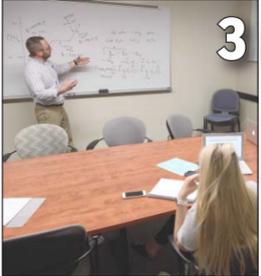


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Weather doesn't need to interfere with biking, local group says
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Hawkeye defense suffers in loss to Wildcats
 Northwestern running back Isaiah Bowser gouged Iowa for 165 yards and a touchdown, and the Hawkeyes couldn't make stops in key situations. Despite a scoreless first half for Northwestern, Bowser's touchdown gave the Wildcats momentum.



Fant's playing time becomes key question
 Iowa tight end Noah Fant had the ball thrown his way just three times against Northwestern, recording 1 catch for 0 yards. After a loss eliminated the Hawkeyes from Big Ten title contention, one question remains: Where was Fant?



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 Watch for campus and city news, weather, and Hawkeye sports coverage every day at 8:30 a.m. at dailyiowan.com.



Biomedical engineering receives major grant

Biomedical Engineering receives \$12 million from the Carver Charitable Trust and now wants to change its name to honor its benefactor.

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Harreld

The Carver Charitable Trust has committed \$12 million to the UI College of Engineering, bringing its total donations to \$15 million, the largest sum the college has ever received

Because of this support for research and discovery in biomedical engineering, the Biomedical Engineering Department awaits approval by the state Board of Regents to

change its name to the UI Roy J. Carver Department of Biomedical Engineering.

"The Carver Charitable Trust has demonstrated its unwavering commitment to the elevating research that addresses the most pressing human-health issues," UI President Bruce Harreld said in a press re-

lease. "We are incredibly thankful for our partnership."

The \$12 million will be dedicated to additional research by the department to find solutions for the growing issues of lung disease and respiratory disorders.

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Local group argues for carbon tax

The Iowa City chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby works nationally and locally on climate-change solutions.

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Following the announcement in October that Canada will begin taxing carbon in 2019 and a failed attempt to pass a similar measure in Washington, local climate activists are pushing to create such a tax on carbon in the United States.

Iowa City Climate Advocates is the local chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby, an organization that focuses specifically on introducing a revenue-neutral carbon tax in the United States, said Eric Johnson, the co-leader of the local group.

Citizens' Climate Lobby advocates for a tax on carbon-based fuels such as gasoline and diesel, Johnson said. The revenue collected from the fees would be distributed back to Americans, keeping government spending the same.

The goal of the measure is to keep carbon emissions down and encourage more sus-

tainable energy, Johnson said. Additionally, it allows clean energy sources to compete with the fossil-fuel industry.

"It just accurately prices the carbon pollution that is currently just being emitted for free," he said.

The local Climate Advocates had its November meeting on Nov. 10, when they participated in the national Citizens' Climate Lobby meeting via video conference.

At the meeting, Anthony Leiserowitz, a senior research scientist at Yale's Program for Climate Change Communication, presented a lecture about public perception of climate change.

Leiserowitz said 71 percent of registered voters support a tax on carbon, including 56 percent of Republicans. Johnson said he finds this bipartisan support to be a necessary part of what Citizens' Climate Lobby does.

"We have to listen first, and you have to meet people where they're at," he said.

The organization has also reached out to UI students, attending Republican and Libertarian organization meetings on campus in an attempt to raise bipartisan support for the carbon tax.

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Libertarians lose official party status

The Libertarian Party of Iowa lost its ballot-eligible status after gubernatorial candidate Jake Porter did not receive 2 percent of the votes cast in the Nov. 6 midterms.

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Libertarians have lost their status as an official ballot-eligible political party in Iowa after their gubernatorial candidate, Jake Porter, failed to earn 2 percent of the votes cast in last week's midterm election. That percentage fell short of the state's legal requirements to be a major political party as specified in Iowa Code 43.3.2.



Porter

Going into the midterms, members had high hopes that this election would mark a new beginning for Libertarians in Iowa.

"We actually thought we were going to do much better, at least enough to keep our party status," Porter said. "The high turnout really shocked us, and the ability that the Democrats and Republicans had this year to rally their bases up to the last minute really caught us by surprise."

According to preliminary tallies, Porter garnered 21,110 votes, 1.61 percent of ballots cast statewide. All election results are unofficial until the state canvass is completed in December.

The Libertarian Party gained ballot-eligible status in 2016, following Gary Johnson's presidential campaign.

Between two *Des Moines Register* polls conducted on the gubernatorial race in mid-September and in late October, Porter saw his percentage drop by 5 points.

Since losing the status, Libertarians will not take part in future primary elections or hold nominating conventions unless a future presidential or gubernatorial Libertarian candidate garners the required percentage of votes.

"Our candidates will still run, but we'll have to petition for all of our ballot access, as we have in the past," said Bryan Jack Holder, the Libertarian congressional candidate in Iowa's 3rd District. "Most Libertarians are used

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A series reflecting on major stories that have impacted our campus.

Into the real 'hunger games'

World-renowned journalist Roger Thurow started on *The Daily Iowan's* sports desk. Now, he covers food shortages and malnutrition across the globe.

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University of Iowa alumnus Roger Thurow left Iowa City for a long and storied career with the *Wall Street Journal*; afterwards, the now 61-year-old journalist went on to pen three internationally renowned books on hunger.

Looking back on his career now, he is quick to point out that his love of writing began at *The Daily Iowan* — on the sports desk, of all places.

In fact, Thurow says the UI community has him to thank for the Hawkeyes' last 27 winning seasons in football. And he might just be right.

A senior in the fall of 1978, Thurow sat at the City Editor's desk, fresh off a stint of leading the *DI's* sports coverage the year before.

"You won't believe it, but the Hawkeyes didn't used to be very good," Thurow says now.

He remembers it was Hal- loween. The Iowa football head coach Bob Commings hadn't achieved a single winning season despite performing notably better than Frank Lauterbur before him. That three-year coach led the Hawkeyes to the team's first winless year the season before Commings replaced him.

So Thurow chuffed with the *DI* editor-in-chief at the time



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— Bill Conroy — to put their complaints in an op-ed appropriately titled "Commings must go."

"Commings was brought in to lead the team to a better neighborhood. But now Iowa football is headed for the junkyard again," the pair wrote at the time.

In the next state Board of Regents meeting, Commings was ousted as Hawkeye coach.

The university's next hir-

ing was Hayden Fry — with the characteristic aviator-style sunglasses and bushy mustache that can be seen all over merchandise in Iowa Book, the Hawk Shop, and Raygun.

He turned the Hawks around, leading the team to its first winning season in 19 years in 1981 and winning three subsequent Big Ten Championships. Kirk Ferentz continued Fry's winning career and just this season clinched the title

of the Hawkeye football coach with the most victories, beating out Fry.

Former *DI* Publisher Bill Casey often joked about the column leading to the towering height of the Hawkeye football team now.

"Bill Casey will probably say the success of the Iowa Hawkeye football program and athletics is because of that," Thurow joked.

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BAGGING THE GAME



Sid Peterson/The Daily Iowan

Brothers Jeff (left) and Steve Loeffelhiiz compete in a game of bags at a tailgate prior to the football game between Iowa and Northwestern on Nov. 10. The temperature in Iowa City stayed at approximately 25 degrees throughout the afternoon – better for bags than the Hawkeye football team, apparently.

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“This extraordinary commitment builds on 30 years of unsurpassed support from the Carver Charitable Trust to the UI,” President and CEO of the UI Center for Advancement Lynette Marshall said in a release. “We are grateful to the Carver Charitable Trust, which continues to build on its legacy of advancing scientific discovery and transforming lives.”

According to the release, lung disease is the third-leading cause of death in the United States, and respiratory disorders, such as asthma and bronchitis, require further research. “This gift will help our students and faculty to develop new therapies for lung disorders such as asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and lung cancer,” UI Biomedical Engineering Department head Joseph Reinhardt said in the release. Research has further benefited from close collabora-

tion with colleagues in the Carver College of Medicine, he said, allowing them to innovate based on direct medical application by experienced medical professionals. The Carver Charitable Trust was originally founded after Roy Carver’s death; he, along with his wife, made significant contributions to the UI during his lifetime. In 2002 the Carver College of Medicine was named in the Carvers’ honor because of the Carver Charitable Trust’s support of biomedical research, UI programs and facilities, and breakthroughs in

neuroscience and cardiology. “We are confident that this gift will serve to accelerate ongoing research and graduate training, as well as attract exceptional new faculty investigators,” executive administrator of the Carver Charitable Trust Troy Ross said in the release. “All of which should lead to enhanced scientific understanding and effective care for those living with conditions affecting the airway.” The Biomedical Engineering Department has an enrollment of 618 students in

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Citizens’ Climate Lobby also helped create the Climate Solutions Caucus in the U.S. House of Representatives, a bipartisan group that works toward climate solutions, Johnson said.

While it is part of a national organization, IC Climate Advocates also advocates locally, Johnson said. The members work with local business and community leaders to raise awareness and seek endorsements for the organization. The Iowa City City Council has publicly endorsed a carbon fee, Johnson said.

Additionally, a member of Iowa City Climate Advocates worked with the city to develop the Climate Action Plan earlier this year. While the organization focuses primarily on the national level, Climate Advocates co-leader Peter Ronlick said the members try to meet with state lawmakers to encourage legislation in

Iowa, as well. “If the federal government isn’t going to act, then our choice is to do it at the state level, at the county level, at the city level,” he said. Ronlick said Iowa also has unique issues that may need to get worked out at a state level, as farmers use carbon-intensive practices and may not see the bene-

fits that others would from a carbon fee. More than 600 representatives from Citizens’ Climate Lobby, including one member of Climate Advocates, will head to Washington on Tuesday to speak with members of Congress about a carbon tax, Johnson said.

undergraduate and graduate programs. “As we look to attract support from federal agencies, philanthropic organizations, and other sources, the cutting-edge research facilitated by this gift will position ... the University of Iowa as the premier destination for pulmonary and respiratory biomedical engineering,” Engineering College Dean Alec Scranton said in the release. The regents will deter-

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to having to get on the ballot through the petition process, so it’s something that we’re familiar and comfortable with.”

the deck is stacked against third parties maintaining official-party status in the traditionally bipartisan United States. “You’re socialized to think in terms of that duality of Democrat-Republican,” he said. “You have to have been really disillusioned to think that neither of the two major parties have anything to offer you, and for most voters that’s not the case.”

olds was declared victorious over Democratic opponent Fred Hubbell by approximately 40,000 votes, 3 percent of the total. Covington said ballots cast for Porter most likely reduced Reynolds’ margin of success rather than Hubbell’s chances for taking the governorship. Porter cited the uncertainty of the close gubernatorial election and a lack of local Libertarian infrastructure as the main factors behind losing major-party status. “It came down to the fact that the Democrats and the Republicans have an infrastructure that really lets them get off the vote,” Porter said.

“It’s a temporary setback, but I expect we’ll get our party status back in 2020, and then we’ll be able to maintain it in the 2022 gubernatorial race. We’re going to keep building, and that’s why focusing at the local level is critical.” Despite the loss, with just over 13,000 registered members, Libertarians remain energized about the organization’s future. “We would like to become as big as the Democrats and Republicans someday,” Holder said. “It might take 10 years, but we’re all willing to stay with this and work toward that goal. It’s all about giving people more options.”

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The four-and-a-half-year Hawkeye also described the newsroom unionizing after the Vietnam War for the first time. Veterans who were staff photographers had families and gained insurance coverage and salaries before Thurow graduated in 1979.

Thurow at the *Wall Street Journal*, now describes him as a journalist icon and a personal friend. “He was legendary, even then,” said Kilman, a former reporter for the *DI* who later collaborated with Thurow on Pulitzer-nominated journalism work for the *Journal*. “He’s just got a really good heart,” Kilman said. “People like him, they do the job they do because they believe if the public knows what’s going on, the public will care and react to try to make things better — he really lives that.”

the Pulitzer board for “haunting stories that shed new light on starvation in Africa and prompted international agencies to rethink their policies.” Thurow, a stoic but easy-going journalist, went on to report on the fall of the Berlin Wall, Nelson Mandela’s release from prison, and the Ethiopian famine. In fact, witnessing that famine drew him away from the daily deadlines of the *Journal*. He decided to leave the reporting desk in 2010 to pursue long-form journalism full time as a Senior Fellow for the Chicago Council on Global Affairs in the Global Food and Agriculture Program. Armed with fresh memories of malnutrition in children, Thurow and Kilman set to work to write a collection of their most poignant stories, immortalized in *ENOUGH, Why the World’s Poorest Starve in an Age of Plenty*. The award-winning book eventually evolved into a trilogy, once Thurow decided to jump in to long-form journalism. “I like to call it the real hunger-games trilogy,” Thurow said.

The Last Hunger Season: A Year in an African Farm Community on the Brink of Change in 2012. His latest book, *The First 1,000 Days: A Crucial Time for Mothers and Children — And the World*, details Thurow’s interviews with mothers with children under 1,000 days old. The 2016 book examined malnutrition during children’s earliest years in countries in which infant-mortality rates are drastically high. Thurow described the ethical quandary of covering malnutrition as difficult. “It was some of the hardest reporting I’d ever done,” he said. “Because you’d get into these situations where it is so easy as someone from the United States to say, I can help that problem with whatever small amount of money — but I couldn’t.”

But a long clip-list from the *DI* wasn’t the end of UI grad’s journalistic escapades. He ended up launching a career in 1980 at the *Wall Street Journal* after completing a senior-year internship there the summer following his legendary op-ed. Soon after he secured the job, the newly employed Thurow met Scott Kilman, a *DI* reporter and future collaborator. Kilman remembered that the Houston/Dallas Bureau reporter returned to the UI for an awards dinner wearing a cowboy hat. “It might even have had a feather in it,” Kilman said. “I’m not sure. I knew he was from the Midwest, and my first thought was, ‘He went Texas really fast.’” Kilman, who worked with

Just a few years Thurow’s junior, Kilman reported on agriculture for the *Journal*, and Thurow reported internationally, hopscoching from country to country. As part of an effort by the paper to connect internationally, the two UI grads collaborated to track U.S. agriculture products to countries in which malnutrition and food shortages dominated the political climate. The pair became 2004 Pulitzer Prize finalists in International Reporting for their collection of reporting on hunger internationally, called “The Anatomy of Famine.” The collection was praised by

Just two years after he broke off from the *Journal*, he wrote the second book in the series,

But, he said, he believed food shortages and hunger deserved his full attention and passion. “In 2003, what I saw in Ethiopia reignited my passion for stories,” Thurow said. “I said, this is my purpose as a journalist, this is the story that I was meant to write about.” And 15 years later, he says he’s not ready to stop anytime soon.

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Chemistry Platoon helps veterans link up

The Chemistry Platoon is a program started to help student-veterans succeed in their chemistry courses and create a community.

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When looking back on making his transition from being in the Army to going to college, Scott Daly, a UI chemistry assistant professor and the creator of the Chemistry Platoon, remembered how difficult it was to become a student again.

The Chemistry Platoon allows veteran-students to connect with other military-affiliated students and better understand chemistry.

Recently, the group was recognized by the National Science Foundation for its work with veterans in STEM careers.

There are a large number of veterans and military-affiliated students on campus, and he created the Chemistry Platoon to help people be good students and succeed in their classes, Daly said.

With the help of the UI Office of Assessment, he collected data to determine how student-veterans were doing in their chemistry courses compared with more traditional students and found that being a veteran was a negative predictor for grades, he said.

"It became very clear that this was a population that we should be supporting, at least in chemistry but more broadly here on campus," Daly said.

The meetings are mainly supplemental instruction, he said. They can vary from having the opportunity to ask questions about homework assignments, having a mini-lecture, or reviewing before exams, he said.

The Chemistry Platoon meets Tuesday and Wednesday from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Communication Center.

The meeting topics go beyond chemistry; the members also discuss what



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students can do with their degrees after graduation, Daly said. The students aren't always chemistry majors, but they may be just getting through the general-education requirements for their degree, he said.

"I have seen students come in extremely frustrated, especially early on in college, because I don't think they had a good image as to what collegiate life is about," Daly said. "Especially in terms of coursework demand, time management, and it's not that people struggle with

it, they just had a different vision in their mind as to what this was going to be all about."

A small group of people generally attends the meetings, and those who do have been successful, said UI student Austin Benson, the current mentor for the program.

The group helps create a community of people with the same mindset of success and a unique area in which

to learn, Benson said.

The meetings allow students to discuss concepts learned in class and get viewpoints from people other than their instructors, he said. The meetings don't have a formal structure until around test week, when the students begin reviewing.

"I think we have similar concepts when it comes to college — we're still isolated in our own way," Benson said. "So it's nice to be able to put your foot in the door,

but quite often, it's easier to branch out after meeting people in the group."

After arriving at the UI, Ryan Salacinski, now a senior and current tutor for the program, joined the Chemistry Platoon after struggling with a chemistry class. He received help from Daly and the mentors of the program to succeed in his class.

He originally joined the program to pass his classes and find a community

of people, Salacinski said. College can be isolating for veterans, and going to the Chemistry Platoon allows them to talk to people about not only chemistry but about their day and classes, he said.

"The Chemistry Platoon gives new veterans a lifeline for chemistry as well as a small community of other veterans to kind of give them a place to go and people who care about them," Salacinski said.

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Condense the Holiday Season

Two *Daily Iowan* columnists debate when holidays start, but more importantly, when to start the celebration.



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Hands off my Holiday celebration

Every year, at the end of Oct. 31, the Bah! Humbugs of the world despise the spirit of those that spread joy for all to hear. “You’re skipping Thanksgiving,” they say as a valid excuse to intrude on the personal decisions of those around them.

I wasn’t always an early celebrator. It wasn’t until I began playing piano that I became extra eager to enjoy the Christmas spirit. Sounds of Tchaikovsky’s *Nutcracker Suite* filled my home as I prepared for numerous recitals and performances that needed to be perfected on or before Dec. 1. My household consequently

Wait your turn, Christmas

Halloween has come and passed. And while some of us have started our Christmas countdown calendars and entered full-on holiday season, others of us haven’t even begun to think of the approaching festivities. I’m here to tell you that we shouldn’t start the holiday season as soon as Halloween ends. Rather, I think it should start the day after Thanksgiving on Black Friday.

Don’t get me wrong, I love the holidays as much as the next person. Every year I look forward to seeing classic holiday movies such as *Elf*, *Home Alone*, and *It’s a Wonderful Life* during ABC Family’s 25 days of Christmas movie mara-



BY A.J. BOULUND

got an early start to the holiday season.

As a family, we made the best out of the situation before us. Celebrating early allows us more Saturdays to watch more Christmas movies together, starting with *Jingle All the Way* (every year without fail). This does not mean we don’t enjoy *A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving*. We find it possible to enjoy both simultaneously, but make the most out of the weeks between Halloween and Thanksgiving.

I don’t question this early celebration. After all, why would I question looking forward to the holiday season? Shouldn’t everybody? Is a Turkey Trot really worth being excited for? Only to be followed by sitting around the living room with a full stomach? I do enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday but am not one to pretend that it is so grand that it can’t justifiably be overshadowed by Christmas.

We rejoice more time on tests, homework, time with friends, and sleep, but shame others for making more time to celebrate the holiday season at the end of Halloween?

Halloween has ended. Happy Holidays, everyone.

thon. I also love indulging in the plethora of holiday cookies that my mom bakes every year as well as spending time with family and friends watching sports and enjoying the much-needed reprieve from the rigors of school.

That’s why I’m a believer in limiting the holiday season to roughly the month of December — including the few days after Thanksgiving in November and extending to Jan. 1.

When we extend the holiday season so that it starts two months before Christmas, we diminish the vitality of the holiday season. With two months of holiday cheer, every day becomes less special than it could be if the holiday season were limited to a month. We should let November be what it is — a month of preparing for finals, winter, and the holiday season.

With that said, there’s nothing wrong with listening to a little holiday music in November. But, I do think it’s going a bit too far to start any decorating or festivities before Halloween’s pumpkins have had time to decay. Halloween’s stash of candy ought to be able to tame your holiday passions until Turkey Day rolls around.

COLUMN

Once upon a blue Texas

In many ways, Beto O’Rourke’s campaign has mimicked that of Robert F. Kennedy through their shared goals and demographics. What does that mean for O’Rourke in 2020?



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The recent midterm elections gave a platform to one of the most interesting races in recent memory. The last time Democrats in Texas won a statewide office was in 1994, and since then, the margins of loss for Texas Democrats have been wide for all candidates. But Beto O’Rourke, a Democrat from El Paso, changed that notion radically — for a time, the country genuinely wondered if Texas would turn blue.

O’Rourke and his campaign very much exist within the context and framing of history. As a Senate candidate, O’Rourke galvanized crowds and moved people in ways that hint at the beginnings of a new political movement. The roots of this can be found in the 1960s, specifically concerning Robert F. Kennedy, the U.S. attorney general under his brother John. While perhaps a cheap comparison to make, it’s difficult to ignore the immediate Kennedy associations with this new charismatic, Irish-Catholic politician.

O’Rourke’s race was one that felt like the culmination of changing tides and previous blue pushes in the South. Much of the Beto narrative can be connected to a part of the Kennedy legacy — Bobby Kennedy, a fierce social rights activist and politician from the 1960s, was known for his ardent support of civil rights leaders like Martin Luther King



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Rep. Beto O’Rourke, D-Texas, speaks during a debate with Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, in Dallas on Sept. 21. O’Rourke lost a close Senate race to Cruz.

Jr. and tough crackdown on organized crime. After King’s assassination, Kennedy gave one of the most moving, extemporaneous speeches in contemporary American history.

“In this difficult day, in this difficult time for the United States,” Kennedy said, standing on the bed of a flatbed truck, “it is perhaps well to ask what kind of a nation we are and what direction we want to move in.”

The speech proved the character of the 42-year-old presidential candidate: He proved himself to be an ally to the people beyond scripted performances. His speech was delivered only a couple of hours after the assassination, but it was full of poise, grace, and, most importantly, passion.

“What we need in the United States is not division; what we need in the United States is not hatred; what we need in the United States is not violence or lawlessness; but love and wisdom, and compassion toward one another, and a feeling of jus-

tice toward those who still suffer within our country, whether they be white or they be black.”

This impromptu speech was mirrored, in ways, during the 2018 midterm election. O’Rourke’s response to a question at a town hall meeting on how he felt about the NFL kneeling controversy depicted some of the same passionate empathy that Kennedy’s speech did. Tracking the American Civil Rights Movement from “the young girls who died in the church bombing” to “those who took their lives into their hands riding those Greyhound buses [...] who knew full well they would be arrested,” O’Rourke stood with the kneeling football players.

“I can think of nothing more American than to peacefully stand up, or take a knee, for your rights, anytime, anywhere, anyplace,” he ended his speech.

O’Rourke’s charismatic approach to politics — his deep-rooted interest in the entirety of his home state and its people — were at the core of his

platform. It is no surprise that he bears striking similarity to Kennedy. In more ways than one, the young politician embodies the persuasive, passionate optimism of Kennedy. He speaks for the people, and seemingly has inspired them in a similar way to Kennedy. Both appealed to the same groups — black, working-class, and Hispanic voters — under the same types of reform and policy. If you look online, O’Rourke has become somewhat of a beacon pointing where people want the country to head. Rather than a politician looking for office, many saw O’Rourke as an emblem of what American politics could look like — and they still do.

O’Rourke is at the head of a movement, regardless of how you consider his loss in his midterm race. Where that movement will take us as we approach 2020 is unclear, but, for now, it’s evident that O’Rourke will not be stepping out of the spotlight any time soon — nor should he.

COLUMN

Sessions resigned, the left is mad?

Suddenly people are more than willing to spring to Jeff Sessions’ side after his resignation Nov. 7. I can’t help but wonder why?



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Two years ago, Donald Trump announced that he would make Jeff Sessions his attorney general. This announcement was met with immediate opposition from both the left and the right. Sessions’ track record is less than ideal; he has a history of revoking African American’s right to vote, and in 1986, he was denied a federal judgeship, which many attribute to Sessions’ already outdated love for law-and-order policing coupled with his racist antics. Despite Sessions’ rocky reputation, President Trump ultimately appointed him to a position that would allow Sessions to be outright biased in the application of the law.

I myself am still astonished that Sessions was ever able to be attorney general. To me, appointing

Sessions to lead the country’s law enforcement would be like appointing Harvey Weinstein to run a battered women’s shelter. Probably not the best idea.

Yet, in the wake of Sessions’ resignation, protesters have flooded the streets all over the country. Not just any protesters, these are the same people who were opposed to Sessions in the first place, but now, they advocate for him.

Suddenly, people are more than willing to spring to Sessions’ side. I can’t help but wonder, why?

On Nov. 8, MoveOn, a progressive organization that advocates for social justice, hosted a nationwide protest that stood against Sessions’ recent demise. Hundreds of UI students and community members gathered on the Pentacrest in support. Signs held in the air asserted that Sessions’ resignation was a breach of democracy. Chants were screamed into the frigid night, “Wake up Congress, do your job,” and “Conclusion, collusion.” It is obvious that the left is using Sessions’ removal as yet another pawn in their relentless Russia investigation, which has

yet to turn up any hard evidence against President Trump.

And though I know full well that MoveOn and other organizations are protesting Sessions’ resignation on the basis of the Russia investigation, I still cannot turn a blind eye to the obvious hypocrisy here. MoveOn’s website advertises that it “envisions a world marked by equality, sustainability, justice, and love.” It goes on to add that the organization mobilizes people to achieve these goals. But on Thursday night, MoveOn led a protest that stood against the resignation of Sessions.

Watching progressive organizations oppose Sessions’ resignation has been appalling. I understand why people are still suspicious of the president and his alleged collusion with Russia, but there are bigger problems at hand.

Sessions is an old-school, law and order Republican who holds outdated beliefs about how to combat drug addiction. During his time as attorney general, Sessions broke from Obama era policies by ordering federal prosecutors to seek the maximum punishment for low-level drug

crimes. Additionally, Sessions has been quoted saying, “good people don’t smoke marijuana.” And as Michigan became the 32nd state to allow the use of medical marijuana, it is abundantly clear that Sessions is behind the times.

The fact that progressive groups around the country flipped on a dime to condemn Sessions’ removal only furthers the right’s point: The left will do anything to condemn Trump. And quite frankly, that is too bad.

When people from either side of the aisle lose sight of what they stand for, everything becomes a political game. Today, it is clear to me that the left will say anything to make Trump sound bad. And though I agree that Trump is not my favorite president, I don’t agree with manipulating agendas to fit what today’s news cycle may bring. MoveOn lost sight in its advertised values in an effort to make President Trump look bad. I do not believe that the collateral damage, advocating for Sessions to remain in control of U.S.’s law enforcement, is worth making the president look bad for a measly 24 hours.

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UI seniors nurture EDM scene in Iowa City

Two University of Iowa seniors and part-time DJs have sparked a growing community of EDM followers in Iowa City.

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Iowa City's electronic dance music community had never been fully recognized until two UI seniors and part-time DJs took it upon themselves to create "UIEDM," a community of local fans that meets at EDM shows and supports the artists.

"We were really trying to figure out how to get a group of EDM fans together, because we had noticed a lot of interest from the community," said UI senior Aditya Chahande, a co-founder of UIEDM.

Both Chahande and co-founder Davin Titus had noticed other universities, such as University of Texas, had groups to support EDM fans and local artists. In a community with a bar scene as large as Iowa City's, Titus and Chahande perceived a growing need to establish a group of fans.

"We began a Facebook page of EDM fans in Iowa City to try to connect them to one another, both in shows and outside of them," Titus said. "Since then, it has grown largely into this community connected upon a mutual love for EDM."

Titus frequently DJs at the Summit, 10 S. Clinton St., and Chahande DJs at the Eden Lounge. Neither had any prior experience in the music field, but they decided to further their hobby of spinning and get paid for it.

Since then, their passion for the EDM culture has flourished.

"The EDM fan base is different from any other fan base because it is one of passion," Chahande

said. "EDM fans not only go to shows together, they also talk to each other and share music. Even things not related to music, the community has grown to be friends with one another, and it's hard to come across that these days."

Chahande, with the help of longtime friend Franklin Jensen, created a website used by Iowa EDM fans to help alert them to shows all over Iowa.

"It scrapes data from smaller websites, and it compiles a list of events in Iowa," Chahande said. "I then look at the data and double-check it is full of events in Iowa, and then I publish links to promoters and tickets."

Chahande and Titus said they have made many friends and developed fans of their own sets at local bars. Chahande also noted that Iowa State EDM fans may show some potential for collaboration.

In addition to collaborating with other schools, UIEDM has considered be-



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Local DJs Aditya Chahande (left) and Davin Titus work to build an EDM community. Aditya is a DJ at Eden Lounge, and Davin is a DJ at the Summit.

thought about the potential in being a student organization," Titus said. "We would have to look into it a little bit more and the rules

friend, will point out.

"I met him [Titus] at Summit while he was DJ'ing," Guzick said. "He's one of the best DJs in Iowa City with a lot of potential. These two [Chahande and Titus] are doing great things for a growing fan base in Iowa City, and I can't wait to see what is to become of it."

UIEDM follower Rachel Sabo said the local EDM culture has a lot of similarity to that of her hometown, Chicago.

"When coming to school in Iowa, I feared that I would be ripped away from that community and would have less opportunity to attend shows," she said. "I was proven wrong from multiple show announcements that included artists I loved, and it made me feel not so far from home."



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— Aditya Chahande, UIEDM cofounder

coming a recognized student organization, Chahande and Titus said.

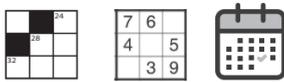
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UIEDM has created a lot of positive outcomes, as Brittney Guzick, Titus' girl-

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Wildcat woes for Iowa football

Iowa lost its fourth game of the season at the hands of Northwestern. The Hawkeye offense failed to take advantage of a Wildcat defense giving up nearly 25 points per game entering the season. Northwestern clinched the West with its win.



14-10
WILDCATS HAWKEYES



Clockwise from top left: Northwestern's Montre Hartage watches Iowa wide receiver Ihmir-Smith Marsette catch a pass during the Iowa/Northwestern game at Kinnick Stadium on Nov. 10. (Katina Zentz/The Daily Iowan) Northwestern running back Isiah Bowser is tackled by Iowa defense. (Lily Smith/The Daily Iowan) Northwestern's Riley Lees jumps over Iowa's Josh Turner. (Katina Zentz/The Daily Iowan) Northwestern quarterback T.J. Green (10) sings the school alma mater along the sidelines. (David Harmantas/The Daily Iowan) Iowa defensive back Michael Ojemudia (11) tackles Northwestern wide receiver Riley Lees (19) along the sidelines after defeating Iowa. (David Harmantas/The Daily Iowan) Northwestern's Cameron Green (84) is wrapped up by the Iowa defense. (David Harmantas/The Daily Iowan)

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Defending Northwestern's game was all about sticking to the coverage they had planned for the Hawkeyes and adjusting when it mattered most.

But the "little" mistakes, such as allowing Bowser to run through the middle of the defense for the touchdown, determined the game.

"We had a couple gaps on cover a couple times, and their guy ran, the kid ran the ball really hard, guys up front did a good job," head coach Kirk Ferentz said. "And they stretch it out a little bit, so you got to make some choices on how you want to fill those gaps. But when we did leave one open, they hit it pretty well."

Northwestern's advantage came from being able to move downfield quickly by taking advantage of the holes in the defense.

"We practiced with everything they had," Epenesa said. "I know I got caught in a spot where I was kind of stuck in the middle when I should have had the quarterback. I got there late, but they got the first down. We've got to finish, and that's an example of me not finishing and doing my job."



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Iowa defensive back Amani Hooker (27), defensive end Sam Brincks (90), and linebacker Jack Hockaday tackle Northwestern quarterback Clayton Thorson at Kinnick Stadium on Nov. 10.

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fewer than Moore, but who's counting?)

Sure, defenses have adjusted. But why can't Iowa adjust? If defensive adjustments are the sole reason for Fant's disappearing act (which I don't buy one bit),

then that's a huge blunder by the Hawkeye coaching staff.

I don't buy the notion that Iowa's plan to put the best players on the field at the right time doesn't include Fant. Throwing a fade route to Max Cooper on third-and-long (when Iowa has two of the country's best tight ends, each more than adequately equipped to go up for a jump

ball) does not go hand-in-hand with Ferentz's rationale.

Fant has had himself a whirlwind of a season to date, and I applaud the way he continues to handle himself.

With his father and brother tweeting about their dissatisfaction with Iowa football (and igniting a rage in the Hawkeye fanbase), Fant

has answered each and every question thrown his way, and he's said the right things — he's not throwing his family under the bus, nor is he saying he doesn't believe in the program's philosophy.

But those tweets should have never been posted, and those questions never asked. Fant should be Iowa's focal point on offense, but he

hasn't been this season.

I wrote earlier that this season will go down in history as a giant "what-if," and so will Fant's junior year with the Hawkeye program.

Iowa's offense has been explosive at times. The best passing performance of the season came when quarterback Nate Stanley tossed 6 touchdowns against Indiana. Fant had 4 catches for

101 yards and a touchdown that game.

That was also the last time he caught a touchdown, and since then, Iowa is 1-3.

With Fant uninvolved, Iowa can wave goodbye to any hopes of offensive firepower, much like it (officially) said goodbye to its dreams of a Big Ten Championship appearance against Northwestern.

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Wildcats trample Iowa's defense

Iowa's defense was once the most dependable area of the team, but after faltering two weeks in a row, it's time to make major adjustments.



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Iowa defensive end Parker Hesse (40), Iowa defensive end Matt Nelson (96), and Iowa defensive end Sam Brincks (90) look back toward their bench during the game against Northwestern on Nov. 10 at Kinnick. The Wildcats deflated the Hawkeyes' dreams, 14-10.

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Iowa's defense turned leaky for the Northwestern running game, and that ultimately led to a momentum shift in the wrong direction for the Hawkeyes in Kinnick on Nov. 10.

The defense was strong in the first half, keeping the game close and maintaining a 3-0 lead. Going into halftime, Northwestern had merely 75 yards of total offense.

The Hawkeyes had expected a heavy pass scheme from the Wildcats, but in the first half, quarterback Clayton Thorson threw only 10 times with 5 completions.

In the running game, Isaiah Bowser collected 46 yards on 9 carries, but Thorson lost 12 yards on sacks by Amani Hooker and Chauncey Golston.

In the second half, things shifted, and Northwestern took control of the Iowa defense.

"They had some good scheme plays against our defense," safety Jake Gervase said. "We knew coming into it they were a solid offense in both the run and the pass game. They had some good plays schemed up that hit us with some big yards here and there."

A shift in the Wildcats' game plan gave them a big advantage out of the halftime gate. They almost doubled their passing

yards and had 150 rushing yards in the final 30 minutes.

Two interceptions in the third quarter proved that Iowa's defense was locked in on Northwestern's passing game, but the running game was a different story.

Bowser alone had 165 of those yards, including a big 34-yard, momentum-shifting run through the middle of Iowa's defense that resulted in 7 points.

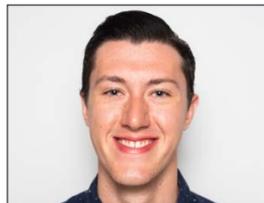
"There are just a few plays in the game that decide it, and you never know which one it's going to be," defensive end A.J. Epenesa said. "We've got to show up and play every play like it's [that one]."

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COLUMN

Searching for legitimate answers on Noah Fant

Noah Fant, Iowa's biggest mismatch on offense, finished with just three targets against Northwestern — that's inexcusable.



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The best coaches and systems in the country get the ball into the hands of their best players.

It's simple, really — if you've got a player who's an obvious mismatch, you figure out a way to get the ball into his hands, plain and simple.

Look at Purdue's Rondale Moore; he's freakishly agile and has breakaway speed. Head coach Jeff Brohm gets the ball into his hands one way or another, whether that's through the air or the ground. Moore has 82 receptions and 11 carries this season. Offensively, he averages 9.3 touches per game. That's not including his impact on special teams, by the way.

If Purdue can get the ball into the hands of its 5-9, 175-pound receiver, how on earth does Hawkeye tight end Noah Fant finish with 1 catch on Nov. 10 in Iowa's loss to Northwestern?



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Iowa tight end Noah Fant breaks free from an attempted tackle by Purdue cornerback Kenneth Major in West Lafayette, Indiana, on Nov. 3. The Boilermakers defeated the swooning Hawkeyes, 38-36.

Fant is too big for defensive backs and too fast for linebackers to cover one-on-one. He's essentially a lock for the first round of 2019 NFL Draft (should he choose to forgo his senior season). So why does he finish with

three targets?

It makes no sense.

"We're playing the guys out there that we feel are best in the situations that's given to them," Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz said following Northwestern's 14-10 victory

on Nov. 10.

Fant has had five games this season in which he's caught 3 passes or fewer. He's averaging 3.7 touches per game (almost one-third

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The Iowa Report Card

Offense



This offense has been inconsistent all season, and the Nov. 10 game was a prime example of that.

Iowa had a two-play touchdown drive in the third quarter, and it looked like the offense might start to pull away. But that notion quickly faded.

The Hawkeye offense had four three-and-outs, despite starting all 13 possessions with an average field position of the Iowa 31-yard line.

Northwestern was giving up nearly 25 points per game heading into Kinnick, but Iowa couldn't even score half of that.

Throw in a pair of fumbles and just 64 rushing yards for good measure.

Defense



Iowa's defense could only do so much to cover for the offense on Nov. 10.

Two interceptions, one by Geno Stone and the other by Jake Gervase, were positives, and so were Iowa's 2 sacks.

But the Hawkeyes just could not stop Northwestern's ground game. Wildcat running back Isaiah Bowser torched the Iowa defense for 165 yards and a touchdown on 31 carries, averaging 5.3 yards per touch.

Special Teams



Punter Colten Rastetter struggled on his seven punt attempts, averaging 34.9 yards per kick — his lowest single-game average of the season.

Meanwhile, kicker Miguel Recinos missed a 38-yard field goal, snapping his streak of 11-consecutive kicks.

The lone bright spot was Ihmir Smith-Marsette, who gained 100 yards on 3 returns. His longest was 41 yards, and each time he returned a kick, he set Iowa up with prime field position.