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# Beyond the ballot

Four candidates are running for two open seats on the Johnson County Board of Supervisors this November. In a fourpart series, three *Daily Iowan* photojournalists examine the daily lives of the candidates.



Jerod Ringwald/The Daily Iowan

While Jon Green, one of two Johnson County Democrats running for two open seats, resides in one of Iowa's most liberal counties, Republican candidates Jammie Bradshaw and Phil Hemingway have pushed to garner attention within the community. Although an outside shot for the Republican duo — the last Republican to earn a spot in Johnson County's Board of Supervisors, Oren Alt, happened in 1956 — Green said he must continue getting his name out there.



Grace Smith/The Daily Iowan

Jammie Bradshaw speaks in front of Republican college students at the Johnson County, Iowa, Republicans' House on Melrose Avenue on Sept. 21. Jammie Bradshaw and her family moved to Iowa in 2019 from Wayne, Oklahoma, after Jammie received a job offer to be a drone operator in Johnson County. Shortly after their move to a home outside of Lone Tree, Iowa, Jammie and James got involved with Johnson County Republicans of Iowa and learned there were two open seats on the Johnson County Board of Supervisors, so she decided to run. "I'm not a politician," Jammie said. "I'm not all polished and glamorous ... I want to try and help out."



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Jon Green pets his dog Rosco during Green's watch party for the 2022 Iowa primaries in Lone Tree, Iowa, on June 7. Green won a primary race for the Johnson County Board of Supervisors after receiving 69 percent of the  $vote-the\ most\ between\ three\ candidates.\ Green\ said\ he\ would\ be\ happy\ to\ serve\ a\ full\ term.\ "Four\ years\ is\ an$ opportunity to get even more good stuff done," Green said.



Jammie fishes at Coralville Lake on Oct. 2. Jammie's husband James Bradshaw said her background in the military as an Air Force Senior Airman (E-4) provides her with the skill to maintain stability and remain strong in decisions, which can help Johnson County if she were elected to the Board of Supervisors. James served as a Technical Sergeant (E-6). "She's got that background to make it to where she will feel comfortable standing her ground ... knowing that life would be better for constituents of Johnson County," James said. "I really feel like it's a



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Green has been in politics in Johnson County before his most recent success in a 2021 special election for county supervisor. From 2018-19, Green served a two-year term as mayor of Lone Tree — the same place he said he came to as a kid with a carload of empty gallon milk jugs to take water out of city parks because his family home in Nichols, Iowa, had no functioning well. When he was mayor of Lone Tree, Green made \$1,000 per year. "At the end of the term, I was both exhausted and frustrated because I felt like the job deserved more time than I was able to give to it," Green said.



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Jammie observes her daughter Heather Bradshaw's new boots outside Longhorn Saddlery & Western Wear in Dubuque on Aug. 28. One of Jammie's main issues in her campaign is working toward preserving livestock confinement spaces in Iowa. As of 2019, the board operates under the Iowa Department of Natural Resources' "master matrix," a process in which elected officials can offer suggestions on confinement feeding operations. As someone who lives in a rural area and owns 11 heads of cattle, Jammie wants to represent farmers on the board.

#### Jerod Ringwald, Grace Smith **Photojournalists**

Editor's Note: These two stories are the first and second in a four-part series on the Johnson County Board of Supervisors election taking place on Nov. 8. The final two parts will be published in The Daily Iowan's Oct. 17 print edition and online.



Watch for campus and city news, weather,

Four candidates are currently vying for two open seats on the Johnson County Board of Supervisors. The general election on Nov. 8 will determine who will fill those two positions between candidates Jammie Bradshaw, R-Lone Tree; V Fixmer-Oraiz, D-Iowa City; Jon Green,

D-Lone Tree; amd Phil Hemingway, R-West Lib-Bradshaw and Hemingway ran unopposed in the June 7 primary, while Fixmer-Oraiz and Green beat out primary oppo-

nent Seth Zimmermann

percent respectively for their spots on the ballot. All five initial candidates announced bids for

the board in March. Green previously beat Hemingway in a special election for an open Board of Supervisors seat in summer 2021, replacing Janelle Rettig. Green earned 66 percent of the vote and Hemingway earned 31 percent.

Fix-Bradshaw and mer-Oraiz have not previously campaigned for a

seat on the board. Starting Oct. 19, absentee ballots can be mailed into the counvoting begins. Johnson County residents can vote early at the county Auditor's Office at 913 S. Dubuque St. The voter registration and absentee ballot request deadlines are Oct. 24 at 5:00

The polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. on Nov. 8 in Johnson County. All absentee ballots must arrive by the 8:00 p.m. deadline to be

counted in the election. Polling places were updated in January following reprecincting by the state legislature. Gov.

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2021. All new polling locations can be found on the county's website.

These candidates are on the ballot during the 2022 midterm elections, where the state's governor's office, one U.S. Senate seat, all U.S. House seats, and all Iowa House and Senate seats are up for grabs.

Three Daily Iowan photojournalists spent time with the four candidates, learning about who they are in their personal lives and who they are outside of their campaigns. They captured the stories of the four candidates in

Today's edition features stories on Bradshaw and Green, which focus on how they got their starts in politics and what they're focusing on in the county supervisors' race. The profiles of Fixmer-Oraiz and Hemingway and their campaigns will be published on Oct. 17 both in print and online.

Additional photos of the candidates can be found at dailyiowan.com.

Eleanor Hildebrandt contributed to this report.

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by 2.7 percent and 1.5 ty and in-person early the new maps on Nov. 4, four photo essays.

## **Multicultural options** scarce at UI food pantry

UI food pantries struggle to expand offerings due to inflated prices.



Matthew Kennedy/The Daily Iowan

Volunteers Sophia Huesser and Gurjot Bhatia stock the snacks, baking goods, and condiments at the Food Pantry in the Iowa Memorial Union on Oct. 5.

**Archie Wagner News Reporter** 

The University of Iowa's food pantries are struggling to stock diverse food options as prices for groceries remain high.

The UI's two food pantries distributed approximately 100,000 pounds of food to university faculty and students last year. The pantries have an east side location at the Iowa Memorial Union in Room 278 and a west side location at the Pride Alliance Center at 125 Grand Ave.

Both pantries are still struggling to meet the demand of students and provide a diversity of

Stephanie Beecher, UI basic needs coordinator in the Office of the Dean of Students, emphasized the impact this massive increase in prices has on those visiting the food pantry

'We're seeing a huge

increase in the number, but the amount of food we're taking in is staying the same," Beecher said. "Last year at this time, the average amount of pounds of food that one person would take is about 26; now we're at

The food pantries rely on donations from a variety of food sources, Beecher said, but donations can be unpredictable and leave gaps in food stock. The pantries also have to consider their budgets when purchasing diverse food op-

"I think 80 percent of our clients are not white, so getting those diverse foods, that's about 2 percent," Beecher said, 'That's definitely an area where we'd love to increase, but also the cost of food, especially multicultural foods, fishes, inflation is killing our budget."

According to the 2021 Iowa WIC Food Security Survey Report, food insecurity is more common among people of color:

21.7 percent of Black households experienced food insecurity in 2020.

17.2 percent of Hispanic households experienced food insecurity in 2020.

7.1 percent of white non-Hispanic households experienced food insecurity in 2020.

Jade Nguyen, UI student and assistant programmer at the Asian American Cultural Center, said sometimes the food pantries have diverse food options, but it's not guaranteed.

"I have gone to the food pantries on campus a couple of times, and I don't know if it was just the times that I went, but like the food was pretty sparse," Nguyen said.

Nguyen has changed her eating habits while at the UI primarily because of high food prices.

"I'd say for the most part the food that I eat is definitely very different from what I ate growing up," Nguyen said, "Because like I can tell the difference between me shopping at like Aldi which is like one of the cheapest places for me to

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where a lot of things will be double the price. She added that Iowa City has a limited supply of Asian grocers.

"There's a There's Starlight Market and also Chong's Market, [and] they're right across the street from each other. They're a little bit closer to Coralville," Nguyen said, "Otherwise, there's like a little Korean Market that's on Gilbert, and there's like Asia Plus, but that's mainly snacks and stuff that's at the Old Capitol Mall."

Nguyen said the Shin Rhuymen, a South Korean instant noodle brand that's popular with the students at the UI's Asian

al Center, is more expensive than the instant ramen found at Walmart, which costs less than a dollar. 'Like a pack of 18 or

so, it's like 40 bucks at Chong's Market, and I was like, 'Damn, that's rough.'" Nguyen said. Nguyen, a Des Moines

native, said the price increase may be due to less diversity in Iowa City and limited grocery options for Asian dishes.

"I don't know if it's like that part of it where environment has changed, so that's why like the price difference,' she said. "But yeah, I'm

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## IC schools report shortfall in special education balance

The school board approved the request for additional aid for special education funds, which will be sent to the School Budget Review Committee to review in December.

**Grace Katzer News Reporter** 

After reporting a high deficit in the special education balance for the 2021-22 academic year, the Iowa City Community School District is seeking additional aid with approval from the school

board. The board of directors approved the request to seek additional growth and aid at the Sept. 27 school board meeting. The request will now be sent to the School Budget Review Committee in De-

cember. The special education balance for the district is determined by the Iowa Department of Education to facilitate appropriate education for students with diverse learning needs and abilities.

Leslie Finger, ICCSD chief financial officer, presented the request to the board.

"This is a compliant step to complete this resolution before [the committee] considers it," he said at the meeting. 'Once that's done this is a must-approve by the SBRC, and we know that it will get approved once it gets sent down there."

The special education deficit increased by just over \$130,000 during the 2021-22 academic year, a change from \$9,830,07 to \$9,968,520, according to the ICCSD Education Ser-

vices Center. "While that's a big education, however, is

number and it has gone up regularly, it's important to know that as a leader in the state in terms of our salaries for our teachers, those salaries exceed what the allowable growth is each Finger told the year,"

In an email to The Daily Iowan, Finger wrote that school districts in Iowa submit their special education balance information to the Iowa Department of Education

annually. "Iowa utilizes the SBRC

less than what is needed to provide the required programs, which results in deficits in a large majority of Iowa schools, Finger wrote.

> "For the year ending June 30, 2021, over 82 percent of Iowa schools incurred a special education deficit with a net statewide deficit balance of nearly \$135,000,000," he wrote.

School board member J.P. Claussen, a former special education teacher at West High School, has been adamant about the

We're a district that serves kids with needs, and we do what needs to be done to meet those needs.

-J.P. Claussen, Iowa City school board member

that reviews these deficits and provides approval for school districts to include these deficits in their subsequent budget computations and recover the deficit amount," he wrote.

Finger wrote school districts are required to provide special education programs in accordance with federal and state laws and guidelines. The funds utilized by the school district are the result of the district serving the instructional needs of students identified for special education services in accordance with these federal and state

guidelines. The funding for special need for increased special education funding in schools.

'These are the kinds of things that make real differences," he said at the Sept. 27 meeting. "When [the federal government] talks about full funding for special education, no one has ever done it because it's a heavy lift, it's expensive, and because it costs a lot of money to

serve kids with needs.' Claussen said he wanted to bring attention to the board and community members that the federal government, under the Individuals with Disabilities Act, should be paying for 100 percent of special education. In many cases, however, the federal government pays about 14 percent of expenses, leaving school districts and the state with the rest of the funds, Claussen said.

'I'm proud of that number," he said, referring to the 2021-22 deficit. "We're a district that serves kids with needs, and we do what needs to be done to meet those needs."

Claussen currently teaches at Circle School, which serves the inpatient child and adolescent psychiatric unit at the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital. He said the shortage of paraprofessional educators is a reality he lives every day.

ICCSD has increased special education funding over the years to cover the cost of teacher salaries, Claussen said.

"We have added additional positions that also add to the cost and are intended to improve our special education services," he said. "We have increased our number of special education specific social workers and have additional behavioral interventionists who support behavioral needs." Claussen said districts are legally obligated to pay for special education

"In my opinion, this is the right way to serve kids," he said.

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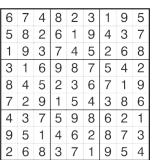
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# Opinions

### DI Editorial Board stands for sanctuary cities

Immigrants make positive impacts to the state. Iowa should pass sanctuary city legislation.

**DI Editorial Board** 

To celebrate this year's National Hispanic Heritage Month, the Iowa Legislature should supersede a previously signed law that bans sanctuary cities.

Sanctuary cities, a term popularized during the Trump Administration, are municipalities which have laws that limit cooperation with federal agencies when it comes to the enforcement of immigration laws. Sanctuary laws exist to protect undocumented immigrants.

The Daily Iowan Editorial Board recognizes the positive impacts immigrants make to our country, community, and campus. We believe that the status of being an "American" goes beyond the country you were born in and the environment in which you were raised. That's why we believe Iowa should become a beacon for sanctuary cities.

The argument nativists make against sanctuary cities is that the undocumented immigrants these laws are designed to protect commit crime at higher rates than native-born Americans.

However, these racially coded arguments are not true whatsoever. Empirical work examining the purported link between undocumented immigration and crime finds that immigrants living in or entering a country illegally or without legal permission commit crimes at lower rates than their native-born counterparts.

Additionally, when researchers examined crime rates, they found no causal link between the prevalence



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The Iowa State Capitol is seen before the opening of the 2022 Legislative Session in Des Moines, Iowa, on Jan. 10.

of "undocumented immigrants" and changes in that city's crime rates.

There are also moral and practical reasons for a municipality to become a sanctuary city. The U.S. is a nation built by immigrants, most of whom escaped poverty and persecution. These Central and Latin American migrants, who are facetiously branded as criminals, are coming to America for the same reasons as other immigrant groups.

Migrants, especially those who take the risk of crossing borders without documentation, come to the U.S. seeking opportunities many native-born Iowans take for granted. Job opportunities, family reunification, education, political and religious freedom, and escaping war or famine are all reasons why someone may choose to leave their homeland, family, and culture behind.

Iowa itself has a proud tradition of accepting immigrants looking for better opportunities. This includes Southeast Asian refugees who moved to Iowa during

the 1970s and Sudanese refugees in the 1990s and the early 2000s.

Practically speaking, welcoming immigrants has economic benefits for a municipality, as immigrants regularly punch above their weight and contribute more revenue to the economy than it costs to take care of them.

This is exemplified by the fact that immigrants increase the size of the labor force, which in turn increases economic productivity because immigrants make the

labor market more competitive. As a result, native-born workers are encouraged to upgrade their skills and increase productivity.

This process can be quantified, as econometric analysis indicates that immigration leads native workers to increase their productivity by \$5-10 billion a year.

In other words, if Iowa cities became more receptive to immigrants, whether documented or not, their economic prospects could dramatically improve.

It is often said the U.S. is

a nation of immigrants. As a nation, we are alway willing to give people in need a helping hand no matter the circumstances. In turn, these immigrants positively contribute to our society, which makes our union more per-

For these reasons, it is imperative for the Iowa legislature to allow for the existence of sanctuary cities and protect undocumented immigrants. They too are

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**COLUMN** 

### Politicians need to participate in community service

Candidates running for public office in your community must be active leaders.



Dell Harbaugh **Opinions Contributor** 

If you're thinking of current U.S. political leaders, the first thing that comes to mind likely

isn't "public servitude." Whatever end of the political spectrum a person falls on, it can be hard to feel as though even the most dedicated politicians care about local issues or want to help their community on

a personal basis. However, the whole point of a democracy is making the voices of the people heard: What does the average person care about? That's why performing bipartisan community service should be part of the requirements to run for public office.

There are many benefits to volunteering, both obvious and more subtle.

For example, volunteering teaches valuable skills, improves self-esteem, and gives back to the community. This is all extremely pertinent for normal citizens, but this is especially important for a public servant.

Additionally, connecting personally with people in need increases empathy and awareness of what kinds of issues are

relevant to constituents. Speaking at the same level as constituents about how they intend to deal with problems makes a candidate more relatable and better equipped to prioritize as a leader.

It also makes sense for service hours to scale based on the responsibility and term length of the position. Someone running for president should have a vast number of service hours completed through several organizations and should volunteer more than someone running for a position on a small-town

committee. Connecticut Western State University's article about community service points out the variety of ways to volunteer. There are thousands of causes available all over the country, making it possible for politicians to show support for chari-

ties they believe in. Of course, this makes it more necessary for electees to complete their hours themselves. Simply donating money or allowing a campaign's entire staff to contribute creates a discrepancy; politicians with more

funding or more employees would have an unfair advantage.

For a candidate to be eligible for election, their required hours would have to be personally completed before the final day of the period in which they may be selected to represent their party

on their respective ticket. Especially in an age of social media, running for election affords a person a certain amount of celebrity; why not use that

influence for good? Bringing attention to community service organizations is a win-win, and completing the needed hours shows the compassion and commitment of the runner.

In a small independent survey of 14 individuals to gauge support of this idea, 93 percent of 14 participants agreed that community service should be an eligibility requirement, and 86 percent of the participants agreed the requirement should scale.

If a person's goal as a politician truly is to serve the public, there can be no better way to prove their dedication and reflect their beliefs than by volunteering in local causes to support their people.

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**COLUMN** 

### Female runners should feel safe on campus

The University of Iowa needs designated running areas.



**Elise Cagnard** Opinions Columnist

I've been an avid runner since the 7th grade. From cross country and track to running half marathons with my dad, I've always had a love for this sport.

Throughout my experience in the running world, there are differences I've noticed between male and female runners - especially the privilege male runners have.

Whether it is running at any time they desire or dressing exactly how they want, there are things female runners can't do due to safety concerns. The University of Iowa should adopt running-friendly areas available for students.

Eliza Fletcher was a teacher in Memphis, Tennessee, who ran an 8-mile route almost every day at 4:30 a.m. Tragically, in early September, she was abducted and killed on her early morning run.

This devastating event is sadly not an isolated incident.

Over 60 percent of women who regularly run

have reported being harassed while running in the U.S. This percentage is even higher for women who run at night.

On the other hand, only about 17 percent of male runners reported similar experiences.

While anyone being harassed is abominable, this higher percent of female runners experiencing harassment shows the root of the true problem: Women don't feel safe running in public settings.

Miriam Sandeen is a female runner on the women's UI cross country and track and field team. During her time at the university, she noticed many differences between the women's and men's teams. She said many of her male counterparts go on late night runs without a second thought.

When Sandeen goes on a run during sunset, she often equips herself with pepper spray. She also makes sure to keep her location on her smartphone and informs her roommate on which route she will be taking.

Additionally, she takes precautionary measures, such as running with no music and covering up more than she normally would.

"I try to not think about how I dress in terms of other people, but I know

wearing less clothing while running makes it seem like I'm more prone to getting catcalled," Sandeen said.

With all of this being accounted for, it would be incredibly beneficial for the UI to designate safe spots for female students to run.

This entails paths with an abundance of streetlights, frequent campus security check-ins, and additional blue emergency poles in case of an incident.

Blue emergency buttons on campus, which connect students to campus security when pressed, only cost \$7,500 to install and \$200 a year to maintain. This would come at little cost to the UI and will make female runners feel safe while doing basic activities like running, walking, or biking. After all, we pay far more each year in tuition than the cost of a blue

emergency button. The next Eliza Fletcher could be a UI student. The UI should do everything to ensure the safety of its student population.

This is a widespread issue that will not be completely solved by implementing a safe running space, but this would be impactful headway in the right direction.

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**COUNTRY DEMOCRAT:** 

# Jon Green's path to politics

The Johnson County Supervisor entered the race to continue in his position and seek change.



Jerod Ringwald/ The Daily Iowan

In 2016, Green spent time with Independent Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders' presidential campaign, where he met his eventual partner Eleanore Taft. Green and Taft later teamed up to remove a gender-biased policy in the Iowa Democratic Party's delegate selection process, which forced individuals seeking to become a delegate to choose a gender on paper.



Jerod Ringwald/ The Daily Iowan

Green's day typically requires him to wake up around 5 or 6 a.m. for farm chores. From there, Green takes care of the county's needs at the Johnson County Administration Building, driving his 1971 C/10 Chevrolet to get there.



The couple cares for multiple animals on their farm including ducks, dogs, chickens, and cats. They also tend to an extensive garden under Taft's leadership.

#### Jerod Ringwald Photojournalist

"A long way from Lone Tree," a man calls out from a motorcycle while driving past Johnson County Supervisor Jon Green, who sports his usual Levi denim jeans, boots, and a cowboy hat while marching with other Iowa Democrats at Solon's annual Beef Days parade in

mid-July. Green's year-old Belgian

Shepherd Rosco gathered the attention of curious kids who ran up to pet him. This gave Green an opportunity to meet their parents — a move Green's campaign manager Tom Carsner said will generate at least 100 votes for the 39-year-old progressive cowboy in the Nov. 8 election.

The path that led him to Solon Beef Days was long and winding. But one thing is curious about Green: This

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dved-in-the-wool Democrat comes from what many would think was a firm conservative background. Green was born in Wyoming, which has historically voted Republican in all but eight presidential elections since the state's first in 1892.

Fast forward to 1987, when 4-year-old Green and his family left the Cowboy State and moved to Nichols, Iowa — a rural town southeast of Iowa City with a recorded population of 366 in the 1990 U.S. Census. Green remained true to his Democratic leanings throughout

Right before the move that sent the Greens to live closer to his paternal grandparents, Green's father was

hospitalized. We're still not sure to this day, but the best we've got is it was probably a brown recluse spider that

bit [my father]," Green said. "That sent him to the hospital, and for years [my parents] were paying off that medical debt."

Green's father made a full recovery, but the incident pushed Green on a progressive path. It inspired him to become a champion for national medicine and health care, a value shared by his political hero Sen. Bernie

Sanders, I-Vt. Green's progressive ten-

dencies might not align with his current residency a quiet home by Lone Tree, Iowa, equipped with a TV with a rabbit ear antenna, a worn down 1971 C/10 Chevrolet in front of a detached garage, chickens roaming the grass, and quiet trails approaching the Iowa River. Green has been looking for other rural voters to put barn signs up to appeal to more rural parts of the

"I've been working with a guy in the northeastern portion of the county, trying to find locations to put up barn signs," Green said. "Everybody he's talking to says, <sup>1</sup>I like Jon. I'm gonna vote for him and whatnot, but I'm scared of pissing off my neighbors. I don't dare put up any sort of Democratic Party signage.""

#### **Wyoming presents Green's** route to progressive politics

After receiving a bachelor's in mass communications and working at the student newspaper for Morningside University in Sioux City, Iowa, Green returned to Wyoming in 2008 to pursue a career as a journalist in the small town of Thermopolis.

It was in Thermopolis where the editor of the paper introduced Green to the local community and where Green met Charles Curley a voice for the local Repub-

"[Curley] was kind of viewed as a crank, was way out of the mainstream a bit of a nut job," Green said. "And yeah, Curley said, 'Welcome to Wyoming, where we hunt Democrats with dogs for sport."

In the same job, Green met Wyoming's most recent Democratic governor, Dave



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Green is constantly checking polls to see where he and other Democrats rank. Green, originally from Cheyenne, Wyo., knew he wanted to get into politics to become a "champion for national medicine and health care" after his father had an expensive hospital bill because of what his family believed to be a spider bite.

#### **Timeline of Green's career** 1987 Green moves to Johnson County at age 4. 2007 Green graduates from Morning-2008 side University in Sioux City with a bachelor's in mass com-Green moves back to munications. Wyoming to become a journalist. Green becomes a press 2016 secretary for Wyoming Green spends time with U.S. Gov. Dave Freudenthal. Sen. Bernie Sanders's presi-dential campaign and meets Eleanore Taft. Green takes over as 2019 mayor of Lone Tree and starts dating Taft. Green finishes his term as mayor of Lone Tree in December. 2021 Green wins a special election in May for a spot on the Johnson County **Board of Supervisors.**

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Freudenthal. He had been touring the state's first whiskey distillery in Kirby, Wyoming, about 10 miles north of Green's paper, while Green worked on a story about the distillery. During the visit, Green spoke with Freudenthal's interim press secretary and discovered he could apply for the same position. Green did and got the

On the ballot, the letter attached to Freudenthal's name was a D. Green said he feels Freudenthal was barely left of center.

"It was frustrating when he was doing stuff that was conservative," Green said.

Green, however, feels his experience as press secretary gave him the right learning opportunities for future po-

litical endeavors. "Sometimes you have to figure out what you're not good at to figure out what you should be doing," Green said about the job.

### **Green's JoCo political history**

Green's experience with Johnson County politics goes back further than his most recent success in a 2021 special election for county supervisor. From 2018-19, Green served a two-year term as mayor of Lone Tree the same place he said he visited as kid with a carload of empty gallon milk jugs to take water out of city parks because his family home in Nichols lacked a functioning

"At the end of the term, was both exhausted and frustrated because I felt like the job deserved more time than I was able to give to it,' Green said.

His mayoral and supervisor positions required him to stay close to the community,

Green said. You can see the value of your work every day," Green



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Green said he feels he has been succesful over the last 15-16 months since taking office. "The nature of the beast is a lot of this stuff takes time," Green said. "It was a huge effort to get direct assistance done. That took longer than I would have liked, but it still was breathtakingly fast considering the way most of these things frequently go."

Although Green is an incumbent, he has only served on the board of supervisors since June 2021 when he won a special election.

#### **Green meets Taft**

In 2016, Green spent time with the Sanders presidential campaign, where he met his eventual partner, Eleanore Taft. Two years later, the two worked together to remove a gender-biased policy in the Iowa Democratic Party's delegate selection process that forced individuals seeking to become a delegate to choose a gender on paper. The policy created situations where a candidate might have to falsely identify themself to run for office.

The relationship, however, really began to take off in 2017 when the two organized a benefit for the Domestic Violence Intervention Program in Lone Tree. There, Green asked Taft to go out for a drink. But it would take yet another year for the two to become an item - a date at the Riverside Casino to see Trombone Shorty per-

form was the spark the couple needed to make things official.

Taft, originally from Iowa City, remembers being impressed the first time she saw Green and heard him speak in 2016. The two attended the same state central committee convention for the Iowa Democratic Party.

'There were so many amazing people giving speeches, and he just really impressed me with his ... few words, but the right words," Taft said. "It seemed like he was able to kind of cut to the heart of things and demonstrated the clear moral compass that I've continued to know and love."

In their now daily routine outside of politics, Green and Taft wake up early and take care of their recently purchased Lone Tree residence, which the couple started moving into last November.

On a typical day, Taft might run a labor-intensive gardening shift to ensure it grows full of fresh food while Green might care for their chickens and their pair of ducks.

"Something that makes

relationship really strong is the fact that we are so different and we bring such different things to the table," Taft said. "Like we have a lot of shared values, but we also have very different skill sets."

#### Green's re-election run

According to Green's campaign website, Green wants to make certain that the \$29 million Johnson County received in stimulus funding through the federal American Rescue Plan Act gets distributed in a prioritized manner. Along with utilizing ARPA money, Green is pushing for more affordable housing, transportation, childcare, and better nutrition.

The election, if successful for Green, will start his first full term on the board.

In addition to his own run, Green has been supportive of V Fixmer-Oraiz, and worked alongside them, with two seats being open. Green wants Fixmer-Oraiz to win a seat with him.

'[Green] has always done everything he could to help

someone in trouble in my experience, even if it's not to his personal benefit," Taft said.

So far in 2022, the Green campaign has raised \$6,325, according to the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure

Board, from May 3 to July 1. "I feel like I've had a pretty successful 15-16 months in office, and I hope that the voters agree," Green said.

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Jerod Ringwald/ The Daily Iowan The couple, overloaded with vegetables from their new home's garden, puts everything to good use. Taft believes



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TRIALS AND TRIUMPHS:

## Jammie Bradshaw's path to candidacy

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors Republican candidate hopes to serve the county.



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Cheyenne Bradshaw, 16, eyes a new pair of boots that Heather Bradshaw, 4, reaches for at Longhorn Saddlery & Western Wear in Dubuque. The Bradshaw family, from Lone Tree, lowa, went shopping for new boots for a wedding. "We're just about as country as it gets," Jammie said.

Grace Smith Photojournalist

Jammie Bradshaw and her husband, James Bradshaw, ride in the front seats of their rundown, do-it-yourself hot pink Jeep during a parade near their rural home in Lone Tree, Iowa, on Aug. 27. A banner zip tied to the back of the vehicle reads, "Jammie Bradshaw Johnson County Supervisor."

Two flags — one pink American flag and a flag promoting Jammie — fly above the back seats where the Bradshaw children — Harmony, Heather, John, and Cheyenne — sit, throwing handfuls of Tootsie Rolls and glow sticks to parade-goers.

Whether it's through road trips aboard the colorful Jeep or adventures through the Maquoketa Caves, the Bradshaw family always finds a way to stay connected. And that family connection has remained true during Jammie's campaigning and preparation for the Nov. 8 general election, where she is a Republican candidate running for one of two open Johnson County Board of Supervisors seats. She isn't the only Republican in the race, with Phil Hemingway also making a bid. The two were uncontested in the June Republican primary.

Her family is essential to her campaign, participating in various events to promote her candida-

"We are very, very close to family," Jammie said. "[The kids] are what's important in mine and James' life. So I have to go out, I have to do

these events, I have to door knock. I have to interact in order to do this election. But at the same time, I can take them with me."

James bought the Jeep Wrangler — which was originally green — in May to lift Jammie's spirits while Jammie battled breast cancer after being diagnosed with MHS6 in 2020. MHS6 is a genetic disease that increases the risk of certain types of cancer, including colon and rectal cancer.

Jammie wanted to pay tribute to her breast cancer battle, so the Bradshaw family painted the Jeep hot pink — Jammie's well-known campaign color.

Because of her genetic disease, Jammie said her cancer could come back in a different area at any time.

"My husband's brother used to say, 'Embrace the suck and go on,'" Jammie said. "I've decided I refuse to let this or anything else stop me."

As a breast cancer survivor and a U.S. Air Force veteran who spent 10 years serving her country from 2010-20, Jammie and her husband want to continue serving to make the county community stronger.

"James and I have always been big community service style people," Jammie said. "We have always believed that if you want to make any place the best it can be, you really have to be willing to put in that work."

### Before candidacy

Jammie and James met during their time in the Air Force — Jammie ranked as a Senior Airman (E-4) and James a Technical Sergeant (E-6). For the first nine months of dating, the couple was countries apart — with James in Kurdistan and Jammie in Germany. Now, James refers to Jammie as his lifelong battle buddy, a term used in the military to describe two members of the military who always have each

other's support.

"We come at our marriage that way," James said. "We stick it through thick and thin. We fight

each other's battles."

"It's us against the world," Jammie added.

After the two returned from deployment, they got married in 2013 and moved to Oklahoma in 2014, continuing their life as a couple and military personnel.

At the end of 2018, Jammie received a job offer to be a drone operator for BladeEdge in Johnson County. The company flew the Bradshaw family to visit Iowa, and Jammie knew her family would call it home immediately.

"We fell in love with Iowa," Jammie said. "It felt like home. So, we stayed."

Shortly after the six Bradshaw family members moved to Lone Tree, Jammie and James got involved with Johnson County Republicans of Iowa and learned there were two open seats on the board. Although Jammie doesn't refer to herself as a politician, her passion for helping others compelled her to run.

"The plan was just — how can we help? How can we make this the area we want our kids to grow up in?" Jammie said.

From March 21 to July 6, Jammie received \$2,323.95 in contributions to put toward her candidacy, according to the Iowa Ethics and Cam-

paign Disclosure Board.

#### Jammie's stance

While in the military, Jammie said she constantly worked with people from different backgrounds and different cultures, which she said informed her decision to run for supervisor.

Jammie's main focus is to work for residents on issues she stands for, including fixing Johnson County farmers' ordinances by preserving livestock confinement spaces. As of 2019, the board operates under the Iowa Department of Natural



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Jammie speaks with community members alongside the University of Iowa College Republicans on campus. Jammie and Micah Broekemeier, the central committee candidate chair for the Johnson County Republicans, work closely with students, and Broekemeier said Jammie's motivation to help students be heard is important. "She wants to get students going out and get students to come to debates and listen to democracy work, get students to volunteer for different candidate's campaigns," Broekemeier said.



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Harmony Bradshaw, 8, and John Bradshaw, 6, throw candy from the family's Jeep during a parade in Lone Tree, lowa. James bought the originally green Jeep Wrangler to lift Jammie's spirits while she battled breast cancer. The family decided to paint the jeep hot pink to pay tribute to Jammie's fight against breast cancer.



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Resources' "master matrix," a process in which elected officials can offer suggestions on confinement feeding operations.

Living in a rural area and owning 11 heads of cattle, Jammie wants to represent farmers on the board.

Along with representing rural Johnson County, Jammie wants to address property taxes, which she said are far too high and drive community members out of the county.

County Iohnson ranked 272 of the nation's 3,143 counties in order of median property taxes, at \$2,526 per year for a home worth the median property taxes, and at the same rate per year for a home worth the median value of \$177,000, per the Federal & State Tax Information Portal.

Each member of the current board makes about \$89,000 a year as of February. Jammie said if she were in the board's shoes she would lower her salary to keep residents' taxes lower. In February, the supervisors voted to increase their salaries by 2.25 percent and raise all other elected officials in the county's salaries by 4.42 percent.

Jammie said she puts the community first by campaigning with college students and listening to their

issues. After listening to students, she said the University of Iowa College Republicans and other Republican students have not been treated fairly based on their political views. Jammie enjoys being someone students can turn to about life — not



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Jammie Bradshaw and her husband, James Bradshaw, help Republican students place flags in the grass at Hubbard Park on the University of Iowa's campus to commemorate the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attacks in New York City. Jammie said Republican students have not been treated fairly based on their political views and she enjoys supporting them. "Right now, a lot of these students are forgotten or even tormented," she said. "So having someone be there for them, even if it's just little old me ... I think that means a lot."

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"She wants to get students involved," Broekemeier said. "She wants to get students going out and get students to come to debates and listen to democracy work, get students to volunteer for different candidate's campaigns."

Broekemeier briefly ran for the board in 2021 in the delegate primaries but lost to Phil Hemingway, who went on to lose to Democrat Jon Green in the special elections. After the loss, Broekemeier stayed involved in politics and attended meetings, where he

met Jammie and James.

Broekemeier said a fresh face like Jammie to the Republication Party alongside her motivated personality — is just what Johnson County needs.

We've either had zero Republican candidates running or we've had Republican candidates who have lost consistently and haven't changed their campaign style," Broekemeier said. "Jammie brought something new to the table ... She's young, she's exciting. She's vibrant.'

A Republican hasn't held a spot on the board in 60 years. The last Republi-

can to hold a position on the board was Oren Alt in 1957, and he was defeated in 1962.

Although Jammie believes in more Republican-based viewpoints, she said people should vote based on candidates, not party lines. "If we're going to pro-

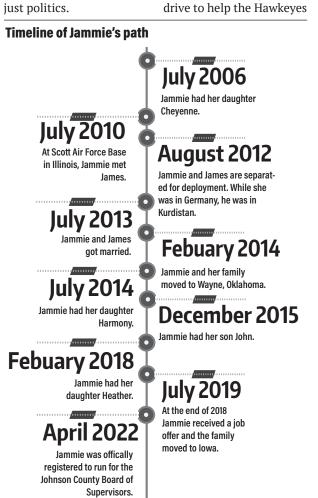
vide the best option around, then we need to have people of all backgrounds and people of all parties involved in order to really give that different perspective," Jammie said.

Jammie hopes to provide a different perspective for the board by creating more balance between parties.

In the military, the person who conducts mission planning is a buffer or liaison for all other members in the aircraft. Their role is to maintain stability and safety among all members on the flight. James said the board is similar, and Jammie could serve as the

voice of Johnson County. "She's got that background to make it to where she will feel comfortable standing her ground .. knowing that life would be better for constituents of Johnson County," James said. "I really feel like it's a really good match for her."

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Jammie and James met in the Air Force at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois in July 2010. During their first nine months dating in August 2012, the couple was countries apart — with James in Kurdistan and Jammie in Germany. The couple got married in 2013. Now, James refers to Jammie as his life-long battle buddy, a term used in the military to describe two members of the military who always have each other's support. "We come at our marriage that way," James said. "We stick it through thick and thin. We fight each other's battles."



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Jammie said she wants to make Johnson County the best place for her children to live, which helped inform her decision to run. The last Republican to win in the general election for the board was Oren Alt in 1956, who was defeated in 1962. Although Jammie believes in more Republican-based viewpoints, she said people should vote based on candidates, not party lines. "If we're going to provide the best option around, then we need to have people of all backgrounds and people of all parties involved in order to really give that different perspective," Jammie said.

### UI student raises money for stroke research

Chirayu Shukla created "Groundstrokes for Strokes" to raise money for stroke awareness and research.

Sofia Mamakos **News Reporter** 

University of Iowa students and Iowa City residents hit groundstrokes in the event to raise money for "Groundstrokes for Strokes" from Oct. 7-9.

Second-year UI medical student Chirayu Shukla organized the tennis philanthropy event to raise money for stroke research in honor of his grandmother who suffered from a stroke.

'My grandmother actually had a stroke back when I was in high school, and she lives in a village in India, so the hospital was nowhere near her," Shukla said. "So, unfortunately, she didn't get enough treatment, and by then the damage was too

Shukla has planned the event's debut since last December.

This experience, along with his love for tennis, inspired Shukla to give back to others whose lives have also been impacted by strokes.

"I play a lot of tennis, just competitively and for fun," Shukla said. "So, it was kind of just a cool way for me to combine both of those things together.

A groundstroke refers to a forehand or backhand shot that is hit after the ball has bounced once on the court.

All of the proceeds will go to the Stockmore Adams Stroke Education and Research Fund to sponsor stroke research and stroke clinicians to improve post-stroke care.

"Since this is our first year, we were keeping our goals modest, and based on how much other med school events raised, we were aiming to raise about \$3,000 or so, and I'm pretty sure we've passed that," Shukla said.

The event was held at the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Center and Liberty High School courts. The event consists of two parts, he said.

The first part is that it's like an adult tennis camp, so we teach beginners how to play," Shulka said. "They don't even need their own rackets. They can just come to the event. We'll teach them how to do the basics of tennis."

For experienced attendees, Shukla and his volunteers will lead them through drills and games.

Anyone over 18 can participate, Shukla said, but participants must pay a small participation fee.

"It's \$8 for an hourlong class, \$10 for an hour-and-a-half-long class, and then you get discounts if you sign up for five or more classes," Shukla said. "We've sold about 120 tickets. We have 500 total tickets available, so it's picking up pace slowly but sure-

For those who can't participate, people can



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The Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex is seen on Oct. 7.

donate to support Shukla's cause.

Participant and medical student Shray Kumar played tennis in high school and took lessons for two or three years.

"I played tennis in high school and took lessons for two or three years. I figured it would just be a fun way to not only play tennis and have a good time with my friends but also just help a friend honor a loved one," Kumar said.

UI medical student Matthew Engelken said Shukla is committed and passionate about his cause.

"It's been a long time since we've had a new fundraiser to this magnitude, so I'm excited that Chirayu was able to have an idea to honor one of his family members and take it from that idea all the way to an event," Engelken said.

Engelken, who is also participating in event, does not have much prior experience with the sport. However, he said he was still excited to participate in the beginner events.

'It's pretty inexpensive for beginner classes," Engelken said. "So, to get out there and be able to learn tennis for a couple of hours seemed like a really good opportunity, and then being able to increase awareness for stroke research is something that I think is really important.

An opportunity to raise awareness, learn new skill, and have fun were all large factors that pushed both Engelken and Kumar's participation.

For Engelken, it is exciting to watch the community come together to support Shukla's cause.

'I think it's just a really cool process overall, so I'm excited to see it all play out. Embedded from a personal level, I'm excited to just get to learn some kindness," he said. "I'm excited to go out and play with, you know, classmates, colleagues, those kinds of things, and just see what's happen-

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### UI students see impacts of Hurricane Ian

Hurricane Ian created a path of power outages, destruction, and deaths, leaving Hawkeyes from Florida to cope with the aftermath.

Isabelle Foland **News Reporter** 

Following the devastation of Hurricane Ian, University of Iowa students from Florida have been dealing with the aftermath by supporting their families from afar.

Hurricane Ian touched down in Florida and the Gulf Coast on Sept. 28, leaving power outages, severe property damage, and South Carolina and Cuba.

injuries and deaths in its wake. The hurricane also affected areas in North and At its worst, Hurricane Ian sustained winds great-

er than 150 mph. Many homes and businesses in affected areas are still experiencing power outages. UI first-year student Ky-

lie James said her family owns a condominium in Florida, and her grandmother lives in a retirement home near Fort Myers. While her grandmother did not need to evacuate, James said she has been struggling with the impact of the hurricane.

"I know from my grandma's perspective she's really depressed about the whole situation," James said. "It's going to take years to fix everything, and she feels guilty for being okay and having her home when other people don't have anything right now."

James said the condominium her family owns, located on Sanibel Island, had over 12 feet of water on the first floor.

"It's really sad to see a place that I would go to that often kind of fall apart," James said. "And I feel horrible for everyone that lives there."

Dakari Harleston, a UI fourth-year student, lived in Fort Myers since he was 11 years old and has family that lives there.

Harleston said it was difficult for him to be in Iowa while his family remained

'My parents and my entire family lost service, so I couldn't get in contact with them for like 18 to 24 hours," Harleston said. "So that kind of really messed me up until I was finally able to call my brother."

While his family members and their property are okay, Harleston said the same cannot be said for the

The entire city — like 10 minutes from my house, like downtown flooded and stores are destroyed, things like that," Harleston said. "The same thing with Fort Myers Beach; it's like gone, and it's a really weird and surreal feeling to see all of the destruction."

Harleston said he has coped by finding other UI students from Florida and using Facebook groups to assist devastated families through donations and spreading the word.

Kelly Clougher, the UI Counseling Service associate director for outreach services and embedded programs, said the service and the Student Care and Assistance Office have sent emails to UI students from Florida expressing their condolences and making them aware of the mental health services available.

"We also prioritize students who may call to schedule an appointment if they were to have said that they were impacted by the hurricane," Clougher said. "And then aside from that, we have our clinical services that students are able to access as needed, or if they're in individual therapy or group therapy, they

can bring it to that space." Students coping Hurricane Ian need to know that it's okay to feel emotions, make sure they are tending to their bodies' needs, ask for help, and engage in coping strategies that work for them,

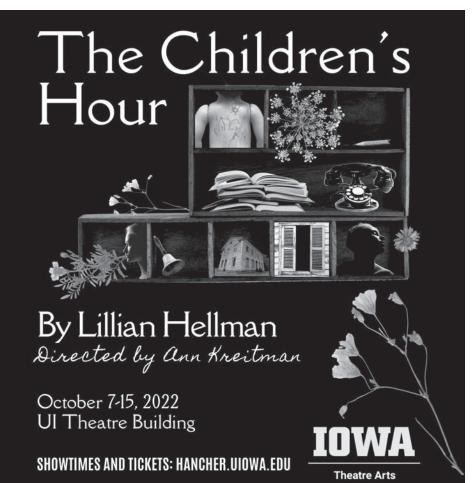
Clougher said. Clougher also wants students to know that the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration has a toll free 24/7 crisis support center available at 1-800-985-5990 for those who have undergone

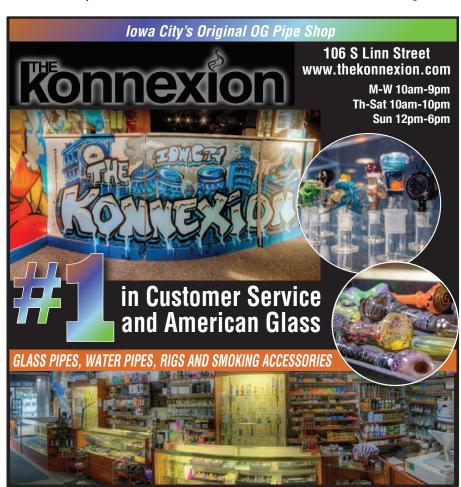
a natural disaster. "Although we are here for our students who are struggling, there are other ways, too, that they can ask for help," she said. "Many of our students have good networks of family and friends as well as other offices on campus that could offer support, like Student Care and Assistance."

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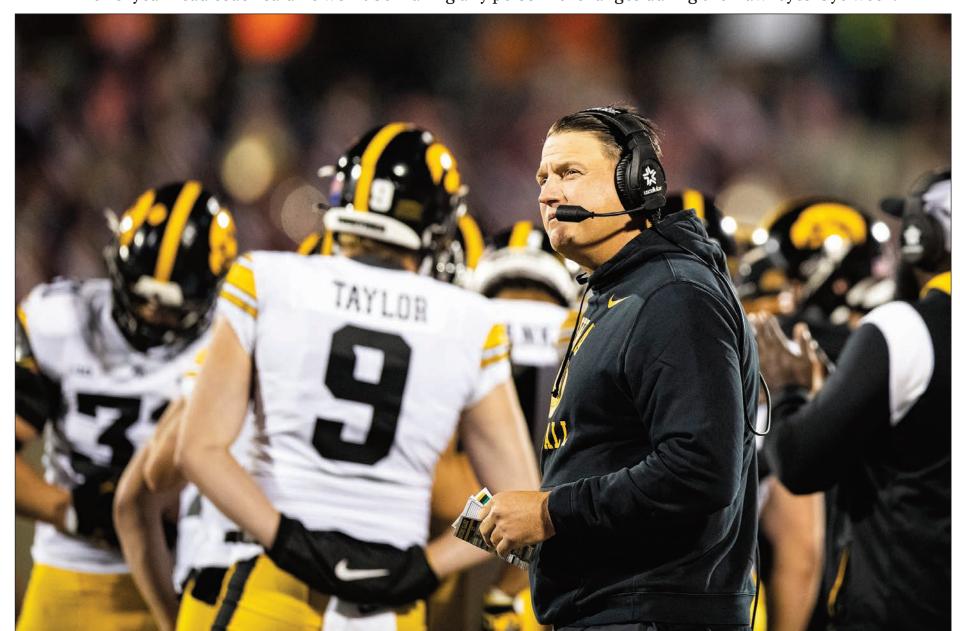




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### Ferentz committed to staff, quarterback

The 23-year head coach said he won't be making any personnel changes during the Hawkeyes' bye week.



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lowa offensive coordinator Brian Ferentz reacts during a football game between lowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8. The Fighting Illini defeated the Hawkeyes, 9-6. Iowa's offense had 222 total

**Chloe Peterson** Sports Editor

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. -Iowa football head coach Kirk Ferentz won't be making any changes to his coaching staff this

yards compared to Illinois' 316.

With a 9-6 loss to Illinois on Saturday night, Iowa is 3-3 halfway through the season and last in the 131-team FBS with an average of 238.7 yards per game.

While fans have criticized offensive coordi-

nator Brian Ferentz for his conservative play calling this season, Kirk has reiterated the success the Hawkeyes have had in the past.

"Not sure if you're aware, but we won 10 games," Kirk said post-game. "So, I look at that, and we've won a lot of games since 2015. We're not doing well enough right now. I think that's fairly obvious. We're going to figure out solutions in order to get bet-

Despite the Hawkeyes' success last season, Iowa was 121st in total offense. The Hawkeyes scored 29 total offensive touchdowns and four defensive touchdowns. The 2021 Iowa football team started the season 6-0, climbing up to No. 2 in the AP Poll, before losing to Purdue and Wisconsin in back-to-back

Iowa ended its season with a 42-3 loss to Michigan in the Big Ten Championship Game and a 20-17 loss to Kentucky in the Citrus Bowl.

Brian was first hired to Iowa's coaching staff in 2012 as an offensive line coach. On Jan. 9, 2017, he was named Iowa's new offensive coordinator, replacing Greg Davis.

Iowa athletic director Gary Barta said he directly hired Brian in 2012, so it did not breach the university's nepotism guidelines. In Brian's introductory press conference, however, he said his father reached

out to him directly about the position, and "it was a no-brainer. You can't say no to your father."

To stay in line with Iowa's nepotism guidelines, Barta is technically Brian's supervisor. Iowa has gone 46-21

since Brian took over as offensive coordinator in 2017. The Hawkeyes won 10 games in 2019 and 2021.

Iowa's offense has been struggling on all fronts this season. The Hawkeyes have seven

touchdowns in six games and have been held to seven points or fewer in three games.

"I think he's a good football coach," Kirk said of Brian. "I thought Greg Davis was good in '14, he got killed and then we ended up pretty good here the next good coordinators, in my opinion, but we have to play better. We have to do what we can to help

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**COLUMN** 

### Complacency jeopardizing Iowa's bowl chances

If the Hawkeyes lose their first post-bye week game to the No. 3 Ohio State Buckeyes, they'll be 3-4 with five games left on their schedule.



**Austin Hanson** Pregame Editor

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. Iowa football is at a crossroads. The Hawkeyes are 3-3 through the first six games of the season with a bye on tap next week.

The Hawkeyes have suggested they'll break their 2022 campaign into two miniature seasons one six-gamer prebye and another postbye. Based on that logic, Iowa heads into the second half of the season in the same place it was before its season-opener against South Dakota State on Sept. 3.

Iowa is .500 and questions about its offense are pervasive. The only difference between Week 1 and Week 6 Iowa are their records -0-0

versus 3-3. With each passing week this season, I've thought more about all the times my dad has told me, "You can't keep doing the same thing and expect a different result."

It's good a line though I don't think it's one the Hawkeyes have fense it has all year onto



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Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz walks out of a timeout huddle during a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8. The Fighting Illini

heard recently.

In its 9-6 loss to Illinois Saturday, Iowa trudged the same of-

defeated the Hawkeyes, 9-6.

the field. Unsurprisingly, the Hawkeyes saw results similar to those they posted in their first five games.

Iowa gained 222 yards and scored six points. The Hawkeyes started two drives inside the Illinois 40-yard line at

Memorial Stadium. On those drives, Iowa netted three points and -10

"It just sucks," senior

Petras said of his disappointment with Iowa's

quarterback

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### HAWKEYE UPDATES Grades

Offense –



Seven points is an embarrassingly low single-game scoring total. When lowa posted seven points against both lowa State and South Dakota State, it would've been easy to assume those outings would tie for the Hawkeyes' lowest single-game total this season.

lowa proved those assumptions wrong Saturday, scoring six points on two field goals. The Hawkeyes netted 222 total yards — 170 passing and 52 rushing.

lowa started two drives inside the Illinois 40-yard line — one at the 33 and another at the 5. The drive that started at the 33 ended with a Tory Taylor punt to the Illinois 14-yard line. Drew Stevens finished the Hawkeyes' drive that began at the 5-yard line with a 27-yard field goal. On those two drives, lowa ran seven plays for -10 yards.

The Hawkeyes also possessed the ball two separate times while they were down three points with under three minutes remaining in the game. The first of those possession ended via a Spencer Petras interception. The senior quarterback was picked off on a second-and-3 from his own 47-yard line.

The second wrapped up as play expired. Iowa ran a failed hook-and-ladder play on third-and-32 from its own 20-yard line as the final three seconds of the game ticked off the clock.





If it hadn't forced a few timely turnovers, lowa's defense would deserve a lower grade.

After they surrendered 172 rushing yards to the Michigan Wolverines, the Hawkeyes were looking for a bounce back performance against the Fighting Illini. They didn't get it.

lowa surrendered 200 rushing yards — Illinois running back Chase Brown was responsible for 152 of those yards on 31 attempts.

The Hawkeyes only gave up 116 passing yards — though that total may have been higher if Illini starter Tommy DeVito did not exit the game with an injury. Back-up quarterback Artur Sitkowski played the final three quarters of the game.

An Illini drive in the fourth quarter ended at the lowa 4-yard line when safety Quinn Schulte picked off one of Sitkowski's passes.

Cornerback Riley Moss forced a fumble in the Illini red zone, and it was recovered by linebacker Seth Benson at Illinois' 5-yard line — setting up one of the Hawkeyes' two scores of the day.

B is a tough grade to give a team that didn't let its opponent score a touchdown. But allowing three fourth-down conversions — two in the same drive — certainly impacts a game.

This grade would also be different had Moss' 82-yard fumble return touchdown late in the fourth quarter not been overturned. But as things stand, B is a fair grade.

### Special teams —



The only thing dropping this grade is Stevens' first miss of the season. On the Hawkeyes' last drive of the first half, Stevens missed a 45-yard attempt with 12 seconds left on the clock. He fin-

ished Saturday's game 2-of-3.
Iowa would've taken a 9-6 lead
had Stevens converted. In hindsight, the miss proved incredibly
costly — the Hawkeyes lost the
game by three.

Stevens aside, lowa's special teams were superb yet again. Tory Taylor punted eight times for 327 yards. He downed three of his kicks inside the 20-yard line. Taylor has punted 41 times for 1,891 yards this season.

Linebacker Jack Campbell also recovered a fumble by punt returner Isaiah Williams at the Illinois 33-yard line. Iowa did not score off the recovery.

As they have for most of the season, lowa's defensive and special teams units are putting out a lot of the Hawkeye offense's dumpster fires.

### **QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"I met one: James Van Allen."

Kirk Ferentz on his encounters with rocket scientists.

### STAT OF THE DAY

4

- Big Ten teams in the AP Top 25

this week.



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lowa quarterback Spencer Petras throws a pass during a football game between lowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8. The Fighting Illini defeated the Hawkeyes, 9-6. Petras averaged 4.7 yards per pass.

### **FERENTZ**

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our players ... it's easy to point fingers and call people out, but I don't think I've ever operated that way for 23 years."

Kirk also defended quarterback Spencer Petras' play following the loss to Illinois. The fifthyear senior has just two passing touchdowns this season along with two interceptions. He averages 128.3 yards per game.

"Right now, I don't think that was the problem tonight," Kirk said of Petras' play. "In fact, I thought Spencer did some good things. Missed a couple throws, and that's probably going to be every quarterback every game ... if it was that easy, we'd just switch him out or switch whoever out— a coach, whatever— and we'd be all good

to go here in six weeks. But typically, it isn't that easy."

Petras went 18-of-36 for 170 yards and no touchdowns on Saturday night. When Iowa was trailing with less than two minutes left in the game, he threw an interception.

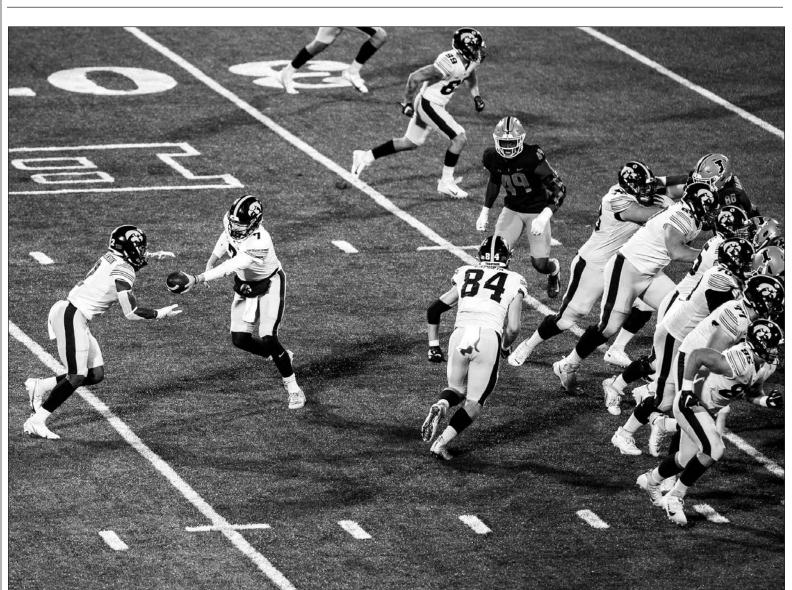
"It sucks to only put up six points," Petras said. "But it's a lot of self-inflicted, it starts with me. As a unit, we have to be better." Petras has been Iowa's starter for three years, leading the Hawkeyes to 6-2 and 10-4 records in 2020 and 2021, respectively.

Junior quarterback Alex Padilla, who started three games for the Hawkeyes in 2021, hasn't played a snap yet this season. Padilla threw two touchdowns and two interceptions last season and won every game he started. He also won Iowa's

game at Northwestern, where he played all but one drive after Petras left with injury.

"We are who we are right now," Kirk said. "We can't change dramatically, but hopefully we can find some ways to be more effective. To my point earlier, I don't think you need to be a rocket scientist to know we need to score more points."

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Grace Smith/The Daily Iowan lowa quarterback Spencer Petras hands off the ball to running back Kaleb Johnson during a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct.

### **COMPLACENCY**Continued from Sports Front

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offensive performance. "It just sucks putting up six points ... You know, it starts with me. But as a unit, we have to be better. We just can't keep doing this. So, it just sucks."

The Hawkeyes have gained 238.7 yards per game this season. They've scored six touchdowns in seven contests this year.

"It's very frustrating."

"It's very frustrating, but it's all stuff that's correctable," sophomore running back Leshon Williams said. "So, we really just have to look at it in a positive way. Like I said, the bye week's coming up. We can't get down. We still got another half of the season left. We really just have to look at the film and make sure we fix the makeable plays."

Iowa's points per game average is 14.6. The Hawkeyes have been putting about 11 points on the board per contest, excluding defensive scores.

8. The Fighting Illini defeated the Hawkeyes, 9-6. Johnson carried the ball nine times for 26 yards.

Iowa's offense has scored more than 14 points in a single game once this season. The Hawkeyes gained 337 yards and amassed 27 points in a shutout win over Nevada on Sept. 3.

Iowa has scored seven points or fewer in three of its last six games.

"We are who we are right now," Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz said Saturday. "We can't change dramatically, but hopefully we can find more ways to be effective. You don't have to be a rocket scientist to understand that we need to score more points."

Despite overwhelming evidence, the Hawkeyes have refused to adapt

offensively. Ferentz expressed his commitment to both offensive coordinator Brian Ferentz and starting quarterback Spencer Petras after Saturday's game.

urday's game.
With no changes on the way, there's no reason to think Iowa's offense will get better. Before the season, I wrote that I didn't expect the Hawkeyes to get better on offense because their personnel is largely the same. So far, I've been proven right.

Would a change at offensive coordinator or quarterback provide the Hawkeyes with a jolt of energy? I'm not sure. I don't think we'll find out this season.

I've argued Iowa should make a change at quarterback just for the sake of shaking things up. A switch at offensive coordinator or quar-

terback can't make the

Hawkeyes any worse than they are right now. The Hawkeyes rank last in the FBS in total offense this season. Iowa is currently tied with Wisconsin and Northwestern for last place in the Big Ten West.

There's even compelling evidence that suggests switching things up at QB will make Iowa's offense better. In the three games backup quarterback Alex Padilla played three or more quarters in last season, Iowa scored 25.6 points per game.

The Hawkeyes already have an uphill battle to bowl eligibility in front of them. Iowa will play No. 3 Ohio State at Ohio Stadium in Columbus after its by work

Stadium in Columbus after its bye week.

If the Hawkeyes lose that game, they'll be 3-4 on the year with five games left on their schedule. All four of Iowa's last

five regular season op-

ponents (Northwestern, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, and Purdue) average more points per game than Iowa's 14.6.

If points per game statistics are any indicator, Iowa is on pace to finish the season 3-9. If Ferentz remains complacent at quarterback and offensive coordinator, he risks bowl ineligibility. The last time the Hawkeyes didn't make a bowl was 2012, when they went 4-8.

I'm not ready to call for anybody's jobs yet. It's not something I find appetizing, and I'd hardly be the first person to do so. I'll leave the demands to fire athletics staff to Iowa fans. I suspect the calls will only grow louder as the season drags on — especially if the Hawkeyes don't make a bowl.

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### Hawkeyes hope to rest, improve in bye week

Iowa will have Week 7 of the college football season off before it heads to Columbus to take on Ohio State.

Chloe Peterson Sports Editor

CHAMPAIGN, - Iowa football will enter its bye week at 3-3 following a 9-6 loss to Illinois on Saturday. And the Hawkeyes say the rest is much needed.

The Hawkeyes have been playing football without a break since the beginning of August.

"We've been playing football for, I think, 10 weeks straight, going from camp until now, senior wide receiver Nico Ragaini said postgame. "So, the break would definitely be nice for our bodies to just regroup a little bit and get our confidence back during the bye week and just continue to push forward.'

The Hawkeyes, especially quarterback Spencer Petras, have played through a physical first six weeks of the season. Petras has been sacked 18 times in six games - including five on Saturday.

Petras was also checked for a concussion after a late hit that was reviewed for targeting. His head snapped back onto the turf after he was hit, and he stayed on the ground for a few seconds after the play was over. Petras said he passed a concussion test while the play was being reviewed for targeting.

That's just Big Ten football," Petras said.

Despite criticism from fans, head coach Kirk Ferentz said he is committed to Petras at quarterback and offensive coordinator Brian Ferentz calling

plays.
"Tonight's disappointing, but the first thing we have to do is, it has been 10 straight weeks of pretty rigorous football," Kirk Ferentz said. "So, when our guys get caught up physically, it's hopefully beneficial.

Iowa's offense has struggled in its first six games of the season. The Hawkeyes are last in the 131-team FBS in total offense, generating 238.8 yards per game.

Going into the bye week, Petras thinks Iowa's offense has improved through the first six games of the season, but it's "not getting better fast enough." Iowa has been held to seven points or fewer in three of its games and has just seven offensive touchdowns.

The Hawkeyes didn't touchdown score against South Dakota State, instead scoring their points off two safeties and a field goal. Iowa



Grace Smith/The Daily Iowan Illinois defensive lineman Keith Randolph Jr. sacks Iowa quarterback Spencer Petras during a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8.

also relied on field goals in its sixth game of the

season against Illinois. "I would just disagree with that we haven't progressed," Petras said. "I would say we're not getting the results we want, and I don't know what the tape will look like [on Sunday]. I could have regressed today. But through five games of tape, from what I've seen, what our coaches have seen, what everyone's seeing, we are getting

Iowa may get some firepower back following the bye if wide receiver Diante Vines is cleared to play. Vines suffered a broken wrist during the Hawkeyes' fall camp and hasn't played a snap yet this season.

He suited up and went through warmups with the Hawkeyes against the Fighting Illini but appeared in street clothes on the sideline before the game started.

"I think there's a realistic chance he'll be back after the bye week," Kirk Ferentz said following Iowa's loss to Michigan Oct. 1. "The good news for

him is he can run. He'll be in great shape because that's all he can do is run; he can't catch. But hopefully we'll get him back, and he was doing really well prior to his injury, so if we can get him back, you're talking about a guy that's been around here for a while, not just a first-year guy, and that would help."

The Fighting Illini defeated the Hawkeyes, 9-6. Randolph Jr. had three total tackles and one sack.

Despite heading into the bye with a loss, the Hawkeyes are still implementing their usual 24-hour rule — watch film and move on in one day.

Iowa will now turn its attention to No. 2 Ohio State. The Hawkeyes have an extra week to prepare for their first meeting with the Buckeyes since 2017, when Iowa took down Ohio State, 55-24.

The Hawkeyes will travel to Columbus, Ohio, to take on the 6-0 Buckeyes. Ohio State beat Michigan State, 49-20, on Saturday.

'This is a tough one to swallow," Jack Campbell said of the Illinois loss. "Going into the bye week to sit on that for a little bit extra. But again, 24hour rule; flush it and move on. We're going to face a blueblood program up next that are one of the best in the nation. So, our main focus is on them."

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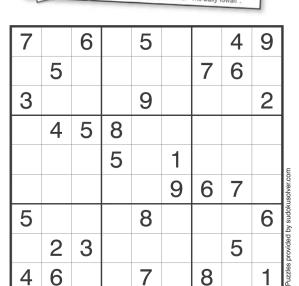
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- Card that can be either high or low in a deck
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- Home for a wild animal 32
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## Sealed with a kick

In a kickers' game, neither Iowa nor Illinois scored a touchdown on Saturday.



Fireworks shoot off before the fourth quarter of a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8.

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Grace Smith/The Daily Iowan Illinois quarterback Artur Sitkowski throws a pass during a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8. Sitkowski recorded 13 completed passes for 74 yards.



lowa linebacker Seth Benson recovers a fumble during a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8. Benson recovered the fumble in the first half.



Daniel McGregor-Huyer/The Daily Iowan

Iowa quarterback Spencer Petras looks to pass during a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8. Petras recorded 18 completed passes for 170 yards.



Grace Smith/The Daily Iowan Iowa wide receiver Nico Ragaini runs toward a pass during a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Oct. 8.



lowa kicker Drew Stevens kicks the fourth field goal of the night during a football game between lowa and



Grace Smith/The Daily Iowan Illinois defensive back Matthew Bailey hugs his mother, Michelle Westerdale, after a football game between Daniel McGregor-Huyer/The Daily Iowan Illinois kicker Fabrizio Pinton kicks a field goal during a football game between Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Iowa and Illinois at Memorial Stadium in Champaign, III. on Oct. 8. The Fighting Illini defeated the Hawkeyes, Stadium in Champaign, III. on Oct. 8.

