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Two weeks ago, we asked you: What
do you want to know about running for president?
With midterm elections behind us, public attention has shifted to the 2020 presidential election. Stories appear weekly about prospective pres-
idential candidates, their campaigns and constant trips to the early caucus states of Iowa and New Hampshire.
In response, you asked us: What
benefit is there to announcing an exploratory committee rather than an actual run? Are there fundraising
benefits/no limits on raising?
The twofold question yielded the
highest number of votes through our
#AskMeAmes initiative in the past
weeks; our answers revealed just some
of the challenges and complexities that
surround campaign finance law.
An individual contemplating the
presidency may have a lot to gain by
filing an exploratory committee with the
Federal Elections Commission, but
such advantages are not easily observ-
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tures," said Kelly Shaw, senior lecturer
in the political science department at
Iowa State. "Importantly, exploratory

TRUMP DECLARES CRISIS AT BORDER

Despite avoiding government shutdown,
Trump calls for national emergency

BY ELLI.HARRIS
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President Donald Trump announced
Thursday he would sign a deal to avoid
another government shutdown and issue a
state of national emergency, allowing him
to use Federal Emergency Management
Agency (FEMA) for his southern border
wall.

When asked about his reaction to the
president saying that he would declare a
national emergency, Mack Shelley, chair of
Iowa State’s political science department,
said the move might help the president
with his base.

Shelley said because Trump is seen as
someone who takes action, the move could
be beneficial. In the end, he sees it as a
typical characteristic of the president.

"Trump wants to be in a position when
he’s pushing forward," Shelley said.

Rep. Steve King announced his support
for the emergency declaration in a state-
ment Thursday, saying Trump was on "solid
Constitutional ground in doing so."

"I have been asking the President to
declare a National Emergency to address
border security for months, and I sup-
port his doing so today," King said in his
statement.

In a compromise between Republicans
and Democrats, a small, bipartisan group of
lawmakers proposed an agreement on leg-
islation that would fund the government
through September. At time of publication,
Trump has indicated he will sign the deal
despite his dissatisfaction with not receiv-
ing as much funding for fencing along the
southern border as he originally requested.

The deal would allocate $1.375 billion
toward fencing projects, intending to put
up 55 miles of barriers. The president origi-

ally asked for $5.7 billion in order to build
nearly 200 miles of fencing.

Shelley said the president would likely
receive pushback from Congress and out-
side sources when declaring a national
emergency and predicted the process
would face legal challenges immediately.

"There are probably about 50 lawyer
groups centered around D.C. and else-
where that already have briefs ready," Shelley said.

Shelley said eminent domain issues
could also cause problems for the president.

The barrier would have to be built across
private properties on the border, which he
said could cause resentment among land-
owners that may support the president.
Democrats also accomplished some
of their goals with the bill. The original
amount of $5.7 billion for fencing was
reduced to $1.375 billion, which Senior
Lecturer Kelly Shaw saw as a political loss
for the president. He said the shutdown
played a role in why the agreement would
be signed regardless.

"The optics of shutting down the gov-
ernment for a policy justification is pretty
extraordinary in American politics," Shaw said.

Jacob Minock, the president of Iowa
State College Republicans said he is glad
the government avoided another shutdown
but wishes more could have been done.
"I’m not going to say it’s a bad com-
promise," Minock said. "I would have
hoped we would have had a bit more in
the middle. It seems like Republicans are
giving up a bit more than the Democrats
[in the budget]."

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Ready to Run Iowa, South Ballroom, Memorial Union at 9 a.m. Ready to Run Iowa is a nonpartisan campaign training program to encourage women to run for elective office, position themselves for appointive office, work on a campaign or become involved in public life as leaders in their respective communities. Registration is required.

An officer investigated a property damage collision at lot 110 (reported at 2:13 p.m.).

Donald Eugene Rundall, age 41, of 314 North 14th Street in Fort Dodge, Iowa, was arrested and charged with driving under suspension. Rundall was additionally arrested on a warrant held by another agency at Lincoln Way and Hayward Avenue in Fort Dodge, Iowa, was arrested on a warrant held by another agency at Lincoln Way and Hayward Avenue.

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According to our records, the name of the person referred to in the article is Dalton Craft, not a student at Iowa State. The Daily regrets the error.
MBLGTACC: What it stands for

BY LOGAN.METZGER
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Starting Friday night the 2019 Midwest Bisexual Lesbian Gay Transgender Asexual College Conference, or MBLGTACC — pronounced mumble talk — will kick off at Wichita State University in Wichita, Kansas. “MBLGTACC is an annual conference held to connect, educate and empower queer and trans college students, faculty and staff around the Midwest and beyond,” according to the MBLGTACC website.

Brad Feihoefer, director of the Center for LGBTQIA+ Student Success, said that MBLGTACC is the largest student-run LGBTQ+ conference in the country. “This is the 27th year of MBLGTACC and it will be held in Kansas for the first time. The theme this year is “Beyond the Rainbow and to the Stars.”

“Our theme ties together rich traditions in Kansas with continual goals of social justice and equal rights for all, regardless of gender and sexuality,” according to the MBLGTACC website.

The MBLGTACC website stated that “Beyond the Rainbow” is a nod to Dorothy’s adventures in the Wizard of Oz and “To the Stars” refers to the Kansas state motto, “Ad Astra per Aspera,” meaning “To the Stars through Difficulties.”

According to the MBLGTACC website, the motto refers to “the pioneering spirit of Kansas.”

This year’s conference will host four keynote speakers: Jessica Pettitt, Pidgeon Pagonis, Nyle DiMarco and Janaya Khan. Other featured speakers and entertainment include Mikey C. Apollo, a drag show with host Penny Tration, Robyn Och, Sam Brinton, Cody Charles and Jon Paul Higgins.

The speakers and entertainment will be mixed in with ten workshops each where attendees can learn about a wide range of subjects including polyamory, toxic masculinity and creating queer families.

The entire conference was planned by a student committee like it has been every year from the start.

“The Midwest Bisexual Lesbian Gay Transgender Asexual College Conference emerged in the early 1990s as an answer to the question of how to connect, educate and empower queer students throughout the region,” according to the MBLGTACC website.

“This came at a time when the continued growth of the mainstream lesbian, gay and bisexual rights movement, largely underrepresenting transgender and gender non-conforming individuals, was most present and powerful on the east and west coasts, isolating students in the Midwest from national LGBT work by geography, political realities and access to resources.”

In 1991, college students at a conference in Des Moines came together and dreamed MBLGTACC into existence. They wanted to give a voice to queer students in the Midwest and to make MBLGTACC a destination for entertainers, activists and leaders.

**Proper pronoun usage leads to better environment**

BY LOGAN.METZGER
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The use of correct and preferred pronouns in classrooms is important to a student’s academic growth and classroom participation, but statistics show at Iowa State students find respect for their gender identity lacking.

“Because [pronouns] are just as important as your name, having your pronouns not used correctly would be like having your name not pronounced correctly... or, it’s not even pronouncing, it’s having someone completely not use your correct name,” said nicii port, program coordinator and vice president for diversity and Inclusion.

Two percent of the population of students, faculty and staff identify on the transgender spectrum and almost ten percent of the population identify within the LGBTQIA+ community, according to the campus climate survey published in April 2018. 69 percent of the transgender spectrum identifying individuals had indicated in the survey that they experienced “exclusionary, intimidating, offensive and/or hostile conduct” based on their gender identity.

“This shows that although there may be a small amount of LGBTQIA+ community members on campus, this population is feeling unwelcome due to their gender identity.”

“The risk for trans students and those that are transitioning are really profound and quite frankly deadly,” said Marcia Pardy, lecturer in the school of education. “If you are someone who doesn’t understand... that’s not okay.”

Some gender-neutral pronouns that can be used instead of the common gendered pronouns of “he/him/hi” and “she/her/hers” include “they/them/their/thiers” and “z其他国家/zair/zairz” according to the University of Southern California LGBT Resource Center website.

Kathryn Kanenan, senior in bioinformatics and computational biology and president of the asexual asexual alliance, said when a person gives another person their pronouns it is a sign of trust and that respecting that trust is important.

Brad Feihoefer, director for the center for LGBTQIA+ student success, said that using a person’s preferred pronouns and preferred name is a basic sign of respect.

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When a professor or lecturer refers to a student by the wrong pronouns on multiple occasions, side effects may occur.

“[Not using a person’s preferred pronouns] creates a classroom where that person isn’t focused on learning,” said Amy Popilion, senior lecturer in human development and family studies.

Feihoefer said that not using a person’s preferred pronouns and their preferred name within a classroom can create an unwelcoming environment and a space where

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**Harasser to no longer provide security at Iowa State**

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Former Iowa Finance Authority (IFA) Director Dave Jamison, who was fired last March for sexually harassing female employ- ees, has been hired by the Contemporary Services Corporation (CSC), which provides security at Iowa State athletic events.

However, after the Associated Press reported Jamison’s employment Thursday and College Democrats released a statement demanding Jamison be “swiftly removed from involvement in any activities at Iowa State,” John McCarron, director of university relations, said Jamison will no longer be assigned to events at Iowa State. In an email to the Daily, McCarron said in the past Jamison has “on occasion been assigned by CSC to provide services under its contract with the university as a parking attendant and usher.”

In its statement, College Democrats also demanded Iowa State “investigate and take action to remedy the hiring practices of Contemporary Services Corp.”

McCarron said, per the university’s current agreement with CSC, the firm hires its own employees and “generally determines which of its employees provide services to the university.”

The news of Jamison’s involvement comes only three days after the Des Moines Register reported the Iowa Appeal Board voted to pay two women a combined $4.1 million to settle their sexual harassment claims.

During his time as IFA director, Jamison publicly groped one woman and forced another to watch a “pornographic video” while asking her questions about her sexual life and preferences, according to an investigation report on the allegations against Jamison released in September.

Jamison served as Story County treasurer from 1995 until 2010 and became treasurer of Clarke County. According to the report, Jamison “regularly touted his relationship with Governor Reynolds to other employees at IFA,” which “may have discouraged reports of his behavior.”

Reynolds was notified of Jamison’s behavior on March 24, and terminated him immediately. One month later, Reynolds contacted the Weisbaid Law Firm in Des Moines and requested it conduct an investigation into the allegations, according to the report.
**Lawsuit on gender identity ends in trans favor**

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The Polk County Courthouse ruled in favor of a transgender man who filed a complaint against his workplace for discrimination.

Jesse Vroegh, a transgender individual and a nurse formerly employed at the Iowa Department of Corrections, filed the lawsuit back in August 2018 after he was denied use of the men’s restrooms and locker rooms at work. He was also denied medically necessary transgender surgery coverage through his employer.

The jury ruled that the state had engaged in sex discrimination and gender identity discrimination, which is covered by both the Iowa Civil Rights Act and the Iowa Constitution.

“Being an Iowan, I want to thank a jury, made up of my fellow Iowans, for their verdict,” Vroegh said. “It makes me happy and proud that they recognize that yes, I was discriminated against.

The lawsuit was the first transgender lawsuit in Iowa to go to trial, with the Polk County Courthouse ruling in favor of a transgender man Monday. The man had originally filed a complaint against his workplace for discrimination.

**StuGov funds STD testing in state favor**

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Student Government officially voted to fund free, confidential STD testing for 300 students Wednesday night.

Sen. Wyatt Scheu introduced the bill to fund STD testing for 300 Iowa State students on behalf of Student Government’s Director of Health & Wellness Laura Pesquera Colom.

“Many students don’t have health insurance to cover the costs when getting tested through Thielen, and/or do not want the tests to be visible to their legal guardians,” according to the bill.

The bill required $13,500 to fund the testing for up to 100 students per month for three months. Each month, events will be held to provide the testing, and if not all the kits are used, they do not expire and can be used another time.

A non-profit STD testing service came to Iowa State twice in 2018, and this bill would allow there four-hour testing event in one semester.

Sen. Anne Miller said the finance committee sent the bill with no bias as they did not feel they had enough information, and that Pesquera Colom had answered their questions.

Finance Director Seth Carter said no matter who pays for it, Student Government or Thielen, it will be student fees paying for it, and urged the senators to look at the bill solely on its utility.

“You cannot deny that college students are very sexually active,” Carter said. “It’s part of a larger problem of STDs spreading rapidly, so I don’t think it’s unreasonable to see it as Student Government’s role to assume duty and help subsidize the cost.”

Sen. Madison Muller said she was concerned about spending more than $13,000 and only being able to give assistance to 300 students and that funding should go to the benefit of a majority of students.

During the debate, Scheu emphasized that STD testing impacts more than just the student who gets tested.

“I can’t believe we’re having this hard of a time with it to be perfectly honest,” Scheu said.

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committees allow candidates a place to put monies raised while contemplating a run for the office.

By your these flags just raised you are not alone, the Federal Election Commission foresaw the potential contribution conflicts that could arise when concealing the “testing-the-waters” blanket.

In response, the Federal Election Commission introduced regulations decades ago that assert that once the individual has raised or spent more than $5,000, they must register as a candidate.

Hence an ethical but is dodged.

Yet, candidates have a historical habit of denying that they are “testing the waters” of a presidential campaign to evade these candidate contribution limits, despite engaging in exploratory committee activi- ties as defined under guidance by the Federal Election Commission.

These activities include, but are not limited to:

- Conducting a poll
- Telephone calls
- Polling expenses for determining the favorability, name recognition, or relative support level of the candidate involved
- Compensation paid to employees, consultants, or vendors for services rendered in connection with establishing and staffing offices in states other than the candidate’s home state and in or near the District of Columbia
- Travel expenses to attend, address and rent hospitality suites at state political party conferences where the individual “indicates his potential interest in, and his ongoing consideration of whether to seek” his party’s nomination
- Travel expenses for private meet- ings with state party leadership
- Expenses to set up “steering committees” in early caucus/primary states with the understanding that the committee will become the official campaign organization in the event the individual runs for office

The next primary advantage to announcing an exploratory com- mittee is the considerable media attention.

“Candidates gain ‘free press’ when making their announcement of an exploratory committee, and then [again] when they become an official candidate,” Shaw said. “Press coverage is vital to any campaign, and free press is even better, especially when a campaign might not have a lot of money.”

Potential candidates consider this recurring press strategically when deciding how long to wait to file an official campaign committee.

“The stronger the candidacy, the longer they can keep up the dance. A candidate can calculate additional news by publicizing more every more they make before officially filing their candidacy, slowly stringing the media along to their expected news and garnering more of the public’s attention.

Again, however, the Federal Election Commission made an attempt to put a cap on the privileged practice by placing a time limit of 18 months for the operation of an exploratory committee.

The Federal Election Commission guidelines and con- tribution restrictions are considered crucial to protecting the integrity of elections. All the while, an individ- ual’s ability to form an exploratory committee can be a wonderful tool.

An exploratory committee allows a candidate to see how their message is received, and whether their internal polls suggest they might be successful in their cam- paign endeavors,” Shaw said.

To submit your questions, and see what other curious readers are interested in learning about, visit http://www.iowastatedaily.com/ askmeames/
A compromise is something that can be rarely found in today's day and age, given the current political climate. Is it really that shocking that one couldn’t be reached between Congress and the president? As a Valentine’s Day present to the country, President Donald Trump announced the news that he will be signing a bill to open the government for the foreseeable future. For the past twenty-one days, Democrats and Republicans have been scrambling to come up with a deal that would make both parties happy. The hottest point of contention: funding for the border wall. I’ve just had an opportunity to speak with President Trump, and he would, I would say to all my colleagues, has indicated that he’s prepared to sign the bill, said Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell.

“(The president) will also be issuing a national emergency declaration at the same time.” An argument can be made that the combination of a bipartisan bill that doesn’t fund the wall and Trump using his executive power in an unprecedented way is indeed a form of compromise. Regardless of what your opinion on the matter is, if this is the end solution, it still means the government shutdown was pointless, Trump could have used his executive power months ago. 5.7 billion was the magic number. That’s how much funding Trump wanted for the wall, fence, barrier or whatever you want to call it. This latest bill only gives him $1.375. Most are expecting Trump to declare a national emergency, allowing him to “build the wall” without Congress’s approval. The whole point of this deal was for Republicans and Democrats to compromise on a bill that would fund the government and the wall. Trump potentially using his executive power to declare a national emergency makes all of this debate worthless. In other words, shutting the government down for 35 days was pointless if Trump uses his executive power. Let that sink in. The government shutdown didn’t need to happen. Thousands of workers had to live without a paycheck, for no reason. Some may say, “oh, they get the money back when the government opens!” While that may be true, for people working paycheck to paycheck, they might not be able to make ends meet. The good news to come out of this is that at least the government is open. The bad news? We’ll have to wait to see the long-term effects of the new spending bill.

Fast fashion a waste of money

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Being a college student, it can be hard to keep up with and afford the latest fashion trends. Having money left after paying for food, rent, tuition, among the various other things I need to survive is a rarity, but always spent on clothes. Keeping your budget can be hard when you want to fit in with the latest styles, especially if you’re like me and enjoy a good impromptu shopping trip from time to time. Retail therapy is one of my many guilty pleasures, but buying clothes from the department stores and malls left me wondering how many pieces of clothing there actually are in the world.

A better question I started asking was, where do all of the clothes go after someone is done wearing them? I would like to say that they all get repurposed and go to thrift stores, but it’s unfortunate to say that most of them actually go into the trash. The average American throws away an astonishing 70 pounds of clothes per year.

The emergence of this “fast fashion” lifestyle that we live in now is not helping us lessen the amount of clothes we get rid of either. Fast fashion is essentially how fast trends change and how larger clothing brands target consumers in order to make a profit. Many times fast fashion-targeted clothing brands copy ideas from high-end designers and make them in a cheaper way; thus creating the “middle-down effect” of fashion. Stores such as Forever 21, Target and American Eagle are some examples of fast fashion distributors.

Although it’s tempting to buy a good knock off every now and again, the truth is that it is stealing someone’s hard work. There have been many cases where stores such as Forever 21 have simulated several different looks from high-end brands such as Gucci, Fendi and even some independent designers.

Obviously the idea of fast fashion can be considered immoral if you care about the feelings and intellectual property of the original designers. But if you don’t, there’s still the issue of the environmental impact fast fashion causes as well. There is no denying that our environment is in big trouble with all of the polluted oceans, depleting forests, global warming and overflowing landfills; but adding clothing that could be reused to it is a shame.

Clothing makes up for over 9 percent of the United States solid waste, and the fast fashion lifestyle we live is a big cause of that. We are fed so many advertisements and “expectations” for clothes and fashion that we have become consumed by it. While many people have no concerns or worries about buying clothes, there are many Americans who struggle. A shocking 15 percent of Americans in poverty who have expressed a need for winter coats do not have, or never have had a coat. Many of these problems could be solved by people donating their coats to shelters or other donation centers. One of the biggest issues that makes clothes so expensive is the outrageous 52 percent markup that is put onto most clothes when they are first released. Now hearing all of this may leave you asking, “Well, what do you want me to do about it?” Well the answer is to think more and be conscious of how often and where you buy!

One of My New Year’s resolutions was to not buy clothes more than twice a month and to thrift whatever I buy. From my experience I have saved at least $200 in the month that it has been since 2019 started. By shopping at thrift or consignment stores you can start a new life for a piece of clothing and decrease your impact on the world.

On top of the clear conscious you will have by repurposing your own and others’ clothing, you will also be saving a good amount of money. Although thrift stores cannot hold clothes forever, they give clothing a second shot by keeping them out of landfills for another few years, save you some serious money and decrease your need for the new shirt that you could have gotten at Target for six times the cost.

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Columnist Lacey Westberg argues that fast fashion wastes money and contributes to landfill overflow. She cites thrift shopping and donating clothes as ways to avoid these problems.

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Donald Trump avoids compromise by abusing power

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IOWA STATE’S LAST STAND

By Noah Rohlfing

Kansas State trip critical for Cyclones’ Big 12 hopes

A week after getting “humbled” at the hands of TCU, Iowa State will encounter one of its most important games of the season.

Come the end of the regular season, it could very well wind up being one of the most important regular-season games in the Big 12 era for the Cyclones.

How’s that for excitement?

The No. 18 Kansas State Wildcats will host the No. 23 Kansas State Wildcats on Saturday at Bramlage Coliseum in Manhattan, Kansas. To get back into the Big 12 title chase, the Cyclones will have to take down a Wildcats team that is on a roll.

Winners of nine of the last 10 and nine straight Big 12 games following an 0-2 start, Kansas State is the conference’s surprise leader with just seven games left to play, holding a two-game lead in the loss column over Kansas, Baylor, Texas Tech and Iowa State.

The first time these two teams met, it was a defensive slugfest that came down to the wire, with the Cyclones giving up a 6-0 run over the final two minutes to give the Wildcats a 58-57 win on a Barry Brown Jr. game-winner.

This time around, the Cyclones know what to expect.

“They’re a really tough team,” said redshirt senior guard Nick Weiler-Babb. “They’ve got some really experienced seniors, and those are the guys who are taking the lead.”

In that game, the Wildcats got little production from Dean Wade, who was in his first game back from injury. How Iowa State matches up against the senior forward will be key, as Wade is averaging 13.9 points and shooting 40.5 percent.

One of the more interesting aspects of Saturday’s matchup is how both teams play defense. While the Cyclones are the highest scoring team in the conference, Kansas State is dead last.

The league leaders have the worst scoring defense in the Big 12, surrendering only 65.9 points per contest. That’s more than three points fewer than Oklahoma State, the ninth-best defense at 69 points per game.

The Wildcats counter their offensive limitations by sporting the second-best scoring defense in the Big 12 at 59.5 points per game. However, the lack of scoring punch from anyone beyond the team’s top three – Brown, Wade and Kansas Stakes – lowers the Wildcats’ margin of error.

It’s no surprise that six of Kansas State’s nine conference wins have come by 10 points or fewer.

Coach Steve Prohm has impressed with how the Wildcats have handled adversity, and said they present a tough matchup even without injured guard Cartier Diarra.

“They’ve been through so much this year already,” Prohm said. “They’ve got experienced toughies, and they know how to win. That’s why they were 0-2 and down 21 [to West Virginia], and that’s why they’re at [9-2] now.”

Having finished off close games recently against Texas and Oklahoma, Iowa State has shown it can grind out victories when it doesn’t have its A-game. Against Kansas State, the Cyclones will likely need to do just that.

The week off has given the Cyclones time to work on the defensive troubles that have bothered them over the past four conference games.

Freshman guard Talen Horton-Tucker said it comes down to mentality for Iowa State’s defense.

“It’s pretty tough mentally for us,” Horton-Tucker said. “But we’re just trying to put our minds to it and just hunker down and do it.”

At 7-4, Iowa State is heading toward its Big 12 title reckoning Saturday. Will the Cyclones rise up and keep themselves in it, or fall three games back?

No. 4 Cyclones prepare for road series against No. 5 Ohio

By Stephen Mcdaniel

The Cyclones look ahead for another tough matchup as they’ll travel to Athens, Ohio, for an ACHA top-five matchup against a CSCHL rival, the Ohio Bobcats.

The puck drops at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Bird Arena in Athens, Ohio.

The Cyclones are coming off a weekend that saw them split with then-No. 23 Colorado State Rams, with the Cyclones picking up a 3-0 shutout victory Friday and dropping the game Saturday 2-1. The series against the Rams ended the Cyclones’ long homestand, which saw them host Robert Morris Illinois, Lindenwood and Colorado State.

The Cyclones and the Bobcats already met this season, with the Bobcats taking the first game 4-1 and the Cyclones taking the second 5-3.

The road trip to Athens will be the Cyclones’ first road series since Jan. 11-12 when the Cyclones went to Springfield, Missouri and swept Missouri State.

“It’ll be a little difficult to get back on the road, especially with a 12-hour road trip,” said freshman forward C.J. Bans. “We [have] just got to keep a positive mindset and stay focused, only a few weekends left, so I feel that if we can keep playing tough and work hard, the outcome will be where we want it.”

As the post-season gets closer and closer, every win the Cyclones can get becomes that much more important, especially when it comes to the ACHA National Tournament. Once the regular season wraps up, the Cyclones have the CSCHL Playoffs from March 15-17 and the National Championship Tournament from March 22-26 to look forward to.

“Every game is important from here on out,” said coach and general manager Jason Fairman. “Lose early to a team you can beat, it’s hard to recover over the course of a season. Now the stakes are high for national positioning for the National Tournament.”

One issue the Cyclones want to improve is finishing around the net. The Cyclones had no issues with getting shots during the series with Colorado State. Getting the shots into the net, however, proved to be an issue.

In the 3-1 victory, the Rams’ goaltender saved 37 shots out of the 40 shots the Cyclones put up. On Saturday, the Rams saved 61 out of a total 62 shots by the Cyclones.

For the series against Ohio, the Cyclones know they have to take advantage of opportunities and capitalize on them.

“Sometimes that’s the breaks, sometimes that’s maybe an individual player’s game,” Fairman said. “Just got to hope guys can finish.”
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Money can be a source of stress among college students digging into their pockets only to find dust bunnies. Side jobs can be a common solution for college students to find cash on their own time and on their own terms. Several side jobs have fallen into the lap of Reilly Smidt, a freshman in pre-business. He was introduced to offcating intramurals, which is flexible with the opportunity to choose your own hours. The job consists of showing up 15 minutes ahead of game time and refereeing for a total of 45 minutes. All of this is for nine dollars a game with the possibility of a raise each year.

“If I am exercising and making money it is worth my while,” Smidt said. “It is a win-win situation instead of feeling guilty for exercising while I could be using this valuable time to study.”

Another side job Smidt does is shoveling and removing snow through the Ames boy and sell Facebook page. Residents in Ames provide the salt and the shovel for Smidt on the job. After each service, Smidt is rewarded $25 for removing snow. The only downfall to the job is that it’s seasonal and he has to be on call whenever snow falls. However, Smidt has experience with seasonal jobs in the past by mowing lawns.

Smidt is not the only student removing snow in their free time. Snow removal is how Seth Geyer, a freshman in pre-business, saves money for his tuition.

Geyer removes snow through his uncle’s company out of Nevada, Iowa, which is 10 minutes away from campus.

Whenever snow hits, he is out at night clearing the sidewalks and the streets for seven to eight hours. For his work Geyer receives $20 an hour. By word of mouth Geyer discovered the opportunity to donate plasma twice a week. The first time he was paid $20 and the second time he was paid $50. For two hours out of the week, Geyer can scroll through his social media or study up on some terms for class while he donates plasma for cash. “Personally, I recommend for other students to donate plasma,” Geyer said. “One, it is a good deed for something others need, and two, it is the easiest way to make fast cash for trivial things.”

Juan Barboza, a freshman in engineering, makes money by cleaning and customizing all types of shoes right from his dorm room.

Throughout high school, Barboza cleaned his own shoes so they would look sharp. When soccer season came around, all of his teammates had the same clean. Barboza wanted to stand out and change his up with a twist. In doing so, he took off the paint with alcohol rags and began drawing different designs. After a while he was motivated to invest in dye kits and start up his own service. His unique cleats sparked the attention of others who wanted the same thing done to their shoes.

Barboza said he is inspired by YouTube to find ways to customize and clean the shoes. The process of cleaning and customizing can take up to two or three hours.

Depending on the condition of the shoe, Barboza sets the price based on how easy it will be to clean, starting around $10 to $15. Each week brings a different work load for Barboza, but typically within a week and a half or less, the shoe will be in tip top shape.

“Do what makes you happy and inspires you,” Barboza said. “For me, I enjoy shoes, fashion and drawing. So, I thought to myself why not combine them all and do something I love.”

Maura French, a sophomore in event management, makes extra cash as a Wing Girl for Red Bull. French and other girls market Red Bull products in their Red Bull mini copiers at campuses, work places, events and a variety of other places.

The Wing Girls inform people who may never have tried energy drinks about the caffeine, sugar and other ingredients found in Red Bull.

“Our goal is to put Red Bull in people’s hands,” French said. “We want to break the stereotype of energy drinks being bad for you because Red Bull is definitely not. We try to let them understand why Red Bull isn’t just any energy drink, we are pioneers.”

French said she genuinely looks forward to attending her job and meeting amazing people while promoting a product they all believe in.

Madison Meyer, a sophomore in pre-business, makes money by advertising Smart Coffee products on social media.

“With this side job I can make money no matter where I am, which helps since I am a full-time college student,” Meyer said. “One quick picture a day on my Instagram story and I am done for the day until I receive a message from someone.”

Meyer said that before she joined the business, she was hesitant. However, after she was introduced to other women who sell their products, she was on board.

“After purchasing the product herself, Meyer saw the results, and knew it was not a scam.”

Side jobs are an opportunity for students to make extra cash for those extra expenses that can pop up unexpectedly while working on their own schedules.

Sophomore in event management Maura Frenche’s duty is to advertise Red Bull products in different areas while riding in style with a Red Bull Mini Cooper and decked out in Red Bull gear.

How to avoid the Starbucks line

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Of all the businesses on Lincoln Way, Starbucks is almost always buzzing with student activity. Despite the busy atmosphere, lack of extra seating and menu items that are on the pricier side, Starbucks continues to be the go-to place for students to give into their coffee addiction.

Kelsey Havel, sophomore in elementary education, said she prefers Starbucks as a study spot over any other coffee establishment.

“It’s close to campus and easy to get to,” Havel said.

However, Havel said that the noise level and overpriced drinks can sometimes frustrate her.

“When the lines become long, employees suggest ordering via the Starbucks app. Mobile orders get their own separate printer, and aren’t overlooked by the in-store orders that come in.”

While mobile orders can be a nice perk for those who don’t have time to wait in line or dine-in, Havel said that the reward system is not really worth it, adding that it’s nearly impossible to earn points quickly to upgrade your status as a Starbucks customer.

“It’s one of the best jobs I’ve ever had in terms of actually being able to get along with my co-workers,” said Will Walker, senior in history and employee at Starbucks. “It’s really laid back.”

Walker gave some insight on when Starbucks is frequently less busy so customers can try to avoid long lines as well as the frustration that comes with the lack of seating.

“From 9 to 11 a.m. it’s the busiest,” Walker said. “Then you get peaks around lunchtime or dinnertime. Other than that it’s going to be chill, especially around nighttime.”

However, if drinking coffee late into the night isn’t your cup of tea, then early mornings are also a slow time for the popular coffee establishment.
 Some representatives expressed their dissatisfaction with the deal itself and how it has been pushed through Congress at a fast pace. Congressman Chip Roy from Texas tweeted Thursday, “This deal provides de facto amnesty for anyone claiming to be even in the house and hold of a potential sponsor of an unaccompanied alien minor…”

The reference was about Section 224 of the bill, which says that no funding received from the bill would be usable by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to place sponsors of unaccompanied children in detention or initiate removal proceedings against them. The congressman also expressed disagreement with how fast the bill was intended to be up for a vote. The funding proposal is 215 pages long and was released Wednesday night. It passed the Senate on an 86-13 vote and the House of Representatives on a 300-128 vote Thursday.

Shelley said the bill was long, but it isn’t an uncommon situation to have pieces of legislation like the one being proposed. Nevertheless, he said there probably should be more time to look at all bills.

“It’s a terrible way to legislate,” Shelley said.

**CONFERENCE**

“The conference started from a gap of resources and spaces for LGBTQIA+ folks in college to gather, collaborate, learn and be inspired,” Freihoefer said.

They sought to create an oasis in what Justin Connor of MBLGCC in 1994 said was seen as “a queer desert.” The group came together in 1992 to lay down the organizing principles and logistical roadmap for a conference of LGBT students, to be held each year at a college or university in the Midwest. The first annual MBLGCC was held at Iowa State University in February of 1993 and was a collaborative effort between students at Iowa State and Drake University. Since then the conference has undergone three name changes. In 1997 the conference was renamed Midwest Bisexual Lesbian Gay Transgender College Conference (MBLTGCC), in 2001 it was renamed Midwest Bisexual Lesbian Gray Transgender Ally College Conference (MBLTGACC) and in 2018 it was renamed Midwest Bisexual Lesbian Gay Transgender College Conference (MBLGTACC).

“Iowa State has been involved in the conference since the beginning,” Freihoefer said. MBLGTACC has been hosted at Iowa State two other times since the first initial conference, in 2004 and 2012. According to Freihoefer, MBLGTACC planners are hoping to choose Iowa State to host the conference again soon.

**PRONOUNS**

“Respect is not a foundation.” A different side effect that could occur is students feeling they cannot participate in class.

“If someone has something personal that they feel isn’t being respected they’re not going to be comfortable,” Kanann said.

**IMPROVING INCLUSIVITY**

There are many ways Iowa State can improve on inclusivity within classrooms.

Freihoefer said that not assuming a student’s name and gender, updating the syllabus and avoiding the use of gendered language is important to creating an inclusive classroom.

Popillion recommended that professors should use gender neutral pronouns such as “they/them” instead of trying to learn all of their students’ pronouns.

A William’s Institute document titled “Transgender Students in Higher Education” provided recommendations on many ways institutions of higher education can improve transgender inclusion. One of the areas of recommendation was specifically on training and education aimed at faculty and staff.

“Faculty and staff should be exposed to mandatory training which includes trans terminology, pronouns, tools to interrupt the gender binary, best practices, acting as an ally to trans gender non-conforming students and resources to create a more inclusive campus,” according to the Williams Institute document.

**STD**

Reynolds for fulfilling the Regents’ request, including approving more than $7 million in additional funding for Iowa State and urges the Iowa legislature to do more, as tuition for the 2019-2020 school year is expected to rise 3 percent.

The resolution was approved by unanimous consent.

Woodford’s motion to waive the bylaw that excluded Election Commission, as a student organization for the in the “funding tier” was defeated. Student Government bylaws currently do not allow organizations that are not open to all students, such as Election Commission, in the funding tier.

Woodford’s motion to waive the bylaw that excluded Election Commission received no objections.

The program for the evening was conducted by the Office of Equal Opportunity.

Margo Freeman, the assistant vice president for diversity and inclusion and equal opportunity, spoke to the Senate about an upcoming 2019 American Associated Universities sexual assault survey for Iowa State students, which will function similarly to the previous campus climate survey but with questions focused on sexual assaults student home experience.

The Advertising Club, a club focused on networking with communications professionals and learning about careers in advertising and marketing, requested $56.32 in funding to assist in paying for transportation to and from an event in Austin, Texas.

The funding request was passed with a vote of 24-0-0.

The Descarga Latin Dance Club, which teaches students and Ames community members about an important aspect of Latin American culture, requested $500 to help pay for students’ conference registration, advertising and a salsa DJ, equipment and decorations for the club’s dances.

The funding request was passed with a vote of 24-0-1.

The Central Iowa Student Chapter of the Association for Women in Communications requested $85.91 to assist in decreasing their costs for students attending professional events and touring businesses in Des Moines and Ankeny, as well as advertising for their club in an effort to increase membership.

The funding request was passed with a vote of 24-0-0.

The Kuwaiti Student Association, a club that supports to help Kuwaiti students settle in a new environment and meet other Kuwaitis as well as students of all nationalities, requested $972 to assist in paying for a Kuwaiti National Day event’s advertising, transportation, food and drinks. The Kuwaiti Student Association went to the finance committee to inform them that the club no longer required funding, so the bill was postponed indefinitely.

The PAB Student Chapter, a national, student-led organization that allows students to build and sharpen their skills so that they are ready for the workplace, requested $2,629.72 to cover registration fees for two conferences.

The funding request was passed with a vote of 24-0-1.

The Student Government also seated Sen. Zach Mass to the Civic Engagement Committee. Mass was confirmed by unanimous consent.

Nine pieces of new business were introduced at the meeting.

For more information or to contact your senator, visit iowastate.edu. The senate meetings are open to the public at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Campuzile Room of the Memorial Union.