Iowa Breaks State Record for Midterm Election Participation

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Despite opposition to the new Voter ID laws saying the new laws may limit voter access, Iowa hit an all-time state record Tuesday night with midterm election participation.

“The numbers tell the whole story,” said Kevin Hall, Republican Secretary of State Paul Pate’s Communications Director. “We had the highest turnout in midterm election history in the first year the Voter ID [bill] was implemented.”

As of noon, on the day following the election, over 1.3 million votes had been cast, breaking the previous high set in 2014.

“[Pate] wanted to implement a Voter ID bill because he wants to make it easy to vote, but hard to cheat, while ensuring that no eligible voter is turned away,” said Hall.

Pate retained his seat as Secretary of State on Tuesday night, de-

Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)

Día de los Muertos, or known as Day of the Dead, is a holiday celebrated throughout México. Multicultural Fusion and Latinx collaborated for this holiday on an event held on Friday November 2nd from 4:00-6:00 pm in the Intercultural Center.

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Cedar Rapids Weekly Forecast

SAT Mostly Sunny 45°30°
SUN Mostly Cloudy 51°44°
MON Mostly Cloudy 53°33°
TUE Rain 53°33°
WED Partly Cloudy 40°30°
THU Partly Cloudy 45°32°
FRI Partly Cloudy 50°37°

Courtesy of the National Weather Service
there has been a spark of interest by more people about the holiday so we wanted to make it bigger than in previous years,” says Leslie Ortiz (‘20) Vice President of Multi. “An altar was created by members of our clubs and set in the Intercultural Center so that students could bring photos or items to place on it in remembrance of their loved ones who have passed.”

The three day celebration brings family and friends together to remember their loved ones who have passed away. The celebration begins on October 31st and ends on November 2nd. Traditions following this holiday include building an altar for the deceased, which includes sugar skulls, marigolds, and the favorite foods and beverages of your dead”). Many times people will also leave their loved ones favorite snacks for them to have when they visit the land of the living. The marigold or Flor de Muerto (cempasuchil) are said to attract the souls of the dead to the offerings. It is common for families to make a path with the petals to the offerings so their loved ones know where to go.

“I participated in the day of the dead because it is a beautiful way to remember my dad and share the holiday with others,” said Kayti Schuler (‘22). This event also happened to be held during Admitted Students Weekend where Coe had 200+ guests on campus. It was a great way to show our diversity on campus and how we appreciate each other’s culture. The clubs served pan de muertos, and hot chocolate. There was also a variety of crafts to participate in such as decorating skulls, making flowers and more.
feating Democrat opponent Deidre DeJear, who has said that the Voter ID laws create unnecessary limitations on people with a lack of resources, by a margin of 53 percent to 45 percent. When asked whether Secretary of State Paul Pate would continue to fight the court’s decision to overturn some of the provisions written into the original bill—such as county auditor’s reserving affirmative, “we believe the signature does not match the voter’s signature on record—Hall responded in the affirmative, “we believe the integrity of the vote is something to be treasured.”

Voter Turnout at Mid-Term Elections

*Statistics provided by SoS.iowa.gov

Pre-Health Tailgate

On November 3, 2018 the Pre-Health tailgate took place at the north end of the football field. Students that are following a track related to pre-health such as pre-medical or pre-dentistry were all invited to attend this event.

Students had the opportunity to meet with both medical students and people holding a job in the medical field already. Some of the people that were available to students to meet with included a pediatricians, a cytotechnologist, a former emergency room and a flight nurse.

The event was orchestrated by Pre-Health club in conjunction with Center of Creativity and Careers. C3 helped students prepare business cards and resumes that wanted to have them for the event. Pre-health Club also held a session with C3 to better prepare students for meeting professionals in the health field.

Over twenty students were in attendance for the tailgating event.

“It was an awesome experience to interact with people in the medical field without it being formal.” Anna Bogart said. “It was a really fun way to network and I learned a lot from the people I talked with. I even had a few people say they would be interested in letting me do a job shadow with them.”
Coe Theatre Department Presents "Cherry Orchard"

Directed by Dennis Barnett and about 14 actors and 19 production staff took part in this play.

“I start out every show by researching the time period, creating a props list, pulling together a budget, and creating a schedule,” said Olivia Hornyak, who was a staff as property manager in the play. “Then comes actual creation of the props and working backstage during a show. There were always difficulties, but I felt happy when I was able to put my work in front of an audience.”

“The Cherry Orchard’ is written by Anton Chekhov, who is legendary playwright in Russia. It is about ruin of one noble family. The cherry orchard is the name of hills they owned, but it was eventually sold by other people. It expressed the Russia’s confusing atmosphere in the early of 1900s.

“This play has been a challenging but fun experience,” said Also, Luke Reynolds (’22), who was acting ‘Yasha’ in the play. “I got to play a character that I’ve never played before, a real slime ball of a man. Whenever I had difficulties, one piece of upperclassmen advice that was really helpful took everything one step at a time in terms of comfort.”
I-Club's 45th Annual Culture Show

Coe's International Club held its 45th annual culture show on Saturday, Nov. 3 in Sinclair Auditorium. The show, which was open to Coe and Cedar Rapids community members, featured 14 performances from a variety of nations.

“It is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our shared appreciation for world cultures and the rich global diversity of the student body—not to mention the talents of all of the singers, dancers, and performers who take the stage each year,” said International Club advisor Peter Gerlach.

The show began at 6:30 p.m., and it included songs, dances, and a fashion show. “Green Onions” was performed by Thadeus Gontarz (trombone), Quintin Konen (tenor saxophone), Jonah Prall (bass), Michael Woodruff (trumpet), William Benson (Keyboard), Jeremiah de La Pena (drumset), and special guest, the president David McInally. This was the first time that president McInally was part of a performance.

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“I attend the show every year but have just been an enthusiastic supporter from the audience in the past,” said McInally. “I got involved with playing at the show thanks to Jeremiah De la Peña, who serves as an officer of both International Club and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. I am a Sinfonian and have played with them in the past for college events, so Jeremiah thought that it would be fun to put a group together for the Culture Show.”

When asked which was their favorite performance, a lot of people said the Japanese student Takamaru Miki’s performance included him wearing a blindfold while playing the soundtrack of the popular Super Mario video game. Miki said he did not practice playing blindfolded again and again.

“My fingers remember movements, and there is no time for me to think about movements once tempos increase,” said Miki. “In a performance, the most important thing is that both audiences and I enjoy, so I chose playing the famous and funny pieces. I also edited a little so that everyone are not bored.”

At the end of the Culture Show, there is the traditional fashion show, a way for students to display their traditional clothes and show diverse cultural background from countries such as China, Japan, or Vietnam.

“I was excited to participate in culture show because I wanted to share Japanese interesting culture with everyone,” said Sana Otsuka.

“The range of talent among our students is amazing and every year I hear numerous comments from the audience about how much they enjoy the performances, in part because it includes music, dance, and fashion that we don’t get to see and hear every day,” said McInally.
Coe Holds "Sip & Socialize"

On Thursday, November 1st, an event was held for networking with Coe alumni, students, and staff at the Clark Alumni House from 5:00-7:00 pm. There was a wide variety of people who attended. Current Coe students who have gone through internships got to share their experience by showing where they worked and what they did, they also rotated to let more students share different experiences.

“Sip & socialize granted me access to connections in possible fields I might pursue someday,” said Karlota Arnaiz-Palacios (’22), a freshman that participated in the event. “It gave me the opportunity to learn how to interact with the professionals in a low risk environment.”

After signing in, you got to choose a sticker with the prompt, “Ask me...” some said “Ask me... what I’m most proud of” others said, “Ask me... what my mother taught me.” These were used as conversation starters. The event was also split into a time period where you had three minutes to talk to a stranger and talk about their sticker, you would then rotate. At the end of that activity, the participants were asked to go up to the podium and introduce one another and what they had learned about the other person. Before the event, you were asked if you would like business cards to give out to people you met, the business cards include your name, major, your graduation month and year, along with your number and email.

Upcoming Coe Events

November 10
Coe College Symphony Orchestra Concert at 7 pm

November 11
Vocal Jazz Ensemble-- Cabaret at 7 pm

December 1
Coe College Concert Band, Jazz Band Concert at 4 pm
Coe College Concert Choir Concert at 7:30 pm

December 4
Christmas Convocation, Coe Chorale & Handbell Ensemble at 11 am
Christmas Vespers - Coe Chorale & Handbell Ensemble at 7:30 pm

Home Sports

Friday, November 9th
Men’s and Women’s Swimming and Diving vs Simpson College @ 6:30 pm

Tuesday, November 13th
JV Men’s Basketball vs Milikin University @ 5:00 pm
Varsity Men’s Basketball vs Milikin University @ 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 15th
Women’s Basketball vs Iowa Wesleyan University @ 6:00 pm
The Grim Reality of Food Waste
Up to 10,000 lbs of food bought by the caf’ end up in trash cans each month

Can you ever think of tossing a $20 bill into the trash can? The answer for many would be – a big fat ‘NO’. However, nearly two thousand times that amount worth of food is being thrown out every month.

According to Sodexo records, about $40,000 worth of food (Cost after cooking) is being wasted every month. This is nearly a quarter of the food purchased by Sodexo, which according to Louis Desaulty, general Manager of Sodexo in Coe Campus which comes at a price tag between $165,000 and $185,000 a month.

Between 2,000 and 2,500lbs of food is collected every week from the food that Kohawks take but not eat suggests Sodexo statistics. Additionally, between 300 and 500lbs of food is thrown out of vegetable trimmings and leftovers at the end of meals every week. This number, however skyrocket to 700lbs a week, although not very common according to Sodexo.

While the amount of food taken and not eaten, surely has a role to play in the quantity of these trimmings and leftovers, it is somewhat unavoidable. However, the quantity of food that is being thrown out of plates of Kohawks paints a grim picture of the extent of food that is wasted from Coe campus every month.

Observing for around just 10 minutes in the dish area of the cafeteria, we were able to count six plates full of food in the conveyor belt. “It is common to find dishes full of food being discarded that are largely untouched,” said Desaulty. “We find bagels from which just one bite was taken, whole omelets, full burgers and entire bowls full of salad being dropped off in the conveyor belt which all goes to the compost.”

As per estimates of Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in 2017, about 824 million people in the world are suffering from chronic malnutrition.

“It is heartbreaking to see such a staggering amount of food being wasted every day considering people die of hunger in many parts of the world,” said Desaulty.

Sigrid Van Den Abbeele ('21) who is a regular diner in the caf stated, “People do not think twice while wasting food and this is largely due to the ‘unlimited’ aspect of the food. If they take a plate of food at one go rather than taking five plates full of food at once, food waste could be minimized to a certain extent.” She added, “A lot of people overestimate how much they can eat and end up throwing food that they cannot eat.”

Seconding to Abbeele’s statement, Desaulty noted, “The food in the cafeteria is not going anywhere. You can take one plate of food, finish it and then go back to get more. At this point it is not rare to see people take five plates of food and throw away two of them not even taking a single bite of it. And this is part of the reason why Action Station has a small portion size, but you can always get more if you want.

“It is important that students eat more of what they take than what they throw,” said Amanda Fusheza ('21), student manager at U dining hall.

While the food that is discarded by Coe students is composted in a weekly basis, the untouched leftover food goes to HACAP Homeless Shelter in Cedar Rapids, according to Desaulty who believes the idea of “take what you want, but eat what you can take” should be widely implemented.
Iowa Governor Election Results

On Tuesday, November 6 at 9 pm every poll in Iowa closed to begin the counting on who were going to be the winners of the midterm elections. One of the biggest and tightest races in Iowa was the Iowa Governors and Lieutenant Governors’ race. Candidates Kim Reynolds and Fred Hubbell battled it out till the end. While other states were already appointing a new representative for their state, Iowa sat in the back as the race almost continued into a new day. At approximately 11:30 pm the Associated Press declared Reynolds the winner.

Reynolds surfaced over Hubbell with 50.4 percent of the vote while Hubbell reached 47.4 percent of the vote. In the end Reynolds’s 662,634 votes became victorious over Hubbell’s 623,105 votes. A live press conference aired on WQAD TV-8, which showed Reynolds accepting her role as Iowa’s governor.

“I also want to thank Fred Hubbell. He called to wish me best. It was a hard-fought campaign. He wished me well. I told him I look forward to sitting down with him. He represented a lot of Iowans across the state and a lot of issues that are important to them,” said Reynolds. “I think that this is an opportunity for us to both sit down and work together and make sure that we can may-

The New Majority

Tuesday, November 6 Abby Finkenauer won the seat for Iowa’s 1st District in the Congressional House with 51% of the vote and Dave Loebsack retained his seat with 51% of the vote in District 2.

In District 3 Cindy Axne came out ahead of the incumbent David Young, with 49% of the district’s vote.

These wins make Iowa’s congressional districts majority Democrat. The Congressional House has also experienced a similar change, switching from a Republican majority to a now Democrat majority. The senate has retained a Republican majority.

What does this mean for the country? “There are 3 options, and they are not mutually exclusive,” Says Dr. Bruce Nesmith, Joan and Abbott Lipsky Professor of Political Science here at Coe. “The Democrats first option is oversight of the Executive Branch, which is something the House had not been doing with a Republican majority. The second option is harassing and blocking Republican legislature from getting past the House. The third option is to create legislature and articulate policies they can use to run in 2020.”

“They (both Republicans and Democrats) need to be seen by the public as offering solutions to real problems,” said Nesmith.

As for Iowa, Nesmith says it’s the first time in a long time Iowa has had three Democrats in the House. He does however say that because the Federal and State governments are separate, the switch in the Congressional House will have any great impact on Iowa.
Kohawk Football Rings in Senior Day with Victory Over Loras

This past weekend, the Kohawk football program welcomed Loras College to Clark field for their senior day game. Kohawk quarterback, Quentin White ('20) completed five touchdown passes throughout the game, giving the Kohawks a 34-33 win over the Duhawks.

Coe’s defense was very active during the first quarter as the Duhawks had an early opening drive for the first touchdown of the game. A Kohawk turnover gave Loras another opportunity not even a minute later as the Duhawks found the end-zone yet again. Five minutes into the game, the Kohawks were already down by 12.

As the game continued, the Kohawks’ intensity increased as they successfully outscored Loras 14-7. White completed his first touchdown of the game with a three-yard pass to Matt Kopp ('20). The Duhawks responded with a 42-yard touchdown. White and his offense answered this progression with a season long touchdown pass from White to senior, Trevor Noble. This 53-yard reception was a career long for Noble. This left the Kohawks trailing Loras at the half, 19-14.

Max Teeple ('20), for a 28-yard touchdown. White then went on to find Kopp yet again for a 13-yard pass to put the Kohawks ahead on the scoreboard for the first time during the game, 27-25.

Loras answered White’s impressive offensive run with a big, 49-yard punt return, giving the Duhawks the lead once again.

Going into the third quarter, the Duhawks attacked Kohawk defense with a quick, 18-yard run. This surprise on-side kick-off was one of the few victories for the Duhawks as White and his offense took over the remainder of the third quarter. White first found Kohawk receiver, setting up the Kohawk offense on the Loras’ 15-yard line.

On the fourth down, White found White once again for a 10-yard touchdown to tie the game. With a good extra point from Tristan Connell ('21), the Kohawk’s took over the game, 34-33. With two minutes left in the game, the Kohawks intercepted a pass and successfully ran down the clock to secure their victory.

Quentin White led the offense with 188 yards passing and five touchdowns. The five touchdown passes tied for the second-most passes in a single game in school history.

Colton White was the top target for his brother with five catches for 59 yards and a touchdown. Kopp added four catches for 28 yards and two touchdowns while Teeple and Noble each added touchdown catches. Tyler Dralle (‘20) led Coe’s running attack with 77 yards on 24 carries.
Twelve jurors (seven women and five men) were selected for the trial of notorious Mexican drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman. They will decide if Guzman is guilty of 11 charges related to trafficking, money laundering and firearms in a federal trial that will start in Brooklyn on November 13.

On November 6, Nepal celebrated Kukur Tihar, also known as “Day of the Dogs.” Kukur Tihar is the second day of the five-day Nepalese Hindu festival of Tihar that celebrates different types of animals. On this day, dogs are celebrated and blessed with a Tika, a red mark applied to their forehead, and are also given flowers garlands and offered food.

A landmark agreement has been reached in Athens that will end the status of about 10,000 Church employees (priests and bishops) as civil servants, bringing Greece a step closer to separation of Church and state.

In Yemen, the battle for the port city of Hudaydah continues, as government forces advance on rebel positions. Hudaydah’s port is a lifeline for millions of Yemenis: up to 80% of the humanitarian supplies, fuel and commercial goods on which they depend are delivered through the facility. More than 150 people have reportedly been killed since last Thursday. The UN and charities say the fighting is also endangering medical facilities and hundreds of thousands of civilians.
**Movie Review**
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**what's HOT and what's NOT**

First Man

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We went to the Moon. It's not up for debate. Not only that, but the brave men who did so or attempted to do so put their lives on the line to ensure that America would be the first ones there. Their names will forever be etched in the annals of American history: Gus Grissom, Jim Lovell, Buzz Aldrin, and the man at the top, Neil Armstrong. But have we ever learned the history behind the first man on the Moon, and how he was chosen to be the first? In the aptly titled First Man, Damien Chazelle attempts to do just that.

In the 1960s, America had entered a “Space Race” with the Soviet Union and both super powers were gunning for the Moon. Test pilot Neil Armstrong (Ryan Gosling), while smart and quick to jerry rig a solution, is grounded after too many mishaps with his aircraft. Wanting to move on after the death of his young daughter Karen, Armstrong sees a new beginning by applying for NASA’s Project Gemini, joining the group with other pilots like Elliot See (Patrick Fugit) and Ed White (Jason Clarke).

But the life of an astronaut is not easy, and the path to the Moon is paved in the sacrifices of several astronauts to faulty equipment and miscalculations. Against growing public resentment, the US Government wants to quicken their approach, and Armstrong begins to stand out as a strong contender for Commander.

Neil Armstrong was not a saint. No one is, but for a lot of people it seems the First Man on the Moon was this infallible figure who seemed perfect in every way. Considering this is the first biopic focusing on Armstrong ever released, it’s hard for people to see that he struggled with being a good father and husband and was slightly impeded by his smarts in the social skills department.

Gosling captures this perfectly, and Claire Foy as Armstrong’s wife Janet was the prefect foil for the personal aspect of the space program’s stress upon the family. Clarke also had wonderful chemistry with Gosling, and Corey Stoll’s antagonistic take on Buzz Aldrin was a surprise to be sure, but a welcome one. However, the pacing of the story is what really shot this movie in the foot. Don’t get me wrong, the plot was fantastic, but it was extremely long and incredibly slow. Almost 2 hours and 30 minutes of runtime cause the film to almost stand still. While there was enough exciting space program action sprinkled in to keep me interested, there were points where I was about to fall asleep. For that, this great movie loses a few points.

Whether you believe in the Moon landing or not, the fact of the matter is that Neil Armstrong was a hero, and like all heroes, he has a personal side that is only now being explored. If you like biopics that show the reality behind some of the biggest events in history, this is the movie for you. You’ll love the characters and eventually begin to see them as actual people rather than names on a plaque. But be warned: you’re going to be strapped in for a long ride, so bring along a 5-Hour-Energy so you don’t fall asleep by mistake. None of First Man should be missed.

**My Rating:**

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**Rotten Tomatoes: 88%**

_Courtesy of Universal Pictures._
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ACROSS
1 Crowds around
5 Geologic time
10 It's the truth
14 Baseball's Felipe or his son Moises
15 Nabisco wafer brand
16 Serengeti feline
17 Barclays Center team
18 Strung along
19 Boatloads
20 1968 55-Across song
23 Axis foes
24 Spot for an AirPod
25 Tight spot
26 Strung along
29 Sundance's sweetie Place
32 1976 55-Across album
34 Lofty principles
36 "Do others ... "
37 1970 55-Across song
40 "The Walking Dead" survivor Grimes
41 Advertising lure
42 1969 55-Across album whose last song is 20-Across
46 Business review site
47 Influential D.C. group
50 Place in the woods
51 Forever and a day
53 "Watch and learn"
55 Singer/songwriter born 11/7/1943
58 Auburn rival, familiarly
61 Miguel's "I love you"
62 Small Chevy model
63 Vacationing
64 Harsh-smelling
65 Sharp-edged
66 Tach reading
67 Annoy
68 Car trip game

DOWNS
1 Metrosexual tote
2 Repetitive refrain in the song "Hot Hot Hot"
3 Perfume holder
4 Fish dish served with wasabi

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