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Native American gender mixes roles in society

By Logan Metzger

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Digital Accessibility Lab opens in Durham Center

By Logan Metzger

With the increase in enrolling students with disabilities, Iowa State’s Digital Accessibility Lab is one step toward making it easier for students with disabilities to function within a college environment.

The lab, located in the Durham Center room 108, is overseen by Cyndi Wiley, Information Technology Services (ITS) digital accessibility coordinator, and staffed by two graduate students and an undergraduate student, whose positions are sponsored by ITS as well. Students are able to visit the lab for training opportunities and use the provided equipment for projects, with the possibility of a check-out system being implemented in the future.

“It is real and we get to see how people are going to use the space, which may be different than what we were planning — and that is okay,” Wiley said. “We planned for us to track how it is being used and make adjustments as we go from there.”

Many Iowa State students experience daily barriers to their educational goals, and creating barrier-free access to hardware and software falls under the broad area of digital accessibility.

“Digital accessibility is not only the production of course materials, websites and communications in an accessible manner, but also a mindset and related directly to the student experience, according to the Digital Accessibility Lab website. The Digital Accessibility Lab is a physical space on campus for students with disabilities to work together using assistive technology and to try out new technologies that could increase their course engagement.

Wiley said six students can use the space comfortably with the provided desk space and seating.

“For the rest of the fall semester, the lab will be open by appointment,” Wiley said. “Next semester we will have open hours and we will get feedback from students and when they actually use it and hopefully offer evenings, weekends and during the day as well.”

Some of the technology available for use in the lab includes Windows and Mac laptops, Windows desktops, screen magnifiers, screen reading software, text-to-speech software, speech-to-text software, gaming hardware and software, VR headsets, eye-tracking devices, wearable keyboards and switch controls. For the full list of technologies, go to the Digital Accessibility Lab website.

On Wednesday afternoon, Wiley hosted an open house and dedication of the lab in another room of the Durham Center. The event was attended by a large number of Iowa State students, faculty and staff.

Jane Hudson, executive director for Disability Rights Iowa.

Throughout the dedication presentation, Wiley and the other speakers used a powerpoint instant caption device, which translated what the speakers were saying into text on the screen for those in the
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StuGov passes bill censuring Department of Residence

Senator focuses campaign efforts in Iowa as caucus nears

Kamala Harris goes ‘all-in’ on Iowa

Harris has spent a significant amount of time in Iowa recently, using an expelusive to emphasize she is “moving” to the state. During October, Iowans were able to hear her speak at more than 30 events across the state as she spent 15 days on the ground there. Sharon Yang, Harris’ Iowa press secretary, said Harris is going “all-in on Iowa.”

“Kamala being able to spend time and meet Iowans personally has been a huge asset to the campaign,” Yang said.

The Iowa caucuses are said “to punch three tickets” to the New Hampshire primary the following week. Mack Shelley, Iowa State professor and chair of the political science department, said now is the time to make a statement in the race. “It’s getting close to crunch time,” Shelley said. “Either you make some sort of a break-through in Iowa or maybe focus hard on Iowa and focus on building the organizing infrastructure that is necessary to succeed on caucus night in February,” Yang said.

Harris is one of more than a dozen candidates who visited Iowa for the Liberty and Justice Celebration in Des Moines late Friday. Candidates addressed a crowd of more than 13,000. Kamala delivered a commanding performance at the Liberty and Justice celebration in Des Moines, and she’ll be returning to Iowa often to harness the momentum coming out of the evening,” Yang said. In an interview with CBS News on Sunday, Harris said she and her team are determined to do well in February when the caucuses rolls around. “I’m practically living in Iowa to do the work that is necessary to make sure that I earn the support and have the folks in the caucuses who are standing in [my] corner,” Harris said.

Harris has said she is aiming for a top three finish in Iowa. “I would guess she can be fifth,” Shelley said. “She could exceed expectations but I don’t know how well received a fifth place finish by Harris would be if she claimed victory.”

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Sanders’ most recent ad airing in Iowa features Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, who endorsed Sanders last month.

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StuGov passed a bill regarding events impacting the Department of Residence, funded club and organization requests and reviewed bills regarding internal matters at Wednesday night’s meeting. Student Government passed a bill that addresses recent controversial events on campus.


“Racism has no place or protection on campus as it violates the University’s Principles of Community,” and “there have been high profile events in recent years that have highlighted the systemic failure of the Department of Residence within the university to respond to incidents of harassment of protected classes,” according to the bill.

The bill listed cases dating back to 2016 of incidents and provided guidelines on how to address situations. “One such instance was the failure to publicly or privately address the recent racist vandalism in Geofroy Hall in a reasonably timely manner,” according to the bill.

A resolution the bill enforces is a campus-wide policy of a 48-hour administrator response time on all events to the parties affected, whether the solution is clear or not. All parties involved in the case will be kept up to date on the status of the case as well.

The bill passed with a vote of 25-0-1, and a copy of the bill will be sent to Director of Residence Pete Englin, all members of the Residence Life Leadership Team, Vice President of Student Affairs Maritino Harmon, Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion Regionual Stewart, Dean of Students Vernon Huret and President of the University Wendy Wintersteen.

Additionally, Student Government reviewed multiple funding requests from campus organizations.

For more information or to contact your senator, visit isdstudent.com. The senate meetings are open to the public at 7 p.m. Wednesdays in the Campuskile Room of the Memorial Union.
Lecturer to discuss Uganda Program

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New course to focus on general and dialogue

BY MADISON.MASON
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As the spring semester approaches, students may be pondering what classes to take. Those who enjoy open dialogue over topics such as gender and sexual identity might consider the course HSCI 250X.

The instructors for this course are Paul Hengesteg, graduate student in education, and Meredith Tittler, graduate student in psychology.

According to Tittler and Hengesteg, this course is a three credit, whole semester course that meets twice a week and introduces the concept of open dialogue in the setting of a classroom.

Students will be given readings and introductions to concepts that will encourage them to engage in difficult dialogue.

Throughout the course of the semester, they will partake in critical discussions regarding sexual orientation and gender identity.

“This course is intended to be different from other courses that students might take,” Hengesteg said. “In the process of having an open dialogue, particularly through difficult times in conversation.

All students are encouraged to take this class, Tittler and Hengesteg said. This is a class for those who not only want to increase their knowledge of these topics, but also want to be able to speak openly about them. As for why students should take this course, Tittler said especially at this time in the United States social climate, it is important to be able to talk to each other about uncomfortable topics openly. It is also an opportunity for students to gain an understanding of the differences between discussion, debate and dialogue.

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New study opens on campus

Plus-sized student study looks at college experience

BY LOGAN.METZGER
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Two individuals associated with Iowa State are starting a study focused on the plus-sized student experience in higher education.

Amanda Arp, a graduate student in English, and Cassidy Boe, an Iowa State alumna, have recently started a study titled “Improving the Plus-Sized Student Experience in Higher Education” and are now seeking interviewees.

Boe was interning with Student Wellness and working with different offices on campus dealing with the plus-sized student experience when the idea for the study came to her.

“What we were focusing on as a program or something so fat students could request an accommodation for larger seats in their classes because that is a well-known problem,” Boe said. “It obviously affects your ability to learn and how you learn, and a problem I was running into was that I basically didn’t really have any proof that it was a problem. I knew it was a problem from personal experience and reading fat studies but I didn’t have any stats on Iowa State.”

The focus of the research is on the lived experiences of “plus-sized” undergraduate and graduate students at Iowa State. This includes experiences specifically at Iowa State, as well as life experiences of plus-sized students outside of their time at the university.

Arp and Boe said although “plus-sized” and “people of size” are the most neutral terms to use, students do not have to identify specifically with those terms to participate in the study.

“From my end, the interest [for this study] came from understanding how people of size frame themselves with terminology but also their experience in a college context,” Arp said.

Students who are over the age of 18 and identify as “fat” or another term such as “big,” “large,” “curvy,” “chubby,” “heavyset,” “husky,” “big-boned,” “plump,” etc. are able to participate in the research study focused on the lived experiences of “fat” students.

In a press release about the study, Arp and Boe said there was no qualifier for whether students are “fat enough” to participate in this study. They said in the release they welcome all students who simply self-identify as “fat” or a similar term, regardless of their place on the fat spectrum.

For this study, participants would be asked to participate in an approximately 30–60 minute-long interview, which Arp and Boe said could be in-person or over the phone depending on the participant’s comfort. During the interview, participants would be asked about how they define “fat,” how or if they identify with the term “fat,” their experiences on and off campus as a “fat” person, and how their experiences as a “fat” student could be improved.

[If we want] to be able to take this to high-up offices at Iowa State and be like ‘this is how you are failing fat students,’ but we also want to contribute to fat studies literature in general,” Boe said.

If anyone is interested and/or willing to participate in this study, contact Arp at acar@iastate.edu or Boe at cbboe95@yahoo.com using an @iastate.edu email.

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Iowa Uganda Alliance to host former member to share experience

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One Iowa State student organization is bringing a speaker to campus for a guest lecture.

The Iowa Uganda Alliance will bring in an appropriate guest lecturer once per semester to discuss issues pertaining to the Iowa State University-Uganda Program as well as promote participation in the club and purchasing baskets.

“This event is really a great way for students interested in the Uganda Program, fair trade and women in development to learn more about the program,” said Katie Stringer, president of the Iowa Uganda Alliance and senior in global studies.

This semester’s guest lecturer will be Kwikistia Shillah, a former Uganda Program staff member who was instrumental to the success of the Tusubila basket-making program.

She will present a lecture regarding her experience with the group. Baskets will be available for sale at the event.

The lecture will be free to all admitted. All Iowa State students, faculty, staff and community members are invited and are encouraged to bring their friends.

The Iowa Uganda Alliance will provide refreshments and sell baskets at the event.

One of the primary field projects of the Iowa State University-Uganda Program is community nutrition.

The Uganda Program runs nutrition education centers to assist and educate women about the proper nutrition of children, from birth to age five, and pregnant and breastfeeding women.

In January 2018, a group of mothers formalized as the Tusubila Crafts Group in order to launch their enterprise. “Tusubila” translates to hope.

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Former Uganda Program staff member Kwikistia Shillah will be presenting a guest lecture about her experience with the program Thursday. Shillah is credited with helping the Tusubila basket-making program find success.

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COURTESY OF CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE RURAL LIVELIHOODS

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Exercise your right to vote

Don’t pass up your privilege as a United States citizen

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There is no such thing as not voting; not voting is a vote. According to the Census Bureau in 2018, only 53 percent of the citizen voting-age population voted in 2018, which actually had the highest midterm turnout in the last four decades. Nearly half of all United States citizens fail to turn in a ballot every election. Although not voting is a vote, it does not mean it is the best possible voting option.

Does not turning in a ballot disrespect our constitutional privileges as United States citizens? Are we disrespecting our voting rights which various ethnic, racial and underrepresented groups in the United States fought to obtain?

In every respect, yes. Despite women being an integral part of society for over four centuries, white women were granted the right to vote only a century ago on August 18, 1920 through the 19th Amendment (which was passed by Congress on June 14, 1919). Citizens of color, especially women, were denied their rights to vote up until the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Ladies, we have hit a century of voting rights, yet we are not taking advantage of these rights to change our system. One hundred years is minuscule compared to the political history and the development of what we now call the United States of America.

The whole United States population could begin voting in 1865. Half a century is an even smaller window of time. Half of the population is not exercising their right to vote by submitting a ballot.

We are defiling our privileges of citizenship by not voting. While not voting is a vote, not voting also does not contribute to enhancing political discussion on many controversial issues that are left unresolved. These can include, but are not limited to, abortion, access to health care, gun violence, immigration policies, opioid restrictions, marijuana policies and mass incarceration practices.

However, it is better to vote undecided and exercise your right or not vote at all? Are you your own influencer or is it your culture and upbringing? Do you fact check your family, friends or even the news?

One of our major flaws as Americans is that we lack political awareness and we allow our influence to be smothered by someone else’s. Is the missing 47 percent of votes from the lack of political awareness or the lack of confidence in the impact of a single vote?

Democracy is a political system enacted through majority vote, yet barely the majority of citizens do not participate. Every vote counts despite those who think the system cannot change based off of a single vote. One vote does not make the difference, but one vote is all it takes to incite the change and redirect the opinion, forcing the discussion.

Your influence counts. Your education counts. Your political action counts. Our political awareness as a country needs to improve and expand. Uneducated decisions are costing our country and our people time and harm. Instead of making educated decisions, people resign themselves to no opinion or align their opinions to a side without examining the counter arguments.

Discussions concerning politics are therefore more commonly unproductive than not. Change will never occur if these conversations persist. Each policy enacted impacts our lives, yet most United States citizens are unknowledgeable about the policies influencing day-to-day life. Political discussions are not meant to be aggressive or disparaging — they are meant to be educational and cooperative.

Ask yourself who are the main Republican and Democratic candidates for the upcoming 2020 presidential election? What are the main controversies and talking points? How are they different? How do I want to be impacted? Which candidate, even if they are not one of the top candidates, suits my lifestyle and decisions? Am I educated? Am I properly exercising my right to vote?

Know your rights. Voting is one of them.

COLUMN

Your educational path does not define your success

BY ISD EDITORIAL BOARD

It’s class registration season already, which means RAN numbers, an overwhleming number of schedule possibilities and the stress of figuring out how to fit everything you need into the upcoming semester.

When you come to Iowa State, it’s easy to get caught up in the “four-year-plan” mindset that is thrown at us constantly since we are freshmen. It may seem like if you don’t graduate in four years, you aren’t working hard enough or doing enough. But this isn’t true. College is a different experience for everyone. Some people graduate early, and some need an extra semester or a few extra years. There are a lot of outside factors that can impact the length of time that someone takes to complete a degree.

Life happens, and sometimes takes you outside your original plan. That doesn’t mean that we are a failure or aren’t good enough, though.

Encouraging four-year graduation isn’t the worst thing in the world, as it’s a good goal to strive for. But if you don’t finish your degree in that time frame, there shouldn’t be a stigma around it.

It’s completely acceptable to take as much or a little time as you need. Everyone has different needs when it comes to academics. Outside life has a bigger impact than it may seem sometimes, so don’t judge one person’s experience against your own.

To see how different classes fit in your schedule, check out Iowa State’s classes planner, which creates schedules for you based on the classes you select.

No matter what path your college journey takes you on, and no matter how many schools, majors or years it takes, it’s your journey, and that’s what makes it unique and special.

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SPORTS

Runaway win kicks off season

BY MATT.BELINSON
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Defense, three-point shooting and Zion Griffin stand out

In a 110-74 blowout win to open its season, Iowa State saw the key position battles from last season in defensive intensity and the promising start of Zion Griffin, but the Cyclones also struggled from beyond the arc.

FIRST HALF DEFENSE SHOWS OUT

While the season opener was against Mississippi Valley State, a team ranked as the worst of the competition, it saw the Cyclones finish fourth in the overall team standings in the first half.

The Cyclones forced the Delta Devils into 17 first half turnovers, including 12 steals. Tyrese Haliburton — a known offensive threat — collected four steals in the first half and Justin Nixon had three steals in the first half.

Nixon also took a charge while on defense, leading Iowa State to go on to win on one of many scoring runs.

Head coach Prohm said that whenever Nixon was on the floor early on, he would always be on top of the ball and creating constant pressure on the offense.

Pothom said Nixon showed his ability to clog the lane, get his hands in passing lanes and being energy on the defensive end.

In the first half, Iowa State scored 27 points off turnovers.

Iowa State ended the game forcing 21 turnovers and 15 steals.

THREE POINT SHOOTING STRUGGLES

Iowa State is expected to be a team with plenty of offensive options but few go-to scorers, but with Haliburton and Rasir Bol shown to be the two heavy scorers.

In the season opener, three point shooting turned out to be a weakness for the Cyclones, as Poelmann mentioned it would be at Media Day.

Iowa State shot 13-33 from the three point range, which was good for a 37.1 percent night from beyond the arc.

With the defense taking over in the first half, the three point struggles went unfelt. Iowa State shot 5-19 from three in the first half for a poor 26.3 percent.

The Cyclones had another four three-pointers and only connected on one of them along with Tariq Jackson, who shot 3-8 from three.

Haliburton shot very few three pointers, shooting 1-4 from three on the night.

Iowa State did have some success from the three point line, with the Cyclones leading scorer Michael Jacobson connected on three of his five three pointers.

"I think that's just a testament to my work ethic," Jacobson said. "It's definitely been a huge focus for me." ZION GRIFFIN STEPS UP

After being relegated to the bench for a majority of last season, Zion Griffin stepped into Iowa State's season opener and impacted the Cyclones in the limited action he saw.

Griffin had a career-high 11 points on 5-9 shooting, grabbed six rebounds and two steals.

Griffin will likely see plenty of minutes in Big 12 play with his size and offensive skill set fitting into Poelmann's small-bball lineups on any given night.

CYCLONES HOLD STEADY IN LATEST CROSS COUNTRY RANKINGS

BY ADARSH.TAMMA
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The Iowa State cross country program has been standing put in the national polls after a busy conference championships weekend.

Both the Cyclones men's and women's squads have retained their same positions in the latest national coaches poll, released Tuesday afternoon.

In the first coaches' association national rankings release of the postseason, after a weekend that saw 32 different conference meets across the country with every ranked team seeing action.

On the women's side, a younger Cyclone squad began their 2019 postseason with an exciting and competitive week that saw them finish fourth in the overall team standings behind West Virginia, Texas and Oklahoma State. This was Oklahoma State's second Big 12 title in program history.

Leading the Cyclones once again was junior Callie Logue, who put in a historic performance as she set an ISU cross country course record in a time of 20:02.08. The Eric, Kansas, native held off Oklahoma State junior Taylor Sommers to the finish line and crossed the line just 0.3 seconds ahead of her opponent, collapsing at the finish. Logue became the first Cyclone since Debbie Vetter back in 1978 to win an individual conference championship.

Despite this performance, the Cyclones could not garner enough votes to enter this week's top-20 list — the only Big 12 team represented on the Oklahoma State. However, Iowa State did move up in the latest Midwestern Regional rankings, now placed at the No. 6 spot behind Missouri, Tulsa, Oklahoma State and Illinois.

Switching over to the men's side, it was the same-old, same-old in terms of rankings for the Cyclones, as they retained their No. 5 national ranking. Iowa State kept its spot behind Pac-12 powers Stanford and Colorado, BYU and defending national champs Northern Arizona. The Portland Lumberjacks have held the No. 1 spot behind Missouri, Tulsa, Oklahoma State and Illinois.

Including Kurgat, the Cyclones had seven of their nine runners place in the top 15 and make the podium, including senior transfers Andrew Camber, Ashley Joens and Ines Nezerwa as well.

The two teams will tip off at 6:30 p.m. in Hilton Coliseum.

Aside from having majorvoids to fill from departed players, the Cyclones are beginning the season with several injuries to top players.

Even so, the Cyclones don't anticipate any issues dispatching SWAC opponent Southern.

With the graduation of Baudet, Carleton and Alexia Middleton last fall season, the Cyclones lost loads of offensive volume.

With Middleton gone at point guard, the Cyclones will feature a point-guard-by-committee approach, with Rae Johnson, Jade Thirionn, Nia Washington and Maggie Espenmiller-Mcgraw, according to coach Bill Freffley.

For the opening start lineup, the Cyclones will be starting Johnson, Madi Wise, Adrianna Camber, Ashley Joens and Ines Nezerwa or Kristin Scott.

In addition to Johnson sliding into the starting lineup from last season, Camber will also be moving into the starting lineup with Madi Wise, Joens and Scott all started last season, but Scott has only been practicing since Tuesday due to a back problem, which has persisted since this season.

If Scott is unable to play, it will be back forward Nezerwa playing in her stead.

During the Cyclones' exhibition game last week, Nezerwa finished the game with four fouls despite splitting time with Madie Frederick, a redshirt freshman, at forward.

Nezerwa struggled with personal foul last season, and if she picks up several quick fouls, the Cyclones would be stretched thin at that spot.

While Nezerwa is able to produce points around the rim, she doesn't provide the same scoring potential as Scott, who is a Praise Team Second All-Big 12 selection.

“We're losing one of our best shooters,” Camber said. “It's great player, but she doesn't have the three-point capability that Kristin has, so we can't stretch the floor as much.”

Both Camber and Joens said they will be asked to step up to fill in for the Cyclones.

“Both Camber and Joens will be stepping up,” Johnson said. “I think there's going to be a lot of pressure to add the first win of the season against Southern, a team that went 21-12 last season.

When looking at Southern's offense last season, no player averaged 10 or more points last season and they shot 28.7 percent from three.

While a scoring-by-committee approach may work in the Southeastern Athletic Conference, Southern will have a tough time knocking off Iowa State at Hilton Coliseum.

The Women's 6K race is up first at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 15, followed by the Men's 10k champion-

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Fans predict My Chemical Romance reunion

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For those who haven’t heard (or haven’t opened Twitter since last week), My Chemical Romance are officially back together after a six-year hiatus—and now everywhere they’re rejoicing.

The prominent New Jersey rock band took the world by storm during their tenure from 2001 to 2013, most notably for releasing chart-topping tracks such as 2004’s emotional “I’m Not Okay (I Promise)” and 2006’s epic “Welcome to the Black Parade.” The band is also credited for popularizing the emo culture, making it a mainstream style in the early-to-mid-2000s.

While fans prayed for a hiatus, the band adamantly denied that the group would ever get back together. The news was met with great dismay, but some more observant fans had a feeling that the breakup wouldn’t be as permanent as they had predicted. Many believed that the band had been dropping hints at a reunion since the very beginning. Their faith was fueled by means of a popular, coin-flipping fan theory claiming that My Chemical Romance were offi-cially back.

Their website. This took fans by complete surprise, as the band had released their final studio album, “The Black Parade & Epilogue: The Saddest Music for the Saddest People,” in 2013. The “will you ever get back together” conspired theories after their breakup in 2013.

According to the theory, My Chemical Romance recordings, as frontman Gerard Way and bassist Mikey Way both cite the band as one of their biggest musical influences. In a 2006 interview with Entertainment Weekly, Mikey Way said that he and Gerard had somewhat of a revelation after seeing the Smashing Pumpkins perform at Madison Square Garden. “Me and (Gerard) were both like, ‘this is the band we want to be,’” Mikey Way said. “I think both of us could have been meant to be taken literally.

The Smashing Pumpkins formed in 1988 and were active for 12 years, breaking up in the year 2000 and reuniting after a six-year hiatus. According to the theory, My Chemical Romance, who formed in 2001, were active for 12 years, broke up in 2013, and returned after a six-year hiatus, may not have done so by coincidence.

The theory is backed up by the fact of the band’s final studio album “Danger Days,” released in 2010. The storyline of the album details a group of misfits called “the Fabulous Killjoys” who fight against the all-powerful corporation controlling the people of fictional Battery City, California. The band’s music video for “Na Na Na” reveals that the post-apocalyptic setting of “Danger Days” takes place in 2019, which falls in line perfectly with the Smashing Pumpkins and “Teenagers” conspiracies.

Arguably the most damning piece of evidence that the band would one day reunite came from the release of “May Death Never Stop You,” a greater-than-their-tenure-from-2001-to-2013 compilation that was released one year after the band’s breakup. Featuring songs over the span of My Chemical Romance’s entire catalogue, the compilation included a previously unreleased track titled “Fake Your Death.”

Fans saw this as the icing on the cake of their conspiracy. On top of the speculated significance of the year 2019, fans came to the conclusion that My Chemical Romance had taken their “death.”

The “will you ever get back together” question followed the band members indifferently throughout their solo careers. While completely denying the idea at first, the band eventually began to tease that something was in the works.

“I wouldn’t count [a reunion] out, but at the same time everybody’s doing stuff in their lives now that they’re really enjoying,” said Gerard Way in a 2017 interview with Billboard.

Earlier this year, Joe Jonas of the Jonas Brothers reported hearing, MCR rehearsing in a studio space right next to where the Jonas Brothers were rehearsing, My Chemical Romance guitarist Frank Iero denied this report, but left the possibility up in the air. “I survived a bus accident, so anything is possible,” Iero said.

On Oct. 31, it happened. Whether or not this theory held any truth or played any part in the band’s information is yet to be confirmed. My Chemical Romance announced their return on social media with a link to buy tickets to their upcoming reunion show in Los Angeles (another possible allusion to “Danger Days”), which took place in “California” 2019, as denoted in the music video. Tickets went on sale Friday and completely sold out within 12 minutes.

The band made a statement on their Twitter account thanking their fans for the “warm welcome back.” “We truly did not expect this,” said the band. Many loyal fans found this statement ironic, reminding the band that they’ve been waiting, hoping, and speculating all this time. Whether the theory was true or not, it certainly held up. Theorizing fans have finally gotten their wish, and emotionally, they’re not okay—they promise.
In tribes where two-spirit males and females were referred to with the same term, this status amounted to a third gender. In other cases, two-spirit did not simply mean someone who is a Native American man or woman.

Two-spirit people were both sexually and gender-identified with a different gender, especially through gendered work, Braun said. "In most Native societies there was a strict division on what each gender did. So two-spirit people were, for one reason or another, who did work that identified them with the gender opposite of their sex.

According to the Indian Health Service website, in most tribes, two-spirit people were considered neither men nor women. Instead, they occupied a distinct, alternative gender status.

"Two-spirit people were historically distinguished from men and women in many ways, including temperament, dress, lifestyle and social roles. "Two-spirit people were basically doing things that the opposite gender was supposed to," Braun said. "So men would stay and take care of the household and do a lot of handicrafts and on the other hand women went to war and got involved in tribal politics."

For the trait of specialized work roles, male and female two-spirit people were typically described in terms of their preference for and achievements in the work of the "opposite" sex or in activities specific to their role.

Two-spirit individuals were experts in traditional arts such as pottery making, basket weaving and the manufacturing of items made from leather.

"Among the Navajo, two-spirit people often part of the Latin community as well," Hirschman said. "There's a lot of data stating that those two are correlated, but we're still trying to figure out if that's the case. Do they not fit into the college space and don't fit in with the other students. A student experiencing the imposter syndrome may feel like is putting on an act and failing their way through it."

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"Two-spirit people engaged in activities, they were often among the first generation students who identified as two-spirit people. Today, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Native people through-out North America are reviving the two-spirit role and its traditions. Two-spirit people have gathered nation and regionally since the early 1990s in many parts of the country."

"Today two-spirit is more used as a term that is more associated either with lesbian or gay, it has gone away from the traditional meaning," Braun said. "The traditional meaning did not necessarily mean that the two-spirit person would have sexual and gender roles opposite other people."

Within the already marginalized Native American community, two-spirit people today may face more discrimination for their identities.

"In Lakota, for example, men who were two-spirit were called ‘winkte,’ and today if you call someone something that word, ‘winkte,’ Braun said. "I think today it is clearly understood that this is not a derogatory term, and if you think this has a lot to do with the loss of the original meaning of how all this worked.

The prevalence of two-spirit people depends on the community. Braun said there may be more people who identify as two-spirit now due to a shift in the community about their culture, but those indi-viduals may still face discrimination within the community.

According to Braun, urban communities tend to be less discriminat-ory and rural communities tend to be more discriminatory depending on how traditional the community is, with really traditional communities being less discriminatory, regardless of their location.

"If someone doesn’t fit into the designated gender categories, in many communities they have a really tough life," Braun said. "Not only do they not fit into the categories but they are actively discriminated against, they’re not getting on and being a first generation student.

Hirschman welcomed the students to reach out to her by email at rharris@iastate.edu for anything first generation student related.

"I do think holistically, this event, this week, is very important," Ruckdashel said. "And it’s not just here at Iowa State but nationally it is First Gen Week [...] Iowa State, this is really the first time we’ve had a First Gen Week, so relatively newer to this particular institution celebrating that particular student population [...] it’s really about taking it off and gaining traction.”

The full schedule of events for Iowa State’s First Gen Week can be found at https://firstgen.iastate.edu/ in the "Events" tab on the website. A flyer for the week can also be viewed on Iowa State’s College of Liberal Arts and Sciences' website.

"I think this is the start of — moving forward — a larger scale type of First Gen Week not only for the students of color and preparation like this presentation was, Ruckdashel said. "But to help them understand identities which students have specific terms in their own languages for the gender-variant members of their communities and the social and spiritual roles these people have. The power of pan-Indian terms like two-spirit, not all cultures will perceive two-spirit the same way, or welcome a pan-Indian term to replace the terms already in use by their cultures," according to the Indian Health Service website.

Many traditions like the two-spirit identity were lost or stifled by the restrictions of persecution, disease and long-term relationships.

"Two-spirit people were very mysterious people and mysterious power was meaningful," Braun said. "It had both negative and positive connotations because you can use your power for both good and bad. Two-spirit people were going to their children 'gender-appropriate', but when someone had a vision or a stroke two-spirit people said something, nobody could stand in their way. You can't go against the vision because it would have very negative connotations.

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