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### Working across the aisle, Iowa style

In interviews in the nation's capital, Iowa's senators and representatives said they find agreement on certain legislation, especially after Midwestern flooding, despite being evenly divided between political parties.

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### UI delays initial step to moving forward on public-private partnership

The University of Iowa has yet to put out a request for qualifications for a public/private partnership to operate its utility system.

This request, which is a step that establishes the qualifications of vendors or contractors seeking to be considered for a project, was expected to be released April 1.

UI media-relations director for Strategic Communication Anne Bassett said in an email to *The Daily Iowan* that university officials would disclose the updated timing to the campus when the request has been completed but did not offer a timeline.

"The University of Iowa continues to incorporate the thoughtful feedback received from faculty, staff, and students as the process goes on to see if entering into a public/private partnership involving the utility system is right for campus," she said.

After the completion of this process, the qualified firms are then eligible to submit responses to the request for proposals, which is generally done through a bidding process. UI officials previously said they would aim to complete that process by early June, though it is unclear how this delay may set back that timeline.



### Hawkeye women look toward future

The Iowa women's basketball season may be over, but the Hawkeyes have a bright future. With two solid returners in the starting lineup and recruits with impressive résumés coming in, Iowa could be set for the post-Megan Gustafson era.

### Iowa football's Jones set for transition to defensive line

With all four of Iowa's starters on the defensive line gone, there is room for competition. Enter Amani Jones. The former line-backer has been getting reps as an edge defender in spring ball.

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## ETHICS & POLITICS

### IOWA POLITICS

# Iowa Senate passes bill to mandate E-Verify

The Iowa Senate on Tuesday approved a bill to require that employers check their employees' immigration statuses online.

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The Iowa Senate voted on Tuesday evening to mandate that employers in Iowa verify their employees' immigration status online.

In a 33-14 vote, the legislation calls

for the use of the online system, E-Verify, to curb the hiring of immigrants who are undocumented in Iowa. E-Verify, which is maintained by the Department of Homeland Security, uses the Social Security and Homeland Security databases to authenticate Form I-9 hiring informa-

tion. Under federal law, the option to use E-Verify while hiring is at the discretion of employers. However, the use of E-Verify is mandatory in 22 states and for all federal employees, according to the Migration Policy Institute.

The bill, which passed mostly along

party lines in the Senate, is now awaiting approval in the House.

The bill, Senate File 516, gained momentum after Cristhian Bahena Rivera, who is charged with murder in the slaying of UI student Mollie Tibbetts,

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# UISG senator candidates share visions

Students running to represent a variety of communities on campus as constituency and independent senators in UI Student Government described their initiatives and ideas for promoting equity on campus.



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Senate candidates Tomy Douangkeo, Ziheng Ju, and AJ King sit at a table during the UISG Independent and Constituency Senator Forum in the IMU on Tuesday.

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Students gathered in the IMU on Tuesday to hear eager candidates pitch their ideas for change and how they would represent a variety of communities on campus.

Students running for independent and constituency senator positions in the University of Iowa Student Government described their platforms and ideas at an open forum.

Two independent candidates, Teagan Roeder and Jacob Heid, had similar ideas, yet with differ-

ent emphases.

Roeder wants to bring more transparency and accountability to UISG, adding education on the group to Success at Iowa, along with increasing support for autistic students at the university. He said his experiences as student-body president at City High inspired him to run for UISG.

Heid is running on a platform of sustainability, accountability, utility, and sexual health. He wants to increase sexual education and resources on campus.

"Sexual health isn't something we should think is taboo," he said. "It's important to talk about, it's

important to make sure that we're being safe — especially coming to college — not a lot of people have comprehensive sexual education."

Students also ran for various constituency senator positions, including disability, Latinx, Asian Pacific Islander Desi American, International, and LGBTQ+. They shared their plans to increase diversity and inclusion and serve various communities on campus.

Claire Miller, a candidate for disability constituency senator, wants to increase visibility and

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# Dierks addresses campus philanthropy, change

UI alum David Dierks, who now works for the Center for Advancement, gave a 'Life with Phil' talk, discussing how philanthropy has shaped culture over the years.



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University of Iowa alum David Dierks delivers the talk "Life with Phil" in the IMU Second Floor Ballroom on Tuesday.

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As the featured speaker for this semester's "Life with Phil" talk, University of Iowa graduate David Dierks spoke with faculty, staff, and students about the state of philanthropy when he first entered the trade in the 1970s, where it stands today, and where it might be going.

Dierks, a *Daily Iowan* alum, joined the UI Foundation in 1973 as initiator of the Planned and Major Gifts Program. Several years and millions of dollars' worth of fundraising lat-

er, he took on the role of vice president in 2005. Today, he continues to aid what is now called the Center for Advancement.

"If you're counting, that's a 46-year career with the university," UI Center for Advancement President and CEO Lynette Marshall said. "We're really honored and delighted to be able to hear from [him]."

In the last year, Dierks said, the Center for Advancement raised nearly \$213 million, a major increase over the original foundation endowment, which totaled \$5.5 million in the

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### NATIONAL POLITICS

# Two freshman reps point to bipartisan action

*The Daily Iowan* spoke with Reps. Abby Finkenauer and Cindy Axne about what their first three months have been like on the hill.

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Recently elected Rep. Abby Finkenauer, D-Iowa, who campaigned in 2018 with a message of growing up in a working-class family, keeps a photo of her grandfather and a 16-year-old Abby on her desk.

"This is my grandfather, whom I miss a great deal," she told three *Daily Iowan* reporters as she offered them a seat in her office.

At 29, Finkenauer became one of the youngest women ever elected to Congress and one of two first women elected to Washington's lower chamber from Iowa. Now, her and freshman Rep. Cindy Axne, D-Iowa, have had three months of legislative work under their belts, and their experiences are helping to drive conversation in committees and caucuses, the pair said.

The now-30-year-old Finkenauer was sworn into Congress with around \$20,000 of student-loan debt to pay off, she said, which has provided her with a valuable per-



Finkenauer

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A LITTLE DAY MUSIC



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Iowa City resident Eddie Raines plays the saxophone on the Pedestrian Mall on Tuesday. He said he plays because “it’s a good emotional release – I enjoy it when other people enjoy it.”

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spective when considering legislation.

In a small-business subcommittee hearing March 27, Finkenauer said the group had talked about the lack of secure retirement plans being a barrier to entrepreneurship. Then, the conversation shifted to discussing obstacles such as student-loan debt, which Finkenauer said makes starting a business or begin saving for retirement early difficult for young graduates.

“I had a question that I was all prepared to ask, but then the conversation really started focusing on student-loan debt, and I was like, This is my lane,” she said, hitting her hand on the coffee table in front of her. “So I was able to talk about the fact that I am still paying off around \$20,000 or so.”

Axne, a West Des Moines native who serves on the agriculture and financial services committees, said she is using her experience directing Iowa’s wind and environment plan in drafting and considering legislation when she con-

siders environmental policies. “I compost in the middle of winter in the Midwest,” Axne said. “That’s about as hard as you can get.”

When it comes to legislation, the two freshman Democrats emphasized bipartisan work in sectors such as roads and bridges, internet, agriculture, and health care.

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— Rep. Cindy Axne, D-Iowa

In a brief interview in her office, Axne said her goals focused on “tangible solutions,” listing policy areas her office is targeting in an answer to a question about her district’s appetite in 2020 for policies such as the Green New Deal and Medicare for All, which some Democratic presidential hopefuls endorse as they visit the state.

“I think we are all trying to reach very similar outcomes,”

Axne said, whether it includes affordable health care, lowering costs of prescription drugs, or having infrastructure like rural broadband internet.

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back to my district.”

During Fineknauer’s time in Congress, she became the first freshman representative of the session to pass a bill, which requires senior executives of federal agencies participating in two small-business initiatives to do outreach with small businesses participating in those programs.

The focus on bipartisanship, University of Northern

Iowa political-science Professor Christopher Larimer, said evidence of working across the aisle could be beneficial when re-election comes around since Iowa has a history of being a competitive state and he said voters like to say they are fed up with bickering in Congress.

Finkenauer and Axne defeated Republican incumbents in 2018, after now-President Trump won Iowa in 2016.

“Finkenauer and Axne are in very competitive districts, I don’t know if they will move too far to the left,” Larimer said. “...I don’t know that Iowa will ever have the most extreme members of Congress.”

Axne communications director Madeleine Russak said in a phone call with *The Daily Iowan* that the office worked closely with Loeb sack and Finkenauer, and Sens. Joni Ernst and Chuck Grassley had answered any questions the newcomers had had.

Ernst and Axne worked together to cosponsor insurance legislation, the Ensuring Lasting Smiles Act introduced in January.

“It set the tone of working with Iowans for Iowans from Day 1,” Russak said.

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was found to be working at Yarrabee Farms as an undocumented immigrant. The farm owners acknowledged they did not use E-Verify to assess his legal status.

Sen. Julian Garrett, R-Indianola, introduced the E-Verify bill in January. In his statement on the Senate floor Monday introducing the bill

before postponing a vote until Tuesday, Garrett said he has talked to many employers who use E-Verify and they have found it to be a quick and easy system. He said the error rate of E-Verify is negligible, and there are provisions in place to make corrections if someone is improperly identified as undocumented.

“The present situation is very unfair to both legal workers and law-abiding businesses that want to comply with the law,” Garrett said on the

Senate floor Tuesday. According to E-Verify, 16 out of 1,000 tested are incorrectly not authorized for employment by the system.

Sen. Nate Boulton, D-Des Moines, urged the Senate to vote against the Garrett’s bill Tuesday on the ground that it doesn’t address E-Verify’s reliability problem. Iowans who are falsely identified as undocumented by E-Verify could lose their jobs or face delayed employment, he said.

“This legislation doesn’t

solve a problem,” Boulton said on the Senate floor Tuesday. “This legislation causes a serious problem for our workforce.”

Sen. Zach Wahls, D-Coralville, said he was concerned that Iowans whose employment was delayed from being unfairly rejected by E-Verify could lose their Medicaid coverage or be forced to go on food stamps.

“I think a lot of Iowans will be hurt by this [legislation],” he said.

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support for students with disabilities, including increasing support from Student Disability Services. Miller wants to see an expansion of the service to match that of other Big Ten universities.

“Personally, as a student with a disability, I have not seen a lot of policies that were geared toward me,” Miller said. “Primarily, in this position, I would like to advocate for students like that.”

Tomy Douangkeo, a candidate for Asian Pacific Islander Desi American constituency senator, wants to reduce stigma around mental health in that community and promote fiscal responsibility with student dollars.

“Mental health is such a stigma in communities of color, so I want to create a campaign to end that stigma,” he said. “I’ve been to [University Counseling Service], I know what it’s like to need those services so I think that’s important — and a lot of people don’t ask.”

Ziheng Ju, a candidate for international student constituency senator, said she plans to increase resources for international students and to reach out to help form



Ryan Adams/The Daily Iowan

Candidates talk to students during the UISG Independent and Constituency Senator Forum in the IMU on Tuesday.

connections among international students and the rest of campus.

AJ King, a candidate for LGBTQ+ constituency senator, said he wants to increase intersectionality in the UI’s LGBTQ+ community.

“Historically, at the UI, the LGBTQ+ constituency senators have been white men,” King said. “I think it would serve LGBTQ+ students better

on campus if their representative had multiple identities. I am an immigrant, I am a South East Asian-identified student, I am a first-generation student, and I identify as trans. I think it’s important to bring those intersectional ideas together.”

Carolina Herrera, a current first-year UISG senator, said she chose to run for re-election as Latinx constituency

senator to increase retention in the constituency senator positions.

“I was on the Justice and Equity Committee, and I saw the number of people who left the constituency senator position, over half of them left for the spring semester,” she said. “It just made me upset, and I decided to run because I want to bring structure to the position I can represent.”

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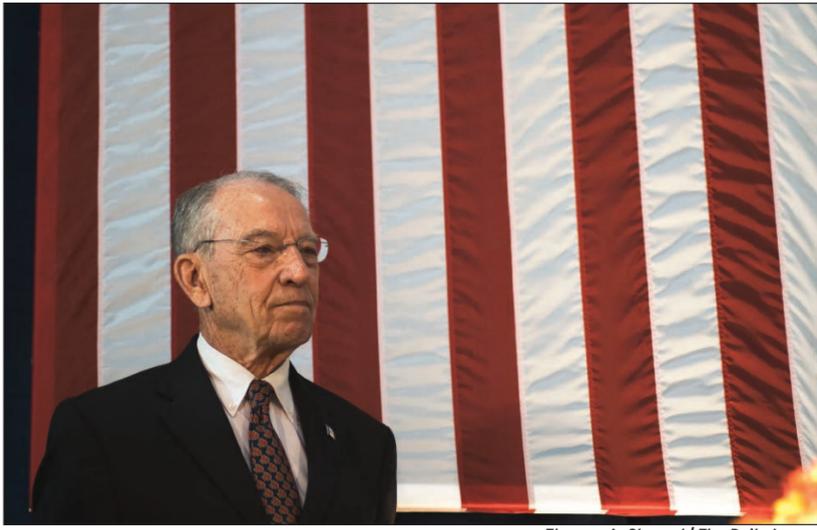
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# Grassley investigates safety of U.S. research

Sen. Chuck Grassley is asking the federal government for information regarding the security of U.S. intellectual property.



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Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, stands on stage at the second Harvest Festival on Oct. 13, 2018.

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U.S. research institutions, including the University of Iowa, often benefit from international cooperation, but opening those doors could allow some information to slip through the cracks via intellectual theft.

Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, began investigating foreign threats to U.S. research institutions in October 2018. Now, he awaits an answer from government officials to his question, which asks if foreign countries are indeed plotting to steal taxpayer-funded research.

Grassley wrote letters to the Justice Department and the Health & Human Services Department requesting information on the vetting process of researchers, education of research institutions, and their maintenance of integrity in U.S. research.

"We have agencies that give out [public] grants," Grassley said. "They have a responsibility that these grants are policed, and we know that the research we do doesn't go to other countries to violate intellectual property or threaten our national security."

As part of the Judiciary Committee last fall, Grassley said, he had the responsibility of making sure that such intellectual property was protected, which meant exercising his right to congressional oversight.

"Congress has the right to make sure the executive branch is doing its job the way it's intended," Grassley said. "Our investigation started because we had both secured and unsecured briefings about national-security issues with other countries."

Although Grassley admitted he doesn't yet know the extent of the potential problem, he said a more thorough vetting of researchers might

He said the federal government must rely upon research institutions, because that's where the expertise is. Thus, in his letters, he asks what steps federal law enforcement is taking, if any, to educate higher-learning institutions about the possible threat.

Stephen Pradarelli, the strategic communications director in the UI Office of the Vice President for Research, said the university sponsors approximately 210 foreign-national faculty and staff for employment authorization in research, who have temporary nonimmigrant status.

As a higher-learning institution that receives federally funded grants for research, Pradarelli said, all UI employees, national and international, must undergo background checks.

Nevertheless, he said the Research Vice President's Office previously sent out a letter to campus, reminding faculty and staff that they are required to disclose professional relationships with foreign entities in relation to their responsibilities at the UI.

Bob Kirby, the director of the Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates, emphasized the need for diligence on behalf of the UI in allowing — or not allowing — access to research materials that could be used by others.

"Because postdoctoral fellows, graduate students, and undergraduates play an important role in our insti-

tutional research efforts, it's important we stay informed about the conversation," he said.

Although Grassley's concerns are fairly recent, Kirby said researchers at institutions such as the UI have recognized the need to screen individuals who join their research teams for many years now.

"Whether it is making sure information about research participants is protected or just making sure that the outcome of a study is not disclosed until appropriate publication, researchers have a consistent need to be discriminating in whom they involve in their research," Kirby said.



"[The federal government] needs to be doing more to help our research institutions perform background checks on people they're dealing with, particularly if they come from a foreign country."

— Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa

be a good solution, especially if the federal government stepped in to help individual institutions.

"They need to be doing more to help our research institutions perform background checks on people they're dealing with, particularly if they come from a foreign country," Grassley said. "I've got to remain concerned."

"The UI benefits enormously from the presence and contributions of foreign-national scientists and scholars in our labs and classrooms," he said. "Many of whom bring unique skills and talents as faculty and staff to the work of discovery and academic inquiry."

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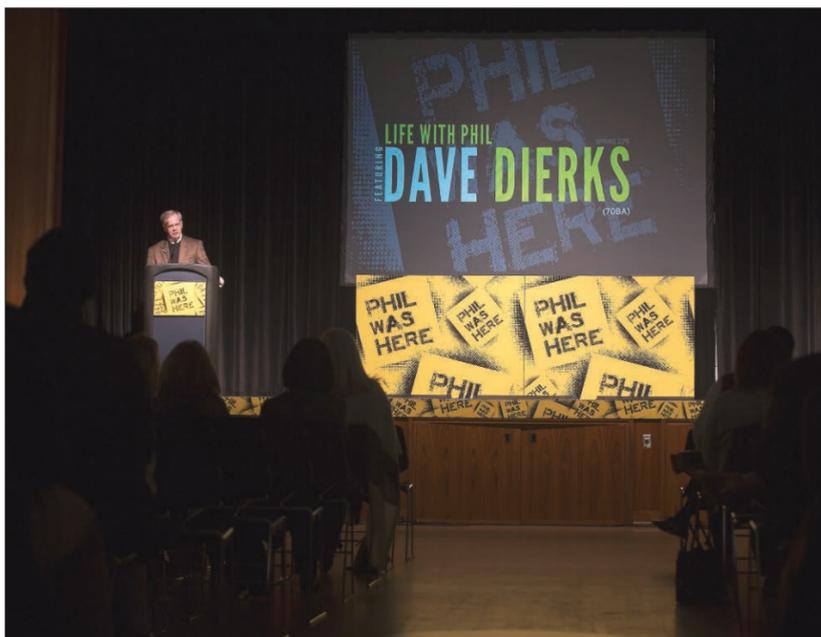
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UI alum David Dierks delivers the talk "Life with Phil" in the IMU Second Floor Ballroom on Tuesday.

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early 1970s. He said he's most proud of the increase in student financial aid.

He talked about the Center for Advancement's responsibility in building or partially supporting campus locations such as the former Museum of Art, the Abboud Cardiovascular Center, the Stead Family Children's Hospital, Kinnick Stadium, Pomerantz Center, Schaeffer Hall, among others.

All of the above and more were tagged by Phil tape this week to designate certain buildings as the result of philanthropic efforts.

"When we do this every year, I hope you'll take part of the day to kind of wander through campus and see the impact [philanthropy] has had on this campus," Dierks said.

The growth of philanthropy locally over the last 45 years is only a factor in its greater development worldwide. Giving

to all charities in 2016 totaled \$390 billion, 2 percent of the nation's GDP.

Although many charities rely on the contributions of private foundations, Dierks said, his evaluation of modern philanthropy suggests that the latter will fizzle out as the next generation grows up, and individual

In contrast, there were only three in the county when Dierks arrived.

The Center for Advancement ranks as the fifth largest in the state, Dierks said. Charitable giving is growing, and his primary requirements for taking advantage of that as a good fundraiser include prioritizing donors, practicing patience, and empathic listening.

"No matter what is going on in your life ... when you meet with that donor, nothing is more important than him or her," Dierks said. "Place all your attention on them, and you will never go wrong."

Center for Advancement Alumni Engagement Director Jessica Mattes said the "Life with Phil" talk usually features a philanthropist or someone who gives to the UI, but the staff asked Dierks this spring to spin the event a little differently.

"Dave has been with the ... Center for Advancement so long," Mattes said. "We thought that having that historical context, tuned to an amazing, current present-day fundraiser, would provide a really interesting perspective to those in attendance."

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— David Dierks, Center for Advancement

donations should become the focus of philanthropic organizations.

"Ten percent of the U.S. workforce is now involved in the nonprofit sector, and that doesn't even include volunteers," he said. "Your best prospects when you're trying to raise money are those that volunteer with you."

The number of 501(c)(3), or charitable organizations, in the nation has doubled over the last 20 years to more than 1 million, 15,000 in the state and 1,276 in Johnson County.



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# Opinions

## COLUMN

### The *DI* provides opportunities for young journalists

The *DI* has been the cornerstone of my UI journey. Support ensures one of the oldest U.S. college publications continues thriving.



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As I anxiously waited to graduate from high school three years ago to don the Black and Gold as a Hawkeye, I had no clear vision of what my time at the University of Iowa would look like. My dream of pursuing a college degree as a first-generation student was finally within reach — but how would I make it count?

I had a hunch then, and the answer's clear now: *The Daily Iowan*.

I've worked for the *DI* since I stepped foot on campus as a timid freshman, starting off as a news reporter and working my way up to my current position as managing editor. Next year, I will have the privilege of serving as editor-in-chief.

The word that comes to the front of my mind is "opportunity" when I think about the *DI*. I had never imagined that as someone whose family never attended college, I could someday lead one of the oldest and best college

'No classroom, no course, no assignment could teach us the lessons we've learned while producing journalism for a real audience on deadline at the *DI*.'

publications in the country. The *DI* has propelled me to take full advantage of the opportunities granted to me throughout my UI journey, and I couldn't be more grateful to lead this organization that has given me everything and more.

The *DI* has empowered me to learn what a university is all about and answer the curiosities I had as the first in my family to set on the degree-earning path. It's provided an on-campus family of around 120 other student journalists to turn to for support and to share in the absolute joy of reporting the news. It's given me the opportunity to travel across the country — and even board an airplane for the first time. And it's certainly made me far more comfortable in my own journalism-loving skin than I was when I arrived.

To the students similar to me who dedicate time and effort to the *DI*, the *DI* will give so much in return. Students have the opportunity to interview Iowa's state politicians and congressional delegation, to hit the road with Division-1 sports teams and provide comprehensive

Hawkeye sports coverage, and to compete every day with local journalists for content and produce professional work.

But the *DI* doesn't just give to those of us who work in its newsroom. As an independent student-run newspaper, we pride ourselves on being free to responsibly report the news as the facts have it. We're part of the community we cover and know that our words carry weight in shaping our campus climate; in turn, our community and its stories shape us and mold the work we do in the newsroom. We're an institution touched by many throughout our proud 150-year history and remain optimistic about the bright future ahead of us.

Today is 1 Day for Iowa, a 24-hour online fundraising event in which matching gifts and other challenges present opportunities for areas of campus such as the *DI* to earn additional funds. The *DI* is part of the Writing at Iowa featured area to which people can contribute.

Student journalism of the caliber produced at the *DI* is worth supporting. No classroom, no course, no assignment could teach us the lessons we've learned while producing journalism for a real audience on deadline at the *DI*.

You'd be hard-pressed to find a newsroom in the state — or even major national outlets — without a *DI* alum in it. From *USA Today* and the *Washington Post* out in Washington to top-notch newsrooms in Iowa such as the *Cedar Rapids Gazette* and *Des Moines Register*, we're truly everywhere. We leave this newsroom prepared to produce professional journalism because that's what we already do here every day.

It's no secret that it's a tough time for journalists. Trust in the media is low and continually tested by the "fake news" narrative, and journalism struggles to keep up with the pace of change needed to stay afloat in the digital age.

Contributions from generous supporters help guarantee that our organization's future is that much brighter amid these trying times. Support provided to the *DI* plays a crucial role in not only opening up more impactful opportunities for our staff members but in allowing us to better serve our community members with the journalism they need to be informed decision-makers and change agents.

## COLUMN

### Is Trump the president who cried wolf with emergency?

President Trump's political move to declare an emergency at the Southern border undermines the genuine call for federal emergency relief after flooding in the Midwest.



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We in Iowa know that the emergency declarations are nothing less than severe. After excessive snowfall and freezing temperatures this winter, the recent warmer weather has caused severe flooding in more than 50 counties in the southwestern part of the state. Just a couple of weeks ago, Gov. Kim Reynolds requested a major disaster declaration from President Trump, which he approved for a majority of the counties that were requested. These federally approved declarations will give much-needed aid to Iowa counties for recovery in infrastructure as well as provide funding for initiatives that will prevent similar disasters in the future.

However, with the looming threat of a national emergency declared on the Southern border as a pouty response from Trump after Congress refused to support the costs of a border wall, Trump's presidential ability to declare emergencies, national or otherwise, is seeming to become more of a rubber stamp rather than the official call to action that it is meant to be.

The ability to declare emergencies are considered to be among the executive powers bestowed on the president in the Constitution. In 1976, Congress passed the National Emergencies Act to better



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President Donald Trump speaks during the 2019 Prison Reform Summit and First Step Act Celebration at the White House on Monday.

define and limit the power the president has to make declarations and reallocate funding in the budget toward a pressing situation

policy goal that did not pass in Congress.

Is Trump's declaration a viable solution for the border crisis? Or is using executive

'Trump's presidential ability to declare emergencies ... is seeming to become more of a rubber stamp rather than the official call to action that it is meant to be.'

in the country. According to the Brennan Center for Justice, there have been 59 national emergencies declared to date.

Most of these declarations were not questioned by Congress or the public, because they were broadly recognized as nonpartisan emergencies requiring immediate relief. The national emergency at the Southern border is the only declaration made by a president in order to fund a

powers in an attempt to bypass congressional approval at the border a desperate way to keep his campaign promise of a wall? While there is no disagreement about needing a solution at our Southern border, the unprecedented use of a national emergency as a means to fund a policy is a pathetic route taken by the White House that I worry will lessen the severity and concern of future declarations.

After a record-setting federal government shutdown because Congress refused to approve \$6 billion for Trump's wall, it is pretty clear that the border wall is not a popular policy among Americans. The president's persistence in doing whatever necessary, even if using his powers in a manner that is controversial and will ultimately end up in the courts, seems completely unproductive to me.

Emergency declarations are meant to be an immediate response by the federal government to allocate funds to a pressing issue somewhere in the country. They should not be used by the president to reallocate funding and maneuver around Congress. The more often that these emergency declarations happen, the less of an emergency each one becomes.

## GUEST OPINION: PHIL WEEK

### Community effort for community space

The Stanley Museum of Art director shares her optimism for the future of the museum thanks to a highly supportive collection of donors dedicated to its mission and vision.

I have loved the University of Iowa since 2004, when I visited campus to attend a professional conference. As I walked across the Pentacrest and around downtown Iowa City on a beautiful autumn day, I saw creativity everywhere — in the museums and the libraries, along tree-lined walks, and in bookstores and coffee shops. As

I strolled, I overheard conversations about philosophy, science, music, dance, and poetry. "What a perfect place," I thought.

But the real beauty of this community came home to me four years later. Sitting in my kitchen in Maine, I watched UI students, faculty, and staff and Iowa City residents of all ages standing

ankle-deep in rising floodwater, passing sandbags hand-to-hand and carrying precious books and works of art to safety. A newscaster said, "It's uncertain whether the 160-year-old university will ever completely recover," but I never had any doubt. Watching the people of this community come together to save the campus that they love, it was clear to me that their devotion to the UI was more powerful than any river.

Now, as I complete my seventh month as director of the UI Stanley Museum of Art, the campaign to rebuild the museum is still bringing Iowans together and shining a bright light on who we are and what we believe. Steadfast supporters such as Dick and Mary Jo Stanley, whose \$10 million gift has given us our name, never stopped believing in our educational and enlightening mission.

Generous and civic-minded Iowans such as Chris and Suzy DeWolf — who have named the gallery that will house Jackson Pollock's masterpiece *Mural* — were drawn to us by their conviction that art creates community. Thanks to these men and women and a host of other supporters across the state of Iowa and beyond, we will be able to do more than just replace what was here before. The new Stanley Museum will be a showcase for our world-class art collections, a laboratory for teaching and learning, and a gathering place for the community that has worked so tirelessly and heroically to bring us safely through the flood. I am conscious every day of what an honor it is to help realize their vision.

— **Lauren Lessing**  
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UI Stanley Museum of Art



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The UI Stanley Museum of Art sign is seen outside the IMU on Jan. 14.

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# ETHICS & POLITICS



## Working across the aisle, Iowa style

Iowa's congressional delegation is split evenly between Democrats and Republicans beginning this year, and the group has worked together on issues such as rural broadband and insurance.

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Flooding in southwest Iowa presented an unfortunate but golden opportunity for Iowa's congressional delegation — now split evenly between three Republicans and three Democrats for the first time in six years — to band together and urge President Trump to make a disaster declaration in more than 50 Iowa counties, which he did March 23.

The senators and representatives for Iowa in the U.S. capital work together on certain advocacy efforts such as with flood relief and legislation such as rural broadband, insurance, and pharmaceutical prices.

One recent example of bipartisan advocacy has emerged as the last two weeks of flooding have put some western Iowa communities, including Hamburg, underwater.

Last week, three members of Iowa's delegation, Democratic Rep. Cindy Axne and Republican Sens. Ernst and Chuck Grassley, spoke on their respective chamber floors to call attention to flood-relief efforts in Iowa.

Axne, who represents southwestern and part of central Iowa, wrote a letter to the House Appropriations Committee requesting a "robust increase" in funding for programs such as FEMA, USDA, and the Small Business Association to increase grants to help ease land and asset loss.

Ernst promised to review policies of the Army Corps of Engineers applied throughout the floods but did not specify which ones.

Iowa Democratic Rep. Abby Finkenauer said in a March 27 interview that Iowa's balanced delegation is an example on a smaller scale of how the divided Congress, in which Democrats control the House and Republicans maintain a majority of Senate seats, should work across party lines.

"I don't think people realize how much of the bipartisan conversations actually happen here," Finkenauer said. "But it's important that we do because ... anything that does get done, we need to get it through both chambers."

Early in the session, a partnership between Axne and Ernst emerged in the first few weeks after the former was sworn in and after two constituents from Dallas County contacted Axne's office. Two mothers' children had a rare genetic disorder called ectodermal dysplasias, which inhibits the development of teeth or sweat glands. According to Axne's office, the family was denied coverage because insurance companies determined corrective surgeries to be "cosmetic."

Axne became a cosponsor on a bill reintroduced into both chambers of Congress that aims to ensure health plans would cover reconstructive surgeries deemed medically necessary. Ernst was an original sponsor on the Senate version of the bill. The proposal hasn't been brought to a vote by either chamber.

Behind the scenes, the Iowa delegation meets once a month for a breakfast hosted by Ernst. There, delegation members talk about legislative priorities the group shares in addition to asking for advice in addressing challenges in their day-to-day management, Ernst said.

"I think we can set the example for all of our states and show that we can get along and we can work on certain projects together," she said.

Finkenauer said topics that have dominated the breakfast conversations include broadband and an infrastructure package — which she is working on in her role as a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

Five of the six members of Iowa's delegation were present for the latest breakfast. The sixth was King, whose spokesman did not respond to emails or phone messages.

"Every member of the delegation is invited to come; although not everyone can make it every time," Ernst spokesperson Brendan Conley wrote in an email to *The Daily Iowan*.

Loebsack said he believed lowering pharmaceutical prices was one issue that could draw support from both sides of the aisle, and constituents were increasingly bringing it up in town halls.

Loebsack cosponsors a 2019 bill alongside 20 other representatives that would heighten transparency standards of prescription-drug pricing. The lone Republican House member from Iowa, King, is the only other Iowa cosponsor on the bill.

In the Senate, Grassley held hearings in February to address rising prices of pharmaceuticals such as insulin but said in an interview that he would confer with the House Finance Committee on drafting a piece of legislation to increase transparency among insurers, manufacturers, and consumers.

In 2018, Grassley spearheaded a bipartisan effort to reform the criminal-justice system, including re-

ducing sentences, which President Trump signed into law in December 2018. Then-Judiciary Committee Chairman Grassley was one of 34 Democratic and Republican sponsors of the legislation, which included Ernst.

In perhaps a less bipartisan moment, the Grassley-backed \$13.45 billion federal-assistance package, part of which would go to Midwest states affected by flooding, failed to pass the Senate on Monday. Senate Minor-

ity Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., said on Twitter his no vote was cast because not enough resources were included for Puerto Rico in the spending package. In the lower chamber, all but six House Republicans similarly balked at a disaster-aid package that passed in January with all Democrats casting yes votes.

University of Northern Iowa political-science Professor Christopher Larimer said although natural disasters have sparked bipartisan legislative efforts, he noted relief legislation introduced after more recent disasters such as Hurricane Harvey — Iowa lawmakers Grassley and Ernst voted against one federal relief package — have grown more contentious.

"Things that should be pretty straightforward are getting sucked into partisan politics," Larimer said.

Former *Des Moines Register* political columnist and current host of "Iowa Press" David Yeepsen said that although he wasn't following individual senators and representatives incredibly closely, the coalition coming together on flooding has always been the case, adding that disaster relief often "transcends politics."

While he couldn't comment on individuals, Yeepsen said, he believes Washington in general is much more partisan than in past decades. Iowa voters like to say they like bipartisanship, he said, but it's increasingly more difficult for Democrats and Republicans to move from their bases

and compromise with the opposite party on legislation. But politicians likely won't say that, he noted.

"The members aren't going to tell you, 'Oh, we fight all the time,'" Yeepsen said.

Although certain topics attract bipartisan support, according to a collaborative study by several universities, partisanship and noncooperation in Congress has grown exponentially from 1950 to 2012.

In recent years, that trend may be shifting, at least slightly.

An undercurrent of bipartisan activity occurred during the 2017-18 session, according to a separate analysis by the Lugar Center and Georgetown University's McCourt School of Public Policy. The analysis gives senators and representatives a score based on how many bills he or she cosponsored with a member of the opposite political party.

Overall, scores improved for the third-straight Congress after scores bottomed out during the years of 2011-12, Lugar Center President Richard Lugar said in a March 19 press release.

The most recent report ranked Iowa near the top in bipartisanship in 2018, with the state ranked as the 15th most bipartisan one. New statistics on current members (Iowa has two new House representatives this year) won't come out for at least another year.

Republican Sen. Chuck Grassley ranked eighth of 100 senators for the number of bills he cosponsored with a member of the opposing party during the 2017-18 Congress, according to the Lugar Center analysis. Fellow Republican Ernst came in 19th on the list. On the House side for the same years, the only available rankings for current members were for King, who came in at 425th (there are 435 members of the U.S. House) and Dave Loebsack at 118th.

**Is King an outlier?**

Finkenauer said in the three months she'd been in Washington, she'd seen King a single time.

"I actually have not seen Congressman King except in an elevator once," Finkenauer said. "He's not on any committees now, which, you know, he shouldn't be given that his views don't represent Iowa or our country."

The House Republican Steering Committee blocked King from receiving committee assignments in January after his comments published in the *New York Times* sparked public outrage and drew rebukes from fellow Republicans.

"White nationalist, white supremacist, Western civilization — how did that language become offensive?" King asked in an interview with the *Times*.

King has said his comment was mischaracterized.

The move to bar King from committee assignments raised questions about his effectiveness in working with other lawmakers.

House committees enable members of Congress to consider bills and issues as well as oversee agencies, programs, and activities in the committee's jurisdiction.

King can still vote on the House floor and talk with other House members to influence votes. In a call with reporters in January, Grassley said King would not be as effective without committees but it was up to the voters of the 4th District whether to re-elect him.

Loebsack, who represents southeastern Iowa including Iowa City, which sustained severe flooding in 2008, said he had reached out to King when floods hit northwestern Iowa in 2011.

"At that time, I extended a hand to Steve King and said, 'Hey we've been through this in my district in '08, we'll help in any way we can,'" Loebsack said.

Now, he is extending help to Axne, whose southwest Iowa district has suffered the brunt of the 2019 floods. He hadn't talked with King on this particular issue, he said.

When asked if his relationship with King had changed since he was not assigned to any committees, Loebsack said, "No, and I'll leave it at that." He stood by previous statements such as one in January when Loebsack called for King to resign, calling his remarks "disgusting and hateful."

King spokesman John Kennedy said the congressman could not accommodate the *DI*'s request for an interview while *DI* staffers were in Washington "due to pre-existing conflicts on his schedule." The *DI* met with the five other members of Iowa's delegation.

'I don't think people realize how much of the bipartisan conversations actually happen here. But it's important that we do because ... anything that does get done, we need to get it through both chambers.'

— Rep. Abby Finkenauer, D-Iowa

# Struggling softball seeks to end skid

Iowa softball hopes to get better performances both in the circle and at the plate tonight in Cedar Falls.



Katie Goodale/The Daily Iowan

Iowa's DoniRae Mayhew takes a pitch against Northwestern at Pearl Field on March 30.

BY PETE MILLS  
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Iowa softball will try to end a five-game losing slide tonight in a matchup against Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

In a way, the team might be glad to take a break from play on its home turf. Iowa struggled at Pearl Field, giving up 27 runs while only scoring 3 through four games this season.

The pitchers have struggled in late games, all at Pearl. The staff gave up 17 runs to Northwestern in last weekend's series. In the home-opener on March 27, Erin Riding gave up a grand slam early to Western Illinois, which went on to score 10 runs.

Along with spotty pitching, sketchy fielding has made some appearances. In the matchup with Northwestern on March 29, the Wildcats scored 5 runs, but only 2 of them were earned — Iowa committed 3 errors. The game against Western Illinois on March 27 saw somewhat similar trouble; although Iowa didn't commit any errors, there were missed opportunities on fly

balls. Iowa head coach Renee Gillispie said pitching and fielding are interconnected, and the team needs to clean them up.



Gillispie

"Pitching starts with the pitchers, and when our pitchers aren't on, then our defense falls apart," she said after the team's loss to Western Illinois. The bats have been quiet in recent weeks, but they certainly have the ability to light up. DoniRae Mayhew was held hitless in the last series against Northwestern, but she leads the team in home runs and ranks second in batting average. Likewise, Mallory Kilian is tied with Mayhew for the most hits but only nabbed one in the series against the Wildcats. Getting consistent hitting and remaining focused is central to helping out the pitching and defense.

"We have to worry about focusing on playing our game and getting sharper," Gillispie said after only scoring 1 run against Western Illinois.

Iowa hopes to get its offense back in full motion against Northern Iowa. The players are confident in their ability to win on the road, it's just a matter of getting runners aboard and converting opportunities.

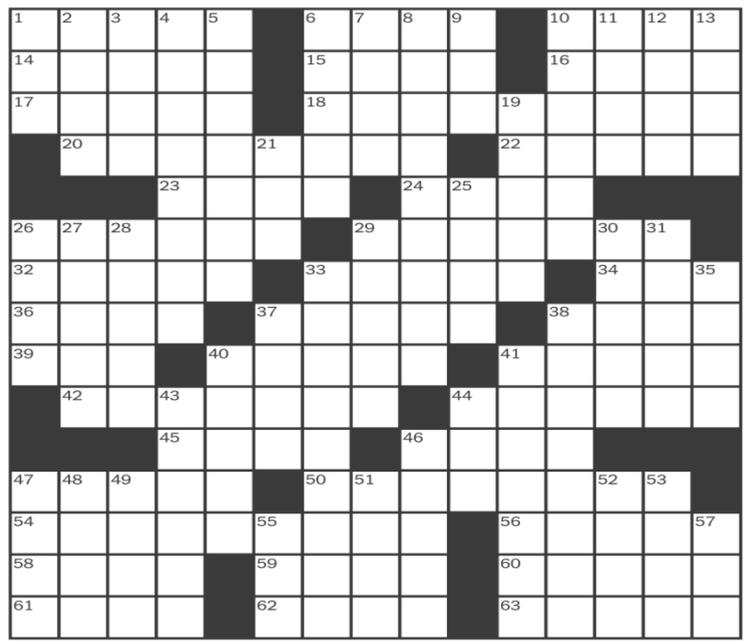
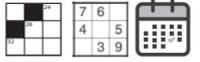
Early in the season, Gillispie made sure the players had experience on a variety of playing surfaces and outside conditions. She said this has allowed the team to be a gritty squad on the road.

"We're road warriors," Gillispie said. "We put them in [tough] situations early on ... I think that helped them get accustomed to the travel."

In the midst of a five-game losing slide, the team hopes to use its prowess in Cedar Falls. The Panthers are 15-13 but have a solid 5-2 home record. Infielder Sammey Bunch is on absolute fire at the plate, sporting a .432 average with 10 home runs and a .909 slugging percentage. Iowa pitcher Allison Doocy will have her hands full.

Iowa will remain on the road heading into the weekend, starting a series at Wisconsin on Friday.

## The Daily Break



### The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0227

- Across**
- 1 Do some digging
  - 6 "Good joke!"
  - 10 Phishing scheme, e.g.
  - 14 City whose cathedral is the subject of a series of Monet paintings
  - 15 "Good gravy!"
  - 16 Target of the U.S.-backed Radio Marti
  - 17 Exuded
  - 18 Was afraid of losing
  - 20 Pre-22-Across
  - 22 Go for a stroll
  - 23 Indian bread
  - 24 One who gets booked, informally
  - 26 Pre-29-Across
  - 29 Subject in acting school
  - 32 Features of leopards
  - 33 Noted family of German composers
  - 34 Ceiling
  - 36 Some Craigslist listings: Abbr.
  - 37 Red Scare epithet
  - 38 Animal also called a Nittany lion
  - 39 '70s rock?
  - 40 Some Spanish murals
  - 41 Bud of baseball
  - 42 Pre-44-Across
  - 44 Job in a monastery
  - 45 Inauguration recitation
  - 46 Enjoy a nice long bath
  - 47 Pre-50-Across
  - 50 How emotionally developed people handle things
  - 54 One cabinet in a kitchen, typically
  - 56 Douglas \_\_\_\_, author of "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy"
  - 58 \_\_ boots
  - 59 Pod creature
  - 60 Regal maker
  - 61 Flabbergast
  - 62 "All right already!"
  - 63 Skunk's defense

- Down**
- 1 Positive
  - 2 Thatcher's creation
  - 3 Anise-flavored liqueur
  - 4 Bar snack
  - 5 Causes (oneself) to be cherished
  - 6 Long-beaked bird
  - 7 Soup thickener
  - 8 Doesn't just choose randomly
  - 9 Autoplaying annoyances, sometimes
  - 10 Dish that can give you garlic breath
  - 11 Park place?
  - 12 Ferrara who directed "King of New York"
  - 13 Wasn't late for
  - 19 Supermarket aids
  - 21 Extremely, informally
  - 25 Auto-reply?
  - 26 "Stat!"
  - 27 Increased
  - 28 The Teflon Don
  - 29 Virgil's fellow traveler
  - 30 Eyelike openings
  - 31 Desert in southern Africa
  - 33 Prominent Gorbachev feature
  - 35 Part of a website
  - 37 Scotch flavorer
  - 38 Suddenly got excited
  - 40 Hotel sojourns
  - 41 Pharaonic symbols
  - 43 \_\_\_\_ Whitehead, author of the 2017 Pulitzer-winning novel "The Underground Railroad"
  - 44 Tiny amount
  - 46 Brunch partner of 47-Down
  - 47 Brunch partner of 46-Down
  - 48 Very often
  - 49 Italian word with a grave accent that becomes a brand name with an acute accent
  - 51 With the bow, in music
  - 52 Where a supervillain schemes
  - 53 Gay anthem of 1978
  - 55 Romantically pursue
  - 57 Where a telescope points

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- Brentano String Quartet, 3:30 p.m., Dey House Frank Conroy Reading Room
- "Social Justice in Conversation: Disability Rights," Hawkeye Service Team, 6 p.m., 337 IMU
- Mission Creek Festival, Nonfiction Writing Program Showcase, Gabriel Houck, Jennifer S. Cheng, and Lawrence Ypil, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- Luisa Caldwell Presentation, 7:30 p.m., E125 Visual Arts
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- Joke Local 5-6pm
- Descent Into Radness 7-8pm
- Amalgamorium Emporium 9:30-10:30pm
- Single Synopsis 11pm-12am

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## FOOTBALL

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wants to get on the field [and] he wants to play, those reps are earned. I'm not just going to throw him out there so his parents can take pictures."

Iowa also possesses a linebacker corps that would be difficult to pass on the depth chart. After Jones started and was removed in Week 1 last season, Kristian Welch, Nick Niemann, and Dijmon Colbert did enough to secure consistent time on the field.

Throw in a "Cash" linebacker and a scheme with five defensive backs, and that crams the

path even more.

Iowa linebacker coach Seth Wallace said the idea to move Jones to the defensive line came up a couple months ago, and he has warmed up to the idea since.

"He's a high-energy kid," Wallace said. "He's somebody who has a passion for this game. You could argue, is he one of the best 11 true football players that we could put on the football field? Maybe."

"It's been a good transition up to this point, certainly, for a position that lacked the numbers, and then here's another position at the linebacker spot where there wasn't a lack of numbers. It was, how can we make this thing right? You got power, you got explosiveness,

you got quick-twitch — those are all necessary at that defensive end position."

Bell said Jones playing on the line would give the defense a little more of a 3-4 look but wouldn't actually evolve to a 3-4. Wallace echoed that, but noted the difference between a two-point and three-point stance.

It's early, but as of now, it seems as if the Hawkeye coaching is comfortable with the changes in the defense.

"He's got enough foundation, enough background at linebacker that you could tell him, 'You're dropping to the flat,' and he knows how to cover the flat," Wallace said. "It's been a good transition for him."

## BASKETBALL

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we have on our team."

Returners for next season's squad demonstrated a lot of improvement this season, and it's easy to think the opportunities to play with this year's seniors helped quite a bit in development.

Kathleen Doyle and Makenzie Meyer are the only returning starters, but others have proven effective off the bench. Doyle has some of the best assist numbers in the conference and has a gamer personality that drives teams forward, and Meyer adds a 3-point stroke that has the ability to take over games. Likely joining the starting unit will be Amanda Ollinger, who was productive as a post player when taking the hard-wood this season.

But still, this season comes back to the now-finished seniors of Megan Gustafson, Tania Davis, and Hannah Stewart.

After a win on Senior Day on March 3, Stewart was a few words for her coach.

"She's taught me so many life lessons about what it means not only to be a good basketball player but a strong woman," she said. "Not all coaches are like that. She definitely cares about who we are as people. That makes it so fun, and that makes us want to play for her and win for her. My mom was my coach in high school, so when I got to Iowa, it didn't really feel that much different."

Gustafson has had many similar words about her coach this season.

It is no mistake that this crop of seniors chose to come to Iowa. Creating a culture surrounded by positive leadership and meaningful role models, Bluder said, are the first steps in establishing a winning culture. People want to play for this coaching staff.

Next season won't be the same, but new faces just mean new forms of excitement for the program.

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## BASEBALL

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"Tip your hat to Murayama. He went almost seven innings against us and didn't give up a run. [It was] a pitching clinic. He did a nice job of changing speeds, which kept us off balance."

Thanks to Maruyama's efforts, the Hawkeyes stayed stuck at 2 runs for most of the game.

That initial pair of runs came in the bottom of the first. Iowa scored after Trenton Wallace grounded out to Clarke's shortstop, plating Mitchell Boe. Then Ben Nor-

man singled to right, plating Austin Martin.

But then, scoring became hard to come by. Iowa managed 10 hits throughout the contest — 6 more than Clarke — but struggled to string together runs.

However, while the Hawkeyes had issues offensively, the Pride roared back in the seventh and eighth innings.

In the seventh, John Collins scored after Andrew Lein tripled into right-center field. Then, in the top of the eighth with the bases empty, Jamal Howard sent a pitch over the right-center wall, tying the game.

Iowa's Jason Foster relieved Adam Ketelsen, who had giv-

en up Clarke's final run. Foster finished the game's final 1.1 innings, striking out 1 and holding Clarke hitless.

Offensively, the Hawkeye answer came in the bottom of the eighth.

A sac fly by Chris Whelan's scored Matthew Sosa, giving Iowa a 3-2 lead with two on. Clarke tallied the final two outs to end the inning but couldn't get a runner on base in the ninth, giving the Hawkeyes their fifth win in a row.

Iowa doesn't have much time to prepare for its next opponent, Illinois State. The Hawkeyes will host the Redbirds today at 6:05 p.m. at Banks Field.

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## HAWKEYE UPDATES

### Hawkeye rowing rises to challenge with three top returners

With the help of Contessa Harold, Hunter Koenigsfeld, and Eve Stewart, the Iowa rowing squad had its best season in program history in 2018.

It landed a No. 7 spot in the national rankings during the regular season, finished fourth at Big Tens with a program-high 111 points, and placed 11th at the NCAA Championships in the team's third competition at nationals.

Harold, Koenigsfeld, and Stewart are some of Iowa's most notable returning rowers.

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### Gustafson named first team All-American

Iowa senior Megan Gustafson was tabbed a first team All-American by the U.S. Basketball Writers Association, the organization announced Tuesday.



Gustafson

Gustafson is joined by Connecticut's Napheesa Collier, Oregon's Sabrina Ionescu, Mississippi State's Teaira McCowan,

and Notre Dame's Arike Ogunbowale, all of whom are up for the Ann Meyers Drysdale Award, given to the best player in the country.

The Port Wing, Wisconsin, native earned first-team honors; she was named to the second team last season.

Gustafson became just the fourth player in NCAA history to score 1,000 points in a season, accomplishing the feat in Iowa's loss to No. 1 seed Baylor in the Elite Eight on Monday.

She is the fourth Hawkeye to be named an All-American by the organization, joining Michele Edwards, Necole Tunsil, and Samantha Logic.

### Iowa to pay \$478,000 for new Kinnick turf

Hawkeye football will not hold an open spring practice because Kinnick Stadium needs a turf replacement and a review of the field-drainage system.

The university will pay FieldTurf — a company that initially installed new turf in 2017 — around \$478,340, according to a report from the *Gazette*.

The turf replacement will take place in the spring and summer months. A release from the Athletics Department on March 26 said crews were expected to start the project as soon as the weather permitted.

The work is a result of flooding in and around the stadium last summer.

"While the affected area from last summer was 100 percent repaired and safe for play in 2018, there is a long-term need to replace the turf this summer," Iowa Athletics Director Gary Barta said in a release. "We explored options for a public practice at an alternate venue, but we did not have a suitable option."

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

**"I'm not just going to throw him out there so his parents can take pictures."**



— Iowa defensive-line coach Kelvin Bell on Amani Jones earning playing time at end

## STAT OF THE DAY

Nicholas Baer is the **third Hawkeye since 1980** to lead the team in steals in three consecutive seasons.

**3 seasons**  
leading Iowa in steals

# Bright future in store

The Hawkeye women's basketball season has now ended and the program will have to eventually move on from the Megan Gustafson Era.



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Megan Gustafson poses for a photo with a young fan near the Coralville Transit Intermodal Facility on Tuesday.

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Hawkeye head coach Lisa Bluder's most successful season of her career was both deliberate and painstakingly planned.

The Hawkeye women zapped into their longest NCAA Tournament run since 1993 and won their first Big Ten Tournament Championship since 2001. The checklist of accomplishments is long for both the team and ESPN's national player of the year, Megan Gustafson.

But this season was nothing near a mistake or a surprise for the program. Years of building the culture and recruiting led to a special season,

and the same process will ensure a lasting impact on the program.

To the team, the saddest part of Monday's loss was the conclusion of a special bond. Next year will involve new faces, but the culture Bluder has built will mean strong seasons will continue.

Joining the team next season will be guard McKenna Warnock, the Wisconsin Gatorade Player of the Year. The 6-1 guard is the No. 86 overall player in her recruiting class, according to ESPN. She averaged a double-double for Monona Grove High this season, with 29.7 points and 12.6 rebounds per game.

Following Warnock is Megan Meyer, sister of starting guard Makenzie Meyer. While slightly

shorter than her sister, Megan Meyer also has an affinity for shooting 3-pointers.

Both of these new faces have clear draws to counterparts in the Iowa program. Warnock follows the shoes of Gustafson, a fellow Wisconsin Miss Basketball, and Meyer joins her sister in the Black and Gold.

This proves that Bluder has set a permanent culture in Carver-Hawkeye, 19 years into her tenure.

"It all begins with getting talent in," she said. "You know, I think the culture is there. I think people want to play with the type of women that

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BASEBALL

Iowa - 3 Clarke - 2

# Five in a row for Hellerball

Starting pitching and eighth-inning offense boost Iowa over Clarke.



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Iowa's Duncan Davitt pitches against Clarke on Tuesday at Banks Field. The Hawkeyes defeated the Pride, 3-2.

BY ADAM HENSLEY  
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Thanks to some timely eighth-inning offense, Iowa baseball took down Clarke, 3-2, on Tuesday evening at Banks Field.

The Hawkeyes received a major boost from Duncan Davitt on the mound. The freshman received the starting nod and for five innings, he kept the Pride at bay. The right-hander struck out 6 and allowed just a single hit.

"It was a great start," head coach Rick Heller said in a release. "He had good touch today and composed himself well. He did exactly what we needed

today and stayed under his pitch count, so he's ready to go this weekend."

This season, Davitt has 20.1 innings under his belt. The Indianola native has a 2.66 ERA and has allowed 14 hits and struck out 22.

Clarke countered Davitt with a sensational outing from pitcher Tsubasa Maruyama. He pitched 6.2 innings and kept Iowa scoreless, striking out 4 and allowing 6 hits.

"We didn't string any [hits] together and not much for extra bases, which makes it hard to score when you do it that way," Heller said in a release.

SEE BASEBALL, 6

# Football's Jones draws the line

Linebacker Amani Jones' switch to defensive line is a key example of how Iowa's defense is changing.

BY PETE RUDEN  
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Picture an Iowa defensive line without the likes of Anthony Nelson, Parker Hesse, Matt Nelson, and Sam Brincks.

It seems normal because that's what the Hawkeyes have heading into the 2019 season.

But instead of those four established starters, imagine linebacker Amani Jones — who got pulled in last year's season-opener for being too hyped — on the edge.

It would certainly make for an interesting unit, and the Hawkeyes might be closer to it than many previously had thought.

Iowa defensive-line coach Kelvin Bell said he doesn't look at Jones as a defensive end but sees him as an edge defender.

"It gives our defense a little bit different look," Bell said. "He's going to have to adjust. Things happen a lot faster [down there] because you're closer to the ball. The things that he provides, his energy, he's really good for the room. He wants to be good."

Despite losing four starters, the defensive line still has some impressive résumés returning on the depth chart, including those of A.J. Epenesa and Chauncey Golston.

Playing time is not guaranteed, although Iowa would like to build a rotation on the line. But Bell likes what he has seen from the former linebacker so far.

"So far, so good. He's doing everything I've asked him to do," Bell said. "He knows that if he



Jones

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