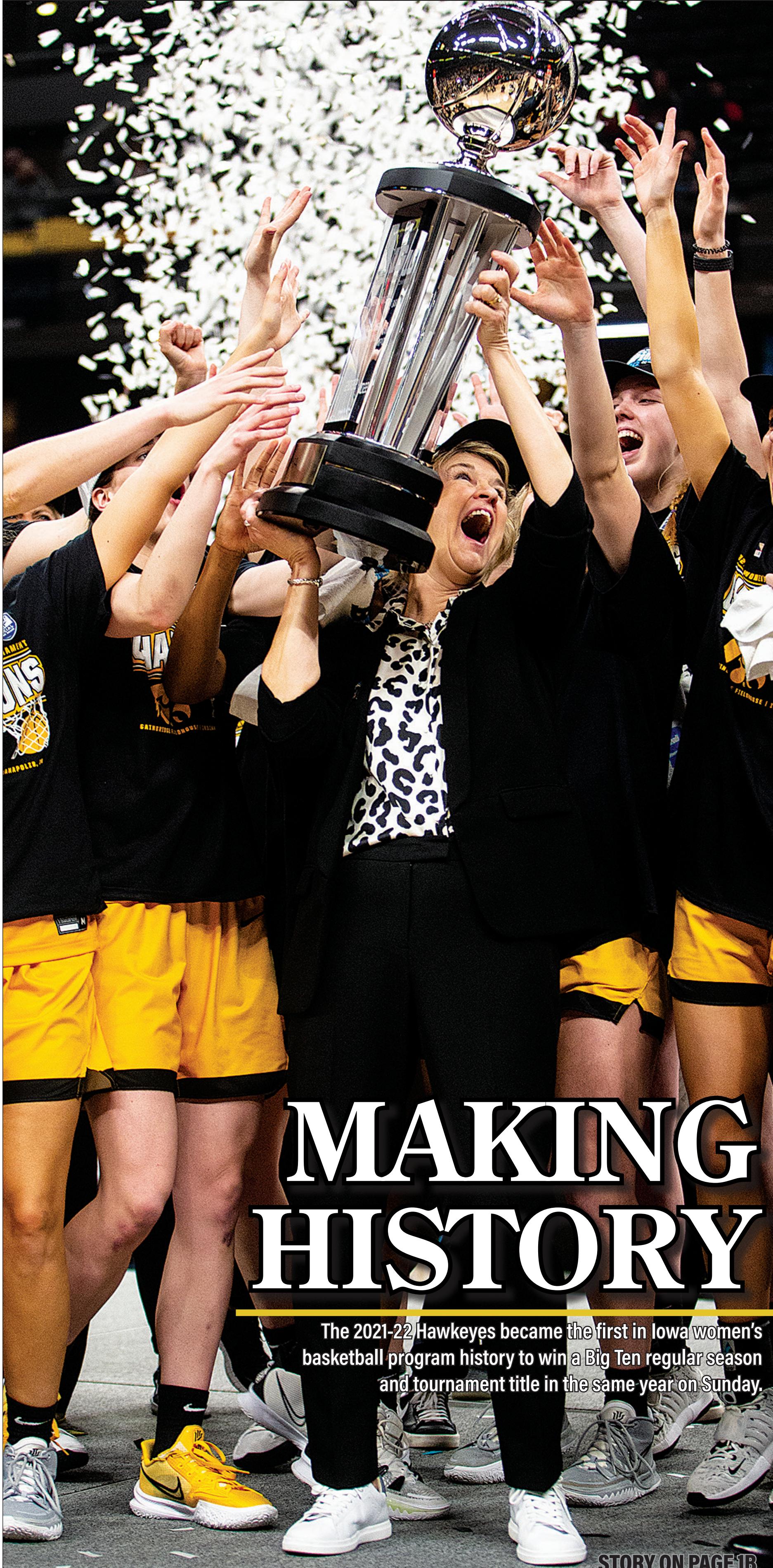


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## MAKING HISTORY

The 2021-22 Hawkeyes became the first in Iowa women's basketball program history to win a Big Ten regular season and tournament title in the same year on Sunday.

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# UI professor honored for DEI research

Seeking to increase productivity in diversity, equity, and inclusion dialogues, University of Iowa Professor Sherry Watt was honored for faculty excellence by the state Board of Regents.



Contributed

**Arabia Parkey**  
News Reporter

Sherry K. Watt is one of six University of Iowa faculty honored by the state Board of Regents for exceptional contributions and a sustained record of excellence through her work.

Watt is a professor in the higher education and student affairs program in the UI's Department of Educational Policy and Leadership Studies. Watt and the other recipients of the award were selected by committees appointed by UI Shared Governance in collaboration with the UI administration.

A UI faculty member since 2000, Watt and her Multicultural Initiatives Consortium — a research team of UI graduate students, alumni, staff, and faculty — study how communities can participate more productively in diversity, equity, and inclusion dialogues.

Watt's research centers on the Theory of Being, a transformative learning theory aimed to increase the stamina of participants in difficult dialogues, including anti-racism conversations.

She said the research began as an empirical study analyzing the ways people engage in difficult dialogues, and developed an instrument to measure defensive reactions that result from those conversations.

The research later evolved into looking at practices that allow engagement in difficult conversations productively through "ways of being," like aligning one's thoughts, feelings, and actions, Watt said.

"It's the process of doing that around controversial issues that we're paying attention to, and then the theory that we

have helps you to practice those, or points out practices that help you to be in, or to build the stamina to stay in, those conversations, using those various ways of being," Watt said.

Milad Mohebali, a doctoral candidate in the higher education and student affairs program, said society has become increasingly polarized, influencing people to take sides on sociopolitical issues.

The study team is constantly rethinking the Theory of Being as the climate of society changes, Mohebali said.

"The theory has more and more evolved in terms of how we can create humanizing spaces where we can learn together and from our differences, rather than creating divisive environments where people have to take sides, and there is no learning happening from that dialogue," Mohebali said.

Watt takes a process-oriented approach to her research, meaning she focuses on the process of creating change, instead of potential outcomes. This allows the research to shift away from a rush toward solutions, and avoid creating superficial fixes and additional problems.

Instead of engaging in research that is solely theoretical, Watt said her team aims to conduct research and put it into practice simultaneously.

"Our research is closely aligned with our practice and our practice is teaching people ways of being, how to build that stamina, and how to apply it in relevant ways that are not only process-oriented but are persistent in their own work," Watt said.

Duhita Mahatmya, associate research assistant in the UI College of Education, said the research team partakes

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in is a cycle of putting the research into action and learning from it.

She said action has been implemented in partnerships with departments across campus to create conversations on diversity, equity, and inclusion work, and to facilitate change that is more transformative for organizations, as well as in other areas.

"So that's where we've done it: classroom level, within the college through the anti-racism collaborative, and then through partnerships across the university, as well as partnerships with nonprofit organizations or states," Mahatmya said.

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## New social media app gains traction among students

The social media platform BeReal is making its way around the UI campus, drawing in students with its authenticity.

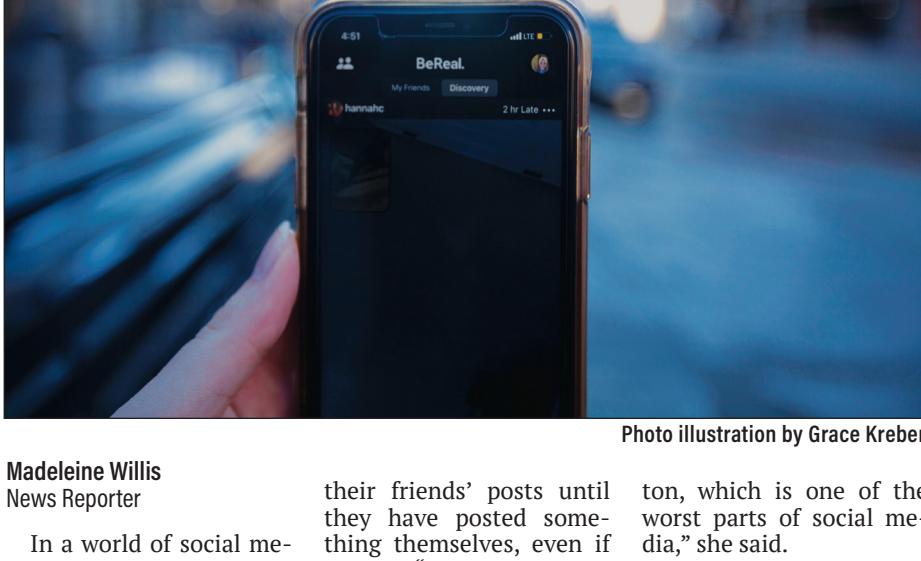


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**Madeleine Willis**  
News Reporter

In a world of social media promoting curated images and likes, social media app BeReal is gaining popularity among University of Iowa students.

First-year Isabelle Paulsen has 15 friends on the app, and has had it for about four months.

She said she only connects with her close friends on the app. She encouraged her siblings to get it so she can see what is going on in their daily life when she cannot be in contact with them as much as she would like.

At any given point each day, BeReal sends a notification to a user's device and they have two minutes to take a photo from the front and back camera. The photo is then posted and shared for the person's followers to see.

BeReal users cannot see

their friends' posts until they have posted something themselves, even if they're "late." The app's campaign is promoting, "Your Friends for Real," according to its website.

Most students have not used the app for very long. UI fourth-year Bobi Knox said he has only been on BeReal for the last six weeks.

Knox heard about the app from a friend, he said.

"It is a new and fresh, interesting take on what people like about social media already," he said.

Paulsen added that she likes the app because it is less curated.

Another aspect of the BeReal app is real reactions. Instead of liking a post, a user takes a selfie and leaves a "RealMoji." Paulsen said not many people use this feature of the app.

"There isn't a 'like' but-

ton, which is one of the worst parts of social media," she said.

The app is spreading across other college campuses and growing in popularity, as well. Mia Nelson, a first-year student at the University of Minnesota, said her friends told her to download the BeReal app.

"There's been a lot showing social media is fake, and you can't really do that on BeReal," Nelson said.

Nelson said she only has five friends on BeReal and appreciates the intimacy that comes with the app — how random and candid it is.

Knox said he believes the app humanizes social media.

"Overall, it is a platform that allows you to share a second from each day and see a second of everyone else's," he said. "You see day to day life, not a highlight reel."

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# University of Iowa establishes new parking rates, violations

Changes include new types of violations and the elimination of some redundant passes.

**Kate Perez**  
News Reporter

The University of Iowa has put in place new parking rates and violations for fiscal 2023, which add parking violation tickets and remove some redundant passes.

The new rates, violations, and sanctions were approved by the state Board of Regents on Feb. 23.

The changes include:

- Lowering the Surface Night pass price from \$378 to \$372
- Lowering the student Night and Weekend pass from \$90 to \$45
- Eliminating the UI Hospitals and Clinics 3- and 7-Day Patient Ramp Passes and creating a \$30 UIHC visitor parking pass booklet in its place
- Eliminating the 20-pass exit pass booklet
- Getting rid of the Iowa City and Coralville 20-ride bus passes with and without parking and replacing them with 10-ride bus passes instead
- Creating a \$25 concurrent parking violation
- Adding a \$15 License Plate Obscured violation
- Creating a \$15 License Plate Not Facing Lane violation

# Opinions

COLUMN

## It's time to tackle climate change

We cannot stay comfortable with the short-lived environmental benefits of the beginning of lockdown.



**Grace Hildahl**  
Opinions Columnist

"Greenhouse gas emissions plummet during lockdown."

"Air, noise, and water pollution decrease."

"The wildlife is coming back."

At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, these silver linings reported in the news cycle offered a happy distraction from the tragic state of the world. However, these headlines and environmental "benefits" happened nearly two years ago.

Now that we're in 2022, it's time to recognize the dangers in believing the pandemic has helped the environment.

COVID-19 is an ongoing problem — the understatement of the year — but we must understand that our lives were at risk from climate change long before the virus' initial outbreak.

We live in a world of denial. Before the unfortunate wave of anti-vaxxers and those with consistent disregard for the dangers of the pandemic, we saw climate change denialists.

Denialism is a state of avoiding unfortunate truths. One of the most

unfortunate truths to face is that we have been destroying resources, habitats, and ultimately the future of our planet for a long time. Because of this, we are in danger.

Even if one does not believe in climate change, it is happening. Glaciers are melting, sea levels are rising, resources are depleting, organisms are dying, and so is our planet.

Although we experienced a slowing-down of human activity during lockdown, and therefore a short period of less environmental ruin, we must ask ourselves if we have adopted even worse personal habits that increase resource degradation.

Over the last few years, we have reintroduced single-use products into our lives. From take-out meal containers to disposable masks, the reemergence of these materials leads to litter.

"Our habits changed to a delivery-reliant service economy and high needs of certain personal consumption of electricity, certain goods, and clearly types of services," Associate Professor of Instruction in the Rhetoric Department Will Jennings wrote in an email to *The Daily Iowan*.

If you go for a walk, odds are you're going to step over a mask or two — especially in Iowa City, where the university-provided protection litters the campus.

While these one-and-done products are necessary in reducing the spread of COVID-19, their presence also allows for the worst habit of all: ignoring climate change.

"While incidental usage changes (higher disposable masks, plastic utensils, takeout packaging, etc.) are more immediately visible — just walking the streets of town and observing littered masks and plastic bottles, none of this changes the likelihood of a terrifying fire season in the American West, life-threatening floods in parts of the U.S., Europe (Germany in specific), sea rise and a significant increase in Climate Change Refugees," Jennings wrote.

The masks and take-out litter aren't the problem — rather, it's their ability to captivate and remove attention from bigger climate issues.

What really needs to change is our reliance on carbon-based energy, habitat destruction, and denial of the fast-approaching fury of climate change.

But it's easier to focus on smaller eco-crisis.

Why do you think we are trying to save the turtles by cutting back on straw usage instead of talking about the fact that entire oceans are warming?

The short span of positive environmental benefits have distracted our attention from the major issues. Articles of trash



littering the streets are

not what will hurt us in the long run — rather, it will be varying extreme weather patterns derived from climate change, like flooding, fires, heat waves, and more.

"So, the COVID-related blip is worth noting, but should not distract us from the urgency of the climate threats we and other species face in the present tense," Jennings wrote.

I'm not trying to sound the doomsday alarm. I'm just saying that we can't get comfortable just because there was some good news at the beginning of the pandemic.

The breath of fresh air of improvement a few years ago was only that: a breath.

However, mindful actions are better than no actions. There is power in

any form of progress.

So, continue to act sustainably on an individual level: reduce waste, reuse what you can, and recycle — but don't let these small successes distract you from the actual state of climate change and the task we have at hand.

Instead of denying major climate issues, we can apply valuable lessons learned from our actions during the pandemic.

Much like our power to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 through hand washing, wearing masks, and getting vaccinated, we have the power to take responsibility on behalf of the environment.

Like the burst of community consciousness for ensuring our neighbors stay healthy, we need to work together to ensure the health of our earthly community.

Most importantly, we collectively need to continue to learn and have a hunger to change our immediate situation.

"The importance of linking consumption-production to carbon and other climate changing human inputs should catch our attention and support assertions of what we do have impact," Jennings wrote.

As years continue to separate us from the beginning of the pandemic, and life returns slowly back to "normal" as mask mandates fizzle, we need to prioritize serious climate action — and not just focus on the little things.

The pandemic has obviously transformed our daily lives, and so will climate change. It's time to be proactive.

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## DOCTOR IS IN

## A medical student's guide to staying hydrated

It is important to stay hydrated for your health.

The human body is made up of around 55 to 75 percent water. Most adults lose about 2.5 to 3 liters of water per day, due to sweating, breathing, and filtering waste products through kidneys and intestines.

By replenishing lost water, you're helping regulate your core temperature, and protecting your joints, brain, and spinal cord. Adequate hydration helps sustain vital organs such as the kidneys and heart. Symptoms of mild dehydration can lead to fatigue and headaches.

Chronic dehydration can increase risk of developing constipation, kidney stones, and/or muscle damage. This article goes over the recommendation for water intake in adults, common factors that might warrant increased water intake, and tips to increase your hydration.

### How much water should we drink daily?

For adults, the recommendation from The Institute of Medicine is around 3 to 4 liters a day. This includes the water contained in tea/juice, and food. You consume an average of 20 percent of your water from the foods you eat. One key indicator of hydration status is urine color.

Your urine should be clear-pale yellow. Dark yellow, brown, or odorous urine are all signs that you could be dehydrated to some degree. Another indicator is thirst. Thirst is your body's natural way of



### Common factors that might require you to drink more water daily:

- Exercise: It has been shown that for every hour of endurance exercise you sweat 1 liter of water. However, this tends to vary greatly between individuals. It's recommended to drink about half a liter of water for every 1.1 pounds of water lost during exercise.
- Alcohol: Alcohol is a diuretic which causes you to have a more dilute urine. This means you urinate more water in a certain period of time than normal for the same amount of non-alcoholic liquid consumed. Drinking water can help mitigate the dehydration associated with alcohol consumption and is effective in preventing hangovers the next day.
- Caffeine: Caffeine is also a diuretic. Consuming two to three cups of coffee can lead to increased urine output. However, these effects are reduced over time. It has been shown that consistent caffeine intake does not increase your risk of dehydration.
- Sickness: Vomiting and diarrhea are common causes for dehydration. It is critical that you stay hydrated as you fight off any acute illnesses.

### Tips to help increase your hydration

- Carry a water bottle with you. It helps to even mark the fluid levels on your bottle so you can track your water intake throughout the day.
- If you don't like water, flavor it with herbs/spices (e.g. Mint leaves, cinnamon, parsley), whole fruit (e.g. lemon, strawberries), non-sweetened artificial flavor enhancers, or try to eat more watery foods such as fruits/vegetables (e.g. melons, cucumbers, celery, etc.)
- Tie your water intake into your daily routine (e.g. every time you eat a meal/snack, walk to class, study, etc.)
- If you tend to consume more soda or juices, try to alternate in between beverages with a bottle of water.

- Seth Weeks, first-year medical student, Class of 2025

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# Dueling Pianos take the stage at Vue

On the first Friday night of each month, the Dueling Pianos perform at the Vue Rooftop restaurant. With them comes an evening of laughter, sing-alongs, and high spirits.

Anaka Sanders  
Arts Reporter

Packed into the dimly lit center of the Vue Rooftop restaurant, with the Iowa City skyline in the background, two shiny pianos sat slightly angled toward one another. The music started with a bang and continued through the night at the same high energy.

"The Dueling Pianos," run by dueling-piano company Felix and Fingers, have become a staple for the Vue Rooftop on the first Friday night of every month for the past four years. On March 4, two piano duelers—Katrina Nilsen and Jake Ashey—took the stage for an entertaining night of piano competition.

The duo began the

show with what they called "a crowd-pleaser" — "Old Time of Rock and Roll" by Bob Seger & The Silver Bullet Band. It is safe to say the crowd agreed, showing its enthusiasm by singing and swaying along to the song.

Scrap pieces of paper with written suggestions collected atop the pianos. To move up a requested song in the queue, it was helpful to throw some money into the Iowa Hawkeye-themed tip bucket.

The witty remarks of the pianists throughout the evening kept the audience on its toes. During a performance of "Brown Eyed Girl" by Van Morrison, they told people with brown eyes to sing — then green, then blue,

then finally pink eyes.

Muffled chatting could be heard across the restaurant, with snippets of conversations like "That's my wedding song," or "It's my birthday," flooding the air.

The performers heard that it was someone's birthday, and offered to bring her and her boyfriend up to the stage, giving them a full serenade. They eventually turned the lyrics from "Happy birthday to you," to "I hope you get some tonight."

Restaurant supervisor Chloe Zukin said this was her third time working a Dueling Pianos show, and called this particular event "a little more lively" than the others, complimenting how interactive the players were

with the crowd.

Vue staff also requested songs and sang along. Some fan favorites from the crowd were "Stacy's Mom" by Fountains of Wayne and "Fergalicious" by Fergie. These songs had the piano duelers rapping — and the audience screaming.

With the fluorescent blue backlighting, Nilsen and Ashey radiated joy and energy as they played. They made up their own verses in songs, used a variety of colorful curse words, and even played with their feet.

During the song "I'm Gonna Be (500 Miles)" by The Proclaimers, those in attendance got to participate in a yell-off. Split down the middle, the groups had to scream parts of the song louder

than the other.

Song requests continued to pile onto the pianos, with participants requesting everything from

play the song more dynamically, and ultimately put on an amazing show.

"It gets fun and energetic and messy and cra-

**“** That's my favorite thing about it — the audience is just as much a part of the show as we are.

— Robert Deason, COO of Felix and Fingers

Elton John to Olivia Rodrigo, or Garth Brooks to the Backstreet Boys.

COO of Felix and Fingers Robert Deason, who is also a piano dueler, explained that the event was previously more of a literal duel, in which the players went back and forth trying to play the song the best. Now, the event has shifted so that players complement each other with their pianos to

zy, and you get to be a part of it," Deason said.

"That's my favorite thing about it — the audience is just as much a part of the show as we are."

There wasn't a seat left open in the Vue during the Dueling Pianos — the sing-along event left the crowd dancing, smiling, and laughing throughout the entire performance.

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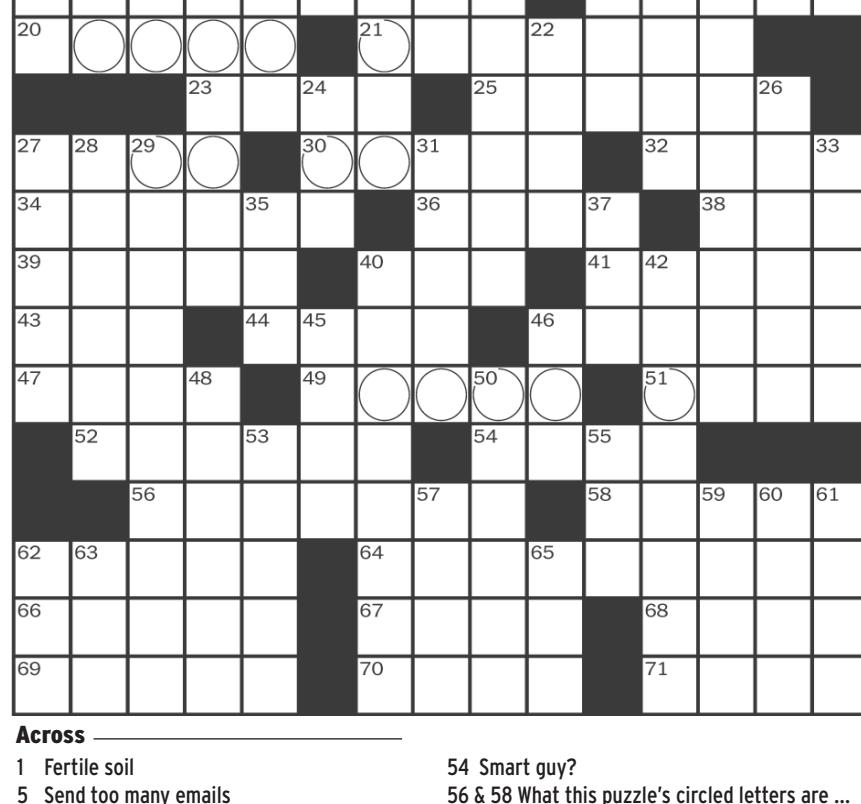
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- 5 Send too many emails
- 9 Infuriate
- 14 Pay to get in a card game
- 15 "Night" author Wiesel
- 16 Totally pointless
- 17 Inverted pose seen in break dancing and yoga
- 19 Sports network that airs "Courtside Cinema"
- 20 & 21 Broadcast unit that may operate with 50,000 watts
- 23 Chowder morsel
- 25 Misled deliberately
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- 32 Locale for a home garden
- 34 Open room with natural light
- 36 Others
- 38 The present
- 39 Renders null
- 40 Jar cover
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- 43 Little hellion
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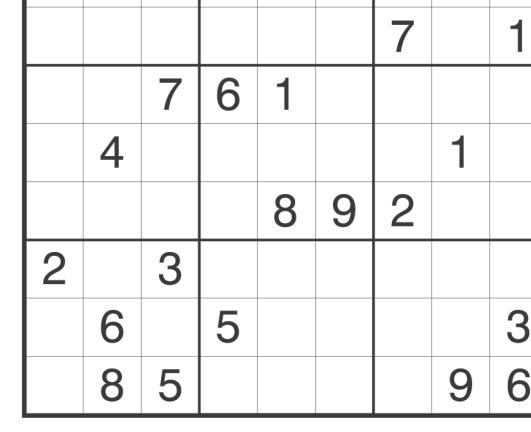
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# ETHICS & POLITICS

## Proposed education bills concern students, teacher

House Bill 2499 and Senate File 2198 are two pieces of legislation raising concern for students and teachers.

**Emily Delgado**  
Politics Reporter

Students and educators fear that legislation addressing educational materials in Iowa schools will ostracize LGBTQ+ students and students of color, and discourage teachers from working in the state.

"I'm very worried for young people...I'm scared for the younger kids because, thankfully, I have had the first four years of high school to be able to talk about that kind of stuff and think freely in the classroom, but now it's just a lot harder," Iowa City High School senior Frances Bottorff said.

Bottorff said she felt privileged to attend K-12 education at a time when it was not being attacked.

Ali Borger-Germann, an Iowa City Community School District English teacher, said she feels the Legislature is trying to use a "one size fit all" approach.

House Bill 2499 and Senate File 2198 were the two education-centered bills that survived the legislature's funnel deadline.

House File 2499 would require school districts to publish an online list of materials like textbooks, videos, handouts, and syllabi that will be used in their social-studies classes. School districts also must provide a flowchart that shows parents the process for submitting a complaint about a material to the district.

Senate File 2198 would prohibit the distribution of "obscene" materials and books throughout schools.

"We're working with Republicans to try to improve or change or alter bills that came out of committee that in essence are really damaging to education," Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City, said.

Although these bills have passed through committee, this does not mean they will become laws, said Mascher, a member of the House Education Committee.

Borger-Germann said that Iowa City High School, where she teaches, already publishes the



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The Iowa City Community School District Administration Building is seen on March 2.

overall curriculum and material list.

"The cost of putting all of those materials online could be significant for some districts, some are already doing it," Mascher said.

Mascher, who is a retired Iowa City teacher, recalled teaching about the space shuttle Challenger explosion in 1986. Mascher said forcing teachers to publish their curriculum ahead of time will prohibit them from teaching current events such as that one, which happen during class.

"Am I going to be prevented from doing things like that?" Mascher said. "That's ridiculous. That's what teachers are paid for — being flexible, being able to think quickly and shift in place. In fact, that's what we're hired to do."

Mascher said Democrats are also questioning if HF 2499 would allow for teachers to review certain topics with students after they appear in the curriculum.

"I think that will end up hurting students and reducing creativity in the classroom," Bottorff said.

Mascher said Iowa's

teacher shortage is top priority for Democrats.

The Iowa Department of Education is projecting a teacher shortage in several subject areas for the 2022-23 school year, including in all social-studies subjects.

"We're already having trouble finding teachers. Dictating to them what they can and can't do, to that extent, is going to create another crisis with people saying, 'I don't want to go into education,'" Mascher said.

Borger-Germann said that, if she still were in school, these legislative acts would make her not want to become a teacher.

"I think a lot of the student teachers and practicum students that I've had have graduated and gone elsewhere, because this is no longer a leading state in education," Borger-Germann said.

"It's really sad, because a lot of them came here because we were the leading state in education."

As a student, Bottorff also sees these legislative actions on education as a reason why people do not want to become teachers in Iowa.

Senate File 2198 de-

fines "obscene materials" as "depicting patently offensive representations" of sexual acts.

Many of the books that lawmakers have taken issue with, such as *The Hate U Give*, *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, *All Boys Aren't Blue*, and *Gender Queer*, center on LGBTQ+ characters or people of color.

"I don't think that

books.

"I am not interested in putting teachers in jail," said Zaun, the Judiciary Committee chair. "That's not what we're doing here. What we're trying to do is empower parents to decide if these materials are appropriate."

Last session, Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds signed a bill that banned concepts related to race and gen-

ment, though critical race theory was not taught widely in schools even before Reynolds signed the bill into law.

"I think there's always more room for more intersectionality and diversity," Bottorff said. "And so, yes, I think critical race theory should be talked about in schools, for sure."

Miles Hedgecock, a freshman at Ottumwa High School, said he knows that Tennessee schools banned LGBTQ+ point-of-view books because parents disapproved of their children reading them.

In Tennessee, a similar bill to SF 2198 was introduced and advanced through a subcommittee.

"If our parents are like the people that are very against LGBTQ...I'm afraid that they will ban books for that reason," Hedgecock said.

During her Condition of the State address, Reynolds introduced efforts to increase parents' influence over their children's education. Reynolds said her priorities for education this year included requiring class materials to be published online.

"So, to the parents who are listening tonight, who are frustrated with what's happening, know that I and members of this Legislature have heard you loud and clear," Reynolds said in her Jan. 11 address. "Enough is enough. Parents matter, and we're making sure you stay in charge of your child's education."

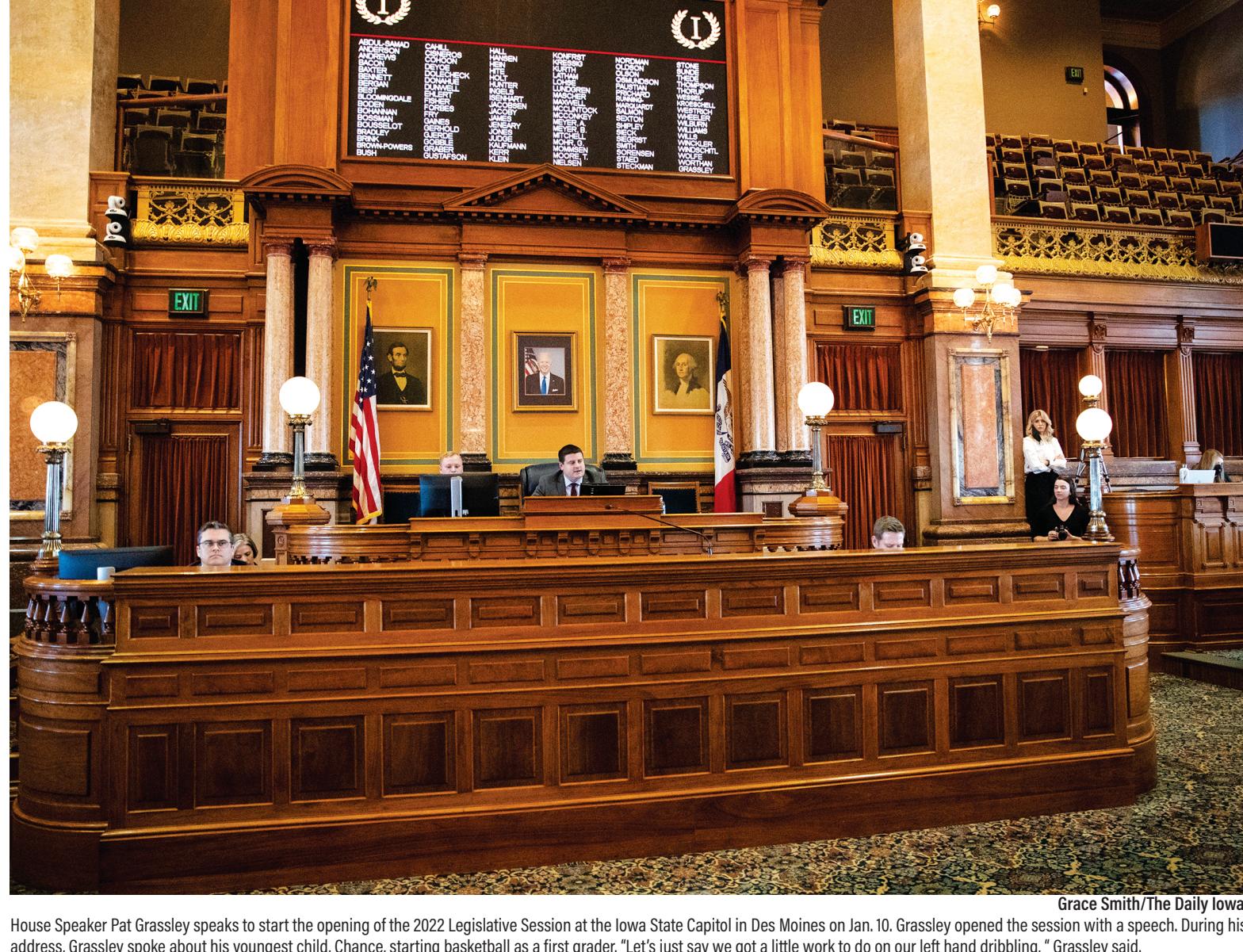
Mascher said parents have a right to know what their children are reading in school, but that they shouldn't set the agenda for everyone.

"Because one parent objects, then it doesn't mean that they get to decide for the entire school district whether that book should be or shouldn't be in the library," Mascher said. "The other thing is, I really believe parents need to be more engaged in their children's education."

Bottorff said that, by not having books about people of color or LGBTQ+ people, it will cause students in those communities to feel ostracized.

"I think that there are lawmakers who have an opinion when they shouldn't," Bottorff said. "They aren't teachers and they do not know how education or teaching works."

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House Speaker Pat Grassley speaks to start the opening of the 2022 Legislative Session at the Iowa State Capitol in Des Moines on Jan. 10. Grassley opened the session with a speech. During his address, Grassley spoke about his youngest child, Chance, starting basketball as a first grader. "Let's just say we got a little work to do on our left hand dribbling," Grassley said.

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# Cutting them down

The Hawkeyes cut down championship nets twice in seven days. This time, it was for a conference tournament victory.



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Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder waves the net after a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.

**Chloe Peterson**  
Assistant Sports Editor

INDIANAPOLIS — Caitlin Clark chucked the ball into the air in the final seconds of the Hawkeyes' Big Ten Tournament Championship Game.

The game ball descended as the buzzer sounded, cementing second-seeded Iowa's 74-67 victory over

fifth-seeded Indiana for the tournament title at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

The Hawkeyes stormed the center of the court as the Hoosiers faded from the floor. It was a similar sight to when Iowa won a share of the Big Ten regular season title on Feb. 27.

Except this time, confetti rained down from the

rafters.

"I think this team has done a tremendous job of really enjoying last Sunday, but at the same time, putting it behind us and coming into this Sunday wanting to do it all over again. But with confetti this time," Clark said.

"We didn't have confetti at home. At home, we had 15,000 fans, but no confetti. So, I guess we got the best of both worlds."

Clark was named the Most Outstanding Player of the Tournament in a postgame ceremony. She averaged 26 points and 9.3 rebounds throughout the three games. Senior center Monika Czinano was also named to the All-Tournament team.

After the confetti fell,

the Hawkeyes — clad in Big Ten Tournament Champions hats and T-shirts — climbed the ladder to cut down the championship net one-by-one for the second time in seven days.

The Hawkeyes cut their regular season championship title net from the bottom at Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Feb. 27. Now,

Iowa learned to cut its championship nets from the top on Sunday.

Head coach Lisa Bluder was the last Hawkeye to make the climb, swinging the remains of the lacerated net around her fingers to cheers from her team.

"Every time you cut

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## HAWKEYE UPDATES

### Iowa volleyball adds Delaney McSweeney, Lily Tessier

The Iowa volleyball program has added two transfer athletes to its roster, Iowa Athletics announced Thursday and Friday.

Delaney McSweeney will join the Hawkeye volleyball program from Wake Forest. The 6-foot-7 middle hitter out of Cedar Point, Iowa, spent three seasons at Wake Forest.

"Delaney is coming back home to Iowa with something to prove," head coach Jim Barnes said in a Thursday release. "Her agility at 6-7 is extremely rare. She will be at the top of the Big Ten in blocking and will be a high offensive scorer within our middle-centered offense."

McSweeney started all 29 matches for Wake Forest in the 2021 season. She led the Demon Deacons with 34 solo blocks and 104 total blocks and was third on the Wake Forest roster with 203 kills.

Setter Lily Tessier will also join the Hawkeye volleyball program from Florida State, Barnes announced Friday.

Tessier appeared in 73 total matches for the Seminoles, accumulating 1,765 assists and 464 digs. The 6-foot-3 setter will have one season of eligibility left as a graduate transfer for the Hawkeyes.

"Lily is an elite level, experienced setter," Barnes said via release. "She is a great communicator, teammate, and leader as well. Her ability to run the offense from well above the net will make her one of the most feared setters in the Big Ten."

### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It was a little scary, because I was expecting my feet to, like, be there."

— Iowa women's basketball junior guard Kate Martin on falling during the Hawkeyes' game against Northwestern

### STAT OF THE DAY

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— Big Ten titles for Iowa men's track and field in the past four years

## Marinelli completes conference four-peat

"The Bull" is the eighth Hawkeye to win four career individual Big Ten Championships.



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Austin Hanson  
Sports Editor

LINCOLN, Neb. — As Michigan hoisted the 2022 Big Ten Men's Wrestling Championship trophy, Iowa's Alex Marinelli stood by himself matside. When the Wolverines were done celebrating, "The Bull" disappeared down one of Pinnacle Bank Arena's tunnels while Queen's "We Are The Champions" faded from venue speakers.

A little over an hour earlier, Marinelli had won his fourth consecutive individual Big Ten title. He's the eighth Hawkeye to win four league championships, and the first to do so since Mark Ironside

won his last title in 1998.

"I'm really, really thankful and blessed," Marinelli said of his fourth Big Ten crown. "I got to wrestle in a lot of Big Ten Championships, and I got it done. But everyone remembers the national champ. So, we've got more to do, right?"

Marinelli beat Michigan's Cameron Amine, 2-1, in the tournament finals to complete his four-peat. He also downed Wisconsin's Dean Hamiti and Penn State's Creighton Edsell on his way to the conference finals.

"He's pretty gutsy," Iowa men's wrestling head coach Tom Brands said of Marinelli. "He's been a fan favorite. His

mark on our program is far and wide and deep. We love him. And he joins some good company with four Big Ten Championships. Good for him. Good for our program."

Marinelli's journey to his fourth league championship wasn't without its ups and downs. The senior 165-pounder suffered a 3-2 loss to Ohio State's Carson Kharchla at the Covelli Center in Columbus on Jan. 21.

Marinelli said he had hoped for a rematch with Kharchla in the Big Ten Championship Finals, but he didn't get it.

"If I wouldn't have lost that match [in January], I don't

## Kuffner focused on present day

While the Iowa Heartlanders left-handed shooter is working his way back to the NHL, he's concentrating on making the Heartlanders succeed in 2021-22.

Isaac Goffin  
Sports Reporter

Iowa Heartlanders forward Ryan Kuffner played 10 games with the NHL's Detroit Red Wings during the 2018-19 season.

So, it's no surprise that the 25-year-old wants to return to hockey's top circuit.

"But the more you think about the future, the less you're there in the present, right?" Kuffner said on March 2, as the Heartlanders were on a six-game winning streak. "We have a great thing going right now, and I think anytime we're playing our best, we're just focused on the next day, the next challenge."

"Right now, we have a great group of guys to just focus on one day at a time and you don't nearly worry about the future as much when things are going really well."

Kuffner became the first player in Heartlanders history to earn the ECHL Player of the Month honor on March 2. The Princeton University graduate earned the award because of his February performance, which included four goals and 19 assists.

"He brings a voice to the dressing room," Heartlanders head coach Gerry Fleming said. "He brings a nice demeanor to our game, he brings a work ethic in practice, a sense of professionalism. In the games, he's a workhorse."

Kuffner has had an interesting journey to the ECHL. After finishing his junior hockey career with the Gloucester Rangers — who are based in a suburb of Kuffner's home city of Ottawa, Ontario — Princeton was the sole college program offering him a spot on its hockey team.

He decided to take a chance and moved to New Jersey, where he majored in economics and finance and became the Tigers' all-team leading scorer with 75 goals.

Following his college career, Kuffner jumped into the NHL, signing an entry-level

# B1G Champions... again

A week after winning a share of the Big Ten regular season title, the Iowa women's basketball team defeated Indiana, 74-67, in the conference tournament championship game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday.



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Iowa guard Caitlin Clark enters a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. Clark earned 18 points. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.



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Iowa guard Caitlin Clark shoots a three-pointer during a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. Clark earned two assists. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.



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Iowa center Monika Czinano shoots the ball during a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. Czinano earned a double-double. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.



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Iowa fans cheer after an Iowa score during a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.



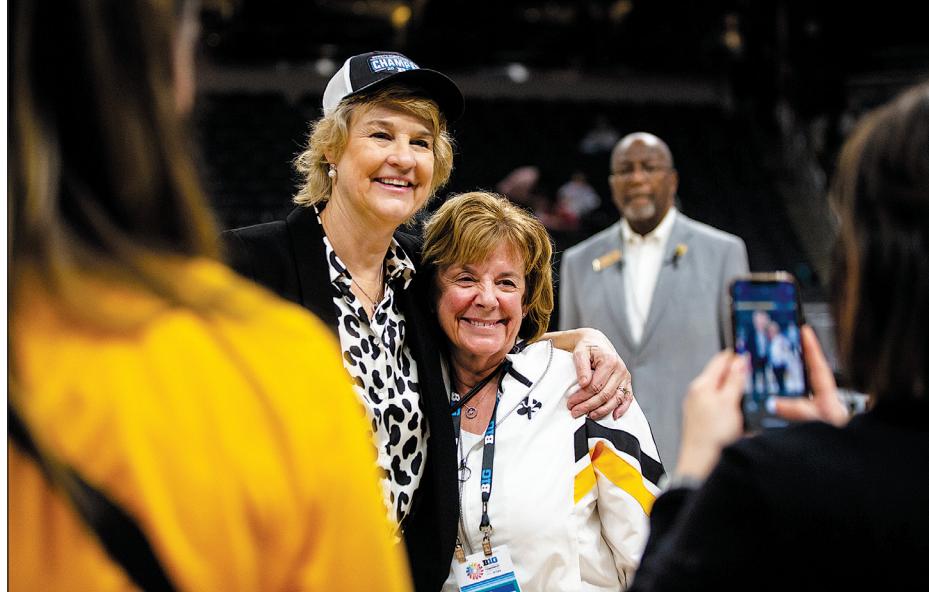
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Iowa guard Kate Martin shoots the ball during a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. Martin earned 14 points. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.



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The Big Ten Tournament Trophy is brought out after a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.



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Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder and University of Iowa President Barbara Wilson pose for a photo together after a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.

# On to nationals

The Iowa men's wrestling team finished third, behind Michigan and Penn State, at the Big Ten Championship meet over the weekend. The Hawkeyes will return to the mat on March 17 with a national championship on the line.



Grace Smith/The Daily Iowan  
Iowa's No. 4 Max Murin enters the arena during the Big Ten Wrestling Championships at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Sunday.



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Michigan's No. 5 Patrick Brucki throws down Iowa's No. 4 Jacob Warner during session five of the Big Ten Wrestling Championships at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Sunday. Brucki defeated Warner in a 197-pound match to earn third place.



Jerod Ringwald/The Daily Iowan  
Penn State's No. 1 Roman Bravo-Young shakes hands with Iowa's No. 2 Austin DeSanto after taking first place in the 133-pound weight class during session five of the Big Ten Wrestling Championships at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Sunday. DeSanto defeated Bravo-Young in a 133-pound match, 3-1.



Jerod Ringwald/The Daily Iowan  
Michigan's No. 1 Nick Suriano forces down Wisconsin's No. 3 Eric Barnett during session five of the Big Ten Wrestling Championships at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Sunday. Suriano defeated Barnett in a 125-pound match to win first place in his weight class.



Jerod Ringwald/The Daily Iowan  
Michigan poses for a photo after winning a Big Ten Wrestling Championship after session five of the Big Ten Wrestling Championships at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Sunday. The Wolverines combined for 143 points to secure their first Big Ten Championship since 1973.

**MARINELLI**

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think I would've evaluated my wrestling like I should have," Marinelli said. "I lost that match and I knew I beat myself. If I lose, it's because I beat myself, every single time. I feel like that. I'm my toughest opponent. It got me better."

Marinelli has never finished better than sixth in the NCAA Men's Wrestling Championships. Last season, he lost to Stanford's Shane Griffith, who eventually won a national title at 165 pounds.

Marinelli suffered a rib injury at the end of his bout with Griffith. He then dropped out of the tournament via injury default.

Marinelli told reporters he feels healthy heading into this year's NCAA Championships, adding that he's ready to use everything he's learned in past national tournaments to climb his way to the top of the heap at Little Caesars Arena in Detroit March 17-19.

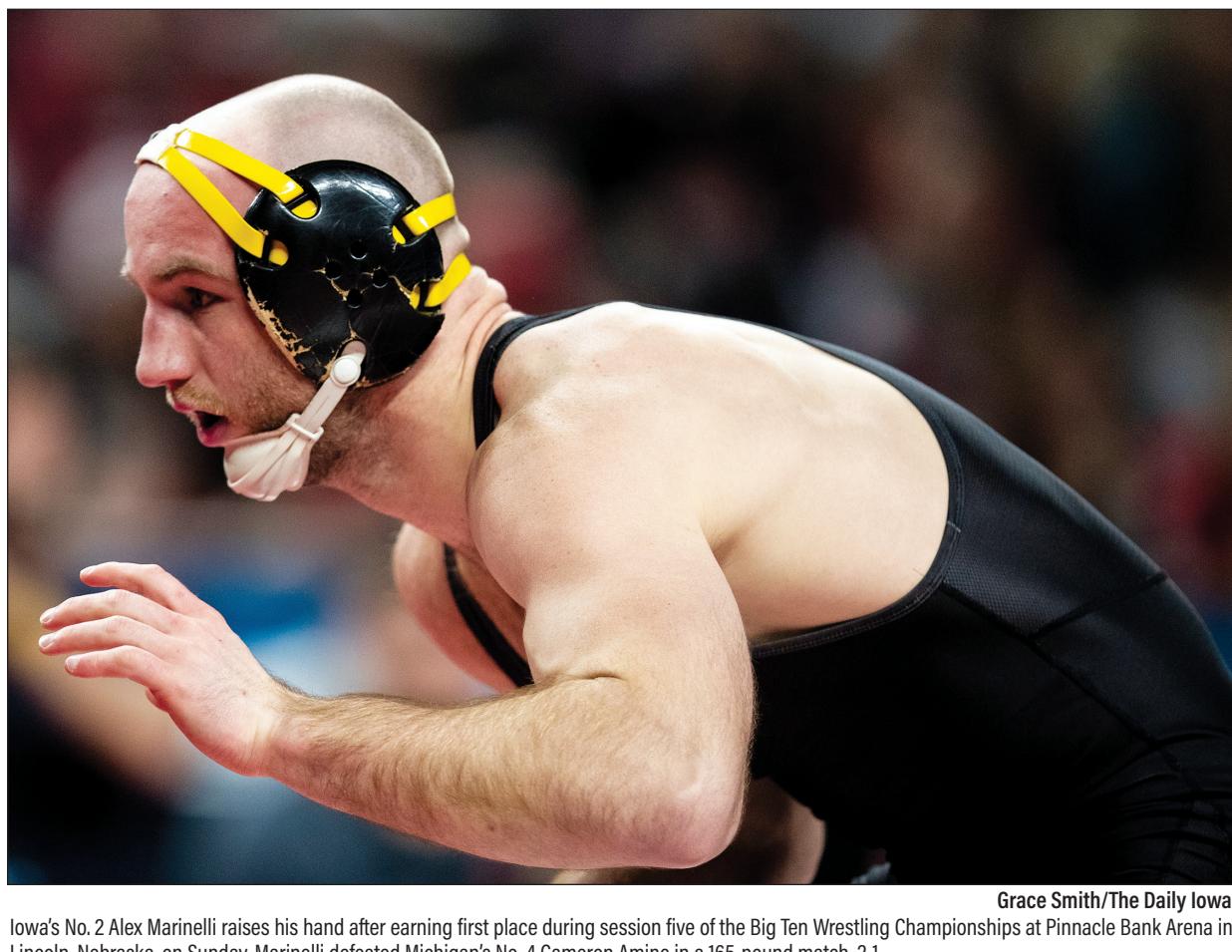
"I feel really good," Marinelli said. "Obviously, I'm sore. If you're not

sore, then I don't really know if you worked that hard. But yeah, I'm feeling really, really good. My knees are good. My shoulders are good. My rib is good."

While Marinelli finished the Big Ten Championships at the top of the podium, the Hawkeyes still didn't meet their expectations for the tournament. Iowa finished third in the final standings with 129.5 points, trailing Penn State's 141.5 and Michigan's 143. Iowa came into the event ranked second in the nation behind Penn State.

Hawkeye true freshman 125-pounder Drake Ayala, 141-pounder Jaydin Eierman, 174-pounder Michael Kemerer, and heavyweight Tony Cassioppi all exited the 2022 Big Ten Tournament via medical forfeit.

"We made the best decision for individuals going forward," Brands said. "And that's not the story. There's tough decisions to be made every day. This is an important event. Our record demonstrates that we are serious about competing for championships, but we will also make tough



Grace Smith/The Daily Iowan

Iowa's No. 2 Alex Marinelli raises his hand after earning first place during session five of the Big Ten Wrestling Championships at Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Sunday. Marinelli defeated Michigan's No. 4 Cameron Amine in a 165-pound match, 2-1.

decisions when we have to. But the story should be about Alex Marinelli winning his fourth title. That's a big deal. That's

rare company.

"The story should be, we're going to Detroit," Brands added. "We got 10 guys going to Detroit.

We're third in the [Big Ten] team race. That's not where we want to be. That's not where we like to sit. We have an opportunity to do something about it moving forward."

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**CHAMPIONS**

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down the nets, it's fun," Bluder said. "It's special because it's a different group of people, and so the circumstances are always different. Your season progresses and you have different highs and

different lows. You have different battles that you have to fight and work through."

Only four Hawkeye players were on the team for both the 2019 and 2022 tournament titles: Czinano, redshirt junior Kate Martin, and seniors Logan Cook and Tom Taiwo.

Iowa has won the Big Ten Tournament title four times since 1995. The Hawkeyes cut down nets in 1997, 2001, 2019, and 2022.

But the 2021-22 Iowa squad made history with its victory on Sunday night. The Hawkeyes became the first Iowa women's basketball team in

program history to win the regular season and tournament titles in the same year.

"I just processed the last one, and now I've got another one to process," Czinano said. "But I think this team, just, we've been working for it. We've been envisioning it the whole season. This was one of our goals we've been focused on."

The Hawkeyes have cut down two nets so far in

2021-22. But Iowa's not done yet.

"We want to cut down more nets, simple as that," Clark said. "And that's what we said last weekend too. So until the season is completely over, you know, we'll enjoy this ... but we're always hungry for more."

With a conference tournament title, the Hawkeyes automatically qualified for the NCAA Tournament. ESPN ana-

lyst Charlie Creme projects Iowa to be a No. 3 seed in the national tournament, hosting the first two rounds at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

The Hawkeyes will officially claim their spot in the NCAA Tournament in one week. The NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament Selection Show will air on March 13 at 7 p.m. on ESPN.

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Iowa celebrates after a basketball game between No. 2 Iowa and No. 5 Indiana during the Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Championship Game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Sunday. The Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 74-67.

**KUFFNER**

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el contract with the Red Wings on March 12, 2019. He recorded zero points during his stint with Detroit.

In the 2019-20 campaign, Kuffner suited up with the AHL's Grand Rapids Griffins and Bakersfield Condors before COVID-19 shut down the league. He spent the 2020-21 season in Germany with ERC Ingolstadt of the Deutsche Eishockey Liga, before signing a one-year, two-way contract with the AHL's Iowa Wild in August 2021.

"It's an honor to play with him every single day," forward Kris Ben-

nett said. "The experience he has, he just wants to get better every single day. That's infectious, not only for me, but for everyone in the locker room or on the ice, so it's been great."

Off the ice, Kuffner said he enjoys cooking for his teammates. He tries to cook brunch for some of the Heartlanders roster almost every day.

"We make some eggs, sweet potatoes, broccoli, smoothies, anything we can just get our hands on," Kuffner said. "Just got some shredded hash browns from Walmart, and then I started cooking, so kind of a mix of everything. Just trying to keep the boys happy."

Though Iowa City is

usually not compared to Ottawa, Kuffner said the Iowa City/Coralville area reminds him of where he grew up — despite the significant population difference between the two towns.

Canada's capital has two large public colleges that are like Big Ten institutions — Carleton University and the University of Ottawa.

"One thing I love about it is how close knit the community is," Kuffner said of Iowa City. "You see a ton of people at all the games, recurring fans, kind of the same businesses, which happens when you're in a smaller town. I think it's great."

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Players celebrate after a goal during a game between the Iowa Heartlanders and the Fort Wayne Komets at Xtream Arena on Feb. 27. The Heartlanders defeated the Komets, 6-2.

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