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A look inside Iowa State

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When walking up the stairs in Parks Library, you might notice notations on the stairs letting you know that Special Collections is on the fourth floor, and that food and drinks are not allowed. That policy is meant to help protect some 3,000 artifacts, manuscripts and collections taking up much of the southwest corner of that level.

The items housed there tell the stories of Iowa State and its people. The materials are used for classes, preservation and research purposes. Petrina Jackson, head of Special Collections and University Archives, who has worked at Iowa State Special Collections since April 2016, showed the Daily a few items of significance.

The last letter from Jack Trice, the first black athlete at Iowa State, before being killed in the football game resides in the collections. Trice writes: “The honor of my race, family and self is at stake. Everyone is expecting me to do big things. I will.”

There is a death mask — a mold of a deceased person’s face — of Margaret Stanton. This is the death mask — a mold of the deceased person’s face — of Margaret Stanton.

Minutes from the Board of Trustees — now the Board of Regents — document the university’s decision to be co-ed and allow students of color to be admitted. Special book weights and supports are used to ensure the quality of the book does not deteriorate.

The greatest barrier, Jackson said, is getting people to know about Special Collections because people have referred to the archives as the “hidden jewels of the university.” However, they don’t want to be hidden and want people to use the research materials, Jackson said.

“Even though they (the items) are rare and unique, they are meant to be used,” Jackson said. “We don’t want people to be at arm’s length.”

On Oct. 4, the Society of American Archivists celebrates AskAnArchivist Day, which is meant for the public to ask questions of archivists to better understand the role of archives. The Daily sat down with Jackson to ask about Iowa State’s archives.

Q: On the way up here, we noticed the signage on the stairs. Is that new?
A: That’s a new phenomenon. As you know in other parts of the library, people can eat and drink. But we discourage food here because of the special collections — because those are one-of-a-kind and rare items. If they’re damaged or damaged permanently, that’s it and there’s no coming back from that. We want students, staff, whoever to be as comfortable as possible in the library … but we try to be a little more strict on this floor in order to protect the items that we’re trying to preserve permanently, that’s it and there’s no coming back from that. We collect things that will last for generations and generations to come.

Q: What is your job like?
A: As head of Special Collections, University Archives, I help manage the big picture and make contact with stakeholders be they in the library, or in the campus community or even outside of that to get donors in. And when I say donors, I mean people who have collection materials that fit our collections. Of course we document the history of the university, we document agriculture and rural life … and we have a strong life sciences collection, engineering. It complements the major areas of study at the university.

Q: Is everyone on staff here considered an archivist or what makes the distinction?
A: No, everyone is not considered an archivist. To be considered an archivist, everybody has to go to library school — and this is generally speaking, there are some exceptions. So, for...
Brenda Lohman could not wait to break the news to her family. It had been a long four months but well worth the effort and time committed.

Lohman received news of her success in becoming the new dean for research and graduate education in the College of Human Sciences last month.

Lohman was previously a professor for the College of Human Sciences. When she heard of the administrator position opening up, she knew this was an opportunity for a step up in her future that she was ready to take on.

"I had gotten a lot of feedback along the way that the changes I had made to the graduate program, myself and faculty here in graduate program, had gone well and I was encouraged to think about the next step in leadership," Lohman said.

From her 14 years of being a faculty member at Iowa State, Lohman has provided a lot of positive change that proved she was ready for the next level.

Lohman did not envision from the very beginning of her career that she would want an administrative position. But, over the course of her time at Iowa State she found herself realizing and thinking more about moving up in leadership.

Once Lohman heard about the position opening, she started thinking about seeing herself in this role.

Lohman began considering the position and talking to her mentors.

"There have been a series of different people at different points in my time here that I have looked up to who helped support me," Lohman said.

It was a four month process to choose the candidate for the position of associate dean for research and graduate education in the College of Human Sciences. The news of the open position came out last spring, and the application process started this past summer, which was when the search committee was formed.

The search committee consisted of seven members, including the head of the committee and department chair of kinesiology Phil Martin, a nominated graduate student and someone from each department in the college.

Dean Laura Jolly oversaw the committee and made the final decision for the position.

"The position entails responsibility for working with faculty across the college to promote research, multidisciplinary research across the university and work with director of graduate education," Jolly said.

The committee knew what type of person they were looking for to fill this important role. This search process was tedious to ensure the new administrator was fit for the job.

It came down to two final candidates. These candidates went through multiple interviews and meetings with people throughout the college. Candidates met with staff in the college who worked with graduate education and research.

Then candidates also met with the search committee, key leaders within the college and eventually with Jolly.

Gaining insight from the candidate’s references was an

Last week, the four finalists for Iowa State’s next president were selected, but the names remained anonymous.

Monday, the first of the four candidates will be on the ISU’s campus speaking to the ISU community for the first time. However, these open forums will only be successful if students, faculty and staff actually show up.

Luis Rico-Gutierrez, dean of the College of Design and co-chair of the presidential search committee, said the community voice is an important part of the process and that is why he encourages people to attend the open forums.

They were originally set for Oct. 5, 6, 9 and 10. Due to scheduling, they were moved to Oct. 9 to 12. The candidates will be announced 24 hours before each open forum.

Here are the places for each open forum:

4 p.m. Oct. 9 in the Memorial Union Sun Room
4 p.m. Oct. 10 in the Memorial Union Durham Great Hall
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4 p.m. Oct. 12 in the Memorial Union Durham Great Hall
The Williams Universalist Fellowship of Ames church sits on Hayward Ave east of the ISU campus.

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Ames (UUFA) believes in full theological inclusivity. People of any faith can visit them and share ideas about humanism in modern times. “It’s all about living in a way that will leave the world in a better state than when we came into it, and that’s becoming harder each day,” said Rev. Kent McKusick, UUFA minister.

He believes it’s important for people to reconcile their issues in “these times of tension and division.”

During a Sunday sermon on Sept. 10, McKusick brought attention to the effects of climate change when he discussed devastating forest fires and hurricanes affecting the U.S., and a problem of “indifference to others” in light of the president’s DACA repeal.

“We support our fellow Unitarian Universalist organizations that serve as sanctuaries for immigrants,” McKusick said, and added that UUFA unfortunately lacks the proper amenities to offer the same services.

The fellowship sits along a natural slope with trees and shrubbery in its Hyland Avenue backdrop a stone’s throw east of Iowa State’s campus. Here, the congregation meets throughout the week, and McKusick ministers the occasional sermon concerning issues of local, national and international relevance.

McKusick is the third minister to serve the UUFA in the organization’s 65 years. Sarah Carlson, an ISU grant coordinator and member of the fellowship, remembers times when services were held without a “leader.”

“We’d all meet on Sundays, and we still had structure without a leader, but as our fellowship grew, we thought it would be a good idea to choose a minister,” said Carlson.

Unitarian Universalist fellowships receive applications from potential ministers, and choose the best fit for their congregation. Carlson is now a lay leader for UUFA and serves on the chair of Sunday Services, and she isn’t the only member of the ISU faculty who visits the congregation. McKusick’s predecessor, Brian Eslinger, taught part-time at Iowa State during his ministry, and now works full-time as a professor of religious studies.

“(The UUFA) tries to create a religious community that respects all paths and beliefs,” Eslinger said. He believes the fellowship is an accepting place to grow, even for people who grew up without religious traditions.

McKusick’s path to Ames was a winding one. He suffered from polio in his early childhood and struggled with disabilities early in life. However, he pushed the limits of his ailments and became a ski instructor in his teens. McKusick later became a river guide in the northeastern wilderness.

After a river rapid injury forced him out of work, McKusick took a job as a banker, and performed with a theatre troupe in his nightlife. It was around this time McKusick lost his greatest “spiritual guide” with the death of his mother in the late ’90s.

“I was raised Methodist, but I was always a bit of a heretic,” McKusick said. “I learned a lot from my mother, and I had a lot of spiritual problems after she died.”

In a chance sequence, a Unitarian Universalist fellowship in Maine invited and welcomed McKusick to their congregation after hosting his theatre troupe.

Latter, McKusick was fired from his position as a banker and pursued a seminary at Starr King School for the Ministry in Berkeley, California.

“I can feel my own beliefs being molded along with the people I minister,” McKusick said.

Before coming to Ames, he was ordained by two Unitarian Universalist fellowships in New Hampshire. He’s been with the UUFA for almost six years, and lives along the outskirts of the Ames city limits with his husband, James.

Portrait of America: How Demographic Change and Economic Inequality Are Reshaping John Iceland

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POLICE BLOTTER

9.28.17

Erin Czyzewski, age 18, of 221 Beyer Ct Unit 3606 - Ames, IA, was arrested and charged with public intoxication.

Chance Michael Cook, age 20, of 3245 Franklin Ave - Ames, IA, was arrested and charged with public intoxication - 2nd offense, possession of alcohol under the legal age, possession of a controlled substance - marijuana 2nd off, and possession of a controlled substance - 2nd offense at 41 Fredericksen Court (reported at 3:54 a.m.).

An individual reported the theft of a bicycle. The bicycle was later recovered at Gilman Hall (reported at 1:52 p.m.).

9.30.17

Colton Brian Knutson, age 18, of 455 Richardson Ct Unit 3123 - Neveda, IA, was arrested and charged with possession of a PDA entry.

Joshua I Mcpherson, age 26, of 3795 Colony Rd - South Trice Football Stadium (reported at 8:29 p.m.).

Jaehyung Chung, age 24, of 3516 Lincoln Way Unit 43 - Ames, IA, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated and failure to obey traffic control device at Lincoln Way and Stanton Ave (reported at 2:02 a.m.).

Jaebyeong Chung, age 24, of 3516 Lincoln Way Unit 43 - Ames, IA, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated, possession of a controlled substance, reckless driving, excessive speed, and possession of drug paraphernalia at 13th St and Hyland Ave (reported at 3:07 a.m.).

An individual reported the theft of a bicycle. The bicycle was later recovered at Gilman Hall (reported at 1:52 p.m.).

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CONTROL (some) GUNS

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The shooting that killed 59 people and injured 527 more in Las Vegas Sunday night has now become the deadliest mass shooting in United States history.

The shooter, Steven Paddock, used multiple guns to shoot into the crowd of 22,000 from a 32nd floor window of a nearby hotel. Witnesses said that the sound of gunfire went on for 10 to 15 minutes.

How could this have happened? Don’t we have laws that would protect us against something like this?

The Gun Control Act says that it is unlawful for certain people, such as illegal aliens, addicts, fugitives or those who aren’t mentally stable, to ship, transport, receive or possess firearms. This makes sense. Why would we allow someone who is not mentally stable or someone who has a past criminal record to purchase a weapon that could harm themselves or others? We wouldn’t.

The Firearm Owners’ Protection Act of 1986 also restricts American citizens from owning fully automatic weapons, those that reload and fire automatically with one pull of the trigger. However, semi-automatic weapons, those that reload automatically but must be triggered for every shot, are legal. Paddock didn’t fit any of the criteria set to restrict him from buying the guns which killed 59 people over the span of less than 30 minutes. He wasn’t known to be mentally ill or have a criminal record. He wasn’t an illegal alien and he had no history of domestic violence.

Paddock was an average, American citizen with access to any guns he wanted, including the the modifiers which turned some of his semi-automatic weapons into fully automatic. This should not be acceptable.

I’m all for allowing American citizens to own guns for hunting. I grew up in a home where most of our meat came from deer, pheasants and turkeys that my dad shot himself with a legally owned gun. Feeding yourself and your family is an acceptable reason to own a gun.

I’m also a supporter of keeping a gun in the house for protection, whether that be from wild animals or from intruders. If you have a license for it and are trained to use it, I say go for it. Protecting yourself and your family is an acceptable reason to own a gun.

But why would an everyday American need a modifier that will turn his rifle into an automatic weapon? When you’re out on a hunting trip, do you need to shoot your prey with 60 to 100 rounds? Or do you need that much protection from a burglar or a raccoon?

No. The answer is no. No matter how mentally stable you are or how clean your criminal record is, there is no acceptable reason for you to own a semi-automatic weapon and modifiers.

People are against more gun control because they say it’s taking away their rights. Technically this is true. It is taking away people’s rights to organize mass shootings. It would take away the opportunity for someone to commit the largest mass shooting in United States history in under 30 minutes.

Stop pushing against gun control and think of what you’re fighting against.

EDITORIAL

Improve the presidential search

Hiring university presidents for the regents’ universities is ultimately the Board of Regents’ responsibility, and is one of their most important duties. The process of vetting applicants takes time, involves hours of conversations and inquiry and tests a campus’ commitment to fairness, openness and equality.

The 21-person search committee at Iowa State includes faculty, staff, students, community members as well as regents. The committee has spent a great deal of time, pored over many pages of information and narrowed the field of finalists down to no more than four people who will be on campus Oct. 9, 10, 11 and 12. The search committee members should be thanked for their dedicated service and allowed to pursue that service through the entire search process.

As Iowa State undergoes the process of selecting our next president, the regents’ recent experience at the University of Iowa cannot be ignored. Recent revelations that former chair Bruce Rastetter arranged a series of meetings at his home for regents to recruit Bruce Harreld and to avoid open meeting canters takes time, involves hours of conversations and inquiry and tests a campus’ commitment to fairness, openness and equality.

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The ISU community will learn the identity of each finalist no more than 24 hours before that person visits campus. That is a very brief time for ISU family members to do their individual vetting. Equally brief is the possibility of only one-day visits by the finalists, unless we will have more than one finalist on campus at a time, with the search committee doing some very brief scheduling.

Many ISU family members have an interest in this decision and want to be able to meet the finalists, to listen, to ask questions, to get a sense of who the person who will be holding this key position really is. More time for the ISU community to interact with finalists would be desirable. In the absence of greater time and wider involvement, let us hope that experience is a great teacher for those making the final decision.

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Malcom returns as coach

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Jen Malcom knows a thing or two about blocking.

Malcom, a former Iowa State middle blocker from 2006 to 2008, holds blocking records for the Cyclones that still stand today.

She played under current coach Christy Johnson-Lynch; Johnson-Lynch evaluated Malcom’s abilities as a player and offered a coaching position almost eight years after Malcom’s playing career concluded.

“One of the things that was great about Jen [Malcom] when she was a player, she was so relentless, and I think she’s really instilling that in our players,” Johnson-Lynch said.

Malcom, a Schaller native, relocated to New York after high school. Malcom played two seasons for Syracuse University, leading the Orange in almost every blocking category both seasons.

Johnson-Lynch recruited Malcom back to the midwest in her first year as head volleyball coach. In Malcom’s final two seasons of eligibility, the 6-foot-1-inch middle blocker adopted a pivotal role.

After redshirting in her first season in Ames, Malcom provided durability, playing in 67 of 68 matches. In those matches, Malcom was a thorn in the opponent-bitter’s sides.

Malcom etched her name in the Iowa State record book, finishing with the most block assists in a match (13), the most block assists in a season (123), and the eighth-most career block assists (279).

After the 2008 season, Malcom departed Ames, exhausting all of her eligibility. Malcom’s next venture was a transition from playing to coaching.

After a four-year stint as an assistant coach for Virginia Tech, Malcom accepted a position with Tennessee’s volleyball team.

Tennessee’s middle blockers were its strength. Malcom left her fingerprints all over the volunteer program, allowing her blocking knowledge to trickle down to Tennessee’s players.

After Malcom’s lone season at Tennessee, Johnson-Lynch invited Malcom to join the Iowa State staff.

“Christy’s known I’ve wanted to come back since I’ve started coaching about seven years ago, so every opportunity that’s come open I’ve been in the mix,” Malcom said. “Then, this time she reached out to me and finally [it] was time to come back.”

Malcom accepted the position at Iowa State in the spring of 2016. Since Malcom’s arrival, her role with the team hasn’t changed too much.

“My role has pretty much been the same throughout, since I got here,” Malcom said. “[I’ve] just kind of [been] working with the middles and helping with the blocking side of things on defense.”

This season, Iowa State’s blocking and middle blockers have been a strength for the Cyclones. In previous years, it hasn’t always been that way.

Recently, freshman middle blocker Avery Rhodes has performed at a high level for the Cyclones. Rhodes, brought in by Malcom, has attributed some of her quick progress to Malcom.

The middle blocker position, like any position in volleyball, requires the player to be capable of being versatile. Malcom is instilling that in the freshman.

“[Malcom is] teaching me how to become faster with my blocking, closing the holes in my block, pressing over faster, having a faster arm swing, getting there, coming off, transitioning, close the block, cover,” Rhodes said.

Not only does Malcom assist Johnson-Lynch on the court, but she also assists in building the future of Iowa State’s program.

This season, Iowa State has benefitted from the play of its freshman. Malcom, the main recruiter, lured in those play-makers.

Malcom snagged commitments from freshmen Piper Mauck, Meegan Hart, Avery Rhodes and Izzy Enna, ranking the Cyclone recruiting class at No. 17, according to PrepVolleyball.com’s class of 2017 rankings.

The high-ranking class correlates to the frequency that Malcom goes out and recruits.

“I’m the main recruiter, so I go out about three weekends a month,” Malcom said. “Christy’s great as a head coach about wanting to go out, so she probably goes out at least twice a month.”

Malcom has the luxury of including her own experiences in an Iowa State uniform when she speaks to recruits.

After being on Johnson-Lynch’s roster for three seasons, Malcom also understands what playing under Johnson-Lynch consists of.

“I think it’s a big [recruiting] tool [that I played here],” Malcom said. “I’m able to talk about the coaching staff because it’s the same staff as when I played. I can share insight of how much I loved it when I played here.”

Malcom’s playing career is over, but that doesn’t mean the former blocker won’t take a hands-on approach at coaching.

In the past two seasons, Malcom has competed against Iowa State’s roster in the Cardinal and Gold Scrimmage.

“It’s always just a good time to come out here,” Malcom said. “I’m not as active as I was back then, so I had to take some more breathers, but it’s always fun playing in Hilton whether you’re a coach or player.”

That hands-on approach has made a difference in the Cyclones’ blocking. The weakness has turned into a strength with Iowa State ranking seventh in blocks per set nationally.

In 2007, Malcom played one of the biggest roles in Iowa State’s blocking success. Ten years later, Malcom still remains an influential piece in the Cyclone’s blocking success.
You can do more with that store-bought rotisserie chicken. They’re reasonably priced, and large enough that you can have it fresh for one meal and have leftovers for several recipes throughout the week. These recipes give rotisserie chicken a whole new spin on the ordinary. With few ingredients, little prep time and no cooking needed, these recipes are dorm friendly and require some very simple ingredients.

**Chicken Bacon Caesar Pita**

**Prep time: seven minutes**
- 1 pita
- 1/4 cup shredded chicken
- 1/8 cup sliced cucumber
- 1/4 cup chopped romaine lettuce
- 1/2 tablespoon cooked, crumbled bacon
- 1 tablespoon shredded Parmesan
- 1 tablespoon Caesar dressing

Cut pita in half and spread open to create a pocket. Mix chicken, cucumber, romaine lettuce, crumbled bacon, Parmesan and salad dressing in a small bowl. Fill pita with mixture.

**Chicken Nachos**

**Prep Time: five minutes**
- 2 cups tortilla chips
- 3/4 cup shredded Mexican cheese
- 1/2 cup shredded chicken
- 2 tablespoons Ro-tel

Layer tortilla chips on microwave-safe plate. Spread Mexican cheese, chicken and Ro-tel evenly. Microwave for one-and-a-half minutes.

**Chicken Cheese Quesadilla**

**Prep Time: five minutes**
- 2 tortillas
- 3/4 cup shredded Mexican cheese
- 1/4 cup shredded chicken
- 2 tablespoons Ro-tel

Place one tortilla on a microwave-safe plate. Spread Mexican cheese, chicken and Ro-tel evenly. Place second tortilla on top. Microwave for one minute.

**Chicken Pizza**

**Prep Time: five minutes**
- 1 pita
- 2 tablespoons pizza sauce
- 3/4 cup shredded mozzarella
- 1/8 cup shredded chicken
- 1/2 teaspoon dry oregano (optional)

Place pita on microwave-safe plate. Spread pizza sauce on pita. Spread mozzarella and chicken evenly. Sprinkle oregano. Microwave for one minute.
instance, I went to the University of Pittsburgh and they have a library school and a strong specialization in archives and records management. Once I got that degree, I was able to apply for professional jobs.

Q: What is your day to day like?

A: When collections come, they don’t come like that (pointing to an organized collection in a box), they come unorganized and in chaos sometimes. Sometimes they come in strong original order, but we have people who are trained to arrange and describe those elements in order for researchers who are doing research in those areas to be able to easily access the materials, to be able to go through and … to say ‘hey this matches my research area and I need to look at it.’

Q: It seems like there is a wide variety of types of items, what’s the preservation process? I imagine it’s different for a book compared to another item.

A: When items come in, when they are papers or records … they are housed in our archives in acid free boxes, and folders are acid free. They are placed in our closed stacks and they are completely environmentally controlled so it’s temperature controlled, it’s humidity controlled. Everything in there is meant to create a safe place, a really secure place, so it’s much colder than it is out here. … Even our office space is much cooler. I always say ‘we’re trying to preserve the materials and they’re going to preserve us too in the meantime.’

Q: Why do you think Special Collections is important to the university?

A: It really documents the university’s history — and with that, legacy. Outside of creating really strong, heads-above-the-rest research, because I do believe that students or whoever comes in here to do research, primary source materials … create something raw, uninterpreted. It creates the most powerful research in my opinion, and the more unusual things, the more groundbreaking types of research. All these things secure lega-