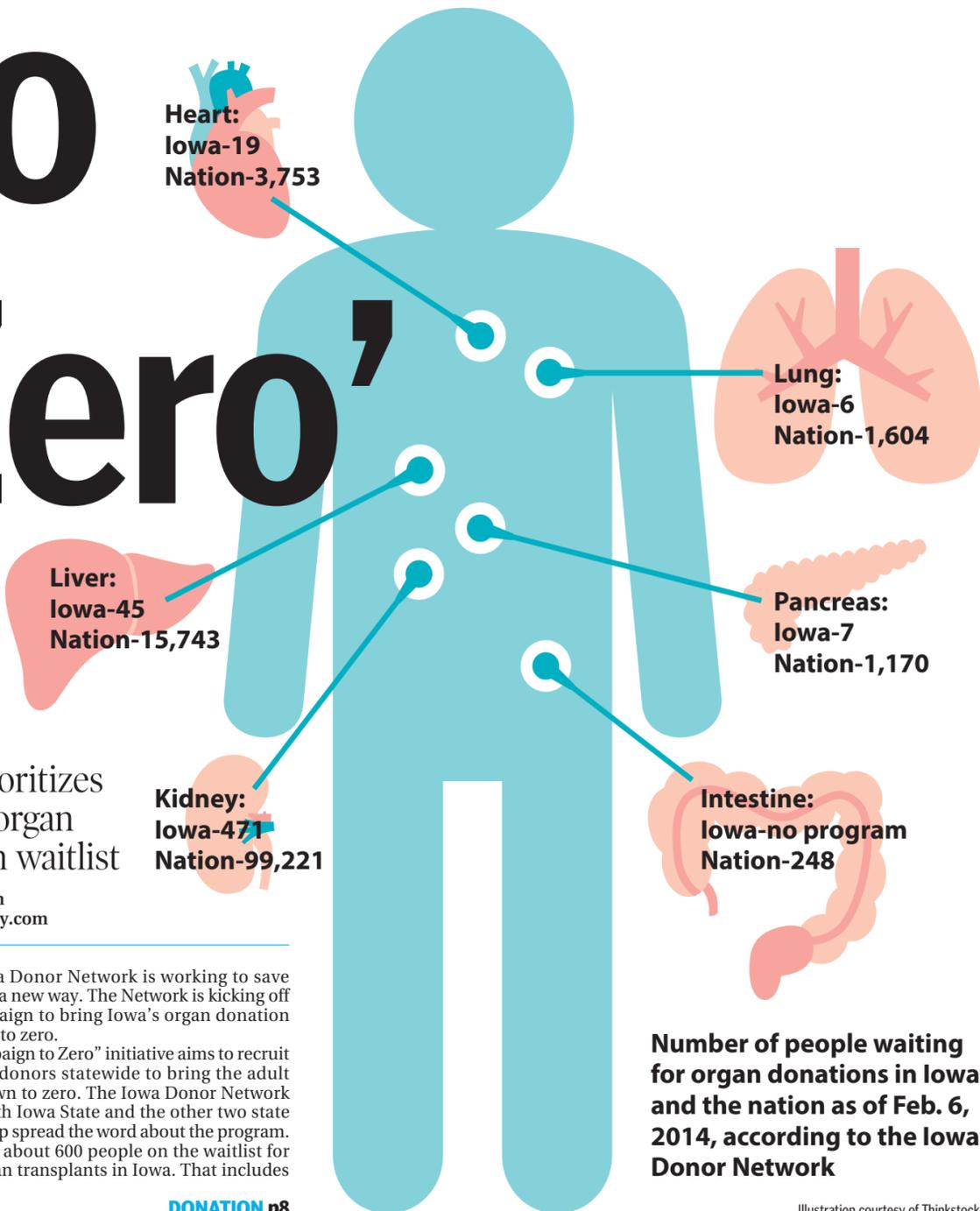


'Campaign to Zero'



Iowa prioritizes shorter organ donation waitlist

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The Iowa Donor Network is working to save lives in a new way. The Network is kicking off a campaign to bring Iowa's organ donation waitlist to zero.

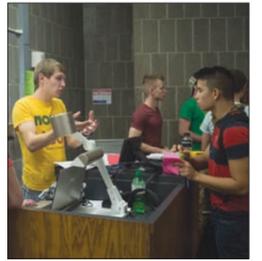
The "Campaign to Zero" initiative aims to recruit enough organ donors statewide to bring the adult waiting list down to zero. The Iowa Donor Network will partner with Iowa State and the other two state schools and help spread the word about the program.

"There are about 600 people on the waitlist for life-saving organ transplants in Iowa. That includes

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Number of people waiting for organ donations in Iowa and the nation as of Feb. 6, 2014, according to the Iowa Donor Network

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NORML ISU President Paul Gerlich, junior in software engineering, talks to new members after the first NORML meeting. On Wednesday the first NORML meeting took place in 101 Carver Hall.

NORML responds to motion to dismiss

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NORML ISU members have responded to Iowa State's motion to dismiss the freedom of speech lawsuit filed by two ISU students in July.

The lawsuit stems from a January 2013 change in university trademark policy. The change resulted in NORML ISU not being allowed to use ISU trademark logos on their club T-shirts.

Juniors Paul Gerlich and Erin Furligh, president and vice president of NORML ISU, respectively, filed a suit against President Steven Leath, Leesha Zimmerman, trademark office program coordinator, Tom Hill, senior vice president for student affairs, and Warren Madden, senior vice president for business and finance, in July.

Iowa State filed a motion in U.S. district court on Sept. 4 to have the case dismissed.

"I was told [the motion] was expected and it wasn't a big deal," said Eric Cooper, NORML ISU faculty adviser.

NORML, an organization that advocates for marijuana law reform, has had an ISU chapter since 2012. The group's T-shirts featured ISU trademark logos until complaints arose after a student wearing a NORML ISU shirt was featured in a photo in the Des Moines Register.

ISU administrators argued that the T-shirts gave the impression the university endorsed reform in marijuana law.

"Obviously we still think those T-shirts were perfectly all right," Gerlich said. "They were approved in the first place, so we don't see any problem with them."

The lawsuit was one of four filed in July coordinated by the Foundation of Individual Rights in Education, a Philadelphia-based free speech advocate.

According to Katie Barrows, communication coordinator for the foundation, the plaintiffs will be filing an opposition to Iowa State's motion to dismiss on Monday.

"That document will include contain the legal arguments explaining why the NORML students have a valid claim," Barrows said.

Keith Bystrom, associate council at Iowa State, said the motion to dismiss was a typical legal practice. He expects a decision by the judge in the next 30 to 60 days.

"We don't have any expectations," Bystrom said. "But we certainly hope that the judge will agree with us."

Bystrom said the judge is allowed to dismiss portions of the lawsuit while upholding others.

"It would be very difficult and unlikely to get the entire case dismissed at this point," Bystrom said.

Gerlich said he was upset the situation has taken so long to be resolved.

"We shouldn't have to use any of our resources or efforts to try and do anything with these T-shirts," Gerlich said. "We just want to move on. We're getting unfair treatment."

ISU student claims Miss Rodeo Iowa title

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Graduation isn't the only ceremony that will be celebrated in the months ahead for ISU senior Hannah Hilsabeck.

Hilsabeck will be graduating in December, but her title as a college graduate will swiftly transition to the title of Miss Rodeo Iowa 2015.

The pageant queen will get the chance to travel more than 30,000 miles across the state and country to promote the sport of rodeo and Iowa's western heritage. Along the journey, she will speak at many schools and hospitals in addition to attending several media interviews.

Most importantly, Hilsabeck will participate in numerous rodeos, which will give her a chance to showcase her love and passion for horses.

"Horses are kind of like people with their different personalities; you can get along with some really well," Hilsabeck said. "I grew up being infatuated with horses and agriculture but I didn't actually realize it was agriculture at the time."

That was changed for Hilsabeck once she entered Winterset High School and met her agricul-



Thomas Huhnke/Iowa State Daily
Hannah Hilsabeck, senior in animal science, was recently named Miss Rodeo 2015 for the state of Iowa. She will travel around Iowa promoting the sport of rodeo.

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Weather

FRIDAY
Patchy morning fog clearing. Partly sunny. Winds S 5-15, gusting to 20 mph. **80**
67

SATURDAY
A chance of morning thunderstorms. Otherwise, partly sunny. **81**
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SUNDAY
Mostly sunny and pleasant. No signs of rain during the day or night. **72**
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Weather provided by ISU Meteorology Club.

Police Blotter

The information in the log comes from the ISU and City of Ames police departments' records.

All those accused of violating the law are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Sept. 8

An individual reported losing a passport at Memorial Union (reported at 3:36 p.m.).

121 (reported at 2:51 p.m.).

An individual with a bow and arrows was asked to leave the area at Lot G5 (reported at 6:47 p.m.).

Sept. 9

An individual reported damage to an elevator door at Maple Hall (reported at 5:16 p.m.).

An individual reported damage to a vehicle at Lot 112C (reported at 9:59 p.m.).

An officer initiated a drug related investigation at Armory (reported at 5:42 p.m.).

Sept. 12

An officer checked the welfare of an individual who was possibly experiencing emotional difficulties at Birch Hall (reported at 7:06 p.m.).

William Gallaher, 18, of 2590 Helser Hall, Ames, was arrested and charged with public intoxication at Ash Avenue and Lincoln Way (reported at 1:08 a.m.).

Sept. 11

Carlos Casas-Cantu, 44, of 3008 West St., Ames, was arrested and charged with public intoxication at West Street and Woodland Avenue (reported at 2:11 a.m.).

Nicholas Knotec-Wangberg, 19, of C104 Friley Hall, Ames, was arrested and charged with serious assault at Friley Hall (reported at 1:41 a.m.).

Kyler Vande Berg, 21, of 839 Dickinson Ave., Apartment 6, Ames, was cited for fifth degree theft at Lot 50 (reported at 9:00 a.m.).

An individual reported a bank related fraud at 1200 block of Walton Drive (reported at 1:02 pm.).

An individual reported the theft of a tool at Schilleter Village (reported at 12:48 p.m.).

An officer investigated a property damage collision at Lot



Danielle Ferguson/Iowa State Daily

Study Abroad Center hosts fair to inform students

The Study Abroad Fair took place Thursday in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union. More than 350 programs in 55 countries are offered by the Study Abroad Center. Different programs are available, including some offered with partnered universities.



Korrie Bysted/Iowa State Daily

Campustown Action Association hosts social

Anne Taylor, owner of Dogtown and president of the Campustown Action Association speaks at their September social on Sept. 18 at Welch Ave. Station. She said "It's board turnover time and we have a lot of fresh minds to continue working on the revitalization of our community."

Indian Students Association hosts culture night in MU

By Danielle.Ferguson@iowastatedaily.com

The Indian Students Association welcomes all to attend a night of singing, dancing, food and culture.

Sanskriti is an annual ISU event that provides the ISU community a chance to experience Indian culture through music and art.

All are welcome to attend the event and participate in the activities, said Apoorva Acharya with the group.

"We want to inform people about our culture," she said.

Indian food such as samosa, a fried or baked pastry with a savory filling, will be served after the event for those in attendance.

Sanskriti is from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesday in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union. The event is free and open to the public.

'It's On Us' launches nationally; local campaign to come to ISU

By Makayla.Tendall@iowastatedaily.com

The White House will launch the national "It's On Us" sexual assault prevention campaign Friday.

The goal of the campaign is to better equip college campuses with the knowledge and resources to prevent and handle sexual assault cases.

Hillary Kletscher, president of the Government of the Student Body, said she participated in a conference call with 800 other student government leaders across the country Tuesday night.

The purpose of the campaign is to create a sense of responsibility for all students to prevent sexual assault and recognize situations during which they should intervene.

Each public university will have a localized campaign.

Online Content

NEWS

How to be an organ donor

After reading the Daily's front page story on organ donations in Iowa, take a look at the Daily's website for more information. Online and on the app, readers can find steps to become an organ donor.

NORML

Developments in legal case at ISU

Iowa State filed a motion to dismiss the lawsuit against it for infringing on the first amendment rights of NORML ISU. After reading the Daily's coverage in print, check out the website for a timeline to help explain the case.

SPORTS

Cy-Hawk standings before this weekend

Iowa and Iowa State have competed in two Cy-Hawk events so far this year. The Cyclones have won both the football game and soccer match. This weekend is volleyball's turn.

For a full list of Cy-Hawk results and future dates, check the Daily's app or website.

CAMPUS

IRHA talks new residence hall and budget

Check out the Daily's website for an overview of what happened at IRHA's meeting Thursday night.

SOCCER

ISU women set to play Drake

The ISU soccer team is set to take on in-state rival Drake this weekend. For a preview of the match and what ISU coach Tony Minatta will emphasize heading into game, check out the website.

Corrections

In Thursday's article "Iowa Music Store to host grand opening," it was reported Nova Labs was based out of the Quad Cities. That was incorrect. Nova Labs is based in Ames. The Daily regrets the errors.

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The 2014 Ames invitational was renamed in honor of Timothy Jenks. He was remembered at the meet Thursday, as his actions and attitude toward life were admired by all who knew him. Ryan Young/Iowa State Daily

Meet named in Jenks' honor

By Kyle Heim
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Unlike previous Ames Middle School cross country invitational, Thursday's meet began with a moment of silence.

This year's Ames invitational was renamed the Timothy Jenks Memorial Invitational to remember Jenks, an Ames High School student who was killed in a cycling accident last June.

The accident occurred when Jenks accidentally touched his wheel to the rear wheel of a cyclist. After the contact, Jenks' bike was struck by an oncoming sport utility vehicle that was passing the cyclists in a no-passing zone.

Tonja Goodwin, Ames Middle School girl's cross country coach, presented Jenks' parents, William and Cynthia, with a framed photo of their son and explained the meaning behind changing the meet's name to honor Timothy during a ceremony prior to the start of the meet.

"He always wanted to run hills and he always wanted to run hills at [Iowa

State]. That's why this [is] pretty special," Goodwin said. "After he passed away, we decided that this would be a really good way to honor him and to get kids to think about running and athletics, and just to be a good person like he was."

Goodwin said Jenks would have been at the finish line cheering on all of his teammates.

She added that Jenks always had a positive attitude and always wanted the best for everyone. His positive attitude during practices and meets with the cross country team was no different from his attitude in the classroom.

"I didn't actually have him as a student, but I had his sister and all of the friends they had," Goodwin said. "All of the people they hung out with were exactly the same. [Jenks] was a great student, he tried really hard at everything he did and helped others when they were in need. His character in the hallways was the same as it is out [on the course]."

Jenks was a triathlete; he loved to swim, bike and run. In school, Goodwin

said he was very interested in science.

Goodwin knew Jenks during the two and a half years he spent at Ames Middle School. Jenks and his sister both ran cross country, and both teams practiced and worked together.

Goodwin said she most remembers his smile, his laugh and the fact that he always wanted to run hills.

Jenks' middle school cross country coach, Matt Mattocks, said he was a very supportive and wonderful part of the team.

Mattocks said Jenks' optimism, outlook on life and how Jenks tackled everything that came his way was what stood out most to him.

"[Renaming the meet after him] is the least we could do to honor a great young man," Mattocks said.

Jenks' hobbies were not just limited to running.

"He was in every type of music and he was into soccer," Mattocks said. "It really was endless, the things that he did."

Jenks shares a special place on the cross

country team and within Ames Middle School. He was someone to whom his peers looked up and he always wanted the best for his teammates and class-

mates.

"He was the greatest leader I've worked with yet, and he just was a model all-around, a great guy," Mattocks said.

Ames Middle School ordered a framed cross country jersey and two photos of Jenks, which will hang in the athletic hallway at the school.

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Physicist to speak at Stephens Auditorium

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A celebrity in the world of theoretical physicists, Michio Kaku, will visit Iowa State on Friday to speak about how science affects daily lives.

Kaku is the Henry Semat professor of theoretical physics at the City College of New York, a prestigious position in the world of theoretical physics.

Kaku has traveled all across the country sharing his expertise through TV appearances, lectures and his book. He will present his lecture, "How Science Will Revolutionize Business, Medicine, Jobs and Life," to students at 7 p.m. in Stephens Auditorium.

The presentation is open to all students, faculty, staff and the entire Ames community. Dr. Kaku's

speech is the kickoff event of Engineering Week.

"I can't believe he will be here in person," said Scott Rowekamp, freshman in chemical engineering.

Rowekamp said he is excited because he has seen his shows, and believes Dr. Kaku is a very influential person.

The goal of Iowa State's Engineers' Week is to involve all College of Engineering students, faculty, staff and alumni in a celebration of engineering.

The week will provide students the opportunity to interact with peers, faculty and company representatives in both a professional and social manner. It is also designed to educate the public about engineering and provide service to the community.

A charity run, intramural games, the Engineer Career Fair, lunches on

campus and high school senior visitations are also planned during Engineering Week.

Kaku attended Princeton, Berkeley and Harvard and has also written a number of textbooks on the quantum field theory and string theory.

He is best known for his efforts in developing the string theory, which theorizes that one-dimensional objects called strings replace particles of matter.

Maclean Potts, general co-chairman of Engineers' Week 2014, said they chose Kaku because of "his relevance to contemporary topics in science and their application to future business and other aspects of life."

Kaku is recognized by his celebrity status and would help draw an engaged audience, Potts said. Students may recog-



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Travis Taylor from Rocket City Rednecks on the National Geographic Channel spoke to students at Stephens Auditorium on Sept. 20, 2013. This year, the speaker will be Dr. Michio Kaku, a celebrity physicist.

nize Kaku from his many appearances on TV. He can be seen regularly on the Science Channel and has appeared on the History Channel, "Good Morning America," "Larry King Live," "60 Minutes," Fox News Channel and others.

The College of Engineering hopes that stu-

dents will be able to walk away from the lecture understanding the connection between modern science and human progress, Potts said.

The college also wants to bring science not only to engineering students, but the general community as well. Scientists and

engineers play a key role in creating and maintaining our quality of life through innovations like medical technology, Potts said.

"It looks like a great opportunity for all students, not just those involved with science," said Sarah Probst, an open option freshman.

Ames organization to update transportation plan

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The Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization is encouraging Ames residents to get involved with improving transportation in the city and surrounding area.

The organization is updating its 25-year transportation plan this year with the Ames Mobility 2040 plan. It is required to update its 25-year transportation plans for the area every five years.

The organization is starting to gather input for the plan through public engagement, which would

begin in fall 2015.

"We're planning the comprehensive regional transportation system and this could cover every aspect of transportation in our region," said Tony Filippini, transportation planner for the organization.

For the next 14 months, a new website will be the home for both updates and feedback for the new project.

The website has resources, such as a map tool for people to pinpoint and give comments on areas to which they would like to have more attention drawn, an opportunity to be put on an email update

list, a calendar of events and a link to the virtual town hall.

The website has a section that shows top questions asked of the organization and provides answers.

"One of the things we'll see with the Ames-Mobility2040.com website [is the] virtual town hall," Filippini said. "This will allow anyone to go online and participate in topics, give ideas and suggestions and [have] short conversations with people throughout the Ames community."

The organization and Iowa State are partners in both this process and all regional planning efforts. They are using advertise-

ments to hopefully get ISU students, faculty and staff involved.

"I think [transportation] is good so far. I live in the Towers, so the buses could maybe come closer together but so far that's good. It's pretty productive, pretty smooth running," said Cara Plescia, freshman in psychology.

Plescia also said that bicyclists riding quickly through campus concern her.

Beth Neuhaus, senior in child, adult and family services, also said bicyclists' speeds concern her.

"I get really nervous with the bicyclists because I feel like they are going to

get hit with the buses while they are driving down the side of them," Neuhaus said.

She also agreed that there should be more buses.

"I've noticed with the Orange 23 that they pack as many people as they can on them and people have to wait for them," Neuhaus said.

Linda Behrer, senior in construction engineering, said a separate lane for bicyclists and better-timed bus arrivals could better improve transportation.

"I realize that just coming out of class, there is maybe three Orange buses that come by at once and

there won't be another one for maybe 15 or 20 minutes," Behrer said.

Since March 2003, the Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization has been the regional transportation planning group for the city of Ames, the city of Gilbert and portions of Story and Boone counties.

"We plan to be fully engaged with the community throughout this process, so I encourage people to take a look at the site and get signed up and become engaged in this process," Filippini said.

To receive updates and provide input on the new process, go to the organization's new website.

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Tenants should take the initiative and learn about their rights as renters. They should also communicate with their landlords so problems get fixed.

Tenants must talk to owners

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Tenants have legal rights to which they are entitled when it comes to living in apartments. Landlords have a responsibility to their tenants to make sure that they live in a clean and safe environment, such as a mold-free living space and functioning air conditioners and windows.

But it is also important to realize that the tenant has a responsibility to the landlord to immediately contact him or her after an issue occurs or is discovered. From personal experience, I have found that some forms of communication are more effective than others.

Sending emails has its advantages and disadvantages. Emails are a great way to keep records of correspondence between landlord and tenant, especially if a legal issue surfaces. A downside to using emails is that they may not be noticed or answered in a timely matter, but it all depends

on both parties.

The possibilities of drawing immediate attention to issues are higher through phone communication, but there isn't always a record of what was said between parties and there is a chance that your call will go to voicemail more often than you would like.

Before a tenant is even able to move in, a rental agreement is drawn up and signed by both parties involved. In the agreement everything should be laid out clearly for the tenant to understand.

The rental agreement contains information regarding for what the landlord and tenant are responsible and of what the tenant should be aware while the apartment is leased.

You will most likely see a clause for the term of the tenancy, or length of the rental, in a rental agreement. Agreements should state the amount of rent due each month and when the rent is due to the landlord.

There are other general clauses that the agreement

should mention to the tenant, like the condition of the rental unit. The landlord must "make all repairs and do whatever is necessary to put and keep the premises in a fit and habitable condition; keep all common areas of the premises in a clean and safe condition; maintain in good and safe working order and condition all electrical, plumbing, sanitary, heating, ventilating, air-conditioning and other facilities and appliances, including elevators, supplied or required to be supplied by the landlord," according to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

There are more than 30 property managers to choose from that have off-campus apartments, according to ISU Department of Residence's website. These apartments are not managed by the university. The apartments that are managed by Iowa State are Legacy, Frederiksen Court, Maricopa-Walton, Schilletter and University Village apartments.

People living in these apartments were given a

survey to fill out in February to give the housing department an idea of how the tenants' living experience was. A similar survey was given out to residents living in apartments not managed by the Ames Rental Association.

It was the Government of the Student Body that headed the survey up. According to an article published by the Daily, GSB wished to partner with the Ames Rental Association to better understand the living conditions tenants deal with in these apartments.

There is potential for progress to be made in improving tenants' living situation in Ames, especially if surveys are given out to tenants more frequently. Problems with apartments such as mold and broken windows cannot be addressed if no one is made aware of the situation.

By the use of continuous communication between tenant and landlord and the completion of annual or biannual surveys, issues will be addressed and the living experience will be better for all.

EDITORIAL



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During the Miss America pageant, a question concerning Janay Rice, Ray Rice's wife, sparked controversy and provoked discussions about domestic abuse.

Don't condemn abuse victims for life choices

Recently, the spotlight has been focused on the NFL and the domestic violence disputes that have been coming out about football players abusing their significant others, or in some cases their children. This year at the Miss America pageant, one of the questions asked was whether or not former Ravens running back Ray Rice's wife should have stayed with him after he hit her in an elevator.

This question seemed out of place in a Miss America pageant. There are many questions that could be asked, such as why the NFL is backing abusers or if there is a common trait among abusers. The wrong question to ask is whether or not the woman who was abused should stay with her abuser.

Miss Florida answered the question with a 20-second spiel about her beliefs and that she did not agree with the fact that Janay Rice chose to stay with Ray. That is her opinion, but the question being asked was out of line.

The Miss America pageant has no right to ask a personal question about Janay. Her decision was based upon her relationship with Ray and is within her own privacy.

It would be just as unacceptable if the question had been about whether or not it was a rape victim's fault for being raped because her clothes were too revealing. The fact of the matter is the question was geared toward Janay's decision to stay with her husband, not Ray's decision to hit his wife.

In many cases where blaming the victim takes place, people tend to be more focused on the decision the victim made after the incident rather than why it happened in the first place.

Every woman has a different situation and it is her choice to choose to stay with or leave her husband, whether you agree with the decision or not.

Perhaps a better way to rephrase the question would be how domestic abuse could be prevented. According to SafeHorizon, a website for domestic abuse help, 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men will be domestically abused in her or his lifetime.

Domestic abuse is something that happens often in the United States, and this is not the first instance of someone asking why the victim decided to stay. Quite frankly, it is none of America's business if Janay Rice chooses to stay with Ray. Her decision is between her and her husband. A question that should be raised is what kind of punishment and reprimand Ray should face for hitting his wife.

Blaming the victim in any situation of rape, abuse or other violent crimes is the wrong way to approach the situation. After the pageant, social media questions arose about the appropriateness of the question being asked.

It is good to see that other young people are concerned with the unfair blaming of victims and that pinning the blame on the culprit is in fact important.

We live in a culture where it is easier to ask a victim why he or she chooses to do something than directing the question at the person who committed the crime. This is where our culture needs work. The Miss America pageant is a prime example of what this country still needs to work on.

It is never the victim's fault and anybody that has been abused should not have to answer for the decisions he or she makes in a relationship. It is the abuser that should have to answer for the choices he or she has made.

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GUEST COLUMN

GSB senators ask for Daily neutrality

By Government of Student Body senators

We at the Government of the Student Body take every proposal given to us by students very seriously. It is not merely our job but our duty to debate and balance the requests, opinions and concerns of our constituents. We betray the interests of our constituents when we allow ourselves to be swayed by public opinion and normative statements of support.

There are reasons why we vote the way we do on certain issues. It is not merely based out of our own concerns or preconceived notions of the role of GSB. We vote in a manner consistent with our constituents' concerns and wishes, while simultaneously using our prudent judgement and deliberation.

In January, GSB chose to invest in funding prototypes for the bike share program. On Sept. 3, GSB voted against investing any further in the bike share program at this point.

When evaluating the program in terms of infrastructure requirements, it became apparent that funding the bike share at this point would exacerbate the congestion on campus. Student safety has been and will always remain a primary concern for GSB, and when CyRide has shown a significant increase in near-miss incidents, concerns about safety cannot be overlooked.

Furthermore, one must look at the tools GSB was provided with for evaluating student support for the program.

While some may lead you to believe that the bike share program was widely supported by the student body,

this simply was not the case. When looking to an internal survey of bike share support by students, only 32 percent of students responded with a firm "yes," that they would use such a program. When asked how much they'd be willing to spend per semester on a bike share program, 36 percent said they wouldn't participate at all. Given the statistics we were afforded, how could one make the assertion that there was a broad consensus of support for the program? The answer is that we couldn't.

The final issue of contention for this program was the sources of the funding. GSB funds are contributed by students via their student activity fees. The issue with that is that we would essentially be subsidizing the tuition costs for those students involved in the creation of the program.

We find it disconcerting that the Iowa State Daily chose to publish three articles regarding bike share and failed to reach a single senator for comment. The debate on the bill lasted more than two hours, and despite assertions to the contrary, the program was extensively and comprehensively considered by the Senate.

We encourage all efforts to better our campus and wish to continue the conversation for all efforts regarding to do so. GSB may be skeptical of the future of the bike share program, but students are highly encouraged to reach out to their representatives and continue the conversation.

Signed,
Sens. Richard Hartnett, Khayree Fitten, Ben Crawford, Raghul Ethiraj, Hamad Abbas, Michael Snook, Peter Myers



Golfers consider benefits of pushcarts

By Mike Randleman
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Many men's college golf tournaments require the competitors to play 36 holes in a day. On a standard course, players will walk nearly eight miles during that stretch and — unlike professional golfers with caddies, collegiate golfers are on their own to tote their 25- to 30-pound bags.

Before last season, players had to carry their bag unless they were granted a medical exemption to use a nonmotorized pushcart.

Beginning in the 2013-14 season, the NCAA lifted its ban on pushcarts. Many players were quick to take advantage of the new rule, or lack thereof, while some players and critics were unable to warm up to the idea.

Many perceive pushcarts, which have been present in women's collegiate golf for years, as a sign of weakness or as an improper advantage.

"You could probably say in some events that half the field would be using pushcarts in women's golf. On the men's side, however, it hasn't been that way," said Lance Ringler, a college writer for Golfweek. "It's within the rules of college golf to use one and if they want to use it, they use it. The only thing is that there's a little bit of talk about an ego thing with the guys."

Ego aside, others are simply not ready to part ways with tradition.

"I kind of like to stick to the old-fashioned way of carrying the bag," said ISU golfer Jack Carter. "I didn't grow up using a pushcart, so I feel like, 'Why change?'"

Despite some players' unwillingness to jump ship, other players, including Carter's teammate Scott Fernandez, are keen to take any legal measure they can to get an upper hand.

"Just take all the advantage you can, really," said Fernandez, a native of

Spain. "I figure the more relieved you are, the more rested you are, the better. Jorge [Utrilla, teammate and fellow Spaniard] and I grew up using them all the time."

Like Fernandez, Australian Sam Daley also noted how common they are in his home country, unlike in America.

"In Australia and New Zealand, everyone uses pushcarts," Daley said. "No one ever carries, really. Everyone uses pushcarts or motorized carts. Maybe there's a bit of a perception with the Americans that you're a bit soft if you use them, but not really. Where we're from, it's very normal."

Unlike Fernandez and Utrilla, who use them every tournament, Daley said the type of course, playing conditions and health all play a factor in his decision to use a cart on any given day.

"Say you're feeling a little under the weather, or you know the course is pretty hilly, or there's a long walk between holes and if you know that you can just push your cart instead of carry your bag, I'd consider using it," Daley said. "But if it's a fairly flat course or walking from green to tee isn't too much drama, I'll probably just carry."

The ISU men's golf team, along with virtually all other college teams, have increased its fitness regimens to handle the strain golf can have on the body, regardless if a player opts to use a cart or not.

Neil Wolkodoff, medical director of the Colorado Center for Health & Sport Science, said that carrying a golf bag can lead to fatigue of core muscles used in the golf swing, even for those in top physical condition.

"No matter how good your carrying system, you still have to use core muscles to hold the bag," Wolkodoff said in an article on GolfDigest.com. "When you're pushing a cart, you don't have the stress on your core musculature and

shoulders. You're able to go up a hill and those muscles were not pre-fatigued."

Along with preventing injuries, pushcarts can help golfers play through nagging injuries that may have sidelined them if they were forced to carry their bag.

At last year's NCAA championship, which was aired nationally on the Golf Channel, No. 1 Stanford, who won the stroke-play portion of the event before being defeated in the semi-finals of match-play, was featured prominently for its strong use of pushcarts.

"Last year at the championship, with Patrick Rodgers and Cameron Wilson of Stanford [who had previous back injuries] both in the hunt for player of the year and Cameron winning the NCAAs, and Patrick winning player of the year, both using pushcarts, it kind of made it okay for some people," Ringler said.

While Ringler, among others, viewed it as an example of eliminating the stigma behind pushcarts, others used it as fuel for the fire.

Trent Dilfer, a former NFL quarterback tweeted to PGA Tour player Bo Van Pelt, "Pushcarts are a BAD look for these kids," Dilfer said. "C'mon man, how can a college kid not be carrying his bag?" Van Pelt, "Agreed 100 percent," Van Pelt replied.

Despite some instances of pushcart push-back, ISU men's golf coach Andrew Tank said he has seen more and more players beginning to use carts, especially since the American Junior Golf Association allowed them in 2009.

"I think it's a trend we're going to see continue," Tank said. "I think you'll see in the next five to ten years that that's going to be the norm. As more and more juniors are using them, I think the stigma of using a pushcart is sort of becoming less and less."

Effects of carrying a golf bag on human body



Illustration: Ben Stokes/Iowa State Daily
Last year, the NCAA began to allow male golfers to use pushcarts during tournaments. Carrying the golf bag, which can be up to 30 pounds, can cause unnecessary pain, but many continue to carry it due to their egos.

Iowa State rests, preps to face strong Iowa team

By Harrison March
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When the ISU volleyball team takes the court against in-state foe Iowa on Saturday, many will consider it another chapter in the state's biggest rivalry. However, since ISU coach Christy Johnson-Lynch arrived in fall 2005, that rivalry has been more like a one-way beating.

The two teams did not square off in Johnson-Lynch's inaugural season at Iowa State, but the Cyclones have won all eight matches against the Hawkeyes since. Those eight matchups combined for 30 sets, averaging out to only 3.75 sets per match.

Even though the Cyclones — 5-3 overall, 0-0 in the Big 12 — have developed a tendency to put away the Hawkeyes — 8-2 overall and 0-0 in the Big Ten — early and often, Johnson-Lynch is still taking a normal approach to the contest.

"I've said this, and probably every Iowa State coach says this, it doesn't matter any history or what each team has done up to this point," Johnson-Lynch said. "I do think Iowa's as good as we've seen them. They're more athletic and just better than they've ever been."

Though Iowa's level of play Saturday may be the best Johnson-Lynch has ever faced, the match comes at the perfect time in Iowa State's schedule.

After playing three matches in two days, the



Senior outside hitter Victoria Hurtt reaches for and spikes the ball during Iowa State's 3-1 win against Tulsa on Saturday. Hurtt had 10 kills during the match. This Saturday, after six days of rest, the team prepares to face in-state rival Iowa, who the Cyclones haven't lost to in the past eight years.

Cyclones will have had six days off from competition when first serve crosses the net. Iowa State is taking full advantage of that time to recover and prepare more than for other matches with quicker turnarounds.

"It's going to be a lot

easier [to prepare], I guess you could say," said outside hitter Ciara Capezio. "More practices to get ready for one game is going to be nice and will make it easier on our bodies."

That time to recover will be extremely helpful

outside hitter Victoria Hurtt, who watched practice from the sidelines Tuesday while nursing a foot injury.

Hurtt leads the team with 77 kills through the first eight matches of the year and often comes up with big momentum plays

when the ISU offense starts to slow down. Johnson-Lynch, however, is not concerned about Hurtt missing the Iowa match.

"I think she'll be fine — just a little tweak during the match [against Minnesota on Saturday]," Johnson-

Lynch said. "Not exactly sure what bone, but I think we're just being cautious."

If worst comes to worst for Hurtt and she is not able to play, the Cyclones still have plenty of talent up front. Part of that depth comes from the emergence of outside hitter-turned-middle blocker Alexis Conaway.

Conaway has proven early in her collegiate career that she can play at an elite level. The reigning Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week sits in second place in the conference for blocks per set at 1.57 and is second on the ISU volleyball team with a hitting percentage of .330.

Although the Orange City, Iowa, native has never played in the Cy-Hawk rivalry, Conaway knows how important the match is.

"Iowa verses Iowa State is always big in every sport," Conaway said. "It'll be a fun environment getting to play with these girls in Hilton with a great crowd. I'm really excited for it."

From the youngest players on the team to the 10-year head coach, nobody on the ISU roster knows what losing to Iowa feels like and certainly doesn't want to learn. Perhaps that is the biggest motivator of all.

"It just makes us go a little harder and get better every day," Capezio said. "We'll show them all we've got on Saturday."

The ISU volleyball team will host the Iowa Hawkeyes at 4 p.m. Saturday at Hilton Coliseum.

Baseball club hosts first Cap Timm Classic

By Kevin Horner
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The ISU club baseball team will host the first Cap Timm Classic on Saturday, which marks the first time the club has ever played competitively in the fall.

The tournament will be at Cap Timm Field and will consist of four baseball clubs from the Midwest: Kansas State University, Illinois State University, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and, of course, Iowa State.

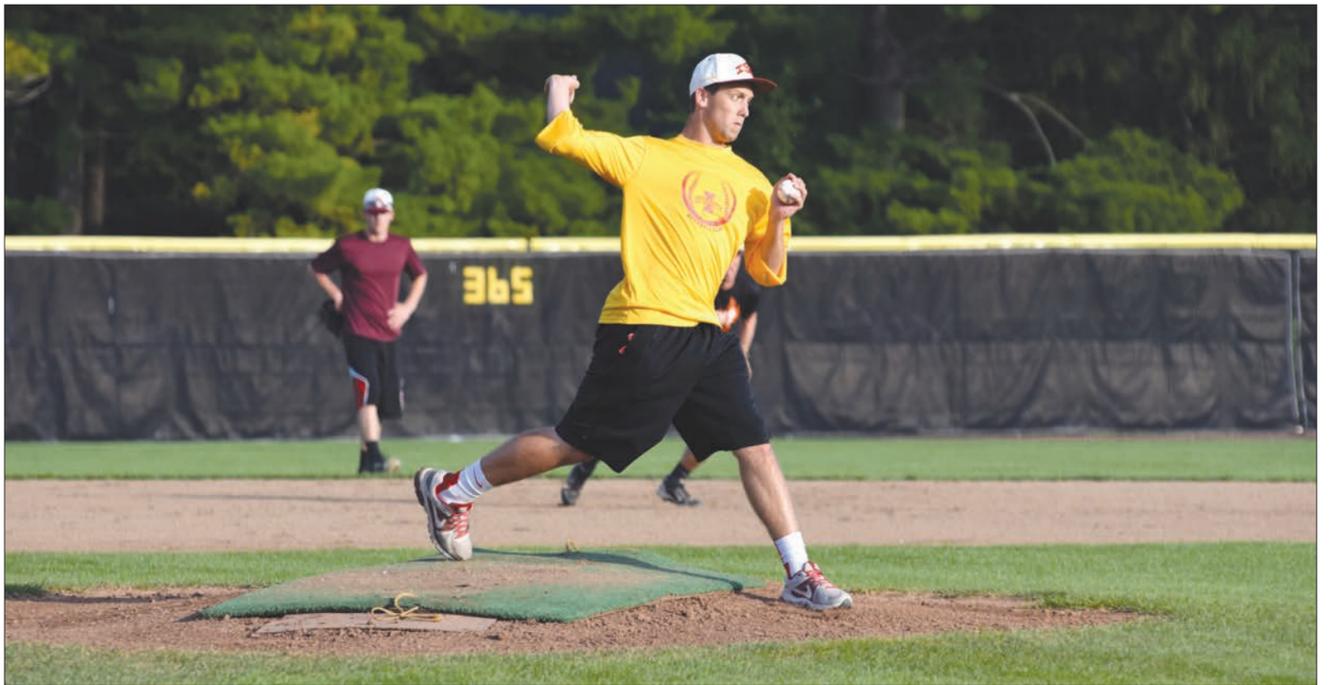
In a round-robin style setup, each team will have an opportunity to face each of the other three teams with the top two clubs facing off in the championship Sunday.

In the past, the Cyclones have only participated in an inter-club league in the fall, not beginning games against other schools until Spring Break.

"This is the first time we've played in the fall as a spring team," said club president Elliott Frey. "When I was elected president, my biggest idea was we need to be playing more games than just twelve games in the spring."

In order to generate more competitive play and to boost the team's resume for regionals, Frey and the baseball club began to fabricate an idea for this unusual tournament in the fall.

"My idea was, 'Let's start a tradition that will be



Ryan Young/Iowa State Daily
Elliott Frey, president of the ISU club baseball team, throws over to first base during practice on Wednesday. This weekend, the club will host the Cap Timm Classic, a round-robin style tournament that will bring three teams from around the Midwest to Ames. This is the first time that the club will play in the fall because they usually only compete after Spring Break.

really fun and something that is unique," Frey said. "Not a lot of club teams will host a tournament."

Although only one of the other clubs in tournament is from the Big 12, the level of play will be anything but subpar. Both Illinois State and UW-Whitewater have put forth high-quality baseball in the past few years.

"UW-Whitewater's NCAA team just won the Division III National Championship this past

year," said vice president Erik Rasmussen. "There's a strong baseball tradition in that town, and I'm assuming that resonates to their club team, as well."

In addition, Kansas State's NCAA Division I team finished atop the Big 12 standings in 2013 and has closely competed for the title in other previous years.

The ISU baseball club, being the only baseball team representing Iowa State after the university

had to cut funding to the team in 2001, has a squad that is ready to compete this weekend. The 22-man roster will be filled by returning players from last season's spring team, which includes Frey behind the plate and Rasmussen pitching and in the infield.

"This weekend is our showcase of the progress we've made as a club these past couple years," Frey said. "We're going to play competitive teams that will give us a run for our

money."

The Cap Timm Classic will surely provide not only the fans with intriguing matchups on the diamond, but it will also give the leaders on the team an opportunity to evaluate the players for the upcoming spring season.

"This fall tournament should give the guys who are making the lineup [for the spring team] an idea for which players can perform in what spots," Rasmussen said.

In any case, the stage has been set for the tournament. The Cyclones' football team has the weekend to rest, temperatures are scheduled to rise and three competitive baseball clubs are making their way to Ames to participate in the first Cap Timm Classic.

"It's baseball," Frey said. "Who doesn't want to come watch baseball?"

The tournament will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Southwest Athletic Complex.

New documents show contrast in Palo rulings

By Beau Berkley
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New details have emerged in the Bubba Palo case that led to his suspension from the ISU basketball team in 2013. Previously sealed court records show vastly different rulings from ISU president Steven Leath and an administrative law judge who ruled on the case in May 2013.

The previously sealed records were released earlier this month after Michael Gartner, a shareholder in the Iowa corporation Big Green Umbrella, Inc. and former Des Moines Register editor, petitioned the Iowa Supreme Court to release them.

In the court records from administrative law judge John Priester's ruling May 22, 2013, Priester ruled that the complaint filed by Iowa State against Palo was not founded. That decision was later appealed by the plaintiff to President Leath, who, despite Priester's findings, ruled Aug. 30, 2013, that Palo was guilty of violating the student sexual misconduct code, which led to Palo's suspension from the team.

The case stems from an



Courtesy of ISU Athletic Department
Bubba Palo, former basketball player, was charged with sexual abuse in 2012. The charges were later dropped.

incident on May 17, 2012, which led to Palo and a friend being charged with second degree sexual abuse Sept. 18, 2012. Palo was also charged with violating two disciplinary regulations in the student code of conduct. Palo was suspended from the men's basketball team while the investigation was ongoing.

The criminal charges against Palo were dropped Jan. 14, 2013, after the plaintiff's credibility came into question because of a fabrication of evidence.

According to the records, all three — Palo, his

friend and the plaintiff — attended high school together and Palo and the plaintiff had several consensual sexual interactions in fall 2010.

The records from the May 22, 2013, ruling included extensive text messages between Palo and the plaintiff leading up to the incident, as well as text messages that the plaintiff sent to friends after the incident, accusing Palo and his friend of raping her.

Also in the records were text messages from the next morning between the plaintiff and Palo's friend as well as a brief transcription of a phone call between Palo and the plaintiff. The text messages and phone transcription showed all three involved were under the influence of alcohol and Palo admitted to being under the influence of marijuana.

"It is very difficult to reconcile the conflicting versions of events from the early morning hours of May 18, 2012," Priester wrote. "What makes it all the more difficult is that the whole evening is covered with a murky fog caused by the consumption of alcohol."

Through the text messages leading up to the in-

cident, Priester found that "the evening was falling into the pattern of a casual sexual encounter between [the plaintiff] and Mr. Palo."

Palo and his friend picked up the plaintiff at Cy's Roost and then proceeded to the friend's father's house, where both men had sex with the plaintiff. The records show that the plaintiff was not expecting Palo's friend to be with him and that she had expected it to just be Palo.

The three went upstairs and, according to the records, "[Palo's friend] then had sex with [the plaintiff] against her will. She did not consent to this sex and she expressed her will to [Palo's friend]. She also became traumatized and was in shock because of the rape."

Palo's friend left the room, after which Palo en-

tered and had sex with the plaintiff. Priester found that while there was no verbal consent, the plaintiff did not display a lack of consent.

"From texts earlier that evening, coupled with their prior casual encounters, from an objective review of the situation, this was just another 'hook up,'" Priester wrote.

Priester also wrote that the texts from the next morning confirmed his ruling of events, as Palo discussed the matter with her and expressed regret over any miscommunication, while the friend refused to talk about the matter.

"This case is one of the most difficult cases the undersigned has had to render a decision on," Priester wrote in his conclusion. "As stated in the Findings of

Fact, the undersigned finds that the university has not established by a preponderance of evidence that Mr. Palo committed a violation of the Iowa State University Code of Conduct."

The plaintiff appealed Priester's decision to Leath, who found Palo guilty of violating Iowa State's sexual misconduct policy Aug. 30, 2013, without any further hearing. The Board of Regents upheld Leath's decision in December 2013.

The Board of Regents issued a stay of sanction in the Story County district court in January 2014 and Steven Oeth, Story County district court judge, ruled last month against Iowa State.

On Tuesday, the Board of Regents filed an appeal to the Iowa Supreme Court to review the decision.

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Horoscopes by Linda Black

Today's Birthday (9/19/14)

Community activities satisfy this year. Despite unpredictable finances, the real gold comes with aligning your path to your vision. Technical work thrives. Write, record and network. Create beauty. Complete a remodel after 12/23, as a new 30-month domestic phase begins. The solar eclipse on 3/20 sprouts romance. Develop long-term partnerships with compassion and shared fun.

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

Aries - 7
(March 21-April 19)
Choose the option that offers the most fun. Ask for what you want. Romance blossoms, but there could be complications. You're attractive, and attracted, today and tomorrow.

Libra - 7
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
You have more friends than you realized. Committees can be effective today and tomorrow. Moderate a clash between normally genteel people. Remind them of the common goal.

Taurus - 8
(April 20-May 20)
Domestic thoughts have you entertained. Combine two old ideas into a new one. Get into a fun project. Home and family take priority today and tomorrow. Tend your garden and store the harvest.

Scorpio - 7
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Social events contribute to your career. Assume more responsibility over the next few days. Be respectful, and don't let anybody push you around. Talk about your dream job.

Gemini - 7
(May 21-June 20)
You're sharp as a tack for the next few days. Study at home. Your ability to concentrate gets enhanced marvelously. Learn whatever you set yourself to. Write or record your creative expression.

Sagittarius - 8
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Let your imagination loose. The next two days are good for travel (especially for business). Research and plan an itinerary that's fun, and gets the job done. Public performance is not out of the question.

Cancer - 9
(June 21-July 22)
Make extra money over the next two days. Watch for a new source of income and accept a generous offer. Keep in communication with your team, and set things in motion like a well-oiled machine.

Capricorn - 8
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Share your strategic vision. Discover your ideas are worth more than you thought. Pay the bills today or tomorrow. Attend to finances with care. Figure the costs. Craft a plan to increase your family's wealth.

Leo - 9
(July 23-Aug. 22)
You're strong and exceptionally creative for the next few days, gaining a distinct advantage. Sensitivity and confidence contributes to your game. Keep to practical, profitable goals. Patience is a virtue.

Aquarius - 8
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Adjust to someone's demands or needs. A partner is a big help for the next two days. Listen carefully, and do what's required. Together, you can manage more than you think possible.

Virgo - 7
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
The next two days are good for treasure hunting and solitary introspection. Get contemplative and pensive. Note ideas, speculations and possible directions to follow. Seek out the answers.

Pisces - 9
(Feb. 19-March 20)
Handle work issues today and tomorrow. It could get intense or be long-lasting. No more procrastination... dive in and provide excellent service. The quicker you move, the quicker you're done. Rest up after.

Sudoku by the Mephram Group

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 - 14 Halos
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 - 16 Really ticked
 - 17 Start of a riddle
 - 18 "Shirt Front and Fork" artist
 - 19 Well-mannered fellows
 - 20 Summertime woe
 - 23 "Shorty": Elmore Leonard novel
 - 24 Sumptuous meals
 - 27 Some microbrews
 - 29 Rm. coolers
 - 30 Riddle, part two
 - 32 Big piece
 - 34 Kazakhstan, once: Abbr.
 - 35 Polite gesture
 - 39 Chevrolet SUV
 - 41 Mystery guest moniker
 - 43 Highs and lows, perhaps
 - 44 Suppress
 - 46 KOA visitors
 - 48 Mice, to owls
 - 49 Riddle, part three
 - 52 Buddy
 - 53 Monkey wrench wielder?
 - 56 Catch in a web
 - 58 Many a lap dog

- 59 Coat closet locale, often
 - 61 Dropped the ball
 - 63 Sellout sign, briefly
 - 64 End of the riddle
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 - 69 Goad, with "on"
 - 70 Heroic stories
 - 71 Like a string bean
 - 72 Burnt __ crisp
 - 73 Unauthorized disclosures
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 - 2 "That's a surprise"
 - 3 Lyricist Gershwin
 - 4 British subject?
 - 5 Currency replaced by the euro
 - 6 Beef, e.g.
 - 7 Answer to the riddle
 - 8 Melonlike fruit
 - 9 Headlight setting
 - 10 "Let us part, __ the season of passion forget us": Yeats
 - 11 Singer's asset
 - 12 River mammal
 - 13 Makes a home
 - 21 Egyptian snakes
 - 22 Actor Green of "Robot Chicken"
 - 24 Doesn't take anything in
 - 25 Fanfare

- 26 Tokyo-based brewery
- 28 Bar, in law
- 31 Suffix with Mao
- 33 Smashing, at the box office
- 36 Singer with the Mel-Tones
- 37 A muse may inspire them
- 38 "Fooled you!"
- 40 With joy
- 42 Louis __, eponym of the Kentucky city
- 45 All square
- 47 Lose sleep (over)
- 50 Square one
- 51 Tooth covering
- 53 Pinch
- 54 Cardiologist's concern
- 55 Lakers coach __ Scott
- 57 Nearsighted one
- 60 Activity on a mat
- 62 Image on the Michigan state flag
- 65 Through
- 66 "Gross!"
- 67 Small opening?

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children. We really feel this is a solvable problem," said Tony Hakes of the Iowa Donor Network. "We're attempting to make the waitlist in Iowa very short, make parts like heart and lungs, if not the entire waitlist go down to zero."

In 20 years of existence, the Iowa Donor Network has been working to make Iowa the first state where no one has to wait for a transplant. Along with an aggressive social media campaign, which will roll out in the coming weeks as well as advertisements on TV and radio stations, the network plans to make its goal a reality.

ISU athletic fans will also see the campaign in action at upcoming events and during ISU athletics on television.

"We've used our coaches — Coach Hoiberg, Coach Rhoads, Coach Fennelly — our athletics director Jamie Pollard, and [ABC5 sports director] John Walters in a commercial we put together," said Frank Nogel, the

senior associate director for the athletics department. "It runs on commercials during our coaches' show, video boards during events. PA announcements are certainly important to support that."

Fans will also be able to talk to someone from the Iowa Donor Network face-to-face at an upcoming football game if they have questions about signing up.

The Iowa Donor Network hopes to accomplish this thanks to the largest donation in company history from the Gerdin Family Foundation.

"[The campaign] is very expensive and comes at great cost. The Iowa Donor Network is a nonprofit organization, so our funding is limited," Hakes said. "We would not be able to do this campaign without financial support."

The Gerdin foundation was founded by Russ Gerdin, who also founded Heartland Express trucking. He received a liver transplant in 2006. After his death in 2011, the Gerdin family continues to be

very active, including this donation to help out the Iowa Donor Network.

Even though Iowa ranks sixth or seventh — depending on the month — in terms of the number of organ donors, Hakes said it is important for students to choose to donate.

"We encourage everyone to take a look at their driver's license and make sure they have a 'Y' next to 'Donor.' If that's the case, then they're done — they don't have to do anything," Hakes said. "If someone doesn't have a 'Y' on their license, they can log onto IowaDonorNetwork.org and click "Sign up to become a Donor."

Students who attend Iowa State but are not from Iowa can also log on to the network's website and sign up to become a donor in Iowa.

Hakes also encouraged parents to talk to their children about becoming donors. Parents can even sign their children up through the website. Anyone who doesn't have a driver's license, but still wishes to be

a donor, can also sign-up.

For anybody concerned about not being fit to donate, Hakes said everyone should sign up anyway.

"That's probably the biggest reason people don't register. They don't think they can," Hakes said. "They think they are too old or they have a bad medical history. That's actually not the case. We encourage everyone register and let our screening process determine if we can move forward or not."

Hakes stressed that along with the campaigns on social media and at football games, the most important part is getting everyone to sign up.

More info is available on the Iowa Donor Network's website at www.iowadonornetwork.org.

"The most important thing that anyone can do is register as a donor," Hakes said. "Make sure your family knows your wishes. Make sure you understand their wishes and if that's the case, we'll take Iowa to number one and no one will wait for a transplant."



Hannah Hilsabeck is an ISU student who is also next in line to be 2015 Miss Rodeo Iowa. She first became interested in pageants and rodeos in 2006 when she went to a show and met that year's Miss Rodeo America. She has kept the dream of being Miss Rodeo America since then.

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ture teacher, Mr. Peiffer, who took her to the National Future Farmers of America Convention in Indianapolis. That trade show is where she met Miss Rodeo America 2006.

"That's what sparked my queening career, and it's been a big snowball rolling down a hill ever since," Hilsabeck said.

Following her new dream, Hilsabeck began competing in pageants in 2009, which earned her a couple of titles including Miss Teen Rodeo, the younger title of Miss Rodeo Iowa.

"Since 2006, when I was a freshman in high school, I've had that goal and dream of being Miss Rodeo America," Hilsabeck said.

Hilsabeck stayed committed to her young aspiration. She worked with queen coaches Debra Fox and Judy Rogers to improve her speaking abilities and define her individual personality.

The three main categories in which contestants are judged are appearance, horsemanship and personality. A great amount

of horse-riding knowledge and good interviewing skills is needed to do well in a pageant.

"I've had a lot of help, first is definitely my family because they are so incredibly supportive of me, and next would be Mr. Peiffer," Hilsabeck said. "He's part of the reason why I wanted to be an agriculture teacher, but I credit my public speaking and a lot of self confidence I gained those four very influential years of high school to him, and so many others have supported me throughout the years."

The annual competition took place in Fort Madison, Iowa, in collaboration with the Tri-State Rodeo.

Unfortunately, Hilsabeck was faced with a big challenge on just the second day of the four-day competition. Her horse, Romeo, went lame — had difficulty walking due to injury or illness — in horsemanship, the first riding event.

"I was so emotional and had to keep it together, but at the same time I had to go on and compete and I had to let my mom take care of my horse," Hilsabeck said.

The pain her horse had was from a problem with his shoe, which had fallen off.

Hilsabeck needed another horse to finish the competition. Luckily, a friend offered his for the weekend while her mother tended to Romeo.

"It was a stressful situation," Hilsabeck said. "My mom is not a horse woman at all and she stepped up and took care of Romeo with a smile on her face; she has been my rock my entire life and helps me get through a lot of stressful situations."

Now that the big pageant is over Hilsabeck is considered "A Lady in Waiting." The crowning coronation will take place Jan. 1 where Suzy Fife, the current title holder, will officially hand off the crown to Hilsabeck.

In the meantime, Fife will be preparing to compete in Las Vegas for the title of Miss Rodeo America. Fife said she's excited for Hilsabeck to be the next Miss Rodeo Iowa because it's a life-changing experience.

"I know Hannah is a great horse woman," Fife said. "She has the knowledge and speaking skills to

relate the goals to everyone we're trying to get across."

For now, Hilsabeck will be finishing her student teaching at Pleasantville High School where she will teach freshman and senior students introduction to agriculture and agriculture business classes.

Aside from pageants, Hilsabeck's future plan is to teach agriculture and later get her master's degree in some type of animal science.

"Just being involved in what makes Iowa so great for the rest of my life, so if I'm involved in any aspect of agriculture, I'll be happy," Hilsabeck said.

The Miss Rodeo Iowa Pageant offers junior and teen pageant titles as well as a scholarship. Its main focus is to promote awareness of Iowa's rich western heritage.

"Hannah has a lot of qualities needed to be Miss Rodeo Iowa and the characteristics to become Miss Rodeo America," said Doug Dall, the president of Miss Rodeo Iowa. "I think she'll do wonderful and will represent this organization the best she can, I know she will."

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