



Courtesy of Peyton Dugger

Students at the Mission Starfish Haiti school pose for a picture. The school was founded by Silentor Esthil-Henderson, ISU alumnus, to give children in Haiti an education.

#### ISU alumnus develops school in Haiti to educate young children

By Emily.Stearney @iowastatedaily.com

ilentor Esthil-Henderson, ISU alumnus, first came to the United States from Haiti at 9 years old. Handicapped and malnourished, Tommy Henderson adopted Silentor in order to save his life.

'Silentor came to my clinic in LaCroix, Haiti as a frightened, malnourished, handicapped child with a warm and friendly smile and eyes that ... spoke volumes about past suffering," Henderson said.

Silentor had never been to school before he came to the United States. Though he started out in public school, being older than the other students and not mowing English made it difficult to keep up.

"Local Catholic schools stepped in and allowed me to put him in private school for \$10 a semester," Henderson said.

Silentor's biological parents had given him up for adoption in order to give him better healthcare and more opportunity. Determined to help Silentor understand this, Henderson frequently



Courtesy of Peyton Dugger Peyton Dugger, Nevada High School student, went on a mission trip to Haiti and

stressed his son's roots to him care the sickly child needed.

visited the Mission Starfish Haiti school founded by an ISU alumus.

throughout his childhood.

'He always told me, 'I took you out of Haiti, I never meant to take Haiti out of you,'" Silen-

Henderson was eventually able to get Silentor the health-

"After overcoming illness, I went to high school and then to ISU," Silentor said. "While I was at ISU, I wanted to become a teacher.

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## Bill to ban 'gay conversion therapy'

By Morgan.Kelly @iowastatedaily.com

The Iowa Senate voted along straight party lines to ban therapy practices designed to change the sexual orientation of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth.

The bill is expected to stall in the Republican controlled the House, but if it somehow passes, Iowa would join two other states and the District of Columbia in banning "conversion therapy" practices.

The American Psychiatric Association declared homosexuality would no longer be classified as a mental disorder in 1973. In 1998, the organization said it "opposed any psychiatric treatment, such as 'reparative' or 'conversion' therapy," according to lgbtqnation.com.

Wayne Glass, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Student Services volunteer intern and practicum graduate adviser, said he agreed with the American

sary and doesn't work.

"My friends who have gone through it truly hate themselves and this is a case where the word 'hate' really fits," Glass said. "They were forced into it and came out worse than they went

Conversion therapy, sometimes referred to as reparative or sexual reorientation therapy, is a practice based on the idea that people can change their sexual orientation, "converting" from gay to straight.

"Obviously we think it's unethical to push therapy practices on someone who doesn't want it," said Tom Chapman, executive director of the Iowa Catholic Conference. "We are just more concerned with some of the definitions in the bill and how it's currently written up.

In Catholic schools, licensed counselors may have students come to them with a behavior they want to fix or an issue they

Psychiatric Association in that conversion therapy isn't necesnence and this bill could make

the suggestion illegal. That's the reason people go to counselors," Chapman said. "They know they have a problem or an issue and they're seeking change and guidance. Some of the language in the bill is just too broad at this point.

Brad Freihoefer, director of LGBTSS, said he has worked with, and is still working with students who have gone through this type of therapy.

Their stories and experiences are hard to hear," Freihoefer said. "I find that a lot of the therapy practices confuse sexual orientation with gender identity and expression.'

Sexual orientation is defined as the sex of whom one is attracted to romantically and sexually, according to the American Psychiatric Association.

Gender identity is defined as a sense of one's self as male, female or transgender, and gender expression is the way a person acts to communicate their gender in their given culture, according to the American Psychiatric As-

sociation. "We've seen and heard stories where in the therapy sessions they have people practice things like gender roles based on their biological sex," Freihoefer said. "It's confusing to the people going through it because it's not the same thing.

Glass and Freihoefer said they were in agreement that therapy is still around because people have a need to know and understand the unknown, and the myths surrounding sexual orientation and gender roles are still prevalent in society.

Freihoefer said myths like "are you born gay?" are still being asked and discussed on a regular basis, which begs the rebuttal, "why does it matter?"

"As a human race, we need to become educated, informed and comfortable with the unknown," Glass said.

## **GSB** allots funding for student orgs, itself

By Michaela.Ramm @iowastatedaily.com

The Government of the Student Body has allocated funding for student organizations on campus that amounted to \$1,621,551.25.

The 2016 fiscal year's total budget was \$2.5 million, said finance director Abhijit Patwa.

Of that, \$1,621,551.25 was used to fund various student organizations on campus. Students can also petition to

receive funding from the Senate discretionary account, which holds \$30,000, throughout next year if they did not receive funding during regular allocations.

The events account also holds \$23,155.35, which GSB can use to give funding for student events on

The executive cabinet budget for next year will have \$3,000.

The budget was approved unanimously by the Senate with a vote of 30 to 0.

Along with regular allocations, the Senate also discussed a bill to give \$1,500 to the Government of the Student Body itself.

The funding would be used for Big 12 on the Hill, which is an event Iowa State will host next year. The event would host representatives from all Big 12 schools to discuss and lobby on various issues college students face, to U.S. government

Amanda Loomis, director of special events, said \$1,500 is a rough estimate of what the event would cost.

"It's a large event and requires a large amount of dollars, but we're only hosting this every 10 years," Loomis said. "Consider it an investment.'

Loomis said the funding is something she wants to be available for whoever will be planning this event so they will have leeway to plan the event. GSB also passed two bills that gave compensation to GSB elected officials.

One bill, which would be enacted next year, awarded a halftuition scholarship — equal to half of in-state tuition — and a parking ass to the speaker of the Sena well as a parking pass to the Vice-Speaker. This bill passed 23-4-2.

The second bill offered compensation to the President, Vice-President and Finance Director of GSB

The Vice-President and Finance Director would receive a half-scholarship, including mandatory fees and a parking pass each. The President would receive a full tuition scholarship.

The bill passed after a vote on

## Ames fire victim identified

By Makayla.Tendall @iowastatedaily.com

The State Medical Examiner has identified Xiangyi Wang, who also went by Sonny, as the Ames man who died in a house fire last Sunday night.

The fire at 1322 Illinois Ave. started late Sunday night and engulfed the home quickly, causing at least one of the three men in the home to jump from a top story window to escape the fire.

Wang, 25, was stuck in the

The State Medical Examiner's office said Wang died of inhaling too much smoke and soot. The death was also ruled as accidental.



### **Weather**



**THURSDAY** Parly sunny.



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**SATURDAY** Parly sunny.

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### Calendar.

All events courtesy of the ISU events calendar.

#### March 26

#### Tech CYte Training: iLife Series Part One 12:30 to 1 p.m. at the University Bookstore

Please join us inside the ISU Book Store for an in-depth training that will focus on iPhoto for Mac. Learn how to edit and share your photos with this easy to use applica-

iPhoto for Mac lets you do more than you ever thought possible with your photos. It gives you easy ways to find, sort, and rediscover your favorites. Simple but powerful editing tools let you turn good shots into magnificent ones. And you can share your photos in all kinds of great ways, including fun slideshows, Facebook, and Twitter -- even professional-quality prints, photo books, cards, and calendars. iPhoto isn't just a collection of pictures. It's a collection of possibilities.

#### **Seminar: Best Practices in Flipped Class Design** From 1 to 2 p.m. in the Seminar Room of Parks Library Best Practices in Flipped Class Design will give you the

knowledge about how flipped learning works in different disciplines and the conceptual tools for constructing

a flipped classroom of your own. This webinar is taught by Robert Talbert, Ph.D., associate professor in the mathematics department at Grand Valley State University in Allendale,

#### Class: Botanical Drawing-From 6 to 8 p.m. at Reiman Gardens

Michigan.

Learn how to use plants as the subject of art with easy approaches & successive lessons. Learn from artist Megan Henson as you draw from flowers & plants in the classroom, the Hughes Conservatory, & even get inspired by those early spring blooms in outside. Use your drawings for nature journals, hand-made cards,

#### **Performance: Two Rooms** 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in 2140 Pearson Hall

The two rooms of the title are a windowless cubicle in Beirut where an American hostage is being held by Arab terrorists and a room in his home in the United States, which his wife has stripped of furniture so that symbolically she can share his ordeal. The wife is goaded by unforeseen developments to speak out against government policy and, in so doing, triggers the tragic series of events that brings the play to its startling conclusion.

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#### Sigma Xi Lecture

## **Mathematics of Crime**



Wood Knapp Chair for Innovation and Creativity and the University of California at mathematician whose work includes geometric methods for image processing, crime modeling and analysis, and

Andrea Bertozzi

Thursday, March 26, 2015 - 7 pm - Sun Room, Memorial Union

#### **CALENDAR**

Friday-Sunday: "The Hobbit: The Battle Of Five Armies"

Time/Date: March 27-29 @ 7p.m. and 10p.m. Location: Carver 101 FREE admission

Friday-Saturday: Iowa Days of Percussion concert

Music J Time/Date: March 27-28 @ 7:30 p.m. Location: Martha Ellen-Tye Recital Hall, Music Hall

Friday-Saturday: Entertainment

Time/Date: March 27-28 @ 7:30 p.m. March 29 @ 2 p.m. Location: 2140 Pearson Hall Tickets: \$6 adults, \$4 students

Entertainment Mi Friday: Global Gala 2015

Time/Date: March 27 @ 6:30 p.m. Location: Great Hall, Memorial Union FREE admission

Entertainment Mi John June Year, The Olympics, Doctor Murdock, Secret Freedom

Time/Date: March 27 @ 9p.m Location: DG's Tap House Tickets: \$5 (21+)

Saturday:

Sony Knight and The Lakers Time/Date: March 28 @ 9 p.m. Location: Maintenance Shop, Memorial Union

Tickets: \$12 public, \$7 with student ID, \$2 increase day of show Entertainment 111 Saturday:

Time/Date: March 28 @ 7:30 p.m.

Location: Stephens Auditorium Tickets: \$26-\$49

Sunday:

Sunday: Entertainment Min Brooks Strause & The Glory Details, Dylan Sires & The Neighbors, Exravision, Dana T.

Time/Date: March 29 @ 9 p.m. Location: DG's Tap House Tickets: \$5 (21+)

Jessica Kline/Iowa State Daily



#### Greek members showcase skills in game of treds

After competing in the lip sync battle during the first night of Greek Week activities, greek community members participated in a game of treads on Wednesday. The photo above shows members of the Miracle Squad team react to a play on the field during the game.

## **Cruz making first** campaign stops in lowa next week

By Alex.Hanson @iowastatedaily.com

Republican presidential hopeful Ted Cruz will make a swing through Iowa next week, his first stops as an official candidate.

Details released by his campaign Wednesday morning say he will make five separate stops around the state April 1

Cruz will be in Cedar Falls, Cedar Rapids, Des Moines and Sioux City to participate in town hall meetings, and will appear at a reception in Dubuque County. Below are details on

his stops, according to his campaign. Wednesday, April 1:

2:30 p.m.: Morningside College Town Hall in Sioux City at Morningside's UPS Auditorium.

7:15 p.m.: Republican Party of Dubuque County Reception in Durango at Park Farm Winery, 15159 Thielen Rd.

Thursday, April 2: 11:30 a.m.: Cedar Falls Town Hall at Pipac Center in Cedar Falls, 1521 Technology Park-

2:30 p.m.: Cedar Rapids Town Hall at Long

Branch Hotel in Cedar Rapids, 90 Twixt Town Road, NE.

7:15 p.m.: Des Moines Town Hall at the Holiday Inn Des Moines-Airport, 6111 Fleur Dr.

Cruz, a first-term conservative senator from Texas, is the first high-profile Republican to announce his campaign.

While his Iowa trip next week will be his first as an official candidate, Cruz was in Iowa several weeks ago at the "Iowa Agriculture Summit," which took place in Des Moines and was hosted by Bruce Rastetter.

## **Online Content**

#### **TENNIS**

#### **Galvis continues** win streak

ISU tennis player Alejandra Galvis is riding a fivematch winning streak after defeating her singles opponent from West Virginia. To read the full story, go online to the sports section of the Daily's website.

#### **MORE INFO**

#### Fire coverage

The name of the victim who died in an Ames house fire on Sunday night was released on Wednesday. After reading, go online to the news and multimedia sections of the Daily's website for this week's complete coverage of the fire.

#### **AMES 247**

#### Album review

Joe Pug, an acousticfolk artist, released a new album called "Windfall." It's the artist's third album. To read a review of the music, go online to the Ames 247 section under the living tab on the Daily's website.

#### **MORE INFO**

#### **GSB** full story

The Government of Student Body allocated money for next year at Wednesday's night meeting. After reading the story in print, go online to the news section of the Daily's website to read more coverage.

#### **MORE INFO**

#### How to donate

After reading the front page story about an ISU alumnus' influence on schools in Haiti, go online to the news section of the Daily's app for more. There, readers can find out how to support the cause.

#### MORE INFO

#### **Conservative** colleges

Young Americans is a new conservative group that is coming to the ISU campus. After reading the article, want to know more about the organization? Check out the news section of the Daily's app.

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IOWA STATE DAILY

# **NEWS**

# Professor visits Cuba for research

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It was a hot, humid day in Havana, Cuba. Rose Caraway patiently waited in the hotel lobby for her research group.

On this day, they would continue their exploration of Cuba's vast farming community, a community, like most in Cuba, that has adapted over the years to isolation from the outside

Caraway, assistant professor of philosophy and religious studies, came to Cuba to see this adaptation in action. Standing in the hall, Caraway felt a finger lightly touch her shoulder. Turning, she saw a beaming smile erupting from a young Cuban man.

"Viva Obama," he said. "He appeared to be very excited about this recent opening between the United States and Cuba,"

Caraway said. President Obama announced a new push toward cooperative interaction between Cuba and the United States on Dec.

17, 2014. This marked the beginning of an improvement in relations between the two countries, which have been rocky since 1959, when the Cuban Revolution resulted in a communist government takeover. Caraway visited Cuba in January as part of a research project, where she saw firsthand the reaction from the Cuban people. While a minority of Cubans shared concerns with increased relations with the U.S., a vast majority agree that this marks a step in the right direction, Cara-

way said.
"They are very interested in our history and learning about us," Caraway said. "My general impression was a sense of excitement from the news."

Caraway has been studying agro-ecology and sustainable development in Cuba throughout her career, consistently traveling to the country every few years. Because of the United State's embargo on the country, Cuban farmers suffered from a lack of fertilizers. This required the farmers to develop or-



Rose Caraway, professor of philosophy and religious studies, visited Cuba in January to see the island's vast farming community and conduct research. Caraway intends to revisit Cuba in the coming months and continue her research of the island.

ganic methods of farming in order to keep up with food demands.

Cuba lost 80 to 85 percent of its resources during that period, including a million tons of chemical fertilizers," Caraway said. "They needed to come up with a different way of growing food."

Through methods such as crop rotation, crop diversification and biofertilizers, Cuban farmers had reached near selfsufficiency, Caraway said. All of these techniques are shared through education to the coming generations, which Cubans stress.

"The entire country stresses local education, Caraway said. "This is how they carry on what they have learned."

Researching in Cuba first began for Caraway at the University of Texas, where she visited the country through a study abroad program. Caraway said her fascination with Cuba started in eighth grade, when a teacher shared experiences of visiting the

"She showed us slides of the field work she had conducted in Cuba at the time," Caraway said. "She really sparked that interest for me back then."

After gaining her master's degree, Caraway moved to the University of Florida, where she earned her doctorate in religious studies.

"Rose has always been passionate about her research, so it's always been really fun to hear about it," said Robin Veldman, assistant professor of philosophy and religious studies, and Caraway's classmate at the University of Florida. "She's also an excellent salsa dancer.'

Caraway accepted her position at Iowa State in the fall of 2014. She plans

to revisit Cuba in the coming months to continue her

research.
"There still is a lot of work to be done, and I think these new developments between relations of the U.S. and Cuba will help with that," Caraway said.

In the future, Caraway said she hopes to create her own faculty run study abroad program to Cuba for Iowa State, where she can inspire others to love the country the same way she did years ago.

"I think her current project will be a boon for the department and the university," Veldman said.

## Panel discusses ISU GMO research on bananas

By John.Kruse @iowastatedaily.com

Students and faculty discussed the ethics and effectiveness of genetically modified banana research being conducted at Iowa State University.

"There's no way to know how effective this is until research is done and data is collected," said Clark Wolf, professor of philoso-

With Wolf, Christina Gish Hill, professor of anthropology. and Naboth Bwambale, graduate assistant of sociology, and former Ugandan resident formed a panel meant to critically analyze Wendy White's, associate professor of food science and human nutrition, research on genetically modified bananas being developed for Ugandan

"Introduced food can be an important part of that area's development," Wolf

Originating at the Queensland University of Technology in Australia, the genetically modified banana is designed to hold higher levels of vitamin A, a lacking vitamin in Uganda that leads to malnutrition. At human testing on voluntary ISU students consuming the

"My experience shows that our issue is not that we don't produce enough food, but that we do not possess the infrastructure to distribute it," Bwambale said.

All three panelists' views ranged from neutral to against the genetically modified bananas. While this may seem one-sided, the panel's organizers invited several individuals involved with the research, including White, to participate in the panel, but they either refused or couldn't make it. For this reason, much of the panel discussed the inefficiencies of conducting the research.

"Just because the food itself is culturally appro-GM [genetically modified] food itself is appropriate in that country," Hill said, discussing the possibility of Ugandans refusing to grow the modified crop. "People simply might not eat it. They might not choose it."

Other criticisms included the overall effectiveness of the research. Bwambale said 90 different varieties of banana exist in Uganda, and one new banana type to replacing them all is unlikely. Bwambale also said he felt that using ISU students as test subjects for the banana's benefits and safety was unwise because of the naturally different environment and immune systems each group possesses.

They are not bananas being planted in Uganda. They are being planted in "We do not know if these bananas will grow properly in Uganda.'

While the panel focused on criticisms of the research conducted at Iowa State, all panelists said they agreed that GMO research is important to be conducted by universities, with special considerations for location



Korrie Bysted/Iowa State Daily

Christina Gish Hill, professor of anthropology and Clark Wollf, professor of philosophy, discuss the effectiveness of transgenic banana research on Wednesday.

and purpose kept in mind. Why isn't there lots

of research in Malaria? You can't make yourself rich on people who are poor," Wolf said. "Universities have a special role that differs from corporate research."

Since this is an ongoing issue, panel organizers stated that this conversation marks the beginning of further discussion on the subject.

## Young Americans for Freedom chapter starting up on campus

By Emily.Stearney @iowastatedaily.com

Young Americans for Freedom, an international organization, will soon be coming to campus.

Independent of any other student organization currently at Iowa State, Young Americans for Freedom is a conservative-based group that focuses on conservative ideology promo-

Young Americans for

Freedom, which was founded in 1960 by the Young America's Foundation, has chapters throughout the

country. Rather than focusing

on elections, as groups like the ISU College Republicans do, Young Americans for Freedom is a "non-profit educational organization dedicated to promoting conservative ideas such as free enterprise, limited government and a strong national defense," according to the Young America's Founda-

Because of this mission statement, Young Americans for Freedom is not affiliated with any party or candidate, allowing the group to advocate for the candidate who best represents their views.

This group is just trying to kind of get the conservative word out there," said Brittany Gaura, sophomore in animal science.

Gaura is currently involved in the College Republicans as well as the Government of the Student Body as a senator for the College of Agriculture.

'Groups like these ... really want nothing to do with big government," Gaura said of the stance of the organiza-

Funding for the operation of Young Americans for Freedom will be provided by the Young America's Foundation in part. The rest of the budget will be raised by its members. Robert Dunn, senior in pre-business, hopes to become involved as the

chapter begins to form at Iowa State.

"It'll be a group around conservatism as a philosophy and an ideology rather than, you know, where Republicans are all about supporting the Republican Party," Dunn said. "We would be able to criticize the Republican Party."

Without needing to focus on elections, the Young Americans for Freedom could provide a new perspective to conservatism on campus.

"We would like to bring more diversity points to the

table," Dunn said. The Young America's Foundation holds various events at campuses across the United States through its chapters, and encourages students to start their own chapter if one is not already present on their campus.

Young Americans for Freedom, though still in the early stages of organization, will become the third conservative group to join the ISU campus.

## Faculty, new facility gain graduate program third place ranking

By Madeline.Gould @iowastatedaily.com

Iowa State's agricultural and biosystems engineering graduate program is ranked No. 3 in the nation, according to U.S. News and World Report magazine. The program improved one spot from its 2014 ranking.

The magazine does not rank every type of graduate program every year, instead they choose one area of focus each year. Iowa State's agricultural and biosystems engineering graduate program is in the category of

"biological/agricultural engineering.'

According to the magazine's website, the overall ranking is based on the collective ratings from a survey of academics at peer institutions. A 1 to 5 or marginal to outstanding rating is used. Iowa State received an overall score of 4.4.

'It's a very old program that's been a high quality program for a very long time," said David Holger, associate provost for academic programs and dean of the graduate college.

Holger said he heard about the ranking at al-



Iowa State Daily The newly completed Sukup Hall found in Curtiss is a benefit of having a high ranking ag and biosystems engineering program. With the high quality of faculty and facilities, the graduate program continues to grow.

most the same time it was released to the public, and that the magazine has been doing these types of rankings annually for quite some

Other ISU graduate programs, such as Veterinary Medicine, Business and Education, have been ranked by U.S. News and World Report Magazine as well, but the agricultural and biosystems engineering program is one of the highest.

Many of the people who help compile these ratings know about the agriculture

and biosystems engineering program because they graduated from Iowa State and are now working at peer universities, Holger said.

Purdue University and Texas A&M University earned the No. 1 and 2 rankings, respectively.

Recently completed Sukup Hall, which houses the program, contributed to knocking University of Illinois out of the top three.

'I expect that they'll be growing their graduate program and that they'll be doing even more exciting things and groundbreaking research than they have in the past because now they've got the facility that will allow them to do that," Holger said.

Sukup Hall is only a part of the reason that the program received such a high

"The quality of faculty is

what attracts good students to the department and good students and faculty do good things that get all kinds of national attention," Holger

The combination of the new facility and the quality of the faculty in the department helped push Iowa State's graduate program to the number three ranking.

Holger says that the program will keep moving up and improving in order to remain a high quality and to stay competitive over time.

Other graduate programs that have seen noticeable rankings were higher education and administration (16th overall) and aerospace/aeronautical/ astronautical engineering (23rd overall).

A complete list of the rankings can be viewed at www.grad-schools.usnes. rankingsandreviews.com.

# OPINION

#### **EDITORIAL**

#### Individual speech over the speech of government

Earlier this week, the U.S. Supreme Court heard a case on the question of not only whose speech is on a government-issued license plate but also whether or not the government is able to limit that speech.

The Texas division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans recently proposed a specialty license plate that would contain a Confederate battle flag with the group's name around it. Specialty plates have to be approved by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles and the board rejected the plate because much of the public identified the flag with organizations "that demean or express hatred for minorities, according to npr.org.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans sued the state saying that it violated its First Amendment right to freedom of speech. The state, however, argued that it should not be expected to promote the message by displaying it on the state-issued license plates and that citizens have countless other opportunities for displaying the symbol on their cars.

Although the questions of whether the government has the right to choose what it can identify with and if the plates or government or personal speech have yet to be answered, the most important factor to take into consideration is simply the citizens'

right to freedom of speech. No matter how many people may be offended by the Confederate battle flag as many believe it is a symbol of racism, slavery and an outdated view of the country, it is still a form of speech by members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. It can be presumed, those who chose to have the license plates want to honor their ancestors, something that is a normal and accept-

able part of our society. The state of Texas has set a precedent for honoring fallen Confederate soldiers, acording to npr.org. Texas na a Confederate Heroes Day and monuments around the state. Representatives of the Sons of Confederate Veterans point this out as hypocrisy in the state's desire to not want to be

identified with the message. The reality of the situation is, the government does not have the ability to ban speech simply because it may offend some. While the Confederate battle flag does not spark positive feelings in many around the country and this board does not support the ideals of the flag or the group, citizens in this country do have the right to speak freely. Limiting those rights, especially based on the content of the speech, is the start of a slippery slope for all Americans.

Although many of us can agree the Confederate battle flag is not the ideal way we would like to see freedom of speech exercised in our country, we can appreciate all of our abilities to speak freely. The Sons of Confederate Veterans do have the right to put the Confederate battle flag on license plates and the Supreme Court should weigh heavily individuals' freedom of speech over the govern-

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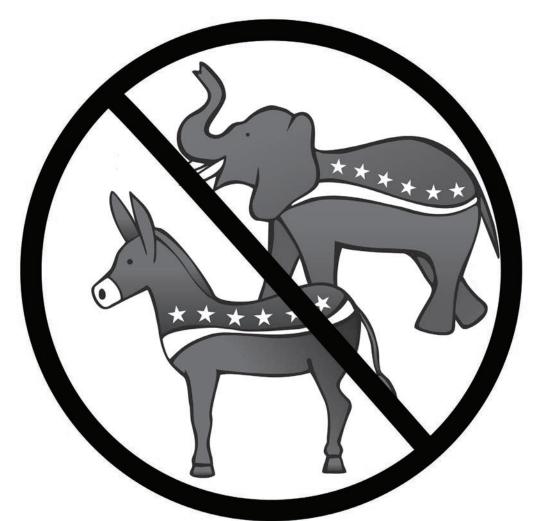
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## THE FAILING OF MAJOR **POLITICAL PARTIES**



#### Democrats, Republicans do not stand up for American people

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at Buchanan once wrote, "There is a Democratic Party of tax-andspend and a Republican Party of guns and butter and tax cuts, too." The people of the United States have been betrayed. Neither of the two major political parties represent the interests of the American people.

The Republican Party has historically been the party of the middle class. Beginning as a middle class abolitionist movement, the party grew to represent the suburban life of

northern industrial cities. Though demographics have become more jumbled over the years, middle class neighborhoods are still seen as bastions of Republican votes. But, what has the GOP done to earn

Industrial manufacturing, the engine pulling the American train, has been completely annihilated under Republican governments. The loss of our factories has been a direct result of "free trade" fanatics outsourcing the industrial carcass of our nation to the Third World. Exported with the factory is the livelihood of so many middle class families.

Protectionism was a staple of the Republican Party well into the 20th century. Here is Abraham Lincoln's first political speech, "Gentlemen and fellow citizens, I presume you all know who I am: I am humble Abraham Lincoln. I have been solicited by many friends to become a candidate for the legislature. My politics are short and sweet, like the old woman's dance. I am in favor of a national bank. I am in favor of the internal-improvements system and a high protective tariff. These are my sentiments and political

Theodore Roosevelt famously said, "Thank God I'm not a free trader." Why has the party turned on its own country? Historically, nations have always risen to power through protection. Germany and The United States stomped Britain's economy in the twilight hours of Victoria's reign. They did so because they protected their markets, while Britain did not, and so it is with China.

Economists assure us that our goods are cheaper if they are produced by Third World sweatshop slaves. Why then are clothes so expensive? God help us if we ever go to war with China, for we would have to beg our enemies

Allegedly, free trade is a "winwin" strategy. There is certainly at least one winner, and it isn't us.

The Democratic Party has also the Democratic Party represented poor southern farmers, and wealthy non-industrialists. Now, the party is largely supported by white-collar New Englanders and the jobless masses of major cities. The Democratic Party has also been hijacked by the ultra-left.

The left used to claim to represent the working class and the proletariat. That seems to me to be a much more noble cause than whatever the left stands for now — which seems to be cultural, moral and sexual deviance.

Nothing could be worse for the working class than the Democratic Party's policy on immigration. With so many Americans out of work or underemployed it's absurd to import millions of people to flood the job market. It's not the immigrant's fault. Our government encourages them to come, and when they arrive they want jobs just like everyone else.

Democrats tell us that immi-

grants grow the economy. It's true that if we annexed the entire country of Mexico our economy would grow, but does that mean it's a good idea? Is all that matters the Gross Domestic Product? Growing the economy definitely does not mean the native population is better off, the evidence comes in the form of stagnant American wages

There is also an anvil of debt hovering over all of us that will certainly crash down with an Earth shattering roar. The Republicans indeed share the blame, but the amount of debt accumulated by the current administration is gargantuan. Part of the problem is that the Democratic Party attempts to hide youth unemployment by sending everyone to college where they rack up debts on the nation's behalf.

The Democratic betrayal of the poor may become the greatest tragin American history. Thos will suffer most in the hyper-inflated, post-debt, multicultural nightmare that future America must certainly be, will be the poor. Particularly minorities, and even more specifically, African-American communities, will suffer from an even scarcer job market in the inner cities.

Democrats who take a conservative position on crime have been thrown to the wind by their establishment. The poor in this country are besieged by crime and yet mayors in New York and Chicago are intent on making the poor disarmed and defenseless. Tough sentences and the death penalty are hard to find in

Why isn't there a real American party? One that stands up for Americans, not corporations and dogmatists. One that protects our markets and our borders. Or better yet, no party, just candidates.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Mixed-race relationships were misrepresented

By Amy Popillion, senior lecturer

I am writing to provide context to the story published on March 11 regarding my experiences in a mixed-race relationship. I was disappointed that my husband's and my interview was somewhat taken out of context. During the interview we discussed how things have changed from when we were first dating until now. We have been together for 23 years and things have definitely shifted during that time. While there is certainly work to be done, it is important to acknowledge the ways our experiences of racism have changed. For example, as the article describes, early in our relationship, we faced very direct forms of racism, such as safety issues and offensive comments.

I am concerned the article inferred the experiences we described are more current rather than things we experienced over two decades. This is not to say we no longer experience issues related to our relationship based on our respective racial identities; however, overall, we receive general acceptance from others. The issues we experience more often now are what could be described as micro-aggressions, defined as common, everyday interactions that send negative and potentially harmful messages to people based on their identity outside of a dominant group. These types of messages typically feed into stereotypes and are essentially insulting and offensive.

A few examples would be when I was pregnant and others

would say things such as, "Ooohh ... you are going to have such cute babies. Mixed babies are so cute." Of course, I agree my babies are really cute, but I am biased, and overall, this is an example of how mixed-race couples and subsequently their mixed-race children are treated as "exotic" and objectified. Another example is when people completely dismiss my husband's racial identity

because he doesn't "look black" or "talk black," so in other words, he doesn't fit their stereotypes. Instead of expanding their understanding and awareness, they say things like, "Oh. I don't even think of him like that." And I shake my head and say, "Like what?!?" To the person saying this, they infer they are offering him a compliment, when in essence they are perpetuating one more type of racism and that is what we need to be having conversations about. In our relationship, we cannot ignore the direct blatant forms of racism, nor can we ignore these everyday "unintended" forms of racism.

They directly impact our lives, the way we raise our children and how we support them in integrating their own racial identities. I hope that others choose not to ignore these important conversations. We live in an increasingly globalized society. Becoming aware of how our own identities influence our interactions with others is important and leads to increased cultural competence,

which ultimately can lead to unification and greater appreciation of the diversity among us.

It is important to point out that my partner's and my relationship is just one window into the experience of a mixed-race

There are so many factors that influence our experiences beyond race, including the geographic areas we grew up in, the sub-culture of growing up in the city vs. a very homogeneous rural area, our socioeconomic and educational backgrounds, our sexual orientation, along with our age

and individual experiences. In closing, I suggest instead of the title, "Couple discusses troubles they have experienced as a mixed-race couple," that our story be described as a look at the rewards and challenges of being in a mixed-race relationship. I like to think we have a lot of wonderful things to talk about and coming from two very different backgrounds has greatly enriched our lives.

# **SPORTS**



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This year's spring football period is far different

At this time a year ago, the ISU football team was facing a battle at the quarterback position. Both Sam Richardson and Grant Rohach were battling for the top spot, with neither really breaking away from

Eventually, Richardson earned the starting job. But the added distraction that the position battle brought struggled to allow either quarterback to become completely comfortable with the new offensive system that was put in place.

But this time, quarter-back coach Todd Sturdy has his man, and he feels a lot better about it. That and the success Richardson had last season puts the team in a pretty good place, Sturdy

"I think [Richardson] was able to do some things last year performance-wise that started to show some consistency in his performance in a positive way," Sturdy said. "I think every time you go out and preform like that and keep building those on top of each other, I think it really improves your consistency.

He was starting to get that

Without the added distraction of a position battle, Richardson said he feels a lot more comfortable this spring season.

That, along with having full confidence from the coaching staff, is something he said has allowed him to improve in the offseason.

"It's easy to lead when you're the guy. It's tough when there's a competition and you don't know what's going on," Richardson said. "When you know what you're doing, and your having good days and stuff, it's easy to lead. It definitely makes it a lot easier with a lot of confidence.'

After second-year offensive coordinator Mark Mangino installed a new offense last spring, it took some time for the team to fully learn his new system.

So now with Richardson in the top spot, he is able to work on the offense without distraction something that he said is very important.

T've ran the same offense here up until last year," Richardson said. "So it's nice to be able to know what I'm doing now and not having to think real much before a play, just kind of it being second nature. It makes it a lot easier

Richardson completed more than 56 percent of his passes last season and threw for 18 touchdowns. The senior was also the Cyclones leading rusher for the majority of the 2014 campaign, rushing for more than 400 yards.

Now, his coaches think that this season can be Richardson's best to date, with both Sturdy and ISU coach Paul Rhoads saying that Richardson can be one of the best quarterbacks in the Big 12 Conference.
"I think he's got a

chance to be a truly outstanding performer in this league," Sturdy said. "I think he's got a chance to be one of the top guys in this league, whatever that is. But I think Sam has the chance to preform at a very high level.

But Richardson said he isn't paying attention to any of that. Instead, he just wants to take things slow.

"I take everything as an individual basis, just trying to attack each day and get better as a player," Richardson said. "I think anything other than that will go on it's own. I'm not really worried where I would stand in the conference or anything. I think just trying to gather the team together and lead them as a senior, I think is where I'll make my greatest

# Team identity defines Cyclones' season

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Cyclone Hockey's season can be summarized in many ways: its abundance of seniors, its scoring struggles, or the roller coaster ride of the many possible characterizations. But for some of the team, the season comes down to one thing — team

That identity helped the team through the highs and lows of the 44-game season.

'We were a hard-working team that had to work for everything we got," said Cyclone Hockey head coach Jason Fairman. "That's how it was until the very end."

They worked to score. Nobody scored more than 14 goals in the regular

season. A defenseman, senior Antti Helanto, had the most points on the team with 32, and was the only player on the team with 30-

plus points. 'We had a lot of good players, but we had a lot of the same kind of players," Fairman said about the scoring troubles. "Guys who work hard. It's one of those things, goal scorers, they aren't easy to find and you can't coach that. Some guys just have it."

They worked against

tough competition. The Cyclones played 30 of their 44 games against teams ranked in the American Collegiate Hockey Association top 25. They also every team finished the season 15th or higher in the rankings and a league that many around hockey considered the hardest in the

And they worked despite some tough luck.

Throughout the Cyclones' whirlwind of a 2014-15 season, they repeated that they were receiving the bad end of the luck spectrum or as they called it: 'puck luck.

"If we made a mistake, it ended up costing us," Fairman said. "We didn't get a lot of breaks this year. We got a few, but it seems like most of the breaks went against us.

Those bad breaks included a bad bounce off a referee's skate Dec. 13, which led to a Robert Morris goal and an eventual Cvclones' loss. A puck that hit the back of goaltender Matt Cooper's leg against Illinois during overtime in the Central States Collegiate Hockey League tournament sent the Cyclones packing.

The Cyclones struggled to find that hard-working mentality when they reached their low point in the season. A stretch in October and November gave of 15 games. One of those losses was a heartbreaker to CSCHL rival Lindenwood with 1.2 seconds remaining the game.

But the Cyclones did some soul searching and found their personality. The players attempted to forget the previous rough sailing and forged the sentiment that it was a "new season." That new-found motivation took flight after the year turned anew.

A fully rostered Cyclone team started with a two-game sweep against CSCHL opponent Illinois for the first two wins of 2015. The Cyclones next took a game against the then-No.2 ranked Central Oklahoma Bronchos and one against then-No. 6 ranked Robert Morris. In their two final games of the regular season in late February, the Cyclones dominated the Midland Warriors, scoring 18 goals in two games.



Charlie Coffey/Iowa State Daily Senior Antti Helanto passes the puck to a teammate during the Cyclone Hockey match against Midland University on Feb. 28. Cyclone Hockey's season ended in a loss to Central Oklahoma in the ACHA tournament.

"[The winning stretch] was very important to our season and how far it helped us go," Rey said. "Coming back from [Winter] Break and having that time to refuel really did help out the guys. As most people know, that's when the playoff hunt

Despite finishing last in the CSCHL during the regular season, the Cyclones grabbed a No. 10 seed for the American Collegiate Hockey Association National Tournament. But first they had to play their conference tournament.

That tournament didn't

go well for the Cyclones after they lost in the first round to Illinois, but the defeat didn't dishearten them as they prepared for the ACHA National Tournament.

The Cyclones were pitted against the No. 7 Oklahoma Sooners, a team that round exit from the 2014 tournament. The Cyclones won in upset fashion 3-1. They would end up losing to eventual-national champion Central Oklahoma, but the point was made.

'We were kind of an underdog coming in, so we played with a chip on our shoulder," said Seth Ser-hienko. "We were with it with Central Oklahoma. If we beat them, we could've won it. We were a force to be reckoned with and proved we deserved to be a top 10

The year came to a close earlier than the Cyclones would've liked, but it set the precedent for the next season of Cyclone Hockey.

'This year was a little bit of a rollercoaster ride," Rev said. "We had to work for every win we had this season. With the way we battled and ended the year, there is reason to be very optimistic for next season.'

## Tennis player's five-match win streak leads to ISU wins

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Junior Alejandra Galvis thought she lost her match when the tennis ball hit the top of the net.

Galvis was down 6-5 in the deciding third set tiebreaker, match point for West Virginia. Her opponent, Habiba Shaker, hit a forehand that struck the top of the net. The ball seemingly hovered atop net, finally spinning backward onto

Shaker's side of the court. When the ball dropped, Galvis knew it was a win for her and her team. She would go on to win the tiebreaker 13-11 to capture the second win of the Big 12 season. This win led to a five-match win streak in singles for Galvis.

The win against West

Virginia was her first win leading to a current fivematch win streak in singles play and a 10-2 record with four unfinished matches during the regular season.

"I knew [Galvis] was determined to win that match [against West Virginia] and I had full confidence in her," said coach Armando Espinosa. "Everything like her strategy, game play, practice and confidence is working well for her."

Since coming from Lindsey Wilson College after her sophomore year, Galvis said she's been practicing harder and better than ever before to stay in the singles and doubles lineup throughout the entire regular season.

Freshman Anna Garcia, a close teammate to Galvis, agreed with her that she's been practicing harder than many players on her position. the team, saying she wants to win every time she goes onto the court.

"It was nice getting a lot of wins at Lindsey Wilson, but I never really played full out because I didn't have to," Galvis said. "Here at Iowa State, it's an entirely different playing field.'

Espinosa said that she's been focusing on improving her strength and conditioning because Lindsey Wilson didn't put much attention on that part of the game. She needed to improve on being fit to play all three

If she could be conditioned for all three sets, Espinosa said he knew she wouldn't lose with her exceptional forehand and backhand power. This would allow Espinosa to be confident in a sure win at

"I want to give the team a guaranteed win at the number four singles because we can't always rely on the top three spots due to the level of competition," Galvis said

That definite win has worked well for Galvis this season and has allowed the players and coaches to rely on her for important victories. The pressure she faces in some of her matches has shown her leadership and team orientated mindset throughout this entire sea-

Looking into the future, Galvis and sophomore Samantha Budai will be leading the team next season. Seniors Meghan Cassens, Ksenia Pronina and Caroline Andersen will leave after this season and the leadership will be passed

down.
"We're losing three very important players after this season and Sami [Budai] and I will need to step in next season to help the new recruits," Galvis said.

Budai has been playing number one singles throughout this regular season and Galvis has a steady spot at number four. After this season, number two and three spots will be open and Galvis said she's ready to do anything to benefit the team.

She's going to be staying at Iowa State this upcoming summer to work with the tennis trainers and improve her strength and conditioning. Galvis said she wants to prepare herself to play any position in the singles lineup, either number two or stay at the fourth position.

"This summer will prepare me to be successful next season and improve my leadership for my senior year," Galvis said. "Armando likes the idea and is fully behind my decision to

Espinosa said he likes Galvis' decision to stay this summer because it already shows her leadership. He expects the members on the current roster to step up next season and show the new recruits how to play ISU tennis.

Galvis enjoys the winning streak because it's leading to wins for the ISU tennis team leading into Big

12 play.
"We still have a chance of going far into the Big 12 championship, but I'm hoping to continue my success in singles to benefit the team," Galvis said.

# Student-directed play to perform at ISU



Courtesy of Kivan Kirk

Michael, played by sophomore Adam Kroksh, and Lainie, played by senior Brooke Busse, talk to each other during the "Two Rooms" play. The play will be performed in 2140 Pearson Hall on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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Disconnected from the world, alone and without a source of love, both Michael and Lainie try not to lose their minds without each other by their sides once Lebanese terrorists take Michael as hostage away from his home in the United States.

"Two Rooms" performs at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday in 2140 Pearson Hall.

Busse, senior in Biology, playing Lainie, "Two Rooms" can be described in one word — intense.

"It really kind of pulls you in and it makes you realize that this is going on. I hope everyone after the play leaves feeling kind of like more aware because this is a play, but this stuff is happening," Busse said.

Terrorist acts are currently happening and to make students more aware of their surroundings, director Kivan Kirk, senior in performing arts with an emphasis in acting and di-According to Brooke recting, chose this play.

"I chose this play because one day, I recently scrolled down on my Facebook feed and accidentally watched one of the ISIS beheading videos — the entirety of it," Kirk said. "Immediately, I had this visceral gut reaction and I started crying, which I don't do often, because I saw someone die. So I felt guilty that I wasn't doing enough to stay current."

Not only is the play informational about real life events such as international affairs, but the play displays a love story between Michael, played by Adam Kroksh, sophomore in performing arts, and Lainie.

"It's essentially a love story," Kirk said. "[It's] a really twisted and sad one because throughout the entire play, for the love of her husband, Lainie attempts to get him back, and she can't do much since she's a sea apart. ... She builds this room to stay connected to him, so when she's not out making phone calls and making pleas, and talking to different government agencies, she's there in that room with him, connecting with him in her very limited way of doing that.

Michael and Lainie portray a loving, loyal bond, and in reality, the four actors in the play have a collective friendship that makes the play come together.

'We know each other very well, even the one actress. [Mumbi Kasumba], who I had not acted with before. I feel I know her a lot more personally and that helps," said Taylor Sklenar, senior in performing arts, chemistry and English. "It helps being comfortable both on stage and off and it helps with the ability to accept each other's ideas and find the story together."

This will be Kasumba's, senior in journalism and mass communication, first play performance at Iowa State.

'Mumbi ... I had no idea who she was. She just auditioned and she was great. I'm very, very excited [about her]. She's a lot of natural ability," Kirk said.

Together, the ISU students will collectively let their imaginations split into "Two Rooms."

Tickets for "Two Rooms" cost \$6 for adults and \$4 for students at the

## Swiss mask theater troupe ready to entertain Ames



Mummenschanz, an internationally-acclaimed Swiss mask theater troupe, was founded in 1972 by Andres Bossard, Floriana Frassetto and Bernie Schürch. The group will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Stephens.



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With its groundbreaking transformations and captivating movements, Mummenschanz, a Swiss mask theater troupe, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Stephens Auditorium.

For more than 40 vears, Mummenschanz has fascinated audiences with visually stunning and inspiring illusions, which are formed using colorful masks and incredible props in the group's creative manipulation of mask theatre

performance. By combining mim-

shadows, lights and forms to create amusing and perplexing situations for the audience's amazement.

The wordless wonder that is Mummenschanz began its huge success in Switzerland and was founded in 1972 by Andres Bossard, Floriana Frassetto and Bernie Schürch in Paris

Mummenschanz has toured in 60 countries on five continents and has international acclaim with shows that cross cultural boundaries and break the rules of classification.

The Celebrity Café Preview will offer a family craft

ing with brilliant colors activity at 6:45 p.m. prior and shapes, the artists use to the show. Open and free event will be located on the north side ground floor of Stephens Auditorium and is presented by the Octagon Center for the Arts.

Tickets for the show are available on Ticketmaster and can also be purchased between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Stephens Auditorium ticket office. Tickets are \$26 for ISU students and youth 18 and under. Other tickets range among \$20, \$30, \$40 and \$49.

For more information, visit the Iowa State Center Web Page for Mummenschanz and the Mummenschanz website.

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# LAST NAMES FIRST

#### Aftermath of unions changes

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After the "I do's" are said and the rings are exchanged in a traditional wedding, it is most common that the bride will leave the ceremony with a new last name. That tradition is transitioning as times continue to change and more women are standing their ground when it comes to their last names.

As women are becoming more independent, it is more common for them to keep their maiden name after marriage. Although previous generations typically followed the tradition of women taking their husband's name, times are changing.

Journalism professor Lisa Munger-Oakes got married in 2011 and said her parents had no expectations when it came to changing her last name.

"I think my parents, if anything, expected that I wouldn't change my name, and I didn't initially," Munger-Oakes said. "I was already Lisa Munger for a long time and that's how I thought of myself."

Timing can play a role in the decision making as well. Someone getting married right after graduating from college may have no problem changing their name. However, someone getting married after working for a couple of years and attaining success under their name may have a harder time making the



Courtesy of Thinkstock

It is becoming more common for women to keep their maiden name after marriage. Lisa Munger-Oakes, professor of journalism and mass communication, originally kept her maiden name, Munger, after getting married but added Oakes, her husband's last name.

change

"I got married a little later in life as compared to what some people do," Munger-Oakes said. "As a journalist, I had already developed professional relationships and clips as Lisa Munger."

Whether the couple has kids already or they're just part of the plan, the children can cause new name-changing decisions.

"I kept my maiden name until last summer," Munger-Oakes said. "I had twins last summer. When I had the babies, I added my husband's last name to mine to make it Munger-Oakes. We decided to have the babies last name be Oakes rather than saddle them with two last names because we felt like that was a lot, but I wanted to have the same last name as they did."

Bradley Meyer, junior in family and consumer science, said he looks forward to the future when he can have a husband and kids. He has already put thought into how he would like last names to appear.

"I have considered a lot of possibilities, especially since I do want to have children," Meyer said. "Ultimately I would like to hyphenate our two names and pass that on to any chil-

dren."

In same-sex couples, there can often times be rough relationships between the couple and each person's respective parents, Meyer said. This can be a contributing factor when beginning to discuss name possibilities after marriage.

"Some people want to get away from that connection to their family, but some people really love their family and want to keep that association," Meyer said. "I would like to hyphenate the names, not only because it keeps both of our families as a part of our marriage but it is more symbolic of a union of two people."

Of course this is a decision both members of the relationship need to be a part of, and while some people are more flexible than others, a unanimous decision is important.

For Sarah Greesonbach, formally Sarah Marbach, on theeverygirl.com, taking her husband's last name, Greeson, was not an option, nor was hyphenating the two of them. She needed another option.

By the time marriage came for Sarah and her then-boyfriend, they were both into their 20s, each with a bachelor's and master's degree and multiple years of professional experience behind them.

"It only felt right to combine our names the way we were combining our lives," Greesonbach said. "For some women, taking her husband's name feels natural and right. For others, they were born knowing they would hyphenate. For me, I knew the right name when I saw it."

There is no longer an expectation when it comes to last name changes, or lack thereof, after marriage. It is a choice the couple needs to make together, and one both can live with for the rest of their life.

"In the end, do what feels right to you, and only you," Munger-Oakes said. "Whatever you choose, when you hear the name, it has to feel like you."

# The different paths to marriage

By Jade.Mallicoat @iowastatedaily.com

Deciding how and where to get married is one of the most stressful decisions while planning a wedding. For many couples, their date for the wedding revolves around how their wedding will take place.

Every wedding and couple is unique, so it's best to get married in a way the couple will be comfortable with. This may be by a minister at their church, a family friend or going to the courthouse.

Whether a couple is getting married in a courthouse or having a civil or religious ceremony, they need to go to the courthouse to register for a marriage license. Most states can take up to two weeks for this process to be completed.

According to www.sto-rycountyiowa.gov, in Iowa the wait before being able to pick up a marriage license is at least three days and has a small fee.

When going into the courthouse to apply for a marriage license, make sure to have a witness with you to sign it.

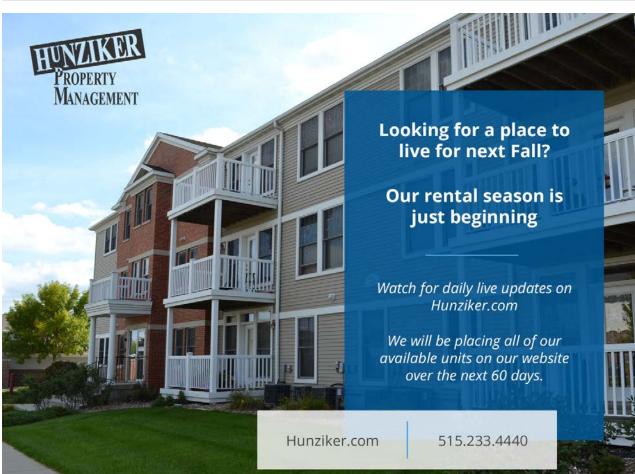
Courthouse weddings require couples to arrange a time with a judge and have two witnesses, who need to be at least 18 years old.

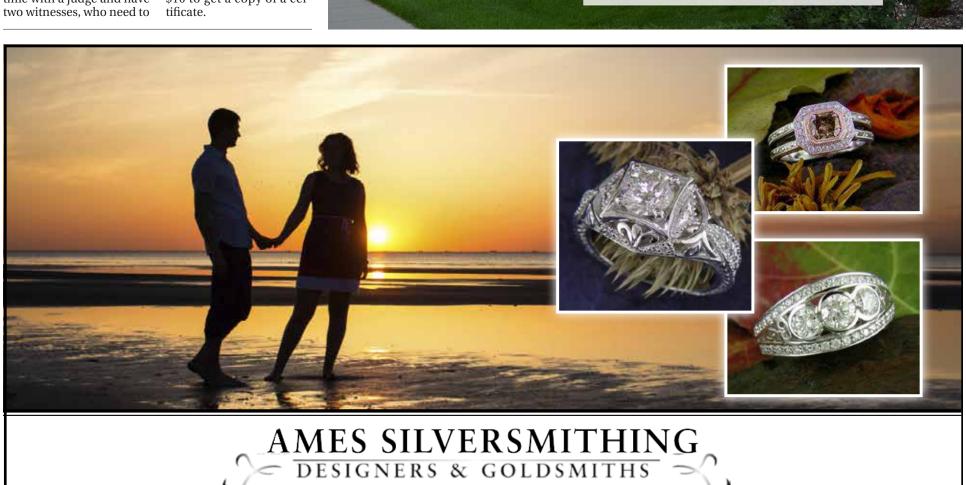
Weddings that take place in a church and are performed by a pastor may require premarital counseling. According to www. nwamarriages.com, couples that have premarital counseling are 31 percent less likely to divorce.

Some couples may take a few months in counseling before they feel comfortable that they learned the necessities before tying the knot. Topics for counseling might be problems that the couple feels they may face or are currently having problems with, such as communication, arguing or balancing work and personal life.

Couples who do not have a religious background may look to a family friend who is ordained or ask a friend to become ordained over the Internet to marry them. There are many websites that you can use to become an ordained minister.

One website that can be used is theamm.org. There is a form that needs to be filled out with about 10 demographic questions. Iowa law for ordained ministers is very vague and a certificate showing proof that someone has been ordained is not needed when marrying someone. It costs \$10 to get a copy of a certificate.



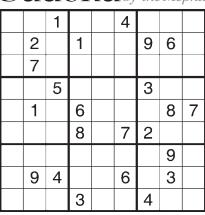


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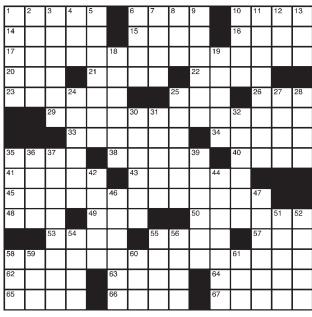


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Study the itinerary

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Cancer - 7

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Your team is hot. Ideas

pop like corn. Choose

Include a beautiful destination

and interesting conversation.

holdings increase in value.

job. Something doesn't go as

planned. It all works out.

Taurus - 7

(April 20-May 20)

You can do more than

you thought. Higher-

(March 21-April 19)

There's a change

in plans. A career

48 Agnus

49 Auction ending? 50 Take out 53 1977 medical novel 55 Time of jour 57 Baa maid? 58 Classic children's novel, and what to look for in this puzzle's three other longest answers of Sandwich 63 "This can't be hap-

#### 67 A bit daft Down

pening!"

64 Script parts

66 E or G, e.g.

1 Angiogram image 2 Take the helm 3 Irish musical ensem-Woman ble 4 Altar constellation 5 Road trip refresher 6 \_\_ lamp 7 Universal donor's type, briefly 8 Food fish 9 Successful squeeze play result \_\_they say" 11 What humidity measures 12 Forest friend of Frodo

Horoscopes by Linda Black

Your fortunes rise with education and communication skills this year. Your

individual purpose grows clearer. Express passion and it grows with your

income. Build partnership at home and work by playing games together.

Beautify your home with a new addition or renovation. After August,

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

work fun ignites. Groom your image. Meditate on love.

18 "Hold your horses, I'm comina' 19 Unhip types 24 Like right-lane traffic, usually 25 Goodwill store transaction 27 Green condition? 28 Laudatory verses 30 Helpful tip for a puzzle solver? 31 "Behind the Candelabra" co-star 32 Like the Middle Ages 35 Large quantity 36 Account

13 Dissenting vote

37 Company bigwigs 39 "Get it, daddy-o? 42 Note next to a red F, maybe 44 Green shade 46 Church VIP 47 "You \_\_ worry" 51 "Rockin' Robin'

chorus word 52 Itty 54 Peace Prize city 55 On its way 56 Platte River tribe 58 Leaves in a bag 59 Kubrick's out-of control computer

60 Sigma preceder

61 2016 Olympics

Libra - 7

fun. Get your crew together, and

go play in the park, near water, or

downtown. Assign a designated

driver. Don't expect to get a lot

your home. Clean, organize and

increase the beauty around you.

Something you try doesn't work.

Get help from family and friends.

stumble onto a treasure. Things

don't go as planned. One option

only one. Seek advice. Talk it over

may be expensive... it's not the

with a variety of viewpoints.

money to be made. Complete

tasks as they come. Meet and

your haircut or style. Make

something new

creative changes. You're extra

attractive. Handle a chore you've

been avoiding, and free space for

compromise can be worked out.

Talk about sad feelings. Support

rolling. Negotiate a fair exchange.

your team. Get the project

Postpone buying treats.

a practical problem.

greet. Dance with chaos. Listen to

a critic. Study how others resolved

They love you.

done... enjoy the company.

(Sept. 23-Oct 22)

You don't need to

spend a lot to have

Scorpio - 6

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Revamp or repair

a water element in

Sagittarius - 7

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

A social event could

spark romance. You

Capricorn - 9

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Let advancement

Aquarius - 9

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

It's a perfect time for

a new look. Revamp

occur naturally. There's

me," Henderson said.

In addition to the school, Silentor also contributes to a women's empowerment program that teaches women to sew over the course of 10 months, allowing them to

Western Hemisphere is no

#### HAITI p1

After graduating in 2010, Silentor made plans to return to Haiti.

Not a lot of people wanted to share the knowledge they learn in America back in their home country," Silentor said. "I wanted to help people, especially my family.

He decided to do the opposite and provide other children from Haiti with the opportunity that had not been available to him as a child.

secretly elated when he called me to tell me he felt he needed to return to his

As a stepping stone, he applied for a teaching

Silentor soon after quit his job in Miami and moved back to Haiti to start an after-school program where he got involved with the school and the community.

a school?" Silentor said.

The Starfish School, which teaches children ages 3 to 10, has been in operation for three years now and currently provides an education for 288 kids.

Mission Starfish Haiti aims to "create sustainable schools that have quality educators that will be able to move the kids to a better way of life through empowerment," Silentor said.

Each year, one grade is added to the school to accommodate for the oldest kids requiring more schooling. This year, fifth grade was added.

The Christian-based school teaches the gospel to its members and has 24 employees paid every month.

Silentor eventually hopes to build a separate high school and a small vocational school to make it possible for students to go to school while learning trade skills, allowing them to work once they graduate.

and a great blessing to

find jobs.



I was shocked but family," Henderson said.

job in Florida in 2011.

"I got accepted into 'Teach for America,' which sends people all over the U.S. I put Miami as one of my requests," Silentor

Many people asked me, 'why don't you build

That idea soon became reality when his after-school program evolved into a full school

Though the Starfish School experiences record enrollment numbers each year, running a school in the poorest country in the



Couresy of Peyton Dugger

Children sit in a classroom at the Mission Starfish Haiti school, which teaches children ages 3 to 10 and currently has 288 children enrolled. Each year, one grade is added to the school.

easy task.

According to the CIA website, Haiti has experienced political unrest for most of its history, and 43 percent of Haitians are unable to read or write.

'It's very difficult to get state cooperation," Silentor said. "The school is a private school, but we need to go into it with the support of the Haitian government. With the structure they have, it's very difficult.

Making sure to raise enough money every year with minimal government aid is a constant adversity for the starfish school.

Silentor hopes to pair with different organizations to raise money for his cause.

'Within the next two to three years, if i can find partnerships, that would be good," Silentor said.

Mission Starfish Haiti is currently partnered with Overflow Thrift Store on Duff Avenue. The community is encouraged to donate old electronics, which will be sent to help Haiti schools.

Mission trips have also sent American students to help with Mission Starfish Haiti. Peyton Dugger, a high school senior from Nevada, Iowa, got involved through her church during her freshman year.

We ran a vacation bible school down there, Dugger said. "I went back the next summer of 2012 to help. He's just a great guy and host, so it's easy to want to be involved.'

Despite the everyday challenges that Haiti poses and the constant need for support, seeing Haitian children with a teacher in front of them and one guaranteed meal every day makes it worth it for Silentor.

'It's so rewarding to see that service being provided. Any kid should have the opportunity to get educated," Silentor said.



Courtesy of Peyton Dugger

Visitors interact with one of the Hatian children who attends the Mission Starfish Haiti school. The Christian-based school hosts regular mission trips for missionaries who want to help the school.



Courtesy of Peyton Dugger

A student at the Mission Starfish Haiti school shows off her work. The school opened in 2012 and was founded by ISU Alumnus Silentor Esthil-Henderson. He hopes to build a separate high school in the future.

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(July 23-Aug. 22) Love could seem intense. Don't get

intimidated. It's worth any unexpected surprises. Flow around obstacles like water. Work out misunderstandings by remaining committed.

Virgo - 9