Happy Monday, Hawkeyes!

We're back with another print edition featuring the latest local news and a recap of the Big Ten Championship. Pick up a copy on newsstands today.

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**News**

Kinderfarm Preschool, a nature-focused preschool, is up for sale. Heather Norman, who owned and ran the preschool for nearly 30 years, is hopeful someone will take up the challenge to see the preschool live on.

Iowa City's annual Social Justice and Racial Equity grant is now open for applications. Past grant recipients discuss the grant's impact on eliminating inequities within the Iowa City community.

The University of Iowa denied new requests made by the Campaign to Organize Graduate Students to reduce the risk of COVID-19. Following the previous denial of their requests, the union narrowed its demands down to three, which included allowing instructors to teach virtually for as long as they need.

**More in News**

- University of Iowa nationally recognized for inclusive athletic programs
- Johnson County Sheriff's Office budgets for MRAP replacement
Sports

With a 42-3 loss to Michigan in the Big Ten Championship Game at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis now in its rearview mirror, the University of Iowa football team is shifting its attention to its upcoming bowl game. The Hawkeyes have already played in 13 contests this year, and the Citrus Bowl will be their 14th.

The Iowa football team’s 42-3 loss to Michigan on Saturday cost the Hawkeyes a chance to play in the Rose Bowl. So, instead of Pasadena, Iowa’s postseason destination is in Orlando, Florida. Iowa will play Kentucky in the Citrus Bowl on Jan. 1. The game will air at noon on ABC.

Politics

With the passing of the federal infrastructure bill, Iowa internet providers are looking to cash in on the third large round of government funding for broadband in a year as the specifics of the process remain uncertain. At least $100 million of the $65 billion in broadband money allocated by the federal government in November is coming to Iowa. What that money can be spent on, though, is still up in the air.

Arts

The University of Iowa hosted its annual Mirage event in the Iowa Memorial Union over the weekend, where students, staff, and community members collaborated to spread awareness about the HIV and AIDS epidemic while celebrating LGBTQ+ culture.

Daily Iowan Managing Editor has never played League of Legends, but that didn’t stop her from bingeing the entire first season of Arcane in two nights. The Netflix series, based wholly on the game, takes a beautifully animated deep dive into the twin cities of Piltover and Zaun and the origin stories of two LoL champions.

What We're Reading:

Alden Global Capital is making a move to buy Lee Enterprises. What does that mean?: edge fund Alden Global Capital is attempting to acquire Davenport-based Lee Enterprises, one of the country’s largest newspaper chains, in all the markings of a hostile
takeover. Since Alden's unsolicited offer on Monday, Nov. 22, Lee has taken steps to thwart the acquisition, and Alden has countered with moves to install its preferred members on Lee's board of directors. Media experts, journalists, and some lawmakers have expressed concerns about the deal, especially because Alden has been known to slash newsrooms well beyond the downsizing that's already happened across the industry. At stake is the future of community journalism in cities across the nation, including the Quad-Cities, where Lee owns both the Times and the Dispatch-Argus. (Quad-City Times)

**J&J Covid vaccine booster raised immune response after Pfizer vaccine:** Using the Johnson & Johnson vaccine as a booster for people initially immunized with the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine produces a strong immune response and may do more to elicit protection against severe disease, researchers reported Sunday. (CNN)

**A blizzard warning in Hawaii but no snow yet in Denver, in unusual December weather:** Across the U.S., the weather is simply weird: The highest peaks of Hawaii spent the weekend under a blizzard warning, while record rainfall drenched the Pacific Northwest, unseasonably warm temperatures stretched across the Midwest and South, and a major snow drought in the Rockies means Denver has still not seen its first snowfall of the season. (NPR)