

People of Nia

African American students celebrate graduation, accomplishments



COURTESY OF PEOPLE OF NIA PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Every semester, excitement arises within the African-American community during the graduation season. Joining with one another in the Memorial Union, the community comes together to do one thing: celebrate.

“This is a time for the black community to come together and celebrate each other,” said Sydni Harmon, second-year graduate student in education and “People of Nia” committee member.

The name for the graduation ceremony, “People of Nia” ties into the cultural significance of the celebration. The word “Nia” is the fifth principle of Kwanza, which means “purpose.”

The graduation ceremony began in 1997 as a response to low retention rates and high attrition rates of black students at Iowa State.

The ceremony also serves as a celebration of black heritage and an acknowledgment of the historical contributions black people have made.

According to Jerlando F.L. Jackson’s 2001 article on the “People of Nia,” data at the time showed graduation rates for black students to be lower than other ethnic group represented at Iowa State, with the exception of Native American students.

Jackson, who will be the keynote speaker of this year’s ceremony, stated in his article how from 1993 to 1997, the four-year graduation rate for black students was 9.4 percent

» GRADUATION Pg8

EVENT DETAILS

» People of Nia

The graduation ceremony will take place at 6 p.m. May 10 in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union. Following the ceremony there will be a live musical performance, a live DJ and reception.

Regents call emergency tuition meeting

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The Board of Regents had released their tuition proposals to be decided at Wednesday’s special meeting.

The proposed rates would increase resident undergraduate by 3.9 percent and non-resident undergraduate tuition by 4.9 percent, according to their meeting agenda. For graduate students this increase would be 4.9 percent across the board.

The proposal also increases mandatory fees for undergraduates by 2.4 percent and by 2.5 percent for graduate students.

Tuition and fee increases at Iowa State were larger than increases at Iowa and the University of Northern Iowa, which did not increase its

graduate or undergraduate tuition and fees at all.

The rates for Iowa State undergraduate tuition were based on a formula decided in November by the board to set a 5-year tuition formula that has a 3 percent base increase and up to an additional 2 percent increase based on the Higher Education Price Index and state appropriation levels.

The board could not make a decision on Tuition rates at their usual meeting time in April due to uncertainty behind the State Legislature’s final funding levels to the regents.

The legislature made their final appropriations decision Saturday before they adjourned for the year, choosing to provide \$6 million less than Gov. Kim Reynolds request of \$18 million.



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Interim senior vice president and university secretary, Pam Cain, (middle) talks about the register of Iowa State University capital improvement business transactions.

The \$12 million increase was first proposed in the Republican-led Iowa Senate, which gave its recommendation shortly after the House passed an increase of \$15.9 million. Both

proposals would increase the undergraduate tuition rate for resident students above 3 percent.

“The Board has spent several years looking at tuition and funding of

our universities,” said Josh Lehman, senior communications director for the Board of Regents.” There are three main segments of funding -- tuition, state appropriations, and savings/reallocations. The Board believes that those three must be looked at collectively, not individually. The total resources needed by the university in one year is the critical number, and finding the right mix of those resources is the challenge.

The tuition increases will continue a trend over the last 20 years in Iowa of tuition making an increasing portion of regent funding compared to state appropriations.

The Regents will hold there “telephonic meeting” at 2 p.m. at the Board of Regents Office in Urbandale, Iowa, according to a press release.

CALENDAR

4.30.19

Barks@Parks, *Parks Library, upper rotunda at 12 p.m.* Comfort dogs will be available during dead week, along with chair massages and other stress-reducing activities.

Retirement reception: Eugenio Matibag, *302 Catt Hall at 3 p.m.* Eugenio Matibag, professor of Spanish and U.S. Latino/a Studies in the world languages and cultures department, is retiring after serving as a faculty member since

1987. Light refreshments will be served, and he will perform a farewell duet at 4 p.m.

Retirement reception: Wolfgang Kliemann and Clifford Bergman, *Memorial Union Campanile Room at 3 p.m.* Wolfgang Kliemann, mathematics professor and interim associate dean in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; and Clifford Bergman, mathematics professor, are retiring.

All events courtesy of event.iastate.edu.

POLICE BLOTTER

4.26.19

An individual reported being harassed at Friley Hall (reported at 12:21 a.m.).

Hunter Glenn Wilhelmi, age 22, of 3858 Greens Grove Road, Center Point, Iowa, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated, improper use of lanes, and improper registration plate lamp at Lincoln Way and Wilmoth Avenue (reported at 1:19 a.m.).

An officer investigated a property damage collision at Wallace Road and Union Drive (reported at 10:57 a.m.).

An individual reported the theft of headphones at Wilson Hall (reported at 1:15 p.m.).

An individual reported someone may have attempted to enter an apartment at 121 University Village (reported at 8:37 p.m.).

4.27.19

An officer assisted an individual who was experiencing medical difficulties. The individual was transported to a medical facility for treatment from the 2400-Block of Chamberlain Street (reported at 1:32 a.m.).

An officer assisted an individual who was experiencing medical difficulties at Wilson Hall (reported at 2:37 a.m.).

An individual reported being harassed at Curtiss Hall (reported at 10:56 a.m.).

Christian Joseph Trzaska, age 19, of 2700 Lincoln Way Unit 658 in Ames, Iowa, was cited for possession of a controlled substance and failure to obey traffic control device at Hyland Avenue and Lincoln Way (reported at 9:28 p.m.).

An officer checked on the welfare of an individual at Small Animal Hospital (reported at 10:15 p.m.).

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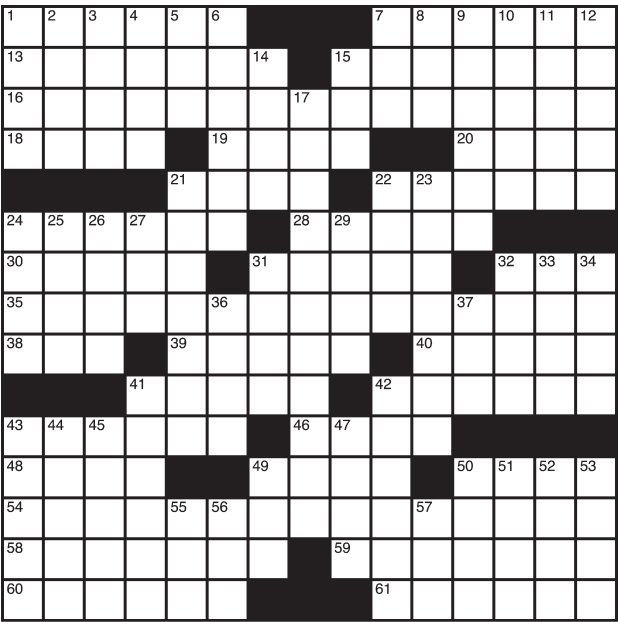
Jeremy Webster, freshman in math and computer science at Northeastern University, kicks a soccer ball around Central Campus on Monday.

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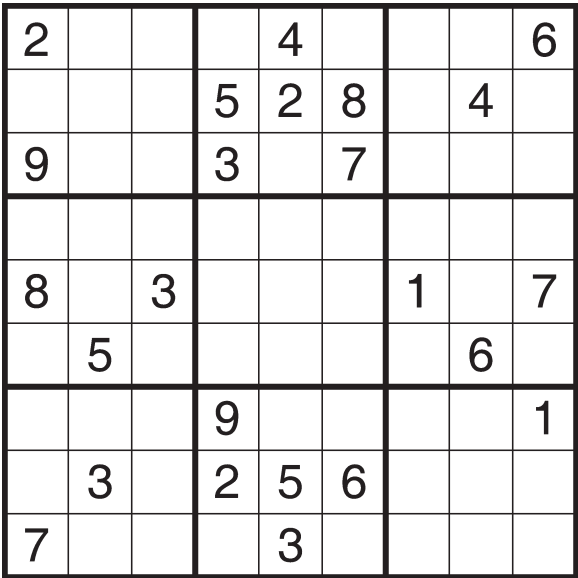
Crossword



- 20 Fish-eating eagle
21 Talking Trans Am of classic TV
22 Speak incessantly about
24 Spenser’s “The __ Queene”
28 Some elimination rounds
30 Quite a lot
31 Kirsten of “Melancholia”
32 Otolgist’s concern
35 Pastime that will celebrate its 100th anniversary on 12/21/2013
38 Saturn model until 2007
39 Pet sounds
40 Nostrils
41 Name of eight English kings
42 Lunch, say
43 It may be used after a break
46 Requisite
48 Quite a while
49 Not even semi-pro?
50 Vocalist James
54 How to finish working on a
35-Across
58 Corrida figures
59 Gets in order
60 Tense
61 Satisfies the munchies

- 9 Crude fleet
10 Seize
11 Pool worker
12 Chief Ruhr River valley city
14 Discontinued depilatory
15 Long-established
17 Inventor of the 35-Across
21 Branches on some trees
22 Metal fastener
23 Adjusted (to)
24 Central points
25 High style
26 Avenger John Steed’s alma mater
27 Thing in court?
29 Limits
31 __ prize
32 Biblical reformer
33 Brown or golden drinks
34 Take ten
36 Made an exit
37 Microwave
41 Was indirect
42 Keep from getting out of control
43 Took care of
44 Former Argentine ruler
45 Longest river in France
47 Catchall abbr.
49 Sounds of contentment
50 Woolly females
51 Composer who was a CBS reporter
52 Veracious
53 Threatening slitherers
55 Centimeter-gram-second unit
56 Shoe part
57 __ Balls: Hostess snack food

Sudoku
by the Mephram Group



Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9.

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Every year Pay It Forward Club volunteers in a different city every day during spring break. This year 38 members of the club volunteered.

Promoting change

Pay It Forward Club reflects on academic year

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Pay It Forward is a club at Iowa State with the common goal of inspiring others to create positive change. Pay It Forward is an established service and volunteer student organization who has the purpose of engaging college students in service and leadership. While the club spends most of the year volunteering within the community of Ames, for one week a year they turn their attention to the national level. “Over the week of spring break, we spend every day in a different city working as

volunteers,” said Brenna Russell, senior in kinesiology and the club’s exiting president. During their 2019 spring break trip, the group traveled to Springfield, Miss., Oklahoma City, Texas, Albuquerque, N.M. and Denver. At each of these locations, they worked for charities such as Habitat for Humanity, various animal shelters, food banks, parks and recreation departments and more. “We plan for our spring break trip all year,” Russell said. “This year, we took 38 members, and the experience was truly incredible.” Russell has been a member of Pay It Forward since her sophomore year when she said she “took a chance” and ended up having the best spring break of her life. Russell is leaving the club in the hands of Jacob Vos, a junior in meteorology and journalism. Vos will serve as the president for the 2019-20 school year. “This club means so much to me,” Vos

said. “The real impact we have on people is beyond words.” The group has an impact on a national level during spring break but spends most of the year impacting Ames. This includes volunteering to pick up trash around Ames, working during campus service day, setting up scholarships for students and volunteering for habitat for humanity. Vos says the impact they have on communities is important, but so is the impact on the club’s members. “Members join [Pay It Forward] to have an impact on people, but often the big surprise is the impact they have on themselves,” Vos said. Both Russell and Vos agree that the work they do can wouldn’t be possible without their team. “Without the group we had this last spring break, none of the work we did could have been done,” Russell said.

CALS offers Dead Week treats

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The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences study abroad office is hosting dead week treats from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday. All students are welcome to walk in, grab a cookie, coffee or hot chocolate and chat with the student travel consultants (STC). Connor Bollum, a senior in agriculture business and international agriculture, has been a STC for three years and has several traveling experiences through the CALS study abroad programs. He traveled to Spain during his freshman year, took classes in Greece for a semester during his sophomore year and then travelled to Argentina for his junior spring break. “[Studying abroad] helps

push you out of your comfort zone, and I’ve met a lot of great people through the trips that have formed lifelong friendships,” Bollum said. As an STC, Bollum interacts with students who come into the office curious about studying abroad. As there are a variety of different study abroad options, he helps the students find the right fit for them and what they are looking to get out of the experience. The CALS study abroad office offers shorter travel courses that span over spring break, summer break, Thanksgiving break and winter break. These travel courses are led by Iowa State faculty and have a pre-departure class students take here on campus. Another option is an exchange or semester long program where students study away from Iowa State’s campus for a semester.



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Faith Venenga took advantage of the CALS Study Abroad Fair to learn about scholarship opportunities on Oct. 11, 2018.



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The Durham testing center is one of three testing centers on campus.

Testing center provides tips for Dead Week

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Dead week is here, and the testing centers are preparing for the large influx of students coming to take exams during finals week. For students who may have never been or have only been to a testing center once or twice, they can be a little overwhelming. Here are some quick tips and things to remember according to Doug Bull, testing center director in Carver, to make visiting the testing centers easy and painless. 1. Be aware of the hours of operations and locations of the testing centers for finals week. Visit the testing center’s website to find full information on the testing centers’ operating hours. 2. Some instructors will open their exams on the Saturday and/or Sunday prior to the beginning of finals week. During that time there will be three testing centers open: Carver 60, 250 and Gilman 2552. For students who want to get some exams out of the way early, this can be very helpful. Keep in mind that not all instructors will open their exams early, so make sure to ask them first. 3. During finals week there are two additional exam locations. Heady Hall room 68 and Gilman Hall room 2272. Bull said both of these locations are underutilized during finals week, so students are encouraged to try these locations. 4. The busiest times at the testing centers are between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. They open at 8 a.m. and close at 10 p.m. on Monday through Thursday and close at 5 p.m. on Friday. Bull said he suggests that students may be better off taking exams during their “off” hours. 5. Visit the testing center website or the MyState app for more useful information. 6. It is required that personal electronic devices including watches and cell phones be turned off and stowed in the bag provided, so you might want to speed up the check-in process by having all of those items out and turned off prior to checking in. Bull suggests that it is still better to leave them at home. 7. Remember, when the doors are locked for the day you will not be allowed in to take an exam, so plan to arrive early enough to complete exams on time. 8. Don’t begin writing on the scratch paper until the proctor has logged you into the exam. The exam does not officially begin until they have done so. 9. For more information try out the new Help Desk with FAQs and Searchable Database.

Trading privacy for personalization

Social media uses private data for custom content, mining

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Personalization has often been a defining feature of the internet and, by extension, social media.

However, consumers aren't always aware of what they are giving up to receive these personalized experiences and what is being pushed on them as a result.

Personalized content is often hailed as a defining feature for many services, such as Netflix, YouTube, Spotify and even advertisements on some of these services.

Spotify releases personalized playlists and "Daily Mix" radio stations for its users based on what its algorithm thinks you would enjoy. The Daily Mix stations are usually broken down into six stations that each have their own theme. For example, someone who listens to a lot of 1990s alternative may get a mix stations based around The Cranberries, Nirvana, and other related artists.

YouTube analyzes a user's watch history and tries to recommend similar videos, channels, and topics that users may be interested in based on their watching habits.

Netflix, Hulu and other streaming services also use the YouTube model, although not to the same extent.

Social media also pushes recommended content onto its users. Facebook feeds may contain the phrase "posts similar to ones you have viewed recently" that pop up like advertisements on news feeds.

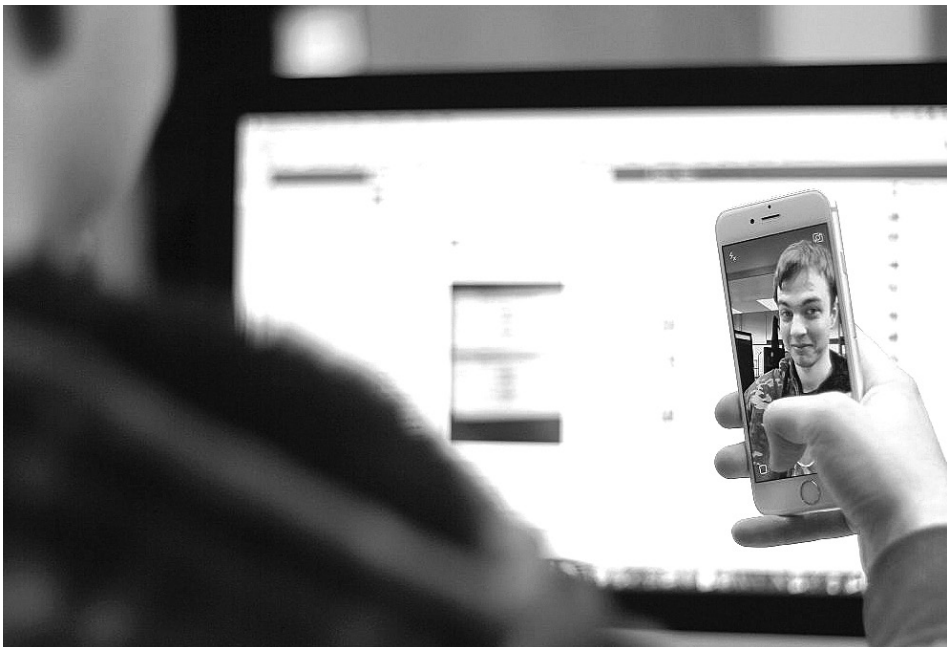
Algorithms dominate social media and entertainment platforms and use users and non-users' data to provide them with a "personalized experience."

What are consumers giving up for these personalized experiences? Their own private data, or at least it seems that way.

Facebook has seen the most public criticism for its mishandling of private data and the extent to which it collects and receives that data from users and non-users with ties to them.

They are not alone, however.

While players in the industry are often secretive about their practices and what they collect, there is some information available through the work of journalists and from the information



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When social media puts pressure on people to look and act certain ways, it can alter perceptions of how people view themselves.

obtained from public cases.

Largely due to the Cambridge Analytica scandal in 2018, the extent of the data Facebook collects has been shown. This includes the sharing of information between Facebook and 150 other companies, such as Amazon and Apple, which Facebook has claimed to have ceased doing since, according to an article from the New York Times.

People can also download their own data that Facebook and Google have about them, and one New York Times journalist, Brian X. Chen, did just this in April 2018.

The most obvious use of consumers' private data comes from advertisements. A person may have observed or remarked on an ad that seemed as if it were a little too "targeted."

For example, receiving an email about glasses and talking to your friend about their new glasses, and then receiving 50 or more glasses ads on Facebook within a week.

Consumers have taken notice to this personalized ad experience and sometimes it can bother them if done poorly, according to WIRED.

On the same day as Chen's article in the New York Times, Keith Collins and Kevin Buchanan, also journalists for the Times, explored the history of Facebook's use of ads and how they came to target consumers.

According to their article, starting in 2014, Facebook started using users' browser histories in their personalized ad program. The article also states that Facebook can even try and guess its users' ethnicities.

Michael Bugeja, a journalism professor, called

Facebook the biggest violator of online privacy.

"In 2012, Facebook surpassed 1 billion users," Bugeja said. "Now it commands 22 percent of the world's population. That's a lot of data on users, and as we have seen in the Cambridge Analytica scandal, it can influence elections."

The data being collected and those collecting it can be shocking. Consumers have questioned the value of the personalized content relative to their sacrifices in privacy, but Bugeja said companies believe it's worth it.

"Consumer narratives are currency, and they have value," Bugeja said.

"If, for instance, you say on Twitter, it was cold in Iowa in April and I had to borrow an electric blanket, you will see advertisements for electric blankets. That's how quickly data is mined when we use these supposedly free social apps," Bugeja said.

There are ways to limit the amount of data mined from these platforms, however, they are opt-out options, and many users may not know about them unless they go searching for them.

"There's little you can do since applications moved from desktop to the cloud," Bugeja said. "Should we get over it? Perhaps. I look at it this way. Be careful what you say and to whom you say it because anything on social media can go viral at any time."

Bugeja also said that it is important that students, especially those in middle school, learn media and technology literacy.

"Students learn about the dangers of social media by trial and error from Middle School on, allowing all manner of people bully [sic] or abuse their privacy," Bugeja said.

Personalized recommendations for streaming



- Train Station Sleepover
- If It Wasn't For Gucci
- Trap Instrumental Beats
- Funk Outta Here
- Mac 'N' Cheese
- Knitting Party



- Sentimental Movies About Horses For Ages 11 to 12
- Rauncy Politically Incorrect Stand-up Comedy
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- Emotional Independent Dramas for Hopeless Romantics
- Classic Screwball Comedies from the 1950s

Parks Library offers Dead Week resources as finals near

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From Monday until May 9, Parks Library will be open 24/7 for students to study throughout dead week and finals week.

The popular Barks@Parks event is also returning to the library during dead week.

The event will be open from noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday in the upper rotunda.

The upper rotunda in the library will also house a variety of puzzles, coloring activities and games for students, according to the University Library website.

Additionally, the Mindfulness Room, located in room 297, is available during library hours.

"We are pleased to be able to continue 24/7 hours in Parks during dead and finals weeks, and to offer healthy snacks and to partner with Student Wellness on additional activities," said Dean of Library Services Beth McNeil in a release. "Supporting our students and their academic success is a top goal for the University Library."

In addition to the library extending its hours, Bookends Cafe will be open until 11 p.m. on May 3 and 4 and will be open until 2 a.m. May 5 through 8. Additionally, during overnight hours, the library will offer fresh fruit and other snacks available to students.



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(Left to right) Lauren Williams and Jenny Dowd pet golden retrievers at Barks@Parks in Parks Library on Monday.

COLUMN

Assessing gender wage gap

Taking steps to close the wage gap necessary

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It's a modern world. Things are a lot more equal than they used to be in terms of gender and sex equality.

Women can wear pants, and men hopefully no longer subscribe to the idea that women can't ride trains because "women's bodies are not made to go over 50 miles an hour," and therefore their uterus will fall out. Women can go to college, and men most likely no longer believe that women shouldn't ride bicycles because it will give them a permanent nasty scowl and depression. Women can vote and no longer have to go to their doctor to cure themselves of sexual frustration caused by the ineptitude of their partners. And yet, there are still prominent issues for women's equality that sound just as outrageous as these previous male suggestions: women, on average, are paid less than their male counterparts. Although it may be hard to believe, the wage gap is quite real and it's frightening.

Of course, a claim such of this should be explored in detail. Many people believe that women make only \$0.78 to the man's \$1.00. This estimate is even smaller for women of color. While this is true as an average across all occupations, it is important to explore what this really means. For example, women in retail on average make 70 percent of what men in retail make, whereas female lawyers on average make 83 percent of what men make.

Women aren't complacent with these numbers, either. Many women try to balance the scale and ask for higher pay. Unfortunately, women who negotiate for raises succeed only 24 percent of the time, whereas men succeed 42 percent of the time. This is scary, especially considering women ask for raises more often than men.

This sort of bias isn't the only reason that



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Columnist Shannon Fox argues that by erasing gender roles and stereotypes, wage equality can be obtained.

women make less than men. In the United States, the population of women and men is nearly 50-50, and women are, on average, earning more bachelor's degrees than men. However, only 6.7 percent of women are graduating from college in STEM fields, mostly in psychological and biological sciences.

In 2016, the ratio of women to men obtaining degrees in the STEM field was 37 to 63 percent. How does this influence the wage gap? The Bureau of Labor Statistics cites that 93 out of 100 STEM careers offer wages above the national average, and the field is only growing.

The fastest-growing, highest-paying STEM jobs are typically engineering and computer science. In other words, many

women are graduating from college and getting degrees in areas other than STEM. Not only that, but when women do choose STEM majors, they don't choose the highest paying careers. This is, in my opinion, mostly because of something that sounds like a tasty treat but is actually a dreaded social construct: gender roles.

Even in 2019, women are thought of in a certain way, or has having certain roles, such as cooking, cleaning, taking care of children and so on. Any female alive today can likely cite a time when they were made uncomfortable by being told that they shouldn't behave a certain way because of their sex or gender. Even when people don't consciously believe these stereotypes about women, it can still

unconsciously modify their behavior. In other words, the mere existence of these stereotypes, regardless of whether or not anyone believes them, can greatly affect what women choose to do. In turn, these subconscious stereotypes may even affect one's decision on a women's hiring, pay rate and more. In fact, women with overtly feminine names were offered on average \$4000 less than their less-feminine counterparts in one study.

Even if women can ride trains and keep their uteri intact, it is seemingly impossible for women to obtain pay equal to that of a man's. The first step in the right direction to wage equality is to erase gender roles and stereotypes entirely to ensure there is no bias for hiring and firing.

EDITORIAL

Show respect to others religious beliefs

The Chabad of Poway in Poway, California joined a growing list of places of worship that have become the target of a hate crime Saturday.

A gunman, armed with a semiautomatic rifle, burst into the sacred temple on the last day of Passover, shouting anti-semitic slurs. He then began to open fire on the synagogue.

This attack left one dead and three wounded.

Eight-year-old Noya Dahan was one of the wounded from this tragic incident, along with the Rabbi and one other member of the synagogue.

"He was aiming right at us. He was aiming at the kids," Dahan said to CNN.

His attack on this temple left a 60-year-old woman dead, and injured the 57-year-old Rabbi Yisroel Goldstein, Noya Dahan and a 34-year-old man.

"The rabbi held up his hands as he faced the gunman. At least one

of his fingers was blown off as bullets smashed into both hands," CNN reported.

Yet, even with all the horror that has happened to Poway, Rabbi Yisroel Goldstein has called for unity amongst the people of his church.

The synagogue attack occurred just six months after the Tree of Life Synagogue shooting in Pittsburgh in October.

That was the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in U.S. history, leaving 11 people dead.

This is one of many religious attacks that have happened in the last year. For instance, the bombings in Sri Lanka on Easter Sunday that killed 290 people and injured 500 others.

It is believed that an Islamist group coordinated roughly 10 suicide bombings around the city, all of which were detonated at different times of the day.

"Officials have also contradicted themselves on possible ties to the

Islamic State group and the motive for the attack, the worst violence in Sri Lanka since its brutal civil war ended a decade ago," Fox News reported.

These hate crimes are completely uncalled for.

Just because individuals of a community choose to practice a certain religion or live a certain lifestyle does not in any way mean they deserve any kind of negative repercussions, whether that is someone calling them names on the street or being targeted and gunned down.

The religion that another individual chooses to follow should be respected whether or not others agree with it or not. Just how everyone is allowed to live the life they want, it should be the same with religion.

Whether you practice religion as a Catholic, Jewish, Christian or don't practice anything at all, there is absolutely no reason you should be punished or judged on your decision.

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COLUMN



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Former Iowa State running back David Montgomery carries the ball against Drake University Dec. 1, 2018 at Jack Trice Stadium. The Cyclones won 27-24.

Bears favorable for Montgomery

Team, city good match for the running back

BY TREVOR.HOLBROOK
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David Montgomery found the perfect fit in the NFL.

Over the weekend, the Chicago Bears jumped up in the third round to select the former Cyclone with their first pick in the 2019 draft.

The Bears received a productive starter in college who can play meaningful snaps immediately, and Montgomery received a home where he can earn a large role early on with a play-off-caliber team.

“He’s the whole package,” said Chicago head coach Matt Nagy on the team’s website. “He has the hands. He’s a three-down back. He’s everything that we’re looking for.”

Chicago possessed a need in the backfield, and the Bears filled that need with Montgomery and seventh-round pick Kerrith Whyte Jr. from Florida Atlantic.

That need opened up after the Bears shipped Jordan Howard to Philadelphia after the season wrapped up. Prior to the draft, Chicago’s backfield appeared pretty slim.

Without Howard, the only returning player to receive meaningful snaps for the Bears is Tarik Cohen. Cohen’s not your

typical back, dealing more damage in the passing game than on the ground. Cohen — listed at 5-foot-6, 181-pounds — hasn’t surpassed 100 carries in his two seasons in the NFL.

Alongside the duo of new draft picks and Cohen, the Bears feature Mike Davis, a stocky, five-year veteran, who’s tallied 862 yards in his career with San Francisco and Seattle. He joined the Bears on a two-year deal this offseason.

That leaves Montgomery. Montgomery could start the season splitting carries with Davis, and the more successful option could absorb more touches as the season progresses with Cohen presenting an x-factor as a change-of-pace player.

Along with having multiple options in the backfield, Montgomery will benefit from Chicago’s offensive line. Frankly, Iowa State’s offensive line was a weak link in the Cyclone offense last season, but Montgomery shielded some of those flaws with his tackle-breaking ability.

Chicago presents a slightly above-average offensive line, ranking No. 11 at the end of last season, according to Pro Football Focus.

The Bears also maintain one of the best defenses in the NFL. Chicago was really good on defense last season, especially against the run. With that in mind and Mitchell Trubisky still developing at quarterback, Nagy could turn to the run more this season.

Speaking of Nagy, he coached one of the most common comparisons for Montgomery — Kareem Hunt — as the

offensive coordinator in Kansas City. Hunt played college ball at Toledo under Matt Campbell.

“Yeah, there are some similarities, for sure,” Nagy said on the Chicago website. “You look at them and the size of them. You see how they run between the tackles. They are physical. They run angry, both of them. And the other connection is probably just with the background of the coaches that they both had, too. That’s an easy tie there.”

In one season under Nagy, where Nagy took over the play-calling duties midseason, Hunt thrived, scampering for 1,327 yards and eight touchdowns.

If Nagy made Hunt standout, he should be able to find success for Montgomery.

Off the field, I think Chicago fans will fall in love with the former Cyclone. There’s already a lot of Cyclone and Bear fans in Central Iowa, but the city of Chicago loves running backs.

Whether it’s Gale Sayers, Walter Payton or Thomas Jones, the Bears have a history of a running back carrying the Chicago offense. Now, I’m not saying Montgomery will have the hall of fame career that Sayers and Payton had or carry the Bears to a Super Bowl like Jones did, but I think he can become a fan favorite for a team that’s had a line of fun running backs.

Lastly, the location of Chicago is favorable. The trip from Ames to Soldier Field is about a five and a half hour drive. I wouldn’t be surprised to see some cardinal and gold in the stands in the NFL’s opener in Chicago on Sept. 5.

Cyclones earn free agent contracts, minicamp invites

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One Iowa State player that went undrafted has already signed a free agent deal, on the same team as former Cyclone Allen Lazard.

Wide receiver Matt Eaton signed an undrafted priority free agent deal with the Green Bay Packers shortly after the draft ended, according to a report from Matt Silverstein of the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

Eaton, a 6-foot-4 wideout with a 4.64 40-yard dash, had 523 yards receiving and six touchdowns in three years at Temple and Iowa State. He signed with Iowa State after a year at Pearl River Community College.

Eaton played beside Lazard and

fourth-round pick Hakeem Butler his entire Iowa State career, but now the Norfolk, Virginia, native has a chance to find his way onto an NFL roster or practice squad.

A few former Cyclones have received rookie minicamp invites, including cornerback and three-year-starter Brian Peavy, who will have a chance with his teammate Butler at the Arizona Cardinals. Former Cyclone linebacker Willie Harvey Jr. has received invitations to minicamps with the Cleveland Browns and Jacksonville Jaguars, according to Dylan Montz of the Ames Tribune.

Peavy led the defensive secondary over the second half of his career. He was named first-team All-Big 12 by

ESPN in 2017, second-team All-Big 12 by the coaches and AP in 2017 and 2018 and made Pro Football Focus’ first-team All-American in 2018. Peavy was a co-captain for Iowa State during his junior and senior seasons.

Harvey finished his career at Iowa State with three honorable mention All-Big 12 appearances and 289 total tackles. He finished second on the team in tackles (76) as a senior along with 3.5 sacks.

Former starting quarterback Kyle Kempt has his shot at a rookie minicamp with the New Orleans Saints, per a report from Tommy Birch of the Des Moines Register.

Kempt didn’t get much playing time until 2018, when he took over for an injured Cyclone quarterback room and

made the most of his situation. He led Iowa State to a monumental win over then-No. 3 Oklahoma and eventual Heisman winner Baker Mayfield.

Kempt quarterbacked the team through one of the best seasons in program history, winning the Liberty Bowl over Memphis to cap off the season.

Blocking tight end Sam Soenbuchner will be with the Packers in rookie minicamp, and running back Mike Warren has an invite from the Cincinnati Bengals.

Soenbuchner rose to prominence later in his career after multiple position changes. He became a fullback/tight end and was instrumental in Iowa State’s running attack along with running back David Montgomery.



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Former Cyclone wide receiver Matt Eaton catches the ball for a touchdown against TCU on Oct. 28, 2017.

MU hosts first Unveiled event

Vendors come together to showcase talents

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The Great Hall in the Memorial Union was home to dozens of tables set with elegant decor, vases filled with warm-colored flowers and lots of commotion as vendors set up for Unveiled on Sunday.

Unveiled at the Union is where wedding vendors can come together to create mock receptions with styles that are going to be up and coming this next wedding season. More than 32 vendors came to the event to bring together five various styles.

Unveiled at the Union wasn't open to the public. The decision behind keeping this event quiet to the public derives from wanting the stylists and photographers to get the best pictures possible. With it being the first time this event is being hosted, organizers wanted to ensure it ran as smoothly as possible.

"I was a little cautious to put more pressure on the vendors with already the crunched time we had," said Jessica Erickson, wedding and event coordinator. "I think in the future I would love to have a shoot where it's open to the public for a portion of the day."

Models, photographers, florists, caterers and just about anyone else needed to pull off an amazing wedding day were in attendance at the styled shoot on Sunday. Beforehand, each vendor was given a variety of mood boards to choose from and then select which style they wanted to show at the event.

"We wanted it to be beneficial to us but also beneficial to them," Erickson said. "We kept it pretty open-ended with who chose what and how they interpreted that style. We gave them the mood board, and then they went wild."

The day started inside, showcasing and highlighting the variations of decor and styles one can choose from should they have their reception at an indoor venue, then



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A styled shoot took place at the Memorial Union on Sunday to showcase the venues Iowa State has to offer as well as event companies around Central Iowa.

moved outdoors, to showcase what outdoor venues Iowa State has to offer.

Several models were also at the event to show off some of the dresses, supplied by Modern Dress, located in Boone, Iowa.

"I work at Modern Dress, and we brought all the bridal gowns and bridesmaids dresses, and then they asked us to be a part of it, too," said Ashlee Moorman, Des Moines Area Community College student and Modern Dress employee. Moorman is studying nursing at DMACC, and plans to attend Iowa State to complete her bachelor's degree.

While Modern Dress supplied a variety of dresses, there will always be certain styles that remain popular with brides.

"Lace is always going to be in," Moorman

said. "It kinda changes. You'll see more traditional [lace], what you think of when you think of lace. And now, what we're seeing is it would still be called lace, but it's more like modern. But long sleeves are really in, and a lot of people like low backs, strapless [styled necklines] is kinda fading out."

Vendors find the styled shoots beneficial for their company, for marketing and advertising purposes.

"The main thing for styled shoots is marketing, so that's the one thing we wanted to utilize this styled shoot for," said Morgan Tjarks, director at Weddings by Aspire. "We haven't done a lot, since we just started in January, so we've loved that we could show what we're able to do."



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Models pose in bridal gowns from Modern Dress in Boone, Iowa on Sunday at Unveiled in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union.



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Unveiled, the first styled shoot at the Memorial Union took place Sunday to promote the Memorial Union as a wedding venue for couples.

Tjarks and co-worker Alexis Garland are Iowa State alumni, and both studied event management. Now, the pair works at Weddings by Aspire. There, they design events, whether it be weddings or bridal showers, they provide everything needed decor-wise at the event.

"It's even super cool that we're graduates from Iowa State that when they reached out we were like 'oh my gosh we have to do it,'" Garland said.

Trying to provide more for the newly engaged couple looking to have their wedding at Iowa State, Erickson also plans to have more events tailored to showcasing all that Iowa State has to offer when it comes to planning your wedding.

How to avoid end-of-year stress and enjoy Iowa State

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The school year is coming to a close, but there is still time to create memories as a Cyclone to last a lifetime. Become a true Iowa Stater before graduation by keeping your mind off reality and relish the weeks that are left as a student.

Visit and tour Reiman Gardens with your roommate, loved one, a group of friends or by yourself. Reiman Gardens is a famous, living horticulture garden with a wide variety of plants, insects and works of art and architecture. Iowa State students get in free, along with complimentary Wi-Fi, so it is a perfect study spot or do the opposite and disconnect from the chaos and enjoy the scenery.

"Walking into the gardens has this aroma of peacefulness," said McKenna Reedy, a freshman in industrial engineering. "There are benches and other seating all

around the gardens making it a great place to study. There is a feeling of warm weather, which boosts your energy."

Other possible ways you can de-stress from exams and projects is joining in on a group fitness class. You can start the day with sunrise yoga, relax with mindful meditation, take out your anger with cardio kickboxing or enjoy the moment with a dance party.

If you are not in the mood to work out, find two trees on central campus and hang a hammock. Hammocking on the front lawn is a great way to unwind by reading a book or listening to your favorite playlist of music, along with taking in the beauty of Iowa State's scenery.

"Hammocking is an awesome way to not have to exert more energy in order to be outdoors," said Mallory Picl, a sophomore in geology. "I love it because I can take a break from studying and



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The tulips in Reiman Gardens were in full bloom during National Public Gardens Day on May 11, 2018.

relax outside in my hammock."

Grab brunch or a cup of coffee at Arcadia or Stomping Grounds, which are located on Welch Avenue. Enjoy the laid-back atmosphere, the soups, sandwiches, espresso drinks and teas with a group of people. These coffeehouses are a fun alternative spot to study for exams or to finish a

project with your classmates.

Instead of studying at a table in Parks Library, study in the tiers. You may get lost trying to find them because they are hidden but it is a quiet spot to focus in on your classes.

"Personally, I study in my dorm room because I am surrounded by familiar things, and it keeps me

concentrated," said Morgan Powell, freshman in animal science. "You could change up the scenery by studying in the den on your floor."

The seasons have passed, and it is too late to experience Hilton Magic at a basketball game or football at Jack Trice Stadium. However, you can catch a game of softball and support the team on their home field these next few weeks.

For those who are about to graduate, you still have time to experience Iowa State to the max by requesting a song to be played at the Campanile at noon. Consider taking a stroll around Lake Laverne or do the nearly-naked mile. For the freshman, hit up all the dining centers and use all of those dining dollars at the C-Stores before you never have a meal plan again.

Make the most of these last few weeks by cherishing campus traditions, taking in the scenery and acting as a true Iowa Stater.

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compared to white students during the time period with rates of 22.8 percent.

Now in its 22nd year of existence, the overall purpose of the ceremony is to honor the accomplishments of black students, but also commend their success on the challenges of studying at a Predominantly White Institution (PWI).

In his 2001 article, Jackson said the ceremony planning efforts began through members of student organizations serving black students, Black Graduate Student Association and Black Student Alliance.

The strategy adopted was to focus on black students who were thriving at the institution and on track to graduate.

The two organizations plan the graduation ceremony every fall and spring semester.

While other universities have different goals and objectives for their ceremonies, Iowa State has maintained three goals for theirs: the first being the recognition of black students' academic achievement in a black-culture commencement, the second being serving as a support for black students but encourage them to take responsibility for their academic successes, the third goal being a source of pride and respect for the contributions of black students and the last goal being to improve relations between the university's administration and black students.

During the ceremony, students are recognized for the academic and leadership achievements.

Markus Flynn, co-chair of the committee and second year graduate student in kinesiology, said each year the ceremony continues to grow and get bigger.

"It takes having the initiative to allow it to grow and it always depend on how far



Students walk up to the podium in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union to receive their graduation stroll.

leadership is trying to go. I want committee members to say, 'I am planning 'People of Nia' and it is the best one Iowa State is gonna see,'" Flynn said.

From the beginning, the ceremony has appealed to student leaders and university

administration. Some members of the administration continue to serve on the committee and its planning efforts in supporting roles.

"My role has been 100 percent support," said Reginald Stewart, vice president of Office of Diversity and Inclusion. "I want

it to continue be student-driven, but I am always here for support. I want the committee members to focus on content, while the Office of Diversity and Inclusion provided funding this year."

Stewart said he has a first-hand account of how meaningful the graduation ceremonies can be as he participated in one during his undergraduate studies.

"One of my proudest items that I keep in my office is my certificate from my very own black student ceremony I attended at my university. I still recall the stories and the great experiences I had when I attended," Stewart said.

For a few of the committee members, planning this year's ceremony has been meaningful as they plan to participate as graduating students, too.

"It is surreal that this is happening as three out of the five us committee members will also be celebrated as graduates at this event," Harmon said. "It is hard to picture myself into it, with all this planning but it has allowed me to make sure people will enjoy the event."

While the ceremony has seen growth throughout the years, the ceremony still is not widely known about across Iowa State's campus.

For Flynn, he hopes the efforts from the committee and this year's event can help end the lack of awareness.

"I want every black student at Iowa State to know about this event. I want younger students to look forward to it when they graduate and I want the event to be too big for the Great Hall," Flynn said.

The graduation ceremony will take place at 6 p.m. May 10 in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union.

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