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Hundreds of people congregated outside the Iowa Capitol building on Saturday to protest the Trump Administration’s immigration policies. Protesters demonstrated on behalf of the thousands of undocumented children indefinitely separated from their parents at the border.

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By on the Fourth of July, residents will be welcomed to join the City Council, staff and mayor for free pancakes and swimming to a treat as fast as possible. There is a long jump where dogs jump off of a dock into water as far as they can. There is a high jump and a speed round with dogs jumping into water and swimming to a treat as fast as possible.

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Alternatively, people who enjoy running can participate in the Friendship Ark 5K race at Ada Hayden Park. The main race starts at 8 a.m. and the Free Kids Run starts at 7:45 a.m.

Downtown Ames is also hosting a talent competition from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. called the Bill Riley Talent Competition. It will happen at the intersection of Main Street and Burnett.

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Fourth Festivities

Events this Fourth of July

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From evening fireworks to pancake breakfasts, the City of Ames is hosting a long list of activities for the Fourth of July.

As part of a 10-part series, the Iowa State Daily breaks down the incoming Iowa State wrestlers weight-by-weight. Here are the incoming Iowa State wrestlers for the 2018-2019 season.

Located 35 minutes from Ames, Jester Park offers nature enthusiasts a variety of outdoor activities to experience on its 1,675 acres of land including fishing, camping, boating and hiking.

Firework Laws in Ames

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Last year the State of Iowa allowed the sale of fireworks by ending an 80-year ban, but firing off those fireworks within Ames could still cost you.

Susan Gwiasda, public relations officer for the City of Ames, said fines will be given to those caught.

“Five years ago there was the beginning of a city law has been that you can’t light any fireworks off in the City,” Gwiasda said.

People who are caught lighting fireworks within city limits will be susceptible to a municipal infraction, a simple misdemeanor and a minimum fine of $250.

Gwiasda asked people to be courteous as residents who set off fireworks last year, especially in parks, created countless hours of cleanup for city staff.

“We love the Fourth of July and hope everyone enjoys it, but please don’t light off fireworks and clean up your trash,” Gwiasda said. “Let’s have a great week.”

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Ames religious leader and professor respond to Session’s remarks

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Endeavors in the Trump Administration’s immigration policy saw thousands of children separated from their parents in a matter of weeks, and Attorney General Jeff Sessions offered some unexpected spiritual consolation to concerned Christians earlier this June.

In a move that some Ames religious leaders, scholars and immigrants found confusing, Sessions justified the immigration policy by quoting the New Testament.

Sessions cited Romans 13, saying people should “obey the laws of the government because God has ordained the government for his purposes,” before an audience of law enforcement officers in Fort Wayne, Indiana on June 14.

Sessions is a United Methodist, which means he shares a denomination with Reverend Jill Sanders of the Ames Collegiate United Methodist Church, but the differences in their scriptural interpretations is stark.

“I have two problems with his use of the scripture,” Sanders said. “First, he’s assuming the text is authoritative in the government.

Second, he’s cherry picking. What about how we’re supposed to treat strangers and immigrants? I didn’t hear him mention that when he was quoting the Bible.”

Sanders also has a problem with the principle of Sessions relying on scripture to rationalize administrative policy.

“I have no problem with a leader being informed by their faith, but you need to be sensitive to other faiths,” Sanders said. “To apply scripture to a law in a secular country and expect everyone to view that as binding is confusing.”

These issues Sanders brought up seem to be a popular observation in the Ames community. Hector Avalos, Biblical scholar and professor of religious studies at Iowa State, recently wrote an article which challenged the very idea of using sacred texts to dictate moral behavior.

“A biblical view on immigration is irrelevant,” writes Avalos. “Because it is immoral to use a sacred text to authorize any moral behavior or social policy.”

Avalos immigrated to the United States from Mexico when he was a child, and witnessed the deportation of family members growing up in Glendale, Arizona in the late 1960s. Since he was the only one in his family that knew any English, the young Avalos would serve as an interpreter between immigration officers and his detained family.

In particular, Avalos remembers speaking on behalf of his cousin after she was apprehended by Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS).

“It is one thing to be an immigrant from an English-speaking country or an immigrant with English-speaking abilities,” Avalos said. “It is another thing to confront official authority figures, especially as a female, when you understand little or nothing of what is being said to you.”

In his article, Avalos describes several other incidents where he was accosted by the INS, which is now called ICE (Immigration and Naturalization Services).

“I believe if Jesus were among us today, he’d be at these camps in Texas right now, and not at church meetings.”

Sanders isn’t the only United Methodist leader who took issue to Sessions actions. More than 600 reverends and laypersons signed a formal complaint against the Attorney General.

The complaint was addressed to church officials in Mobile, Alabama and Arlington, Virginia, two churches Sessions attends.

Part of the complaint reads:

“As members of the United Methodist Church, we deeply hope for a reconciling process that will help this long-time member of our connection step back from his harmful actions and work to repair the damage he is currently causing to immigrants, particularly children and families.”

The document goes on to charge Sessions with violating the official United Methodist Code of Discipline, accusing his actions of promoting “child abuse, immorality, racial discrimination and the dissemination of doctrines.”

Sanders explained that officials and members within the United Methodist Church are allowed to act formal complaints against actions taken by other church members.

“The goal is not to punish,” Sanders said. “The goal is to start a conversation, to pull people back and see if we can change their mind.”
Seasoned activist Robert Trembly standing costumed before the State Capitol, protesting against money in politics and manipulative media.

Participants of all ages join the Families Belong Together rally in Des Moines by sitting on the State Capitol lawn and listening to speakers.

A mother holds her child at the Families Belong Together rally in Des Moines in front of the State Capitol on June 30.

Two young boys play with a water gun to try and beat the heat during the Families Belong Together rally in Des Moines on June 30.

Alexis Rodrigues speaks during the Families Belong Together rally in Des Moines at the State Capitol on June 30.
Messi being wasted by Argentina

Lionel Messi is the greatest soccer player of all time. “La Pulga,” the mercurial 5-foot-7 forward’s nickname, has won an astounding 31 titles with his club team F.C. Barcelona, including eight La Liga, the Spanish league competition, championships; six Copa Del Rey, the Spanish cup competition, trophies; and four UEFA Champions League titles.

Messi and mainstay midfielder Andres Iniesta are the most decorated players in Barcelona’s storied history, which stretches all the way back to 1899. With the departure of Iniesta to Japanese club Vissel Kobe, Messi is very likely to surpass his compatriot next season and become the most successful player in Barcelona’s 119-year history.

Messi also boasts a truly immense number of individual accolades, from five FIFA Ballon d’Ors, to five Totofo Alfredo Di Stefano awards, given each season to the most valuable player in La Liga, to an incredible 11 consecutive selections to the FIFPro World XI.

In addition, Messi has set a staggering number of records. He holds the record for the most goals scored in club competitions in a calendar year, with 383 in 2017.

Perhaps most impressive, though, is his current status as the top La Liga goalscorer of all time, with 383 goals. “La Pulga” has surpassed both recent competitors, such as Cristiano Ronaldo, David Villa and once Barcelona teammate Samuel Eto’o and revered legends of the game like Athletic Bilbao forward Toleso Zarra, Real Madrid icon Raul, Hugo Sanchez and En Di Stefano, and Barcelona phenomenon Cesar Rodriguez.

In short, Messi’s dominance with Barcelona is unprecedented. He has led the club to a golden age of success.

Why, then, does Argentina fall short time and again with Messi leading the line? There is one main reason for Argentina’s consistent failures on the big stage, and it lies with a disconnect between the players and the tactics they work with.

Say what you will about Diego Maradona’s off-field antics, but there is no doubt that he and his Argentina teams consistently achieved success. Their road to victory in the 1986 World Cup, in particular, has a special place in soccer history. However, Maradona also enjoyed a wealth of talent that Messi’s team simply does not have.

Yes, Messi’s current squad has unquestionably the best attack in world football, however, that is the extent of their talent — the remainder of their squad is shockingly barren.

Maradona’s 1986 victors had world class players in every position. Oscar Ruggeri was perhaps one of the best defenders to come out of Argentina. Sergio Batista and Julio Olatpoo were excellent utility weapons, able to equally contribute to attack and defense as needed. Giovani Lo Celso may become that in time — however, the Paris Saint-German midfielder is only 21.

The piece that is missing is Jorge Burruchaga. Burruchaga was the Robin to Maradona’s Batman, if you will — a lethal second option that consistently threatened defenses who doubled and triple-marked Maradona.

The talent is only half of the problem, though — the other half is the tactics.

The Argentina team has been trying to emulate the playstyle of the 1986 and 1990 teams for far too long. Fluid passing and lightning-fast transitions to blistering attacks only work when a team can boast a superior quality midfield, complete with a defense to mop up any mistakes.

There isn’t a spark of creativity in Argentina’s midfield to match Maradona or Burruchaga right now, except for Messi — and that is the reason he is dropping back more to try and create chances.

The only problem is, once Messi starts playing as a center midfielder, because Ever Banega and Lucas Biglia are completely incompetent, it becomes more difficult for him to also provide the clinical finishing that notable choker Higuian lacks.

Messi can’t create and finish chances at the same time.

Argentina needs to learn from the results Portugal achieved at the 2016 European Championship. Portugal knew exactly what they were — they were content to sit back, and take whatever chances Cristiano Ronaldo could give them.

In the end, Messi managed to squawk their way to a 3-2 victory over Nigeria. However, they must now face France.

Tech could bridge opportunity gap

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The Schorl Foundation for Public Educa-
tion has stated that “the opportunity gap is the greatest crisis facing America’s schools.”

So, what is the opportunity gap? The Glossary of Education Reform defines the opportunity gap as “ways in which race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, English proficiency, community wealth, familial situations, or other factors contribute to or perpetuate lower educational aspirations, achievement, and attainment for certain groups of students.”

This is a different from the achievement gap because it places emphasis on the factors that contribute to differences in achieve-

ment among certain demographics rather than the achievement difference itself.

It acknowledges the idea of privilege and that not everybody has equal access to cer-
tain resources and opportunities as others do in their upbringing. For example, a wealthy family might be able to afford to send their child to a well-funded private school with smaller class sizes whereas a lower income family might not be able to afford that same educational experience.

Therefore, it draws more attention to the problem of systemic inequality rather than the actual lack of achievement with barriers that are out of people’s control.

Being proactive about the terminology we use to describe inequalities is crucial. It helps us get to the root of the problem and find solutions to combat them.

One possible solution to the opportunity gap is technology. However, technology is somewhat controversial because it has notable pros and cons.

Technology has the potential to bridge the opportunity gap with many of the Open Education Resources (OER) available online today. According to the Hewlett Foundation, Open Education Resources “are high-quality teaching, learning and research materials that are free for people everywhere to use and repurpose.”

A common OER used by students is Khan Academy. Khan Academy is a non-profit edu-
cational organization that offers a variety of free online courses and test prep.

Other OERs include Massachusetts In-
stitute of Technology OpenCourseware and Open Yale Courses. These online resources release educational materials used in un-
dergraduate courses from their respective institutions to the public for free.

Having access to the internet gives people access to endless amounts of high-quality free education. This is revolutionary because it makes education accessible to a much larger population of people, which helps close the opportunity gap for lots people.

A 2015 study by the National Center for Educational Statistics revealed that 94 percent of children 3 to 18 years old had access to a computer at home and 61 percent of children 3 to 18 years old had access to internet at home.

While these numbers for children with access to internet at home spans the ma-
jority, the 39 percent of children 3 to 18 years old that don’t have access to internet at home is still a sizable percentage of chil-
dren. This is a big problem because children without access to internet at home are losing access to phenomenal databases of educa-
tional materials that are online.

In the same 2015 study, barriers related to children without access to internet at home included cost and perceived uselessness. Internet access at home needs to become more affordable so that every student has internet access at home.

Technology and having access to internet are great at leveling the playing field and giving people equal access to adequate ed-
ucational resources. However, it also leaves people in the dust when others don’t have access to the same technology and online resources.

When it comes to narrowing the opportu-
nity gap, technology has large implications in making education more accessible.

Currently, technology is both narrowing and widening the opportunity gap as it is helping those who have access to it and is leaving those who don’t have access to it behind.

For technology to be as impactful on education as it can be, access to internet must be more affordable.
Iowa State wrestling preview: 125-pounds

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Editor’s note: This is part one of a 10 part series breaking down the Iowa State wrestling roster weight-by-weight. While athletes switching to different weights is inevitable, for the sake of simplicity and consistency, this series will base the weights off of past weights.

With the arrival of Kevin Dresser and his staff to Ames, the roster deflections piled up.

Danny Vega and Jonathan Marmolejo were set to anchor the 125-pound spot. Vega left the program in November, and Marmolejo followed shortly after.

Waukee native Jakob Allison walked-on to the wrestling team late in the summer. Allison proved he can ride hard in his limited time wrestling last season. Against Wyoming, Allison racked up riding time before snagging a pin.

Once again, Allison is another 125-pounder with little collegiate mat time, but the walk-on should provide a solid option to spot start.

Sinjin Briggs
Briggs didn’t see a lot of success in 2017-18, but the Gilbert native showed toughness. Jumping in late, Briggs faced some tough competition, but he stuck it out and finished the season.

While Briggs may not crack a dual lineup in 2018-19, he’ll provide more depth.

Corey Cabanban
Cabanban carries on the Hawaiian torch after 184-pounder Dane Pestano graduated after last season.

The incoming freshman made a name for himself in the Aloha State, compiling four state championships. Cabanban will have an opportunity to develop early on at Iowa State with the trio listed before him on the roster.

Charlie Klepps
Klepps reportedly have shoulder surgery this summer and redshirt his initial season in Ames.

When he is healthy at Iowa State, Klepps should show some pinning potential. The four-time Montana state champion totaled a 164-18 record in high school, with 88 of his wins coming via pin.

Iowa State wrestling preview: 133-pounds

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Iowa State struggled at times in 133-pounds, but a bright future was on the horizon for the weight.

After the season, Iowa State tacked on more 133-pound depth with Iowa Central’s Todd Small.

Austin Gomez
Gomez — the No. 11 overall recruit out of high school — waited his turn to compete in cardinal and gold last season, but Kevin Dresser and the CyHawks will get to unleash Gomez this year.

After suffering an injury early in the 2017-18 season, Gomez bounced back and won the Sioux City Dave Edmonds Open, the Duhawk Open and the Willie Myers Open.

During his perfect redshirt season, Gomez won six of his eight matches by technical fall or fall. While he didn’t face any blockbusting opponents, Gomez did see tougher competition this summer in freestyle.

Gomez fell short to Minnesota’s Mitch McKee last summer in the best two-of-three series for a spot on the Junior World Team, but Gomez finished on top this summer.

This time, Gomez matched up with Cornell commit Vitali Arujus. Arujus dominated to start, jumping out to an 8-0 lead after the first period. In the second and final period, Gomez stormed back, cutting off 11-straight points to gain a 1-0 match lead.

In the second match, Gomez cruised to a 15-4 win, earning a spot on the U.S. Junior World Team at 61-kg (about 134 pounds). Overall, Gomez possess a lot of potential and will be a building block in Iowa State’s rebuilding. Gomez is a key piece to Iowa State looking at not only next year, but the next four years, too.

Todd Small
Small is a two-time junior college champion at Iowa Central. Small won his 2017 championship at 125-pounds and his 2018 championship at 133-pounds.

The junior college transfer wrestled a few Division I wrestlers at Iowa Central. He knocked off Nebraska’s Brian Peska last season. Small lost to Iowa’s Phillip Luau, 8-5. He also lost to Sawyer Degen (Jarrett Degen’s brother) of North Dakota State and Minnesota’s Mitch McKee.

The transition from a junior college to a Big 12 program will be important to observe, but if there’s one thing Small proved at Iowa Central, it’s that he brings consistency with him.

Noah Nemer
Nemer capped off his high school career with a 4A Kansas state title at 132-pounds. The previous three seasons, Nemer placed but fell short each time.

Now, Nemer heads north to Ames. With Gomez and Small in the room, Nemer has a prime opportunity to develop behind the duo.
This week’s Hiking Highlight offers more than hiking

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A 35-minute drive from Ames, Jester Park offers nature enthusiasts a variety of outdoor activities to experience on its 1,675 acres of land. Located off the western shore of Saylorville Lake, the park attracts much wildlife throughout all seasons and provides many opportunities for camping, fishing and boating. Hikers can explore more than eight miles of trails, including Lakeshore Trail and Hickory Ridge Trail, which leads to a bison-elk herd enclosure.

The park is open from 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. during the summer. Access to hiking trails may be limited due to flooding.

Before planning your adventure, check out the features of what Jester Park has to offer!

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