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Man accused of killing Mollie Tibbetts did not testify at hearing

At an evidence-suppression hearing, Cristhian Bahena Rivera's attorneys did not allow him to testify or be cross-examined, resulting in an affidavit written by Bahena Rivera to be thrown out of evidence.



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Cristhian Bahena Rivera walks into the Poweshiek County courthouse for day two of an evidence suppression hearing at the Poweshiek County Courthouse on Thursday in Montezuma. Bahena Rivera confessed to killing Molly Tibbetts last year, but his attorneys filed a motion to suppress the confession because he was not properly read his Miranda warning during initial interviews with police.

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MONTEZUMA, Iowa — Family members of the man accused of killing University of Iowa student Mollie Tibbetts, as well as expert witnesses called by the defense, testified Thursday in the second day of an evidence-suppression hearing — but defense attorneys did not allow defendant Cristhian Bahena Rivera to testify or be cross-examined.

The defense instead submitted into evidence an affidavit with written testimony from Bahena Rivera about his arrest and questioning. Prosecutors previously filed documents objecting to the affidavit, saying that the affidavit should be thrown out of evidence if Bahena Rivera was unable to be cross-examined.

Because defense attorneys Chad Frese and Jennifer Frese did not allow cross-examination, Poweshiek County District Judge Joel Yates ruled the affidavit would not be accepted as evidence.

Bahena Rivera — who wore headphones at the hearing to hear testimony from interpreters — is accused of abducting and killing Tibbetts while she was on a run on July 18, 2018. After he led officers to her body in a cornfield on Aug. 21, 2018, he was charged with first-degree murder. He has pleaded not guilty.

Yates will give a ruling on whether or not Bahena Rivera's rights were violated at a later time.

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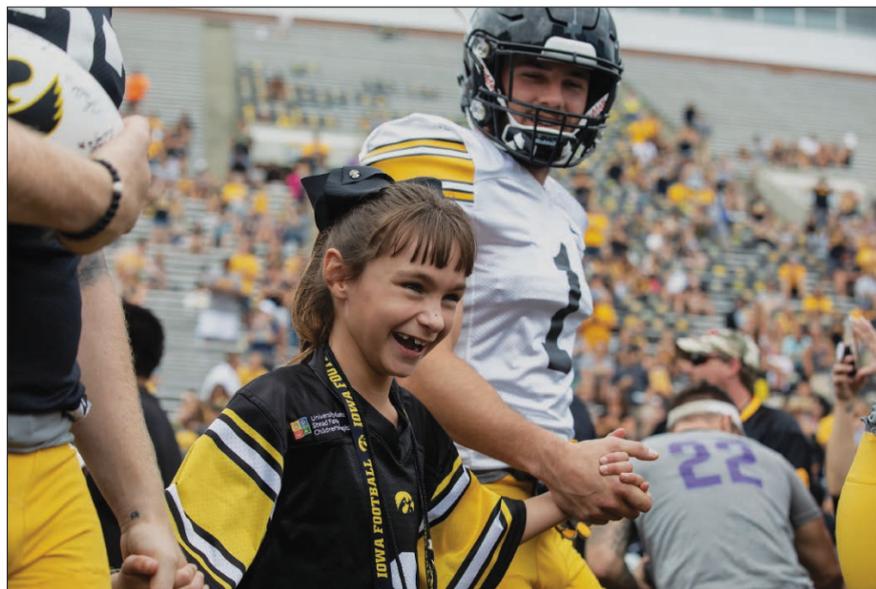


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Kid Captain granted birthday wish

Medical professionals at UIHC diagnosed Aubrey Bussan-Kluesner with different learning disorders to help her get the care she needed. Now, she'll take to the football field as the Hawkeyes Kid Captain.



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Kid Captain Aubrey Bussan-Kluesner walks onto the field of Kinnick Stadium with Hawkeye Defensive Back Wes Dvorak at Kids Day at Kinnick on Aug. 10. Kids Day at Kinnick is an annual event for families to experience Iowa's football stadium while watching preseason practice and honoring this year's Kid Captains.

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Soon-to-be 9-year-old Aubrey Bussan-Kluesner will be granted a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity as the Iowa Hawkeyes Kid Captain for her birthday this weekend at the game against Minnesota.

Aubrey's parents, Rachel Bussan and Jeff Kluesner, originally became acquainted with the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics

when their younger daughter was born. As their daughters grew up, the family noticed Aubrey wasn't reaching certain expectations that her fellow classmates were meeting in school.

"She showed me the graph of where she was and where her peers were," Bussan said. "She was way far behind. We knew there was something wrong, but we weren't quite sure. I want-

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A state economic engine

A report commissioned by the state Board of Regents showed Iowa's three public universities contributed \$11.8 billion to Iowa's economy in fiscal 2018.

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CEDAR FALLS, Iowa — Iowa's public universities contributed a combined \$11.8 billion to the state's economy in fiscal 2018, a firm's analysis showed, emphasizing the universities' often-touted role as economic engines amid consistent cuts to the institutions' budgets.

Idaho labor-market analytics firm Emsi delivered a report Thursday to the state Board of Regents that showed Iowa taxpayers will receive \$2.90 for every dollar invested, Emsi Assistant Director of Higher Education Consulting Hannah Ruffridge said.

"Iowa's public universities remain an excellent investment for Iowa taxpayers," Regent President Mike Richards said in a news release. "The universities' commitment to quality, affordable education produces tangible benefits to Iowans in all 99 counties."

State lawmakers in recent years have tightened funding for the universities, only this past spring restoring \$12 million of the more than \$35 million in state appropriations they cut the previous two fiscal years.

As institutional leaders pitch their funding requests to lawmakers, they often highlight their contributions to the state. Re-

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Potential effects of sleep deprivation

Expert witnesses testified Thursday regarding Bahena Rivera's interview with law enforcement, specifically to the potential effects of sleep deprivation.

Brian Leslie, who runs a firm called Criminal Case Consultants in New York and Canada, testified that he saw videos of Bahena Rivera's 11-hour interview, as well as transcripts. He only focused on and considered the interview, he said, not any other part of the investigation, the blood evidence found, or the surveillance video showing Tibbetts running and the car Bahena Rivera was driving.

In a heated moment, Assistant Iowa Attorney General

as Tibbetts' blood. Leslie responded that he was asked to focus only on the interview.

Leslie said his review of the interview video found instances of coercive interrogation tactics used on Bahena Rivera. People vulnerable to those tactics include those who are sleep deprived, he said.

"I had gone through the video very specifically — keep in mind that I don't speak Spanish, so I was just looking at the visuals — what I was looking at specifically was the amount of times he appeared tired, sleep, fast asleep, unable to wake up. I believe there were 60 instances," he said.

Testimony from law enforcement on Wednesday said Bahena Rivera did not fall asleep during the interview and was alert when answering questions.

Leslie also pointed out instances during the interview when former Iowa City Police

followed Tibbetts because she was a young, pretty woman, Leslie said.

"She had a body, physically fit ... so then are you understanding why I'm saying you aren't being honest? You turned around while she was running in hopes of seeing her again," Romero said in the transcript, as relayed by Leslie. Bahena Rivera then said in the transcript that he did not turn around to see Tibbetts again, according to Leslie.

Bahena Rivera maintained his innocence throughout the entire interview besides the last four pages of the interview transcript, Leslie said. An 11-hour interview is an extensive amount of time to be interviewed, he added.

"You're dealing with length, you're dealing with vulnerability, you're dealing with techniques like this. In totality, you can't really rely on it, in my opinion," he said.

Michigan State University, said the research she does focuses on how sleep deprivation affects cognitive memory.

Fenn said her review of Bahena Rivera's case file was limited. She was told Bahena Rivera woke up at 4:30 a.m. on Aug. 20, 2018, she said, before he worked all day and was brought to the Poweshiek County Sheriff's Office for the 11-hour interview.

A slideshow of Bahena Rivera's interview was shown in court. Fenn identified several moments when Bahena Rivera seemed tired and exhausted, adding she believes he fell asleep several times.

Bahena Rivera's family members speak

Alejandra Cervantes Valle — who speaks Spanish and gave her testimony through an interpreter — said Bahena Rivera is the nephew of her husband, Delfino Valle. Between family gatherings and his job at Yarrabee Farms, Cervantes Valle said, Bahena Rivera was able to primarily speak Spanish in the U.S.

"Very shy, but in the family, he was very funny," she said through an interpreter about Bahena Rivera, adding his personality would withdraw when around strangers.

Luis Medina, who's related to Valle through marriage, also testified that Bahena Rivera was quiet and said he socialized primarily with others who spoke Spanish.

Valle heard Bahena Rivera was at the Poweshiek County Sheriff's Office on Aug. 20, 2018 when her husband received a call from Medina's wife. The couple then went to the station at 8:30 p.m. and met Medina, who'd been there for over an hour.

Medina was told twice that Bahena Rivera would only be questioned for another 15 minutes before Valle and her husband arrived. He added that law enforcement avoided him at the station.

The group waited for several hours before a female inter-

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Cristhian Bahena Rivera leaves for a break day two of an evidence suppression hearing at the Poweshiek County Courthouse on Thursday.

Scott Brown questioned why Leslie would not look at outside evidence beyond the interview when examining the case, including the DNA evidence obtained from the back of Bahena Rivera's car that was identified

Officer Pamela Romero, who testified Wednesday, used language in a way to relax Bahena Rivera, such as her use of the word "help."

Romero's questioning also suggested that Bahena Rivera

Bahena Rivera said during his interview that he "blacked out" during a confrontation with Tibbetts on the road July 18, 2018, Leslie asserted.

Kimberly Fenn, an associate professor in psychology at

preter and two men met them, Valle said. Valle asked the interpreter if an attorney should be called, and the interpreter responded that it wasn't necessary, as Bahena Rivera would be able to leave in 10 to 15 minutes.

Valle, her husband, and Medina waited at the station until 1:30 a.m. on Aug. 21, 2018 before Medina suggested leaving.

"We talked about [getting a lawyer]. The best thing is to get a lawyer because it doesn't look

right," Medina said.

The police culture in Mexico is very different than in the U.S., Valle said. Bahena Rivera was born in Mexico before coming to the U.S. several years ago.

"So in our culture, normally if a police officer comes to talk to you, you have to agree, because there is violence regularly in Mexico, and if you don't agree they could hit you," Valle said through an interpreter.

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ed to get her help."

Bussan said she had explained these symptoms to their doctors in their hometown of Dubuque, with no luck as to an explanation. The family turned to the UIHC to get some answers. "No one recommended me to go there. I found it myself," Bussan said.



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The banner of Kid's Captain Aubrey Bussan-Kluesner rests above her honorary locker in the Hawkeye football locker room at Kids Day at Kinnick on Aug. 10.

"Nobody was helping me and the doctors were not answering my questions. When we went to Iowa City, it was a whole day where a whole team of doctors looked at her and tested her."

Aubrey was diagnosed with a learning disorder, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), oppositional defiant disorder (ODD), mixed receptive-expressive language disorder, anxiety disorder,

and speech sound disorder.

Alyssa Woods, psychiatrist with UIHC, said that she has been taking care of her for a little over two years.

"She's just struggled throughout the years in regards to academics and different peer interactions that led her to seek care with us," Woods said.

Woods said that she admires Aubrey and her family for being able to reach out in a time of need.

"There is a giant stigma associated with diagnosing mental health," Woods said. "Many patients will go undiagnosed or untreated. I think it's important to remember that a lot of people live day-to-day with mental-health conditions."

Woods said that approximately one in five children and adolescents struggle with a mental-health condition, and, of those, only 10 percent receive treatment from a mental-health professional.

Thankfully, Aubrey was able to receive the care she needed at the UIHC, said Woods. Dependent upon the different scenarios, it was important for the hos-



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Kid Captain Aubrey Bussan-Kluesner poses for a picture with her mom in front of her banner in the Hawkeye football locker room at Kids Day at Kinnick on Aug. 10.

pital to identify Aubrey struggling early on and treat her while she was still young.

Bussan said Aubrey is likely to be on the medication for the rest of her life, yet she still chooses to live her life to the fullest.

Kluesner said that his daughter is the most incredible little girl in his life.

"It's one of those once-in-a-lifetime things that a lot of other kids will never have the chance to do, but she is so excited," Kluesner said.

Kluesner said he is proud of the young girl his daughter has become. Aubrey loves to ride bikes and wants to be a veterinarian when she grows up.

"She is a wonderful kid, and I love her," Kluesner said.

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gent Nancy Boettger said at Thursday's meeting this report could be a tool to help relay the message of the regent universities' benefits to key stakeholders, including those in the Statehouse who will debate the regents' funding.

"I think this is a message we really need to get out to the public much more than we ever have," she said. "... The everyday person on the street doesn't even think about this at all. I think it's really important that we get this to the Legislature, to the public in general at all of our opportunities."

The universities support approximately 149,980 jobs in the state of a total 2.1 million in the workforce. The universities also accounted for 6.2 percent of Iowa's \$191.8 billion gross state

product for fiscal 2018, according to Emsi's report.

The total impact can be broken down into alumni, which contributed \$6.2 billion; operations and spending, \$1.9 billion; and economic development, \$1 billion. Other categories listed in the report included spending on research, UI Hospitals & Clinics, and other areas.

Ruffridge reported that, overall, the regent universities raked in \$867.6 million in tuition revenue in fiscal 2018 with a majority coming from nonresident students — 40 percent of whom come from outside the state.

According to regent documents, the regent institutions enrolled 22,825 out-of-state students in fall 2019 — a decrease of 419 students from last academic year. The UI saw an increase in non-resident enrollment from 10,189 to 10,255 this year from the last.

UI undergraduate international-student enrollment; however, decreased by 2 percent between the classes of 2022 and 2023, consistent with a steady decline in the number of international students enrolled since 2016.

"The regent universities have proven themselves to be destination institutions," Ruffridge said.

UI Provost Montserrat Fuentes told *The Daily Iowan* in September that the UI's focus is on excellence and quality to ensure the institution is an opportunity for the students enrolled and a choice prospective students will make when they decide which school to attend.

"We have to meet the demand to help students be successful when they graduate," she said. "We want to be more innovative, access to research and everything that we have to offer to sell the quality of who we are with that purpose, to make

sure that this is a destination university and a university of choice for our state and beyond."

Fuentes said that, as the UI looks to draw in students from outside the state, she anticipates the UI being an attractive destination for both Iowans and those beyond the state.

For every dollar students invest in their Iowa regent-university education, they will receive \$3.70 over the course of their working life, Ruffridge said.

In a December 2018 interview with the *DI*, UI President Bruce Harrelld said it would be wrong to consider institutions of higher education as an expense to cut instead of an asset to be invested in. Unfortunately, he said, the UI may need to prepare for continual disinvestment in higher education.

"I think we can do better for the economy," Harrelld said. "I think we're a major

driver of the economy, and as we cut [state appropriations], it has a negative impact. And higher education, I think, is in fact the future

not only of the state of Iowa but of the United States."

Kelsey Harrell, Katie Ann McCarver, and Marissa Payne contributed to this report.

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Robots take the stage at Hancher

Robots took the stage at Hancher Auditorium on Thursday night to explore the future of robots in society and industry.

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Robots took over Hancher Auditorium Thursday evening to perform a series of skits and routines as part of the University of Iowa's Robot Theater Project.

NAO humanoid robots developed by members of the UI community took to the stage in an effort to explore the integration of robots into our society and economy. The UI Robot Theater Project's *Robot Theater* is part of the Science on Tap forum at Hancher, creating a space to discover and recognize progress and research in the UI community.

To start the show, two robots called Jackie and Aaron raised their lightsabers and began dueling.

"I am your father," Aaron yelled as the scene climaxed.

The dueling robots powered down as a new robot rose in the background, introduced as Jesse. Jesse explained that students in computer science classes work together to animate the robots and program their actions.

"I can talk, I can walk, and I can dance," Jesse said beginning to dance as classical music played.

The troupe of robots continued perform scenes from *Breaking Bad*, comedy sketches, and even magic tricks. At one point, Jesse called an audience member on stage to interact during the magic performance. Jesse proceeded to guess the number the audience member was thinking.

At Thursday night's event, Denise Szecei, associate professor of instruction in the computer science department, explained that *Robot Theater* grew out of a class she used to teach called Robot Dancing. Students in the class worked with NAO robots and choreographed and programmed dances, Szecei explained.

During this course, Szecei realized that the robots could progress outside of the classroom.

"Theater seemed like a really good place for these robots," Szecei said.

The UI Robot Theater Project has grown to provide first-year seminars and summer camps for younger students in the community. Szecei wanted to emphasize the diversity of opportunities in STEM fields through the project.

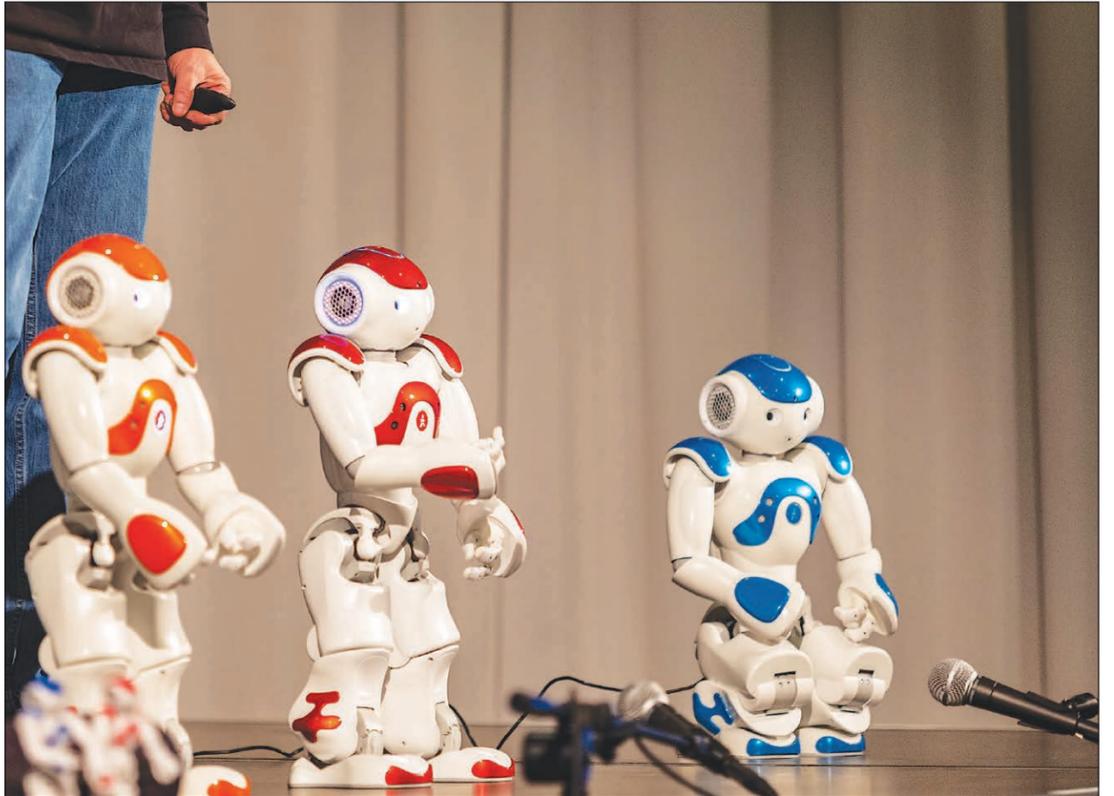
"Taking STEM classes isn't just some boring route to a profession," Szecei said. "You can write for robots, program robots, and have them perform."

Szecei mentioned that the summer camps made STEM accessible to younger learners. Working with the robots gave the young students confidence in coding and programming.

"They realized that technology can affect anything and that they can do it," Szecei said.

Audience member Maggie Gautz explained that theater was not a use for robots that she had ever thought of before.

"[The performance] is not really theater but it is most-



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Robots perform onstage at Hancher Auditorium on Thursday. The performance was put on as part of the University of Iowa Robot Theater Project.

ly teaching students about STEM," Gautz said.

Each of the NAO robots used in the project cost around \$9,000, Szecei said. Szecei explained that a majority of the funding for the project comes from the UI.

"The University of Iowa has been great in supporting this activity," Szecei said.

Additional donors to the project include the American Association of University

Women and John Deere.

Szecei explained that she wants to keep growing the project and expanding the scope of the robot performances.

"I would love to work with the Iowa Writers Workshop," Szecei said when an audience member asked who she would like to collaborate with.

One key area Szecei wants to explore is using the robots to tell stories that may be too

difficult for humans to tell. She explained that this could be stories of abuse, trauma, or immigration.

Szecei said that she wants to see how the audience would respond and connect to a narrator without race or gender.

"We still need human actors and human faces," Szecei said. "But for people who don't want to be in the spotlight, a robot surrogate may

be an option."

Audience members agreed with Szecei about the usefulness of robots in difficult conversations. UI Faculty Senate President Sandy Daack-Hirsch mentioned the opportunity for robots in the medical field and to start tough conversations.

"You want something that is compassionate and can respond in a humanoid fashion," Daack-Hirsch said.

Six veterans honored at Hawkeye Distinguished Veterans Awards

The University of Iowa honored six veterans with Hawkeye ties at the Hawkeye Distinguished Veterans Awards on Thursday.

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As part of recognizing veterans' services to the country, the University of Iowa held an award ceremony to honor six veterans with strong Hawkeye connections.

The main lounge of the Iowa Memorial Union was filled with active duty and veteran service members on Thursday as six UI alumni and faculty who have served their country in various roles were honored as Hawkeye Distinguished Veterans Award recipients.

Matt Miller, a program director with Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the UI, said that criteria for this award include having served honorably, military accomplishments, and service to the community.

The Hawkeye Distinguished Veterans Awards began in 2015 and has since recognized 29 veterans. Recipients are nominated by anyone who was inspired by them or those who thought they deserved the award.

The 2019 award recipients were: Dr. Kathleen Buckwalter of the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps, Larry Hershberger of the U.S. Marine Corps, Harold Jackson of the U.S. Air Force, Dr. Julie A. Stanik-Hutt of the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps, George L. Stout of the U.S. Army, and Dr. Maurice Wright Van Allen of the U.S. Army Medical Corps.

Stout and Van Allen were

unable to receive their awards themselves, so their family members accepted them on their behalf.

Award recipient Buckwalter offered over three decades of service at the UI through her research in geropsychiatric nursing and long-term care. In 1971, she said, the Navy was short on nurses, so she stepped up to help and was eventually stationed in Guam.

"We took care of anyone that needed it, even when our bed capacity was 122 and we had more than double that who needed our help," Buckwalter said. "It was an adventure from the start, but we worked hard."

Hershberger, the former director of the UI Tippie College of Business' Emmett J. Vaughan Institute of Risk Management and Insurance, served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Vietnam War era from 1966 to 1973.

In an effort to serve the UI and his country throughout his life, Hershberger established an endowed scholar-

ship for student veterans to recognize their service.

Jackson served in the U.S. Air Force from 1950 to 1954 during the Korean War and did photography over enemy lines from a B-52 bomber and was humbled by his experience, he said.

"Through my military career, I have been able to use what I learned to further serve my community and pharmaceutical career," Jackson said.

Stanik-Hutt got her nursing degree from the UI and enlisted in the Nurses Corp during a time that women had a more difficult time doing so.

"Whether or not you support the war, we all agreed that the military personnel deserve good care, so I aimed to do just that," Stanik-Hutt said.

The award ceremony was sponsored by the UI Army ROTC and Air Force ROTC programs; Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; Division of Student Life; Iowa



Abby Watkins/The Daily Iowan

Harold "Hal" Jackson accepts his award on Thursday at the Hawkeye Distinguished Veterans Awards. Jackson served in the U.S. Air Force from 1950 to 1954. After his service Jackson became a pharmacist and worked with the University of Iowa college of pharmacy.

Memorial Union; Office of the Registrar; and Military and Veteran Student Services.

Peter Domiano, emcee of the event and director of UI Public Policy Center, said that

these recipients learned the meaning of service through the military and have carried that service throughout the other aspects of their lives.

"All six of them are the

types of people that you would expect to be honored for their service and passion to the community. They show what service is and what it looks like," Domiano said.

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More schools need threat-assessment teams

Other institutions in the country should implement a system similar to the one of the Iowa City Community School District.



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Last week, the Iowa City Community School District was granted \$187,000 in federal funding in support of the district's threat-assessment team and the implementation of social-media monitoring within the district. The team will monitor students' social media accounts with the intention of preventing and intervening with crises.

"If students are threatening harm to themselves or the community, we hope to be aware of it ahead of time. That way, we can intervene and prevent a crisis from happening," Assistant Superintendent Matt Denger said in an interview with the *The Daily Iowan* Nov. 7.

The devastation of online threats and violence is not a

new thing to school systems, but it must be addressed now. In recent years, as our country has watched the numbers of mass shootings and adolescent suicide-attempts pile higher and higher, the attention to what is being posted on social media platforms has increased, and it might be key to stopping further violence.

'The importance of this funding, the team, and the direction they are moving in is unparalleled.'

The school board recently came together and talked through ways they could work at preventing crisis within the district. And when it came to discussing the ways they could best prevent potentially dangerous situations, they landed on social media.

"Primarily, any student conflicts or threats that we have at our schools have origin in social media," Denger said. "Most communication is happening electronically, and we want to do what we can to make sure our students are safe."

The implementation of the threat-assessment team in navigating social media may focus on algorithms, keywords, or certain phrases — although they are still considering the best methods to mobilize this resource.

The district intends to find warning signals online in order to be able to assess, act, and intervene in threatening situations while refraining from invading a student's privacy.

The importance of this funding, the team, and the direction they are moving in is unparalleled. The prevalence of suggested violence online is baffling and ever-present within America. In order to have a foothold in crisis prevention, it's imperative that social media is an area people are focusing on.

According to a 2018 report from NPR, after the school

shooting in Parkland, Florida, there were about 50 online threats against schools across the country every day that week. Students were flooding onto social media, blasting their timelines and newsfeeds with unprecedented hate and resentment for their own school hallways.

Schools across the country are in need of something such as a threat-assessment team — a group of people fully committed to observing, assessing, and reacting to what is being shared online.

With wholehearted dedication to caring for students in considering the apparent warning signs online, violent circumstances can be confronted beforehand and eliminated.

Online violence, in the various ways it appears, deserves our full attention. The Department of Justice, in awarding the district a federal grant, is giving Iowa City an opportunity to do just that.

But it cannot stop with our elementary, middle, and high schools. This sort of intervention and prevention must carry over into every category, including higher education, the workplace, and throughout our communities.

This level of care and intentionality cannot only exist inside the classroom, and must be considered in every other category of our lives.



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The Iowa City Community School District sign is seen on Nov. 5, 2018.

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Patrick lacks a lane in the 2020 Democratic race

The former Governor of Massachusetts has a few legitimate credentials, but the chances that he'll be the next president are low.



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Democrats are apparently determined to keep their number of presidential candidates as high as possible for as long as possible, because former Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick announced his bid Thursday.

(Side note: What's with Massachusetts governors running for president? It didn't work out for Michael Dukakis in 1988 or Mitt Romney in 2008 or 2012, and it's almost definitely not going to happen for Bill Weld or Patrick now. If current Gov. Charlie Baker ever starts getting any ideas, someone needs to stop him, please.)

Whatever chance he thinks he has, Patrick is not wasting time getting his campaign underway. Unlike former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg — who has spent the last week getting too much attention from pundits, including myself,

about whether he'll officially run — Patrick is definitely in the race.

Why is he running?

Patrick appears to be running for the same reason Bloomberg is considering a bid. There's no sure-thing moderate, and the left — namely Sens. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., and Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass. — is too left for the taste of party elites and donors.

'Similar to Bloomberg or any other potential late entry into the primary (I'm looking at you Hillary Clinton), Patrick's odds look exceedingly slim.'

He does tick some key boxes. He's not a radical reformer, as his list of major legislative accomplishments is relatively short. He's reportedly close with President Obama. He's spent a lot of his post-governorship at the investment company Bain Capital. As far as the rich guys are concerned, he's safe.

Patrick isn't the avowed centrist in the mold of former Vice President Joe Biden, though. In an interview with CBS, he said it's wrong for the party to attempt reverting to a pre-Trump politics à la Biden. But he also criticized what he called the "our big idea or no way"

politics of progressives such as Sanders and Warren.

How could he win the nomination?

Perhaps he's looking for a similar position to Pete Buttigieg. While the South Bend, Indiana, Mayor has been successfully running a middle-ground strategy between the two wings of the party, Buttigieg has two big problems: he's young, and he's not popular with black voters.

On paper, Patrick could be the answer to both concerns. Instead of a few years running the fourth-largest city in Indiana, Patrick was elected to statewide office for two full terms. That's to say nothing of either man's individual charisma, but all else being equal, a 63-year-old former governor may look better to many than a 37-year-old mayor.

As for the other Buttigieg rebuttal, there's no immediate evidence that African Americans would consolidate around Patrick. "Did anyone ask any black voters about this?" tweeted *Vox* political reporter Jane Coaston about Patrick's supposed appeal. If being being black wasn't enough to dominate the black vote for Sens. Kamala Harris of California or Cory Booker of



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Former Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick stands in the visitor center of the New Hampshire State House after he filed his paperwork to run for president in 2020 at the New Hampshire State House on Nov. 14.

New Jersey, there isn't much reason to think it will for Patrick.

Similar to Bloomberg or any other potential late entry into the primary (I'm looking at you Hillary Clinton), Patrick's odds at being nominated look exceedingly slim.

How could he win the White House?

But let's say those slim odds win out. For unforeseen reasons, Patrick catches fire and

gets a boost from big Democratic donors and somehow eeks out a nomination bid. What then?

First of all, that would go against pretty much all conventional wisdom we have about primaries. Between President Trump's 2016 nomination and Patrick's hypothetical win in 2020, every single bet is off for presidential elections for the foreseeable future.

As for the election itself, the map doesn't look that different

from last time. Nothing Patrick offers plays particularly well in Rust Belt states such as Wisconsin and Michigan or the Southeast states of North Carolina and Florida. He could still win, but he doesn't have any distinct advantages either.

Patrick begins his path to White House without much working in his favor. If he turns out to be a big success in the coming year, the pundits are going to have to consider another line of work.

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New European Larch replaces iconic Pentacrest tree

The new tree, transported from Chicago to Iowa City, was planted Thursday in the place where the old European Larch once stood.



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A new tree is seen on the Pentacrest on Thursday. The tree was planted to replace the European Larch tree that fell due to a storm in September.

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For years, the European Larch on the Pentacrest provided shade and a place for children to play on its unique low-hanging branches.

When winds from a thunderstorm claimed the beloved tree in September, many were upset by the loss. Although it can never be replaced, a new European Larch is taking the place of where the tree once stood.

Facilities management staff and fans of the tree gathered on the Pentacrest Thursday morning to celebrate the planting of the new tree.

Andy Dahl, arborist for the University of Iowa, began searching for a new Eu-

ropean Larch after it fell and finally found two at a nursery in the Chicago area.

Dahl said the new tree, standing around 20-feet tall and estimated to be around 15 years old, was chosen for the way its low-hanging branches are similar to the look of its predecessor.

"When [the nursery] sent the photo of it, it just reminded me so much of the old one. It has a low limb just like the other one," he said. "Maybe someday people will enjoy this one like the old one. We're happy to get it this year — the weather isn't really cooperating a lot, but we can plant trees as long as it's not frozen."

Dahl said he estimates the previous tree was around 60 to 65 years old based on the earliest photographs he

could find. He said in 20 to 25 years, the new tree should be fairly large.

Erin Irish, an associate professor of biology at the UI, attended the planting of the new tree.

planted too close to the European Larch and advocating for signs to be put up to keep people off the branches of the tree.

"People were always enjoying that tree — and who

could blame them? I looked at it and thought 'Oh, I would really like to climb that tree.'"

— Erin Irish, UI associate professor of biology

Irish has worked at the UI since 1990 and was involved in protecting the old tree, calling facilities management when she was concerned a maple tree was

could blame them? I looked at it and thought 'Oh, I would really like to climb that tree,'" she said.

Irish said she was touched by how many people were af-

ected by the loss of the tree.

"It had such a great form and had this wonderful place on campus. It was amazing how upset so many people were when it died," she said. "I am just thrilled beyond words that such a fine replacement has been found and has already been installed, and I think it'll be well cared for."

Shawn Fitzpatrick, ground supervisor for facilities management, said the UI plants around 300 trees in a year and loses 200 trees annually, mainly due to emerald ash borer disease.

Fitzpatrick said facilities staff were aware the iconic Pentacrest tree could be vulnerable to damage.

"It had a bad base, which we were aware of, and we couldn't really do anything

about it," he said.

Fitzpatrick said normally he tries to avoid planting trees too late into the winter, but since the ground isn't frozen, there's no concern for the well-being of the tree.

As previously reported by *The Daily Iowan*, UI President Bruce Harreld announced the planting of the new tree at a University of Iowa Student Government meeting Tuesday night.

Harreld said the replacement tree is stronger than the old European Larch but has the same nostalgic qualities.

"It has a limb that is closer to the ground, like the old tree," Harreld said at the meeting. "It will still be photogenic, and you can climb on it."

Holiday shops pop up in Pedestrian Mall

The Holiday pop-up shops in downtown Iowa City are back and bigger than ever, with vendors coming to sell holiday wares.

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Back after a year of construction, the Iowa City Downtown District Holiday Pop-Up Market has officially begun with local and visiting shops occupying pods on the Pedestrian Mall from Nov. 8 until Dec. 24.

In its second year in existence, the Pop-Up Market is offering more vendors this year, nearly doubling the weeks that the market is offered. Betsy Potter, the director of operations for the Iowa City Downtown District, said the vendors are a combination of local businesses and vendors who could potentially be looking to move into the area.

"There's people who are constantly looking for retail space and downtown," she said. "If there's an opportunity for them to do a small pop-up while they're looking for retail space, that's also how we're accessing our vendors."

Along with providing a space for vendors to offer special holiday items they may not have in-store, the pop up can help familiarize locals to the businesses already available to them.

"It's an easy place for our businesses to kind of introduce people to their stores and say, 'Hey, we're only a block away, or we might only be three blocks away, but if you haven't visited us we have a ton more in stock,'" Potter said. "It's all over the board on what people are fea-

ture, but there's something that appeals to everybody, I suppose."

Everything from street wear to bakery items and cleaning items will be available throughout the seven-week period.

Revival, a clothing store located in downtown Iowa City, will be participating in the Pop-Up Market for the second time starting Dec. 9. Sheila Davison, the owner of Revival, said they will be offering different products in a pop-up that can't be found in store.

"It allows us to offer very ... curated gift options to people," she said. "We'll definitely have some different things in the pop-up that we don't have in store. And we focus more on gift giving versus clothing that you're going to buy for yourself, so it's a lot more accessories, home décor gifts, things like that."

Wende Fugate, owner of Rare Bird Soap Shop, will be bringing her soaps and scents to the market starting next week. While her shop is currently located in the NewBo City Market in Cedar Rapids, she said she's garnered a large following in Iowa City.

"I thought it was a good opportunity to test the market and give customers a local (option), so they don't have to drive up to NewBo to get my products," she said.

Along with her classic line of soaps, Fugate said she'll be bringing some holiday scents



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A holiday pop-up shop is seen in the Ped Mall on Thursday. The holiday pop-up shops will be going on through Dec. 24.

as well, including frankincense and myrrh. Fugate said she is interested in having a shop in Iowa City in the near future.

"I do the Iowa City Farmers Market, and I sell at New Pioneer Coop, and I had sold at Lucky's until it closed..." she said, "I think my products sell

really well. There's a huge support for local goods in Iowa City, and there [are] good vibes."

On days when shops aren't doing business in the pods, the district strives to keep the pods active, Potter said. Out of this, the Holiday Escape Room was born, which will kick off this

weekend.

Participants will have an hour to find Santa's list, hat, and key to the warehouse, solving puzzles to unlock the items. It costs \$10 to participate, \$5 for those 11 and under.

"We have created a holiday escape room," Potter said. "We

were trying to come up with other ideas on ways to activate that would be a unique offering for downtown. We don't have anything like that, and there's enough people that might have an hour to spare for the next week that might find it really, really fun."

Regents approve changes to catastrophic-leave policy

The state Board of Regents approved changes to its catastrophic-leave policy Thursday, which will allow for non-vacation-accruing faculty and staff to receive donated sick-leave time.

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CEDAR FALLS, Iowa— The state Board of Regents approved changes to its policy manual on Thursday to expand the eligibility requirements for receiving catastrophic-leave donations to include faculty and staff who do not accrue vacation.

According to regents' documents, the new policy expands eligibility for catastrophic-leave donations to include all vacation and sick-leave, accruing faculty and staff members with a 50 percent or greater regular appointment. This policy also permits non-vacation-accruing faculty and staff to receive donated sick-leave during catastrophic illness or injury.

A catastrophic illness or injury is defined as a medical condition that a health-care provider has certified as being likely to result in a loss of 30 or more work days, according to those same

documents. The new catastrophic-leave policy will go into effect at regents institutions on Jan. 1, 2020.

"The university is supportive of the proposal approved by the Board of Regents at today's meeting and looks forward to working with shared governance to implement this change and other enhancements to the university's policies and procedures," said University of Iowa Chief Human Resources Officer and Associate Vice President Cheryl Reardon.

The revised policy includes a list of circumstances that determine when faculty and staff can accrue catastrophic leave, including whether or not the eligible employee has satisfied the waiting period for long-term disability benefits, is in maternity, or medical recovery.

The updated policy also stipulates that eligible employees can only receive contributed sick leave if all other sick or vacation leave available to them is exhausted,

and they are not already receiving supplemental payments for long-term disability.

As previously reported by *The Daily Iowan*, the UI Faculty Senate unanimously passed the changes to catastrophic-leave policy in September.

Faculty members began advocating for a more inclusive policy last academic year, citing the UI's lack of a sick-leave bank and instead requiring individuals to request and receive donations directly.

"The Faculty Senate is deeply committed to working toward changes in the catastrophic leave donation policy," said President Sandra Daack-Hirsch in an email to the *DI*. "I am particularly pleased with the positive momentum we have created toward change."

Daack-Hirsch said in a statement that the policy change by the regents is step one of a multi-step process.

"With this change, Faculty

Senate will now work with colleagues in human resources to improve the processes by which employees donate and request time," she said.

Service Employees International Union Faculty Forward member and UI lecturer Anne Sand said the policy approved by the regents on Thursday is not necessarily a problem, but it is not a permanent solution, either.

Sand was among a group of Faculty Forward protesters outside the Oct. 29 Faculty Senate meeting. She said Thursday that the organization would like for faculty to not only have the option to receive donated vacation days but donate sick leave to one another and have a sick-leave bank.

The new policy doesn't fix anything short-term, she added, because it asks a small percentage of people to donate vacation days to several hundred people. There's simply not enough to go around, Sand said.



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Associate Professor of Instruction for the Rhetoric Department Megan Knight reads a statement during a protest for sick leave time at the Old Capitol Building on Oct. 29.

The hope that the UI would adopt a more effective policy than what the regents approved quieted the frustration that's been driving the Faculty Forward movement, Sand said. But now, they know the university and the regents are uninterested in actually fixing the problem, she said, they are motivated

to continue advocating on behalf of fixed-term faculty.

"Basically what we want is a catastrophic-leave policy that allows instructors to focus on healing when they need it," Sand said. "Our ideal outcome would be that the Board of Regents recognizes that the policy that they've passed is really ineffective."

"Retro-Revival" of Highlander Hotel shows Iowa City in the '70s

The Clarion Highlander Hotel will undergo a "retro revival" and be renamed the Bohemian after interior renovations.

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A typical night at the Iowa City Supper Club in the 1970s consisted of records playing in the background, warm and hearty food, and retro interiors. With the renovation of the Clarion Highlander Hotel, the whimsical scene of this era is coming back.

The Highlander Inn and Supper Club first opened in 1967 as a popular supper club destination with a 90-room hotel and 1973 ballroom addition.

In the many years since, the now Clarion Highlander Hotel has operated at the intersection of Interstate 80 and Dodge Street. However, a recent contract by Angela Harrington will see both the name and interior renovated.

The renewed boutique hotel will be renamed the Bohemian with a retro-revival that gives the rich history of the hotel a platform.

Harrington is the owner and operator of Hotel Grinnell, a hotel renovated from a junior high school originally built in 1921 in Grinnell, Iowa. It was there that Harrington transformed class-

rooms into hotel rooms and a gymnasium into a ballroom. Certain nods to the schoolhouse history remained, such as a blackboard in every room.

This acknowledgment of history is something she intends to continue at the Bohemian, Harrington said.

"At the Bohemian, there will be a record player in every room and a vinyl lending library in the lobby," Harrington said. "So those kinds of special touches that really tells the story of Iowa City in the 70s, is going to be really, really fun."

The entirely cosmetic reconstruction, Harrington said, will cost a little under \$5 million including acquisition, and is paid for through a bank loan and private equity. Renovation will begin Dec. 20 and will encompass the lobby, guest rooms, and courtyard.

The old supper club will be leased to another tenant, while the 450-person ballroom will remain part of the hotel.

During the renovation, the hotel will remain open with one quarter of the guest rooms being renovated at a time. The interior is slated for completion by May 1, while the exteri-

or may be completed over the summer.

"I think they kind of understand the market and that they're a niche product. They're catering to a different kind of traveler, and I think they understand from what they've done in Grinnell how to attract that traveler in a crowded market," said Iowa City Economic Development President Mark Nolte.

Iowa City has seen a recent boom in hotel supply compared to demand with hotel supply at 19.4 percent and demand at 4.4 percent in 2017, according to a press release from Hotel Grinnell. The Bohemian avoids adding more rooms to the market by renovating existing ones, the release suggested.

"In a way, they're not new rooms being added to the inventory, they're just going to be upgrading the place which will make it more appealing for certain," said Iowa City Economic Development Coordinator Wendy Ford. "It won't change the supply. It will change the quality of the supply, but how much of an effect that has on the whole picture remains to be seen."

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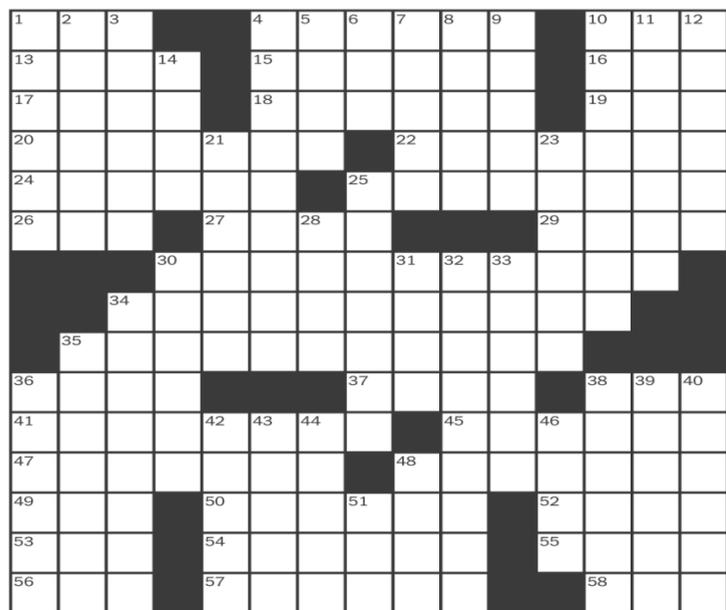
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 - 4 San Fernando Valley community
 - 10 Come together
 - 13 Locale of the Campo de' Fiori
 - 15 Kidspeak animal mentioned in the first line of "A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man"
 - 16 Thurman of "Kill Bill"
 - 17 Sight in front of the Lincoln Memorial
 - 18 "Let's do it!"
 - 19 Small handful
 - 20 Parvenues with a certain je ne sais quoi
 - 22 Color the old-fashioned way
 - 24 Appellation akin to "tiger," "sport" or "champ"
 - 25 Concludes neatly
 - 26 Queen ___ (nickname in pop music)
 - 27 Persian defense org.?
 - 29 Bustles
 - 30 Response to the peanut gallery

- 34 1870s tax evasion scandal
- 35 1982 Soft Cell hit that spent 43 weeks on the Billboard charts
- 36 What often follows thunder and lightning
- 37 Version before a stable release
- 38 "The ___ of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice": M.L.K.
- 41 Not be oneself, but rather be one's elf?
- 45 "The nerve!"
- 47 In keeping with tradition
- 48 Bliss
- 49 Sugar substitute
- 50 Matador's cape
- 52 Give someone a hand
- 53 Coy comeback
- 54 Like apartment buildings with fireplaces and hardwood floors, typically
- 55 Otter's lair
- 56 Amazon worker

- 57 Most balanced
- 58 Old gaming inits.

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- 1 Coca-Cola offering from 1974 to 2001
- 2 Something a kindergartner doesn't want to get
- 3 Like Beijing
- 4 Who once wrote "Nothing is less important than which fork you use"
- 5 Jules et Jim, e.g.
- 6 Minor player
- 7 Billionaire who lent his name to a stadium on New York's Randalls Island
- 8 Movable type?
- 9 Buck in the jukebox
- 10 Lab assistant, maybe?
- 11 Harris who sang with Dolly Parton and Linda Ronstadt
- 12 Sites for some mics
- 14 Longtime Sacha Baron Cohen character
- 21 Enter quickly
- 23 ___ Johnson a.k.a. The Rock
- 25 Tiptoeed past, say
- 28 What mud can do
- 30 Certain laundry load
- 31 ___ Reese, soldier in "The Terminator"
- 32 Works during a painter's blue period?
- 33 Furniture that's often backless
- 34 Place for a TV and books
- 35 "We can't joke about this yet?"
- 36 Member of a holy trinity
- 38 Toyota sedan since 1994
- 39 ___ value
- 40 Catacombs
- 42 Parts of soap dispensers
- 43 1944 Gene Tierney classic
- 44 Wrench handle?
- 46 Prepare a plate, in a way
- 48 Things in airport windows, for short
- 51 Queen of she-baa?

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in our individual skills and the success of the team.”
Head coach Lisa Cellucci pointed to the transition game as a key for her team on Friday.
“We have to be much better at being able to set up our counter defense structure,” Cellucci said. “Duke is lethal on the counter-attack, and that’s how we got scored on both times [in their previous match-up]. We feel like we’ve made big improvements in that area, and that’s going to be a continued focus.”
In the first game against the

Blue Devils, Iowa was held to just one goal, one of only five games this season where the Hawkeyes scored less than two times.
But improvement throughout the season has Iowa ready for a better offensive showing this time around.
“We played them pretty early on in the season, and we’ve improved like 100 percent since then,” Murphy said. “We’re more disciplined, we’re more efficient in the circle attacking, just our leading lines and everything has grown so much since we played them last, so that’s definitely going to help us this weekend.”
Last season’s early exit from the NCAA Tournament, where

Wake Forrest — another ACC team — knocked Iowa out in the first round, 3-2, is another motivating factor heading into the weekend.
“After last season, ending in the first round of the NCAA [tournament] was disappointing and I think we all felt like we could’ve gone further,” Birch said. “So just having another great opportunity to go attack it is going to be fantastic.”
The Hawkeyes’ potential road to glory in the tournament could be a revenge tour of sorts as all four teams that defeated Iowa this season made the tournament, and Iowa may see them again on their path to a championship.

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of credit for that, certainly. Top-10 ranked team and certainly deserving of that, too. They’ve earned it, playing well in all three areas, and that’s where our attention is right now.”
Iowa has done well in trophy games of late, boasting an undefeated record against Iowa State, Nebraska, and Minnesota since 2015.
A win against Minnesota this time around would potentially be Iowa’s most memorable in the series since clinching the Big Ten title in Minneapolis in 2002. Hawkeye fans tore down

the goalposts in the Metrodome’s south end zone after the victory.
“We had nothing to do with that, just for the record,” Ferentz said. “No fingerprints, no DNA, no nothing.”
“That’s so long ago. I do have a good friend that still thinks that’s the greatest thing he ever saw in sports. He saw it on TV, and he also said, ‘Your fans aren’t very smart. They’re not going to get that thing through a revolving door.’ But he still talks about that.”
Minnesota has the chance to do something similar this time around.
Not only would the Gophers cross the field and hoist Floyd victoriously for the first time

in five seasons if they beat the Hawkeyes, but they would also clinch a share of the Big Ten West title.
The Hawkeyes spoiling Minnesota’s perfect season, and preventing — even if only for a week — the Gophers from clinching the division would make winning this trophy game even sweeter for Iowa.
“That’s what you look forward to, being able to walk off that field holding that trophy on your shoulders,” offensive guard Kyler Schott said. “They keep [the trophy] in the weight room during the week. It gives us a little extra motivation when we’re lifting weights. You realize what you’re working for, what you work all year-round for.”

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sition.”
At times, the new offensive guard-based philosophy seemed shaky for the Hawkeye offense. The team struggled in shooting from outside — only shooting 20 percent after the first half — and committed 8 turnovers to yield only 8 assists.
But the experience in the backcourt with senior starters Kathleen Doyle and Makenzie Meyer dragged the team along on its grinding victory over North Alabama, especially in the second half.
Known for her affinity behind the arc, Meyer’s o-for-1 start spelled danger for the Iowa offense. But she came alive in the second half, where she dropped 13 of her 20 points on

the night.
“I was cold in the first game, too, and in the first half [today] I missed a three, so I was just ready to see a three fall,” Meyer said. “And once I saw that lid come off the hoop, I felt a lot better.”
North Alabama could have been a trap game for the defending Big Ten Champions — the Lions stole a win over Vanderbilt in similar style a year ago.
Only a few points separated the teams when Doyle limped off the court in the fourth quarter with an ankle injury. An upset seemed to be threatening, but freshman guard Gabbie Marshall answered the call in her big moment, knocking down a 3-pointer just seconds later and putting the game out of reach for North Alabama.
With Alexis Sevillian out with injury, Marshall started

her first game at the college level. Redshirt freshman Kate Martin also saw significant action on the night, and the pair of first-years added 19 points.
“I do have confidence, [the freshmen] are all really good basketball players,” Bluder said. “[Kate] is physical, she’s strong, she’s in control. That’s really nice to see. [For Gabby], coming out here and having to be a starter in your second game as a Hawkeye is hard. She didn’t let it phase her at all.”
Not all of the scoring was on the outside. Coaches warned against comparing Monika Czinano to Megan Gustafson before the season started, but the sophomore shot 9-for-9 on the night with 18 points. She’s only missed one shot from the field in 2019.
They next face Northern Iowa at 2 p.m. Nov. 17 in Cedar Falls.



Iowa guard Kathleen Doyle gets ready to shoot a free throw during a women's basketball game between Iowa and North Alabama at Carver Hawkeye Arena on Thursday. The Hawkeyes defeated the Lions, 86-81.
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Mike Reilly to serve as honorary captain

Former Iowa standout Mike Reilly, who passed away on Oct. 18 at the age of 77, will be represented by his three sons Jim, Steve, and Bob, as honorary captain when Iowa hosts Minnesota at Kinnick Stadium on Saturday.

All three of Reilly's sons are Iowa graduates and will represent their father and the Reilly family.

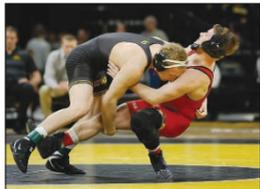
Mike earned All-Big Ten and All-American honors while with the Hawkeyes, competing his career in 1963. Mike served as Iowa's honorary captain in 2003 when the Hawkeyes defeated Buffalo, 56-7. He is the fifth person to be named honorary captain at Iowa more than once.

Mike joined the Iowa program after an all-state career at Dubuque Senior High School, where he played offensive guard and linebacker. As a senior at Iowa, he was named the Hawkeyes' Most Valuable Player. He is a member of the National Iowa Varsity Club and Hall of Fame and was named to Iowa's All-Time Team in 1989.

After his career at Iowa, Mike was drafted by the Chicago Bears in the fourth round of the 1964 NFL Draft. He played five seasons with the Bears before concluding his playing career with the Minnesota Vikings, helping the team earn a spot in Super Bowl IV.



Reilly



Wrestling set for explosive season opener

Iowa wrestling's journey to a run at the national championship begins at 2 p.m. on Sunday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

It's not one of the top seven teams on Iowa's 2019-20 schedule, but Tennessee at Chattanooga gives the Hawkeyes a chance to prepare for those teams down the road.

It also brings a chance to play with lineup variations before getting to the powerhouses in Penn State and Ohio State in 2020.

The biggest variable in Iowa's probable lineup comes in the lower weights, 133 and 141. No. 2 ranked Austin DeSanto sits as an option at both weights with senior Paul Glynn and redshirt freshman Gavin Teasdale at 133 and Carter Happel at 141.

"We don't even know really where we're plugging those options in yet. We may not know till Saturday," head coach Tom Brands said. "We know that we have a lot of firepower. We've got to make sure that we're putting guys in the right places to get them ready for what's down the road."

Firepower is right. Seven of Iowa's 12 listed wrestlers for Sunday are ranked in the top 10 in both Intermat and TrackWrestling's polls.

The goal this weekend is not for just the team to get excited, but for the program to get its fans invested in the season early, something that shouldn't be too difficult with the early No. 2 team ranking and reintroduction of Michael Kemmerer to a lineup filled with Spencer Lee, Alex Marinelli and Jacob Warner.

Read more at www.dailyiowan.com

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"He adds a big smile to our lineup, and it's a big one. It's like a big ole jack-o'-lantern."



—Iowa wrestling head coach Tom Brands on 285-pound Tony Cassioppi

STAT OF THE DAY

Iowa volleyball is

0-31

in matches all time against Nebraska

Women's basketball hangs on against North Alabama

Not all wins are pretty, but the Hawkeye women — led by the backcourt — managed to grab a win over Northern Alabama.



Hannah Kinson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa guard Makenzie Meyer dribbles to shoot a basket during a women's basketball game between Iowa and North Alabama at Carver Hawkeye Arena on Thursday. The Hawkeyes defeated the Lions, 86-81.

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Sometimes all a team has to do is hang around.

That's what Iowa women's basketball did in its home matchup with North Alabama on Thursday night, and it was enough to grab the victory, 86-81. Production came from all over the floor for the Hawkeyes, with four different players scoring in

double digits.

It wasn't a conference win for Iowa, nor was it even a Power 5 opponent, but North Alabama was determined not to go down easy. Guard Kenysha Coulson ended up being a big problem for the Hawkeye defense outside the arc, finishing the game shooting 4-for-5 from 3-point range.

Iowa figured it would see a concerted effort from North Alabama in outside shooting. The Lions fin-

ished up the night shooting 33 percent from deep. "I was really impressed with their 3-point shooting," Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder said. "I think they're excellent 3-point shooters. We did a pretty good job on that. They've been shooting about 40 percent from 3-point range, so we held them below that, but obviously [we] gave up too many in tran-

SEE BASKETBALL, 7

Fight for Floyd

Iowa has found success in trophy games of late, and the Hawkeyes will look to continue that against Minnesota.



Megan Nagorzanski/The Daily Iowan

Iowa defensive back Geno Stone makes a tackle during a game against Wisconsin at Camp Randall Stadium on Nov. 9. The Hawkeyes were defeated by the Badgers, 24-22.

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Iowa football's trophy case is three-quarters of the way full at the moment, and the Hawkeyes will look to keep it that way against No. 7 Minnesota.

Iowa has already competed in two trophy games this season, beating Iowa State to once again keep the Cy-Hawk Trophy in Iowa City and losing to Wisconsin — the fourth-straight year the Hawkeyes have been unable to hoist the Heartland Trophy.

The Heroes Trophy is currently in Iowa City, and it will be until Iowa and Nebraska face off on Black Friday.

On Saturday, the Golden Gophers will enter Kinnick Stadium with the hope of winning back the Floyd

of Rosedale for the first time since 2014.

"Trophy games are always big for us," defensive back Geno Stone said. "We've got Floyd right now, and we're trying to keep him."

This is undoubtedly the best Minnesota team Iowa has faced under head coach Kirk Ferentz, who holds a 16-4 record against the Gophers. Minnesota boasts an undefeated record to go along with its top-10 ranking.

Minnesota's latest victory came against No. 4 Penn State, a win that proved to the rest of college football that the Gophers are for real.

"Minnesota comes in here 9-0, and that's hard to do — really hard to do," Ferentz said. "They deserve a lot

SEE FOOTBALL, 7

Field hockey gets revenge game in NCAA's

After an early season defeat at the hands of Duke, the Hawkeyes are out for redemption as the two teams face off again this afternoon.

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Back on Sep. 15, Duke handed the Hawkeye field hockey team its second loss of the young season, defeating Iowa in heartbreaking fashion after the Blue Devils' Hannah Miller scored a sudden-death goal to beat Iowa 2-1 in double overtime at Grant Field.

Today, the sixth-ranked Hawkeyes have a second chance against the Blue Devils, who are ranked eighth nationally.

The two powers will face off in the first round of the NCAA tournament at 1:30 p.m. in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and the winner will play either Stanford or the host Tar Heels in the next round.

"The loss to Duke during the regular season is definitely a little bit of fire in our belly," senior captain Katie Birch said. "We felt we outplayed ourselves, and we worked so hard during that game. We want to beat any ACC team, so I just think that's another fantastic opportunity for us to attack."

Since the September matchup, Duke has gone just 7-7 and lost in the first round of the ACC tournament to Virginia on Nov. 7. Meanwhile, the Black and Gold have a record of 12-2 and have won five-straight games, including the Big Ten Tournament title last week.

"We're just going to take the tournament game by game," junior Maddy Murphy said. "But deep down, we're pretty quietly confident

SEE NCAA, 7