In 1901, “The Knoll,” located east of the Memorial Union, became the home to Iowa State University’s fifth president, William Beardshear. Since then, ten presidential families have lived in the Knoll and set a standard of excellence for faculty as well as students.

For over 100 years, millions of students have attended and graduated from Iowa State following this standard and contributing to the success of the university, and alumni have chosen to thank the university through their generosity. Iowa State’s most loyal and prestigious donors have been recognized in a society appropriately named The Order of the Knoll.

Since the 1960s, the Order of the Knoll program has honored the university’s top donors. In order to become a member of this society, one must donate a minimum of $2,500 annually or give a cumulative gift of $100,000 or more.

The program recognizes four different levels of giving. Each of the four levels—Campanile Society, President’s Circle, W.M. Beardheiser Society and Society of the True and Valiant—requires a higher donation amount.

The Campanile Society starts at an annual donation of $2,500 or an annual donation of $1,500 for those ages 40 and under, and the Society of the True and Valiant is the level for donors with a cumulative giving of $10 million or more.

Elaine Watkins-Miller, the associate director of communications for the Iowa State University Foundation, said the Order helps alumni stay connected to Iowa State, and is a way to thank them for their generosity.

“The program provides donors ongoing engagement with Iowa State through communications about important university news,” Watkins-Miller said. “The program also provides opportunities to attend events such as regional gatherings with alumni and friends.”

One such event is a concert for members of the Order put on by Cantamans Women’s Choir, one of two all-female choral groups on campus. The event will take place Friday.

“This concert will premiere an all-new version of ‘The Bells of Iowa State’ featuring a solo performance by Simon Estes,” said Kathleen Rodde, the director of Cantamus. “Cantamus is recognized as one of the top women’s choirs in the nation. This will be their first time performing for The Order of the Knoll.”

Thanks to the Order of the Knoll’s members, Iowa State has been able to expand, grow and give students more opportunities over the last 50 years.

To honor the societies most loyal and top given, the Order gives out five awards each year: the True and Valiant Award, Campanile Award, Cardinal and Gold Award, Corporate and Foundation Award and Faculty and Staff Award.
**Tips on filing for FAFSA**

**Priority deadline is Dec.**

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The window to fill out the Federal Application for Financial Student Aid (FAFSA) has opened, and, with state budget cuts, that Dec. 1 deadline has become even more crucial.

Oct. 1 was the first day that students at Iowa State could file their FAFSA. Roberta Johnson, the director of student financial aid, said it’s “very crucial students get their FAFSA in on time.”

Missing that deadline may jeopardize consideration for aid based on the funds that are remaining. For those who had financial aid, such as the ISU Grant, or want to be considered for work study, FAFSA must be submitted no later than Dec. 1.

Some get help from their parents while others may feel like they are on their own. Either way, it can be a confusing and frustrating process.

Here are some tips that will follow when you finally sit down and decide that it needs to be done.

**Before filling it out**

To fill out FAFSA, you must have your social security number, the social security number of your parents or guardians and driver’s license (if available). International students will also need the student alien registration or permanent resident card, and their or their parent’s 2016 tax information.

**Student information**

Use an email address that you use and check often. It’s easy to enter the wrong numbers and get emails later that tell you to correct your FAFSA.

To avoid this, read the instructions carefully to understand what they’re asking for. Whenever there is a question asking about “you” that is always referring to the student.

Make sure you understand what they’re asking before you start filling it out. The first page asks for student demographic information, like your social security number (SSN), address, birth date, telephone number, etc.

There are always people available to help at the Financial Aid Office at 0210 Beardshear Hall.

**Parent information**

You’ll be using the tax information from 2016 for the 2018-2019 FAFSA. After completing the student portion of the FAFSA you will be asked what your dependency status is, then move into the parent demographics.

*Make sure your parents have your pin so they can complete it.*

**To ensure that your FAFSA is accurate, read the instructions carefully to understand what they are asking for. Make sure you have your social security number, 2016 tax information and all other required information for each section.*

**To avoid this, read the instructions carefully to understand what they are asking for. Make sure you submit it**, Johnson said.

Sometimes students think they’ve finished the FAFSA when they haven’t. Make sure you get a confirmation email from ISU and pay attention to your email for any updates.

**After Submission**

Iowa State should contact you to acknowledge receipt of FAFSA information. The email will tell you if you need to provide any extra information.

Sometimes you may need to submit extra forms, such as the parent/student institutional verification form or the parent/student federal tax return.

Johnson stresses that you need to get these papers in on time, and that you should check the FAFSA status on Access Plus. The financial aid office can answer any questions you have when it comes to your financial aid status.

If it is all done correctly, you will soon be notified of what aid you are eligible for.
Three architecture students were in one of three groups chosen as finalists for the National Concrete Masonry Association (NCMA) competition in Toronto.

After months of preparation, students Colleen De Matta, Ayla Hendrickson and Nathaniel Jones won the NCMA. Each year, Iowa State students participate in this competition. Earning a winning title was shocking but exhilarating, said the team.

The students originally started this project as a class assignment and then presented the project on a local level. From there the team moved on to sending the project to Virginia where it was scored. This is when they waited for news on how they did and if they would move on.

“We were pretty surprised and humbled to be selected for the finalists of the national competition, very exciting,” Jones said. “We wanted to show versatility that concrete masonry provides in settings where it is not commonly thought to be utilized to its fullest potential,” Jones said.

De Matta and Hendrickson explained that the model blocks were laser cut to scale and spray painted to look like concrete. Collaborating on this versatile project was not difficult for the students, although the tedious process to keep going back to refine the project and presentation was tough at times. De Matta and Hendrickson discussed how collaboration was simple because they were already familiar with one another.

“The concept part was easy but the refinement process of the visuals and presentation was the hard part.”

Students represent Iowa State’s design program at the convention and were confident in their presentation skills, which they believe is what set them apart from the other two competitors, Ball State University and North Carolina State University.

Iowa State’s team win was well earned and the audience at the convention agreed. After each team gave their presentation, audience members used a mobile app to vote for the team of their choice. The final scoring to determine the winning team was accumulated from previous scores in the competition and the audience’s votes.
Congress focuses on the wrong things

The horrific shooting in Las Vegas earlier this month has revealed some important truths about the priorities our Congress holds.

Making gun silencers cheaper and easier to buy appears to be more important to Congress than continuing the Children’s Health Insurance Program, which provides health care for low-income children, or extending the Perkins Loan Program, which provides access to college students before making gun loans to lower-income students.

Congress should reconsider its priorities. That may be irrelevant while hunting, but it can make the sounds of shooting blend into a noisy cacophonous background in an urban setting.

In Las Vegas, confusion reigned. How much worse would the panic have been if the gunshot had been rendered indistinguishable from fireworks or other celebratory sounds that occur regularly if the gunshot had been rendered in distinguishable from fireworks or other celebratory sounds that occur regularly on the Strip?

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All eyes were on Cam Newton last Wednesday after a sexist comment during a press conference turned eyes and ears.

Jourdan Rodrigue, reporter for the Charlotte Observer, ran through routine questions with the quarterback when she was met with a comment belittling to female journalists everywhere, particularly those in the realm of sports coverage.

“It’s funny to hear a female talk about routes like… it’s funny,” said Newton when Rodrigue inquired about Devin Funchess, wide receiver for the Panthers.

Although the comment was claimed to be “a compliment” by the quarterback in later interviews regarding the push back he received, the journalist degraded had other feelings.

In a Twitter post shortly after the remark, Rodrigue spoke up about the sexist remark by tweeting, “I don’t think it’s ‘funny’ to be a female and talk about routes. I think it’s my job,” Rodrigue tweeted on Oct. 4.

Although the comment may have been in good humor, in retrospect to the struggles many female sports journalists face as they pursue their careers, such a remark wasn’t expected to be taken lightly.

One aspect of the double standards implicitly in place for women in sports reporting is the value placed in one’s physical appearance.

In an article for the Huffington Post, Erin Andrews, sideline reporter for FOX NFL, speaks on the difference of comparison between the two sexes in the industry.

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“They are wearing gorgeous suits, they have a hair and makeup team there powdering them. Troy Aikman, Joe Buck. They work out all the time. They’re beautiful men wearing beautiful clothes, no one says anything about it.”

Aside from viewers and those in sports often placing beauty above brains, female sports reporters face a variety of issues to follow.

In an interview with Entity Magazine, NFL analyst Lesley Visser brought other issues to the surface when asked about what struggles she faces as a female reporter in the realm of sports.

When asked about how her gender has affected her career progress, she shared that for on-site coverage, “Some men were very difficult, not wanting any women around.”

Since the comment, Newton has been censured by the NFL (calling his comments “just plain wrong and disrespectful”), lost a sponsor (Dannon), and gained judgement from fans worldwide.

Dannon spoke out on the matter stating, “It’s simply not OK to belittle anyone based on gender, we have shared our concerns with [Newton] and will no longer work with him.”

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It’s not funny, Cam

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The registration can take up to $200 transfer tax and requires registration under the National Firearms Act of 1934. The registration can take up to nine months.

The proposed legislation would eliminate the transfer tax, make registration automatic and would provide refunds for any transfer tax on a silencer purchased after Oct. 22, 2015.

While the proposed legislation appears to be aimed at halting the declining sales of silencers, the legislation purports to be based on health concerns. It is titled the “Hearing Protection Act.”

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Jess Schaben: From a town of 280 to Iowa State

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Junior outside hitter Jess Schaben has spent the last two-and-a-half years rifling volleyballs past opponents for Iowa State. The previous four seasons, Schaben was a leading force for a different Cyclones team.

Growing up, Schaben was one of about 280 residents living in Defiance, Iowa, located in the southwest region of the state. Defiance’s slim population isn’t large enough to warrant its own school, so Schaben commuted 13 miles to Harlan.

Compared to Defiance, Harlan is a metropolis, maintaining a population of almost 5,000 residents. When Schaben became a Harlan Cyclone, she put herself on coaches’ radars.

“I started getting recruited around my freshman year,” Schaben said. “I think I committed after my sophomore year.”

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Schaben’s freshman season showed a glimpse of the outside hitter’s potential. Schaben racked up 459 kills, ranking seventh in the state of Iowa.

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“It’s definitely different from having a high school game, where there’s maybe 100 people, [compared] to coming to a game [in Ames] where there’s thousands of people,” Schaben said.

Schaben had the luxury of an experienced coach with a lot of success when she entered college.

“I was really impressed with her athleticism [and] her abilities,” Conaway said. “Obviously, she was really tall, long, athletic and could jump, [but] I think the thing that was most impressive with her is she was also really, really volleyball smart.”

All good things must come to an end, and Schaben’s high school career was no different. As Schaben’s high school career concluded, her name was being tossed all around in the volleyball world.

The lanky hitter earned the 2015 Des Moines Register female high school athlete of the year and was heralded as the No. 27 recruit in the nation according to PrepVolleyball.com.

After snagging two state titles for the Harlan Cyclones, Schaben was on to her next team: the Iowa State Cyclones.

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The gap between high school volleyball and collegiate volleyball is a big one. Even with all of Schaben’s recognitions from high school, it was no certainty that her success would translate to the Big 12.

Not only is the talent level heightened, but the pressure and crowds also increase.

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Derek Martin, the manager of sports operations at a western Iowa radio station named KMA, covered all four seasons of the Schaben’s career. Martin noticed Schaben from the beginning.

“She was awesome, immediately,” Martin said. “Obviously, she was really tall, long, athletic and could jump, [but] I think the thing that was most impressive with her is she was also really, really volleyball smart.”

Schaben would follow up her strong freshman campaign with more dominant seasons. Schaben accounted for at least 400 kills each season, totaling 1,459 kills, ranking her seventh in the state of Iowa.

Not only was Schaben a commanding player on the court, but she also grew during her high school career.

“She turned into a leader there throughout her high school career,” Martin said. “A lot of people [were] really impressed with her athleticism [and] her abilities.”

“Every time I saw her in high school, [it] was a standout moment,” Martin said.

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It’s been a long road for Schaben, from a town of 280 people to a campus of 35,321 students. The jump was a big one, but Schaben thinks it was the right one.

“I just loved the atmosphere here and the way the team [is] such good friends,” Schaben said. “I like the campus, just everything Iowa State had to offer I really liked. It felt like a really good fit.”
Fall favorite truffle recipes

**Pumpkin Cheesecake Truffles**

- Prep Time: 30-45 minutes
- 20 cups gingersnap cookies
- 2 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1 tablespoon confectioners sugar
- 1/4 cup pumpkin puree
- 1/4 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 20 ounces white chocolate

Finely crush gingersnap cookies. Mix gingersnap cookie crumbs, cream cheese, confectioners sugar, pumpkin puree, graham cracker crumbs and pumpkin pie spice. Leave in freezer for 15 minutes or until firm. Scoop about one tablespoon mixture, roll into ball and place on pan lined with parchment paper. Place back in freezer for 10 minutes or until firm. Melt white chocolate in microwave according to directions on the package. Dip truffles into white chocolate, and optionally sprinkle with graham cracker crumbs. Place back on parchment paper lined pan, refrigerate for 5 minutes.

Recipe courtesy of cakescottage.com

**Caramel Apple Truffles**

- Prep Time: 20-30 minutes
- 1 package vanilla sandwich cookies
- 1/4 cup apple butter
- 4 ounce cream cheese, softened
- 23 soft caramels
- 20 ounces white chocolate

Finely crush vanilla sandwich cookies. Mix vanilla sandwich cookie crumbs, apple butter and cream cheese. Scoop about one tablespoon mixture, place soft caramel in center and roll into a ball. Place on pan lined with parchment paper. Leave in freezer for 15 minutes or until firm. Melt white chocolate in microwave according to directions on the package. Dip truffles into white chocolate, and optionally sprinkle with vanilla sandwich cookie crumbs. Place back on parchment paper lined pan, refrigerate for five minutes.

Recipe courtesy of thegurnysack.com

**Pecan Sandie Truffles**

- Prep Time: 20-30 minutes
- 1 package Pecan Sandies cookies
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/3 cup finely chopped pecans
- 1/3 cup confectioners sugar
- 20 ounces white chocolate

Finely crush Pecan Sandies cookies. Mix Pecan Sandies cookie crumbs, cream cheese, chopped pecans and confectioners sugar. Scoop about one tablespoon mixture and roll into ball, place on pan lined with parchment paper. Place in freezer for 15 minutes or until firm. Melt white chocolate in microwave according to directions on the package. Dip truffles into white chocolate and optionally sprinkle with chopped pecans. Place back on parchment paper lined pan, refrigerate for five minutes.

Recipe courtesy of tastesoflizzy.com
Incoming students participate during day one of Destination Iowa State on Aug. 17.

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State students, professional students, such as Veterinary Medicine and online, non-degree students.

“We then said, when does onboarding begin and end — what does it include?” Robinder said. “We identified that onboarding begins in the admissions process.”

This meant that when students received their offer of admission all the way to the end of the student’s first year, the task force would review and recommend Iowa State’s current procedures and ways in which they can improve — specific to the aforementioned student types.

Within these student types are special populations that require their own onboarding to address their unique needs, Robinder said. These student types include international students, U.S. multicultural students, LGBTQ students, veterans, student athletes and students with disabilities.

To review the current process, the committee looked at existing data sets, the curriculum, the orientation schedule and an array of other materials available.

“Anything and everything we could look at,” Robinder said. “We collected hundreds, if not thousands, of artifacts,” Robinder said.

Zoey Shipley, Student Government speaker, served as a student on the committee. For Shipley, she had experience in both being a new student, but also serving as a Cyclone Aide that helped guide new students.

“From my perspective, I went in just seeing students. But for Iowa State to take on a task such as this, she feels it is a positive and beneficial thing.

“I think it shows that the university really does care and really does want to help students be more successful,” Shipley said.

The next steps for the committee — after reviewing and analyzing all the data with onboarding — is to now form and submit recommendations.

Currently, Robinder said, the committee is looking for students, faculty and staff who may be interested in serving on four project teams that will be developing action plans in the next few months.

These projects include: developing unified collaborative communication streams, developing new student onboarding core curriculum, developing a digital onboarding portal and repository of resources and effectively onboarding graduate and professional students.

Additionally, the onboarding committee will be hosting two campus-wide open forums that serve as an opportunity to hear updates on the onboarding process and talk with the project leaders.

The open forums are Monday, Oct. 16 from 1 to 2 p.m. and Tuesday, Oct. 17 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Gold Room of the Memorial Union.

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in an undercover manner. In contrast, Iowa’s law strictly criminalizes the act of obtaining a job with a farm operation by offering false information on an application.

In 2015, the state of Idaho’s ag gag law was ruled unconstitutional on the premise of it being a violation of free speech.

In addition, a federal court ruled Utah’s ag gag law unconstitutional in July, citing the same grounds.

“Laws must be ‘narrowly tailored’ to avoid impairment of fundamental rights like freedom of speech,” said Dirk Drean, professor of political science at Iowa State.

Due to the fact that Iowa’s law does not directly concern the First Amendment, unlike other states, striking down the law on the grounds of it being a violation of free speech is not necessarily the interpretation that will be made by the court, Tidgren said.

“The ag gag law is an unusually broad statute,” said Kristen Lowe, senior in agriculture and society and public relations. “With it prohibiting the use of false pretenses to gain access to an agricultural production facility, it reaches into uncharted territory that many might not have previously thought about.”

In previous rulings, the U.S. Supreme Court has concluded that false statements made by individuals are not protected by the First Amendment’s right to freedom of speech. Determining whether or not lying on a job application is protected by the First Amendment will be the ultimate question for the court to address, Tidgren said.

In addition to the task of determining the constitutionality of the law, an ethical predicament has also presented itself within the matter.

“It is constitutional to be invited to a farm as a tourist when you’re actually a journalist and capture footage of laying hens? Absolutely. Is it ethical? No. If you want to report the truth, you should start with providing the truth about yourself,” Lowe said.

When it comes to considering solutions that would appease both animal-welfare interest groups and the animal production industry, reaching common ground is tough, but, producers have worked to accommodate the public’s demand to see how food is being produced in a transparent manner.

“The industry definitely responds to consumer demand,” Tidgren said.

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