain, or get near a flooded street." Ah, yes. Meanwhile, the way disasters seem to go. Many conservative Republicans refused to vote for emergency funds for New Jersey and New York after Hurricane Sandy hit. Some of the GOPers came from Texas, including Sen. Ted



Marcus Yam/TNS

Lung Hui Chen pushes Manuel Terrazas in a wheelbarrow across a flooded street as local residents clear out damaged homes in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey in the Millwood subdivision of Fort Bend County, Texas, on Sept. 2.

Cruz, who defended his nay vote by contending that much of the Hurricane Sandy relief money was "pork." Actually, the alleged "pork" was funding for storm-mitigation efforts. And yeah, mitigation money isn't nearly so splashy and sexy as immediate relief funding after a disaster, but that money might "mitigate" some of the effects of future disasters. And, of course, it's impossible to see the effects of mitigation efforts, because the future hasn't

happened yet. As far as we know. Speaking of the future, which apparently is dangerous these days, FiveThirtyEight reports that Dong Energy — no junior-high jokes, please; it's Danish Oil and Natural Gas — will, despite its name, eschew the oil and natural-gas biz in favor of renewable energy. So it's selling its oil and gas fields. Since 2011, FiveThirtyEight says, Dong has spent approximately \$10 billion on wind farms and \$4 billion to convert

its power plants to biomass. Thus, while the rest of the world moves toward a 21st-century energy economy, Trumpster Land stubbornly sticks with moving back to a 1950s world. (Sounds like Version-4.8.) Drill, baby, drill. It will be hilarious in 50 or 60 years, when the U.S. has all this excess oil capacity and most of the rest of the world has kicked its oil addiction. Oil? the rest of the world will say and sniff. Maybe you can sell it to Saudi Arabia. 20 cents a barrel. (Much

laughter, in various languages.) Has anyone else noticed this? Not that I believe in ironic karma or anything, but the low-pressure systems that become, with the right conditions, hurricanes are spawned off the west coast of near-equatorial Africa. Then they trundle our way. Those are the very lands where Americans went to round up Africans, make them slaves, and trundle them our way. Anyone hear from Hurricane Irma lately? I keep getting voice mail.

GUEST OPINION

Fighting for workers' rights post-Labor Day

It's Labor Day tradition to celebrate the contributions working people and their unions make to sustaining our economy and promoting fairness in the workplace. This year, it's worth also recognizing the foundational roles labor unions play in defending human rights and sustaining democracy itself. In a 1940 Labor Day column, Eleanor Roosevelt argued that making Labor Day "one of the most significant days on our calendar" was "the surest way of proving that we intend to preserve democracy." Writing in the early days of World War II, when the future of democracy in the U.S. and

across Europe was very much in question, Roosevelt focused her column on the story of a French friend who had observed with horror how a subset of French elites "who cared more about what they had than about France" became "almost willing to invite Mr. Hitler to control their country, in the hope that by doing so they would continue to retain all that they had without making any concessions to the workers." It's a reminder of how often it's been groups of workers who have expanded the possibilities of how democracy might be fully realized and why a robust trade union movement has been recognized as the primary

bulwark against fascist control of any nation's economy. The dream of enacting democracy in the workplace has, of course, only ever been partially realized in the modern U.S. Indeed, the U.S. remains the only self-proclaimed industrial democracy to have failed to ratify fundamental International Labour Organization conventions affirming basic rights of workers to organize, collectively bargain, work free from discrimination, and refuse forced labor. Along with confronting these and other challenges, labor unions maintain a special responsibility to protect hard-won rights to organize, educate coworkers and the public, and

take collective action to improve working conditions — all of which are at the core of our country's values and the survival of its democratic institutions. The reality is that these and other rights atrophy when not exercised. The complex patchwork of dozens of varied (and often changing) state and federal statutes governing Iowa workplaces can make it difficult for individuals to determine where and when a particular law applies, or even to know which agency to contact for answers to a specific question. And only a small minority of workers has access to the enhanced knowledge of how to enforce workplace rights that often ac-

companies union membership. As one contribution to closing this widening gap, this Labor Day the University of Iowa Labor Center is launching the Iowa Worker Rights Project. Through interactive workshops focused on everyday scenarios and accessible information — including a newly updated *Iowa Worker Rights Manual* — the project will extend to more Iowans the opportunity to understand rights at work and how to fully engage in defending them. For Roosevelt in 1940, Labor Day was an occasion to "remember that this nation is founded to do away with classes and special privilege; that employer and worker

have the same interest, which is to see that everyone in this nation has a life worth living." For us in 2017, still pursuing a nation where all have a "life worth living" can start with empowering more workers to exercise their human rights to dignified work as full participants in democratic decision-making, on and off the job. Iowans interested in workshops or educational resources from the Iowa Worker Rights Project can contact the UI Labor Center at labor-center@uiowa.edu. — Jennifer Sherer is Director of the University of Iowa Labor Center

GUEST OPINION

Volunteering at the Crisis Center is much needed

When I initially opted to volunteer at the Johnson County Crisis Center as a crisis-intervention specialist, I was looking for a volunteer opportunity that would allow me to contribute locally in a direct-service, peer-centered way. I wanted a chance to give back to a community that I love. What I got was a healthy dose of perspective and an experience that is as rewarding as it is occasionally perplexing and as valuable as it is complicated. I currently volunteer for one three-hour shift per week at the Crisis Center, during which I take calls via our 24-hour Crisis Line. More than 100

volunteers cover more than 70 shifts per week. This operation exists right here in Johnson County, and it is incredible. Crisis-intervention training is lengthy. And necessary. And amazing. I trained from February to May. As part of a training class of folks with similar volunteer goals, I automatically felt connected to my peer volunteers. The breadth of information I received was extensive. I felt overwhelmed at the time, but when faced with a tough call, I'm so grateful for all of the information I received. Training schedules are structured

to accommodate even the craziest schedules, which is a big plus. I mean, let's face it — I'm a busy working mom with a husband in graduate school, so the option to make my own schedule was necessary. The support I experienced in training didn't end when I began volunteering, either. I spend every shift at the Crisis Center with a call-room manager who oversees every call I take. My call-room manager has been invaluable and has provided me with near-constant support and feedback and has acted as a much-needed sounding board. I've taken so many calls

these last few months, and I've learned so many things. I've learned, in being patient with others, to be more patient with myself. I've learned that, more often than not, people just need to feel heard. I've learned that a crisis is a very personal, relative thing and that it's not our job to judge what constitutes one. But in volunteering at the Crisis Center, we get to assist people in addressing crises head-on by helping them recognize their own strengths. During one of my first shifts, post-training, I took a call from a young woman who had recently had a baby and was concerned

about all of the complexity, confusion, and emotional upheaval that came with the experience. She was emotionally wrecked and without support. She needed someone to hear her and to remind her that she was a good mom to her older children and a good person in general, that she was doing the best she could. She was just a person in need. And she could have been me. I think about that call often. I think about how different that woman sounded at the end of the call than she did at the beginning of it, about how I worked through the call with the near-constant support of

my call-room manager, and about the empathy I felt for someone I didn't even know. The Crisis Center is always looking for volunteers. Its fall volunteer application deadline is Sept. 20, so if you're interested, you could be through training and volunteering in time for the holidays. Visit the Crisis Center website at jccrisiscenter.org to view the training schedule and apply. The Crisis Center runs on volunteer power, so please consider being a part of this amazing organization. — Leah Gehlsen Morlan Iowa City

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Regents mum on tuition solutions

Constituents are urging the state Board of Regents to lobby the state Legislature to adequately fund higher education.

BY MARISSA PAYNE
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The state Board of Regents' report on its August Tuition Task Force meetings can tell constituents this much: "historically flat state support for public higher education" drives universities' reliance on tuition.

What do the regents plan to do about it? That remains unknown — no recommendations have been made at this time.

Regent Larry McKibben, the chair of the Tuition Task Force, will present the report at the regents' meeting on the University of Iowa campus on Sept. 7. The report details the current realities of higher-education funding, documents the institutions' five-year tuition plans, and summarizes the concerns constituents — students, faculty, legislators, and other stakeholders — expressed via email and listening sessions.

At the Aug. 14 Tuition Task Force meeting on the UI campus, UI President Bruce Harreld iterated the UI's proposed plans to move the university's tuition rates more in line with the median rate of its peer institutions. Resident undergraduate tuition rates are the lowest of its peer group and third lowest for nonresidents, Harreld said.

If implemented, the plan would require tuition rate hikes of 7.08 percent and 2.08 percent each year for the next five years for resident undergraduates and nonresident undergradu-

ates, respectively.

"Just because you're low does not mean we should automatically offer to raise tuition, as we should be focused on a lot of other aspects of this support mission," he said. "That being said, it's quite clear that our ability to compete is based upon our ability to chase and complete our strategic plan, and in order to implement that strategic plan, resources will be required, and tuition must be factored into part of that equation."

Former UI Student Government President Rachel Zuckerman said in an email to the task force that providing predictability to families and giving them an understanding of the cost of receiving a degree "require the utmost transparency and consistency" from the institutions' leaders and the regents.

"It is dishonest to say that the University of Iowa has the lowest resident tuition in the Big Ten if our leaders are actively pursuing a strategy that brings tuition to the median of that peer group," she said. "We must allow students and their families the ability to plan for the full cost of a degree, which requires the utmost transparency and consistency from the institutions and the regents."

Regents should have established predictable tuition rates a long time ago, UI student Gustave Stewart said in an email to the task force. Now, he said, it is the state's responsibility to find more



Regent Milt Dakovich, vice chair of the state Board of Regents' Tuition Task Force, listens to public comment during a Tuition Task Force meeting in 101 Biology Building East in Iowa City on Monday, Aug. 14, 2017.

innovative ways to fund higher education.

"Students are a vibrant part of the economy, and it's important that we treat them as the future leaders that they will become," he said.

For some, the price to pay for pursuing the dream of earning a degree means

cutting corners elsewhere. UI student Noel Mills told the task force in an email that on top of her 17-semester-hour schedule and extracurricular involvement, she works part-time to cover living costs.

"I have cut corners in every area of my life in order to save as much as possi-

ble," she said. "A 7 percent increase in tuition each year seems small to financially stable adults, but to me it means skipping meals, working more hours, taking out more loans, and canceling visits home in order to save on gas."

Mills urged the regents to consider the value of afford-

able higher education and the role they play in ensuring such education is accessible.

"I implore the Board of Regents to fulfill their responsibility to students by lobbying the Iowa Legislature harder and more frequently in order to reinstate proper funding to the state universities," she said.

REVIEW: MIDDLE OF NOWHERE

Middle of here and now

While Iowa City is known for its literature, Middle of Nowhere is hoping to put the city on its map for its electronic music.

BY TRAVIS COLTRAIN
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Sparks flew as electronic artists illuminated Iowa City's weekend at the first-ever Middle of Nowhere Music Fest. The festival showcased the hub of electronic music this area used to be, and still can be, resonating with the echoes of DJs all over the city.

The new festival accompanied aspects of the famous South by Southwest Festival in Austin, Texas.

The Middle of Nowhere fest followed in South by Southwest's footsteps by incorporating a multi-venue stage set-up. This not only made the festival itself seem bigger, it gave concert goers a chance to explore the city.

The festival featured venues such as Gabe's, the Mill, Blue Moose, and Trumpet Blossom. While I ventured through these venues, I also found myself enjoying the city a way I hadn't since I first arrived here. The city seemed to have the shimmer that it had the first night I was here.

From SassyBlack's soulful performance at the Mill to Daedelus' explosive show at Blue Moose, the festival was full of artists who demanded attention to the subgenres of electronica.

However, the pure talent hidden in electronic music was really shown through the experimental artists at the Trumpet Blossom showcase.

Throughout the night, most people watched the performers come and go at

Trumpet Blossom; each of them as unique as the last, but none forced people out of their seats.

The night ended on a different note thanks to Purchase, a local performer. He took to the stage, and suddenly, the crowd members took to their feet. While Trumpet Blossom itself isn't a venue made for dancing, that didn't stop any of Purchase's fans.

While performing original tracks, Purchase had a projector playing various images such as changing shapes and scenes from the 1988 animé movie *Akira*. Purchase's performance seemed to revive the very aspect of electronic music the festival organizer's were trying to create.

I even got out of my seat and danced to his music. It was almost as if the vibrations of his beats were pulsating through my soul.

As I watched the visuals to *Akira*, his music seemed to send me back to not only the very first time I saw the movie, but the very first time I heard electronic music.

While Purchase might have ended the festival at the same time as the headliner, Daedelus, Purchase put on a performance that rivaled and possibly even topped Daedelus' despite playing for a smaller venue and crowd. Purchase, while just a regular performer, took away the festival for me and created the sound festival-goers were looking for.

Overall, the Middle of Nowhere fest revived the lost electronic scene in Iowa City for a weekend. While it still has a lot of growing to do, Middle of Nowhere went above and beyond my expectations of a first-year music festival.



ZE40 and Toomey perform at Blue Moose during the Middle of Nowhere Festival on Sept. 2. Middle of Nowhere is a new music event to showcase electronic dance music in Iowa City.

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- **Library-Community Writing Center**, 4-6 p.m., Public Library Computer Lab
- **University Heights Farmers' Market**, 5-7 p.m., University Club parking lot
- **Iowa Writers' House Presents: Rainbow Room**, 6 p.m., Public Library Room B
- **Nieh Hualing Engle, "From Hubei to the City of Literature," IWP 50th Anniversary Celebration**, 7 p.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **Prairie Lights Presents Bruce Campbell, Hail to the Chin**, 7 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Iowa Hawkapellas Auditions**, 7:15-9:15 p.m., 3409 Voxman
- **Bogyong Lee, D.M.A. Piano Recital**, 7:30 p.m., Voxman Recital Hall
- **Taste of Tippie, Multicultural Business Student Association**, 7:30 p.m. (business casual recommended), W401 Pappajohn
- **Yoga in the Residence Halls**, 7:30 p.m., Catlett Multipurpose Room
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CANCER (June 21-July 22): It's easier to advance professionally, with Mercury direct. Brainstorming gets more productive and creative. Negotiate, collaborate and network. With Mars in Virgo, advance a creative project.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Creative efforts take a leap forward with Mercury direct. Review and organize family finances, with Mars in Virgo. Sign contracts and make agreements.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Share the load with your partner over two months, with Mars in Virgo. It's easier to discuss finances with Mercury direct. A barrier dissolves.

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- With 6-Down, "Dancing Queen" musical
- One of the Three Musketeers
- Baton Rouge sch.
- "See you!"
- Main impact
- "Shocking!" to an astronomer?
- Camping craft
- Secures, as an area, with "off"
- Duracell designation
- Cincinnati sitcom station
- Mine finds
- "Shocking!" to an Ohio tourist?
- Gen ____
- Zest
- Pommes frites seasoning
- Stimpy's TV pal
- Strange
- "Nothing runs like a ____" (ad slogan)
- "Shocking!" to a seamstress?
- Childish comeback
- Primitive fishing tool
- Teachers' org.
- Sloth, for one
- What some shoulders and pants do
- English head
- "Shocking!" to a teetotaler?
- Something to watch on the telly, with "the"
- End in ____
- White wine aperitif
- Make a case (for)
- Wanders

- "Shocking!" to a Thanksgiving guest?
- Jurassic Park inhabitants, for short
- Mandel of "America's Got Talent"
- Uno + due
- One may be rolling or skipped
- Bit of campaign nastiness
- Multivolume ref.

DOWN

- Bleach brand
- Enjoying Fleet Week, say
- Part of a pinball machine
- Atomic ____
- Big letters in home security
- See 4-Across
- "Slow and steady wins the race," e.g.
- Some lab tests
- "The Goldbergs" network
- Net that netted Dory in "Finding Nemo"
- Hide out, with "down"
- Yet to be delivered
- Start of a manual
- "By all means"
- Got rid of the munchies
- Marijuana, slangily

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PUZZLE BY JAY KASKEL

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- Onetime Ron Howard role
- Racetrack has-been
- Boehner's predecessor as House leader
- "Strange Magic" band, for short
- Mag heads
- At any time, to poets
- Lingua di Luigi
- Quiet place to pray
- Tail end
- To the center
- Make sure something gets done
- It's usually not erasable
- Sounds from a stable
- Smooth, in music
- Entirety of a composer's works
- Followed instructions
- Car that's hardly a peach
- Racetrack sound
- "I can't f-f-feel my f-f-feet!"
- Ending with teen
- Chicago-to-Indianapolis dir.
- Be in the red
- 24 horas

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Iowa linebacker Josey Jewell attempts to sack Wyoming quarterback Josh Allen during Saturday's game between Iowa and Wyoming in Kinnick Stadium.



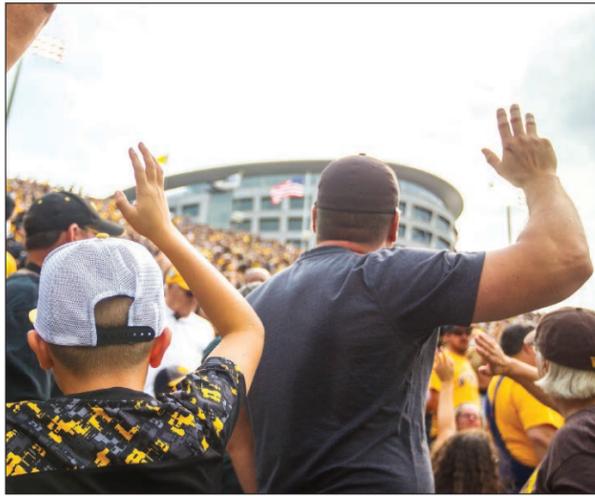
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Iowa wide receiver Nick Easley catches a touchdown pass.



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Iowa quarterback Nathan Stanley calls a play against Wyoming.



TOP: Fans wave to the Stead Family Children's Hospital during the season opener at Kinnick. (Ben Smith/The Daily Iowan) BOTTOM: Iowa running back Akrum Wadley runs the ball during the season opener against Wyoming. (Ben Smith/The Daily Iowan)



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Iowa running back James Butler breaks a tackle during the season opener.

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TIME OF POSSESSION



Jewell

"I thought it was going to surprise us a little more. It was the first game and they could run pretty much anything they want. But really, the stuff we watched from last year and the stuff we watched from NDSU a year ago when we played them, it was a lot of that stuff over again."

- Josey Jewell, linebacker

HAWKEYE UPDATES

Jewell's awards

Hawkeye linebacker Josey Jewell earned two prestigious honors this past weekend.



Jewell

Week after a strong outing against Wyoming.

In Iowa's victory, Jewell racked up 14 tackles, 2 sacks, 2.5 tackles for a loss, and also broke up one pass.

He also pressured Allen late in the game, leading to the Hawkeyes' second interception.

Iowa's defense limited Wyoming to only 3 points and limited Wyoming to 233 yards of total offense.

Before the season began, Jewell was named to the preseason watch list for the Lott IMPACT Trophy, Bednarik Award, Butkus Award, Bronko Nagurski Trophy, and Weirffel Trophy.

Jewell was also a preseason first team All-American by the Associated Press, *Athlon Sports College Sports Madness*, and *Sports Illustrated*.

The Walter Camp Football Foundation announced Jewell's award on Sunday.

NFL HAWKS

Six former Hawkeyes from the 2016 graduating class made their respective teams' 53-man rosters.

C.J. Beathard, QB: The quarterback locked up San Francisco's backup gig after completing 26-of-45 passes for 401 yards, 4 touchdowns, and 1 interception. His 107.7 passer rating ranks third among quarterbacks with at least 45 attempts in the preseason.

George Kittle, TE: The door for the starting tight end job opened wide, with Hawkeye fans enjoying the idea of the famous Beathard-to-Kittle connection on at the next level. He finished the preseason with 3 receptions for 33 yards and a touchdown.

Jaleel Johnson, DT: The Lombard, Illinois, native totaled 12 tackles (8 solo), 3 tackles for a loss, and one sack. He'll have a shot at seeing playing time this season, as a handful of players are in the running for time at the defensive tackle spot.

Desmond King, DB: Nine tackles, 2 sacks, 1 interception, and two kick returns for 39 yards headlined King's preseason. One of his sacks came on his former teammate Beathard.

Cole Croston, OT: Croston's versatility on the line will be beneficial in the long run. He played in 223 snaps this preseason, the most of any Patriot player. Croston was a walk-on for Iowa.

Greg Mabin, CB: Chris Trapasso from the *Buffalo News* tweeted that Mabin was a great fit in Buffalo's defensive scheme. Mabin's takeaways (2 interceptions) headlined his first preseason. He also notched 6 tackles, 1 tackle for a loss, and a pass breakup.



4 days
From 1980-1998, Iowa State won four games against Iowa (the Hawkeyes won 15 games in a row)

QUOTE OF THE DAY



Eklin

... I'm definitely going to run with a chip on my shoulder here on out. "

- Ian Eklin after his 6,000-meter performance at the Hawkeye Invitational

STAT OF THE DAY

Devin Burns scored 5 goals over the past two games. Last year, she scored 3 during the entire season.



'Green' Hawkeyes play like vets

In the season-opener, Iowa's defense flexed its muscles, shutting down Wyoming's offense, while the offense clicked in key situations, capitalizing on the Cowboys' mistakes.



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Iowa's Josey Jewell tackles Wyoming's Avante Cox during the season opener on Sept. 2. Jewell earned Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week after the Hawks' win.

BY PETE RUDEN

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In Iowa's 24-3 win over Wyoming on Sept. 2, the inexperience didn't really matter, because the experience picked up any slack.

While much of the offense and secondary had not started many games, if any, the front

seven of the defense held its own, pressuring Wyoming star quarterback Josh Allen enough to not even allow the Cowboys to enter the red zone.

"I think the strength of our defense is up front right now, the front seven," Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz said. "They certainly did a really good job and helped us through some of

the tough spots."

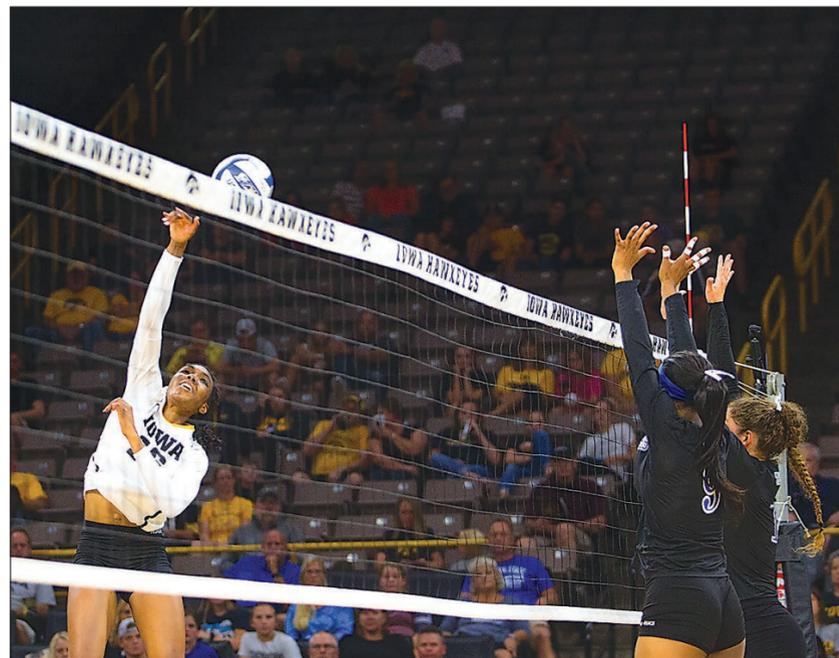
The linebackers had a phenomenal game, while Josey Jewell epitomized what a coach wants from a player in the first game of the season.

The senior from Decorah racked up 14 tack-

SEE FOOTBALL, 8

Volleyball powers through home-opener

Iowa went undefeated in the Hawkeye Classic this past weekend, fighting through some tough matches.



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Iowa outside hitter Taylor Louis spikes the ball against Indiana State on Sept. 2. The Hawkeyes defeated the Sycamores, 3-1.

BY ANNA KAYSER

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The Iowa volleyball team went undefeated this past weekend in the Hawkeye Classic Tournament in Carver-Hawkeye.

The Hawkeyes started off the weekend strong with sweeps against Nebraska-Omaha and Coastal Carolina on Sept. 1.

In the Nebraska-Omaha match, Iowa got off to a slow start, trailing in all three sets before going on dominant runs to close out

the games.

"Our group started off a little slow, and I think that just has to do with having a lot of new parts," head coach Bond Shymansky said. "Figuring out not what just your role is but how do you communicate what your role is."

Against Coastal Carolina, Iowa started on a stronger note.

The Hawkeyes jumped out to an early

SEE VOLLEYBALL, 8

Optimism blooms for the Hawkeyes

After its showing over the weekend, there seem to be a lot of things to be excited about for the Iowa football team.

BY COURTNEY BAUMANN

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I like to think of myself as an optimist. Well, maybe I'm more of an optimist when it comes to sports, and it's showing through when I think about the Iowa football team this season.

Maybe it's too early to tell, but I think this might be a really exciting season for the Hawkeyes.

There were just so many things to feel good about about Sept. 2.

First and foremost, it was game day in Iowa City. There's really nothing like it. Especially when you're trying to drive down Melrose Avenue, and you can't move your car because there are too many people that security can't wrangle onto the sidewalks.

You can just feel the energy in the air when you walk into Kinnick, and there were a whole lot of people there for it being a nonconference 11 a.m. game.

And let me tell you, there's nothing quite like being in a place where 70,000



Baumann

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