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Over a Frosty, Hayden Fry warmed hearts

Coach transcended football to become a treasure

By Vanessa Miller, The Gazette

IOWA CITY — Transporting Hayden Fry to and from various engagements during his most recent trips here for FRYfest — the annual kickoff to the Hawkeye football season named in honor of the legendary coach — was like escorting an A-list celebrity.

“There’s no mistaking who Hayden Fry is,” said Dale Arens, a University of Iowa assistant athletics director who became

part of Fry’s entourage during the visits — helping drive him to and from events, while also carving out “rocking chair time” for him.

“Hayden literally on those FRYfest weekends — I’m not exaggerating — you couldn’t walk him 5 yards without people wanting to have a moment with him,” Arens said. “And he would pose for every selfie and talk, and not just like, ‘Hi, thank you.’ It’s like, when somebody approached him, it was, ‘Where are you from?’ He was interested in them. He was so kind.”

That juxtaposition — a larger-

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than-life figure whose influence spread far beyond the gridiron with a down-to-earth Southerner who knelt to greet children and left strangers feeling a personal connection — captured why the Hawkeye coach became a legend.

“I don’t expect to ever in my

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A cap, flowers and other mementos are placed Wednesday at the base of a statue of Hayden Fry in Coralville. Fry died Tuesday in Texas at age 90. (Jim Slosiarek/The Gazette)

IMPEACHED



President Donald Trump leaves the White House on Wednesday for a campaign trip to Battle Creek, Mich. Trump was in Michigan when the U.S. House of Representatives voted to impeach him Wednesday evening on charges that he abused his power and obstructed Congress. The case now goes to the Republican-led Senate for a trial, in which Trump is expected to be acquitted. (Associated Press photos)

In partisan vote, Trump becomes third president to face removal



House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., arrives Wednesday on Capitol Hill in Washington.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump was impeached by the U.S. House of Representatives on Wednesday night, becoming only the third American chief executive to be formally charged under the Constitution’s ultimate remedy for high crimes and misdemeanors.

The historic vote split along party lines, much the way it has divided the nation, over a charge that the 45th president abused the power of his office by enlisting a foreign government to investigate a political rival ahead of the 2020

election. The House then approved a second charge, that he obstructed Congress in its investigation.

The articles of impeachment, the political equivalent of an indictment, now go to the Senate for trial. If Trump is acquitted by the Republican-led chamber, as expected, he still would have to run for re-election carrying the enduring stain of impeachment on his purposely disruptive presidency.

He saw the blame flowing the other direction. He told a political rally in Michigan that “crazy Nancy Pelosi’s House Democrats have branded themselves with an

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Proposed mental health center hits roadblock

One option to raise \$1.4M: Linn County tax increase

By Grace King, The Gazette

CEDAR RAPIDS — Linn County supervisors were shocked to learn Wednesday that more than \$1.4 million still is needed to operate a mental health crisis center they had expected to open just about seven months from now.

If Linn County does not receive the needed money from other nearby counties that share in regional mental health care, supervisors could delay the project — or raise property taxes.

The “worst case scenario” of a local tax increase would be an additional 20 cents per \$1,000 in assessed taxable property value, said Board of Supervisors Chairman Stacey Walker.

The board, though, would not be interested in raising taxes that much “in one fell swoop,” Walker said.

A request for the \$1.4 million from East Central Region Mental Health & Disability Services — a district that includes Linn and eight other counties — would offset the net loss for mental health care providers at the center including Foundation 2, the Abbe Center for Community Mental Health and the Penn Center.

An additional \$600,000 also is needed to offset the net loss of substance abuse services, which the county learned is not eligible for property tax funding from the Mental Health and Disability Services fund, according to the **Iowa** Department of Human Services. The substance abuse provider at the access center will be the Area Substance Abuse Council.

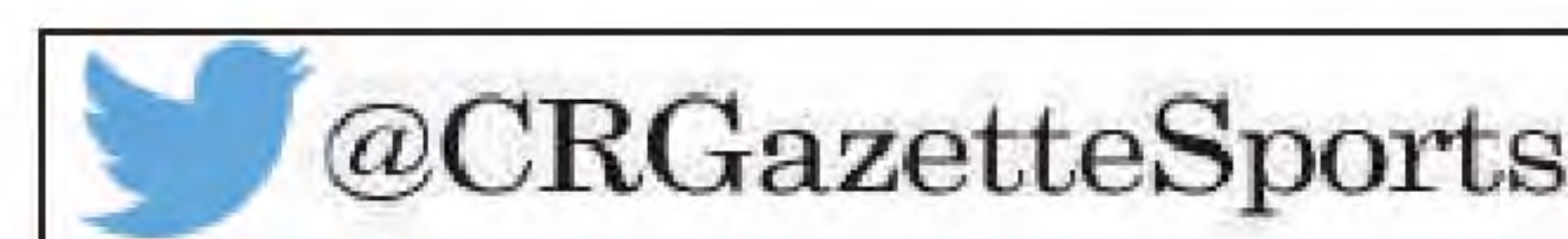
Linn County Finance Director Dawn Jindrich said the county’s Budget & Finance Department was made aware of the need for a decision on how to fund ongoing operational costs of the access center only this past week.

Supervisors have been talking about moving forward

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B1G SLOW NIGHT



Michigan State's Marcus Bingham Jr. (left) dunks against Northwestern's Pete Nance last night in Evanston, Ill. Michigan State won, 77-72. (Associated Press)

SIDELINE

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Duncan named Sporting News All-American

IOWA CITY — Iowa's Keith Duncan, Tristan Wirfs and A.J. Epenesa were named to the second team of the 2019 American Football Coaches Association All-America Team, the AFCA announced Wednesday. It is Duncan's fourth All-America selection, and Wirfs' and Epenesa's third.

On Tuesday, Duncan was named first-team All-American by the Sporting News.

Pair of Panthers earn All-American honors

Two members of the Northern Iowa football team were named to the Associated Press FCS All-American squads.

Junior defensive lineman DL Elerson Smith was a member of the second team, while freshman defensive back Omar Brown earned third-team honors.

Hoskins named Upper Iowa head coach

Upper Iowa tabbed Jason Hoskins as the new Peacock head football coach, effective immediately, according to vice president for athletics Rick Hartzell on Monday.

During the 2014-16 seasons, Hoskins served as the defensive coordinator and linebackers coach. This past season, he returned to coach the defensive backs and special teams.

COLLEGE SOCCER

Iowa State names new women's coach

AMES — Matt Fannon was named head women's soccer coach at Iowa State, according to senior associate athletics director Dr. Calli Sanders.

Fannon guided Bowling Green State to a 41-18-7 mark in his three seasons there, winning league coach-of-the-year honors each season.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

UNI assistant coach taking leave of absence

CEDAR FALLS — UNI assistant women's basketball coach KK Armstrong is taking a leave of absence, starting immediately. Her return date is unknown at this time.

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• Gazette sports editor J.R. Ogden, former sports editor Mark Dukes and former assistant sports editor Jim Ecker share their stories about Hayden Fry in a special edition of the "On Iowa Podcast."

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HAYDEN FRY: 1929-2019

Fry brought 'swagger and attitude'

Coaching proteges reflect on the mentorship of Iowa legend

By Mike Hlas, The Gazette

The term "coaching tree" has been used extensively about Hayden Fry, but his was more like a coaching redwood.

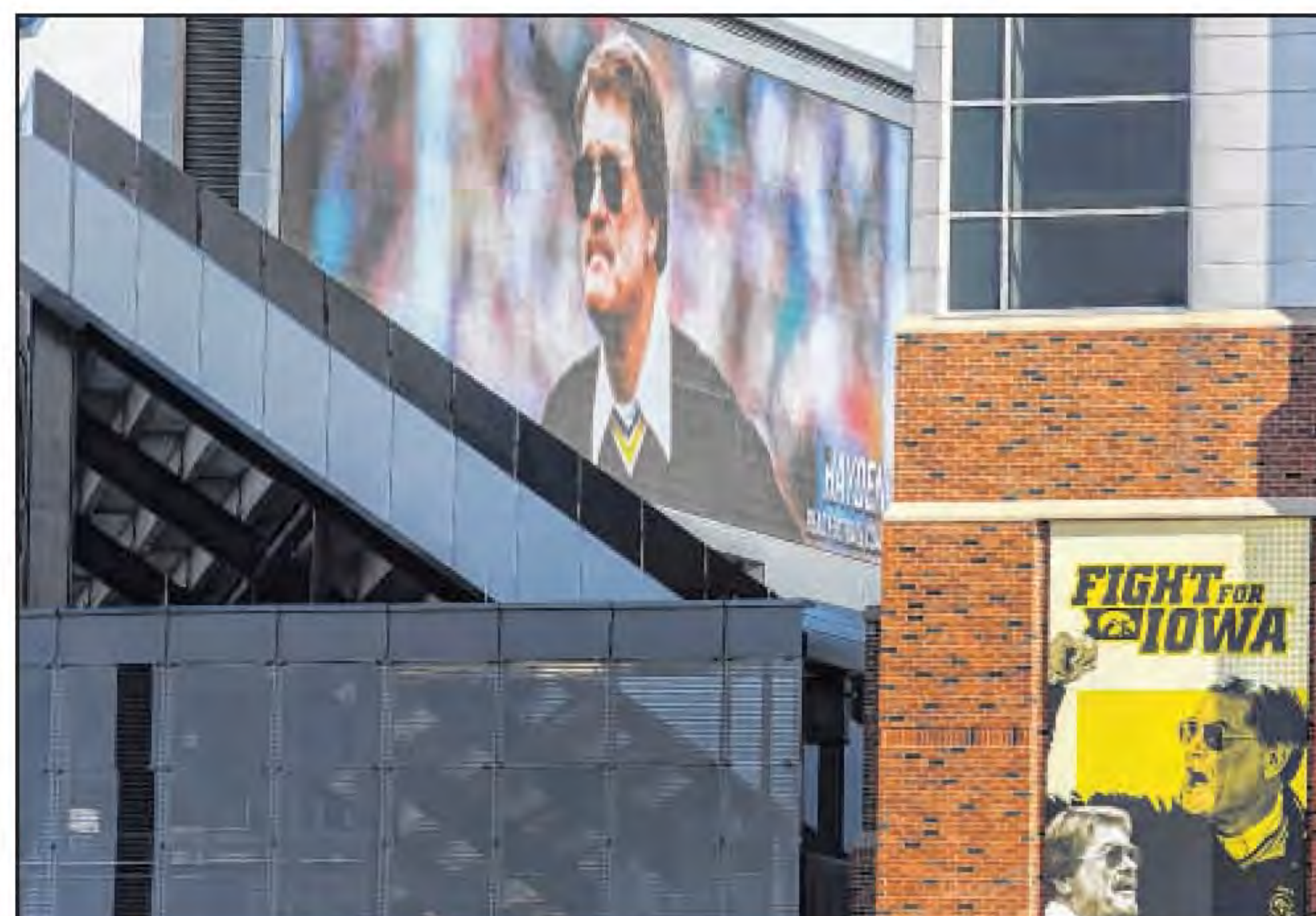
When Fry, who died Tuesday at age 90, was Iowa's coach in the 1980s, he had a lot of assistant coaches who went on to be head coaches. Two, Bill Snyder and Barry Alvarez, are in the College Football Hall of Fame with Fry. Two others, Bob Stoops and Kirk Ferentz, will get there once they're eligible.

By phone Wednesday, Snyder said he still was "processing some things" about Fry's death, and "revisiting our wonderful years together."

Snyder was Fry's offensive coordinator at Iowa from 1979 to 1988, then embarked on his 215-victory career as Kansas State's head coach. Fry brought Snyder to Iowa with him from North Texas State. Fry had originally hired Snyder out of Austin College.

"Hayden was an amazing individual," Snyder said. "I can't tell you how many calls I've gotten from ex-players of his who had such great appreciation of him and all he did for

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A photograph of former Iowa football head coach Hayden Fry is seen on the large video monitor in Kinnick Stadium in Iowa City on Wednesday. Fry passed away Tuesday in Texas at 90. (Jim Slosiarek/The Gazette)

So many big things



Iowa head football coach Kirk Ferentz becomes emotional as he makes a statement about the death of former Iowa head coach Hayden Fry on Wednesday at the Jacobson Football Operations Building in Iowa City. Fry died Tuesday in Texas at 90. (Jim Slosiarek/The Gazette)

Emotional Ferentz attempts to cover all that was Fry

By Marc Morehouse, The Gazette

IOWA CITY — Kirk Ferentz's voice started to shake when he talked about the bigness of Hayden Fry.

Maybe "bigness" can be covered with the word "showmanship." Fry, who served as Iowa's head coach

from 1979 to 1998, changed into overalls and a cowboy hat and conducted postgame interviews after beating Minnesota one year. Iowa certainly won and won and won under Fry, 90, who died Tuesday night after a 20-plus-year battle with cancer, so maybe the "bigness" was wins. Fry won three Big Ten titles and took the Hawkeyes to three Rose Bowls.

There were so many big things during Fry's 20-year run as Iowa's coach.

Of course, you can't define "bigness." You can give it a name, and you wouldn't be wrong if you named it "Hayden."

"Just the way he captured this whole state was really, really impressive," the Iowa head coach said Wednesday. "Every day, he set a standard for leadership, he set a

standard for excellence and he did things with character and integrity."

Ferentz was a 25-year-old grad assistant from Pitt when he interviewed to replace Clovis Hale as Iowa's O-line coach. This was his first real football interview. Ferentz wasn't nervous because this was a starter kit. He didn't think this would

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IOWA FOOTBALL

Now the real work begins for newbies

Hawkeyes sign 19 recruits with another coming

By Marc Morehouse, The Gazette

IOWA CITY — Yes, college football recruiting staffs do give questionnaires to recruits. Colleges want to know the simple, easy stuff, too. Fill out the blanks with your height and weight and your football dreams. That kind of stuff.

Coaches want to know high school stats and the general particulars. One of the questions the Iowa staff asked recruits to answer this year was "What's your biggest sports thrill?"

Marshall, Minn., defensive lineman Yahya Black had a simple answer and maybe the perfect answer for how Iowa likes to play the game. "Most kids put, 'Played

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Cedar Rapids Xavier head football coach Duane Schulte (right) addresses athletes and family members as Xavier athletes Ethan Hurkett, Josh Volk and Mitchell Helmkamp sign their letters of intent during an event at Xavier High School in Cedar Rapids on Wednesday. Volk and Hurkett will play football for Iowa. (Liz Martin/The Gazette)

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