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(I-Club members celebrate 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Golden Harvest)

IOWA CITY, Iowa—To kick off the upcoming University of Iowa athletic year, over 400 I-Club members and fans from Iowa and nationwide met in Iowa City for the 41st annual Golden Harvest event on July 28.

The day-long Golden Harvest program began with golf at the UI's Finkbine Golf Course. The evening concluded with dinner at the Quality Inn and Suites Highlander Conference Center. Gary Dolphin, the Hawkeye play-by-play announcer, emceed the evening program, and Head Football Coach Kirk Ferentz was the featured speaker.

The Polk County I-Club received the I-Club-of-the-Year award. The Carroll Area I-Club and NW Iowa Lakes I-Club shared the special commendation award. Ken Hopper from Davenport, Harold Murphy from Wellman, and Larry Roth from Mt. Pleasant, were honored with I-Club Volunteer-of-the-Year awards. The Hawk-of-the-Year award was presented to Sue Beckwith of Waukee, and Don Heineking of Iowa City.

"Throughout the U.S., I-Club members help build enthusiasm and private support for our Hawkeye teams," said Andy Piro, Executive Director of Development, Intercollegiate Athletics. "The Golden Harvest event is an opportunity for us to thank these special supporters and volunteers and recognize their dedication as we prepare for an exciting season of UI athletics."

I-Club members are Hawkeye fans who contribute \$50 or more annually to UI intercollegiate athletic programs. More than 11,000 friends and alumni of the University are I-Club members, representing every county in Iowa and nearly every state in the nation.

The I-Club is administered through The University of Iowa Foundation, the preferred channel for private support to the University. Visit [www.hawkeyesports.com/iclub](http://www.hawkeyesports.com/iclub) for information about becoming a member of the I-Club.