



A framed photograph of John Stortz. John died inside his home on Nov. 21, 2012., from natural causes. (Shivansh Ahuja/The Daily Iowan)

The missing piece

A missing father can leave children vulnerable to a dangerous lifestyle — how have these young adults dealt with it?

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It was Nov. 20, 2012.

The evening passed by as I picked up clothes from my bedroom

floor, listening to my parents' chatter from the living room below. It was the first night of Thanksgiving break during my freshman year of high school. I felt liberated having no responsibil-

man year of high school. I left liberated having no responsibilities, normally feeling buried from my high-school workload. With all of my family close, I felt fully secure.

It seemed like we were making progress toward a brighter future, especially my 65-year-old dad, who had recently had surgery on his legs to improve his mobility.

Early in the next morning, my mom crept through my bedroom, calling my name. Barely awake, I stumbled out to the hallway, asking her if everything was OK.

She said she woke up to my father not breathing on his reclin-

I felt muddled because of my drowsiness, but I could steadily feel my heart falling into my stomach. I asked if he was all right.

"He's dead," she said, voice cracked. Her sentence smacked me awake. How could he possibly be dead? Just last night, he asked me how my first play rehearsal went. The surgery was supposed to make his life easier. What

When I walked downstairs, paramedics and police officers

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Moulton tests 2020 cam-

paign waters Rep. Seth Moulton, D-Mass., who is weighing a presidential bid, on March 29 spoke at the Boyd Law Buildingabout public service and veterans' issues in an event hosted by the Veterans Legal Association.



Hawkeyes prep for Bears in

Elite Eight Iowa will face Baylor in the Elite Eight at 6 p.m. today, and the Hawkeyes' chances for a Final Four appearance may depend on the Megan Gustafson/Kalani Brown matchup in the paint. Entering the game as underdogs, lowa looks at its status as



lowa baseball bounces back with sweep of Illinois

Just one week after getting swept to open Big Ten play, Hawkeye baseball picked up a sweep of its own over a top-25 Illinois squad. Iowa made maior strides on the mound and in the batter's box to turn its performance



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Ped Mall project to enter Phase 2

Renovation on the Ped Mall will begin Phase 2 in May. The work will affect the east and west ends of College Street.

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After nearly a year of construction, Phase 1 of the Pedestrian Mall improvements program will wrap up this month, and Phase 2 is set to begin May 13.

The second segment will occur on the east and west ends of College Street. Scott Sovers, an Iowa City senior civil engineer, said the improvements in Phase 2 will be similar to the improvements that were accomplished in other areas of the Ped Mall during Phase 1.

The improvements include replacing the water mains and electrical infrastructure and creating new paved surfaces, Sovers said. New benches, trash compactors, and trash bins will



Tate Hildyard/The Daily Iowan Renovations on the Pedestrian Mall continue on March 25.

also be added.

Before beginning Phase 2, there are still pieces of Phase 1 to be completed, he said. An area on the west side of Dubuque Street needs to be finished,

as well as a new stage area on Dubuque Street.

Work will move to the new stage area beginning in mid-

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Research leads to cysticfibrosis breakthrough

Researchers at the University of Iowa and the University of Illinois team up to work on a possible new treatment for cystic fibrosis.

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Research performed in a collaboration between the University of Iowa and the University of Illinois has led to a promising breakthrough in cystic-fibrosis treatment. While the treatment has yet to be clinically proven to be effective in humans, researchers are hopeful about the future of their

Cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease that causes persistent lung infections and limits an individual's ability to breathe over time. A new treatment, if verified in future clinical trials, will reduce the frequency of lung infections in cystic-fibrosis

The story began nearly 20 years ago when University of Illinois Professor Martin Burke, then a medical student working toward a Ph.D. at Harvard, met a patient battling cystic fibrosis while doing rounds in the hospital.

"I was explaining exactly what was wrong with this misfolded protein that her mutation was causing, and she

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NATIONAL POLITICS

Delaney targets climate, bipartisanship

John Delaney has been running for president since 2017. The former Maryland congressman spoke in Iowa City on Sunday about his plans to combat climate change, initiate bipartisan actions, and revive rural communities.

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Presidential candidate and former Rep. John Delaney, D-Md., stopped at MERGE on Sunday to tell voters about his plans for change. Describing himself as a "pragmatist," he outlined strategies to accomplish his goals, which include fighting climate change, reforming health care, and cooperating and creating bipartisanship.

Delaney became the first declared Democratic candidate after launching his campaign nearly two years ago, in July 2017. He formerly represented Maryland in the House of Representatives from 2013 to 2019 before leaving Congress to focus on a White House run.

Much of Delaney's campaign strategy has focused on Iowa. He said he's visited all of Iowa's 99 counties since announcing.

"I think when you put up a person as the Democratic nominee for president, you should put up someone who you think will win Iowa," Delaney told the crowd of around 70 at MERGE. "Because if you put up a person who can win Iowa in the general election, they're going to win the presidency, and that should actually be your standard."

Delaney said he has spent most of his latest Iowa tour in rural towns to unveil his "Heartland Fair Deal," which addresses the economic growth, infrastructure, health care, and agriculture in rural communities.

"There is no reason we should be writing off rural America," he said. "That is just ridiculous."

To combat climate change, Delaney said, he will push a bipartisan carbon-tax bill in his first year as president that he had led in Congress. He said the bill is a model to decrease emissions by 90 percent.

He also said he will also increase the Energy Department budget five times over. The agency's budget was \$32.5 billion in 2017.

We have to innovate our way out of [climate change]," he said. "The American way is to put huge resources behind a problem, take the best minds in the country, and have them solve it. We need the government to do a moonshot around basic research with a fivefold increase on funding to solve those prob-

Delaney also wants to redirect the \$5 billion of subsidies that go toward the fossil-fuel industry per year, he said. He hopes to spend the money on establishing a market for negative-emission

"The only way we are going to save the world is through innovation and



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Former congressman and current Democratic presidential-nomination candidate John Delaney speaks to an audience at MERGE on Sunday.

technology," he said.

Mary Huneke, 66, said Delaney struck her as similar to a young Joe Biden because of his enthusiasm, energy, and experience. Her priority for a candidate is climate-change policy, she said; she has not yet committed to caucus for anyone specifically.

"I was happy with what he said about climate change even though it does not echo the Green New Deal," she said. "He has a somewhat different approach, and that's fine. The Green New Deal is not a litmus test."

Colette Brodersen, 65, said Delaney was well-spoken, and she approved of his plans for climate-change policy. She said she also appreciated that he touched on the concerns in the U.S. associated with militarization and wars. However, she is still deciding on a candidate to support in the caucus.

"I don't know how with unending wars we can possibly accomplish the other things he's talking about,"



Sarah Stortz sitting inside her grandmother's home in Decorah, lowa, with her father and two older siblings in 2006.

FATHERLESS CONTINUED FROM FRONT

I thought I was still dreaming. Numbness took control of my body. I couldn't acknowledge this was reality. When an officer approached me and asked me if I was all right, I could only respond with a flat "Yeah."

His body was taken out of the house. Filled with shock, I spent the remainder of the day alone, occasionally visited by immediate family members who brought me

I was 15 years old. I was in a critical part of adolescence where I needed my father the most, and he was just stripped away from me.

The following day, I went down to his bedroom and stopped at the recliner where he died. I took a seat and finally broke down.

At that point, I became a part of a disturbing statistic.

Throughout the United States, a notable number of fathers are missing from children's homes, whether the father has died, left the home, or was never there to begin with.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 23.6 percent of U.S. children have lived in fatherless homes since 2014.

With nearly a quarter of U.S children growing up without their dads, it leaves them more vulnerable to a disastrous lifestyle.

According to the Fatherless Generation, a blog dedicated to preserving fathers in homes, fatherless children are twice as likely to drop out of school. Children who have a poor or nonexistent relationship with their father are 68 percent more likely to smoke, drink, and abuse drugs. A 2003 article in New Scientist showed that absent fathers are often linked with teenage pregnancy.

Steve Nylin, the dad coordinator for the Young Parents Network in Cedar Rapids, helped conduct a 2016 study for fatherless homes around the area. Based on his findings, 5,158 homes in Linn County with children do not have fathers.

Despite these circumstances, many children learn to face the odds against them. I'd like to think I'm one of them, butother students at the University of Iowa have also risen to the challenges of growing up in a fatherless home.

Standing as the current president of Hall, Slater UI freshman

Roeder Teagan Roeder enjoys reading and contributing his time to political organizations.

Growing up in Iowa City for a majority of his life, Roeder found himself here after tragedy struck his family.

When Roeder was 6 years old, his father died unexpectedly from a heart complication a few days after Christmas. He was only 40 years

His family had moved from Germantown, Illinois, to Iowa City because his mother wanted her children to attend the UI, which was the alma mater of both of Roeder's parents.

As Roeder grew up, he figured out he was on the autism spectrum, being nonverbal until age 4. Because of this, Roeder said, he found it difficult to form a relationship with his father while he was still alive. He said it further complicated his ability to emotionally deal with the

During the first year after his death, Roeder became in-

'Boys need their dads, they really do. They need them to give them an extra source of confidence in their life. If there's one thing I lacked throughout my childhood, it was confidence.'

- Teagen Roeder, UI freshman

creasingly quiet while interacting with others, he said. Eventually, he started making stick figures which he would call "dad." Roeder said it's problemat-

ic for so many children to be without their dads, especially because he couldn't learn important lessons from his father.

"Boys need their dads, they really do," Roeder said. "They need them to give them an extra source of confidence in their life. If there's one thing I lacked throughout my childhood, it was confidence."

While some children have struggled growing up in a fatherless home, others have learned



lives for themselves. Walking into Cortado

create better

in downtown

Sánchez Iowa City, UI junior Alexia Sánchez wore her sweatshirt signalling her involvement in UI Student Government, in which she has served as a senator this year. Sánchez is from West Des Moines, where, she said, she has a huge support system from her family without her biological father

around. Originally born in Mexico, Sánchez said her parents separated when she was a baby because of her father's abusive tendencies. At age 5, Sánchez moved to the United States with her mother and older sister. Never getting to know her father, Sánchez said, she never particularly missed him.

"I never thought there was anything missing from my family picture because my mom gave me so much love and did everything she could," Sánchez said.

People have an embedded idea of what a family should look like, she said, and others should consider that every family looks different.

"We grow up with the idea of the perfect family being a mom and a dad, the kids, dog, and white picket fence," she said. "For people to not meet that criteria that our society embeds in us, we're always going to have the mentality that we're not doing something right or we need to compensate for that by finding a husband."

Knowing the numbers,



John Stortz plays guitar during a concert. John was a self-taught musician who played lead guitar for the band Raldo Schneider & Friends. His musical accomplishments led him to be inducted to the Iowa Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2009 for his former band, The Deputy Dawg Band.

'This last year, it's been hitting me a lot. Since the day she was born, I just wanted my dad to see her face, because she has his eyes ... she's really skyrocketed me

- Hallie Corum, Kirkwood student and mother

Sánchez said, she's grateful to be where she is in life.

into grieving.

"Statistically, I shouldn't be here," she said. "I shouldn't be in college, I should be pregnant with one or two children now. For one reason or another, count me lucky, but I am where I am now pursuing college and having a really great support system."

For women in particular, growing up without a father can leave them more susceptible to becoming sexually active at a young age or ending a marriage in divorce.

Sitting cross-legged inside her home in Martelle, Iowa, Hallie Corum, 21, comfortably looks back at her childhood. A stack of toys are placed a few feet away from us, shielded by a child safety gate. Raising her 1-year-old with the support from her girlfriend, Corum has experienced two generations of families without a father present.

When Corum was in third grade, her father was diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, otherwise known as Lou Gehrig's dis-

When he was diagnosed, his doctor told him that he had a life expectancy of two years, but he lived for five.

On the day he died, Corum recalled, she and her family were watching a film when her father leaned forward, talking to himself.

When asked if he was all right, he responded with "I'm talking with that man right there," supposedly talking to an angel, Corum said. The last thing he said while he was alive was "I'm almost there right now."

Years later, Corum gave birth to her daughter, Leilani, although the father decides to not be present.

Currently, Corum is a fulltime student at Kirkwood Community College studying to become a nurse. To balance school with parenting, Corum receives help from her family members to raise her child.

Now that she's a mother herself, Corum said, she hasn't begun truly grieving for her father until her daughter came into her life.

"This last year, it's been hitting me a lot," she said. "Since the day she was born, I just wanted my dad to see her face, because she has his eyes ... she's really skyrocketed me into grieving."

While the father of Corum's daughter continues to remain distant, local resourc-

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es can help push fathers to step up to their responsibilin my life.

The Dream Center, a nonprofit organization in Iowa City, was started to combat the rising numbers of missing fathers.

Frederick Newell, the executive director of the Dream Center, began the organization because of his experience. Newell had a distant relationship with his father, saying he provided the basic necessities for the family but never became emotionally invested with his children.

The Dream Center offers four different academies that involve families and child development, one of them being the Fatherhood Academy, which provides fathers counseling services regarding parenting issues.

Newell said there's a notable disparity on missing fathers for both black and Latinx children, with 57.6 percent of black children and 31.2 percent of Latinx children in the United States growing up without their dads, according to the Family Structure and Children's Living Arrangements 2012. In contrast, 20.7 percent of white children live without their fathers.

A lack of father figures plays a key factor in the path of delinquency. For young boys in particular, they're at a higher risk of crime and delinquency, according to a publication from the National Criminal Justice Reference Service.

Newell said boys growing up without their fathers will lead them into a similar path of negligence.

"We have this repeated cycle that is unable to be broken," Newell said. "Once you get an education, you put yourself on a different path."

My father was a subject I felt uneasy to discuss for years.

Since that day, I hardly brought him up in casual conversation. While meeting new people, the topic of parents will inevitably come up. If anyone ever asked about him, I'd typically give a vague response, simply stating that he's not around In a sense, I felt that if I

pretended he never existed, I wouldn't have to grieve over him any more. I continued my next three

years of high school, fully accepting that he'd never be at my graduation ceremony. Once I began college, I

started realizing how badly I wanted my dad around. Because I'm still in the transition phase of becoming independent, I wish I could receive his nurturing guidance. I've realized staying silent

was disrespectful to my feelings. More importantly, it was disrespectful to his great

During my time with him, I couldn't have asked for a more supportive and loving father. He always made an effort to be there, attending my cross-country meets, sitting in the audience during my shows, and reading all of my writing.

He'd always greet me with his warm smile, displaying one of his missing backteeth. Looking at my own smile, I notice some similarities between us. Developing my personality, I've also inherited his stubbornness and surreal sense of humor.

He was a man of many talents, whether it was building me a playhouse or grilling the best meals. Undoubtedly, his biggest passion was music.

A devoted guitar player for years, I'd often see him perform on stage with his bandmates. Whenever I watch old videos of him playing, I could tell he was completely in his element, knowing that nothing could overthrow him.

One piece of advice I remember him telling me is to never let my past affect how I view my future. I often joke about how my life is a mess, but in actuality, it could have gone downhill in several directions. Despite everything, I'm still here in one piece.

Uncertainty still lurks around my future, but I know I have plenty of growth I still need to achieve.

While my father is physically not with me anymore, he remains my biggest motivator.

Fatherless Effects

- 63% of youths who died by suicide come from fatherless homes
- 90% of runaway and homeless children come from fatherless homes
- 71% of high-school dropouts come from fatherless homes 85% of children who show behavioral
- disorders come from fatherless homes • 80% of rapists with anger problems come

from fatherless homes

Source: The Fatherless Generation



Phil stands for philanthropy.

At lowa, Phil is everyone who gives to the UI through volunteering and donating dollars and everyone who benefits from those gifts.

- MONDAY, APRIL 1 Look for places on campus tagged in black and gold that represent philanthropy's impact at lowa.
- Life with Phil | Dave Dierks (70BA)
 3:30 p.m. | IMU | Second Floor Ballroom

 Learn how philanthropy has shaped the life of Dierks,
 a UI grad and philanthropist who's supported lowa
 for more than 45 years.
- Thank a Donor on One Day for Iowa
 10 a.m.-3 p.m. | T. Anne Cleary Walkway
 Sign a thank-you card for a donor during
 the UI's 24-hour online giving campaign.
- THURSDAY, APRIL 4

 Get the Scoop on Philanthropy
 12:30 p.m. | T. Anne Cleary Walkway

 Enjoy free ice cream and learn about how philanthropy positively affects your UI experience.

Opinions

GUEST OPINION: PHIL WEEK

The 'what if' power of Phil Phil helps build

UI President Bruce Harreld highlights the importance of strategy and ingenuity during Phil Week, the UI's annual period of philanthropic celebration and setting goals.



David Harmantas/The Daily Iowan

UI President Bruce Harreld speaks at the 2019 update on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the IMU on Jan. 16.

As students at the University of Iowa, you are on a path of transformation and change every day. You are learning new ideas, growing from new experiences, and working toward goals that a college education will fulfill for a successful life. Our faculty and staff are also working toward change every day, whether it's in transforming our students' lives, changing the world through new discoveries and ideas, or leading the university itself into the future as an institution. You could say that change and transformation define the university itself.

The change we practice every day at the university is powered by many sources, including the talent and intellectual curiosity of our university community as well as the resources we are able to put

to work in service of our misquestions as much as it helps sion. One of the most potent sources of the power to change comes from Phil — the philanthropy that both supports and helps define our aspirations.

us answer them: What if we were able to not just treat but cure a disease? What if talented students were able to pursue their artistic ambitions

'The change that philanthropy can bring to our university is not just about the resources. Philanthropy is also about vision and ideas. Philanthropy often asks the "what if?" questions as much as it helps us answer them.'

played an important part in the UI's funding mix, and they will continue to do so. But the change that philanthropy can bring to our university is not just about the resources. Philanthropy is also about vision and ideas. Philanthropy often asks the "what if?"

Private gifts have long through scholarship instead of worrying about working outside jobs? What if the university had a facility that defined how we work at the leading edge of a discipline? The imagination that brings about transformation at our institution comes from many directions within the university community and beyond - from our faculty, staff, students, and leaders; from the people of our state; and from

As you continue your studies and as you move into your lives beyond the university, I encourage you not only to appreciate how philanthropy has played a significant role in the transformation of your education, but also to imagine how the spirit of giving can help you define the mark on the world that you will make. The power of Phil can change the university and change the world and it has, many times over. Make Phil part of the transformation that you will create to make life better for everyone.

> — Bruce Harreld president The University of Iowa

GUEST OPINION: PHIL WEEK

memories and mentorships

A UI senior reflects on the relationshipgrowing aspects of working in philanthropy.

When I moved onto cam- and Larry listened intently pus nearly four years ago, I never imagined that I'd thank Phil for providing me with my most treasured collegiate memory. Hon-estly, I didn't even know what Phil stood for at the time, let alone why it was so important.

Now, however, after traveling across the country to represent Iowa at the 2018 Eller Ethics Case Competition, I understand. This past October, Ludalle Jones generously placed her faith in me and Hira Mustafa as the

as Hira and I gave a roughdraft version of our presentation and they provided us with constructive feedback that we used. As we neared our flight to

Arizona, their support continued. Ludalle sent us the kindest "good luck" email, and throughout the competition, Ludalle and Larry checked their inbox awaiting updates. Soon their inbox was flooded with messages reading, "We are advancing to the final round," and "We WON!!!"

'I knew that I had created new friendships, mentorships, and memories that would last a lifetime ... and I have Phil to thank for that.'

two-person team chosen to represent the University of Iowa. For years, Ludalle has sent Iowa students to the University of Arizona for its well-renowned case competition. Never before had the University of Iowa (nor Ludalle) won the competition, and that was something Hira and I wanted to change. Yes, we wanted to win for the prestige for the Henry B. Tippie College of Business, and the University of Iowa, but most importantly we wanted to win for Ludalle and her husband, Larry.

Ludalle and Larry played an active and important role in our preparation, and they likely didn't even realize it. Before flying out, we all sat down for lunch, where we got to know one another on a more personal level. Afterwards, Ludalle

Ludalle responded, "Larry and I are dancing in our living room and can't wait for all the details! We couldn't be prouder!" I still have that email saved. Yes, Hira and I won the 2018 Eller Ethics Case Competition, but it really wasn't just us. It was the team of people such as Ludalle and Larry, who supported Hira and I from the very beginning.

When the University of Iowa was announced for first place, I cried. Tears filled my eyes because in that moment I knew that I had created new friendships, mentorships, and memories that would last a lifetime. I cried out of pure joy, and I have Phil to thank for that.

> — Abby Haynes UI student Class of 2019

GUEST OPINION: THE DOCTOR IS IN

Relearning your ABCs to save lives in a trauma setting

Death because of blood loss is common in emergency settings, but everyone has the potential to save lives by applying bleeding-control principles.

Each year, 12 million people are trained by the American Heart Association on the basics of CPR. CPR saves lives in the event of a heart attack — one of the leading causes of death in the U.S. Another major cause of death worldwide is unintentional injury related to trauma, and with trauma comes extreme blood loss. However, only 425,733 people were trained in 2018 to stop traumatic bleeding and save lives.

The national Stop The Bleed campaign has been the driving force behind the movement of trauma care for civilians in response to the Sandy Hook Elementary tragedy. The Stop The Bleed organization was arranged to take the concepts of bleeding control learned on the battlefield and apply them to any emergency so that anyone can apply the basics of bleeding control to save lives. All you have to "Alert-Bleeding-Compress.

The first step is to call 911 to alert authorities about a potentially dangerous situation and to request an ambulance for the injured. Next, make sure the environment is safe. Your safety is a priority, and if while helping another person the scene becomes dangerous, you should immediately evacuate and attempt to evacuate the bleeding victim as well.

Bleeding

After 911 is called and the scene is safe, it is important to identify areas of major bleeding. Wounds that are spurting blood, seeping through clothes, or pooling on the ground indicate blood loss. Some clothing may need to be moved or removed to check for bleeding, especially if a patient is losing consciousness and no found.

Additionally, areas of amputation are large potential bleeding sources that should be compressed.

Compress

Most of us do not carry a tourniquet or a first-aid kit equipped to handle bleeding, but you can use a clean cloth, like a shirt, to cover the wound. If the wound is deep, the cloth should be pushed into the wound. With the cloth on the wound, apply firm, continuous pressure on the wound and push as hard as you can until help arrives. It is critical that there is enough pressure to adequately stop bleeding, which will be painful for the victim, but pain that limits blood loss saves lives.

If you want to learn more about how to stop bleeding in the event of an emergency, visit bleedingcontrol.org for information, supplies,

you. Everyone is at risk to suffer from massive bleeding. Iowa's Good Samaritan Law provides legal protection for those who act voluntarily and in good faith

remember are the "ABCs" or apparent wound has been and finding classes near to provide emergency care. This protects those who perform CPR, the Heimlich maneuver, and the ABCs of bleeding control from facing legal action for helping someone in need.

someone is bleeding out in an emergency? Just remember your ABCs.

— Mason LaMarche First-year UI medical student



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NATIONAL POLITICS

Moulton continues test run for 2020

Rep. Seth Moulton, D-Mass., who is considering a presidential-nomination bid, spoke at the Boyd Law Building on March 29 about public service and veterans' issues.

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Rep. Seth Moulton, D-Mass., a potential presidential-nomination candidate, praised the value of public service and advocated for veterans in an event hosted by the Veterans Legal Association on March 29.

Moulton, 40, is testing the waters in Iowa as he considers a 2020 presidential bid. He spoke to an audience of about 40 in the University of Iowa Boyd Law Building, where he chronicled his political journey and answered a range of policy questions.

He has traveled to early caucus/primary states such as Iowa and South Carolina to meet with groups of veterans and college students and hear their ideas, he said.

"I haven't decided yet if I'm running," Moulton told the crowd. "It's a family decision for me because I have a 5 ½-month-old at home and a wife with her own successful career. So we've got a lot of work to do as a family to figure this out."

Moulton has represented

Massachusetts in the House of Representatives since 2015. He formerly served as an infantry platoon commander in the Marine Corps, where he served four tours in Iraq beginning in 2001. Veterans affairs has emerged as a central issue for him.

He said he has strongly advocated for decriminalizing marijuana in Massachusetts and thinks expanding cannabis options for veterans is an ideal place to start. Many veterans prefer using cannabis in lieu of opioids for conditions such as PTSD to avoid addiction, he said, and there's a reason opioid addiction is lower in states with legalized marijuana.

Moulton used the story of a veteran friend struggling to access timely resources for suicide prevention as a key reason to expand health services offered by the Department of Veterans

He said he continues to get his health care through the VA and has witnessed firsthand that the system has a long way

"There's so much more to do," Moulton said. "It's something we should all agree on. No matter what your political beliefs, Democrat, Republican, Tea Party, Democratic Socialist, we should take care of other people who risk their lives for us."

Terry Philips, commissioner for the Washington County Veterans Affairs, said there are still 20 veterans a day committing suicide. He agreed with Moulton's statements on expanding VA health care, because it remains limited, he said.

Philips said Moulton's work getting veterans involved in politics also stood out to him.

Moulton has founded a PAC, Serve America, to support Democratic veterans running for office. Of the 40 seats that Democrats flipped to regain control of the House of Representatives in 2018, Moulton said, 21 were candidates he backed and 10 were veterans he intensively mentored.

"We've always had veterans in politics, and that's a good thing," Philips said. "But actually getting them involved because they're veterans can contribute a lot."

Some declared presidential-nomination hopefuls also have military experience.



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Rep. Seth Moulton, D-Mass., speaks at the Boyd Law Building on March 29. Among other items, Moulton spoke on public service and veterans's issues.

South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete Buttigieg served as a Navy lieutenant and was deployed for a seven-month stint in Afghanistan in 2014. Rep. Tulsi Gabbard, D-Hawaii, enlisted in the Hawaii National Guard in 2003 while serving in the Ha-

UI senior Alex Jaime, who

waii House of Representatives.

will commission into the military in May, said he appreciated that Moulton spoke about the importance of giving freshman members of Congress a voice when considering fresh ideas for the Democratic Party.

"I knew [Moulton] before I came to this event," he said. "He has the Bronze Star, which is an award given in combat, and he didn't mention it once, so I think that's very humble of him. Not many soldiers earn it."

PED MALL CONTINUED FROM FRONT

May, according to a release from the Iowa City Downtown

"We have most of the structure up, but we have lights, conduits, and then some glass to put up on that stage canopy before it's finished," Sovers said.

Financially, the project has mostly stayed on track, Sovers said. The project was originally estimated to cost \$7.4 million, but he said it will likely be between \$7.5 and \$8 million.

The goal of the project is to preserve pedestrian access to all businesses in the construction area, he said.

"There may be a period of time where we have areas where we're doing work that cannot be accessible, but we're going to make all of the businesses accessible throughout the construction of the project," he said.

The city has announced weekly construction update meetings for property owners and businesses in the area, with the first to be held Friday at the Iowa City Public Library. The meetings will continue every Friday through Nov. 22.

Phase 2 is estimated to last 25

weeks, with the substantial completion date set at Oct. 31.

Sovers said he hopes the construction doesn't turn people away from visiting the Ped Mall over the next several months.

"I would encourage people to continue to come downtown and visit their favorite restaurants and businesses," he said. "Everything is still open, and we're providing access to all of them."

Cassidy Bell, the store man-

ager at Ten Thousand Villages, which is located in the Phase 1 construction area, said the work hasn't caused much disruption to her business.

"People know they're going to have to walk anyway," she said. "So I think if it had disrupted parking and driving, it would have been a different story."

Velvet Coat manager Betsy Wilson said she isn't worried about the upcoming construction on College Street affecting

"I think it's going to take a little getting used to, but I'm not too worried," she said.

Despite the inconvenience of construction outside the doors, both Wilson and Bell said they're excited about the improvements.

"I think it's going to be fantastic," Wilson said. "I think it's necessary, and I think it's going to be so much better down here.

RESEARCH CONTINUED FROM FRONT

stopped me during the conversation and said, 'It sounds like you know exactly what's wrong; why can't you fix it?" Burke said.

The patient's question identified a major gap between the fundamental understanding of the exact molecular deficiency in cystic-fibrosis patients and how little could be done to address it in a therapeutic fashion.

Burke later devoted much of his career researching a topic he learned in one of his chemistry lectures: how small-molecule drugs could be used in place of missing proteins — like a "molecular prosthetic."

It was during that lecture when Burke learned about amphotericin B, an FDA-approved antifungal medication that he believed could potentially act as a replacement for the absence/ dysfunctionality of the cystic-fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator protein in cystic-fibrosis patients.

"That moment in class really kind of set a spark," Burke said. "I became fascinated by amphotericin and got really excited by the idea that maybe it could be a good starting point for trying to get a molecular prosthetic for cystic fibrosis."

Burke launched his research on the idea in 2005. Most recently, he and his team had the opportunity to team up with UI Professor Michael Welsh to do research in his lab.

Welsh, an expert in cystic fibrosis research, opened his lab to Burke and two of his graduate

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students, Katrina Muraglia and Rajeev Chorghade.

Welsh's lab is equipped with something other cystic-fibrosis research facilities don't have — genetically selected pigs, one of the few animals that can be diagnosed with cystic fibrosis besides humans. The animals are developed in the lab to not have the cystic-fibrosis TR protein.

"In grad school, it can be difficult to feel supported when

you're working on something brand new that your lab has no previous experience in, so to work with a world leader in the field in a lab that has so many established techniques and decades of accumulated knowledge/expertise was really enabling for me to work on this project," Muraglia said in an email to The Daily Iowan.

Bo Ram Kim, a postdoctoral associate who worked with Welsh in his lab, said that al-

though the treatment has yet to be clinically proven to work in humans, she is hopeful it will be able to help people with all types of cystic-fibrosis mutations, as many are left with no treatment options whatsoever based on their specific type of cystic fi-"For now, we are just testing

the compounds on non-cystic-fibrosis patients to make sure that it's safe," Kim said. "I think this has a huge potential





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lowa forward Hannah Stewart fights for the ball against NC State forward DD Rogers during the NCAA Sweet 16 game against NC State in Greensboro, North Carolina, on March 30.

WOMEN'S CONTINUED FROM 8

son that we've had. We've played in a lot of big games since then and showed that we could be successful, so I wouldn't say we're worried about that [game]."

Doyle is certainly correct in saying Iowa has performed in critical games since the Notre Dame loss, but an issue from that game could be a factor

again in today's matchup. The Hawkeyes lost the rebounding battle by 13 boards against the Fighting Irish, a major reason for the lopsided final.

Notre Dame ranks fourth in the nation in rebounding rate (56.7 percent), and Baylor tops it. The Bears are ranked first in the nation with an eye-popping 61.5 percent rebound rate.

"They are very, very good on the glass," Bluder said. "I mean, [Baylor is] plus-17 in rebounding. That's a lot of extra possessions. You can't give an average team that many extra possessions, you really can't give a great team that many extra possessions."

Rebounding has also been an indicator as to how Iowa plays. The Hawkeyes are 3-6 when they've been out-rebounded and 26o when they win the rebounding battle.

"Challenging" not be a strong enough word to describe what Baylor brings to the basketball court, but what a win would mean for the Hawkeyes have them itching for the test.

"At the end of last year, I sent a picture to my team of the Tampa Bay logo, and I said, 'We're going,' forward Megan Gustafson said. "I 100 percent believe we can do it. As long as we stick to our game plan and have full confidence in each other, we can get a

Iowa and Baylor will tip off at 6 p.m.; the game will be aired on ESPN 2.

Breaking down lowa and **Baylor in the Elite Eight**

Per-game stats	250	Ą
Points	79.1	81.9
Rebounds	38.3	47.6
Field-goal percentage	52	50.2
Assists	21.8	22.7
Turnovers	13.8	12.9



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lowa center Megan Gustafson shoots against NC State in Greensboro, North Carolina, on March 30. The Hawkeyes defeated the Wolfpack, 79-61.

BAYLOR **CONTINUED FROM 8**

ist during Baylor's Round of 32 matchup in Cal's Kristine Anigwe.

Baylor got the better of Cal, and Brown got the better of Anigwe. Anigwe averages 22.5 points per game and 16.2 rebounds a game, but after facing Brown, she had just 13 points on 4-of-17 shooting and 5 rebounds.

Meanwhile, Brown also had a quiet night offensively

and on the boards, dropping 8 points and 8 boards, but her defense was notable — she swatted away 5 potential baskets and almost entirely removed Anigwe from the game.

"Kalani had to guard Anigwe, who's pretty athletic," Baylor head coach Kim Mulkey said. "The kid's a special player, and she has her hands full against what is [ESPN's] opinion the best player in the country."

That player is Gustafson, and although she might not have had experience going against opponents with the

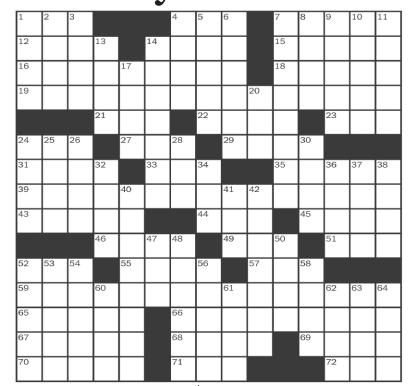
prestige of Brown, neither thinks that will negatively affect Gustafson's game.

In fact, it's a matchup that Brown believes could cause some problems for Baylor.

"With my lack of mobility, her trying to get around me will be the biggest issue," Brown said. "I'm just going to try to move my feet to stay with her. It's just going to be two great post players play-

ing a game." Iowa's Elite Eight matchup against Baylor will tip off at 6 p.m. and will be broadcast on

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BASEBALL

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A tale of two teams for Hellerball

Just one week after getting swept to open Big Ten play, Iowa baseball picked up a clean sweep against a top-25 Illinois squad.

BY PETE RUDEN peter-ruden@uiowa.edu

Bart Kaufman Field was not a friendly place for the Hawkeye baseball team March 22-24. In Iowa's first Big Ten series of the season, Indiana swept the Hawkeyes, with the Hoosiers outscoring them 23-4 in the three-game series.

But one week later, the Hawkeyes turned it around in the friendly confines of Banks Field, sweeping No. 25 Illinois to even their conference record at 3-3.

The dramatic change in play included major work on the mound and in the batter's box, but Iowa improved its performance without a hitch.

"It's the ultimate bounceback week for us; it couldn't have been any better," senior designated hitter Chris Whelan said. "I don't want to say we planned this, but it was definitely something we had our sights set on. Going into practice last week, we were just trying to have a lot of fun, trying to get back to the basics of baseball [and] why we started playing the game to take the added pressure away from ourselves.

The biggest change for the Hawkeyes heading into the Illinois series was pitching. After giving up 23 runs in the sweep against the Hoosiers, Iowa allowed only 6 to the Illini, highlighted by the pitching performances of Cam Baumann and Grant Judkins.

In Iowa's 2-1 win on March 30, Baumann tossed six strong innings, conceding merely 5 hits and only 1 run. Trenton



Iowa's Grant Judkins pitches against Illinois on Sunday at Banks Field. The Hawkeyes defeated the Illini, 3-1.

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Wallace took over in relief from there, giving up just 1 hit in 3 scoreless innings of work.

Judkins kept the momentum going on Sunday, allowing 1 run on 6 hits in his seven innings.

While Kaufman Field served as a launching pad in Bloomington, the Hawkeye pitching staff kept things under control this time around, using the Iowa City wind to its advantage.

"I saw the wind was blowing in, so my goal for the game was just to command the zone, pound it, let them get themselves out, and just let my defense work," Judkins said.

The plan worked. Although Judkins ran into a jam with the bases loaded on Saturday, he worked through it. Reliever Trace Hoffman found out something similar in the eighth.

With the bases loaded and only one out, Illinois' Michael Michalak flied out to right. Connor McCaffery then froze the runner at third with a powerful throw and forced a pickle between second and third. After the play, Iowa shortstop Tanner Wetrich threw home for a rare 9-9-2-6-2 double play to get the Hawkeyes out of the inning.

The play ended up being symbolic of Iowa's performance in the last week. After the Hawkeyes looked like they were in trouble in Big Ten play, they picked up a key sweep in what could turn out to be a pivotal series come May.

Now, Iowa's attention switches from the Illini to following its plan of attack. With two midweek games and a home series against Rutgers coming up, the Hawkeyes have a big opportunity to show what they can do.

"For me, it's more about the process and how we go about our business," Iowa head coach Rick Heller said. "The confidence, win, lose, or draw, that we're the aggressor, that we're taking it to them. There's no fear, there's no hesitation."

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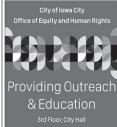
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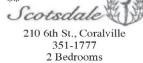
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What's next?

Iowa's Elite Eight matchup against Baylor will encompass more than just the two best teams — it will also feature two of the best players in women's college basketball.

BY JORDAN ZUNIGA

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GREENSBORO, N.C. — March is all about the matchups.

Each year, premier players from all across the country square off against equally talented players in the road to the national championship, and that's no different in this season's NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament.

It's especially true of tonight's Elite Eight matchup between No. 2 seed Iowa and No. 1 seed Baylor.

The matchup is a good, old-fashioned skirmish between two of the game's preeminent post players in Kalani Brown and Megan Gustafson.

It's a matchup that has each player excited for tip-off.

"It's always exciting to be able to play against the best," Gustafson said. "We're still hungry, and to get [to the Final Four], we have to go through one of the best players in the country, and I have no problem trying to do that."

Both players are two of the five finalists for the Lisa Leslie Award, given to the best center each season, and it's

not hard to see why.

Gustafson has put up a career that rivals any Hawkeye ever, and her dominance this season has been undeniable.

She leads the nation in points per game (27.9) and field-goal percentage (70.2 percent), ranks third in rebounds per game (13.5), and 10th in rebounding rate (22.5 percent).

On the other side of the court will be Brown. She hasn't put up the gaudy stats that are typical of Gustafson, but she has been an equally ferocious presence down low. Everybody around Brown boasts tremendous talent, which makes it hard for her to lead the country in any category.

Still, she paces her team in points per game with 15.6 and is essentially tied for the team lead in rebounds per game with 8.1. She also swats away an average of 1.7 opposing shots per game.

She is no stranger to going up against premier post players. She faced another Lisa Leslie Award final-





Baylor forward/center Kalani Brown shoots over Oregon State center Marie Gulich and guard Gabriella Hanson.