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Representation in nation's first-to-caucus state

Eighty-five percent of Iowans are white. As the first state to begin winnowing presidential candidates for the political-party nominations, a lot of political attention is on the Hawkeye state, and some politically active people of color are questioning how engaged 2020 presidential campaigns are with underrepresented communities.



Java House celebrates 25 years in business

Fan-favorite local coffee shop Java House is celebrating its 25th birthday in Iowa City. The business, started by a University of Iowa student, first served customers from the second floor of Prairie Lights. Now it has five locations, with a sixth expected to open in North Liberty this fall.



Webinar series aims to help grad students

A new webinar series in the UI graduate school has increased early action on awards applications and will likely lead to more success among students. The 10-webinar series will offer convenient and accessible advising.



Buzzerio ready to lead Hawkeye volleyball

Iowa volleyball senior Meghan Buzzerio is one of three team captains for the Hawkeyes this year. Entering the 2019 season, Buzzerio has one key goal in mind for the team: making the NCAA tournament.

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Big Ten has standout performances in Week 1

From veteran Big Ten players like Jonathan Taylor to a player new to the conference like Justin Fields, the Big Ten was home to a number of remarkable performances in the first week of the new college football season.

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Student-fee boost to support cinema



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UISG President Noel Mills speaks during a UISG meeting in the Blackbox Theater of the IMU on Aug. 27.

A proposed \$2 student-fee increase will pay for new equipment in FilmScene's new Chauncey Building location, allowing Bijou to use the space rent-free.

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University of Iowa students could see the continuation of student discounts on memberships and tickets at the new Gilbert Street location of FilmScene, as well as a Student Activity Fee increase of \$2 to make that possible.

UI Student Government passed a resolution to propose a \$2 student-fee increase at its Tuesday meeting. The increase will fund equipment for the new FilmScene location in the Chauncey Building and create a deferred maintenance fund for use by student organizations.

In return for the student-fee investment in equipment for the FilmScene theater, students will receive a \$1.50 discount on all FilmScene tickets, as well as a 30 percent discount on memberships.

All Bijou Film Board events will remain free for students. The equipment purchased by UISG will allow Bijou access to FilmScene facilities rent-free.

The proposed student-fee increase is subject to approval by the Student Fee Committee and the state Board

of Regents. UISG adviser Bill Nelson, the IMU executive director, estimated the Student Activity Fee has not been raised in the past four or five years.

Bijou originally submitted a request for \$250,000 in funding from student governments. This proposal was voted down by the 2018-19 Student Senate.

The legislation provides \$65,000 to Bijou to pay for a new digital projector and accessories. Of that amount, \$52,000 comes from the proposed student-fee increase, while the other \$13,000 in funding will be from reversions in the UISG and Graduate and Professional Student Government budgets.

The funding is added to the \$56,000 annual operating budget for Bijou, provided by both UISG and GPSG.

At the conclusion of fiscal 2021, the \$2 fee increase will contribute to the proposed combined deferred-maintenance fund maintained by UISG and GPSG. The proposed fund provides student organizations with money to maintain and replace equipment.

The fund would be designed to provide equipment maintenance and

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Agreement may bring bike sharing to Iowa City streets

The Iowa City City Council passed a resolution that makes it possible to offer bike sharing in Iowa City.

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The Iowa City City Council paved the way Tuesday night for ridesharing company Gotcha Mobility to bring a dockless, electric-assisted bike-share system to downtown streets in the next 90 days to improve transportation accessibility.

The passage of the resolution, which allows the city to sign a contract with the company, comes two years after the city council's implementation of the Iowa City Bicycle Master Plan and a couple of months after its addition of new bike lanes to city streets.



Throgmorton

"It will be just another transportation option that will be available to the community to quickly, easily, accessibly, and inexpensively get around town," Iowa City Transportation Services Director Darian Nagle-Gamm said.

There is no set number of bikes that will serve the city yet, but several hundred are estimated to find a home in Iowa City. The bike-share system will begin with bikes available in the downtown area and will then spread outwards to suburban neighborhoods.

Nagle-Gamm said the implementation of the bike-share system will allow students easier, faster access to campus-wide classes and activities, as well as allow other members of the community a more economic transportation option.

"It will enable students to move around a lot better than they would otherwise be able to do," Iowa City Mayor Jim Throgmorton said.

Throgmorton said the bike-share agreement with Gotcha will also benefit Iowa City by aiding in the decongestion of busy roads and lower the city's carbon emissions.

"It will enable people to not drive automobiles if they choose not to," Throgmorton said, adding that 19 percent of Iowa City's CO2 emissions come from transportation. "We have made a major com-

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ETHICS & POLITICS 2020 CAUCUS

Bullock, Bennet hope for breakout moment

Montana Gov. Steve Bullock and U.S. Senator from Colorado Michael Bennet are holding between 0 and 2 percent in national polls, but neither have any plans to exit the race, calling it "wide open."

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About five months out from the Iowa caucuses, Susan Daggot — wife to U.S. Senator from Colorado Michael Bennet — clutched a couple pages of notebook paper in her hand and launched into her husband's presidential pitch to a group of about 15 people in an office on the eastern side of Iowa City.

She was presiding over the opening of her husband's second Iowa campaign office in Iowa on Tuesday, which marks an expansion of Bennet's Iowa campaign despite Bennet remaining near the bottom of the pack in polling and donations.

"We are playing catch-up," Daggot told the group of mostly undecided caucus-goers, referencing Bennet's bout with cancer delaying his entry into the race. "But he is a guy who deeply, deeply believes that we've seen troubles in the past... and we can, as Americans, come together."

After a Labor Day week-



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Liam Bogs, 7, of Cedar Rapids teaches Sen. Michael Bennet, D-Colo., during the Hawkeye Area Labor Council Picnic at Hawkeye Downs on Monday.

end swing in Iowa, two Democrats hugging the bottom of the polls are emphasizing that five months is enough time to build a following in the first-in-the-nation caucus state.

"My whole plan is to be there every step of the way," Montana Gov. Steve Bullock said after completing 12 events across Iowa where he focused on counties that swung from

Obama to Trump in 2016. Bullock and Bennet's holiday weekend swings also came after the Aug. 28 deadline to qualify for the September debates, which half of the 20-candidate

field qualified for.

Both Bullock and Bennet told *The Daily Iowan* in interviews they're focusing on campaigning person-to-person in Iowa and New Hampshire rather than grasping for poll numbers and donations to qualify for the debates. Both are polling between 0 and 2 percent in national polls according to realclear-politics.

Although both candidates are aiming to qualify to be on the October debate stage, the televised debates aren't essential to their runs for president, the pair said.

Between Labor Day and October marks the time when campaigns either sink or swim, said Bret Nilles, Democratic Chair.

"Usually this is the point where the campaigns really need to kick off in terms of how much alignment they can get and how much energy they can create on their own," Nilles said.

Nilles, who attended Bennet's town hall in Cedar

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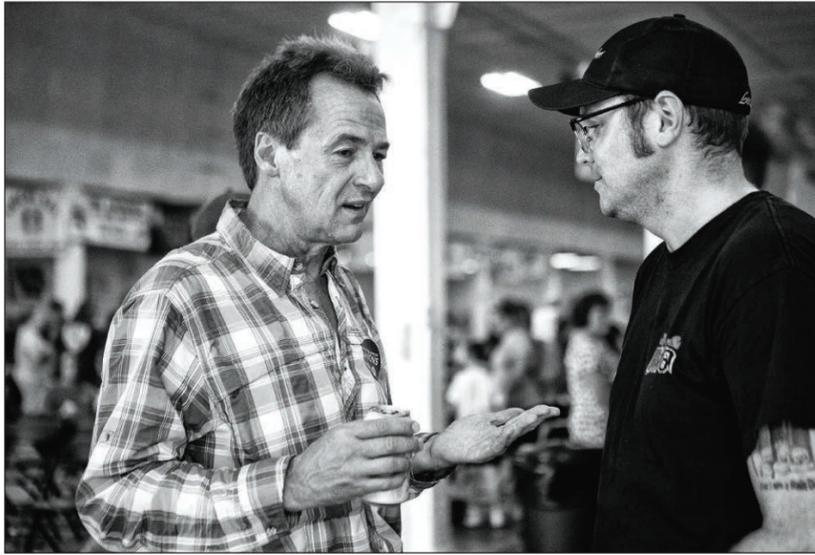
WHO'S GOT GAME?



UI Vice President for Student Life Melissa Shivers plays a game of Kahoot with students at the Latino-Native American Cultural Center during the UI Cultural Centers open house on Tuesday. The game of Kahoot was based on the history of the center. Emily Wangen/The Daily Iowan

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Rapids, said while debates help garner name recognition and exposure, he didn't think a debate appearance was an incredibly important metric for Iowans attending political events such as Bennet's. The Democratic National Committee sets requirements for presidential contenders to make the third and fourth debates — at least 2 percent in four DNC-approved polls and contributions from 130,000 unique donors. As the deadline for the September debates approached, four candidates for the nomination announced they would be dropping their bid as it became apparent they wouldn't make the stage, including Kirsten Gillibrand, John Hickenlooper, Jay Inslee, and Seth Moulton. Neither Bennet nor Bullock say they have plans to drop out, saying it's still early in the primary season. "I think people in Iowa,



Gov. Steve Bullock, a Democratic presidential-nomination candidate, speaks to a union member during the Hawkeye Area Labor Council Picnic at Hawkeye Downs on Monday. Megan Nagorzanski/The Daily Iowan

South Carolina, and Nevada, I don't think they've made up their minds, and I think this race is wide open," Bennet told reporters in Cedar Rapids. Around this time in 2016, where there was a wide primary field on the Republican side, the first contend-

er to exit the race did so in September 2015, about five months before the Iowa caucuses, but most dropped out in February. In order to meet the DNC metrics, which are the same to qualify for the October debates, some candidates without strong name rec-

ognition or a widespread grassroots base must spend more money on ad buys to garner more unique donors online. Bennet's largest purchases have been on digital ad buys, spending collectively over \$700,000 of his \$1.3 million in expenditures be-

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repairs for technology dependent student organizations such as Bijou, KRUI, and SCOPE, UISG President Noel Mills said. In the spring of 2019, UISG provided KRUI with approximately \$156,000 amount to replace broken equipment. The deferred maintenance fund is designed in part to prevent future large-sum requests for equipment funding. Molly Bagnall, execu-

tive director of Bijou Film Board, said the proposed student-fee increase will directly benefit students in the form of lower FilmScene prices. "Bijou is committed to making art accessible to all students; that's why our events are free," Bagnall said in an email to The Daily Iowan. "Moving into the new building, we have the opportunity to expand that mission to many more students, all made possible with the new equipment that is required in the new building."

In a statement to the DI, FilmScene Executive Director Joe Tiefenthaler said UISG's support of Bijou has been critical to the organization. "From the beginning, the Bijou Film Board has contributed towards the essential equipment necessary to run a full-time cinema," Tiefenthaler said. "... This investment ensures continued student participation in programming and access to films in this new facility." UISG Sen. Caleb Smith argued for the resolution,

saying Bijou events provide a substance-free space for students downtown. "This provides an opportunity for students to do something different, do something new," he said. "I do think that this will provide an opportunity for people to do different things as opposed to the bar scene." Last spring, GPSG passed similar legislation but now would need to pass identical legislation to send this resolution to the Student Fee Committee because a new fiscal year has started.

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tween early May and mid-June. Bennet raised \$3.5 million from April 1 to June 30, ranking 17th among the candidates. About 60 percent of his funding is from individual donations of over \$200, according to data compiled by OpenSecrets.org. Bullock has raised \$2 million, though his biggest expense is payroll (Bullock has two dozen staff members in Iowa). Bullock is focusing his campaign heavily on his identity as a Democratic governor who's won handily in a Trump state. Over Labor Day weekend, Bullock focused on counties that swung from Obama to Trump in 2016, starting in Winneshiek and Mitchell Counties, who respectively flipped from Obama to Trump by 16 percent and 27 percent in 2016. Bullock, who is a former Attorney General of Montana has picked up endorsements from Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller and former state Rep. Bruce Bearinger. At the office opening in Iowa City, Chuck Bigelow of North Liberty, called Bennet a "dark horse" candidate because he wasn't well known. But, either way, he said he wanted to hear out each candidate's platforms, no matter how well they are doing nationally. "I want to meet him, I want to talk to him, I don't want to just listen to the radio or read the newspaper. I want to hear what the campaign is about," Bigelow said.

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mitment to reducing those emissions. Most of those transportation emissions come from motor vehicles. Of course, if we get people out of those vehicles by using bicycles, that will help lessen our carbon emissions." The bike-share agreement will also be an asset to low-income communities, Throgmorton and Nagle-Gamm said. "This will be much needed in low-income neighborhoods," Councilwoman Mazahir Salih said at Tuesday's meeting. "I hope when you start expanding, you will start to identify the communities that really need this." Nagle-Gamm added that the bike-share agreement will prioritize those who do not have consistent access to motor vehicles. A smartphone app allows bikes to be rented for a day with a downpayment of \$2.10 per minute rider. The bikes can also be



Iowa City city councilors gather at City Hall on Tuesday. They passed a resolution to bring bike sharing to Iowa City. Jenna Galligan/The Daily Iowan

rented for a monthly fee of \$9.99 or a yearly fee of \$79.99. For those without access to a smartphone or credit card, Nagle-Gamm said, Gotcha is in the process of implementing other options. He emphasized that the

bikes are dockless, meaning the city will not have to pay to install or upkeep bike racks. The bikes are tracked through a GPS device and equipped with a program that will allow the city to designate certain areas as bike-docking zones.

If a bike is parked outside a bike-docking zone, the rider can be fined. "We've been looking for a partner for the community for several years," Nagle-Gamm said. "We're really excited. It's been a long time coming."

The new FilmScene location in the Chauncey building is set to open Sept. 20.

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Java House celebrates 25th birthday

Coffee shop Java House, a longtime favorite in the community, is celebrating 25 years of caffeinating Iowa City customers.

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Clustered around laptops and open textbooks, University of Iowa students chew on the ends of their highlighters as they spread the contents of their backpacks across tables, a cup of Java House coffee resting beside their elbows.

Java House is a local haunt for UI students, a common place to study and socialize, and this year marks the 25th birthday of the well-known Iowa City coffeehouse.

Java House has always had a significant history with the university. UI student Tara Cronbaugh created the concept for the coffee shop in a senior-year entrepreneurial class in 1993. One year later, Cronbaugh opened the first Java House on the second floor of Prairie Lights bookstore.

In the 25 years since, Java House has opened numerous locations on campus and in Iowa City. Though its contract to operate four locations in UI Hospitals and Clinics was discontinued last year, the coffeehouse still operates on campus at the IMU and Pappajohn Biomedical Discovery Building.

Java House maintains five locations in total and makes its food at a bakery and roastery. A new location in North Liberty is expected to be unveiled in October.

"I think we have a lot more to offer," said Maddie Kaalberg, the Assistant Manager at the IMU Java House. "We have started making changes to our menus, which has



The Java House is seen on Aug. 30. The coffeehouse is celebrating its 25th anniversary.

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really opened up different things."

New drinks include the cookies and cream frappé, monster frappé, and the return of the pumpkin spice latte, she said. Java House has also begun to focus on its new wholesale coffee and plans to add a drive-through at the North Liberty location, which Kaalberg said is a first

for the company.

Despite upcoming changes, Kaalberg emphasized that Java House remains committed to service quality and quality coffee.

"My favorite part of working here is the relationships I've built over the years," Kaalberg said about the regulars she serves daily. "I really love being able to serve them

faster the more I see them, and they really do appreciate the service I provide."

According to multiple customers of the coffeehouse, the quality service and the fact that it is a local business is a major reason why they continue to support it.

Java House regular Maranda Stephens said she prefers the local atmosphere of Java

House compared with major coffee corporations such as Starbucks.

"I like to stay with local," Stephens said. "I only go to Starbucks if there is nothing else around, and any time I'm out of town, I always try to find a local place."

UI student Sadie Carrasco said she has come to Java House ever since her arrival

on campus two weeks ago.

"I love it so much," Carrasco said. "They just have really good drinks. It's a great way to start the day."

Carrasco added that she will likely continue to choose Java House for her caffeine fix.

"[Java House] just makes me feel close to home," Carrasco said.

UI professor researches treatment of pediatric cancer

The UI biochemistry department chair was among a group of scientists who identified a class of drugs targeting cell metabolism that could lead to a new treatment for a prominent childhood cancer.

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After decades devoid of progress, University of Iowa professor Charles Brenner, the biochemistry department chair, worked with a team of international researchers to provide a possible treatment for a deadly pediatric brain cancer.

In their initial report, the researchers focused on dif-

fuse intrinsic pontine gliomas, or DIPG, an inoperable brainstem tumor found in children. The team concluded that a specific class of drugs have the potential to kill mutant tumor cells.

"The location of this tumor is ghastly," Brenner said. "It frightens surgeons as much as it frightens parents, because you can't safely get to it."

According to the DIPG

Resource Network, the median age of such patients is 6 to 7 years old with a median survival rate of less than a year. Progress on treatment has remained stagnant since the cancer's discovery, senior author on the report and Translational Genomics Research Institute Deputy Director Michael Berens said.

Yale Cancer Center As-

sociate Professor of Therapeutic Radiology Ranjit Bindra first discovered the mutation's vulnerability to a metabolic inhibitor known as NAD a year into the study. Brenner was then contacted because of his discoveries involving NAD in the past, Bindra said.

"NAD is the central catalyst for metabolism," Brenner said. "Metabolism is not only our ability to convert what we eat into energy, it's our ability

to convert everything we eat into literally everything we are."

He added the NAD inhibitor is toxic to every cell, but particularly cells containing tumor mutations.

"We can use a tiny amount of a drug that inhibits NAD to eliminate those tumor cells at a level that normal cells can live with," Brenner said.

He said researchers utilized a "therapeutic window

so that using a specific concentration is effective in eliminating the problem without becoming dangerous.

"The drugs that we've identified for these brain tumors are already being used in the clinic and have been tested in hundreds of patients," Bindra added. "The drugs were shelved because they were too toxic or there was no clear indication to use them."

Bindra said the team now has a biomarker to bring these drugs back into the mainstay of cancer treatment. Berens contributed greatly with his access to a library of pediatric brain tumor models with the specific mutation, Bindra said.

"[Translational Genomics Research Institute]'s involvement was primarily around the genomics and the patient-derived tumor models that we had available, to validate in human samples ... that the mutation does cause vulnerability to treatment," Berens said.

Bindra said the project became international once the team realized they needed additional pediatric brain tumor models that are rare in the scientific community, leading them to reach out to labs in the UK and Spain.

"Our work in this paper also demonstrates that other tumors would also be sensitive to this class of drugs," said Bindra. "These mutations are also present in subsets of almost all cancers to varying degrees."

Along with additional research, Brenner said the team is working on developing conditions for a clinical trial of the drugs with a small number of children to test response.

"My mom taught me that life is not always fair—this is an example where an innocent child is receiving a death sentence in his or her's first decade," Brenner said. "We want to be able to do something for these children."



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Charles Brenner, the UI biochemistry department chair, poses for a portrait in his lab at the Bowen Science Building on Aug. 30. Brenner is researching a class of drugs targeting cell metabolism that could lead to a new treatment for Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma, a rare and incurable childhood cancer.

Opinions

COLUMN

Trying to depolarize U.S. political parties

Groups such as Better Angels aim to bridge the partisan divide and promote understanding across various perspectives.



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At a time where polarized political parties are the norm, it can be difficult to imagine public discourse any other way. But this wasn't always the case, and it doesn't have to remain this way. In fact, we may already be on our way to a more civil and sympathetic political landscape.

For my fellow students who want to get involved, the University of Iowa is getting a Better Angels organization implemented on campus this semester. Better Angels is a nonprofit organization with the mission of "uniting red and blue Americans in working together to depolarize America." I was drawn to this organization as the mission is not to change political views, but instead to focus on intentional listening to promote understanding among fellow citizens.

Political polarization isn't just a perception problem, but a measurable phenomenon. Pew Research Center has studied the widening political divide, examining how Democrats and Republicans view each other as well as analyzing the stark contrast in their priorities for the country.

Christopher Peters is the state coordinator of Better Angels, and his story is a prime example of how listening to one another can create positivity in the political community. After being a member of the Republican Party and a 2nd Congressional District candidate, Peters got involved in Better Angels. He said he feels politics needs more voices all around as we cannot function with one another to create change if we cannot even listen to one another.

For example, even though Peters supports same-sex marriage, he said, political opponents portrayed him as a homophobe simply for being a Republican during his bids for Congress.

Better Angels aims to solve such problems. Members organize workshops about listening and conversation skills in order to help people understand which values individuals truly represent. Peters said he feels that intentional listening can help because too often people only focus on labels, not beliefs.

"When different parties talk out certain ideas, they will soon realize through the conversation that they have similar viewpoints on even the most extreme issues," he said.

Peters said the most positive part of this organization is that its members will be able to govern themselves more effectively with such strategies.

Perhaps the biggest challenge to this political project is getting people involved. In 2018, there was the highest turnout for a midterm election in more than a century. Despite all the attention politics gets in our society, around 50 percent of eligible voters cast a ballot, according to the U.S. Elections Project, which compiles data from state governments.

I asked Peters about his take on the lack of political engagement, and he emphasized the importance of college students becoming involved.

"No matter how cliché this sounds, you guys are the future. It is also important to have more and broad voices speaking up," Peters said. "The future will not change if we do not change it."

Will America's political system every be fully depolarized? Probably not, but by bringing a more logical and appealing political route to the table, others will be more inclined to become politically active, which is necessary for America's future.

COLUMN

Cheaper textbooks won't solve broader student cost problems

While course materials can be expensive, the real financial issue is rising tuition rates.



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This is my third semester as a full-time University of Iowa student, and I haven't spent that much on course materials and textbooks the entire time I've been here.

According to a recent CBS News article about the Pearson textbook company, college textbook prices have risen four times faster than inflation. In an earlier CBS report on a College Board study, the news organization reported that "over the course of a year, the average college student spends more than \$1,200 on books and materials."

While all of that sounds like a lot of money, it's dwarfed by rising tuition costs, which are the real financial burden faced by college students.

If college is really going to be made more affordable, the focus should be on rising tuition rates. According to the *Wall Street Journal*, the cost of admission is climbing four times the rate of inflation.

UI Student Government leaders have often told the state Board of Regents to consider the "holistic" cost of pursuing higher education when raising tuition — keeping in mind that as they vote to raise tuition, students also must pay for housing, food, and any supplemental educational materials they may need.

There are a variety of strategies and policies that could



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mitigate the financial burden on students, but cheaper textbooks would merely be a drop in the bucket.

This semester I am enrolled in 14 credit hours, and the total cost of my textbooks was \$357.67 based on the Iowa Hawk Shop prices listed on MyUI. But I went online, buying six textbooks on Amazon and one on eBay. I only bought one at the Hawk Shop, and the total for all my course material was much smaller than the original MyUI listing: \$180.11.

A potential exception to my argument is courses that require textbooks with access codes for online coursework. Between my time at the UI and community college, I have only had one class that required a textbook with an access code. The book was \$145, and it had that price tag because it was a brand new edition, and with it being in a digital format, renting or buying a used copy was not an option.

I spent some time browsing the required texts on MyUI in various fields. I thought I might have more expensive reading material in courses such as chemistry and biomedical engineering. For instance, the two books necessary to take college physics I were quite pricey. The Iowa Hawk Shop listed them at \$170 and \$48, respectively. That's not chump change to spend on books for a single class — it totaled almost the amount that I spent on books for all four of my courses this semester.

That figure probably does not account for the deals available to students on websites such as Chegg, Amazon, and others where used copies can be rented or purchased.

Having said that, it's important to consider that STEM fields are generally more complicated and dynamic than my own — no offense to my fellow political-science and journalism majors. New research in the sciences is constantly

emerging and the changes are profound. The research in these fields is more expensive to conduct and analyze.

Another common complaint is that professors are not price-sensitive in selecting their required texts. The opposite has been true in my experiences at community college and here at the UI. While reviewing the syllabi in my courses, professors often said that older, less expensive editions were fine. Course costs were minimized in most cases.

This brings me back to my original point: Tuition costs are primarily a financial problem for students looking to continue their education after high school. If an earnest effort was made to make an undergraduate degree more affordable, the overwhelming focus would be on lowering tuition.

I have plenty of problems to complain about as a college student, and textbook prices are near the bottom of the list.

COLUMN

Wage gap still an issue

In Iowa, men make 1.34 times more than women working the same number of hours.



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Countless students are encouraged to take their education further after graduating high school, and millions of Americans do. In fact, the U.S. Census Bureau reports that the overall U.S. population is more educated now than ever before — with 90 percent of Americans having completed at least high school.

But while advanced education opens doors to higher-paying jobs, it also gives

way to wider wage gaps between men and women. Pursuing a four-year degree is hard enough, with required work inside and outside the classroom.

Most college students endure 12 to 18 semester hours of coursework each week while navigating part-time jobs, involvement in extracurriculars, and applying for internships. There are practice interviews, essays, and assignments due daily for different classes, student organizations, and more.

After all of those trials and tribulations faced in these formative years, female students are set at a disadvantage as they move into the next chapter of their lives: the workforce.

Those with bachelor's degrees usually earn significantly more than those without a college education. But

what U.S. Census Bureau data reveal is that the divide between men's and women's earnings only deepens with a bachelor's degree.

'Our primary responsibility as the future workforce, although it might sound mundane, is to keep the conversation going.'

In Iowa City, 60 percent of working people have attained a bachelor's degree, according to Town Charts, which tracks education attainment by lo-

cation. Across the state of Iowa, that number is less than half — around 30 percent of Iowans, and the income gap between men and women

seem to show the largest wage gaps. The smallest wage gaps settle on the other end of the spectrum with lower-paying jobs. In 2017 alone, full-time men made 1.34 times more than full-time women spanning the state of Iowa. On a national level, women earn 74 cents to every dollar men make with a bachelor's degree.

While those numbers are still unacceptable, there are still improvements we all can make. Our primary responsibility as the future workforce, although it might sound mundane, is to keep the con-

versation going — in our homes, our cubicles, and our classrooms.

The ways we are able to confront the consistent issue are few, especially as students. But still, they matter and they're making a difference. The first thing we have to do is continue talking about it, especially in our workplace.

We shouldn't exaggerate income inequality in America. Instead, we should confront the reality of it. While the pay gap between men and women has seen progress in the last 40 years, there is still plenty of work to do.



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A crowd gathers to watch Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., speak during the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines on Aug. 11.

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SOURCE: Pew Research Center

85.3%

of Iowa's population is white

7%

decrease in national black-voter turnout between 2012 and 2016

26.7%

of the voters in 2016 were minorities

DOES A WHITE CAUCUS STATE REPRESENT U.S. VOTERS?

The state of Iowa's population is predominantly white, and with Iowa being a first-in-the-nation caucus state, some members of underrepresented communities are not feeling engaged with 2020 presidential hopefuls.

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Since January, *The Daily Iowan* has covered more than 50 events across eastern Iowa and other parts of the state that featured one or more 2020 presidential hopefuls, and one thing has proved consistent: the crowds of attendees are largely white.

Iowa City School Board member Ruthina Malone said she has seen a lack of engagement between minority communities and presidential campaigns in Iowa. Malone attended around six events in the Iowa City area so far this year and a couple in past election cycles.

"Often times we see candidates showing up at predominantly black churches, and they make their pitch there, or going to predominantly black universities and colleges," Malone said. "You can't just do it that one time to get their support and then forget about them for four years and show up again."

Some Iowans say 2020 presidential campaigns are not doing enough to engage the underrepresented communities in the first-in-the-nation caucus state. With white people composing 85.3 percent of Iowa's population, the results of the Iowa caucuses are not representative of the U.S., where the national population is 60.4 percent white.

Malone, an African American woman, said issues important to her in this election cycle include the wage gap among black women compared to white women and men, the child-mortality rate among black women, and affordable health care.

She said that while her identity will play a significant role in deciding who she will caucus for in February, it's important to remember that minority communities are not monolithic groups of people with identical values.

"I'm not saying that, you know, you need to treat minorities differently, but you need to treat them equally as important as other groups," Malone said.

At an ice-cream social event hosted by Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., in West Branch, Iowa, on Aug. 19, Earnest Harvey said he took a day off of work to see the senator. Harvey said this was the first candidate he had seen so far ahead of the 2020 caucus.

Harvey said his identity as an African American male will play a large role in who he caucuses for, because being an African American male is tough, he said, pointing to racist interactions between black people and police officers that sometimes go viral online. Harvey said he wants to hear candidates talk more about police brutality and how they plan to



Iowa caucusgoer Earnest Harvey poses for a portrait at an ice-cream social for Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., in West Branch on Aug. 19.

Jenna Galligan/The Daily Iowan

hold law-enforcement officials accountable for acts of violence.

He added that he thinks society has come a long way in terms of acceptance, but that dialogue surrounding race still needs to be more open.

"I think both sides have to open their hearts and souls and listen to one another," Harvey said. "It's not just all African Americans and not just all caucasians, it's everybody." He added that the rights of LGBTQ Americans and women were two other important issues for him.

In the 2016 presidential election, black voter-turnout rates fell for the first time in 20 years nationwide, according to the Pew Research Center. Voter-turnout rates among black voters reached a record high of 66.6 percent in 2012, and dropped to 59.6 percent in 2016. Blacks, Hispanics, Asians, and other minority groups accounted for 26.7 percent of the vote in 2016, which is unchanged from 2012.

In the 2018 midterm elections, all racial and ethnic groups saw historic increases in voter turnout nationally.

Because the state of Iowa does not ask a person to identify their race or ethnicity when they register to vote, there are no records on voter turnout among minorities in Iowa.

Deidre DeJear, the state director for Sen. Kamala Harris' presidential campaign, said the campaign is focused on engaging the small percentages of other races that make up Iowa. DeJear said she has met Iowans who have gravitated toward her campaign because they feel like Harris represents them.

"These are folks who sometimes don't believe that the system was meant for them to participate in just based on historical experiences, and experiences that their parents and their grandparents may have had," DeJear said.

DeJear was the first African American woman to clinch the Democratic nomination for Iowa secretary of state in 2018. DeJear said what often happens in the realm of campaigns and politics is that people wait to engage people of color until the end of the election cycle, because people of color are often considered unreliable voters.

"And whether [people of color are] reliable or not, from our position, they should be included from the beginning and not at the end," DeJear said. "Because people aren't just numbers. They're folks with issues and challenges."

Iowa Asian and Latino Coalition Chair Prakash Kopparrapu said his organization has worked to advocate for Asian and Latinx communities, especially in election years. The coalition endorsed Harris after the 500-member organization cast private ballots to determine who to endorse.

Kopparrapu said the organization's original goal was to help engage Asian and Latinx individuals and aspiring politicians in elections and local politics, and has since expanded the organization to include anyone who wants to join to support their mission. He said they have endorsed not just Asian and Latinx candidates, but also white and African American men and women in the Des Moines community and

around the state.

"Almost all the presidential campaigns come to Iowa think they'll be meeting 100 percent Caucasian voters, and so they staff accordingly 100 percent Caucasian staff," Kopparrapu said. "... They come here, and all of a sudden they see this Asian-Latino coalition."

He said the organization has met with 16 presidential candidates, both before and after their endorsement, and that some candidates and campaigns such as South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete Buttigieg, Sanders, and entrepreneur Andrew Yang made remarks about being taken aback by the large amount of members in the coalition.

Kopparrapu said feeling like he is represented in a candidate's platform is extremely important in deciding who he will vote for, whether that's in national or local elections. He highlighted the fact that there is

only one person of color on the Des Moines City Council, and said this is an example that reflects many governing bodies in the U.S.

"The way the decisions are being made, as of today around the country, is based on if you're there," Kopparrapu said.

Kopparrapu said other candidates that were popular among the coalition for an endorsement were Yang, New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker, and former Housing and Urban Development Secretary Julián Castro.

Jason Noble, Iowa communications director for Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren's presidential campaign, said in an email to the *DI* that the campaign's African American coordinator has held roundtable discussions regarding the racial wealth gap and hosts other events across the state. Additionally, the Latinx coordinator is currently hosting a series of Spanish-language events around the state.

The Sanders campaign has also held roundtable discussions with underrepresented communities in Iowa.

Eventually, one of the Democratic candidates will have to face off with President Trump, who has been criticized by Democrats for vilainizing Mexicans and Latinx communities crossing the U.S.-Mexico border. He's also been called a white supremacist by some of the 2020 candidates, including former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke, former Vice President Joe Biden, Harris, Sanders, Warren, Yang, and Buttigieg.

This Democratic field of presidential hopefuls is one of the most diverse in American history, with five women and several people of color vying for the U.S. presidency. Harvey, an Iowa caucusgoer, said he thinks candidates often say what they think people — including minorities — want to hear, but a more important measure of character, was what they do once in office.

"It's about what you do once you get that title," Harvey said.



Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., speaks at the Des Moines Register Political Soapbox during the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines on Aug. 10.

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Webinars encourage early award, fellowship applications

The University of Iowa graduate school is hosting a series of webinars for graduate students to help them in the process of applying for national awards and fellowships. The series aims to encourage students to begin the application process earlier.



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University of Iowa graduate student Torie Burns poses for a portrait on Aug. 26. The Graduate College has developed a new webinar series to support UI graduate students applying for competitive national awards.

BY ANNIE FITZPATRICK
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A new webinar series for graduate students applying for national awards and fellowships is now being offered through the University of Iowa Graduate College.

The series is made up of 10 webinars and brings together past winners, faculty, staff, and administrators, offering convenient and accessible advising.

Jen Teitle, assistant dean in the UI Graduate College, is one of the advisers serving graduate students. Alongside her colleagues, she supports student fellowships in-person and through workshops. Teitle said that the webinar, hosted through Zoom, not only works better with graduate students' schedules, but also leads to more success among early applicants.

"There's very little professional development that you can do as a graduate student that is as important for your career as being able to write grants and fellowships," Teitle said.

Data collected by the UI Graduate College indicates that offering this webinar series in the summer and encouraging students to think about applying for grants earlier leads to greater success and more winners at the UI, Teitle added.

"If we can get them to understand the award in the summer before they ever get to the University of Iowa, we know that they'll have a much better chance to apply that year when they're most likely to win," she said.

The 10 webinars focus on opportunities offered through the National Science Foundation, the American Association of University Women, the Ford Foundation, and the Mellon Foundation. Students are

also offered a \$500 incentive for applying for a nationally competitive award.

The goal of the series is to create a "culture of application" across campus, Teitle said. She emphasized that even though writing grants is a critical part of profes-

'There's very little professional development that you can do as a graduate student that is as important for your career as being able to write grants and fellowships.'

-Jen Teitle, assistant dean in the UI Graduate College

sional development for graduate students, a lot of students go through graduate school without writing for any big national awards.

"If you start two weeks before the award, even if your ideas are wonderful, you can't make your draft look

the way that it should, because you can't get enough people to read it," she said.

UI graduate student Torie Burns is working towards a Ph.D. in English and studies embodiment, gender, and life writing. This area of study focuses on how wom-

en talk about their bodies or don't talk about their bodies in autobiographical text, she said.

Earlier this month, Burns was a part of the American Association of University Women question-and-answer webinar. Burns will

not apply for the organization's awards until next year, but she said that having the ability to start early was helpful.

Burns said that hearing directly from the organization's faculty on what they looked for in an application was the most beneficial.

"Now that I understand that the people who are evaluating these applications are the ones giving the advice and feedback, from my standpoint, is just incredible," she said.

Brady Krien started as a Careers and Fellowships advisor in the Graduate College this July and is also a doctoral student in the English department himself. He said that the application process is very involved, and the webinar series offers students more flexible advising.

"Because the webinar itself is recorded and preserved, we ensure that stu-

dents who weren't able to make it are able to access that later," he said.

Krien said that the idea of the webinar series has been a very collaborative effort across campus, and faculty members are eager to help graduate students during the application process.

"One of the big goals was helping more students access the information and to provide them with help earlier in the process," he added.

These webinars offer a unique opportunity for students to have the advising they need in a more convenient way, Teitle said, and it has proven successful for many graduate students.

"I think it's wonderful and that it helps move conversations that happened in just one workshop or class, or with an individual, and tries to make those very broadly accessible," Teitle said.

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- 3 Francis Drake, for one
- 4 Pirate's parrot, e.g.
- 5 Where the National Institutes of Health is headquartered
- 6 It's gathered during recon
- 7 "Act your age!"
- 8 Roast V.I.P.s
- 9 ___ Island (storied site of buried treasure)
- 10 Officer's baton
- 11 Skateboarding maneuver
- 12 Salinger heroine
- 15 Swiss range
- 17 City on the Nile
- 18 Build
- 23 Preschool punishment
- 24 Refrain syllable
- 25 Settle up
- 26 It covers a lot of ground
- 29 Surveillance org.
- 30 Magic 8 Ball, e.g.
- 31 French noblemen or noblewomen
- 32 Commercial lead-in to Clean
- 34 Honest ___
- 35 Spam generator
- 38 Diplomatic arrangements
- 41 "That's the spot!"
- 42 Things hurled at the Olympics
- 44 Like John Tyler, among all U.S. presidents
- 45 Univ. dorm supervisors
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- 49 Cut into planks, say
- 50 Best
- 51 Metric that determines YouTube success
- 52 Stop seeing each other
- 53 Pirate's booty, say
- 54 Wise
- 59 Fed. electricity provider since 1933
- 60 "___ chance!"
- 61 D.C. winter hrs.
- 62 Prefix with Latin or Luddite

ACROSS

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- 5 Something to drool over?
- 8 Mr. of detective fiction
- 12 Ghostly, say
- 13 Suffix with acetyl
- 14 "Scrubs" nurse married to Dr. Turk
- 16 "Arr, matey! So ye seek buried treasure to fill yer ship's hull? Well, the first clue is easy. Just ___"
- 19 Musclemán with a mohawk
- 20 Clip
- 21 Wintry chill
- 22 "At yer next clue already? Then off to the races! Now turn toward the dawn and go ___"
- 27 Portfolio options, for short
- 28 Venmo transfer, e.g.

- 29 Member of a raiding party
- 33 Like universal recipients
- 36 "Dies ___" (hymn)
- 37 Marauder's tool
- 39 Vagabond
- 40 Like an American in Paris
- 43 Companywide info-sharing system
- 46 Dennis of "The Alamo"
- 48 Pond swimmer
- 49 "Aye, the treasure be heavy, so flex yer biceps! With this third clue, turn right and go ___"
- 55 Folk rocker DiFranco
- 56 Singer Black
- 57 1930s Depression-fighting org.
- 58 "'X' marks the spot! Grab a spade! Dance a jig! Here's the very last clue. Proceed ___"
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ond, game-winning field goal sailed through the uprights. The Boilermaker offense proved to be solid despite the loss, gaining 423 yards through the air and 96 on the ground. If the ground game can match the air attack in the future, that's a step in the right direction for Purdue.

"I think when you look at the game, on the offensive side of the ball, we moved the ball pretty well and had some yards," Purdue head coach Jeff Brohm said. "We weren't great in the running game. I don't know if we're going to be great at the point of attack at some positions, but we've got to get better at that. We have to establish that, take a

little bit of pressure off the passing game."

Football season is only getting started, and the Big Ten is home to a number of interesting stories. *The Daily Iowan* takes a look at the biggest news for the Big Ten heading into Week 2.

Taylor, Willekes earn weekly conference honors

Wisconsin running back Jonathan Taylor and Michigan State defensive end Kenny Willekes posted standout performances in Week 1 and were awarded with Big Ten weekly honors.

Taylor was named Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week, while Willekes brought home the conference's Defensive Player of the Week award.

Taylor totaled 183 all-purpose yards and four touch-

downs against South Florida to earn his fifth career Offensive Player of the Week award.

Out of his four total touchdowns, two of them were receiving — the first two touchdowns passes Taylor has caught in his college career. Taylor also became the first Big Ten player to record at least 2 rushing and 2 receiving touchdowns in the same game since 2010.

On the defensive side, Willekes tallied 2.5 tackles for loss — including 1.5 sacks — and two fumble recoveries against Tulsa. Willekes also scored the first touchdown of his career after recovering a fumble in the end zone.

Willekes led the Spartans with 7 tackles and helped Michigan State set a school record by holding Tulsa to -73 rushing yards.

This is the first Defensive

Player of the Week honor of Willekes' career.

Fields impresses in Buckeyes debut

Ohio State needed a new quarterback after the departure of record-setting quarterback Dwayne Haskins.

Justin Fields transferred in from Georgia and earn the starting spot for the Buckeyes and, in his first start, quickly made his home fans forget about Haskins immediately.

Fields accounted for 4 touchdowns in the first 10 minutes of the game and 5 overall in a blowout win against Florida Atlantic. On the first drive of the season for the Buckeyes, Fields scampered for 51 yards all the way to the endzone, showing the skillset that made him the top-ranked dual-threat quar-

terback recruit when he went to Georgia.

Fields ended the game with 234 passing yards and 4 touchdowns through the air, along with 61 rushing yards and a score on the ground.

"Like I said after the game, and I was right watching the film, he played well in terms of game management," Ohio State head coach Ryan Day said. "Didn't try to do stuff that wasn't there. There was some times where we did get that three-man rush, and he didn't force it. Got us going in those drives that we did and scoring later on it was because he kind of kept us on the schedule and didn't try to force the ball in there."

Florida Atlantic may not be the most difficult of opponents for the Buckeyes to go up against, but Fields will

have many other opportunities this year — against better teams — to prove himself as one of the best players in the Big Ten.

Rutgers looks to emulate Iowa

Iowa's next opponent has an appreciation for what the Hawkeyes represent as a program. Rutgers head coach Chris Ash said that in the past that Iowa is a program whose model he wants to follow, and that still holds true going into this weekend's matchup.

"Iowa, they have been the model of consistency for years," Ash said. "They coach exceptionally well. They develop guys. They recruit guys that fit their culture that they can develop. It's been a pretty consistent and successful formula."

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the season, but it's a chance to play physical Big Ten football.

"They're very physical too," Iowa quarterback Nate Stanley said. "They've got a lot of good players, and as far as them starting out that last game, it's not uncommon. The teams take a little bit to get their feet under themselves."

Physicality is the key thing Iowa has seen and practiced during practice in the early week. Rutgers' defensive line is physical, the running game is aggressive, and its new quarterback has made things happen

downfield to create points.

The conference aspect is always in the back of the minds of everyone on the team, whether they'll be on the sidelines or midfield on Saturday. But as a Week 2 matchup, it's key to focus internally and make things happen to get better come Oc-

tober and November.

"It's just another opponent; I don't worry about it that it's Big Ten, I just look at it as another opponent," Hawkeye wide receiver Ihmir Smith-Marsette said. "Obviously, it comes with more of an impact because it's in the conference, but I just look at it as next week it's just another opponent. It's just another day."

The biggest thing going into this weekend is that the importance in conference implications can't be lost this early. Both teams face the same challenges going into the weekend.

"It is different," Ferentz said. "Any time you're in a conference game, it's a significant thing. You only get nine of those, you get 12 games total but nine conference games, so that's really important."

"We focused more individually on our skills," Buzzerio said. "Just for me to be more of a physical attacker and just take charge in that area of our team. Especially passing as well, as an outside hitter you have to play six ro-

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We've had her for two years now and she's already had experience being a head coach for a year. She's done well with the opportunity and we're excited to play for her this year."

The off-season was the perfect time for the fifth-year senior to perfect her skills before her final year on the team.

"We focused more individually on our skills," Buzzerio said. "Just for me to be more of a physical attacker and just take charge in that area of our team. Especially passing as well, as an outside hitter you have to play six ro-

tations, so just [tuning] up those little skills."

Every match does count, even the opening weekend of the season. The team played in the James Madison Invitational against Stony Brook, Washington State, and James Madison.

Leading the team in the first game against Stony Brook with 19 kills, Buzzerio is already taking control of the new season.

Add to that a lead in the second game with 12 kills

and a set-high of 6 kills, followed by a tie with younger sister Courtney leading the third game with nine kills. Starting the new season with as much momentum as this, it only makes sense that Meghan Buzzerio was added to the all-tourna-

ment team.

Leading the season already with as much grit as she can, Buzzerio can be found on the court Sep. 6-7, playing Colorado for the Pac-12/Big Ten Challenge.

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— Ihmir Smith-Marsette, wide receiver



Buzzerio

'She's done well with the opportunity and we're excited to play for her this year.'

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HAWKEYE UPDATES

Iowa lands 24 former players on NFL rosters

After each NFL team made their final cuts to end the preseason, 24 former Hawkeye football players remain across the 32-team league. A total of four Iowa players also made practice teams across the league.

The Detroit Lions, Denver Broncos, and San Francisco 49ers each are tied for the lead with three former Hawkeyes on their rosters.

The Lions are home to 2019 first-round draft pick T.J. Hockenson, and undrafted free agent Matt Nelson made the practice team. Mike Daniels also calls Detroit home after signing with the Lions after being cut by the Packers.

The Broncos also have a first-round tight end on their team in Noah Fant.

Rounding out the Iowa players in Denver is starting inside linebacker Josey Jewell and long snapper Casey Kreiter.



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In San Francisco, the C.J. Beathard to George Kittle connection is still alive as both will spend another season on the bay area. Rookie Ross Reynolds will also call San Francisco home as a member of the 49ers practice team.

Around the rest of the league, offensive lineman Ike Boettger and defensive back Micah Hyde will return for the 2019-20 season for the Buffalo Bills after both being on the team a year ago.

Rookies Amani Hooker and Parker Hesse both made the cut for the Tennessee Titans. Hesse will compete on the practice team, which is an incredible feat considering he converted from defensive end to tight end for the NFL.

Another undrafted Iowa rookie

– Jake Gervase – will also be on a practice team this season. Gervase joins Austin Blythe on the defending NFC Champion Los Angeles Rams.

The final rookie to make an NFL team for Iowa this year is Anthony Nelson. He will compete on the defensive line for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and should see a decent amount of playing time.

Remaining veteran players suiting up around the league include: Desmond King, Adrian Clayborn, Christian Kirksey, Marshal Yanda, James Daniels, Justin Jackson, Bryan Bulaga, Anthony Hitchens, Ben Nieman, Riley Rieff, Jaleel Johnson, and Brandon Scherff.

AP College Football Week 2 Poll

1. Clemson (54)
2. Alabama (8)
3. Georgia
4. Oklahoma
5. Ohio State
6. LSU
7. Michigan
8. Notre Dame
8. Texas
10. Auburn
20. Iowa

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I don't know about it, I think I'm a little better looking than Jack Black."



– Iowa offensive lineman Kyle Schott on one of his nicknames, "Jack Black"

STAT OF THE DAY

Meghan Buzzerio posted career highs in **five categories** of career highs last volleyball season.

5

career highs last season

Buzzerio hits her way into 2019

Redshirt senior Meghan Buzzerio is leading the Hawkeyes to the NCAA tournament this year.



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Iowa's outside hitter Meghan Buzzerio spikes the ball during Iowa's game against Nebraska at Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Nov. 7, 2018. The Hawkeyes were defeated, 0-3.

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Leadership is key for any team, and for Iowa volleyball that is no different.

Iowa volleyball's outside hitter Meghan Buzzerio is entering her senior year and will take on a major leadership role this year. Buzzerio is one of three captains for the 2019 season, working toward one main goal: making the NCAA tournament.

"As a team, we grew confidence in each other," Buzzerio said. "We're pushing ourselves to be uncomfortable a little bit, to grow in our skills as a team. A big [goal] is to make the

NCAA tournament this year. We kind of have that in the back of our mind, that every match is important to help us get to our goal. Every match is one that we have to focus on because it all will lead to our bigger goal at the end of the season."

Last year, Buzzerio marked career highs in attack percentages, attempts, assists, blocks and kills. There was almost no question that she would be starting this year in her prime position.

"She gets it," interim head coach Vicki Brown said. "She understands this game, she understands how to score, but then she also knows how to contribute other elements for us."

For Buzzerio, growing up under her mother, a University of California Irvine volleyball alumna, it would have been hard to not know about the game. Meghan's mother – Dana – coached her at Chino Hills High School in Chino Hills, California, before she became the collegiate star that she is now.

A change in the team's coaching staff didn't put a pause on the work that Buzzerio and the team are preparing to do throughout the season. If anything, this single change added motivation to the team.

"I was excited," Buzzerio said. "Vicki's great."

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Big Ten playmakers impress in Week 1

College football has finally returned, and a number of Big Ten playmakers had exceptional performances in Week 1.



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Indiana head coach Tom Allen addresses the media during the Big Ten Football Media Day in Chicago on July 18.

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After waiting for what seemed to be an eternity for college football to return, it finally did, and Week 1 was the sigh of relief that football fans needed.

The Big Ten started the new season with seven

teams ranked in the initial AP Poll, and every one of those teams earned a win in Week 1. Altogether, the conference went 12-2 in the first week of the season with Purdue and Northwestern being the only Big Teams to lose in the season-opener.

A tough Stanford team toppled Northwestern, while Nevada upset Purdue on a last-sec-

Iowa looks to early Big Ten matchup

The Hawkeyes have their earliest conference game in the Ferentz era this weekend, posing challenges for both teams.

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Iowa football kicks off its Big Ten schedule this week against Rutgers in a rare Week 2 conference matchup without some major playmakers because of opening game injuries.

Hawkeye athletes and head coach Kirk Ferentz spoke on Tuesday about their expectations for the weekend and building on the success from the game against Miami (Ohio), as well as moving forward from missing guys on the field.

Injury update

The Hawkeyes had two returners not dress last week against Miami (Ohio) in Cole Banwart and Julius Brents. Banwart is day-to-day with a shot to play on Saturday, Ferentz said.

As for the in-game injuries, Alaric Jackson's injury is just a sprain, and he will be out for a couple weeks, Ferentz said, but will be looked at as the season progresses.

"I think it's realistic [for him to be back against Middle Tennessee], but everybody heals differently," Ferentz said. "The good news is it doesn't look like we're looking at surgery, so that's a good thing, and just hopefully he goes a little faster than everybody hopes or thinks."

Riley Moss' injury was more significant, as he will miss 4-6 weeks.

Prepping for the Big Ten slate

This is the earliest Iowa has faced off against a conference foe in head coach Ferentz's tenure, posing challenges and pressures for the team early in

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