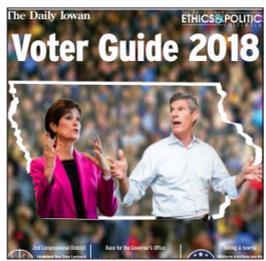


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Outcome of congressional race hinges on no-party voters

In Iowa's 1st District, independent voters outnumber both Democrats and Republicans, making elections difficult to predict. In 2018, after two years of a Trump presidency, Rod Blum and Abby Finkenauer are appealing to voters to either stay the course or make way for change in a toss-up race.



Third liberal-arts dean candidate visits UI
Steve Goddard, the third of four candidates in the search for a College of Liberal Arts & Sciences dean, visited campus Tuesday. Goddard is a computer-science and engineering professor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Go to dailyiowan.com to see the full story.



Noah Fant speaks to media
For the first time since his family's Twitter kerfuffle, Iowa tight end Noah Fant spoke to the media Tuesday. The Omaha native said he has moved past the incident but supports his family's right to their opinions.



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UI adjusts schedule for salary increases

Unit leaders have changed the timing of staff and faculty pay raises, which will occur either Jan. 1 or July 1.

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The University of Iowa recently announced that unit leaders have adjusted the schedule for faculty and staff pay raises following the adoption of a new budget model.

Unit leaders — deans and vice presi-

dents — have determined whether salary increases will occur on either Jan. 1 or July 1, the beginning of a new fiscal year.

This change comes after the adoption of the new Collegiate Economic Analysis

budget model, which UI officials have said gives unit leaders more control over their budgets.

In an announcement, the UI said the new model gives unit leaders increased flexibility to choose a time for salary increases that work best for their needs and provides deans and vice presidents with more control over

their respective budgets.

"Historically, annual salary increases for UI employees have occurred on July 1, but this year, the administration delayed salary decisions until January — with the exception of UI Health Care — to get a clearer picture of tuition

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Sen. Kamala Harris rallies for Iowa Democrats

California Sen. Kamala Harris, a suspected 2020 presidential candidate, joined fellow Democrats Iowa Secretary of State candidate Deidre DeJear and state Senate candidate Zach Wahls for an early voting rally.

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With the midterm elections just a couple weeks away, Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., urged Iowa City voters to recognize the importance of the November elections.

Harris, who many speculate will contend for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2020, joined Democratic Iowa secretary of state candidate Deidre DeJear and Democratic state Senate candidate Zach Wahls Tuesday for an early vote rally that packed the Old Brick Church.

The event was put on by Campaign for Iowa and the University of Iowa Democrats.

"This is probably one of the most important elections in our lifetime," Harris said. "This is a pivotal moment in the history of our country."

Harris' stop in Iowa City is one of many on her first major

visit to Iowa well ahead of the state's February 2020 caucuses — now slightly more than 15 months away. She joins a number of other possible 2020 candidates to visit Iowa in recent weeks, including Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., Sen. Jeff Merkley, D-Ore., and Washington Gov. Jay Inslee (D).

Harris did not discuss her presidential ambitions, instead focusing on next month's general election.

"This is a moment where we are all individually and collectively being required to look in a mirror and ask, 'Who are we?'" Harris said. "I believe part of the answer to that question is we are better than this."

She reminded the crowd how much is "at stake" and emphasized how much elections matter.

"So what do we need to do?"

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Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., shakes hands with an attendee at a rally at Old Brick on Tuesday.

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Wronkiewicz talks bipartisanship

UI senior Patrick Wronkiewicz is running for the state Senate seat in District 43, which is currently occupied by a fifth-term incumbent.



Katie Goodale/The Daily Iowan
Patrick Wronkiewicz, a Republican candidate for state Senate District 43, poses for a portrait outside the Adler Journalism Building on Oct. 10.

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Hoping to bring down tuition and boost the legal uses of medical marijuana, University of Iowa senior Patrick Wronkiewicz is running as

a Republican for an Iowa Senate seat that represents the university community.

He's challenging 20-year incumbent Joe Bolkcom, a Democrat, for the seat.

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Officials take on local poverty

Income, childcare, and affordable housing were selected as focuses in county's fight against poverty.

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In Johnson County, 16.6 percent of households don't make enough money to meet their basic needs, according to a presentation at a recent county poverty forum.

Officials held the forum with the goals of obtaining a better understanding of how poverty affects the area and finding the most effective ways to combat it.

Addressing poverty has been one of the four strategic goals of the county supervisors for the past couple years, Johnson County Supervisor Mike Carberry said. Though the county has made efforts to address poverty in the past, he said, there hasn't been a specific, organized approach until now.

At the forum, experts from the community gave presentations on the status of poverty in the county and the state.

"We called upon them to paint the picture of what poverty really looks like in Johnson County," county



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revenue following the September enrollment count and state funding after the December meeting of the Iowa Revenue Estimating Conference," the statement said.

After the December Revenue Estimating Conference meeting, the state Legislature and governor have a clearer picture of the state's budget

outlook and whether the budget will need to be adjusted once the legislative session begins in January.

In the last two fiscal years, the state Board of Regents' universities have seen their budgets cut by more than \$35 million. At the UI alone, cuts since fiscal 2016 have amounted to \$16 million.

Earlier this year, following midyear budget cuts of nearly \$5 million, the UI decided to delay pay raises for faculty and staff from July until January.

The UI has endured back-to-back midyear budget cuts, prompting administrators to take actions such as halting several construction projects until Sept. 12 and closing several centers and institutes.

"Deans and vice presidents have each adopted either a Jan. 1 or a July 1 salary increase cycle," the statement said. "Colleges or divisions that move salary increases to Jan. 1 will also adjust the timing of annual performance reviews, which will still be used to in-

form salary decisions."

UI Human Resources will help to assist the transition, the statement said. Salary changes in the future will require approval from the UI administration.

Raising faculty salaries has been a priority for the UI in hopes of remaining competitive and retaining faculty, as salaries and resources have played a role in faculty resignations.

According to regents' documents, 67 percent of UI faculty resignations in fiscal 2017 were for salary-related reasons. The

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If they've got the power and these are the decisions they make, then let's take back the power," Harris said. "And the way we're going to do that is we're going to vote."

DeJear, who was endorsed by

Harris, echoed her point about how important it is for people to vote in November.

"We often talk about critical elections; every year [is a] critical election. But this year, we know it is a critical election," DeJear said. "We have to do as much as we possibly can with this emotion that we have to live beyond Nov. 6. That means it's going to take as much hard

work that we've got inside our bodies."

DeJear challenged the crowd to make their own list of people to engage to get them to vote.

"These people who you know are not going to exercise their right to vote unless you ask them, because that's what it's going to take when we talk about giving 110 percent," DeJear said. "Finding

those people who are hopeless, who believe their vote doesn't matter and [allowing] them to stand on our shoulders so that they can see and they can believe that their vote is valuable."

Wahls encouraged young voters to recognize how important the upcoming midterm elections are.

"The stakes this November

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Originally from Chicago, he hopes to graduate in December with a management degree.

As a Marine Corps veteran, Wronkiewicz said, he has experienced how divided the U.S. is after he left the military.

"... we are all together as one cohesive unit," he said. "And I got out and saw divisions in America along race, class, gender, sexual orientation, and that just isn't the case in the Marines. We are all one team, one fight ..."

Although originally from Illinois, Wronkiewicz chose to run in the Hawkeye State because he considers himself an Iowan, he said.

"I don't plan on leaving the state of Iowa," he said. "... In Iowa, people are nice, government is run efficiently, and I can leave my car unlocked."

Wronkiewicz moved to Iowa in 2013. Although he is a

college student, he said, his policies encompass everyone, not just students.

Many of his policies cater to a widely student-based audience, he said, and lessening tuition increases are a top priority for him.

"There is a \$127 million surplus in the budget this year," he said, referring to a nonpartisan state fiscal analysis agency estimate that came out in late September. "There is money within the budget to go to the University of Iowa and higher education. I would work bipartisanly to help ensure that the UI gets the funding."

He said he wouldn't vote for any budget that would cut funding for universities governed by the state Board of Regents.

He also supports taking steps toward limited legalization of cannabis.

"Medical-wise, I would like to see the list of diseases allow medical marijuana expanded," he said. "Taking down the penalties and decriminalization, I think that should be the priority rather than some kids smok-

ing marijuana."

On health care, he believes the 2015 decision to transfer the state's insurance program for low-income individuals to for-profit managed-care organizations was done too hastily, he said.

"It was a huge failure of bipartisanship," he said. "To fix that, I would like to streamline the appeals process."

Wronkiewicz said he believes the process to appeal a denial of care from the companies takes far too long.

"The process is very elaborate, and is discouraging to people who are denied the process," he said.

Wronkiewicz said he thinks water quality and environment change are ongoing issues and cannot be resolved in just one piece of legislation.

"We need to listen to farmers and address their issues right away," he said.

Gov. Kim Reynolds, a Republican, signed a bill dedicating \$282 million to water-quality infrastructure over the next 12 years.

Wronkiewicz said that because he is a Republican, some misconstrue that he shares all of President Donald Trump's beliefs.

"I am just a middle-of-the-road conservative," he said. "I believe in engaging with the public, working with other senators, and bipartisanship. It's not always Republican-versus-Democratic issues."

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Social Services Director Lynette Jacoby said.

The first presentation, given by Natalie Veldhouse of the Iowa Policy Project, focused on general poverty in Johnson County. Another talk, by Dawn Wiand of the Iowa Women's Foundation, centered on how poverty affects women in the state.

Other speakers discussed children in poverty and Johnson County families that still struggling financially because they sit just above the poverty line.

The forum came to a close with the creation of three committees that each will focus on a specific area, Johnson County Supervisor Rod Sullivan said. There is a committee devoted to income and wag-

es, childcare, and affordable housing.

Jacoby said they chose these areas to focus on because they are the areas that are most commonly seen as contributing to poverty in the county.

"We hear this as a common theme, that these are issues that are holding people back in our community," she said.

The committees will meet individually three times in November with a facilitator who will help develop an action plan for each group, Jacoby said. The goal of these meetings is to develop new solutions to address poverty in the county.

"We're going to hear from people who work in the field and figure out if there's something we ought to be doing and try to do it," Sullivan said.

Representatives from each group will then come together for a final meeting to develop

a unified plan drawing from the findings of each group. The focus areas overlap with each other, Jacoby said, so it's necessary to have collaboration among the groups.

"The question is, is there a way that we can all work across our silos and work collaboratively to build stronger, more innovative programs to address poverty?" Jacoby said.

Jacoby said officials haven't figured out any specific solutions yet, but the upcoming meetings will decide on them in November.

With budget planning for fiscal 2020 in early stages, Jacoby hopes to see some of the initiatives that come out of these planning meetings put in place.

"Some of the ideas may be incorporated into the fiscal year 2020 budget for the county, and we hope the cities would do the same," Jacoby said.

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UI discovery may prevent nerve damage in cancer patients

UI researchers appear to have discovered a way to prevent nerve damage caused by chemotherapy drugs and reduce pain in cancer patients and survivors.

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After two years of research, researchers at the University of Iowa and Oregon Health & Science University appear to have discovered a way to prevent nerve damage caused by chemotherapy drugs.

Their findings were published in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. They detailed that a new study, involving a drug called FK866 and a molecule called NAR, forces neurons to use an alternative biosynthesis pathway in patients to protect nerves from damage and to lessen pain.

"This is a basic science study, but it has important clinical applications," said Lee Kraus, a professor from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center who reviewed the scientific paper. "This is an important finding, because it could provide some hope for how we might figure out how to deal with chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy."

Chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy is often a painful effect of many anti-cancer drugs.

The chemotherapy damages nerve fibers and can decrease quality of life for cancer patients and survivors.

UI Professor and study coauthor Charles Brenner, the head of the Biochem-

"If that sounds technical, it's because it is," Brenner said. "Essentially, we are finding that protecting a nerve's NAD is really important."

Hui-wen Liu, a postdoctoral researcher at Oregon Health & Science University and coauthor of the study, said it is still unclear how NMN damages neurons. She said part of the study's next steps will be finding out why the accumulation

of NMN causes pain in patients undergoing chemotherapy.

According to the find-

ings, the combination of FK866 and NAR used in the new study practically ended all NMN synthesis because it forced neurons to use a different biosynthesis pathway that bypassed NMN formation. This alternative pathway protected nerves from damage caused by chemotherapy.

"By providing the cells with NAR in combination

with NMN, we can actually reroute the NAD biosynthesis in the cell," Lui said. "In that way, we are supporting the cells with NAD without having NMN biosynthesis."

While Lui said there is still research to be done, the results of the study largely support the idea that the accumulation of NMN causes nerve damage. The published find-

ings of the study suggest a potential therapeutic strategy for treating it safely and effectively.

"We are optimistic that formulations of NR and NR-related cocktails such as we reported in the ... paper will help patients, but more research is needed to establish safety and optimize our approaches for efficacy," Brenner said.

"This is an important finding, because it could provide some hope for how we might figure out how to deal with chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy."

— Lee Kraus, Texas Southwestern Medical Center researcher

istry Department in the Carver College of Medicine, said the discovery began some time ago.

He told *The Daily Iowan* in an email that 14 years ago, he found a new form of vitamin B3 that had a unique pathway to produce NAD, a regulator of cell metabolism required for all cells to function.

Since then, his team has made discoveries that helped them to determine many types of metabolic stress disturb the NAD system.

Brenner said the study found that another NAD precursor, NAR, paired with FK866, was even more neuro-protective than vitamin B3.

It also found that an NAD precursor called NMN is neurotoxic and damaging.



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Two names, two lives

Discussing 'Americanization' of foreign names and the identities that comes with it.



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Minorities living in the U.S. often have to balance two lives. There is the life you have at home, in which you are surrounded by culture ranging from homemade authentic cuisine to traditional decorations decked throughout the house. Then, there is the life outside of your home, where assimilation is the key to feeling a sense of belonging.

For many minorities in the United States, a name is the one thing that carries over between what is often a clash between their ancestral roots and American culture. This would be easy if it was as simple as that; however, people often change the pronunciation of their name to better suit those they are interacting with.

I don't remember when I started having two names. I just remember that one day, when I was 5 or 6, I realized that I had a name for when I was home and when I was at school or at my activities. In my case, all that changes when pronouncing my name correctly is a slight "th" emphasis at the end of my name rather than pronouncing it the way it is spelled. While this may seem like it barely makes a change, imagine how many words wouldn't have the same meaning if they were pronounced differently.

The conflict began when I started mispronouncing my own name — it was the bad habit that changed my life.

I thought that it made things easier; I figured that people would be less intimidated by

my name if I altered the syllables to sound a little more "American." The day that I realized the consequences of this, it was too late. I was meeting a new Indian family that had moved near my house; when introducing myself, I had a difficult time trying to say my own name the correct way. I remember feeling lost and distanced from the Indian part of myself as I couldn't help but say my name with a pronunciation that had no meaning to me at all.

I am not the only one that feels a sense of frustration. An anonymous individual described why the constant mispronouncing of their name deeply upsets them.

"My name is from a different cultural background," they said. "It represents everything my parents have done to become successful in this country. When it gets mispronounced, I feel disrespected, and I feel that my [parents' success] will never matter because I will always be considered a foreigner and viewed differently just because of my name."

Amanda Vecellio, a sophomore at the UI, said people have mispronounced her last name for her entire life, and that it bothers her because her Italian last name is a part of her identity.

"I have accepted that there will always be two versions of my name," she said.

There is a significance in a name; the meaning of Suchaeta in Sanskrit — an ancient Indian language — is wisdom. Parents with an outside cultural background living in the United States, just like mine, put time into giving their children names that are significant to them. Is it really fair for their children to feel that they have to mispronounce their names for the comfort of others?

COLUMN

Frustration (or lack thereof) fuels votes

The point of politics is people, so it's time we vote for we believe is best for us.



Voters register to vote in the Robert A. Lee Recreation Center in on Nov. 8, 2016.

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Midterm elections have rounded the well-awaited bend with frustration commonly fueling casual conversations involving the question of: Who are you voting for? And even more so lately: Are you voting at all?

The answer often differs between those who deem this an opportunity to let their voices be heard, and those who have become comfortable in silence.

When frustration plays a factor in fueling political conversation, it's important to take a step further than just talking about it — to invoke change in the political system, we need to vote.

"Psychology Today" offers a number of reasons for frustration over elections and, therefore, offers explanations for feelings fueling elections.

With campaign rallies and social-media timelines, it's easy to see images and videos of faces contorted with rage, fists clenching signs with potent sentences scrawled across in ink, and opinions offered relentlessly online. Anger is easier to see when people are comfortable enough to sit behind a screen spewing controversial ideas.

ing for is ultimately going to influence us. So it's a positive thing to use your passion as action over the conversations erupting in politics.

"There is actually a place for healthy and productive anger in the political process," said Ryan Martin on "Psychology Today." "It is how one chooses to express that anger that matters most."

women from both parties. And in March, according to the Center for American Women and Politics, at least 494 women — both Republicans and Democrats — said they were planning on running for Congress this year.

Speculations surfaced within those statistics that the sudden surge of women running for office correlated with frustration at the Trump administration.

Whether we are frustrated beyond measure regarding elected officials and the ideas, values, and beliefs they endorse, or if we completely align with our current government, it's important we speak and make ourselves heard in acting in one simple step — by voting.

The point of politics is people — it's about us, so it's time we find what we believe is best and vote about it. Whether we're overwhelmed with rage at the current state of our country or we're pleased with the way things are looking, let's vote. What our country, communities, and conversations become matters, and what we do about it matters more than anything else.

'When frustration plays a factor in fueling political conversation, it's important to take a step further than just talking about it.'

And so, frustration is seemingly contagious. "Psychology Today" explains that a reason many people get angry is that they feel that their personal or professional goals, opinions, or positions are being blocked, ignored, and even devalued. When people don't feel they have a place in the conversation, they place their frustrations in their voting platforms.

It's good to be active in the conversations of policy, change, and overall politics. And it's good to care about what is being said. Because what elected officials are push-

ing for is ultimately going to influence us. So it's a positive thing to use your passion as action over the conversations erupting in politics.

According to NPR, a record number of female candidates have secured nominations for House seats — a whopping 185

COLUMN

Situation normal, with rogue elephants

In the grand scheme of things, the new normal is gobbledygook. As usual.



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Like most normal people, I like to listen to baseball on the radio. Especially with the World Series, involving the Red Sox, coming along.

Yes, radio. You know, that electronic device that was the most amazing wonder in the days of Marconi.

(No, radios don't have tubes anymore. That ended the day Bill Mazerowski hit the homer that sunk the Yankees in the 1960 World Series.

Many millions of distraught New Yorkers threw their radios out their windows, and the vacuum tubes exploded in the crashes on the pavement, setting off a citywide panic because the populace thought the Russians were invading. Before order could be restored, such as order is ever in store in New York, the vice president reportedly said, What? The Russians are invading New York City? Let 'em. New Yorkers all vote Democrat.)

The vice president, if you're keeping score at home, did not win the election.

You should be careful about that. Keeping score at home will soon be outlawed, because the Buffoon will reason that keeping score is journalism and journalists are public enemy No. 1. That he can't actually

make laws the Buffoon won't consider a hindrance in the slightest.

Then Saudi journalist (and *Washington Post* columnist) Jamal Khashoggi disappeared. In Istanbul. That's talking Turkey to you. In the Saudi consulate.

The Saudis scrambled for an explanation of for the Khashoggi's disappearance.

He didn't disappear, the Saudis said. Which might have worked fine, except that Khashoggi kept not appearing. Over and over, he kept not appearing.

Which was a problem. So the Saudis said he was just fine when he left the consulate. Which continued to be a problem, most likely because the Saudi spokesman twirled his mustache and snickered in that Snidely Whiplash sort of

way when he got to the word "left."

When that didn't work, the Saudis whisked Snidely away, after allegedly amputating his snicker, and said they were pretty sure Khashoggi had run away with the circus.

Around here, the Grand Buffoon stepped in and said he believed the Saudis because their protestations of innocence were full-throated. That didn't do much beyond reminding everyone that just a few months before, the Buffoon had sat next to Vladimir Putin and told a world packed with TV screens that he believed Putin more than his own intelligence community because Putin's protestations of innocence were full-throated.

The full-throated defense was rather quickly gargled

away because, let's face it, there's ridiculous, and then there's ludicrous, and then there's the full-throated defense.

So the Saudis said, well, yes, perhaps Jamal Khashoggi died, but it was an accident during a fistfight. And the Buffoon said, perhaps there was a rogue elephant.

Yes, said the Saudis, rogue elephant, and they immediately arrested 18 people, though no elephants. The Buffoon decried the death of the journalist Khashoggi. Then he went to Montana and praised a Republican congressman who assaulted (body-slammed) a journalist.

The Turks remained somewhat irritated, to understate in the fashionable British fashion, and wanted to interrogate the 18 men arrested,

plus the rogue elephant. The Buffoon went to Missouri and told the people that journalists were public enemy No. 1 and they were the biggest threat to American security except for a group of 7,000 bedraggled refugees on the Guatemalan/Mexican border who were planning on invading the U.S. using their children. Inscrutable refugees.

The Saudis scrambled and came up, finally, with the Khashoggi solution: "It was the professor in the library with the candlestick."

Then I woke up. The radio was still on, the World Series hadn't started yet.

Thank goodness, I told the radio, or semi-garbled words to that effect.

Goodness had nothing to do with it, the radio said, plagiarizing.

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ETHICS & POLITICS

In the heart of no-party country

In the too-close-to-call 1st District House race, independent voters hold the balance of power.

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Rep. Rod Blum, R-Iowa, Vice President Mike Pence and Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds greet supporters at the Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids on July 11.



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Abby Finkenauer smiles at the audience during the Rob Blum and Abby Finkenauer debate at the University of Northern Iowa on Oct. 5. Blum and Finkenauer discussed many current issues, including gun control and Brett Kavanaugh.

The sizable bloc of no-party voters in Iowa's 1st Congressional District is casting uncertainty over the outcome of the race for the district's seat in the U.S. House of Representatives between state Rep. Abby Finkenauer, D-Dubuque, and U.S. Rep. Rod Blum, R-Iowa.

The race has garnered national attention and attracted out-of-state dollars from nearly all 50 states, with Democrats eyeing the race as a pickup seat along the possible path toward regaining control of the House of Representatives in the mid-term elections.

Political analysts and limited polling have rated Blum, running for a third term, as one of the most vulnerable Republican incumbents in the country. However, with no-party voters making up most of the district's registered voters, voting patterns have been difficult to predict for the past few election cycles.

"The no-party part of this is really the big unknown that adds this enormous element of uncertainty to this race," said Christopher Larimer, a political-science professor at the University of Northern Iowa.



Larimer says voters will soon determine who will represent them for the next two years, deciding between Finkenauer, the 29-year-old state legislator representing Dubuque hoping to put an end to what she calls "playing politics with policy," and Blum, a 62-year-old incumbent who describes himself as an "independent voice for Iowans," both trying to appeal to the no-party voters in the district.

On the campaign trail, Finkenauer emphasizes working-class roots. She has said she will work to reduce unemployment, add a public option into the Affordable Care Act and improve education infrastructure if elected. Blum highlights his experience as a business owner, placing importance on limiting government spending and congressional reform in addition to revamping the public health-care system.

The District

Like other parts of the country, Iowa's 1st District flipped from supporting Barack Obama in 2008 and 2012 to supporting candidate Donald Trump in 2016.

Howard County, located along the Iowa-Minnesota border, earned the title of the only county in the U.S. that voted for both Obama and Trump by more than 20 points, with a

41-point swing.

Howard County has the smallest population of the counties in the district. Estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau place the population of the county at approximately 9,000 residents as of July 2017.

Howard County Democratic Party Chair Laura Hubka said the county contained a tough political climate after 2016.



Hubka

"We were able to see past that partisan politics side of our lives," Hubka said. "[Now], I think everybody's looking out of the side of their eye, and everybody's trying to talk and make sure that nobody knows which side they're on because that in itself, I think, can cause an issue."

She said she senses a growing sense of apathy in the county.

"I don't feel excitement for either side," Hubka said. "I don't see people excited to vote for Rod Blum, I don't see people really excited up here to vote for Abby Finkenauer."

Robin Stone, the Democratic Delaware County chair, said she had seen a similar outlook in her county following the previous election.

"Some apathy set in, and people were pretty darn discouraged after what happened in 2016," she said.

However, she noted that the discouragement she saw has been turned into motivation heading into the mid-term election.

"We've got some new energy ... Our more long-term

people are becoming more active again," Stone said. "I think what has happened over the two years is some real motivation, because we recognize within our party that we can't survive two more years of this, much less four."

Iowa's 1st District comprises 20 counties in the northeastern segment of the state. In 18 of those counties, people who identify as no-party make up the largest voting bloc.

In addition to a large bloc of no-party voters in the district, the number of registered Democrats leads Republicans. In an interview with *The Daily Iowan*, Blum said these conditions can make it hard for a Republican to be elected in the district. Before Blum, the seat had been held by a Democrat since 2007 — albeit in a somewhat different configuration before the redistricting after the 2010 Census.

The Candidates

Eyes across the country have been watching Finkenauer and Blum throughout the campaign, bringing attention and dollars to both candidates' campaigns.

Finkenauer often touts her background on the campaign trail, saying her upbringing as the daughter of a pipefitter helps her connect with working Iowans.

In debates, she's criticized Blum for his vote for federal tax reform passed in 2017, saying the extra dollars are mostly going toward large corporations and the richest Americans.

Blum, a software company owner, argues the tax reductions have largely benefit-

ed the middle class. "I don't know what country you've been living in for the last four, three, years, but our economy is absolutely booming if you haven't noticed," Blum said during an Oct. 15 debate. "And it's due in large part to these tax cuts."

Finkenauer was profiled in the *New York Times* series "Campaigning While Female," which explored women running for offices across the U.S. breaking stereotypes and facing challenges associated with being a woman in politics.

She has also received endorsements from a variety of groups and politicians such as Emily's List, Iowa Teamsters, and former President Barack Obama.

This attention has helped Finkenauer out-raise Blum approximately 3 to 1 on the campaign trail with a large portion coming from out-of-state sources.

California has been the top contributing state for Finkenauer's campaign funding, according to data from the Federal Election Commission.

Blum has been critical of Finkenauer's funding sources, noting he wishes money was not a large factor in elections.

"I always tell people I didn't know people in Hollywood really cared about Iowa, I didn't know people in New York City really cared about Iowa," Blum said. "They don't. That's the bottom line — they just want to buy a congressional seat."

As of June 30, Blum had raised approximately \$74,000 from California, making it the No. 2 state in terms of campaign contributions. Finkenauer had raised approximately \$445,000 from the state.

Blum, who has out-raised Finkenauer in Iowa, has also been the recipient of national attention and funding, having been backed by Americans for

Blum was re-elected in 2016, beating former Cedar Rapids City Councilor Monica Vernon by 7.5 percentage points in a race that was rated as a tossup by the Cook Political report in November 2016.

In previous elections, Blum said, he built momentum as Election Day neared, noting he generally started from behind. He believes this will be the case this year.

Polling shows Finkenauer narrowly leading with two weeks left until the election.

An internal poll for Blum, conducted Oct.

12-13 by the Polling Company, shows Finkenauer taking a lead by a 2 percentage points (within the margin of error). A previous poll conducted at the beginning of the month by the same company showed her leading by 1 percentage point.

Finkenauer said she is more focused on the personal feedback she receives on the campaign trail than polling results.

"I'm not taking anything for granted, and I'm working hard for the final weeks to get this across the finish line," Finkenauer said in an email to *The Daily Iowan*.

Voter registration data for October show that of active registered voters in the 1st Congressional District, both Democrats and Republicans trail no-party voters, making winning independents a key for the district's congressional campaigns.

Democratic county heads across the district have canvassed their communities through knocking on doors and using phone banks to increase support for Finkenauer.

Stone, the Delaware County Democratic head, said she uses research and lists from the Democratic Party to target independent voters, who make up 41 percent of active voters in the county, and Republicans who may vote for Democrats ahead of the election.

Stone said another part of gaining support for Democrats, including Finkenauer, is to target registered Democrats who typically sit out midterm elections.

The partisan makeup of Delaware County slightly departs from Iowa's 1st Congressional District as a whole. As with many rural counties in the district, active registered Republicans outnumber Democrats.

"We used to be a blue county, and then just like a lot of places over the years, it's gradually become a little more Republican," Stone said.

"I don't feel excitement for either side. I don't see people excited to vote for Rod Blum, I don't see people really excited up here to vote for Abby Finkenauer."

— Laura Hubka, Democratic Party chair of Howard County

Iowa's 1st Congressional District is composed of 20 counties in the northeastern segment of the state. In 18 of those counties, the largest voting bloc is no-party. There were approximately 532,000 of total registered voters in the district as of Oct. 1.

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- Sneaky scheme
- Two-by-four, for one
- Part of XXX
- Churchill prop
- Not so cordial
- Knickknack
- Painter's primer
- Accustom (to)
- Excessive sentimentality
- The Falcons, on a scoreboard
- Some steak orders
- Shameless audacity
- Yes, to Yvette
- "Frank, ___ & Sammy: The Ultimate Event" (1989 documentary)
- Cousin of Gomez Addams
- End of Caesar's boast
- Dog with a bearded muzzle
- Crosstown rival of the University of Houston
- "That's disgusting!"
- Noted Fifth Avenue emporium
- Standing tall
- Sort who can't keep a secret
- Locale of Tuvalu and Nauru
- Separator of some rows
- Snoozes, e.g.
- Physician who was once a regular on "The Oprah Winfrey Show"
- "Undo" shortcut in Microsoft Word
- "I'm ___ here!"
- TV debut of 1972
- Give someone a hand
- Informal greeting
- Tire gauge meas.
- Actor nominated for 34 Emmys
- Couldn't help but
- "Too bad!"
- 1960s fad light sources
- Alternative to Israil Airlines
- What "S" may stand for on a dinner table
- Gridiron marker
- Yield to gravity
- Fancy hotel room amenity
- Sheeplike
- Sushi roll fish
- Author Zola
- Misrepresent
- "Uncle!"
- Opposite of pans
- Org. advocating highway safety
- Bolivar, in much of South America
- Problem with a 45-r.p.m. record
- Major N.Y.S.E. events
- Genetic inits.
- Half a score ... or a perfect score

Down

- Response to an affront
- Follower of "Twice-Told" or "old wives"
- Si, at sea
- Source of the six longest Across answers in this puzzle
- One of the Gulf states: Abbr.
- Italian city known for its cheese
- Girl or boy intro
- Rose Bowl, e.g.
- Severe displeasure
- "Jeez!"
- Two- or three-ring holder
- "Cool" amount of money
- Long, involved account
- Mount that Moses mounted
- Suspect's out
- Choked up with emotion
- Backless sofa
- Naively optimistic Muppet
- For whom the Edgar Award is named
- John who invented the steel plow
- Old TV's "Guiding Light," for one
- W-2 datum: Abbr.

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- "Bringing International Sports Competition to Our Community ..." Josh Schamberger, noon, Congregational Church, 30 N. Clinton
- "On Screenwriting," Susan Heyward, 4 p.m., Dey House Frank Conroy Reading Room
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- Hubbard Scholars, 6:30 p.m., Afro House
- "Live from Prairie Lights," Ralph Savarese, nonfiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- Halloween Social: #NotYourCostume, #Cookies, Multiracial Student Association & Native American Student Association, 7:30 p.m., IMU River Room 1
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On the other side, the East looks as if it will come down to Ohio State vs. Michigan. Here is a look at the top storylines from around the Big Ten this week:

Purdue is rolling

The Boilermakers might just be the second-hottest team in the Big Ten right now. No, that's not a joke, and it's not even an overreaction to the

Oct. 20 game. Rewind back to the beginning of the season, when Purdue was many people's dark horse. After a few early season losses, everyone appeared to count the Boilermakers out, but now, they're on a four-game winning streak after dominating Ohio State. Don't forget, they started the winning streak with a win over then-ranked No. 23 Boston College. It won't be easy, though, to keep the streak alive this week as they head to East Lansing for a date with the Spartans. "We are proud of the fact we were able to pull off that win,"

Purdue coach Jeff Brohm said in a press conference. "With that, it's one game and one win, and we have to move on to the next opponent, Michigan State."
Ohio State defense
Dwayne Haskins is a great college quarterback, there's no question about that, but the Ohio State defense has been a huge question mark. The defensive deficiencies were exposed on Oct. 20, as Purdue went wild over the Buckeye defense for 539 yards and 49 points. Injuries have been a big problem for Ohio State, and, of

course, losing its best defensive player in Nick Bosa certainly doesn't help. Head coach Urban Meyer isn't too worried whether the team can bounce back. "We have good players," he said after the loss. "We lost a game last year and came right back, so we have good guys, and we're going to work hard [on] what's off and get this thing right."
Is Northwestern a legit contender?
The Wildcats are probably the biggest head-scratchers so far this season. They beat Purdue on the road early, a win that

looks substantial after last week. Two bad losses later, they almost beat Michigan before beating Michigan State in East Lansing the next week. Then, just as it seemed Northwestern was starting to get it, it almost lose twice to the two worst teams in the Big Ten. Yet, despite the up-and-down roller coaster of a season, Northwestern is a half game up in the West. The Wildcats will have a chance to prove themselves in the next three weeks as they have No. 20 Wisconsin this weekend before taking on No. 3 Notre Dame and No. 18 Iowa in the following weeks.

VOLLEYBALL
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entire match. "We have to find ways to finish off teams," Shymansky said after a recent loss to Purdue. The Hawkeyes say they believe a stronger defensive effort could help them finish off the Wildcats. "Blocking is one of the biggest things we've been working on this past week," Coyle said. "We know [Northwestern] runs a faster offense, and [its] outside ball is its primary swing. Our right sides and middles have been working on strengthening our blocks, and I think that'll really help us out." The Wildcats have struggled since the previous meeting with the Hawkeyes. They have dropped five of their last six matches, with their only win coming against Michigan State. The cold streak has stuck them with the Big Ten's lowest hitting percentage, .186. However, there are some bright spots for Northwestern. Sophomore Nia Robinson is a lethal force, and she is fourth in the conference in kills per set with 3.97. Despite the lost weekend, several Hawkeyes are still among the top in the conference in many statistical categories. Louis and Hoye both are in the top-10 in kills per set at 3.95 and 3.70. Senior Molly Kelly's 5 digs per set put her at second in the Big Ten. The match against Northwestern is an important one—it can determine the trajectory of Iowa volleyball for the remainder of the season.

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this tournament followed suit. Montero finished at 223, putting him in a tie for 35th. But he had to work during the third round. After shooting a third round score of 73 (3-over), Montero had jumped 10 spots on the leaderboard. Senior Matthew Walker came in tied for 58th after scoring a 231. Rounding out the Hawkeye lineup was redshirt junior Alex Moorman, who carded a 233 to tie for 64th. The Hawkeyes will now take a break until Jan. 26, when they will take part in Black & Gold Alumni Challenge in Naples, Florida. Iowa can look forward to more impressive out-

ings from Schaake, who has notched three top-10 scores and two top-20 scores. He leads the team in both categories. It is also refreshing for Iowa to see a freshman have success. Montero made the lineup for every tournament this slate and gave a glimpse of what he can accomplish. But taking a look back at this fall's slate, the Hawkeyes have shown great potential. The team placed in the top 10 at four of the five tournaments with three of those being top-five finishes. At the Marquette Intercollegiate at Erin Hills, Iowa placed 11th, one spot away from ending the fall slate with all top-10 finishes. Though there is room for improvement, the Hawkeyes have put up some impressive results, which will be a focus in the spring.

FANT
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gard to the tweets. But in the end, Fant said his brother and father have a right to their opinions, and he's not going to tell them what they can and can't do. "That's my older brother. I'm not going to tell him, 'Hey, take that down.' That's the guy I've been looking up to my whole life," Noah Fant said. "I don't think he's hurting me, I don't think my family's hurting me. They only want the best for me ... I don't feel like it was a distraction for me or my teammates."
Iowa's offensive line playing at its best
In the past three games, Iowa's offensive line has given up just 1 sack. In the meantime, quarterback Nate Stanley has thrown

11 touchdowns during that span, and against Minnesota and Indiana, he surpassed the 300-yard mark in both contests. The running game has gradually increased in productivity over the three-game stretch, too. Against Minnesota, Iowa ran for 106 yards. That total rose to 159 against Indiana and then exploded to 224 last weekend against Maryland. In the game against the Terrapins, the Hawkeyes ran the ball 52 times, averaging 4.3 yards per carry. "I'm glad we could establish the run—that felt pretty good," offensive tackle Tristian Wirfs said. "It definitely felt like we had the ball for a long time." Iowa also ate up 40 minutes in the time-of-possession department. "I've never seen anything like that," O-lineman Cole Banwart said. "That just shows how detailed we were that game, running the ball."

The art of the punt

Colten Rastetter's 2017 season was shaky at best. The punter averaged 37.8 yards per boot last year, and, going into this season, head coach Kirk Ferentz said he honestly wasn't sure what Rastetter's future held. "I wouldn't say I had a low point, I just used the year as a learning experience, in a way, and built on that," he said. "Last year, there were more negative words. I was like, 'Hey, you might not be able to do this,' while this year, it's, 'Hey, what can I do better to make my team better?'" It's clear that Ferentz and Company made the right call to stick with him, because Rastetter is averaging 43.6 yards per punt, and he's been a big reason that Iowa's special teams have been more dynamic compared with last season's edition.

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HAWKEYE UPDATES

Purdue thrives in Big Ten honors

After its dominant win over Ohio State, Purdue was well represented in the Big Ten's weekly awards.

Boilermaker quarterback David Blough won Offensive Player of the Week, linebacker Markus Bailey earned Defensive Player of the Week honors, and punter Joe Schopper picked up Special Teams Player of the Week.

Wide receiver Rondale Moore also split Freshman of the Week with Nebraska quarterback Adrian Martinez.



Bailey

Blough racked up 378 yards and 3 touchdowns on 25-of-43 passing. He became the fifth quarterback in Purdue history to throw for at least 300 yards in three consecutive games.

Bailey posted a game-high 15 tackles and also had an interception return for 41 yards and a touchdown in the fourth quarter.

His performance made him the first Purdue player to record at least 15 tackles since Anthony Spencer accomplished the feat in 2006.

Schopper put 2 punts inside the Buckeye 20-yard line, averaging 43.3 yards a kick. He also ran for a first down on a fake field goal to put Purdue in position for its second touchdown.

Moore caught 12 passes for 170 yards and 2 touchdowns to continue his dynamic freshman season. He posted 252 all-purpose yards, with 24 rushing yards, 49 kick-return yards, and 9 punt-return yards.

Big Ten announces field-hockey honors

Michigan's Kayla Reed won Offensive Player of the Week, Rutgers' Gianna Glatz scooped up Defensive Player of the Week, and Bibi Donraadt of Maryland finished as Freshman of the Week.

Reed scored the game-winning goal and assisted on the game-tying score against a ranked Ohio State squad on Sunday.

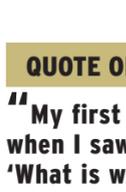
Sophomore goalkeeper Glatz held Iowa and American scoreless, leading Rutgers to 1-0 victories in both games. She leads the conference with a .795 save percentage and is second with 5 shutouts and a 1.07 goals against average.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"My first question when I saw film was, 'What is wrong with this guy? Did he rob a bank?' He looked like a good player to me."



— Iowa football head coach Kirk Ferentz on recruiting safety Geno Stone

STAT OF THE DAY

Iowa football is 12-0 since the beginning of the 2017 season when scoring 20 or more points.

12-0
record

Waves in the Big Ten



Iowa tight end Noah Fant (87) runs for daylight against Maryland in the Homecoming game at Kinnick on Oct. 20. The Hawkeyes defeated the Terrapins, 23-0.

Lily Smith/The Daily Iowan

Addressing the blue bird in the room

Noah Fant spoke with the media for the first time since his father and brother tweeted their displeasure with his snap count.

BY ADAM HENSLEY
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Everyone has an opinion, and thanks to Twitter, every user has the right to share those opinions online. Sometimes, certain opinions get picked up and spread like wildfire.

Noah Fant's brother Chris took to Twitter on Oct. 6 and expressed his displeasure with his brother's playing time.

"These coaches must think the #1 Guy in the nation is the 2nd or 3rd best on there [sic] team! Because they both get more reps than he does. It's hard to believe a player who is arguably the best at his position only plays sometimes. Hard to watch that mess over and over!" he tweeted.

Fant's father, Willie, took to Twitter and expressed similar feelings, tweeting back at a user who criticized Chris Fant's tweet.

"I'm sure it's easy for a good defense like Wisconsin to stop a sub-par Iowa offense, especially when you don't play the best offensive player on your team ... Ohhh Wait didn't we just lose to Wisconsin?" Willie Fant tweeted.

Noah Fant met with the media for the first time since suffering his first concussion on Oct. 6, and he explained the so-called elephant in the room.

He said he had meetings with Kirk Ferentz and offensive coordinator Brian Ferentz in re-

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Notables from Week 8 in the Big Ten

Purdue makes some noise in the Big Ten West, while momentum continues to build toward Ohio State vs. Michigan.

BY JORDAN ZUNIGA
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This past weekend was an exciting one for the Big Ten as the hunt for the conference championship starts to heat up.

The fight for the West is as hot as it has ever been as Northwestern leads the division, but three teams are just a half of a game behind.

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V-ball seeks to rebound against Northwestern

The Hawkeyes hope to break their three-game losing streak with a win against Northwestern on Wednesday night.



Cali Hoye spikes the ball against Eastern Illinois on Sept. 9 at Carver-Hawkeye. The Hawkeyes won the match, 3-0.

Megan Nagorzanski/The Daily Iowan

BY PETE MILLS
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Iowa volleyball is hunting for a resurgence after a tough weekend road trip that involved three-set losses to Minnesota and Wisconsin.

The squad will face Northwestern at Carver-Hawkeye on Wednesday. This is the second match against the Wildcats this season; the first time around, the Hawkeyes pulled off a narrow five-set win.

The Hawkeyes enjoyed quite a bit of defensive success in their first match against the Wildcats. Iowa held Northwestern to a .146 hitting percentage, using 23 total blocks on the night, a season high.

Along with the strong defensive showing, Cali Hoye, Reghan Coyle, and Taylor Louis combined for 50 kills.

Despite offensive success and holding the Wildcats to a low hitting percentage, the match went to a fifth set. Iowa took a narrow lead late

in the set and pulled off the win, thanks to a Louis kill.

So the Hawkeyes will remain vigilant before the rematch.

"[We expect them] to be coming back stronger than they were last time; they're definitely going to be coming back for revenge," Louis said. "We need to focus on how we beat them last time, which was good serving, good blocking, and getting the win."

This match comes at a very important time. Defensively, Iowa struggled quite a bit last weekend. Minnesota hit .304 and Wisconsin .402.

Because the Hawkeyes have had success against the Wildcats this season, they hope to find their footing after the tough matches. They expect to have an improved defensive effort.

The losing streak has featured long matches. Hawkeye head coach Bond Shymansky has put an emphasis on continuing tough play for the

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Men's golf pushes pace against top-ranked teams

The Hawkeye men's golf squad finished eighth in its trip to Texas.

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The Iowa men's golf team closed out its fall slate on Tuesday in Carrollton, Texas, at the Royal Oaks Intercollegiate. The Hawkeyes posted a 54-hole score of 884 (44-over), landing the team in eighth.

Iowa has now participated in this tournament nine times, and each time, the team has earned a top-10 finish; this year was no different.

No. 1 Oklahoma took home the team title, posting an 827 and finishing as the only team to record a total under par. No. 34 North Carolina State came in second with an 857. And getting the bronze was No. 6 SMU with an 863.

Of the seven schools that finished ahead of the Hawkeyes, all are nationally ranked.

The leaderboard also showed that Iowa junior Benton Weinberg stayed hot throughout the tournament. He recorded his first top-10 finish this season by tying for 10th with a three-round score of 215 (5-over).

During Tuesday's final round, he posted a 74 (4-over), which included 4 birdies that round alone.

There was also something special about the seventh hole for Weinberg or maybe it was a lucky hole for the Potomac, Maryland, native; he birdied the hole every round.

Next up for Iowa was junior Alex Schaake, who shot a three-round score of 216, tying for 12th. Schaake notched his fourth team-leading top-20 finish during the fall slate.

The Hawkeyes have seen an immense amount of success from freshman Gonzalo Leal Montero, and



Weinberg

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