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Corbin Scholz and her dog Nina hang out in the greenhouse on Scholz's organic farm near Solon, Iowa, on May 4.

**First-generation female farmer Corbin Scholz, 24, said no to medical school and chose to start an organic farm near Iowa City.**

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After a June of tornados and a July of drought, Corbin Scholz welcomed a mild August.

The 24-year-old Iowa farmer gazed at a crop of corn that didn't make it through the dry spell and a row of eggplant that at least the insects enjoyed. She was grateful for plump zucchini, ripe cherry tomatoes, crisp basil, and thriving fennel burgeoning out of the dirt that she had turned with a small

push plow that spring at her three-acre farm near Solon, Iowa.

She was disappointed and anxious that August afternoon after only selling a small fraction of the produce she had brought to the Cedar Rapids Farmers Market the weekend before, but her biggest worry at the moment was her turkey, Patrick, sick with an infection in his foot. Scholz called a friend over to her farm to help load the turkey into her truck to take to the veterinarian.

Scholz was burnt out, exhausted from months of plowing, seeding,

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### Roy Browning hearing set for Dec. 9

The hearing in the case of Roy C. Browning, the man charged with first-degree murder in the death of JoEllen Browning, his wife, has been set for 1:30 p.m. Dec. 9. Read more about the case online at [www.dailyiowan.com](http://www.dailyiowan.com)



Browning



### Photos: Mad City takes down Hawkeyes

The Hawkeyes lost against the University of Wisconsin-Madison Saturday, 22-24. A failed two-point conversion in the fourth quarter by quarterback Nate Stanley secured the Badgers' win.



### Field hockey wins Big Ten Tournament

The Hawkeyes faced off against Penn State in the Big Ten Tournament final on Sunday, and after four scoreless periods, it only took 23 seconds for Iowa's Maddy Murphy to net the winning goal.



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## Sanders and AOC preach grassroots fundraising in Coralville

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez joined Bernie Sanders in Coralville on Nov. 9, where Sanders criticized potential 2020-er and billionaire Michael Bloomberg's campaign strategy.



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Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., exit the stage after a rally at the Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center on Nov. 9. Sen. Sanders and Rep. Ocasio-Cortez spoke on climate change and women's rights.

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CORALVILLE — Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez — also known by her initials, AOC — joined Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., in Coralville on Nov. 9, where the two spoke on solidarity and touted the grassroots strengths of the campaign to a crowd of approximately 2,200 people.

Sanders took aim at billionaire and former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who is reportedly planning a 2020 presidential run. Sanders accused him and other billionaires of attempting to "buy the election."

"You're not going to be elected president by avoiding Iowa, by avoiding New Hampshire, South Carolina, and Nevada," Sanders said. "You're not going to buy this election by spending hundreds of millions of dollars on

media in California. Those days are gone."

Bloomberg filed his presidential-nomination papers in Alabama this week to meet the state's deadline as he considers entering the field.

Sanders contrasted Bloomberg's campaign strategy with the grassroots nature of his campaign, pointing out that he has more individual donors than any other presidential candidate in history.

Ocasio-Cortez, a Democrat from New York, endorsed Sanders at a Queens rally on Oct. 19. This week, she has accompanied Sanders on the campaign trail in Iowa. In Council Bluffs on Nov. 8, the pair drew the largest Iowa crowd of any candidate in the 2020 cycle, according to the campaign.

In Coralville, Ocasio-Cortez gave an account of her

## Julián Castro plans to stay in race without debate spot

In a visit to the Arc of Southeast Iowa in Iowa City, presidential hopeful Julián Castro said he doesn't plan to drop his bid if he doesn't meet Wednesday's deadline to make the November debate stage.

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Presidential hopeful Julián Castro plans to continue in the presidential race if he doesn't make the November debate stage, he said in an interview with *The Daily Iowan* on Sunday.

Castro, the former secretary of housing and urban development, has until Nov. 13 yet to qualify for the Nov. 20 debate. To qualify, candidates

need at least 165,000 individual donors and 3 percent support in four approved national polls or 5 percent in three early-state polls.

Castro met the donor threshold but still lags behind in polls, failing to meet the support requirements in any DNC-approved polls.

Nine Democratic candidates have met those requirements and will be on the stage in November. Rep. Tulsi Gabbard, D-Hawaii, and Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., were the most recent candidates to qualify for the debate, meeting the requirements in an Iowa poll conducted by Quinnipiac University on Nov. 6.

"We're going to keep working hard," Castro said in the interview. "There's one more debate in December before the Iowa caucus. My intention right now is to continue to work



Castro

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'TIS THE SEASON FOR POP-UP SHOPS



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Adam Tweedy, co-owner of the Des Moines-based Fortenelle Supply Co. stands in their pop-up shop on the Ped Mall on Sunday, Nov. 10. Tweedy said that "it grabs people's attention and is a great way for smaller retailers to gain exposure." The Pop-Up Holiday Market is open on the Ped Mall from Nov. 8 to Dec. 24 and will feature different Iowa retailers each week.

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# A 'major for the future' of Sustainability Sciences

New courses centered around the complexities of sustainability at global and local levels will be offered at the University of Iowa next semester.

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The University of Iowa will see four new courses in the spring semester for a field that is increasingly popular among new students: sustainability sciences. These "made-from-scratch" courses will highlight the deeply interdisciplinary nature of the program and the intricate systems it deals with.

UI Assistant Professor in Geographical Sustainability Sciences Carly Nichols and Undergraduate Academic Coordinator in Geographical Sustainability Sciences Caroline Garske have seen new and incoming students be inspired and gain interest in the Geographical and Sustainability Sciences program.

"I think [the interest] is there because the younger generations do really have [sustainability] at the forefront of their minds," Garske said. "The major is one of the first of its kind. It's not a super common program offered at other institutions."

Garske said the new courses are designed around the new sustainability science major, which started this fall.

"A lot of the logic behind the major had to do with the fact that sustainability and the things that go into are really complex. It's hard to deal with those issues with a singular perspective, so it's truly interdisciplinary," Garske said.

UI Geographical and Sustainability Sciences Associate Professor Silvia Secchi and

Nichols will both have new courses next semester that dive into the complexities of sustainability, the pair said.

"The course that I'll be teaching in the spring is a focus on positive case studies of communities that are going against the international status quo of sustainable development to articulate their own ideas," Nichols said.

Nichols' profile of work focuses on the impacts of globalization on human health and agriculture, especially in India. Secchi's academic history is also rooted in agricultural sustainability.

Originally trained as an environmental economist, Secchi said her profession spans across various disciplines of environmental policy and her expertise in agri-

cultural policy.

"I really believe in place-based education," Secchi said. "I want to bring examples that are local and ones that think globally like the Amazon and Nile rivers, along with the Missouri and Mississippi, which gives [the course] a strong local anchor [and] local perspective."

Due to Iowa's intense agricultural production, Secchi and Nichols each said they see integrating the state's practices as vital in educating students about sustainability.

"Iowa has a strong agricultural economy, and it is dominated by corn and soy and chemical-intensive agriculture," Nichols said.

She said a lot of chemical runoff problems are driven by gov-

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ernment subsidies and ethanol mandates that promote the overproduction of corn and soy.

Secchi emphasized that Iowa is the most important state behind California in terms of agricultural production. Secchi said that current production systems are very good at just a few things — like Iowa's leading production in corn, soy, eggs, and hogs — but lack of a diverse landscape is a problem.

However, agriculture can still end up being part of the solution, Secchi said.

"Agriculture has the potential to mitigate climate change. It's at the forefront of

what sustainability means in the 21st century," Secchi said.

Garske, Nichols, and Secchi all stressed the importance of sustainability sciences in building systems that reduce the amount of substantial damage being done to the environment today.

"We call it a major for the future," Garske said. "This is going to be a part of pretty much government and every business. In almost every sector, if they don't already have a sustainability functionary or person thinking about these issues, they're going to need one sooner or later."

## SANDERS FROM FRONT

time before her political career, saying she felt as if she didn't have a voice or representation in politics until she got involved in political activism.

Ocasio-Cortez focused on the idea of solidarity with Americans who are struggling, telling the crowd to "fight for someone you don't know," a phrase that has become a mantra of Sanders' campaign.

"Solidarity means you're going to fight for each other," Ocasio-Cortez said. "Solidarity is Medicare for All ... if you don't have insurance, I don't want the system that we have."

Sanders criticized President Donald Trump, saying he is attempting to divide the country along racial, national, and religious lines.

"We're going to win this election because we're bringing our people together, black and white and Latino, Native American, Asian American," Sanders said. "Bringing our people together around an agenda that works for all of us."



Wyatt Dlouhy/The Daily Iowan

Volunteers for the Sanders Campaign hold up signs during a rally for Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-VT., at the Coralville Marriott Hotel on Nov. 9. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., also joined the line up marking her first visit to Iowa since endorsing Sen. Sanders in October.

Jason Counts, 46, a Coralville resident and member of Democratic Socialists of America, said he was glad to see the New York congresswoman campaigning for Sanders far from her home, contending that the representative's support has helped Sanders.

"I think it's [had] an incredible effect on Bernie's popularity," Counts said. "When I heard about it, I had no idea; to me, it was just incredible that she actually came to

Coralville."

Nationally, Sanders' numbers in polls have been steadily increasing throughout most of October. His support jumped 2 percentage points in the week following Ocasio-Cortez's endorsement, according to national polling data from RealClearPolitics.

Both Ocasio-Cortez and Sanders are self-described Democratic Socialists, and Counts said he's seen the membership in the party rise in the two years that he's been a member.



Katie Goodale/The Daily Iowan

Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., greets fans after a rally at the Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center on Nov. 9. Sen. Sanders and Rep. Ocasio-Cortez spoke on climate change and women's rights.

"Our meetings have grown exponentially in the last few years," he said. "We went from having maybe 12, 13 people to like 40 people at events."

Daniel Williams, a Quad Cities area resident attending college in St. Louis, said he has seen nine 2020 presidential hopefuls speak, and the rally was the most energetic

event he has attended.

"The energy that Bernie is able to create is something that you don't really see in politics anywhere," he said.

Williams said he's not committed to supporting Sanders, and the candidate's age and health are two reasons he's hesitant. However, he said, he agreed with Ocasio-Cortez's

message of solidarity.

"Unity is important, to be there together, but solidarity is doing something about it," he said. "It's one thing to say I'm here to support; it's a different thing to say I'm now going to go do something about it, I'm going to go walk with you, I'm going to go be with you."

## CASTRO FROM FRONT

hard toward getting on that debate stage."

The comments contradict previous forecasts from Castro, who wrote in an email to supporters on Sept. 26 that failing to qualify for the November debate would be "the end of my campaign."

Castro said with movement in national polls and a potential bid from former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, the race is more

unpredictable than it has been in a while.

"I believe that there's still a lot of people that haven't made up their mind and people that can change their mind," he said. "So right now my intention is to continue to go."

Castro's remarks were made during a visit to the Arc of Southeast Iowa, an association that provides care and advocacy for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Castro spoke with about 10 employees, board members, and community members about the problems facing families with children

who need care.

Chelsey Markle, the executive director of the Arc of Southeast Iowa, said finding quality caregivers is one of the largest challenges affecting the organization. She said decreased state funding has prevented them from offering competitive wages.

"I think it's exciting to have a little bit more conversation happening around and in this realm," she said. "Specifically because both at a local, state, and national level, there's some real concerns developing with caregivers and having enough

caregivers to go around."

Castro said he would be releasing a disabilities policy on Monday that deals with funding, education, and the intersection of disability needs with other issues. Castro said the plan deals with housing and transportation for people with disabilities.

"I'm trying to connect the dots of policy to improve the quality of life for people with disabilities overall," Castro said. "And bust past all of the silos that exist in government that oftentimes prevent us from truly improving the quality of life of people."



Jenna Galligan/The Daily Iowan

Former U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and 2020 Democratic candidate Julián Castro answers questions during an interview with The Daily Iowan at The Arc of Southeast Iowa on Sunday.

## YEAR ONE FROM FRONT

weeding, and harvesting as the sole worker on her land. For 10 hours a day, seven days a week from April to October, she labored over her fruits and vegetables while investing all the money she made back into the farm. Throughout her first year, she purchased fences, a plow, a greenhouse, and a chicken coop, which lost its roof in a summer storm.

Despite the difficulty of this August day, she still showed a hint of passion from back in January, when she first decided to lease a field of grass and start Rainbow Roots Farm.

"I'm tired, and mentally and physically exhausted," she said in August. "But I'm so excited for next year. I want this year to be done so next year can start."

Her passion for farming wasn't always so pervasive, however. After graduating from the University of Iowa in 2017 with a degree in human physiology, Scholz's mind was on medical school and taking over her mom's podiatry practice. But after college, she started questioning her career choice.

"I didn't want to work inside, pushing pills on people," she said.

She preferred proactive healthy eating over treating illnesses that might have never manifested with a balanced diet. After working at a ski resort in Colorado and on a succulent farm in Hawaii, Scholz realized she wanted to pursue something she knew nothing about — organic farming.

"No one ever said, 'Well, you can be a farmer. That's something that you can do,'" she said.

Young, female farmers like Scholz are rare in Iowa. Farmers under the age of 25 who are the decision-makers on their land, known as the "principle producer," made up less than three-fourths of 1 percent of all principle producers in the state of Iowa in 2017, U.S. Department of Agriculture data show.

Female principle producers under 25 make up an even smaller fraction: less than one-fourth of 1 percent of all principle producers in Iowa are young women. In contrast, principle producers over age 65 made up over 35 percent.

The aging Iowa farmer population means that in a matter of years, Iowa's farm economy may face a shortage of people to run them. As older farmers retire, farmers like Scholz may be vital to the sustainability of the industry.

Chances are, as young people take over Iowa's farms, low corn and soybean prices — as well as changing values — will lead farmers to grow fewer row crops and plant more diverse produce, Iowa State University sociologist J. Arbuckle said.

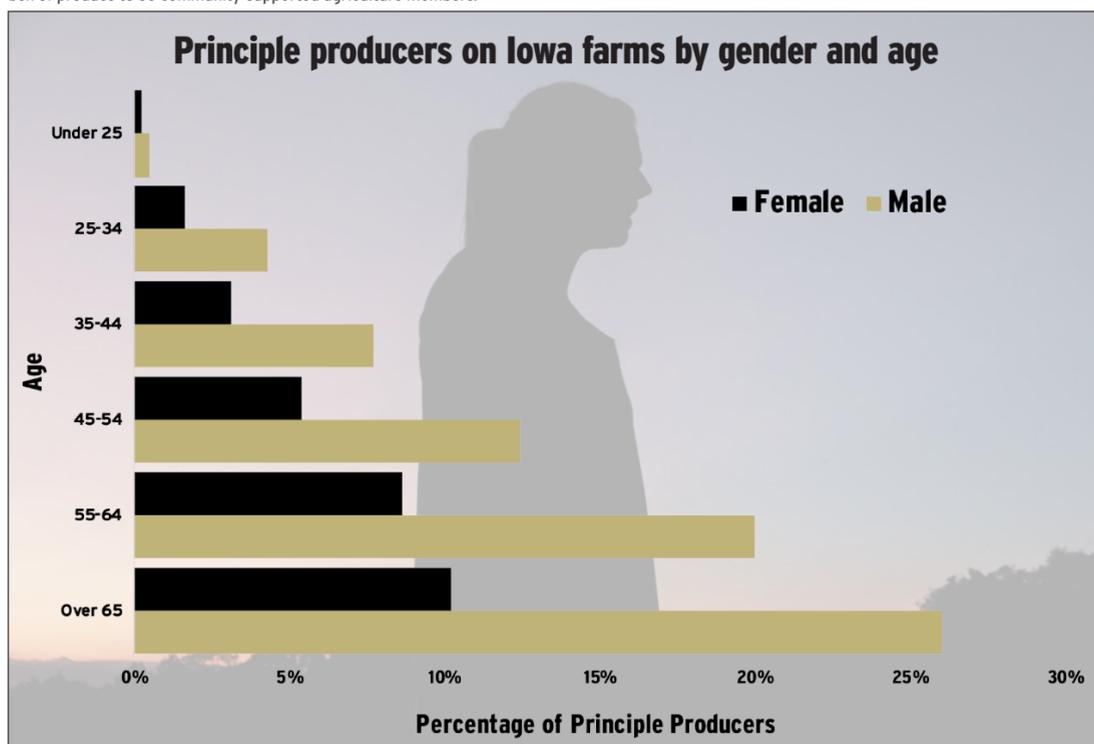
"I think that the sector of actual food that people eat is going to grow — vegetables and fruits and grass-fed beef and pork and chickens," he said. "There's plenty of consumer demand for that now, and it tends to be easier on the land and can increase soil health."

A farm can get organic



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Corbin Scholz takes note of which of her crops are ready for harvest on Sept. 23. Each week throughout her first season farming in Iowa, she delivered a box of produce to 30 community-supported agriculture members.



certification if no synthetic chemicals — such as pesticides, herbicides, and artificial fertilizers — have been used on the land in at least three years, and no crops have been genetically modified. Organic farming helps retain nutrients in the soil and even reduces the impacts of climate change by emitting fewer greenhouse gases and incorporating harmful carbon from the atmosphere into the soil, a 2010 Ambio report said.

To pursue her newfound passion, Scholz enrolled in an organic farm school in Seattle, and for eight months at over 40 hours a week, she learned everything from driving a tractor to managing the finances and marketing of an organic farm.

In November 2018, she sold her car and bought a truck and a trailer for the two pigs that she had bought to save from slaughter at \$700 each. She drove 40 hours from Seattle

back to her parents' house in Iowa City — stopping every eight hours to let the pigs out — and decided to start her own farm.

"This is a super comfortable atmosphere, a really liberal population, and open-minded, starting to get into the organic movement," Scholz said. "I was like, this would be a really awesome place to farm, and I should give back to this community that has given me so much growing up."

She took out a \$20,000 loan and leased three acres for \$900 per year where she could keep her animals, who all have a role to play on the farm. The pigs Breakfast and Nubby help with naturally tilling the land, Patrick the turkey serves as a protector against birds of prey, and 29 chickens lay eggs.

Each week, Scholz boxed up and delivered fresh eggs and produce to 30 community-supported agriculture customers who each invested \$420 at the

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— Corbin Scholz, organic farmer

beginning of the season to receive 23 weekly deliveries of eggs and produce.

She built a small greenhouse, where she would start her seeds of tomatoes, chard, cauliflower, beans, fennel, cabbage, and lettuce, and turned over the soil on her field, where she would transplant the seedlings. Every day began and ended with routine chores — feeding the animals and collecting eggs from the chicken coop. Then

she would harvest vegetables, weed here and there, and transplant from greenhouse to ground. In the afternoon, when it was too hot to work outdoors, she would go home to answer emails, organize invoices, and handle the "office work" that comes with running a business.

After establishing her farm, one of her first goals was to get organic certified. Because her land had been a hay field for 15 years before she leased it, it

was eligible for certification by the USDA as an organic operation. She bought \$2,000 worth of compost to nutify her field, planted flowers on the sides of her beds to attract pollinators to the fields and detract bugs from the produce, and spent hours picking weeds out of the soil.

Another goal was to get into a farmers market. When she checked in February, there was already a waitlist for the Iowa City Farmers Market, which runs twice a week from May to October. She did manage to get into the Cedar Rapids Farmers Market — a larger market that takes place on eight Saturdays throughout the season.

But, selling produce at the farmers market didn't turn out like Scholz had hoped. Often she would bring \$600 worth of produce but only sell \$100 worth. Eventually, she stopped going.

Next year, she plans to drop the market and increase her community-supported agriculture from 30 members to 45. Instead of weekly deliveries to her customers, she will set up a pick-up station where she simply puts out her products farmers-market style and hands out produce to CSA members.

After learning the hard way about what can and can't grow in Iowa's climate, Scholz plans to change up the crops she plants next year, focusing on vegetables that were not only successful but also popular among customers. She keeps detailed notes in her crop journal of everything that happens on her farm for her to review next year.

"I'm going to farm smarter, not harder," she said.

Although she didn't make any money this year to pay herself, she invested in new equipment such as a compost spreader and matting to suppress weeds that will make her life easier next season, and hopefully allow her to take a cut of her profits as income in 2020.

To make ends meet this year, Scholz works part-time as a receptionist at a clinic and coaches soccer at City High School. But finances aren't the only thing that makes her job challenging. Working alone every day, each task on her to-do list more taxing than the last, emotional support has been key for keeping her spirits up throughout this first year. Her parents, who she lives with in Iowa City, have encouraged her since the beginning and allowed her to keep chickens in their basement and run her business while living at home.

Scholz's best friend, UI law student Meg Goodson, has not only helped her physically on the farm, but has been a voice of support and a source of intellectual stimulation during weeks of loneliness on the farm.

For Goodson, this year of friendship with Scholz has been a learning experience about how the environment works and what needs to be done to heal it.

"Corbin has opened her eyes and really educated herself on what the issues are, more so than a lot of people our age who say they're environmentally cognizant," Goodson said, "and they are, but not to this level of understanding the details. I learn things from Corbin every day."

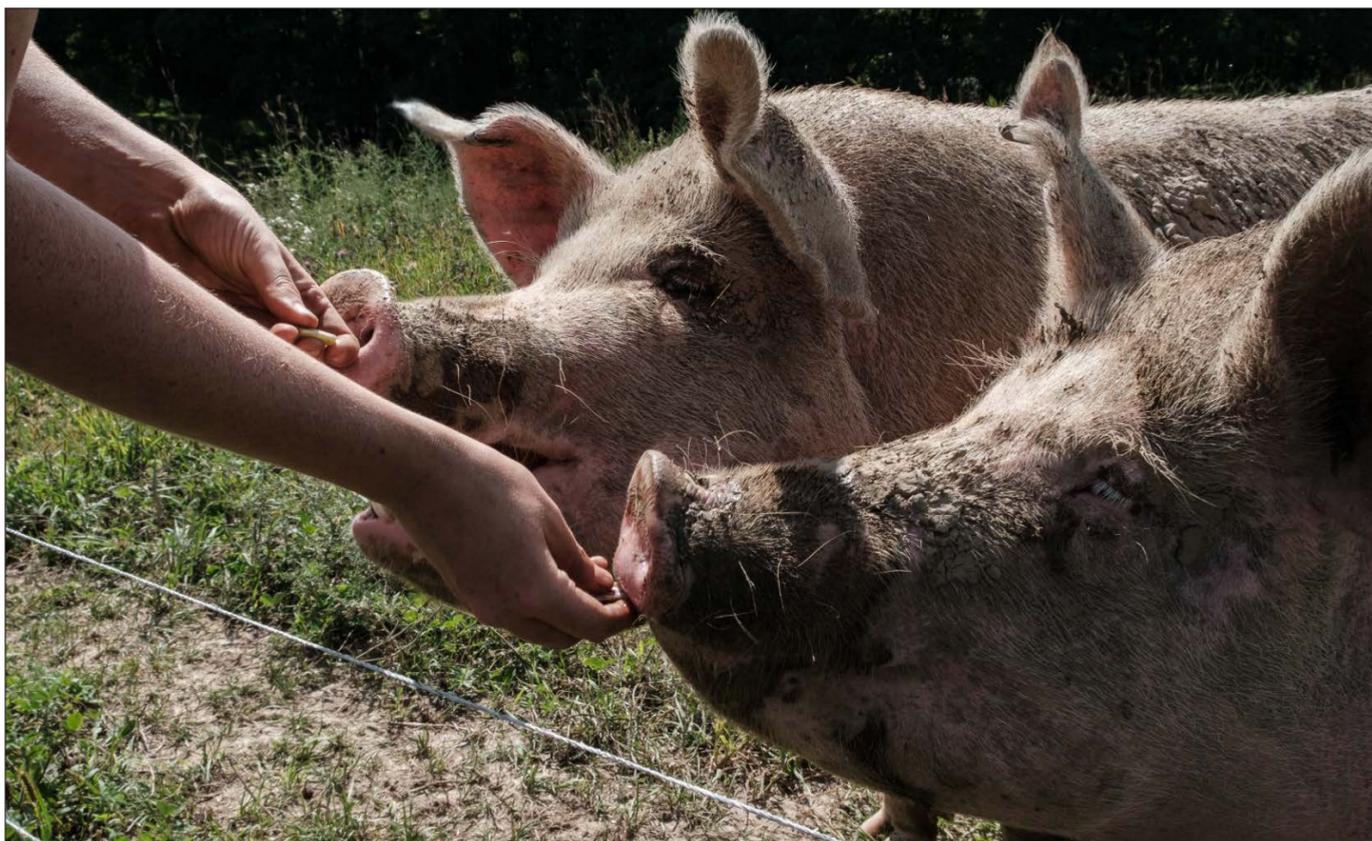
Though she spent thousands of dollars and went through months of exhausting labor, Scholz keeps her head up by remembering why she chose to start Rainbow Roots Farm.

"Being able to plant a seed, seeing a seed literally go from my hand into the soil, and picking a bell pepper and handing it to somebody, and them sending a picture of what they cooked with it," she said. "It doesn't get any better than that."

While making her customers happy with healthy food, the benefit her farm will have on the environment keeps her motivated to keep going for years to come.

Someday, she hopes to buy land that was once used for conventional farming and use a portion of the land to continue growing fruits and vegetables, while converting the rest into natural prairie that can restore native landscapes, sequester carbon from the atmosphere to reduce climate change, and revitalize the soil to the richness that made Iowa's land once so prosperous for agriculture.

"I'm still hopeful," Scholz said. "You've got to be."



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Corbin Scholz feeds Breakfast and Nubby, who help with tilling the land on the farm. Scholz bought the two pigs for \$700 each to save from slaughter.

# Opinions

COLUMN

## Twitter's political-ad ban looks promising

Jack Dorsey's decision is a decent start, but doesn't target the root issue: failure to filter harmful messages from bad actors.



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Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey announced Oct. 30 that Twitter would terminate all political advertising on the site. Coming off the heels of Mark Zuckerberg stating that Facebook would not fact check any political advertising done on Facebook, Dorsey's announcement is a much-needed change of pace in the realm of social media advertising.

However, as with many actions taken in today's digital landscape, this policy change fails to address all the issues.

Twitter's ban on political ads is undoubtedly a step in the right direction. But it's not just that people with the deepest pockets can buy as many ads as they possibly can in order to own political discourse. There is also the matter of extremely targeted ads based on user data, as well as the looming theme of fake news in discourse.

All these factors combined serve to polarize any community in one direction, but a blanket ban on politics is not enough.

First, almost anything can be interpreted as political. The distinction between what is and isn't political is very important when considering a ban on one side of that line. Twitter's current definition of political issue ads are ones that refer to an election candidate or advocate for or against legislative issues of national importance. Surprisingly, there are a lot of things that can be considered of national importance.

Another example is climate-change advocacy. Oil



Dreamstime/TNS

Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey tweeted on Oct. 30 that the platform will ban all political ads.

companies that are worsening climate change, are releasing advertisements outlining how they're "changing," but only by the bare minimum necessary to be seen as combating climate change. The former is political, while the latter is apolitical.

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Ads are also just one of the many ways in which political actors can own discourse. The present ban as it has been outlined does nothing to stop native advertising. While individuals won't be able to promote political tweets as was possible prior, bot farms will still be able to boost certain tweets that people put out on their own accounts.

Best of all, they'll never be tagged as "promoted," so these posts will seem even more organic.

Even if Dorsey is concerned about money-buying exposure, it will still be possible with the policy currently outlined — it will just be hard to see and even harder to prove.

Given that political actors may no longer be able to advertise their beliefs, the platform will still host people willing to spread lies to further their own goals, especially for those acting maliciously.

A prime example of this is Twitter's reluctance to ban the neo-Nazi Richard Spencer. And that resistance comes after a recently leaked tape of him after the Charlottesville protests that confirm what we already knew: Spencer is a white supremacist who believes in non-white people "get ruled by people like me."

If Twitter is worried about advertising being able to target microcosms of communities and lambast them with false information, why are they allowing the founder of the modern Neo-Nazi movement to maintain a space on their platform?

Thankfully, Twitter is going to release their full policy on political ads Nov. 15. In the meantime, the site has been gathering feedback from the public concerning how to go about the new policy change.

Reigning in the political power of influential politicians and corporations is going to be a strenuous process. While Twitter's current policy can be much further improved, it is at the very least an encouraging preview of what is possible.

COLUMN

## What is a 'good movie'?

The popularity of *The Lighthouse* says a lot about how cinema can and should be appreciated in the modern film-viewing era.



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Maybe it's the stress of my final year in undergraduate study, or maybe it's because I stayed up late the night before eating three large fries and bingeing the Hallmark Channel. Either way, it was a conscious effort on my part to enjoy my showing of *The Lighthouse*.

This, of course, had little to do with its cinematic quality. I can objectively say that the film will be a top contender during awards season. It has everything going for it: the black-and-white grit of the 1890s, a gradual slip into madness, and siren sex. Now that I think of it, is *The Lighthouse* some kind of bizarre prequel to *The Shape of Water*?

But as I was sitting in the fairly packed theater, I found myself asking one question: why am I here? I wasn't particularly excited about going to see this film, although I was definitely curious about it given my love for the Oscar circuit. But as I fought the

urge to place my coat across my chest as a makeshift blanket — worlds away from my bed and the films I truly take joy from — I decided that I was done.

I love movies, but somewhere along the way that got lost behind the front of a pretentious, cinematic snob. I in no way mean that people who relish in these works of art are imposters. We just all have different tastes and interests, and I'm tired of feeling like mine can't be about DeLoreans, proton packs, and Saturday detentions.

Yes, there is profound power in stepping outside of your comfort zone. This is the only way we learn about stories and concepts beyond the six films we always suggest for movie night. But there has to be a line between expanding your horizons and losing touch with who you truly are.

I left *The Lighthouse* incredibly frustrated with how far I had deviated. Going to movies had become a chore, something to squeeze into my schedule with little excitement. I even started to question whether or not I was a movie buff, which then fed into doubts about my future ambitions.

'We can't let others dictate the parameters for the things that make us smile, the things that have us bubbling over with delight and curiosity.'

It seems, at least for me, that we live in a world where passions, hobbies, and careers are mutually exclusive. As if you can love sports or the royal family, but what's your day job? Or even that we have to feel silly about how much knowledge we have about pop culture because it's considered low brow. In the realm of fine arts, intelligence is measured by how quickly we can recite Walt Whitman or list the directorial debuts from 1936.

But aren't the things that are so iconic to our society, quotable beyond decades, telling us crucial things about who we are as a people?

Then it hit me. We can't let others dictate the parameters for the things that make us smile, the things that have us bubbling over with delight and curiosity. A person is no less a book lover if they choose to read young adult romance versus the latest Nobel Prize in Literature. A person is no less an artist if they want to paint variations of Marilyn Monroe instead of working on the next Mona Lisa.

And a person is no less a movie lover by hitting play on *Stand By Me* for the umpteenth time while *Lawrence of Arabia* waits in the wings.



Willem Dafoe and Robert Pattinson in *The Lighthouse*.

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# First-gen students receive recognition for success

The University of Iowa First-Generation Task Force hosted an awards ceremony Nov. 8 to recognize five current and former first-generation students for their wide array of successes.

BY LAUREN WHITE  
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The University of Iowa hosted its first awards ceremony — called the 1stGen@Iowa Awards — to honor first-generation student success on campus on Nov. 8. The event brought an entire week of celebration for first-generation identity to a close.

Three UI students, one faculty member, and one staff member received awards at the event, which was hosted by the UI First-Generation Task Force with First Gen@Iowa.

UI President Bruce Harreld said the UI aims for 25 percent of incoming students to identify as first-generation, and that the current number falls short of that goal at approximately 20 percent.

“When we discussed moving forward in student success we came to the obvious conclusion — not all of our students are alike,” Harreld said. “Different students have different needs, and this week of celebration has been about celebrating, learning, and lifting ourselves up.”

The award ceremony recognized five first-generation students from the past and the present who each initially received a nomination from people who admire them.

One recipient was recent UI graduate Lucille Howard, who said that identifying as a first-generation student carries a significant amount of weight. Although her parents were supportive of her pursuit of higher education, Howard said, she was alone in her journey towards college and even more so throughout her education.

“Being a first-generation student has allowed me to bring unique and valuable perspectives to many conversations in academic communities and supported the development of strong relationships with other first-generation students and professionals,” Howard said. Howard emphasized that many first-generation students deal with imposter syndrome, which leads them to question how much they belong in certain environments. First-generation students often maintain an added layer of self-doubt, Howard added.

UI senior and undergraduate recipient of the award Alexia Sánchez pointed to the care and support of others on campus as her biggest resource over the years. Celebration of first-generation identity has really grown since she began at the university, Sánchez said, due to a boost by the First-Generation Task Force.

“College really is stressful and hard, but you have to find ways to celebrate during your time at the university,” Sánchez said. “To be the first in your family to achieve something is a huge highlight. Build a community on campus and empower each other.”

UI Professor Shaun Vecera received the First-Generation Faculty Award. Vecera said he believes it is important to use his previous opportunities as a first-generation student to support others who are currently navigating their college education. When the majority of someone’s family has been to college, it’s easy to take the college experience for granted, Vecera said.

As a member and financial contributor of the First-Gen-



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eration Task Force, Vecera said he is often amazed at what little support first-generation students received when he was in college and encourages first-generation students to use whatever resources and support the uni-

versity now makes available.

“Being a first-generation student fostered a fierce sense of independence and false belief that asking for help would be admitting that I wasn’t enough to make it in the academic world,” Howard

said. “I recognized that often times the path to success has inherently been a bit steeper or a bit rockier than others due to systemic barriers, and it is important to take time to celebrate and care for yourself when you need it.”

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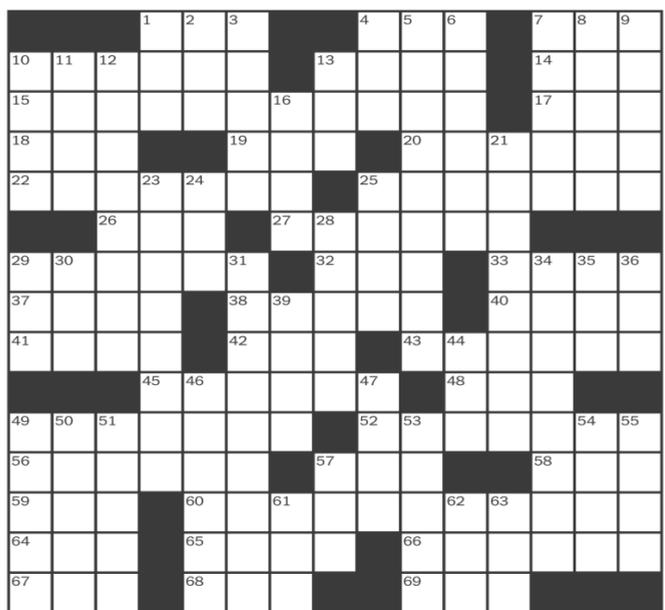
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- ACROSS**
- Choose
  - Prominent items in sports bars
  - “\_\_\_ Pepper’s Lonely Hearts Club Band”
  - Spring jauntily
  - Painful injury, in totspeak
  - “Say again?”
  - Place for ferns and pine needles
  - Opposite of departure: Abbr.
  - Basketball one-pointers: Abbr.
  - Bathroom towel support
  - The “L” of N.F.L.
  - Philosopher who wrote “Disobedience is the true foundation of liberty”
  - Skilful handling of a situation
  - This very instant
  - Filmmaker Rob
  - Church bell sounds
  - Bird: Prefix

- Poetic tributes
- Leaning Tower city
- Trickles slowly
- iPhone voice
- Abbr. at the top of an office memo
- Unordained
- Middle part of an insect’s body
- Transports for tots
- Ginger \_\_\_
- Stories in installments
- Often-lost camera part
- “Right,” slangily
- Start of the Lord’s Prayer
- Election Day in the U.S.: Abbr.
- Sauvignon blanc, e.g.
- Some Down answers in this puzzle
- Corner key on a keyboard
- Remove from power
- Snack for Bugs Bunny

- To the \_\_\_ degree
- Home of the Empire State Bldg.
- Golf peg

**DOWN**

- Products pioneered by IBM
- Prefix with -hedron
- Orchestra’s concertmaster, usually
- Peaceful
- Makes love to, à la Austin Powers
- Experts
- Sound of failure
- \_\_\_ I.R.A.
- Flame thrower?
- Outdated
- Most deodorants, once
- With 35-Down, literary period known for flowery poetry
- Ram’s mate
- “Straight Outta Compton” rapper, 1988
- Many an I.R.S. employee
- Chart-topper
- “To be or not to be \_\_\_,” e.g.
- Person who calls “Action!”
- See 23-Down
- Acorn producers
- Solo in the “Star Wars” saga
- Betrays, as to the cops
- Talk trashed?
- Be
- Style of house or dressing
- Put up, as a house
- Hertz rental
- Little brother, stereotypically
- Bit of horse feed
- The Trojans of the Pac-12 Conf.
- Issa of HBO’s “Insecure”
- Valuable rock

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worked hard to take that extra step and come out on top. "We worked so hard for the

past 12 months with putting [in] a lot of effort," Murphy said. "We stayed through the summer, we put in every day, we're coached by just fantastic coaches, and our seniors are incredible. Everyone on

this team just put in every single day, so today was just one of the fun times."

Iowa got through Ohio State in the first round of the tournament to make it to the semifinals against

Northwestern. The semi-final game was postponed twice due to weather and field conditions, but the Hawkeyes rolled past them to make their second title game in as many years.

Senior Katie Birch was a big part of that action, taking home the honor of tournament MVP. She was also named one of three unanimous 2019 first-team All-Big Ten selection. "We had game changers

[on Sunday] all over the field, and actually through the course of the tournament," head coach Lisa Cellucci said. "Everyone contributed, and that's what you need to do to win a championship."

**FOOTBALL**  
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mospheres at various Big Ten stadiums.

He missed one field goal against Northwestern because of the wind, and it's a factor that he continues to look out for during every game. Against Wisconsin, his approach to that didn't change.

"[The wind] wasn't playing too much," Duncan said. "Pre-game was a little bit more breezy than the game, so that helped out a little bit."

The theme of the season for Iowa football has been settling for field goals, as evidenced by Duncan's record with three regular-season

games still remaining.

The pressure Wisconsin was putting on in that first half made Duncan's job important, and when the offense mounted a touch-down-driven comeback, those early field goals proved to be critical to the game.

For the entire season, special teams has been the most reliable part of Iowa's team, something that hasn't been true in past years.

"He's done a great job all along this season, and he's playing extremely well," head coach Kirk Ferentz said. "And, you know, tip of the hat to Michael Sleep-Dalton too. I thought he punted really well today and gave us a chance, especially in that second half."

Duncan and Sleep-Dalton have been two forces to keep Iowa in the game.

Sleep-Dalton punted four times in Camp Randall and placed them all within Wisconsin's 20-yard line. He averaged 41.2 yards per punt and hit a long of 49 yards to give Iowa's defense a good chance in field position.

Now, with the season narrowing toward a bowl game instead of the Big Ten Championship game in Indianapolis, the mindset has focused but hasn't faltered for Iowa or its special teams.

"We just want to look at it as a week at a time, so the best we can do next week is be 7-3, and that's our goal," Duncan said.



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Iowa placekicker Duncan Keith attempts a field goal during a football game between Iowa and Wisconsin at Camp Randall Stadium in Madison on Nov. 9.

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# Hawks taken down in Mad City



**24-22**  
**BADGERS      HAWKEYES**

The Badgers secured the win off of a failed two-point conversion from Iowa quarterback Nate Stanley. The Hawkeyes had no answer for Wisconsin running back Jonathan Taylor, who ran for a season-best 250 yards.



Clockwise from top left: Iowa wideout Tyrone Tracy, Jr. runs after a catch during a football game between Iowa and Wisconsin at Camp Randall Stadium in Madison on Nov. 9. (Shivansh Ahuja/The Daily Iowan) Wisconsin quarterback Jack Coan hands off the ball. (Megan Nagorzanski/The Daily Iowan) Wisconsin wide receiver Quintez Cephus celebrates a touchdown. (Megan Nagorzanski/The Daily Iowan) Iowa defensive end AJ Epenesa forces a fumble. (Shivansh Ahuja/The Daily Iowan) Iowa wideout Nico Ragaini catches a touchdown pass. (Shivansh Ahuja/The Daily Iowan)

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## HAWKEYE UPDATES



### Men's tennis ends fall season

An impressive fall session has officially come to a close for the Hawkeyes. Iowa wrapped up its preseason play at ITA Oracle Fall-National Championships. Senior Kareem Allaf competed at the tournament as an individual. Doubles duos Oliver Okonkwo/Will Davies and Matt Clegg/Nikita Snezhko also made Fall Nationals. Allaf fell in his first-round match up. He then went on to make the consolation bracket quarterfinals. On his way to the quarterfinals, Allaf dispatched UCF's Juan Pablo Grassi Mazzuchi and Virginia's Ryan Goetz.



Okonkwo

Clegg and Snezhko fell in their preliminary matchups in both main and consolation brackets. Iowa's other dyad found a great deal of success. Okonkwo

and Davies piloted into the consolation bracket championship game.

After losing their first match in the main bracket, Okonkwo and Davies rattled off three-straight wins in the consolation bracket. The pair finished the tournament as runners-up. The two Hawkeyes were defeated by Michigan's Mattias Siimar and Andrew Fenty in the consolation doubles championship.

Iowa's trip to Newport Beach, California, will serve as the highlight of Iowa's fall season.

"This was a great way to end our fall season with Will and Oliver in the consolation doubles finals at Fall Nationals," head coach Ross Wilson said in a release. "It was great to have five of our players competing and have success against the best players in the nation. No doubt this has motivated our entire team to keep training hard over the next few months, so we are ready for our first match against Texas Tech on January 17."



Davies

### Penn State wins Big Ten Women's Soccer Tournament

The Nittany Lions took down Michigan in the Big Ten Tournament championship game on Sunday in overtime to earn their second conference championship in three years.

The 2-1 win was decided by a goal by freshman Payton Linnehan off a pass from Frankie Tagliaferri.

Michigan had the 1-0 lead, but Penn State tied it up with just over seven minutes to play.

Following the win by Penn State, three Nittany Lions were named to the All-Tournament team. Riley Whitaker of Iowa was also named to the team.

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

**"With all due respect to everybody else, but outside of Ohio State, it's really hard to predict things in the Big Ten in my 30 years here in the league. I think that's what makes college football interesting."**



- Iowa football head coach Kirk Ferentz on the Big Ten

## STAT OF THE DAY

Iowa volleyball set a new attendance record of 4,737 against Nebraska on Saturday.

**4,737**  
attendees

# BIG TEN CHAMPS

The Hawkeyes got the job done in overtime on Sunday to take home the Big Ten Tournament crown.

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The No. 2 seed Iowa field hockey team didn't need more than 23 extra seconds after regulation ended to clinch the Big Ten Tournament title on Sunday, 1-0, against five-seeded Penn State.

Freshman Esme Gibson ran the ball along the right sideline before passing it into the circle. Iowa's leading scorer in the regular season, Maddy Murphy, was positioned near the left corner of the goal and shot the ball in off a pass from sophomore Leah Zellner.

"I saw the open space down the sideline, and I knew Maddy would be in there for the tip," Leah Zellner said. "I just kept pulling in, carrying it strong on the baseline, gave her the pass and she put it in."

Getting to that point took a full four periods of defense, which Iowa has been known for all season. Goalkeeper Leslie Speight saved five shots on her goal in the first half to keep the game scoreless.

Iowa's offense put pressure on the Nittany Lions in the second half, with junior Ellie Holley stepping up and taking the ball to the perimeter of the circle multiple times.

"The first few seconds of the game it was unreal," Zellner said. "We knew Penn State was going to be a really tough game, and it came down to who wanted it more, and I just think we really wanted it a lot."

The journey to this moment didn't happen overnight. Last season, the Hawkeyes got close but finished as runner ups in the conference final. This year, they

SEE BIG TEN, 6

## Duncan continues field dominance

With his 22nd field goal this season, Keith Duncan sits atop Iowa's all-time leaderboard and is tied for the national lead.



Iowa placekicker Duncan Keith attempts a field goal during a football game between Iowa and Wisconsin at Camp Randall Stadium in Madison on Nov. 9.

BY ANNA KAYSER  
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Among all uncertainties within Iowa's scoring offense, there is one tried and true component that has bailed the Hawkeyes out exactly 22 times this season.

On Saturday, Iowa kicker Keith Duncan nailed three field goals to break the program's single-season record for field goals made.

He's tied atop the NCAA leaderboard in field goals, leads it with an average of 2.44 field goals per game, is ranked 19th in country with 85 points scored, and is 1st in field-goal percentage.

Despite the success that Duncan has found this

season, setting that record doesn't mean as much as a team win does.

"It's awesome to be with names like Nate Kaeding and stuff like that, but yeah, of course we love to win," Duncan said. "Our job is to go out there and excuse and put our points on the board as a field goal unit. We did our job [on Saturday]. Unfortunately, we just couldn't get enough."

Duncan has had different experiences on the field in his second year as a starter, from going four-for-four in almost every type of weather and field conditions imaginable against Iowa State on Sept. 14 to battling the wind and the loud at-

SEE FOOTBALL, 6

## Week 11's Grade Report

### Offense



Another game, another performance that wasn't complete from the Iowa offense.

The unit gained only 93 yards in the first half, including 27 yards passing before turning it on in the second half.

The Hawkeyes managed to score 16 points in the second half in a valiant comeback effort, but it wasn't enough to topple the Badgers on the road.

### Defense



Jonathan Taylor accomplished something not even Saquon Barkley did against Iowa during his career: run for 250 yards against a stout Hawkeye defense.

Taylor got anything he wanted on the ground throughout the game, as he rushed for an average of 8.1 yards per carry.

The Badgers gained 473 yards on the day, which is the most Iowa has given up all season.

While Matt Hankins came up with a key pick in the fourth quarter, the defense couldn't keep Taylor and Company in check toward the end of the game.

### Special Teams



Keith Duncan set a new school record with his 22nd field goal on Saturday, and he made three on the day. Duncan has consistently been Iowa's best scoring option this season, and now he's a part of Hawkeye history for it.

Punter Michael Sleep-Dalton also posted a key performance for Iowa, putting all four of his punts inside Wisconsin's 20-yard line and averaging 41.2 yards per boot.