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The 2020 Iowa caucuses, the first in the nation, are now less than a year away. Nearly a dozen candidates will attract a nationwide audience to the Hawkeye State as Iowans filter the candidates online and in-person.
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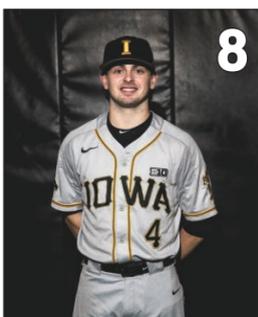
The city councilors passed a resolution in support of the UI Labor Center on Tuesday.

The state Board of Regents voted to close the Labor Center, among several others, in November 2018, sparking widespread protest. The Labor Center will remain open until June, and the university is working to find alternative sources of funding.

The resolution doesn't take any specific action, but it formally announces the City Council's support for the Labor Center.

The resolution points out the center's positive effect. According to the resolution, the Labor Center helps Iowa City residents in the labor-related areas including workplace safety, workers' rights, wages, and confronting discrimination.

Go to dailyiowan.com to see the full story.



Hawkeye baseball filling roster spots

Iowa baseball will kick off soon, and the team will look quite different from what it did a season ago. Despite departures by last year's sluggers and pitching aces, several Hawkeyes are stepping up to form a complete 2019 team.



Garza, defense key for Iowa men's hoops

After a strong performance in Iowa basketball's upset of Michigan on Feb. 1, center Luka Garza reflects on his career's trajectory. He tallied 19 points and grabbed 8 boards in the win over the Wolverines.



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Iowans react to State of the Union

Iowa officials and Iowa City-area Democrats and Republicans look ahead to a lawmaking session in Washington.



President Donald Trump delivers the State of the Union Address on Capitol Hill on Tuesday.

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down in U.S. history.

Iowa City Democrats and Republicans gathered on Tuesday in two separate events to watch President Donald Trump deliver his second State of the Union Address on the heels of the longest government shut-

Trump's address was moved back from its original date by Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., because of the most recent government shutdown. The longest shutdown in U.S. history ended on the

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UI cancels white privilege workshop

A UI white-privilege workshop, which was to be held in late February, has been canceled because of concerns from stakeholders about the workshop's purpose.

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The University of Iowa has canceled a white-privilege workshop, which was scheduled to be held later this month, to give the university time to further understand and address stakeholders' concerns about the workshop.

The UI has held similar events in the past, but this workshop was organized by a committee of students, staff, and faculty with the assistance of the Diversity Resources Team in the UI Chief Diversity Office, UI spokeswoman Jeneane Beck said in an email to *The Daily Iowan*.

The workshop is voluntary and is not an academic class, Beck said, and there is no cost associated with holding the workshops.

"The workshops first began in the spring of 2017 and were developed at the request of faculty and staff members who identify as white and had attended other training sessions related to race and specifically wanted an opportunity in which to discuss ways to support inclusiveness," Beck said.

One reason for the workshop's cancellation, she said, was because of backlash from lawmakers and news sources.

For example, right-wing news and commentary website Breitbart News Network wrote about a 2017 white-privilege workshop at the UI. As of 6 p.m. Tuesday, one article had 973 comments ranging from supportive to critical.

"In preparing for this year's workshops, it became clear the university needed to do additional work to educate our broader community and stakeholders about the purpose of these events, which has

SEE PRIVILEGE, 2

COGS ratifies contract proposal

After months of negotiation, COGS membership voted in favor of the state Board of Regents' most recent contract proposal.



COGS members read their proposal to the Board of Regents Bargaining Committee on Nov. 28, 2018. The COGS proposal aims to solidify salaries, hours of work, benefits, and other terms and conditions for graduate-student employees.

BY KATIE ANN MCCARVER
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The University of Iowa's Campaign to Organize Graduate Students membership voted Tuesday night in favor of the state Board of Regents' negotiated contract, which includes an annual 2.1 percent pay increase and the reinstatement of two articles.

COGS kicked off contract negotiations at a public forum in the fall of 2018, and the regents countered two weeks later. A private meeting followed and resulted in the contract, on which COGS leaders require input on from active members. Ninety-four percent voted in favor of the proposal.

"We are glad we were able to come to a voluntary agreement with COGS," regent spokesman

Josh Lehman said.

COGS members sat across from the regents in November 2018 with a contract proposal that asked for an annual 5 percent pay raise and the restoration of approximately 20 articles to the bargaining table.

According to COGS Bargaining Committee

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STATE OF UNION DRAWS EYEBALLS



Michael Guhin/The Daily Iowan

The TV at Big Grove shows the State of the Union Address at the Johnson County Democratic viewing party on Tuesday.

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been misconstrued by online publications," she said.

These news sources, Beck said, led some university stakeholders to have concerns about the content of the workshop.

"During the workshop, facilitators discuss the history of race in the United States and present case scenarios, bystander skills, and strategies on supporting inclusivity," Beck said. "Participants then have an opportunity to discuss their individual experiences with race and experiences at the University of Iowa."

Other universities and colleges in Iowa have hosted similar events about educating the community on race and promoting awareness of privilege. Drake University hosted a white-privilege conference in 2017. Coe College, in Cedar Rapids, has also hosted a white-privilege conference.

Eddie Moore Jr., who has received a Ph.D. from the UI and has hosted similar events in Iowa City, said he was disappointed when he heard the university canceled the workshop.

Coe's workshop is part of a conference Moore developed, which has no connection to the UI's workshop.

"I feel like these are the kinds of conversations we need to continue to provide on college campuses," he said. "... I'm disappointed also because it's my alma mater. I thought if anyone could allow these conversations to happen in the state,

it would be the University of Iowa."

Moore, who founded The Privilege Institute — a Wisconsin-based organization that focuses on inclusiveness and privilege education and training — said he was disappointed in the UI's decision. However, he said, he understands that there may have been external forces that contributed to its cancellation.

"It could be the current political climate. I mean, we can't go without considering that as a part of what could be connected to the concerns [shared by lawmakers]," he said. "There needs to be a place where tough conversations about tough topics can be had ..."

Drake religion Professor Jennifer Harvey, who attended that university's event, said she was shocked to hear about the UI's cancellation.

"There couldn't be a more urgent time for intensive focus on white privilege — which is a critical way of growing anti-racism education," she said in an email to *The Daily Iowan*.

Although Harvey said Drake received pushback from some alumni, support for the event was "overwhelming." Overall, Harvey said, the conference was a "transformative" experience for the campus.

Beck said diversity is an issue the campus remains committed to addressing.

"We will continue to work on building awareness and giving our campus community the skills needed to create a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive campus," she said.

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evening of Jan. 22 with a three-week continuing resolution that could result in another shutdown if Congress cannot pass a spending bill by Feb. 15.

The overarching theme of Trump's address was unity between the parties.

"The agenda I will lay out this evening is not a Republican agenda or Democrat agenda, it is the agenda of the American people," Trump said as he began his remarks.

President of the University of Iowa College Republicans Kyle Apple said he liked the theme of unity, and he only noticed a few divisive issues in Trump's address: abortion and border security.

"I am hopeful that we can get some bipartisan conversation and compromise going on the immigration-reform issue," he said.

Strengthening security at the Mexico/U.S. border was a campaign promise of Trump's and the issue at the head of the most recent government shutdown.

UI sophomore Malachi Rocca said he is glad that Trump addressed immigration and border security. He also liked Trump's call for unity.

"I think right now we definitely need words of unity and finding common ground between different parties and different ideas," Rocca said.

During the address, Trump touted his achievements in office including the Tax Cut and Jobs Act passed in De-

cember 2017, rolling back the individual mandate under the Affordable Care Act, and other government regulations.

Student Republicans gathered in Schaeffer Hall for an event hosted by the UI College Republicans. An occasional laugh and a few students applauding and chatting were heard during the address, which was projected on a screen.

Just a mile to the south, Democrats hosted a sparsely attended watch party for the Democratic response to the State of the Union at Big Grove Brewery. The event was sponsored by Fair Fight Action, an organization founded by Stacey Abrams, who lost in Georgia's gubernatorial election in 2018. Abrams is the first African American woman to give a Demo-

cratic response to a State of the Union.

"I just hope that Iowans really tune in and see the type of really free and thoughtful leader Stacey is," said Quentin Misiag, who organized the watch party. "And I think this will not be the last time we hear from her, especially here in Iowa."

Misiag said he believes Trump's priorities do not align with Iowa's.

During her remarks, Abrams responded to Trump's call for unity by noting it was Trump's unwavering stance on immigration that led to the shutdown.

"The shutdown was a stunt, engineered by the president of the United States, one that defied every tenet of fairness and abandoned not just

our people but our values," Abrams said.

Iowa officials also weighed in on Trump's address as well.

Gov. Kim Reynolds urged Congress to pass the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, generally known as New NAFTA, which Trump praised in his speech.

"I appreciate President Trump using his State of the Union Address to discuss the importance of free and fair trade," Reynolds said in a prepared statement.

Farmers whom *The Daily Iowan* talked with said the renegotiated agreement would not offset costs incurred from tariffs — that is, if the agreement is ratified by all three countries' legislative branches.

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member John Jepsen, the regents' original counter-proposal allowed for a 1 percent pay increase and the restoration of no articles.

Jepsen said that, in response, the union offered the regents a contract with either a 4 percent pay raise and the restoration of all permissive topics, or just a few of the latter in exchange for a 4.5 percent pay increase.

"They had some discussions and came back to us with the current proposal, which is the 2.1 percent pay raise year after year, including returning students, and some language from the permissives," Jepsen said. "So, we didn't get obviously everything we wanted."

However, Jepsen said, COGS conceded and put the contract proposal up for a ratification vote by its membership, because members can only legally bargain with what the regents put

on the table after a change to Iowa law in 2017 affecting collective-bargaining rights.

"We knew our members would probably be happier with more money, and we could fight for permissive topics in the future," Jepsen said. "We're rank and file, so we wanted every member of the union to have the option to voice an opinion."

Jepsen said now that the contract has been ratified, it will go into effect at the beginning of the next academic year.

COGS President Laura Szech said the contract is the best she feels the bargaining committee could get for the union, given that state law allows the regents to determine what can or cannot be negotiated.

"We came to this tentative agreement because we felt like it was the place where both parties had moved a little bit," Szech said. "The [final] meeting was about three hours back and forth."

Szech said the pay raise in the proposed contract will come out to a pretty

significant raise of around \$41 per month next year, and an agreement that the regents will return to equally installed paychecks during the summer will ensure workers don't make less in July than in other months.

"It wasn't what we asked for, but you know, it was a movement," Szech said. "We wanted them to put all of our permissive topics back in, but we were able to get them to settle on a situation we've been dealing with in the past."

In addition, she said, the latest contract provides that the raise is guaranteed to all union members, not just those making base wage.

COGS press and publicity officer Mark Lanning said the tentative agreement was sent to the members after leadership asked at a general meeting if ratification should be considered or if negotiations should continue.

"Members at the end of the day have control over the most important decisions of the union," Lanning said. "Contracts are always ratified by them."

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UISG progress report: voting, textbooks, reform

UISG's fall 2018 progress report details legislation and UISG initiatives. Voter registration, election reform, and student relations were among the highlights.

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UI Student Government has released its fall 2018 progress report, which details the work of eight UISG committees during the fall semester.

The report was released Jan. 30. UISG has released the statements since 2015 to highlight accomplishments made in each semester.

UISG Cabinet Director Kyle Scheer, who compiled the report, said voter registration, textbook affordability, election reform, and student relations were some of the most important initiatives that the organization undertook.

The UISG Governmental Relations Committee focused on voter registration around the 2018 midterm election, resulting in at least 60 percent of the UI student population being registered to vote, according to the report.

"We made a very big effort to partner with a variety of student organizations and campus partners in our efforts," Scheer said. The progress report also

ICON Direct, a service that allows students to access electronic copies of textbooks for free. According to the progress report, UI students saved slightly more than \$1.1 million in the fall of 2018 through ICON Direct.

UISG also supported textbook-donation drives in the fall, and Schmidt said another drive will be held this spring. Most books collected at the drives are added to the course reserves at the Main Library, which are available to students for checkout.

UISG began working on election reform in summer 2018, and the Senate passed a new election code in the fall.

Scheer said the election reform focused on access to elections, campaign finances, as well as how candidates are penalized for breaking election code.

The penalty for breaking election code used to be monetary, Scheer said, but candidates who break the new election code will lose votes instead. This was done in an effort to make sure



UISG members discussed election-code recommendations during the public-access period in the IMU on Sept. 25, 2018. Megan Nagorzanski/The Daily Iowan

'One of our biggest things that we are consistently improving on is our outreach and communication to the student body and how to best navigate speaking to our constituents. That's always one of the hardest parts of the job, and it's always a focal point of ours, just because that's our No. 1 job.'

— Connor Gronski, UISG speaker of the Senate

noted that UISG plans to split its voter-registration efforts into an independent student organization called Hawk the Vote.

Voter-registration efforts take up a large amount of time for the Governmental Relations Committee, Scheer said, so UISG decided to create a separate organization specifically devoted to them.

"Student government's role would be to form a partnership with that organization to get them the resources they need, volunteers of they need them, but allow them to really have the autonomy and the resources to pursue voter registration," Scheer said.

Textbook affordability was another major focus of UISG in the fall, Academic Affairs Director Tristan Schmidt said.

"For me, textbook affordability is a really big focus, because a lot of students face a lot of issues with textbook affordability," Schmidt said.

The Senate passed a resolution in support of

candidates and parties with more money didn't have an unfair advantage, he said.

"The amount of money you have should not be a barrier to keep you from running to be a part of UISG," he said.

UISG Speaker of the Senate Connor Gronski said engaging the student population was a major focus of the organization in the fall, and it remains one this spring.

The progress report notes that UISG began live-streaming its meetings on Facebook and created a service in which students can sign up to receive text notifications on student-government matters. The organization has also added a public comment period for its meetings, Scheer said.

"One of our biggest things that we are consistently

improving on is our outreach and communication to the student body and how to best navigate speaking to our constituents," Gronski said. "That's always one of the hardest parts of the job, and it's always a focal point of ours, just because that's our No. 1 job."

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Trump's troubling media myth

Most politicians complain about media coverage, but the president has a problematic way in which he interacts with criticism.



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President Donald Trump (right) speaks during a meeting with China's Vice-Premier Liu He (left) to discuss trade issues on Jan. 31 in the Oval Office.



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For as long as I can remember I've been taught that questions are good.

Being inquisitive is how one learns — and sometimes, being inquisitive means challenging those I don't always agree with. But of course, there's a line in the sand — case in point: the media and politicians.

It's no secret that President Donald Trump is notorious for blasting the media — specifically taunting CNN with a label of “fake news.”

But self-proclaimed democratic socialist Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., has also challenged the media.

Ocasio-Cortez has called out CBS News for allegedly not hiring any black journalists to cover the 2020 election.

She then questioned the *Washington Post's* comments comparing her to Trump's “Pinochios,” as she referred to them, regarding comments made on military accounting offsets via Twitter. She also fell under scrutiny for excluding

media from two of her campaign town halls during her run in 2018.

But despite these arguably odd actions from a left-leaning progressive who is relatively new to the public eye, Ocasio-Cortez still manages to engage with these outlets.

In addition to challenging CBS News and the *Post*, Ocasio-Cortez also scolded PolitiFact, questioning its decision-making methods and whether there was a rubric in making said decisions. PolitiFact responded, linking the principles of its “truth-o-meter,” as well as the logic behind its fact-checking methods.

Ocasio-Cortez also prefaced her criticisms of the *Post* and PolitiFact with the notion that she was posing legitimate questions that were not intended as an attack.

Now contrast Ocasio-Cortez's criticisms with those of Trump.

The president of the United States referred to the media as the “opposition party.”

No joke.

In fact, Trump has repeatedly praised Fox News while claiming CNN to be at the “bottom of the totem poll” and that MSNBC can't even be compared with any of the other shows.

Where's the healthy discourse? Where's the openness to opinion and genuine interest in understanding the opposition in order to better understand it?

Nonexistent, in Trump's case.

As someone who studies both journalism and political science, I recognize the importance of criticism. Inquisition is what drives journalism — why wouldn't I expect that same inquisition from my readers?

But unlike Ocasio-Cortez, Trump is not generating a dialogue with members of the media. He is trying to shut them down and paint them as an enemy of the people if said media fails to praise him.

What's ironic is democratic socialist Ocasio-Cortez's socialist label often got lumped by some as a communist (which, let's get this straight, is not true.) But in reality, the communist and Marxist government rule and communist theory of mass communication refers to the government controlling the media so it can maintain its power in full.

Now, I'm not necessarily arguing that Trump is a communist, but I am arguing that by comparing the two strategies of handling media opposition, only one is reminiscent of this early 20th-century theory that is clearly the antithesis of our First Amendment constitutional rights.

So a year from now, when we Iowa-dwellers are but days away from caucusing, ask yourself this: Are questions good, or is blindly taunting “fake news” making its way into our nation's norm?

POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Can it ever be racist to misquote AOC?

Misleading headlines and out-of-context quotations can be used to unfairly cover politicians, but is it racist when the politician is someone of color? Two *DI* writers discuss.



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Misquoting minorities like AOC perpetuates racism

Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., appeared on “The Late Show with Stephen Colbert” on Jan. 22. At one point in the show, Colbert asked the congresswoman, “On a scale from zero to some, how many f*cks do you give?”

Ocasio-Cortez proceeded to form a circle with her hand and responded by only saying, “Zero.”

The following day, misleading headlines surfaced that read “Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez to Stephen Colbert: I give ‘zero’ f*cks about upsetting senior Democrats.” This sparked attention from many sources, including Ocasio-Cortez herself, who responded by tweeting: “I actually didn't say this, so while I know ‘brown women cursing’ drives clicks, maybe you accurately quote the whole exchange instead of manipulating people into thinking I said this sentence instead of just the word ‘zero.’”

Situations similar to this have occurred before, but is this different because Ocasio-Cortez is a woman of color?

Misleading or exaggerated headlines are written daily in order to bait readers into reading more about the

subject. However, misquoting people in a position of power is a careless game to play, especially when the person is a minority.

Stereotypes that have followed women, especially women of color, do measurably more damage to their character in comparison with their white male counterparts. The media continue to perpetuate the stereotypes and illustrate images of women being overly “emotional” or impulsive. The *New York Post* even included a photo of AOC yelling during a speech she had given at an earlier time.

Purposely including a photo with such aggression behind it automatically forces us to think of the representative as the stereotypical person of color reacting irresponsibly.



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'Misquoting' AOC has nothing to do with racism

I find a lot of similarities between me and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y.

When she was sworn into Congress about a month ago, a picture of her family appeared on her Instagram story explaining that “in true Puerto Rican fashion,” she brought more than the allowed guest limit for the ceremony.

She also said her choice of wearing red lipstick and

hoop earrings were to pay homage to Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor and to serve as a role model to Latinas everywhere.

As a Puerto Rican woman, this was something I connected to. I still found it troubling when Ocasio-Cortez used the very traits she and I share to attack the media for a headline that read “Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez to Stephen Colbert: I give ‘zero’ f*cks about upsetting senior Democrats.”

Yes, this headline was misleading. But throughout the entire debacle, many failed to realize that the only word quoted in headline was “zero,” which was completely factual. Ocasio-Cortez then responded by claiming she was misquoted because “brown women cursing” drives clicks. Her analysis of the situation demonstrates

that even she does not know the purpose of quotes used in the headline.

Ocasio-Cortez correctly uses her status as a Latina to empower the woman around her. But when she uses the same status to paint brown women as victims, it detracts from the red lipstick, hoop-earring wearing, fierce Latina many people, including me, see her as.

I recognize that women of my demographic will face discrimination at many points in their life. But cries of racism where it does not exist harms legitimate instances of racism and weakens Ocasio-Cortez's image if she cannot look past a silly headline.

Like it or not, her petty criticism of the media is no different from labeling it as “fake news.”

COLUMN

Buzzfeed's money-making scheme will shock you

The site recently laid off two prominent news desks in order to make way for more marketable content written for free by users.



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On Jan. 25, BuzzFeed, a prominent entertainment company, laid off the entirety of the National News and National Security desks in the name of focusing on “content that is working,” according to CEO Jonah Peretti. However, what Peretti didn't mention is that much of the content that is working has been created by unpaid community creators.

The so-called “BuzzFeed Community” is a prominent part of the website's appeal. Going to its “Quiz” section, a division that gets a good majority of the web traffic, four out of the top five quizzes are community-generated. This means that readers with some spare time are making lucrative quizzes for BuzzFeed for absolutely no recompense.

Around the same time as the layoffs occurred, it came out that a 19-year-old college student and active BuzzFeed community member, Rachel McMahon, has become the fifth-highest traffic generator for the website. McMahon has made nearly 700 quizzes since 2017. Her work has been heavily monetized by the website, but she only received gift cards and merchandising from the corporation.

Regardless of the fun and relatable content that BuzzFeed regularly puts out, it is not your friend. No, the giant media company does not have your best interests in mind.

This isn't surprising for anyone — I don't think we expect somewhat faceless corporate entities to truly care about our well-being. But what may be less intuitive is what happens to our content once we give it to BuzzFeed.

BuzzFeed has made a name on, for all practical purposes, capitalizing on the labor of other (often funnier) people. Routinely, Tumblr posts and tweets will be used in BuzzFeed “articles,” which are simply the summation of the work of others, with a caption. The comics who come up with the content that fills much of

BuzzFeed are, of course, unpaid, no matter how many times they're featured. People such as McMahon, whose content drives a good deal of BuzzFeed's revenue, are also unpaid.

'Regardless of the fun and relatable content that BuzzFeed regularly puts out, it is not your friend. No, the giant media company does not have your best interests in mind.'

Despite what you think, your funny tweet or your somewhat scathing “hot take” on Facebook are marketable. BuzzFeed has been doing it for years. If BuzzFeed writers believe your content is good enough to go on the website, they believe they

can make money off of it — they believe you could have made money on it, if you had decided to properly market it.

The problem with BuzzFeed is largely that it would prefer to simply conglomerate ideas

from other people than put out genuinely good and insightful articles, content which often came from desks such as National News. And, we're letting it do so by giving up our content for the world on social media.

This is twofold: On one hand, the community is being siphoned for its money-generating content, and on the other, the actual writers who are being paid are losing opportunities to make money because of the community options. Because of this, it is imperative that we actively consider how we treat our work's value.

BuzzFeed's layoffs spell out trouble for the journalism community, because numerous people have lost their source of income, but it also addresses a larger problem of mass-entertainment companies co-opting the talent of people they do not plan to ever pay. In the wake of this, we should demand better treatment from the places from which we get our entertainment and news.

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ETHICS & POLITICS

Standing out in a crowded field

February weekends will be filled with candidates visiting the Hawkeye State and using social-media organizing tools to get out their messages.

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As 2020 presidential-campaign announcements come one after another, and no clear front-runner for the Democratic nomination has yet emerged, candidates strategize how to best stand out amid nearly a dozen contenders.

Targeted social-media campaigns will be critical, Democratic activists say. Social-media use and online platforms have rapidly changed political campaigning over the last 20 years, and in 2020, interactivity online isn't expected to slow.

In January 2016, nearly 45 percent of Americans surveyed by Pew Research Center said they learned about the previous week's presidential election news from social media.

Reaching people in an online community may be even more important for contenders looking to win a "ticket" out of the Iowa caucuses in 2020 as the state Democratic Party looks to implement new rules handed down by the national party to provide an absentee option.

Normally, caucus-goers have to be at their designated precinct in person, but for 2020, Iowa caucus-goers may have the option to phone in or submit their preference online, Iowa Democratic Party Executive Director Kevin Geiken said. However, nothing is set in stone, he said, because state Democratic officials won't release a delegate-selection plan until later this month.

Former campaigners and Iowa Democratic Party leaders told *The Daily Iowan* that success online is essential to success in the caucuses, but only if it's intertwined with old-school, face-to-face interaction.

"As these candidates are building a national conversation, these candidates aren't just talking to Iowans," former Iowa Democratic Party Chairwoman Sue Dvorsky said. "They're talking personally to Iowans and through us to the whole rest of the country, and really, the whole world is watching."

That whole rest of the country includes California, a state whose presidential primary

has moved up to March 3. With early voting, Californians can begin to cast their votes the same day as the Feb. 3 Iowa caucuses.

California's early primary schedule will make social-media messages out of Iowa all the more critical.

Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., announced her exploratory committee on Twitter. Democratic New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker's video tweet announcing his campaign was viewed more than 3 million times.

One of Booker's first campaign emails implored people to follow him on top social-media platforms.

"So much of the story of this campaign will take place in your newsfeeds (seriously, Cory pulled out his phone to first announce this campaign). So if you're not following him on Instagram, Twitter, or Facebook, now's the time," the email stated.

Olivia Habinck, the president of the organization College and Young Democrats of Iowa, said a strong following on social media will be critical for candidates to appeal to young first-time caucus-goers in 2020.

"A lot of us use social media, and that's how we get our news, and that's how we get our information," she said.

A 2018 Pew Research review of social-media habits in adults showed that 88 percent of adults ages 18-29 used at least one social-media platform.

Habinck, a sophomore at Des Moines Area Community College, said she first got involved in politics because of opportunities to volunteer in 2016 that were pushed online.

Instant communication, however, may be a double-edged sword, Dvorsky said. Caucus-goers have access to real-time information as they decide which candidate to support.

During the 2008 caucuses, Dvorsky captained a Coralville

precinct for Barack Obama. Polls leading into the Iowa caucuses measured the five most likely to be viable candidates competing for at least 15 percent of Iowa caucus-goers in each precinct, which would qualify them for delegates to represent them at the following conventions.

Then, social media was in its infancy, she said. Caucus-goers in gyms, city halls, and other venues across Iowa didn't have access to the internet for instant updates on how candidates were faring in other precincts.

"In the caucus process, there's a lot of negotiating," she said, describing how in 2008, precinct captains for certain candidates were trying to woo caucus-goers

halls, and in the gyms and in the caucus sites all over the state — the whole country is getting real-time feedback of what's happening in the room. It utterly changed the nature of the caucuses."

Looking ahead to 2020, there are not as many new social-media platforms for campaigns to explore, Habinck said, but tools on existing sites are evolving.

For example, personal Instagram and Facebook live stories are becoming more prevalent. Former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke, who was narrowly defeated in a 2018 Senate race against incumbent Ted Cruz, gave followers a close look at his dentist visit in an Instagram live video Jan. 10.

Instagram has been the platform with the highest growth. Approximately 35 percent of adults now report using Instagram, according to a 2018 Pew Research study.

Several congressional candidates in other states who became well-known in the 2018 midterm elections produced low-cost personal narrative-style videos that went viral on Twitter, allowing millions of people to see their messages.

For example, first-time candidate Jahana Hayes, now a Democratic representative from Connecticut, produced a video for \$20,000 that brought in nearly \$300,000 in donations.

Meeting Iowans face-to-face

Jeremy Dumkrieger, the chair of Woodbury County Democrats, will tell you that Democrats in northwestern Iowa, in the 4th Congressional District where Republicans have an active voter-registration advantage of 20,000, did well when they visited counties numerous times on the campaign trail.

"People win because they show up," he said. "Iowans

know how to hunker down and take it seriously. It's not a dog and pony show. It's the real deal here."

Democrat J.D. Scholten, a narrowly defeated 2018 candidate for Congress in Iowa's 4th District, claimed in an op-ed that Republican Rep. Steve King's narrowest win in years was because of Scholten's relentless traveling around the district in an RV to meet voters, while King kept a relatively low profile.

Andrew Turner, state Auditor Rob Sand's campaign manager, the only first-time Democratic statewide office winner in 2018, published an opinion piece in Iowa Starting Line that detailed a few reasons he believed Sand won, including that he worked his way through all 99 counties.

Conducting the caucuses with new tech

In 2016, the Iowa caucuses implemented an app so that caucus chairs could report results almost immediately.

"The urgency or timing of getting caucus results has changed," Geiken said. "We are in a world in which people want info five minutes before it happens."

This year, the Iowa Democratic Party is considering a process that Geiken said was once unthinkable — absentee caucusing, also known as "telecaucusing." If implemented, Democrats may have a chance to phone in or submit their preference for a candidate online if they can't make it to the caucuses. In the past, it was available to military members.

However, the state party has yet to declare that to be the new policy. A delegate-selection plan will be decided and a public comment period on the new policies will be issued this month. As the nation and political pundits turn their attention to Iowa, Dvorsky warns, no one really knows what's going to happen.

"Anyone who tells you they think they know what's going to happen in February 2020," she said, "is totally blowing smoke up your skirt."

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whose candidate didn't garner the required 15 percent threshold.

Her youngest daughter ran into the precinct space at the Coralville Central Elementary School, crammed with 300-plus people, and promptly yelled into the room that Obama was winning across the state.

"I essentially clapped my hand over her mouth," Dvorsky said. "Because at the time, as recently as 2008, each caucus was not in any kind of communication outside the room," Dvorsky said.

But by 2016, that atmosphere of letting the caucus-goers deliberate without outside influences had changed Dvorsky said.

"By last time, everyone's got a phone in their hand," Dvorsky said. "So in the city



Megan Conroy/The Daily Iowan
Lorenzo Elion talks to the press during baseball media day at the Hansen Football Facility on Tuesday.

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this season. "With this team, from the leadoff hitter to the 9-hole, we've got a very solid group," Heller said. "I don't know that there's a guy that's going to hit 15 or 20 home runs in the group, but I think we have a much more consistent lineup than even what we had last season." An immediate leader of the group is redshirt senior Chris Whelan. He had an .813 OPS last season — behind only Cropley and Newstrom — and rattled off 48 hits. He will most

likely have more trips to the plate this season and will emerge as a difference-maker. Finding a guy who can get on base at the lead-off spot is a high priority for the coaching staff. Whelan is definitely a guy who the coaches are looking at putting in the dynamic 1-slot, but so is senior Mitchell Boe. He is an upperclassman and is becoming a leader in the clubhouse for the Hawkeyes. He showed a decent amount of consistency in 2018, hitting .266 and slugging .351. Filling out the rest of the lineup aren't only returning players; several transfers and fresh faces seek to

round out the group. Izaya Fullard, a sophomore transfer from Kirkwood, was a first-team selection as a Juco Division 2 All-American, leading the association in hits and hitting .470. There are a lot of question marks surrounding lineup spots and how many at-bats certain players will get this season, but they'll be answered very soon. What Iowa knows right now, though, is that it has a roster full of solid players who can hit for average very effectively. "It's a great situation to have," Boe said. "It makes Coach Heller's job a lot harder trying to figure out a lineup."

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ton native said. "I'm trying to get more to the seventh inning more efficiently or more consistently, or to the eighth inning, as opposed to just going five or six innings like I did last year. I'm trying to go farther into games with the same number of pitches." Last season, McDonald had a 3-2 record, appearing in 11 games and pitching 55.2 innings. He gave up the fewest runs (27) among Iowa's three weekend starters. He also finished second among the starters with a 3.23 ERA, right behind Allgeyer. McDonald pointed to Allgeyer, who he described as

a "bulldog on the mound," as a major influence in the way he's conducted himself heading into his Friday role. "He had great confidence in himself, and I would work out with him all the time. I definitely think that rubbed off on me," McDonald said. "I'm incredibly thankful to have a teammate like him — he definitely helped put me in the position I am now to have success this season." Iowa has a history of cranking out top-notch starters on the mound, whether it's been Allgeyer in 2018, Nick Gallagher in 2017, or C.J. Eldred in 2016. Especially during the past two seasons, the Hawkeye pitching tree remained ripe with wisdom, and that's something Mc-

Donald wants to see continue this season. "There are guys who come to me a lot," McDonald said. "I feel like it's my responsibility to help out the players younger than I am, because when I was younger, I had guys like Gallagher, Allgeyer, Eldred. Those are the type of guys that helped me out, so it's only fitting that I help the younger guys out and tell them the things I've learned since I've been here. When they're older, they can do the same thing. That's how we all get better." McDonald and the rest of the Hawkeyes will start the season on Feb. 15, opening against George Mason in the Diamond 9 Sunshine State Classic Series in Kissimmee, Florida.

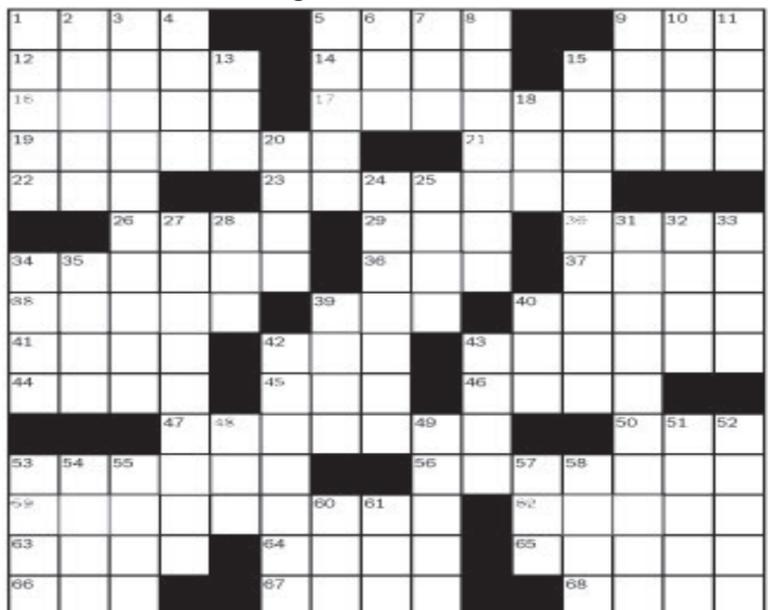
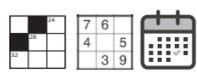
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home crowd behind your back; when they're scoring, their crowd is getting going," freshman forward Joe Wieskamp said. "You got to stick together as a team, stay together. After free throws, get in huddles, talk, because it's hard to hear sometimes."

McCaffery ties Olson on Iowa all-time wins list
With the Hawkeyes' stunning win over the Wolverines on Feb. 1, McCaffery tied former Iowa coach Lute Olson for second on Iowa's all-time victory list. The win over Michigan was No. 167 for McCaffery, who started coaching at Iowa in 2010 and is in his ninth season with the Hawkeyes. McCaffery emphasized Olson's impact as a person and

said it feels good to be mentioned with him. "When I first got here, reached out to him and wanted to talk to him about it; we spent a lot of time together and subsequently have gotten closer," McCaffery said. "I think [he] set a great standard for how to be not only a great coach but a terrific person, somebody that I would emulate and take advice from. "So any time you're mentioned with him, that's a tremendous feeling."

The Daily Break



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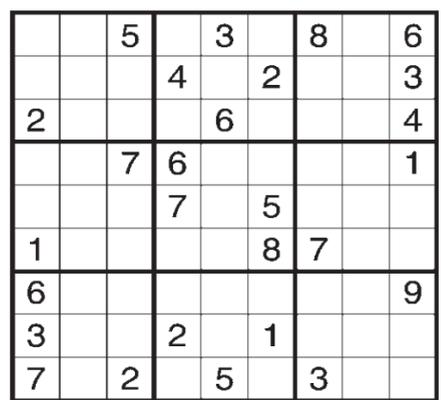
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GymHawks 'stand out' with new motto

The Iowa women's gymnastics squad has a new team mantra to help it through the season.

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It is no secret that in gymnastics, the goal is to get a perfect 10 score, but what exactly makes a gymnast stand out during a routine to achieve such a goal is much more complicated.

The answer is going to be different for each gymnast, but the overall goal is to "Stand Out."

Standing Out is something that Iowa women's gymnastics head coach Larissa Libby and the GymHawks have striven for and achieved.

The motto started at the team's beginning of the season bonding retreat.

Now that the GymHawks are in the thick of the 2019 season, the team's motto to Stand Out means more than finding that perfect score.

"It has been a philosophy of mine and the program for a long time with the culture that I want to have, and I think it is very important with the day and age that we are in," Libby said. "The things that are happening in the country and around the world where women are still blocked, so I think it is important to celebrate who you uniquely are, and I don't know that it often is."

For years, Libby has built her gymnasts up to compete at the highest level, and she also has worked toward building those same young women into amazing people who can achieve anything they set out to.

"Gymnastics is often not only tied to what they do but who they are, so when it comes time to leave, they feel as though they don't have an identity anymore," Libby said. "I have always wanted these four years to be about helping them move on."



GymHawk Clair Kaji performs on the balance beam against Rutgers on Jan. 26 in Carver-Hawkeye. The Hawkeyes defeated the Scarlet Knights, 194.575 to 191.675. David Harmantas/The Daily Iowan

With Stand Out being integrated throughout the whole team, junior Clair Kaji has taken her leadership role and embraced the powerful motto.

"Stand Out really means empowering others to find what makes them unique," she said. "I see it as meaning owning your story, and it is different and unique to everyone. It doesn't

mean just one thing to one person."

After coming back from an injury that ended her 2018 season, Kaji said, she has been able to work through and find what makes her stand out and how to own it.

"For me, it's kind of finding that confidence again to believe in myself and believe in my gymnastics," Kaji said. "While also knowing that my team is behind me pushing me to be myself."

But sometimes it can take some time to find out what makes a person unique and who a person is. Senior Nicole Chow said Iowa works through this as a team.

"When you come in freshman year, you are still trying to find yourself, and I think each year you find out a little bit more about yourself," she said. "But having this motto and a team to support you while you work toward this is amazing and gives you the confidence to be yourself."

As for winning and what happens on the mats, Libby sees Standing Out as a big part of having that success.

"Everybody has something really cool about them, and it comes down whether they choose to celebrate it or hide it, and we do not want them hiding anything," Libby said. "This is tied to gymnastics because it is designed to show, it's designed to be watched, so it boils down to helping ensure that they show and own what makes them stand out."

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HAWKEYE UPDATES

DeSanto suspended for one match

Hawkeye 133-pounder Austin DeSanto will serve a one-match suspension when Iowa faces Maryland at Carver-Hawkeye on Friday, head coach Tom Brands announced Tuesday. After racking up numerous unsportsmanlike-conduct penalties this season, DeSanto was penalized again following Iowa's dual win at Nebraska on Feb. 3.

"I want to apologize to my opponents and teammates for my actions on the mat," DeSanto said in a release. "I know they are disrespectful, and there is no excuse. I accept the consequences of my behavior and the decision of Coach Brands, and have assured my teammates and coaches that I will better represent our team when I return."

DeSanto has a 14-1 record and ranks No. 3 at 133 pounds. His only loss came to Iowa State's Austin Gomez in a 14-9 decision on Dec. 1.

He will be eligible to return when Iowa hosts Indiana on Feb. 15. "Austin knows his behavior on and off the mat is a reflection of this university and program, and I am very pleased with his response to this matter," Brands said in a release. "I know he is eager to move forward."

Gustafson named to Wooden Award Late Season Top 20

Iowa center Megan Gustafson was named to the Wooden Late Season Top 20, ESPNW announced on Monday.

The list of 20 women's basketball players is chosen by a poll of media members. It includes the front runners for the Wooden Award All-America Team and Player of the Year Award.

Gustafson leads the nation in points per game (26.6) and field goals made (245). The senior is also second in the country in double-doubles (20) and is sixth in rebounds per game (12.6).

The Wooden All-America Team will be announced the week of the NCAA Tournament Elite Eight, and the Player of the Year will be announced on April 12 during the College Basketball Awards on ESPN.

NCAA Men's Basketball NET Rankings

1. Virginia
2. Gonzaga
3. Duke
4. Tennessee
5. Kentucky
6. Michigan
7. Michigan St.
8. Houston
9. North Carolina
10. Virginia Tech
11. Iowa
12. ...

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"He has an unbelievable knack for getting the ball in the basket ... He has the total package when it comes to scoring the ball."

-Fran McCaffery on the increase in production from center Luka Garza

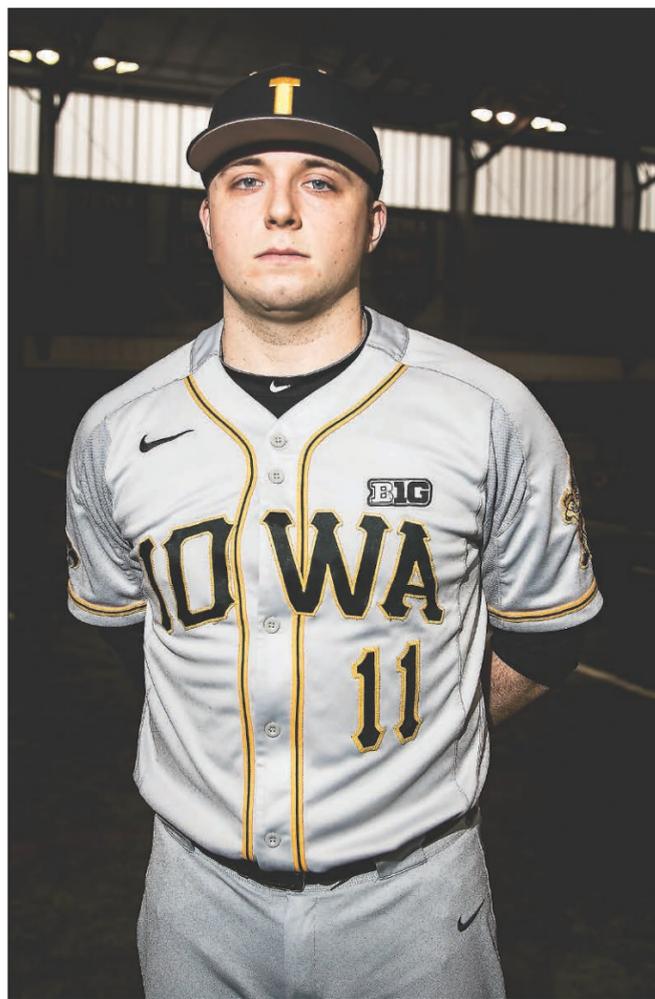
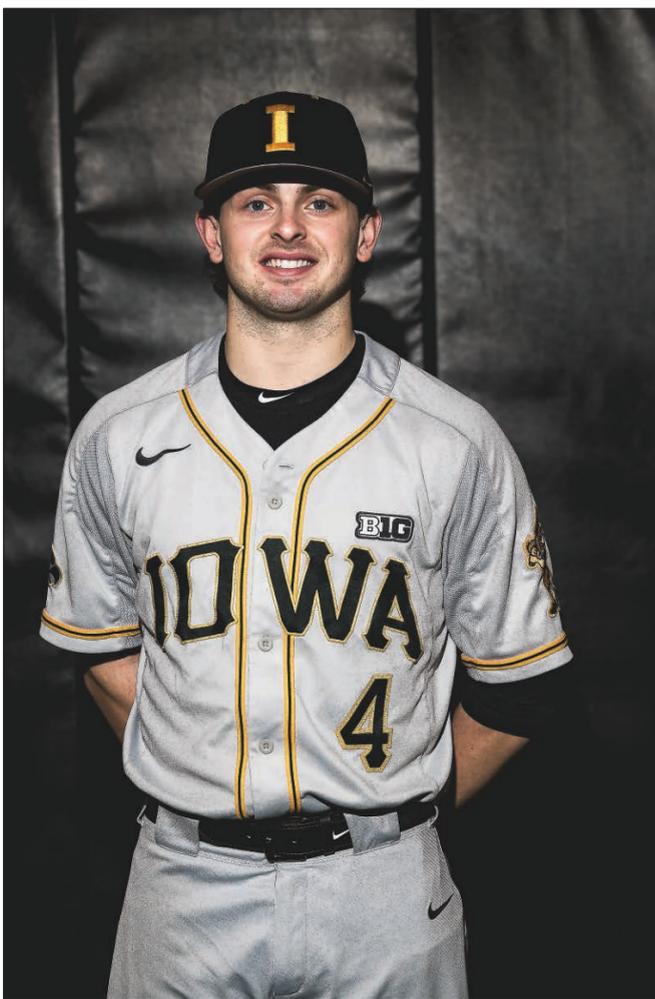
STAT OF THE DAY

Iowa's win over Michigan was Fran McCaffery's **167th** victory, tying him with Lute Olson for second-most all-time.

167
wins

The return of Hellerball

Baseball kicks off its season on Feb. 15, and the Hawkeyes are ready for action.



Iowa's Mitchell Boe (4) and Cole McDonald (11) pose for portraits in the Iowa football practice facility on Tuesday.

Roman Slabach/The Daily Iowan

Iowa has some holes to fill in the batting order, but things are starting to take shape.

BY PETE MILLS
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Hawkeye baseball lost some of its biggest hitters in the offseason, leaving gaping holes in the lineup card for head coach Rick Heller.

Tyler Cropley and Robert Neustrom, just to name a couple, both departed the team to play professional ball.

It's difficult to fill out holes left by departures, but the Hawkeyes are confident that won't be a problem.

"We've got 15 guys who can step up, and it'll be like no one was lost," said infielder Lorenzo Elion, who had 39 hits for the Hawkeyes in 2018. "One left and we step right in their footsteps because we learned from them. They set good examples when

they were here, and we just have to take advantage of that."

The team is meeting the problem of losing its biggest bats with consistent depth throughout the lineup.

There might not be as many obvious sluggers as there were in 2018. This is easy to understand, because Cropley and Neustrom combined for 134 hits, and both averaged more than .300 in 2018.

The team is full of consistent hitters who might not be as flashy as last season's stars, but depth is certainly a theme of the 2019 Hawkeyes.

After being asked which players will fill the spots of Cropley and Neustrom, head coach Rick Heller rattled off nine players who could fill important roles

SEE BATTING, 6

Cole McDonald is the latest Friday night pitcher for the Hawkeyes, and he's up for the challenge.

BY ADAM HENSLEY
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The Iowa baseball team saw many familiar faces depart for the major leagues and graduation this past offseason, and one of those Hawkeyes was pitcher Nick Allgeyer.

The Friday night starter threw a 2.41 ERA in his 15 starts, and he came just 5 strikeouts short of the century mark (95).

Now, with Allgeyer's graduation, Iowa turns to senior Cole McDonald to fill that Friday void.

"Basically, everything I've done since I've been here has been to be the Friday night starter," McDonald said.

He said head coach Rick Heller never formally announced his job as the Hawkeyes go-to pitcher to start weekend series — it was an

assumed role, thanks to his efforts last year and being one of the Hawkeyes' top returnees.

"It's important that your Friday night guy gives you a chance to win, start the series off each week, and I don't think any of us have any doubts that Cole won't do that," Heller said. "He's worked as hard as he ever has, which is as hard as anybody we've ever had. He's ready to go. He's in great shape, he's been throwing extremely well in our simulated games."

This offseason, McDonald said, he focused on adding more weight in an effort to increase his velocity while holding his average.

"My goal is to be more efficient with my pitches," the New Hamp-

SEE PITCHING, 6

Garza, defense focus for men's hoops

Luka Garza has been phenomenal, but the Hawkeyes' defense on the road has not.

BY PETE RUDEN
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A lot of things go into Iowa basketball's No. 20 ranking, but one of the most important aspects of the Hawkeyes' impressive season is big man Luka Garza.

Averaging a career-high 15.1 points to go along with 4.8 rebounds, the Washington native has been a force when it comes to scoring, making for a scary frontcourt when paired with Tyler Cook.

Garza has dropped at least 16 points in each of his last seven contests, including a four-game stretch in which he scored at least 20.

In Iowa's upset of No. 5 Michigan, he put up 19 points and 8 boards in just 21 minutes of action — his fifth-lowest minute total of the season.

Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said Garza's increase in production is a product of the 6-11 sophomore being healthy, and Garza agrees but thinks there's more to it.

"I think I'm just playing with a lot of confidence,"

he said. "My teammates are finding me in my spots, I'm going out there and playing as hard as I can ... It definitely helps to be back and not with a sprained ankle."

His scoring is something McCaffery said he knew could translate from high school to college.

"He has an unbelievable knack for getting the ball in the basket," McCaffery said. "He will make a 9-footer while he's getting banged off the glass in traffic look like a layup. That's really hard to do. Then he'll step out and make a 3, then make a 12-foot jumper, an 18-foot jumper, a 23-foot jumper, a shot fake one dribble pull-up. He has the total package when it comes to scoring the ball."

Defense a key on the road

It's no secret that when Iowa's defense isn't connected, beating the Hawkeyes gets a lot easier.

In Iowa's three losses on the road, it has given up at least 86 points each time — 90 in East Lansing, 86 in



Lily Smith/The Daily Iowan

Iowa forward Luka Garza shoots against Michigan at Carver-Hawkeye on Feb. 1. The Hawkeyes took down the No. 5 Wolverines, 74-59.

West Lafayette, and 92 in Minneapolis.

The Hawkeyes bounced back from the bad defensive performance at Minneso-

ta to shut down Michigan on Feb. 1, giving up only 59 points.

Now, the challenge becomes playing defense with

the same level of intensity on the road.

"You don't have the

SEE BASKETBALL, 6