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Police Blotter

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**March 2**  
A resident reported the theft of an item from an apartment at Frederiksen Court (reported at 8:34 a.m.).  
**Justin Murphy**, 21, 304 Lynn Ave., Apt. 14, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance at Union Drive and Welch Road (reported at 8:30 p.m.).  
An officer investigated a property damage collision at Lot 112B (reported at 8:34 p.m.).  
**Paul McNicoll**, 18, 9312 Wallace Hall, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia at Wallace Hall (reported at 11:12 p.m.).  
**March 3**  
An officer investigated a property damage collision at South 4th Street and Beach Road (reported at 9:50 a.m.).  
A custodian reported damage to a restroom at Sweeney Hall (reported at 11:06 a.m.).  
An officer investigated a property damage collision at Stange Road and University Boulevard (reported at 3:53 p.m.).  
An officer assisted a 19-year-old female who was suffering medical and emotional difficulties at Friley Hall. The individual was transported to Mary Greeley Medical Center for treatment (reported at 6:30 p.m.).  
An officer investigated a property damage collision at Lot 21 (reported at 7:18 p.m.).  
An officer initiated a drug related investigation at Helser Hall (reported at 7:58 p.m.).  
Officers and firefighters responded to an alarm at Wallace Hall. Power to the building was lost for a period of time due to an electrical fire in a mechanical room (reported at 8:33 p.m.).  
**March 4**  
**Sultan Alsamhan**, 21, 2519 Chamberlain St., Apt. 313, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated at Chamberlain Street and Hayward Avenue (reported at 1:40 a.m.).  
An individual reported the theft of tops from several compressed gas tanks at Science II Hall (reported at 1:00 p.m.).  
**Hao Lei**, 20, 119N University Village, was arrested on a warrant, charging him with domestic abuse assault at University Village (reported at 4:55p.m.).



Denise Williams, program coordinator for the Iowa State Conference on Race and Ethnicity, addresses the Government of the Student Body during their meeting Wednesday night. Williams encouraged GSB members to sign up for the program.

Forum discusses race, ethnicity

Conference gives chances to travel, learn about issues

By William.Dyke @iowastatedaily.com

The Iowa State Conference of Race and Ethnicity spoke to the Government of the Student Body Senate March 5 to present information on the conference's March 7 event. ISCORE is a compre-

hensive forum on issues of race and ethnicity at Iowa State and around the state. The local conference models the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in Higher Education. Program Coordinator Denise Williams discussed the functions and purpose of NCORE. "When you're there, you are engaging with other students, staff and faculty, learning a lot and what might be interesting to bring back to our campus," Williams said. When a student re-

turns from the all-expenses paid trip to NCORE, they take a three-credit course. The course addresses issues of race and ethnicity and meets the US diversity requirement for ISU students. The students then give a presentation on their research at the next ISCORE event. Sen. Peter Benzoni provided a plug for the event, noting his attendance at last year's NCORE in New Orleans and that he will be presenting at ISCORE March 7. "I just wanted to attest to how awesome ISCORE and NCORE are," Benzoni said. "You should all take the opportunity to attend both ISCORE and NCORE." Benzoni will present on the experiences of African-Americans on ISU campus. Benzoni brought up the university's graduation rate for African-American male athletes,

30 percent, during ISU President Leath's address to the GSB earlier this semester. Sen. Evelyn Ward said that there are many ways that social identities intercept with race and therefore, by exploring issues of race and ethnicity, other societal issues are included. "The students are what's really at the heart of this program," Williams said. "Their skills have evolved every year. The questions they're asking are deeper, the research is more thorough. And I think if you're attending those sessions, you'll be impressed with the level of conversation you'll have." The Conference on Race and Ethnicity will take place 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on March 7 at the Memorial Union. For more information, as well as a listing of all the sessions at the March 7 conference, go to iscore.iastate.edu.

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Stanley Temple is a Senior Fellow and Science Advisor with the Aldo Leopold Foundation. For more than thirty years he was the Beers-Bascom Professor in Conservation in the Department of Wildlife Ecology at University of Wisconsin-Madison, a position originally held by Aldo Leopold himself. His talk marks the centennial of the extinction of the passenger pigeon in 1914. Temple uses the case of the passenger pigeon to call attention to the world's ongoing extinction crisis and our relationship with other species.

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Editorial



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As the world puts its trust in the UN to provide essential peacekeeping missions, the organization will continue to fail in that mission time and time again until all five members can reach a unanimous decision.

Vetoes hinder progress for UN council

The charter of the United Nations points to four main purposes which the intergovernmental organization was created to achieve and maintain. The first such purpose states that the UN was founded “To maintain international peace and security.” The remaining purposes work to support this original premise.

Currently, the UN has peace-keeping missions in several countries around the world, including Syria. When it comes to the UN’s action plan on mounting issues in the Ukraine surrounding Crimea and Russian forces, however, the peacekeeping organization remains in deadlock.

It is not difficult to see what causes this gridlock. The UN’s Security Council, made up of five permanent members and 10 non-permanent member states, is charged with recognizing when there is an international threat to peace or to the security of a UN member country.

The five permanent members of the Security Council — the United States, United Kingdom, China, France and Russia — all have the power to veto any proposal that goes through the council. Even if a proposal receives the required nine votes of approval, one veto from a permanent member means the proposal will fail. Article 27 of the UN’s charter, which defines the rules of voting in the Security Council, effectively renders the council incapable of a response in scenarios that involve a permanent member’s aggressive actions.

In the case of Ukraine, that member is Russia. As the Security Council discusses the unfolding problems in Ukraine, Russia will be a major aspect of the conversation. If the Security Council were to decide that UN forces need to intervene, it would be practically assured that Russia would veto any proposal.

The UN was first established in 1945, back when only 51 member states were involved and the greatest perceived threats were another German or Japanese war effort. The UN has grown considerably since that time with 193 member states, and the sources of global unrest have likewise shifted. With these developments, it would only be beneficial for the UN to consider changing its rules involving permanent Security Council members and their veto powers.

Unfortunately, there looks to be little possibility of these rules ever changing. Since any permanent member could veto the proposal, there is realistically no way to change the current structure. This means that as the world puts its trust in the UN to provide essential peacekeeping missions, the organization will continue to fail time and time again if one of the five veto powers has their own agenda.

Even with little hope of meaningful reform in the UN, there are other potential sources of change. Regional alliances, such as the Organization of American States or the European Union could expand their purview, eventually rivaling the UN for global legitimacy. This may seem unlikely, but as the UN continues to show an outdated leadership structure that gets in the way of its founding goals, seemingly unrealistic options may begin to look more and more appealing to a weary international community.

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With many students looking for place in Ames for the next school year, housing expansion needs addressed quickly. Columnist Cummings suggests the university should collaborate with the city of Ames to resolve the lack of available housing for a growing student population.

Work together to fix housing problem

ISU, Ames must team up for off-campus living

By Kelsey.Cummings  
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The deadline for canceling housing contracts without an 80 percent penalty is now two days behind us, and the students who managed to make that deadline are letting out sighs of relief. However, it is the issue behind this strict penalty that might make students cringe: insufficient housing. And with many students now looking to secure a place in Ames for the next school year, the matter of housing expansion needs to be quickly addressed.

In last week’s reminder to students to cancel their housing contracts by the deadline, Director of the Department of Residence Peter Englin stressed the importance of students making their housing decisions quickly. If students who are not serious about living on campus another year do not decide to cancel their contracts until after the deadline is already up, students who want to live on campus have a more difficult time finding the space.

But lack of space seems to be a growing issue as Iowa State’s enrollment and the population of the Ames community continues to increase. This past fall marked the highest enrollment in Iowa State’s history, as student numbers climbed to 33,241 – a seven percent increase since fall 2012. Not only that, but last year also saw the highest number of total new freshmen enrollment to date

– 6,089 to last year’s 5,366. With all this record breaking enrollment, Iowa State is struggling to keep up.

The university has, however, made some efforts to make sure everyone who wants to live on campus is able to. Back in the fall of 2012, the Board of Regents approved an expansion of Frederiksen Court, adding an additional six apartment buildings to accommodate increased student demand. Although this did help to give students more on-campus housing options, it still was not enough to meet the needs of enrollment.

Other solutions like turning residence hall dens into dorm rooms and offering some students \$1,000 to vacate their dorms in favor of freshmen only worked for a short while. This school year, Iowa State decided to lease bedrooms in the previously non-campus apartment buildings Maricopa and Legacy. These buildings will continue to be leased for the 2014-2015 academic year, and will include some additional rooms in Maricopa-Walton. However, Iowa State’s lease on these buildings pushed out around 200 students who already had leases for these buildings.

The question is, as Iowa State enrollment is likely to continue its growth, how will the university meet the housing demands? There only seem to be three options: build new campus housing options, lease other Ames apartment buildings or turn down students once housing has reached its capacity.

Because it is highly unlikely the university would turn away college hopefuls, Iowa State must instead look to the first two options. However, both options would mean moving other Ames residents out of their homes. As proven

by Maricopa and Legacy, leasing existing apartment buildings simply favors ISU students and displaces other Ames residents. And with limited space around campus to build new dorms, Iowa State would need to look farther – ultimately extinguishing that “on campus” feeling.

This is why the city of Ames must step in to help. With Iowa State’s population making up about half of the total population of Ames, ISU students do more than their share to keep the Ames economy bustling.

In order to meet the demands of Iowa State’s high enrollment and to equally meet the demands of non-student residents looking for places to live, Iowa State and the city of Ames must work together to create adequate housing.

With both populations constantly growing, it may be time for Ames to expand. Creating additional housing spaces – whether they be apartments, condominiums, duplexes or houses – would significantly help to house both city residents and ISU students. Likewise, Iowa State would then be able to rent out existing apartment buildings near campus without the fear of displacing non-student residents. Then, the traditional dorms could be left for incoming freshmen (as seems to be the preference), and upperclassmen would have the choice to live on campus in university apartments.

Though no solution is going to come without significant cost to Iowa State or to the city of Ames, it is important that we seek to find a proper solution to the housing problem now before students are turned away not by the university, but by the lack of “campus community” on which the university so prides itself.

Letter to the editor

Hilton’s atmosphere suffers due to lack of fans

Michael Harris, junior in agricultural studies

During my three years at Iowa State University there has been revitalization in a once-dormant basketball program. What Fred Hoiberg has done in four short years can simply be described as incredible, and I will forever be proud of the fact that I had the opportunity to witness it in person. However, over the past handful of home basketball games, I’ve begun to wonder if the number of “proud” students is the vast minority in a population of predominately casual fans.

Then I remind myself that I take basketball far too seriously at times. There are many more things in life that matter more than a game, but are these things the reason that nearly all of the upper deck student section seats remain empty, even for top-25 showdowns? The simple answer is no, though priorities vary from person to person. Maybe I just tend to overestimate the amount of interest that the basketball program should spark. But other than the games against Iowa, Kansas and maybe Michigan there has been essentially zero risk of being turned away. The doors have recently begun opening for students two hours before game time,



Jonathan Krueger/Iowa State Daily  
According to Michael Harris, students are not attending basketball games at Hilton Coliseum, even against top-25 opponents. Students are given plenty of time to find seats, yet still chairs are empty.

which means a student could show up when the doors open and still get themselves a lower-bowl seat. Few arenas in the nation match the atmosphere that Hilton has to offer. Most importantly, this season’s team is among the most likeable group of individuals, as well as one of

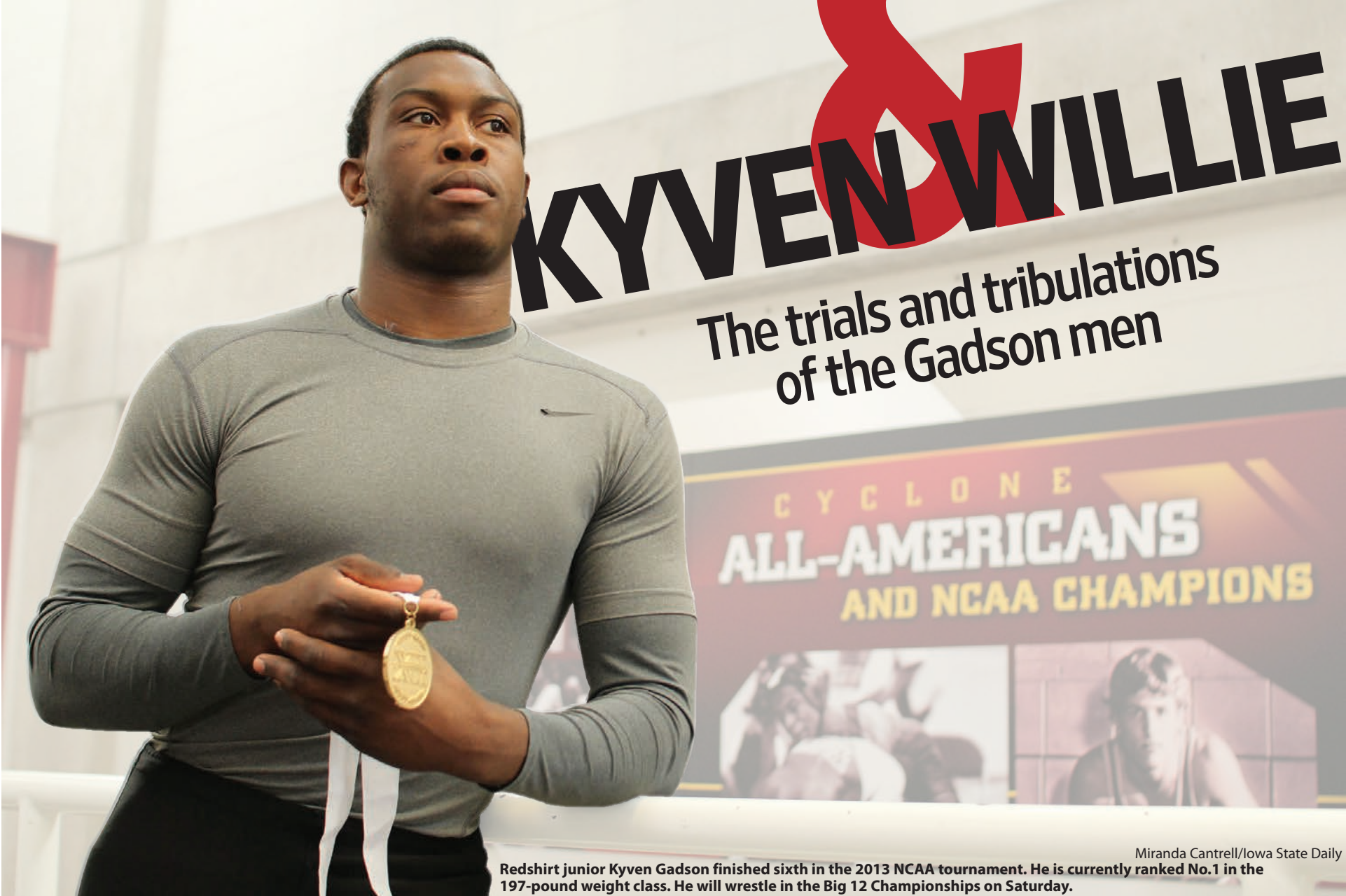
the most entertaining teams to watch in our university’s proud history. So what reason can there be for all the empty seats?

Ultimately, we may never know the real reason[s]. Excuses will continue to be made, students will continue to gobble up all the tickets,

and seats will continue to sit empty. So what will change? Will seats need to be taken away? Or will the Cyclone Alley Committee find a way to fill the seats? Because I think I speak for many students when I say that I honestly have no idea what that committee does anyway.



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Redshirt junior Kyven Gadson finished sixth in the 2013 NCAA tournament. He is currently ranked No.1 in the 197-pound weight class. He will wrestle in the Big 12 Championships on Saturday.

Miranda Cantrell/Iowa State Daily

By Beau.Berkley  
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In an empty hallway of Wells Fargo Arena at the 2009 Iowa High School State Wrestling Tournament, Kyven Gadson stood in front of his coach, desperate and dejected. He had just lost in the finals and as he looked his coach in the eye, he said, “I’ll do whatever you tell me to as long as this does not ever happen to me again.”

Kyven’s coach and father, Willie Gadson, accepted.

Willie had a father who taught him the enduring, painful lessons and trials of manhood at a young age. Willie’s father showed him what not to become.

One of four children born to Bernice and William Gadson, Willie spent the first ten years of his life — 1953-63 — working in the cotton fields of South Carolina.

The hard-nosed work ethic that would define Willie later in life was forged under the unforgiving and unrelenting South Carolina sun as he walked through row after row of cotton, harvesting the sinewy lint from boll after boll, day after day. Working hard became the norm in Willie’s young life, and nothing came easy.

His life at home was no exception.

Willie’s father was an alcoholic, and according to Willie’s wife, Denita Gadson, there was, “quite a bit of domestic abuse.” In 1963, Bernice had had enough.

She took her children and moved to Huntington, N.Y., where Willie met Lou Giani, the man that changed the course of his life.

Giani, a former Olympic wrestler, took Willie under his wing. Willie was out of the South, but what he had learned from his time in South Carolina did not leave him.

With nothing but his work ethic and the tutelage of Coach Giani, Willie began to flourish as a wrestler, but Denita says Giani and wrestling provided something more for Willie and his brother.

“When Coach Giani came to Huntington and Willie started with wrestling, that’s really when his life started to turn around,” Denita said. “And up to that point, he was kind of lost in the sense that he didn’t have direction.

“He got into a lot of things, and it’s amazing that with the kind of things that inner city kids get into, it was just amazing that he came out of New York and that he came out alive. He came out without ever having gone to jail.”

After high school, Willie went on to wrestle at Nassau Community College, compiling a 45-0 record with two national championships before coming to Iowa State and wrestling for Harold Nichols.

Willie thrived under Nichols, becoming a two time All-American and two-time Big Eight champion.

After his days as a wrestler concluded, Willie found his niche and took on his most known role: Coach Gadson.

As an assistant coach for the Cyclones from 1979-82, Willie worked with Nate Carr, one of three wrestlers in ISU history to win three national titles.

In 1992, Willie landed a job as the head coach at Eastern Michigan and led the 1995-96 team to one of the program’s best seasons by winning its first ever Mid-American Conference Championship and Willie was the Middle American Conference Coach of the Year.

When Willie left Eastern Michigan in 1997, he became an assistant coach at Iowa City High School. He became head coach of the Waterloo East High School wrestling team in 2004, where he would mentor his star pupil: his son.

tice in Iowa City in the early 1990s, as hoards of children with their replica University of Iowa singlets took to the mat like their idols, Kyven Gadson was worried about fashion.

“I would never wear the singlet,” Kyven said. “It’s one thing I would not do. They’d give you a replica Iowa singlet, and I was one of the few that refused to wear it.”

While Willie never pushed his son onto the mat, Kyven was certainly immersed in the sport from a young age. The two formed a bond that made them almost inseparable. As a young wrestler, Kyven and Willie spent countless hours in the car, listening to their favorite oldies songs on their way to tournaments.

As Kyven grew up, he began to distinguish the two sides of Willie, but sometimes Coach Gadson could make an appearance at home.

“As a kid, it was tough to break up the two into having ‘Coach Gadson’ and a dad, and we had some talks about that,” Kyven said. “But just as a dad, I always felt like he was a general-type guy, but now looking back on it, he was just someone who really cared about his family and doing what it takes to keep it going down the right path.”

Hard work and doing things right are intangibles that Willie honed, and he implemented those qualities in his children both on the mat and at home.

Willie had always threatened that if he found a spot on his dishes that he would make Kyven and his sister wash every dish in the house. Every dish.

A week later, Willie found a spot on a plate. General Gadson proceeded to remove every dish in the house, and Kyven and his sister cleaned each one of them.

“Stuff like that — that you don’t really understand as a kid, that once you get older and start maturing — it just all starts to come together and make sense,” Kyven said.

Willie’s lessons were not always clear and Kyven’s ears were not always open, but in his sophomore year of high school at state wrestling finals, Kyven opened his ears.

Under the lights of Wells Fargo Arena, on possibly the biggest stage in Iowa high school sports, Kyven was in the finals for the first time in his career. He faced a grappler from Iowa City West named Derek St. John, University of Iowa’s current reigning national champion at 157 pounds. The match did not go Kyven’s way, and he was beat by major decision.

As St. John stood in the center of the mat and had his hand raised under the lights, the dejected Kyven found himself in a back hallway, face-to-face with his father.

“I decided to listen at that point,” Kyven said.

After that moment in the back of Wells Fargo Arena when Kyven opened himself to Willie, Kyven finished his final two seasons at Waterloo East undefeated and as a two-time state champion.

After high school, there wasn’t much discussion as to where Kyven would wrestle collegiately. The same boy who had once refused to don a black-and-gold singlet was bound for Ames, same as Willie.

In 2011, Kyven made his Cyclone debut at Hilton Coliseum against Oklahoma after redshirting as a freshman. It would be his first and last match for more than a year.

Gadson injured his shoulder during the match and had surgery in December 2011. It was also around this time that Willie was making strides to improve his own health.

Still coaching the Waterloo East wrestling program, Willie had decided to drop some weight and get back into shape. While Willie was successful in his diet and workout plan, he noticed something out of the ordinary.

Willie realized he was losing weight more rapidly than he should, and his weight and strength continued to drop even after reaching his target weight loss.



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Kyven Gadson holds down Missouri’s Brett Haynes at the 2013 NCAA Championships. Gadson sealed the win with the score at 7-3. The win came shortly after his father, Willie Gadson, died.

After several health evaluations, the Gadson family got the final test results back. In March 2012, Willie was diagnosed with stage 4 lung and bone cancer.

Seven months later, a physically overweight and mentally overworked Kyven walked into the office of Kevin Jackson, Iowa State’s head wrestling coach, and sat down. He was done.

The sport he grew up around — the sport that he and Willie had bonded over his whole life — wasn’t fun anymore.

“Even at the beginning of the season, I wanted to quit,” Kyven said. “I walked into Coach Jackson’s office and said, ‘I’m not doing this anymore, this isn’t fun anymore, so what’s the point? [Willie and I] set up goals for me, and now he’s not here to watch me, so what’s the point?’”

Jackson listened to Kyven, who was struggling both mentally and physically.

“He was coming off a bunch of injuries [as well] and just wasn’t having success on the mat, and it wasn’t any fun. And if something isn’t fun, with as hard as wrestling is, it makes you not want to do it,” Jackson said. “We sat down and had that conversation, and luckily, he decided to stay with us.”

Throughout the season, Kyven was kept relatively in the dark as to the status of Willie’s health, per his father’s wishes. With every phone call, Willie would tell Kyven it was all OK, never giving the slightest hint that it was not.

Kyven’s career was just getting started in Ames, but Willie’s health was deteriorating back home. Just before the Big 12 tournament, Willie was at his worst.

“So the whole time during wrestling season, I didn’t know a whole lot, so there wasn’t a big worry,” Kyven said. “Dad’s going to do his best to fight this.”

The week before the Big 12 tournament in Stillwater, Okla., Kyven went with his family to the hospital and learned that Willie was nearing the end of his fight. The cancer was winning.

That week at practice, mentally and emotionally drained, Kyven’s head was anywhere but on wrestling. Kyven wanted to be with his dad, but Willie told him to go to Stillwater. Kyven did just that, promising to return with a first-place medal for Willie, just a piece of the lifelong puzzle the two had been working to complete.

Once at the Big 12 tournament, Kyven still did not want to be there with the knowledge his father could pass at anytime, even with his family’s blessing. After the first match of the tournament, he went to Jackson and told him he was leaving.

“His heart, his mind and his soul just wasn’t there,” Jackson said. “He broke down after that match in the locker room and said he didn’t want to be there, just like any person would in that situation.”

But Kyven stayed because that’s what Willie wanted, and he won because that’s what he told Willie he would do.

After he defeated Oklahoma State’s Blake Rosholt, Kyven let his emotions go.

“Me and Rosholt had some words, and the Oklahoma State crowd called me some choice names,” Kyven said. “I wasn’t really in a good place right after that match, and I know I had some words with Coach Jackson after that. [The coaches] kind of had to snatch me up and had to put me in my place a few times because I was so distraught in that situation.”

The ride home from Stillwater was calming for Kyven. As he sat listening to the same oldies he and Willie had listened to all those years ago on their way to wrestling tournaments, Kyven was back in the passenger seat of his dad’s car for a moment with Willie behind the wheel.

Kyven finally made it home and to his father’s side. He gave Willie the medal he had promised him.

At 11:38 a.m. on March 10, 2013, just one day after the Big 12 tournament, Willie Gadson died.

Kyven stepped onto the mat on Feb. 23, 2014, as the recognized No. 1 wrestler at 197 pounds. Across from him stood University of Minnesota’s Scott Schiller, the same wrestler who beat Kyven in the fifth-place match of the 2013 NCAA Championships just 13 days after Willie’s death.

Denita sat in the stands of Hilton Coliseum and watched her son win that match. Aside from joy, Denita felt something else as Kyven walked off the mat — admiration.

“Going into the Minnesota dual, he was [feeling] sick,” Denita said. “One thing I admire about him, and I know it is something about the way his dad trained him, is that he is not going to duck, he’s not going to make excuses and he’s not going to not show up.

“I admire that — that he put aside, that he could save his energy, that he could probably not wrestle because he might not be feeling his best ... I admire his integrity, I admire his work ethic that my husband instilled in him.”

The 2014 season has not come without trial, as for the first time in his life, Kyven entered a wrestling season without his father.

“Earlier in the season, he was really struggling with starting the year without his father,” Jackson said. “He gathered himself and kept moving forward. He’s matured as a young man, and I don’t think he’ll ever get over the fact that he’s lost his dad at such a young age, but he’s where he needs to be to do something special.”

As the Big 12 tournament nears, Kyven is ranked No. 1 in a sport ruled by the ferocious, the fast and the strong. But Kyven’s strength, just like Willie’s, is not the type that can be built in the weight room or on the mat, for it can only be learned and taught by coaches and fathers.

And the lessons for that type of strength never come easy.

At a Hawkeye Kids Club wrestling prac-



# SAM BLUSKE: Leader of the pack

By Chris.Wolff  
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Sam Bluske found herself in the middle of the pack of the 5000-meter run at the Big 12 Championship.

Bethanie Brown, her freshman teammate and a cross-country All-American, was up in the front of the pack, battling with Olivia Mickle of the University of Texas.

As the race progressed, Brown would take the lead. Then a few laps later, Mickle would recover the lead. All the while, Bluske ran back in fifth place, just biding her time and staying relaxed.

The redshirt senior and team captain kept her sights on the leaders, watching as Brown and Mickle pushed the pace, just to make sure the head of the pack was always within her striking distance.

“With 800-meters to go, I realized that I felt really good ... and I was like, ‘Heck, I have a chance to win this if I play it right,’” Bluske said. “With 600 [meters] to go, I had moved up to third and Coach [Andrea Grove-McDonough] was like screaming at me to make sure I had my move, and with 350 [meters to go], I knew I had enough, and I just put my head down and ran as hard as I could that last 350 meters.”

While Brown began to run out of gas and would ultimately finish in sixth place, Bluske only seemed to grow stronger. She tracked down Mickle and rode in her hip pocket for a while before out-kicking her down the final stretch.

“Coach [Grove-McDonough] has really made me realize I have the kick, which I never thought I had before,” Bluske said. “When I jogged to the line at the start she was like, ‘Hey, you have the kick,’ and I did.”

Bluske outlasted and out-kicked her way to a Big 12 Championship title in the 5000-meter race, the first of her career.

“She is such a great closer, so we had a lot of faith in that,” said Grove-McDonough. “I didn’t necessarily know she was going to win it, but that was some great icing on the cake. It took a 16-second



Courtesy of ISU Athletics  
**Redshirt senior Sam Bluske won a Big 12 Championship title in the 5000-meter race, a career first. For most of the race, she was in the middle of the pack, a frequent place in her career.**

personal record to do it, but what a great moment to do something like that.”

The way Bluske ran the race personified her time at Iowa State. While the headliners battled out in front for everybody to see, Bluske remained a steady, consistent presence in the middle of the pack, just waiting for her time. Just waiting to make her move.

Bluske is a team captain for the ISU women’s track and field team this season, a decision she said she never expected when she first arrived on campus as a transfer from Illinois State. However, Bluske would ultimately grow into a model athlete at Iowa State.

“Being a team captain is probably one of the most rewarding experiences I have had,” Bluske said. “If you look back at my last few years, honestly, I don’t think many people expected this to happen because on paper I was not the favorite at all.”

But then again, Bluske has never really been the favorite. She always seemed

to be overshadowed. Bluske was always a steady background presence, but never the headliner.

Still, Bluske went to work every day, and this year, as a team captain, she began to see that work pay dividends.

At the Big 12 Championships, Bluske saw all of her work culminate into a Big 12 Championship title by doing what she has always done: putting her head down and going to work.

“I think showing the younger girls that if you go to practice working hard every single day and committing yourself, like no matter how many things go against you, as long as you keep believing in yourself and your teammates and your coaching, anything is possible,” Bluske said.

Katy Moen, a redshirt junior on the team, finished just behind Bluske and Mickle in third place. Moen said it was hard to put into words how much Bluske meant to the team as an athlete everybody looked up to during the season.

“I think it showed all of our hard work paying off, especially Sam who has worked so hard the past couple years, and it was finally her time to shine,” Moen said. “Sam is definitely a leader by example, a leader by compassion, and just taking us all under her wing. She has the captain title, but to us, it goes beyond that.”

Grove-McDonough, who helped Bluske realize she had the kick necessary to win a Big 12 Championship down the stretch, echoed Moen’s take on how valuable Bluske was to the team, not just as an athlete, but as a leader and a teammate.

“I actually think that almost everybody on the team, if they were asked who they would pick to win a championship at this meet, who it would mean the most to, I think everybody would have said Sam and everybody would have been the happiest for Sam,” Grove-McDonough said.

Suddenly, Bluske, the team captain and model athlete, had moved from the background to a headliner, not only on the team, but also in the Big 12 Conference.

Bluske has thrived as team captain, and it showed throughout the season. After leading her team this season, her teammates got to look up to her once again.

This time, they were looking up at Bluske standing on the top of the podium with a Big 12 Championship medal around her neck.

Still, Bluske deflected all of her individual attention and success back to her teammates, the university and the program that means everything to her.

“I’m just really happy to be able to represent Iowa State that way because the university and the program has given so much to me and so many opportunities, and to be able to do this for them ... It’s not really for myself ... it’s for my team, but it just means so much,” Bluske said.

Bluske’s time in the spotlight had just begun, and yet she was already focused on drifting back into the background.

Drifting back to the middle of the pack, where she bides her time, keeping herself in striking distance until she needs to make her move yet again.

## Women’s basketball looks forward in postseason play

By Alex.Gookin  
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As the buzzer sounded in Hilton Coliseum for the final time in regular season for the ISU women’s basketball team, the scoreboard read Baylor 70, Iowa State 54. The result was not

what the team had hoped for, but the smiles throughout Hilton showed the season is not yet over.

As the team’s three seniors were announced and gave their speeches, the thought that they might get one more game in Hilton as a host of the first and sec-

ond rounds of the NCAA tournament makes a loss to No. 9 Baylor sting less.

ISU coach Bill Fennelly spent time answering questions about the loss before turning his focus to the Big 12 tournament and saying there would be no looking back now.

“The regular season is over, we’re 20-9, we’re proud of what we did, and now the Big 12 tournament is a totally separate entity,” Fennelly said. “If it’s one game or three games, we’ll enjoy the experience.”

The Cyclones drew the No. 5 seed in the tournament and will face No. 4 seed Oklahoma State at 11:05 a.m. March 8 in Oklahoma City. Iowa State split the regular season series with Oklahoma State, each winning on the road.

The ISU squad will play the equivalent of a road game with the Oklahoma State’s campus only an hour from the Big 12 tournament host site in Oklahoma City — a travel time only longer than that for the Oklahoma Sooners. Iowa State will have the second farthest distance to travel, making the 580-mile trek.

However, travel doesn’t seem to affect the

“It will be a great experience for our kids, and we are looking forward to going down there and playing”

Bill Fennelly, ISU head coach

Cyclones very much. The team finished with a better record on the road in Big 12 play (5-4) than in the friendly confines of Hilton Coliseum (4-5). Iowa State will have only two practices to prepare for the Cowgirls, but the team says they feel ready after their last meeting.

“It’s really fresh in our minds, knowing that we just played them,” said senior forward Hallie Christofferson. “[Just] like

we did down there, just try to hit shots and rebound and see what happens.”

The Cowgirls are coming off a regular season where they finished 22-7 (11-7 Big 12) and head into the tournament ranked No. 18 in the AP Poll.

Fennelly said this tournament will be as tough as it’s ever been and has talked all season about the Big 12’s strength from top to bottom. Calling it the “best conference in the nation,” Fennelly is excited to see what the tournament brings.

“That’s what’s fun about this league: You’re in the quarterfinals of the Big 12 tournament and you’re playing a top-20 team,” Fennelly said of Oklahoma State. “The ‘March Madness,’ the Big 12 tournament — it will be a great experience for our kids, and we are looking forward to going down there and playing.”



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**Senior forward Hallie Christofferson shoots a jump shot during Iowa State’s 69-62 loss to Oklahoma State Jan. 11. Christofferson has scored double figures in every game this season.**



# ISU choirs prepare for showcases

By Devin.Wilmott  
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Founded by James Rodde in fall of 2000, The Iowa Statesmen is the university's only male choir. The Statesmen will showcase this semester's repertoire at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in Martha-Ellen Tye Recital Hall in Music Hall.

"The Statesmen have a really diverse song lineup this year, and we're very excited to perform it," said Alex Tinguely, senior in physics and fourth-year Statesmen member.

The ensemble will be singing a variety of pieces ranging from classical and spiritual to a favorite from "The Lion King."

"Most students haven't attended choir concerts before, at least not at the collegiate level, so they might be hesitant to go," Tinguely said. "But I think students would be really impressed with the quality of our and most concerts."

The 130-voice Statesmen rehearse for at least three hours each week with members from all different fields of study across Iowa State. Under the direction of Rodde, these students come together to present a memorable concert for their diverse audience.

The choir participates in various performances through-

**"Most students haven't attended choir concerts before, at least not at the collegiate level."**

Alex Tinguely, Statesmen member



The Iowa Statesmen choir prepares for a concert. The Statesmen will perform a new lineup at 1:30 p.m. Sunday. "The Statesmen have a really diverse song lineup this year, and we're very excited to perform it," said Alex Tinguely. The Cantamus choir will also perform Sunday after the Statesmen.

out the year which specialize in traditional and contemporary literature.

In 2006, The Statesmen performed at the Intercollegiate Men's Choruses' National Seminar in Eau Claire, Wis.

On April 20, the choir, joined with students from other ISU choirs, will journey to Carnegie Hall in New York City to present material that will be performed at the annual Masterworks concert

April 26.

The Masterworks concert brings all students from the choir department together to sing works that will leave its audience in awe. The headlined piece, "Dona Nobis Pacem" by Vaughan Williams, is a 68-page score accompanied with an orchestra. The ISU choir department is excited to come together and present this piece along with other works to the ISU community.

Cantamus, another one of the four major choral ensembles at Iowa State, is an all-women choir selected by audition. Directed by Kathleen Rodde, the ensemble received many opportunities to present solo performances for many North Central American Choral Directors Association conferences.

Cantamus will also have an opportunity to showcase their material after the Statesmen at

4:30 p.m. Sunday in Martha-Ellen Tye Recital Hall.

The audience will hear the calming sounds of "Northern Lights" by Eriks Esenvalds and upbeat tempo of "Spirituals" by Stacey Gibbs.

Tickets for both Statesmen and Cantamus concerts are \$5 for the public and \$3 for students. Tickets for the annual Masterworks concert on April 26 have yet to be announced.

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Across

1 Elementary fellow?

7 Chief Osceola riding Renegade introduces its home games: Abbr.

10 Daddy

14 Longtime Hawaiian senator Daniel

15 Ottowan interjections

16 Woeful cry

17 \*Large emigration

19 Frisks, with "down"

20 Asian holiday

21 Letter-shaped fastener

22 Land at Orly?

23 Confederate

24 \*Lunchbox item

26 Smallish crocodilians

28 Portal toppers

29 100-eyed giant of myth

30 Word of greeting

31 Points a finger at

32 \*I'll Be There for You" on "Friends," e.g.

36 \_\_\_ date

38 Levy

39 Brought about

43 Southeast Asian honey lover

45 Oporto native, e.g.

47 \*Children's literature VIP

49 Brandy label

letters

50 Cream of the crop

51 CNBC topics

52 Breadbasket, so to speak

53 Director Gus Van \_\_\_

54 \*Daily Planet setting

57 Palm smartphone

58 Celebratory poem

59 Valuable lump

60 Bldg. annex

61 Beersheba's land: Abbr.

62 Word that can follow five prefixes hidden sequentially in the answers to starred clues

Down

1 "Tell \_\_\_": 1962-'63 hit

2 Winning steadily

3 Get clobbered

4 It's not an option

5 Observe

6 Church maintenance officer

7 Disgusted

8 Back-and-forth flights

9 Navy hull letters

10 Empty threat

11 Afraid

12 Platoon activities

13 Look over carefully

18 Burden

22 X, sometimes

23 \_\_\_ Victor

24 Window part

25 Silver opening?

27 Remote control

30 Spell

33 Floride, par example

34 Many couples

35 Cub or Card

36 Simpleton

37 Like some loose-leaf paper

40 Reveal

41 More to one's liking

42 Plastic \_\_\_ Band

43 Cuarenta winks?

44 Tongue suffix

45 "Click \_\_\_ Ticket": road safety slogan

46 Quantum gravity particles

48 More timely

52 Painter van \_\_\_

54 French pronoun

55 \_\_\_ tent

56 CPA's office, perhaps

Horoscope by Linda Black

Today's Birthday (3/6/14)

Nurture creative collaborations this year. Stick to basics, revising strategies, infrastructure and action plans for efficiency. Work chugs along, while you focus on fun, home, friends and kids from now to August. Romance lights up the summer, and autumn launches your career to a new level. Balance work and play. Grow happiness by focusing on what you love.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is a 7 – A schedule conflict could disrupt travels. Jupiter goes direct today, for the next eight months. Working with others gets easier. The money for home improvements becomes available. Whip up a feast and invite everyone, to celebrate.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is a 7 – You do best working through others, and your investments do especially well. Loved ones provide support, and the route becomes obvious. Consider consequences before issuing words or actions.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Today is a 7 – There's plenty of work over the next eight months, with Jupiter direct. Prosper with a partner's help. Romance is getting easier, too. Get the house the way you want it. A financial matter moves forward now.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Today is a 6 – Friends provide decisive leadership over the next eight months. Love, prosperity and home improvements grow. Make plenty of time for play. Move forward with an agreement. Adapt to another's preferences. Cut frills.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is a 7 – Turn down an invitation to go out. Advance a work project. Make sure you know what's required. It's easier to learn over the next eight months. Love and money come easier, too.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 6 – It's easier to concentrate, communicate with clarity, and take powerful strides in projects at home and work, now that Jupiter's direct. Study your course and handle practical details before leaping into action.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is a 5 – It's easier to advance and make money now. Finish old projects to clear space for new enthusiasms. Get your partner involved. Have your home support your passion.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is a 7 – New information handles an issue. Projects that were delayed move forward, with Jupiter direct. Finances and romance grow with greater ease. Take slow, measured steps. Dance with your subject silently. Create a little mystery.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a 7 – Take it one step at a time. For the next eight months with Jupiter direct, your dreams seem prophetic, and it's easier to get whatever you want. Stash away as much as possible. Speak only the truth.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is a 7 – Cash flow improves. Career advancement gets easier (and more fun), with Jupiter direct for the next eight months. Do your homework, and don't over-extend. Keep expenses low. Celebrate with creature comforts at home.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today is a 6 – Money may be tight today, but savings grows over the next eight months with Jupiter direct. Travel and new projects go well. Advance a level, as you meet important people. Let your partner lead. Share good food and home pleasures.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Today is a 6 – Discuss ways to keep costs down. Group efforts make significant gains. For the next eight months with Jupiter direct, get farther than expected. Personal and professional goals advance with ease. Upgrade your communications infrastructure.

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