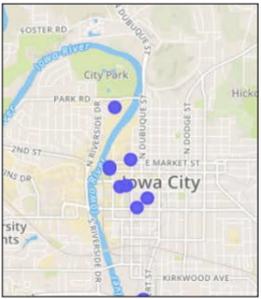


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Column: Gary Dolphin suspended for second time as Iowa mishandles situation

The second Gary Dolphin distraction is another example of how the University of Iowa Athletic Department mishandled a situation. Dolphin's actions shouldn't go without punishment, but the Athletics Department could have avoided it all by addressing the problem right after it happened (not three days later) and answering questions.



DI launches interactive candidate tracker

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Weather poses problems for nearly finished Kent Park Lake project

Kent Park Lake's three-year construction project is nearing its end, but winter weather has posed some challenges.



Column: Gun control failed Aurora, Illinois

Despite Illinois' gun-control laws, a gun made its way into the hands of the Feb. 15 Aurora, Illinois, shooter. The shooting should have been prevented under many of the state's gun-control laws, but it goes to show that lawmakers can only do so much to legislate safety.

Oklahoma State tops Iowa wrestling in battle of titans

Iowa fell into a hole early with two of its best wrestlers losing – Spencer Lee by pin and Austin DeSanto by decision – and the Hawkeyes suffered their first loss of the dual season. Now, Iowa shifts its attention to the championship season with Big Tens coming up in just over a week. **SPORTS, 8**



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UI boosts nighttime programs as alternative to alcohol

Late-night programming options are seeing a boost in support as the UI works to decrease high-risk alcohol consumption among students.

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University of Iowa officials are providing more late-night programs for those students who seek alternatives to drinking for nighttime entertainment.

The university has offered late-

night programming for around the last decade as part of its alcohol-harm-reduction efforts to provide students with options for alcohol-free entertainment. Late-night



Shivers

programming is any type of event offered Thursday through Saturday that starts at 10 p.m. or earlier and runs until at least midnight.

The Campus Activities Board, UI Housing & Dining, and Recreational Services have been hosts of and partners for such events. Since 2010, student governments have

also supported the programming, contributing \$75,000 per year, *The Daily Iowan* has previously reported, and the UI has contributed \$125,000 per year.

According to a report from the 2017-18 academic year, high-

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Prof details violence against women

UI Professor Karen Heimer delivered the 36th-annual Presidential Lecture on Sunday, which focused on rates of violence against women surpassing that of violence against men.



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Professor Karen Heimer speaks during the 36th-annual Presidential Lecture at the Levitt Center on Sunday. Heimer discussed her research on violence against women in the United States.

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UI Professor Karen Heimer delivered the 36th-annual Presidential Lecture, "Violence Against Women: The Hidden Figures," on Sunday. The lecture focused on the rates of violence against women and how the intersection of

identities leads to different rates of violence.

As professor of sociology and gender, women's and sexuality studies, in addition to being the president of the American Society of Criminology, Heimer said the lecture and her research involve information from both areas of her study.

"For a long time, we've paid attention to vi-

olence against men. We didn't pay a lot of attention to violence against women, including in criminology," Heimer said. "And I think the fact that women's rates are now higher than men is pretty important."

The lecture also focused on research conducted

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In eastern Iowa, Harris highlights justice

2020 candidate Kamala Harris focused on working-class issues and justice in her second Iowa tour since announcing her candidacy.



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Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., speaks during a town hall at the Quad Cities Wavefront Convention Center in Bettendorf on Sunday.

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events Sunday, drawing on her experience as a district attorney and attorney general.

Harris' tour throughout Iowa this past weekend marked her second trip to the Hawkeye State since announcing her presidential cam-

CEDAR RAPIDS, BETTENDORF — Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., outlined themes of upholding justice and truth in her eastern-Iowa campaign

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UI introduces Pivot to spur research

Pivot, a new research database available at the UI, will allow researchers to find funding and potential collaborators for projects in all areas of research.

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Before researchers can simulate experiments or conduct surveys, they first have to look for potential collaborators interested in investigating the same topic and also request and receive funding from the government, corporate partners, or private sources.

The Pivot database, recently brought to the University of Iowa, provides researchers with information for approximately \$47.7 billion worth of funding opportunities and a profiling system that matches people with similar points of research.

"It's a funding database but also a collaboration tool," UI Research Development Office Director Aaron Kline said. "It's generally trying to make researchers' lives easier."

Pivot's introduction to the UI is a result of collaboration among the Research Development Office, the Division of Sponsored Programs, and UI Libraries.

"I think it's really important we give credit to the collaboration between us," Kline said. "This is just a really intuitive tool and one of the most robust funding and collaboration tools available. We're really excited to have that at the university."



Kline

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by Heimer and colleague Janet Lauritsen at the University of Missouri. In the lecture, Heimer said the research focused on hidden violence in terms of consequences and costs, extent and patterns of violence, differences across groups, and the programs and facilities in place to address this violence.

Rebecca Swanson, a UI second-year student studying music education, who attended the lecture, she said the subject matter was very important for women.

"When women are feeling empowered and they feel safe in the environments ... they're able to thrive and ultimately bring everybody up

and just pull back the idea that women are any different from men," she said.

In an interview with Heimer, she said she is also conducting research in the United Kingdom with a colleague that focuses on the juvenile justice system in England and Wales in terms of treatment of female offenders.

"The U.S. is complex to study, because we're kind of like 50 little countries. Each state has its own ... juvenile justice system, and there's a lot of local variation," Heimer said. "So it's a lot easier to study England and Wales ... because it's one juvenile justice system, and so the laws are all the same, the procedures are all the same, that type of thing."

Heimer said the research revealed a trend in "de-in-

carcerating" girls for the past five to seven years. Instead, she said, the female offenders are being placed in communities. Heimer said that in the research, ethnic trends have become apparent.

"What we think we have found is that when they started releasing kids or not sending kids to the institutions ... instead kind of keeping them in the community for 'supervision,'" she said. "When they started doing that, that kind of looks like it benefited white kids more than black Caribbean and black African kids there."

UI senior Ireland Mahoney, who studies ethics and public policy and psychology, said the event helps raise awareness of violence.

"The important points were focusing on the whole

problem of hidden figures with the intersection of violence against women ... which, in turn, can help policy and organizations that can help," she said.

Heimer said she was surprised and honored to have been chosen for the Presidential Lecture. She had no idea she was being considered, she said, and being chosen by UI President Bruce Harrel from a list of committee recommendations was amazing.

"I'm a social scientist, and there haven't been very many social scientists who have given these, and so I think it's really great for highlighting what we do in social science," she said. "And I'm also a feminist, and I think it's really great for highlighting feminist scholarship."



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Professor Karen Heimer speaks during the 36th-annual Presidential Lecture at the Levitt Center on Sunday. Heimer discussed her research on violence against women in the United States.

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risk alcohol consumption among UI students declined by 28 percent from 2009 to 2017, but the issue remains a concern for university officials, because 56.6 percent of students report having experienced a negative consequence from drinking in the last year.

"This is the thing we hear over and over is, 'Well, there's nothing else to do but drink,'" said Tanya Villhauer, Student Life's director of student well-being and harm reduction. "... How do we as a university provide all these options and let the students know what they want to know when they're ready to know about it?"

Data collection is now possible thanks to SWIPE technology, introduced in the fall semester, so officials

have a better understanding of which programs and educational opportunities students have engaged in.

Nellie Link, the associate director of campus programs and student activities for the Center for Student Involvement & Leadership, said in an email to *The Daily Iowan* that the Division of Student Life has had nearly 3,000 students participate in late-night programming since data collection began in September 2018. This number does not include programs that occurred at the very beginning of the year.

Link said officials use a survey that asks students to report how likely it is that they would be doing something involving alcohol if they were not attending the event and to provide additional demographic information, such as whether students live on or off campus. She noted that they will be able to report more about

the data at the end of the semester.

"Late-night programming is an important initiative on campus to help support the university's alcohol-harm-reduction efforts," she said. "The events and programs are designed to be exciting, relevant, attractive to a wide variety of student interests. We are so grateful for the support of colleagues across campus and in our community to help reduce harm related to alcohol use and provide an engaging experience for our students."

UI Vice President for Student Life Melissa Shivers said she believes the UI can help assist with retention and persistence to graduation through initiatives such as late-night programming.

"... As many ways as we can try to connect with those students who may not be sort of the students who are the most involved, students who are just look-

ing for ways to get involved in ways that are easier and more accessible for them, those are very important student populations that we need to get connect with," she said.

After a recent gift of \$50,000 from the Graduate Iowa City to support late-night programming, Shivers said, the hope is that more prospective donors will come forward to bolster the efforts.

"My dream is that every student who comes to the University of Iowa would have an awareness, and we would love it if they had the opportunity and engaged in the opportunity to participate in these types of activities," she said. "And the more financial support that we can receive to broaden the scope and increase the number of programs is only going to benefit our students."

Go to dailyiowan.com for the full Shivers interview.

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paign in January. On Sunday afternoon, she spoke before a crowd of about 500 in Bettendorf and recorded a live podcast with the hosts of Political Party Live at CSPA Hall in Cedar Rapids. Her Waterloo stop was canceled because of treacherous road conditions.

Highlighting her background in prosecution and law enforcement, Harris spoke about criminal-justice reform at both events.

"I have the ability to prosecute the case against the current occupant of the White House and make the case for change," she said in Cedar Rapids.

She previously served as district attorney for San Francisco and attorney general in California. Since 2017, she has represented California in the U.S. Senate.

Harris said she was running for president because the U.S. is at a critical moment in history.

"This is a moment where we have to restore opportunity in America for all people," she said in Bettendorf. "We have to understand that over decades, the rules have been written in a way that have been an exclusion of working-class families in America."

To aid working-class Americans, Harris proposed a \$6,000 tax break to help those spending over 30 percent of their income on housing.

In her mission to "speak the truth," Harris affirmed the existence of climate change and her support for the Green New Deal, called mass incarceration an injustice, and supported universal health care.

Various audience members in Bettendorf said they appreciated that Harris touched on issues regarding the American prison system.

"I think it stands out to me that she's willing to speak the truth and is not going to shy away from it," Allison Little said in Bettendorf. "I think she came out with a lot of really bold statements."

Tim Comisso said he wished Harris would have spent more time addressing issues affecting college students, such as student debt. However, he thinks she has a strong chance against any other Democratic candidate.

"I think there's three issues that need to be addressed if a Democrat is going to get in as president: education for college students, Medicare for all, and getting *Citizens United* flipped over," Comisso said.

Harris' last stop in Iowa City was before the midterm elections, when she campaigned for



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Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., answers questions from audience members during a recording of Political Party Live at CSPA Hall in Cedar Rapids on Sunday.

Deidre Dejean, an unsuccessful candidate for Iowa secretary of state in 2018, and now-Sen. Zach Wahls, D-Coralville.

Dejean declared in Bettendorf that she's taken on the role of Harris' state chair. She said she met with other Democratic presidential candidates but Harris was the inspiration she

needed to get involved with campaigns again after her 2018 loss.

"It was very easy for me to make my decision because she

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Pivot replaces another research database, Spin, which had been available to the UI. Kline said the new resource is much more accessible and makes for a much better user experience.

"It's really a click of a button, and the results are right there for you," Kline said. "It's much cleaner. We're hoping it will get people opportunities in a more timely way, so they can prepare more competitive proposals."

Kline said that Pivot will not only fund UI research opportunities but also bridge disciplinary barriers across campus by identifying collaborators from different areas.

"This one tool accomplishes two of the great missions here at the university," Kline said. "This is a great tool to help facilitate the process of interdisciplinary research."

Faculty, students, and staff have access to Pivot via their university email or a university computer, and Kline said seeing a universe of opportunities in alignment with their specific research areas is a cool aspect of the program.

UI Associate University Librarian Paul Soderdahl said potential collaborators for researchers on Pivot are not necessarily limited to UI colleagues, they could also be

researchers anywhere in the world.

"I think something this is all trying to do is elevate the profile of the research that's happening already at the university, making it more visible to funders, to other researchers, and to the general public," Soderdahl said.

Pivot is only one part of a package that UI Libraries is working on developing that will record, document, and preserve the work of researchers coming out of the university and capture all publications from university faculty, he said.

UI Division of Sponsored Programs research support specialist Oliva Smith said the search interface on Pivot is unlike other databases in that the algorithm is more powerful and tagging by editors is more precise.

"You can save a search, so you get results every Sunday evening," Smith said. "That's one of the nicest things about Pivot — it's just like three steps."

This kind of timeliness will make it possible for researchers to prepare for funding applications four to 12 months in advance of when they need it while simultaneously keeping up with competition, she said.

"Learning to make it happen, searching for funding, it's just kind of part of someone's life if they're going to continue in academia," Smith said.

Iowa legislators talk K-12 education

Three Democratic Iowa lawmakers discussed concerns with school district officials around legislative activity under Iowa's golden dome including district budget management, child care, and K-12 funding during a forum on Feb. 22.

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Iowa City School District officials held a forum with Democratic state lawmakers on Feb. 22 to discuss developments in K-12 education.

The legislators discussed a number of bills recently passed or under consideration in the Legislature, as well as general policies that

would affect school districts. District budget management, childcare, and K-12 funding were among the topics discussed at the forum, which approximately a dozen people attended.

The legislators noted a bill introduced by Rep. Ashley Hinson, R-Marion, that aims to increase transparency in how school districts spend their money.

Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City, addressed the need for more comprehensive audits on school districts and better training of school board members.

She referred to a December 2018 incident in which a state audit found that the Waukee School District had mishandled at least \$130,000 in taxpayer money.

Mascher said many dis-

tricts have minimal auditing, which can lead to poor handling of budgets and scandals such as the one in Waukee.

"Some of these smaller districts, I think their whole thing is just to get it done," Mascher said. "And they don't always scrutinize things well."

Audits would help improve district money management and help them use their spending more efficiently,

'It seems to me that investing in our kids is one of the best things we can do with our state dollars.'

— Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City

she said.

"Audits should be a way of improving how you manage your budgets and what you do with your dollars," Mascher said in an interview with *The Daily Iowan* after the forum.

The legislators also raised concerns about childcare and mental health. There was a shortage of mental-health providers in Iowa schools, as well as childcare workers, she said. "I held seven listening posts across Johnson and Cedar County [recently]," Sen. Zach Wahls, D-Coralville, said. "Childcare was the No. 1 topic that came up."

A bill that would eliminate the requirement for nurses and librarians in school districts was also covered at the forum. Iowa City School District officials expressed concerns about medication distribution and students being injured on school grounds in schools without nurses.

Mascher said the bill was introduced to give districts more flexibility in whom they hire, allowing districts to allocate money for more teachers, leading to smaller class sizes. However, she said, doing away with nurses and librarians would not be good for students.

"Kids who are in schools where there are librarians tend to have better achievement scores," she said in an interview. "I don't think that's an accident."

In discussing K-12 funding, Mascher said the 2.3 percent increase in funding Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds recently signed was not so much as she and other Democrats had hoped for.

"We can do better," Mascher said. "And we have the money in the budget to do that. It seems to me that investing in our kids is one of the best things we can do with our state dollars."

Reynolds signed House File 306 and House File 307 on Feb. 19, adding nearly \$90 million in funding for K-12 schools.

"This new education funding helps us get our young people ready for the challenges of a 21st-century economy," Reynolds said at the signing. "I commend lawmakers for their quick action on school funding this session, which will help school districts prepare for the next school year."

In addition to Mascher, and Wahls, Vicki Lensing, D-Iowa City, was also present at the forum.



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Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City, speaks during a forum on education at the Iowa City School District Educational Services Center on Feb. 22.

PrideCon backs LGBTQ youth in fifth year

PrideCon, which took place this past weekend, had its biggest event yet with around 80 kids, teens, and parents joining in support.

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In the cafeteria of the Tate Alternative High School, kids played, learned, and held themselves with pride as they spoke about their experiences with LGBTQ acceptance in the fifth-annual PrideCon.

United Action for Youth, an eastern Iowa nonprofit, put on the event.

The event was the group's largest yet, United Action for Youth said. It featured support groups, a drag show, and mental-health discussions.

"We provided nearly 80 young people who identify as LGBTQ+ with an opportunity to laugh, to learn, to dance and to support each other," United Action for Youth said in a press release. "Most importantly, we provided this amazing group of young people with a safe space for them to find themselves."

Tim Grady, an event organizer and therapist for United Action, said the gathering drew youth and parents.

"It was super-successful. We had a lot more young people than last year, and we hit our numbers," Grady said. "We had about 10 parents. We were hoping for more, but the ones who showed up were the ones who needed to be there."

Parents at the convention participated in an "Ask the Doctor" session in which they worked with a doctor from the University of Iowa who specializes in adolescent health, as well as support groups in which they learned how to be effective allies for their children.

"The idea was really it was supporting the parents to better support their kids," Grady said.

PrideCon drew students from across the state, some of whom don't have Pride events in their towns.

"I grew up in Iowa City, so after the event yesterday, I kept thinking it would be so cool to have an event like this when I was younger," Grady said. "Going to an event like this shows

you that are not alone."

Grady, who joined United Action last fall, said that while this is his first PrideCon, he has heard a lot about its history and has a lot of hopes for both the future of the convention and the agency's work with LGBTQ youth.

"We offer several LGBTQ peer groups at our youth center each week," he said. "We offer LGBTQ specific programming, so Girls Rock and Pride Rock in the summer are targeted toward LGBTQ youth in central Iowa. We find ourselves in every community, but sometimes we feel like we're the only ones."

Volunteer Annie Gudenkauf, who has worked with the agency for four years and attended four Pride Cons, said she believes that PrideCon is important for LGBTQ youth, because they don't always feel secure at school.

"From discussions yesterday, it's clear that so many kids aren't accepted at home or in their communities, so it's so important to create our own communities," Gudenkauf said. "I think it was really heartwarming to see communities bused in, so that was cool to see people from all over Iowa come together and make friends with one another."

Ryan Johnson, a volunteer at PrideCon, said that through the event, he noticed a change in the way that LGBTQ youth are exposed to LGBTQ culture.

"I think the thing that maybe stood out to me the most, and it's something that stands out anytime there's an LGBTQ+ space, is everyone just seems to be fine with being themselves, and much more than they do around other people," Johnson said.



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Seventh-graders Lulu Roarick, Connor Jakob, Erin Partridge, and Vivian Shields stand in front of a banner at PrideCon on Feb. 23 at Tate High School. Pride Con is a yearly event that supports LGBTQ youth in Iowa City.



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Opinions

COLUMN

Gun control failed the Aurora community

The shooting in Aurora, Illinois, earlier this month should have been prevented under many of the state's gun control laws. More legislation isn't the answer to gun violence.



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The Feb. 15 shooting in Aurora, Illinois, hits home for many students, including me.

A Twitter news alert popped up on my phone over a week ago, prompting an immediate call to my aunt, an elementary-school social worker. She, along with my 1-year old cousin, were safe, as both of their schools were on lockdown.

Just 1.7 miles away from her work, a disgruntled employee opened fire on his coworkers after being informed of his termination from Henry Pratt Co. The aftermath of this rampage left five employees dead and five officers wounded. My hometown would quickly be splattered across the media with calls for tighter gun control, but many outlets failed to realize that Second Amendment rights provide much-needed defense for families in the same suburban town. The measures already in place could not provide any defense for the Henry Pratt employees.

Details initially reported of the shooting stated that the gunman purchased the firearm he used at Henry Pratt in 2014, years after he was convicted of aggravated assault. A background check missed a prior felony, which allowed him to purchase the firearm.



Armando L. Sanchez/Chicago Tribune/TNS
Aurora Police Chief Kristen Ziman stands near the podium during a vigil outside the Henry Pratt Co. plant where on Feb. 15 six people, including the gunman, were fatally shot in Aurora, Illinois.

There was no gun-show loophole. This was the failure of every law in the books.

More than a week later, a surplus of evidence proved to be an even bigger disappointment to gun-control advocates.

The gunman, Gary Martin, tallied six arrests for traffic and domestic battery-related issues in addition to the aggravated-assault conviction, which should have halted the purchase, according to the 1968 Gun Control Act. The act bars the purchase of firearms to anyone convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for more than a year and anyone who has been convicted of a misdemeanor domestic-violence offense. Martin had a history of both.

He was approved for a Firearm Owners Identification Card in Illinois but later denied a concealed-carry permit, which flagged his

prior felony. Illinois State Police could not explain how he could possess a firearm after his card was rescinded.

According to Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence, Illinois got a "B+" rating in gun-control efforts, demonstrating that every measure to possibly prevent gun violence was codified in the blue state, home to the second most dangerous city in America.

As websites such as Vox proclaim that murders similar to these would not have occurred if every gun was taken off the street, they ignore a very two-sided argument.

I come from a family that exercises its Second Amendment right and knows the legal routes to becoming a firearm owner.

There is no certainty that my firearm will ever have to be pointed toward another human, but in the event

that my firearm has to be, it does so only to protect a family that upholds the law and rights declared in the Constitution.

Certainty lies in the fact that my family lives in a two-mile radius of 123 registered sex offenders. No narrative takes away the reality that two Latin Kings living doors down from us murdered innocent teenagers at point-blank range.

Our middle-class family isn't special. There are many families similar to ours that believe they are the best advocates for their own safety. We truly believe that "God created men, and Sam Colt made them equal" — equal protection in neighborhoods that don't have the luxury of gates and equal defense in communities with a suffering police force.

To lawmakers and those who disagree with me at Vox: Please don't leave me defenseless.

COLUMN

Learning a foreign language builds a strong community

UI language departments are community-oriented and help make students feel included.



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I am an English, creative-writing, and Russian major at the University of Iowa. I started teaching myself Russian when I was 14, but once I reached the grammar portion of the language, I quit because it was too difficult. However, the desire to learn this language still remained. I felt very stuck and frustrated learning it on my own, but when I registered for classes at the UI, I was ecstatic to see Russian as an option. I signed up for a Russian class without thinking about the fact that I already had all of my language

study groups with. Also, if I'm having trouble with the material — which happens pretty frequently since I'm studying Russian — I have people I know and trust who can either help me understand it better or will at least listen to me complain about it. Taking a language course makes college feel much less lonely.

Aside from having friends in the class, the entire department strives to make students feel included. From conversation hours to end-of-the-semester parties, language departments make sure students feel like part of a community. I've met people from different years through the Russian conversation hour, and talking to them inspires me to continue learning. They help me out with my language skills and prepare me for upcoming years. Knowing people in the language department reassures me there are people who have my back and are there to support me.

'Language departments work very hard to make their students feel welcome, cared for, and part of something.'

credits required to earn my degree. I was excited about the opportunity to learn the language.

Once the class started, I made friends instantly. My professor made us do exercises in which we would go around the class and talk to as many people as possible. She wanted to foster friendships in the class, as she knew we'd all enroll in the same classes together for the next four years. Almost all of the friends I hang out with today I met through Russian class. I don't know where I'd be without these friendships. Transitioning to college is a lonely process, but being in a language class gave me a sense of community from Day One.

Having the same class with someone for four years is a sure-fire way to ensure that you will be close. Not only do we have the same language classes for four years, but we also have other major-related courses for those of us who major in either the language, linguistics, or international relations. Being in such close quarters with someone for so long is a great way to become very close.

Not only do I usually have an idea of who's going to be in my classes each semester, but I have people I can form

Some of my friends have also taken Arabic and German, and they comment on how close they are with their fellow language students. They talk about their Arabic or German friends and professors consistently. They attend conversation hours and know the professors in the department and upperclassmen. Not only is the Russian Department focused on community, but it seems that most language departments also focus on this goal. Having friends and being surrounded by a community, a family, is crucial to a student's learning experience — particularly if it's a difficult language such as Russian or Arabic.

When most people think of a community on campus, they might think of a student organization, sorority/fraternity, or maybe a cultural house. Most people would not think of a language department fostering such a strong sense of community among students. Language departments work very hard to make their students feel welcome, cared for, and part of something. Before enrolling in a language course, I never would have thought I'd meet some of my best friends through a Russian class and that I'd spend a lot of my time in Phillips Hall.

COLUMN

Should we cancel cancel-culture?

Is separating art from the artist even possible when the art reflects his criminal actions?



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It seems as if every day another celebrity says something out of line, commits a crime, or simply exists and their fans are socially forced to "cancel" them. Every day you realize you can watch fewer movies and listen to even fewer artists because fan bases and society deem them problematic.

Take R&B singer R. Kelly, for example, who was recently charged with 10 counts of criminal sexual abuse. The cancellation of a man who was accused of violating underage girls and committing heinous crimes is entirely understandable. Is separating art from the artist possible when the art reflects his criminal actions?

On the other end of the spectrum, artist and hip-hop

icon Kanye West proclaimed his love for President Trump and tweeted photos of himself sporting a "Make American Great Again" hat

this was a publicity stunt or a legitimate shift in point of view, many denounced their support for West because of this and "canceled" him.

treating Kanye's wrongs in the same manner as we treat R. Kelly's, we downplay literal criminal acts by comparing them to flaws of human nature. Looking at it on an individual basis, one is unforgivable while another can be acknowledged and changed. Why, then, do we have the same response to two clearly different scenarios?

Especially in cases such as R. Kelly's, personal accountability isn't taken, nor is it relevant to the severity of his case. Whether he were to apologize or feel remorse, the extremity of his actions calls for extreme consequences.

It is important to recognize the consequences of celebrities' actions and the public's response should be a case-by-case situation, especially when it comes to fully writing off celebrities. Giving artists such as Kanye leeway and room to change allows more grey space and improvement of our so-called pinnacles of society and also reserves the response of complete social ostracizing to those such as R. Kelly who deserve it.

cancel
/'kansəl/verb

1. decide or announce that (a planned event) will not take place

a. "he was forced to cancel his visit"

2. to not support a celebrity because of something dumb they said or did

last April. Alongside images of Ye in the red "MAGA" cap, he tweeted, "The mob can't make me not love him [Trump]." The artist has been broadcasted meeting with Trump on a few occasions.

Many Kanye supporters felt betrayed and "canceled" him. The same man who said on live television, "George Bush doesn't care about black people" and has been deemed an advocate for the black community, was now siding with a man who some have labeled as a white supremacist. Whether

Both of these scenarios, clearly distinct from one another and at opposite ends of the spectrum in regard to extremity, sparked public backlash and resulted in the "cancellation" of an artist.

Society has placed these celebrities on an unreachable pedestal and at times makes them an unwritten representative of entire community, which is a horrible mistake. The other harmful part of cancel culture is the lack of room given to celebrities to make things right when they are called out on their actions. By



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One hundred-twenty flags are seen on the IMU pedestrian bridge on Oct. 15, 2018.

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Kent Park Lake project battles winter

Winter has posed challenges to the Kent Park Lake re-establishment project, which began in 2016. The project is nearing completion.

BY ANDY MITCHELL
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Officials hope to complete the second phase of Kent Park Lake's re-establishment project in the spring, despite complications from winter.

Larry Gullett, the project head and director of Johnson County Conservation, said the construction in the main basin of the lake is finished, and the remaining steps involve completing a new control structure and reshaping the dam.

"This winter has been so severe with the depth of frost and the snowfall," he said. "Normally by mid-February, a lot of the snow is melting. Well, right now, everything is still frozen solid."

Workers need the ground to be frozen in order to access the wetland areas and remove dredge materials, but the snow has hindered progress. He said the best thing to happen for construction would be freezing temperatures and no snow, but the heavy amount of snow creates wet conditions, complicating the process.

Kent Park Lake was listed as "impaired water" before the project started, meaning it exceeded Department of Natural Resources and EPA standards for bacteria and algae. The result was a green lake.

Kent Park ranger Charlie Bray said during the project, it was clear something needed to be done.

The swimming beach, one of the park's main attractions, had issues with algae for aesthetic rea-

sons and because the algae was releasing toxins, he said.

"We had to routinely close [the swimming beach], and in my six years here, it seemed like we were closing it more and more because of the algae blooms," Bray said.

Gullett said excess algae is caused by excess nutrients in the water, in this case, agricultural runoff.

"Even though we are addressing the impairment of algae and bacteria, what we really have to control is the nutrient load," Gullett said.

The first phase of the project revolved around working on and protecting the watershed, building five new "catch basins," or ponds, and rehabilitating four existing ponds. The process finished last fall, after taking a year and a half to complete.

Workers also redesigned the parking lot by the lake to prevent stormwater runoff from ending up in the lake, so now stormwater runs through a biocell filter before entering the lake.

"Though there have been some delays along the way due to extreme weather and other factors, the project is moving along nicely," Johnson County Board of Supervisors Chair Lisa Green-Douglass said in an email to *The Daily Iowan*. "I am excited to see the project finished."

For the second phase, workers drained the lake, and the county contracted Conley Construction to dredge more than 1,000 cubic yards of sediments that had accumulated during the lake's 40-year existence and construct



The entrance to the lake at Kent Park is seen on Dec. 29, 2017. A project to improve the lake's water quality nears completion despite weather challenges this winter.

four underwater fish reefs.

"It's a pretty big project financially, with all the design and construction. It's probably a \$3.3 million project," Gullett said. "And 50 percent of the funding is coming from the state of Iowa's lake-restoration program."

The second phase should be finished by April 1, he said, but with the winter conditions getting in the way of the work, it could be finished up to a month later.

"It's neat to watch this transformation, but it's not without its frustrations," Bray said.

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Iowa forward Megan Gustafson drives against Michigan at Carver-Hawkeye on Jan. 17.

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ence tournament. Iowa's hopes of a regular-season title may be running a bit thin, but the Big Ten Tournament is still up for grabs, and securing a top-two seed means the Hawkeyes need just three wins to take the crown as opposed to four. "As a player, you want to play for championships," said Kathleen Doyle, whose 40 steals in conference play

ranks second in the Big Ten. "We have to focus on the next one in front of us, because the one after that won't matter unless you get the job done in the first one." The postseason is always an important thing to play for, but the Hawkeyes also have a little bit of pride to play for. They were recently recognized by the Associated Press as a top-10 team in the country, and instead of being content with that honor, Iowa is instead eager to prove its worth. "It's exciting to see our hard work pay off, and we

have to keep it going," forward Megan Gustafson said. "We have the confidence, and we know we're a top-10 team. Because we're a top-10 team doesn't mean we don't have anything to prove. We do, and we have to take that into everything we do from here on out." Iowa's Belichick-like mindset of "on to the next game" has helped the Hawkeyes endure just one losing streak all season, in November. The Hawkeyes hope that mantra will garner more success against the Huskers.

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had a chip on my shoulder. I got something to prove in front of a bunch of people. I just went out there, wrestled my match, and got the job done." The Cowboys' lead was cut in half by No. 7 Kaleb Young. He dominated on the offensive, 9-5, for the win over Wyatt Sheets. And then, No. 2 Alex

Marinelli came and went. Marinelli made quick work of his opponent with a pin in 2:44. He held an 8-0 lead at that point, shifting the meet from Oklahoma State's control to a tie. "I'm just going to do my job," Marinelli said. "I knew the team score was going to be close, and I knew I had to get bonus points in whatever way I had to. A pin was what I wanted and what I always want." Marinelli's projected opponent, No. 10 Chandler

Rogers, moved up to 174 for the dual to wrestle unranked Mitch Bowman instead. Oklahoma State rallied in what could have been a momentous finish for Iowa, taking the final four matches with a pin at 174 and three decisions. "This was an important dual to Oklahoma State, and this was an important dual to Iowa; it looked like it was more important to Oklahoma State," Brands said. "That means that we got work to do."



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A fan in a dolphin costume with the phrase "Save the Dolphins" on it dances in the stands during the men's basketball game against Indiana at Carver-Hawkeye on Feb. 22.

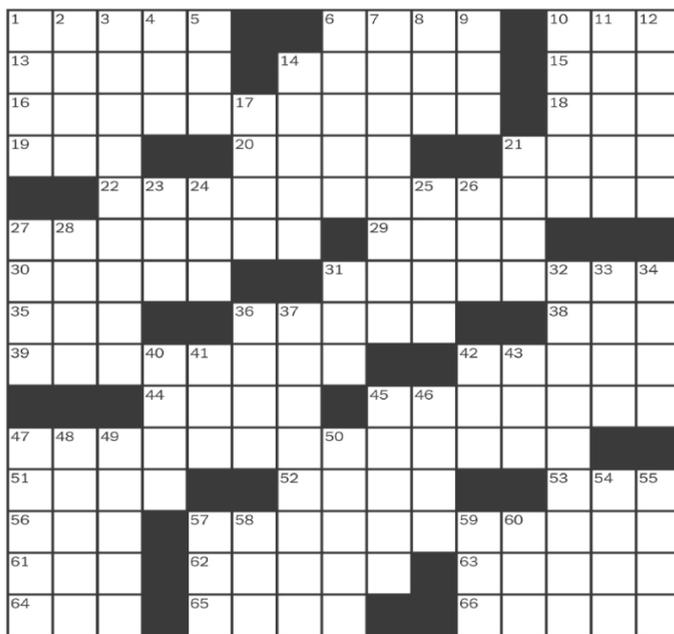
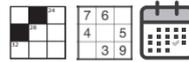
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just because many people don't understand it doesn't make it acceptable. But for those people saying, "Dolphin grew up in a different era," that's a lame excuse. Times change. Change with them. Especially if you're the voice of the Hawkeyes. I honestly don't think Dolphin meant any harm in his comments, but the point remains: Just because you don't see anything wrong with it doesn't mean others are in the same boat. However, the punishment — as well as how the situation was handled — doesn't fit the crime. What should have resulted in a public apology (which Dolphin issued) and a small one- or two-game suspension (actions need consequences but not so severe — consider his intentions). This all should have happened the day after Dolphin's comments. Not three days later, sitting on it until hours before the next game. I'd expect the Iowa Athletics Department to release a statement of its own as well. At the bare minimum, a quote from Athletics Director Gary Barta. Instead, Barta did not comment on the subject. Even a statement along the lines of not condoning his actions, yet still supporting

him and helping him to learn from his mistake. Instead of publicly dealing with the issue and answering the many questions, the Athletics Department sat in silence. Barta attended Iowa's 76-70 overtime win over Indiana, sitting right by press row. He did not address the media that night. After the game, the media were told that no questions would be answered unless directly related to the Feb. 22 game against Indiana. A distraction, something that could — and should — have been handled days before, got out of hand hours before tip. No longer was Iowa's matchup with Indiana the main story. A distraction at its finest. On Oct. 17, 2018, two of my coworkers and I interviewed Barta in his office. At one point, I specifically asked him about head men's basketball coach Fran McCaffery's extension last season, which went unannounced and brought up a question about how transparent the Athletics Department should be. Barta said the Athletics Department is completely transparent. "I just made the decision that I didn't want to disrupt the season at that point," he told the DI. Disruption is an interesting word choice here, because for someone who does not want to cause any outside

noise to clutter the basketball program, it's happened twice now this season with the same person and on the day of games. The initial news of Dolphin's suspension came from Hawkeye Sports Properties, not even the Athletics Department. Then, later after the initial release came out, the university sent out one of its own, essentially saying, "Ditto." There was no comment by a University of Iowa official. Point being, Dolphin should have used a different comparison when describing Fernando after the game. However, the way the Athletics Department handled the situation (essentially, by not handling it), made this an even bigger mess. The Athletics Department has a track record of sitting back and letting issues snowball. Whether it's not having Barta, Kirk Ferentz, or Chris Doyle at a press conference after a workout hospitalized 14 football players in 2011 or the entire Jane Meyer trial in 2017, there is a pattern. The latest twist of the repetitive narrative is with the play-by-play announcer, of all people, a man who many Iowa fans consider an embodiment of what it means to be a Hawkeye. The internal rift is clear, and it's a poor look on the outside. It's Crisis Management 101 — a class the Athletics Department might want to take.

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Iowa women take third, men fourth at Big Tens

The Hawkeyes swept the 60 hurdles and 1,600-meter relays in an eventful Big Ten meet in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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The Big Ten Indoor Championships have concluded, and both Iowa track squads secured top-five finishes. The women's team finished third with 80 points, and the men tied for fourth with Purdue, putting up 70.

The Ohio State women and the Nebraska men finished competition as Big Ten indoor champions, earning 112 and 93 points, respectively.



Simmons

Several tracksters highlighted the meet for Iowa in becoming Big Ten champions.

On the first day, Tria Simmons took home gold in the pentathlon, scoring 4,135 points. Hawkeye Jenny Kimbro finished right behind her, putting up 4,030 points for a second.

The pair have pushed each other all season, and that did not change at the Big Tens.

"Jenny and Tria did what we expect from them," Iowa Director of Track & Field Joey Woody said in a release. "They got the weekend started for us. Those two feed off each other. Without one of them, I'm not sure the other

would have been as productive as they were today."

Kimbro was just getting started — she and Jaylan McConico combined to sweep the 60-meter hurdles. Kimbro ran a 8.29 to earn gold on the women's side, and McConico ran a 7.79.

The 60-meter hurdles was not the only event that Iowa swept — both the men's and women's 1,600-meter relay teams were victorious to close the meet.

The men's 1,600 squad — Collin Hofacker, Antonio Woodard, Chris Thompson, and Mar'Yea Harris — were in third through three legs of the race, but anchor Harris propelled Iowa to the victory.

"With an athlete like Mar'Yea, you've got a shot, even if it's close," Woody said in a release. "He had a lot of fire in his belly. He was able to help us defend our outdoor relay title from last year."

The women's relay — Kimbro, Simmons, Aly Weum, and Briana Guillory — won with a time of 3:37.58, tying the eighth-fastest time in school history.

"We were sitting in the back room [before the race]," Weum said in a release. "We knew the men were out there, and we wanted to watch the race but knew the coaches would be mad. We would peek out

every now and then. When the crowd got loud, we knew those were our Iowa Hawkeyes. We wanted to represent Iowa in the same way that they did, and we did it."

Back-to-back victories to close the conference championships was, to Woody, the perfect way to end an eventful weekend.

"What can you say when you sweep both the men's and women's 4x400 relays?" Woody said in a release. "It's a testament to our program. We always expect to have a great relay competing for championships and to be able to come out and win both is exciting."

Two Iowa school records also fell at Big Tens. Laulau-ga Tausaga broke her own mark in the shot put, throwing 17.69 meters and breaking the previous one by 1.09 meters. Karayme Bartley blazed past the 200-meter record, running 20.67 to best the previous mark set by Justin Austin in 2011 (20.80).

Both athletes finished second.

The Hawkeyes will close the indoor season March 8-9 in Birmingham, Alabama, at the NCAA Indoor Championships. The NCAA qualifiers list will be posted on the NCAA website by Feb. 26.

Hawkeye swimming finishes 10th at Big Tens

Iowa finished its conference championship with multiple career-bests from several student-athletes..

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The Iowa women's swimming and diving team concluded the four-day Big Ten Championships in Bloomington, Indiana, with a 10th-place finish.

Some results may have not gone the Hawkeyes' way, but they set many season-best times. Senior Abbey Schneider concluded her final 1,650 free and swam to a career-best time (16:51.17). The time kept her at No. 9 in school history, cutting 7.3 seconds

off her previous mark.

Senior Devin Jacobs, who was selected as the Hawkeyes' representative for the Big Ten Sportsmanship Award, also broke in-



Burvill

to the record books in the 200 breast (2:17.80), which was good enough for the No. 4 spot at Iowa. Sophomore Lexi Horner also splashed her way into the rankings at No. 10 (2:19.13).

Junior Hannah Burvill

(48.97), junior Allyssa Fluit (50.19), and freshman Lauren McDougall (50.88) swam season-bests times in the 100 free. Fluit's time was her career-best and helped her climb to fourth in the school record book, before she beat that time leading off the 400-free relay. Burvill just missed her career best time by .03.

Burvill also captured Iowa's lone school record of the Big Ten Championships in the 100 back after she led off for the 400-medley relay with a

time of 53.27.

The 400-free relay — Fluit, Burvill, Kelly McNamara, and McDougall — posted a 3:19.72, earning the No. 2 spot in school history. Fluit's lead-off split of 49.86 puts her at the third spot in school history in the 100 free.

Three Hawkeye divers finished in the top 15 in the preliminaries on the 3-meter springboard, earning them a spot in the finals. Sophomore Jayah Mathews earned an "A" final spot after finishing sixth in the preliminar-

ies. She outdo that performance, scoring 353.10 in the finals to finish fourth.

Freshman Sam Tamborski finished just outside the "A" mark, placing ninth in the preliminaries, earning her the top spot in the "B" finals. Junior Thelma Strandberg was not far behind, also earning a spot in the "B" finals with a 13th-place finish. In the "B" final, Tamborski earned a 10th place (332.35), and Strandberg ended up in 15th (278.75).

Kelsey Drake and McNamara both swam to a

spot in the "B" finals in the 100 fly, in which they earned 14th and 15th. They finished in the same spots in the final with McNamara (54.02) just trailing Drake (53.81).

The 200-free relay of Burvill, sophomore Sarah Schemmel, McNamara, and Drake swam to a time of 1:32.11 in the finals, taking home 10th.

The NCAA Championships will take place in Austin, Texas, with the diving portion going from March 11-13 and the swimming March 20-23.

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HAWKEYE UPDATES

Hawkeye baseball ties series with Hawaii

Iowa baseball posted its second successful weekend in a row, racking up two wins to tie the series with Hawaii in Honolulu.

After getting off to a rocky start with a 7-1 loss in which Friday starter Cole McDonald fell to 0-2, the Hawkeyes rattled off two-consecutive wins, including a doubleheader sweep on Feb. 23, 10-8 and 6-4.

Heller

The series against the Rainbow Warriors marked the second weekend in a row the Hawkeyes bounced back after suffering a series-opening loss. "It shows a lot about their toughness," Iowa head coach Rick Heller said in a release. "It was ugly at times, and we had to overcome a lot of things, but we found a way, guys stepped up when they needed to ... It was outstanding."

For the full story, go to dailyiowan.com

Bohannon draws comparisons to two-time NBA MVP Curry

Against Indiana on Feb. 22, Iowa's Jordan Bohannon unleashed a fiery wrath of 3-pointers, draining three in a span of 2:27.

All in all, the junior scored 17 points, hitting five 3-pointers, and head coach Fran McCaffery drew comparisons to Golden State's Steph Curry. "I remember when we signed him, I said he's a lot like Steph," McCaffery said. "And what I meant was that he has that quick trigger. Steph Curry pulls right in your face, and that's what Jordan does. And everybody's like, he's not like Steph. But he kind of is with those shots and his ability to make those shots look easy. And the great thing is we've got a group of guys that will get the ball to him."

His teammates agreed. "I think it's a pretty obvious comparison," forward Tyler Cook said. "They shoot from their houses basically. They make big-time shots."

Big Ten men's basketball standings

- 1) Michigan State (23-5, 14-3)
- 2) Purdue (20-7, 13-3)
- 3) Michigan (24-4, 13-4)
- 4) Maryland (21-7, 12-5)
- 5) Wisconsin (19-8, 11-5)
- 6) Iowa (21-6, 10-6)
- 7) Ohio State (17-10, 7-9)
- 8) Minnesota (17-11, 7-10)
- 9) Illinois (10-17, 6-10)
- 10) Rutgers (13-14, 6-11)
- 11) Nebraska (15-13, 5-12)
- 12) Indiana (13-14, 4-12)
- 12) Penn State (11-16, 4-12)
- 14) Northwestern (12-15, 3-13)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It's a pleasure to play with a guy like that, man. He can turn it on at any moment."



— Iowa forward Luka Garza on Jordan Bohannon

STAT OF THE DAY

Iowa men's basketball's last five games have been decided by a combined 15 points.

15 points decided Iowa's last five games

Undefeated no more: Wrestlers fall to Oklahoma State

Iowa wrestling had a roller coaster of a day, but in the end, it fell to No. 2 Oklahoma State.

BY ANNA KAYSER
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Four losses at the tail end of No. 3 Iowa's lineup were the difference in its 27-12 loss to No. 2 Oklahoma State on Sunday in Stillwater.

In the final regular-season dual of the season, the battle between undefeated NCAA champion hopefuls began completely in Oklahoma State's favor. Arguably the biggest surprise

of the dual came at 125 when No. 2 Spencer Lee went down by fall in the second period of the opening match for his second loss of the season.

"We got in positions in, as a coach, if I was the opposing coach of our guys, I would do those things," Iowa head coach Tom Brands said. "Those shortcuts sometimes that we go to will bite you eventually. Today, they bit us."

What seemed like would be Iowa's one-two punch at the top of the lineup at the beginning of the season led Oklahoma State to

a 9-0 lead. No. 3 Austin DeSanto lost a 2-0 decision to No. 2 Daton Fix, with riding time being a factor in the third period.

Up third for the Hawkeyes, No. 16 Max Murin lost narrowly (8-6) in a match that could have gone longer than three periods. A late takedown put Murin in arm's reach of tying it, but Oklahoma State closed the match out on a defensive side.

"We showed some progress even in some matches where maybe we didn't have the result we wanted, but we have to come off the bottom," Brands said. "We

have to wrestle the full seven minutes like you're the hammer."

At 149, the match shifted in Iowa's favor. No. 12 Pat Lugo tallied an upset win for the Hawkeyes over No. 6 Kaden Gfeller (7-4) with 2 takedowns doing the trick.

The sold-out crowd and atmosphere during the top-five matchup was a motivating factor in Lugo's match.

"It's just another match; I went out there with a game plan," Lugo said. "I think I wrestled better going into enemy territory because I

SEE WRESTLING, 6

Gary Dolphin suspended



Nick Rohlman/The Daily Iowan

Iowa play-by-play radio announcer Gary Dolphin interviews UI President Bruce Harrel and Athletics Director Gary Barta during the Hawkeye Huddle event in Tampa, Florida, on Dec. 31, 2018.

BY ADAM HENSLEY
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Iowa basketball play-by-play announcer Gary Dolphin was suspended indefinitely for the remainder of the basketball season, Hawkeye Sports Properties announced on Feb. 22.

In Iowa's 66-65 loss against Maryland on Feb. 19, Terrapin forward Bruno Fernando tipped in a missed shot to put his team ahead with 7 seconds left.

"Fernando was King Kong at the end of the game," Dolphin said after the game.

On Feb. 22, Dolphin released a statement regarding his comments about Fernando.

"During a broadcast, I used a comparison when trying to describe a talented Maryland basketball player. In no way did I intend to offend nor disparage the player. I take full responsibility for my inappropriate word choice and offer a sincere apology to him and anyone else who was offended. I wish the Iowa Hawkeye players, coaches and fans all the very best as they head into the final stretch of the season. I will use this time as an opportunity to grow as a person and learn more about unconscious bias."

According to a release, Jim Albracht and Bobby Hansen will serve as the radio broadcasters for the rest of the men's basketball season.

COLUMN

A blown call by the Athletics Department

Iowa's handling of the second Gary Dolphin instance is yet again another example of a long history of crisis-management failures.



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Episode 2 of the Iowa Athletics Department vs. Gary Dolphin has taken a new turn.

Well, sort of. Another game-day distraction, more hypocrisy, and another failure of crisis management.

So, not really a new turn. Dolphin referred to Maryland's Bruno Fernando as "King Kong" during his postgame segment after Iowa's 66-65 loss on Feb. 19.

Do I have issue with Dolphin's comments? Yes. You cannot compare an African man to an ape.

I'm white. If I were to be called King Kong, I probably wouldn't even bat an eye. But, for people of color, it's a different story.

There's a clear history of black men being compared to apes; it's not right, and

SEE COLUMN, 6

Seeding in mind for women's hoops

Iowa tries to avoid second losing streak of the season as it hits the road against Nebraska.

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A heartbreaking loss in Indiana on Feb. 21 won't slow the season down at all for the No. 10 Iowa women's basketball team (21-6, 12-4 Big Ten) as it gets set for another road matchup against Nebraska (13-14, 8-8 Big Ten).

It will be played in Lincoln in the Hawkeyes' second Monday night game of the season.

The road has not been the kindest of places for Iowa this season — it has gone 7-6 away from Carver-Hawkeye, but it's something the squad has dealt with better since a road loss to Michigan on Feb. 1.

"They are very driven, focused and locked in," Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder said. "Maybe that Michigan loss did that for us. It showed us you can't take any day or practice off. Ever since that game, our team has been dialed in and ready to go to work."

If the 90-81 Michigan loss at the beginning of the month was such a catalyst — Iowa followed up that loss by rattling off four straight wins, including two against ranked opponents — its more recent 75-73 loss to Indiana could provide a similar spark.

Besides its latest defeat, Iowa also has the Big Ten regular-season race to look to for motivation.

Currently, the Hawkeyes sit second in the Big Ten standings, a game behind No. 8 Maryland for the top spot. However, perhaps more importantly, they are merely a game and a half ahead of third-place Rutgers.

While a regular-season Big Ten title is certainly goal No. 1 for Iowa, it will serve the Hawkeyes well to ensure a top-two spot in the Big Ten for the upcoming confer-



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Iowa guard Kathleen Doyle runs after the ball against Maryland at Carver-Hawkeye on Feb. 17. The Hawkeyes defeated the Terrapins, 86-73.

SEE WOMEN'S, 6

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