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## Not quite a honeymoon

Newlyweds lose their home and wedding gifts to flood.



Julie Koehn/The Daily Iowan

Kalyn Johnson (right) stands in what was once her living room in Coralville with her aunt, Penny Rubel on Tuesday. Johnson and her husband were married on May 24 and moved into the apartment on June 1.

**By Alayna Wilken**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Kalyn Johnson called her apartment a war zone.

With mud coating the formerly white kitchen tile, furniture tipped over, and ruined clothes lying in piles, it certainly looked like one.

Johnson and her husband, Lucas Johnson, moved into their 407 Second Ave. Place residence in Coralville on June 1. Their landlords had recently remodeled the apartment, installing brand-new kitchen appliances.

Now, the refrigerator lies on its back, toppled by the floodwaters that rose over 6 feet in this basement apartment. Hardly anything is left untouched in the place Kalyn Johnson had hoped to make her new home.

The Johnsons married on May 24 in Sac City, Iowa.

Two weeks after they moved all of their belongings into their new home, they were suddenly evacuated, having just enough time to pack the essentials of clothes and overnight necessities.

When the pair left the apartment on the night of June 12, it was still dry.

However, when the couple checked the next morning to see if they could come back for more belongings, they were told the water was a only 2 feet from the ceiling.

Tuesday was the first day that the Johnsons were allowed back into the apartment to see what they could salvage, which turned out not to be much. The stench leftover from the floodwaters permeated the air.

"It smells like chocolate milk that sat out for a long time," said the 20-year-old Kalyn Johnson.

She, her mother, Joni Bentsen, and her aunt, Penny Rubel, wore masks as they tried to save belongings and wedding mementos.

"They didn't expect it to get this bad," Bentsen said.

Unfortunately, most of the couple's wedding valuables are gone.

Red ribbon and tea light candles littered the floor, ruined. Stacks of wedding photos lay molded together, none of which were salvageable.

But, by a stroke of luck, one investment was saved from being mangled by floodwaters.

The couple's brand-new bedroom set had not been delivered yet, saving it from being destroyed. As soon as they find

**The Johnsons' timeline**

**Newlyweds Lucas and Kalyn Johnson:**

- May 24 — Lucas and Kalyn Johnson get married.
- June 1 — The Johnsons move to Coralville apartment.
- June 12 — Couple evacuates with bare essentials.
- June 13 — More than 6 feet of water inundates their home.
- June 24 — They are allowed back into home to salvage what they can.

another apartment, they will at least have a bed to sleep in, Kalyn Johnson said.

The lost possessions included everything from towels and new appliances to the wedding cards that people sent.

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## Official looks to streamline UIHC

Deann Montchal named interim associate hospital director to aid patient care.

**By Katie Hanson**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

At UI Hospitals and Clinics, officials believe improving efficiency is everything.

"Two years ago, if you looked at the way we determine care, a patient could go through three [specific cardiology] departments," said Deann Montchal, administrative director of the UI's Heart and Vascular Center and new interim associate hospital director. "Then on the hospital side, there are outpatient programs, cardiovascular operating rooms, and inpatient units."

While such complicated transfers are natural, all of those areas were governed by different groups.

To remedy this, the UIHC recently tapped Montchal to

oversee several departmental service lines in hopes of creating better hospital efficiency.

Service lines would move patients to several departments working in tandem, instead of from department to department. When patients do go from one department to another, the two departments would be in better communication with each other.

"What a service line allows us to do is break through the walls of communication and bring all those groups together," Montchal said.

Mark Anderson, director of cardiology, said a service line builds a broader coalition of expertise by improving patient care, medical research, and staff training.

As a result, a patient could potentially schedule all of their



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Deann Montchal stands by some colorful artwork outside the UI Heart and Vascular Center Clinic on Tuesday.

appointments on the same day, which would decrease the number of visits they would have to make and also streamline their surgeries.

Montchal, 41, has administered a service line in the Heart and Vascular Center for more than a year. Service lines also exist in the UI Children's

Hospital, the Holden Comprehensive Care Center, and Neurosciences, but only the Heart and Vascular line has seen significant growth.

In addition to expanding these service lines, Montchal would bring all of them under

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**ORIENTATION**

## Back to basics

Admissions Office cuts remaining Orientation times in half.

**By Erika Vijn**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Incoming UI freshmen will get half the introduction to campus they anticipated.

Because of flooding, first-year Orientations between June 16 and June 25 were canceled. Now, according to an e-mail sent by Andy Cinoman, the director of Orientation Services, the remaining Orientation itineraries will be changed from two days to one day.

Out-of-state incoming freshman Caitlin Vogel said shorter Orientation dates have not affected her directly, though friends with canceled overnight stays have been.

"It's put pressure on them to figure out when they'd be able to go to Orientation because some of them are out of town," said Vogel, an Illinois native.

Though Orientation dates between June 16 and today were canceled, students who would have come to campus between those dates will be contacted by the Admissions Office by Friday and asked to reschedule Orientation for later this summer.

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**Reorienting Orientation**

**Programs Canceled:**

- June 16-17
- June 19-20
- Tuesday-today

**Tentative new schedule:**

- 8 a.m.: UI Honors Program meeting
- 8:15 a.m.: Check-in begins
- 9-9:30 a.m.: Welcome announcements
- 9:30-10:45 a.m.: Pre-advising session
- 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.: Schedule Building
- 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.: Course registration

Source: UI Admissions website

## Man dies after arrest

Autopsy conducted on Monday, results still out.

**By Carla Keppler**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

A man died after being taken into Coralville police custody for shoplifting.

At approximately 8:28 p.m. Sunday, Coralville police officers responded to a call from Hy-Vee, 1914 Eighth St., Coralville, regarding a shoplifting incident.

According to a statement from the police, Todd Edwards, 37, of Orlando, Fla., ran from the store prior to officers' arrival.

SEE DEATH, 3A



# Idyllwild meeting boils over

By Adam Sullivan  
THE DAILY IOWAN

A meeting between Idyllwild homeowners erupted into heated argument several times on Tuesday night.

Homeowners from the Idyllwild housing development, located off Foster Road in Iowa City, were called to the Coralville Public Library to meet with Idyllwild Homeowners Association Board of Directors to discuss cleanup options after their homes were severely damaged by flooding.

"Reconstruction is down the road. We can't start that tomorrow," board President Sally Cline said.

Dale Helling, Iowa City's assistant city manager, spoke to the crowd about measures local government is taking to assist cleanup and reconstruction efforts in Idyllwild.

The city councilors have planned special meetings in the coming weeks to address flood-related issues presented to local homeowners, he said. Abatement of property taxes, water and sewer rate reductions, and waiver of reconstruction permit fees have all been proposed, he said.

However, Helling was met with angry comments from those in attendance on the topic of Federal Emergency Management Agency aid. Helling told the crowd that a FEMA buyout application must go through city, state, and federal offices and can take years to complete. Many Idyllwild residents at the meeting expressed frustration over the lengthy process.



The Idyllwild neighborhood near Foster Road is flooded on June 16, despite the sandbagging efforts from the community earlier in the week.

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"The city puts together an application that is based on a number of things including input from within the community. That goes to the state which prioritizes them among other applications," Helling said. "A lot of the process is going through the red tape and getting to where we can actually start to purchase properties."

Les Brumley, owner of Clean Tech — a restoration company based in Kansas — spoke to homeowners about his company's plan for mold-removal in the Idyllwild community. Brumley, too, was met with outbursts from crowd.

Many were skeptical about any cleanup efforts, contending that they don't see any possibility of their homes being inhabitable ever again. One woman even proposed that they cut their losses, pay off their mortgages, and abandon their homes.

Throughout the meeting, the topic turned to flood insurance; some residents claimed the homeowners association bylaws directly prohibit them from obtaining flood insurance. However, at least one homeowner at the meeting said he has flood insurance on his home. Cline was urged by the board's lawyers not to

## Idyllwild Inundated

The Iowa City Council will hold special meetings in the coming weeks to address the following proposals in regard to flood damage:

- Abatement of property tax to affected properties
- Water and sewer rate reductions
- Reducing or waiving permit fees for reconstruction
- FEMA buyout applications

answer any questions regarding bylaws.

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# Council mulls Olive Ct. fate

City Council discusses subdivision guidelines, Olive Court rezoning, and flood reconstruction.

By Christopher Patton  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The long-controversial Olive Court tailgating grounds may soon be home to dozens of families instead of kegs.

The Iowa City City Council heard strong arguments both for and against rezoning of nearly 9.5 acres of land located south of Olive Court. The councilors ultimately approved the measure, setting the stage for homes to be constructed in the undeveloped yet close to campus area.

"I understand the desire to want to protect the way of life that you've lived in this neighborhood, but we have to try to restrict sprawl in our community," Councilor Amy Correia said.

Arguments over proposed condominiums have been heard several times by the

council now.

The council also considered new planning and zoning requirements for subdivisions.

The city's Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the changes be adopted at its May 12 meeting, but the City Council has yet to vote on the measure.

A subdivision is defined as a parcel of land divided into three or more plots. The city's subdivision rules are designed to encourage orderly development, regulate the extension of infrastructure, and implement the city's comprehensive development plan.

Proposed changes to the subdivision requirements include encouraging interconnected streets rather than cul-de-sacs and requiring complete streets that allow safely for pedestrians, bikes, cars, and buses. The new rules would also mandate

parks and open spaces for neighborhoods as well as requiring blocks longer than 600 feet to be broken up with interconnecting sidewalks.

A specific new requirement would be that developers would have to extend utility infrastructure to the boundaries of their developments so that new developments beyond those areas would be easier to undertake.

Councilor Connie Champion expressed concern about some of the proposed changes, especially whether the city or developers would be required to pay for infrastructure extension beyond the requirements of the area immediately under development.

the council ultimately voted to delay further discussion of the issue until its July 15 meeting.

Near the end of its long

## City Council

Proposed changes to subdivision requirements:

- Encourage interconnected streets
- Discourage cul-de-sacs
- Require streets to be designed with bicyclists in mind

session, the City Council passed a resolution aimed at facilitating reconstruction of flood-damaged areas.

The resolution waives fees until July 1, 2009, for building, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, and demolition permits, inspections, and temporary certificates of occupancy for structures that have been damaged by the flood.

"This is a good initial step," Councilor Matt Hayek said.

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# Coralville discusses flood, daycare

While Coralville continues to cope with the effects of the flood, the City Council got back to regular business in its meeting Tuesday night.

By Ben Travers  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Coralville City Council heard from a number of resident comments Tuesday regarding not just flooding concerns but also a proposed daycare center on 12th Avenue and Forevergreen Road.

During a brief flood update, city engineer Dan Holderness told the council the Federal Emergency Management Agency has scheduled a meeting on July 7 to meet with private homeowners in Coralville who have been affected by the flood. No other details, including the time and location of the meeting, were available, but Holderness said the information

would be released soon.

He also responded to a person's concern regarding the city's policy on removing sandbags.

Janell Michael pressed the council on whether the city would provide free sandbag removal for businesses.

"As an independent business owner, I would like to see the city support independent businesses," she said.

Though details are still being worked out, Holderness said the city is likely to mirror Iowa City's policy by providing free refuse collection for private homeowners but not to commercial businesses.

The council also heard passionate responses from the

community during a public hearing regarding the construction of a daycare facility on 12th Avenue. The ordinance rezoning the property to allow for construction of the facility unanimously passed its first reading during the meeting.

Though Jim Kessler, a building official, said the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the rezoning, three residents in the area expressed their concerns to the council.

Deb Dooley, 3230 12th Avenue, said she and her husband did not want to live next to a daycare center.

"I am a chosen non-parent," Dooley said. "We planned on retiring here."

Dooley also said the traffic

in the area was already heavy, and an additional business would only increase the volume.

Her husband, Mike Dooley, said the area was considered rural Iowa City when the couple moved into their home in 2001. He said development increased rapidly after Coralville annexed their property in 2005.

He also questioned whether the city had accurately gauged the safety risks introduced by a new facility on 12th Avenue.

"Engineering standards don't always mesh with common-sense standards," he said.

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1. Flood damage will leave Mayflower empty until 2009
2. In 1993, floodwaters peaked in August
3. Board of Regents members tour UI, survey destruction
4. An incredible disaster is met by more incredible people
5. NASA scientist on global warming: 'This is the last chance'

## POLICE BLOTTER

**Tami Harbaugh**, 26, 700 Westside Drive, was charged April 21 with child endangerment with serious injury.  
**Tyrone Horton**, 32, 50 Amhurst St. Apt. 2, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and interference with official acts.  
**Gregory Loebe**, 29, 406 Westgate

St., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.  
**Nolan McGowan**, 21, 225 E. Washington St. Apt. 203, was charged Tuesday with public intoxication and third-degree burglary.  
**David Schreiner**, 51, 1108 10th St. Apt. B, Coralville, was charged June 21 with public intoxication.

## METRO

### 2 plead not guilty to burglary

Two Iowa City roommates accused of burglarizing a South Gilbert Street apartment pleaded not guilty on Tuesday.

Jeffrey Hasmonck, 20, and Graham O'Connor Brooks, 20, were charged with first-degree burglary in April along with their other roommate, Thomas Burke, 20, who pleaded not guilty to the same charge on Monday.

Police reported that the three,

who share an apartment also on South Gilbert Street, entered the occupied apartment and began punching and kicking numerous people. Burke allegedly yelled, "I'll kill you," as he struck one of them.

Two of the alleged victims sustained head injuries, and one needed a plastic surgeon to treat a cut on his lip, police said.

First-degree burglary is a Class B felony. If convicted, the Iowa City men face 25 years in prison each.

— by Olivia Moran

## STATE

### Police chief fired after rape charge

DES MOINES (AP) — The Creston police chief who faces charges in the rape of a woman at a county club bar has been fired, the mayor of the southwestern Iowa city announced on Tuesday.

James Christensen, 40, had been on administrative leave while officials reviewed the case. He and former assistant chief John Sickels, 38, were charged with second-degree sexual abuse. Sickels was fired last week.

Investigators allege that Sickels raped a woman behind the bar of the Crestmoor Golf Club on April 18 while Christensen "held her hand, stroked her hair, and 'shushed her.'"

The men were charged earlier

this month. If convicted, they face up to 25 years in prison.

Christensen's attorney, Paul Scott, said his client maintains his innocence and offered to be placed on unpaid administrative leave until the case was resolved.

"We believe when everything comes out that he is going to be exonerated," Scott said.

A telephone message left Tuesday for Sickel's lawyer wasn't immediately returned.

Warren Woods, mayor of the town of around 8,000 located 70 miles southwest of Des Moines, said he hopes to name an interim chief from within the department, which is now left with nine officers. He said despite losing their chief and assistant chief, all shifts are covered and morale is good among the officers.

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# Orientation slims down



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Incoming freshman and parents walk through an information fair during Orientation for first-year students in the IMU Wheel Room. UI information fairs feature booths set up by student organizations to inform students about the groups.

## ORIENTATION

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Because of damage inside the IMU, Orientation will be held in Burge Residence Hall. Students can check into their day-long Orientation starting at 8:15 a.m., with the actual Orientation lasting from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

While a normal UI undergraduate student Orientation includes group getting-to-know-you night games and an overnight stay in addition to schedule-building and registration, this summer's abridged version will include only the basics — information sessions and registration, according to an itinerary posted on the UI admissions website. Parent Orientation will also be shortened to information sessions and a campus walking tour while students meet with academic advisors and choose fall classes.

"It might be a little more rushed than having two days, but I guess we'll have to make it work," said Iowa City resident Nima Chaudhary, whose original Orientation was June 19-20.

"We're already transitioning from high school, so being rushed might be scary for some people."

The flooding had already hampered Orientation before the cancellations, complicating routes into campus and around town.

"I had my Orientation when people were sandbagging," said Laney Bremner, who drove in from Rockford, Ill. "It's a three-hour drive, but it took my brother and me 10.5 hours to get home."

Since Orientations will only last one day, the Admissions Office has said it will reimburse families for any events, such as residence hall overnights or Hawkeye dinners.

"My summer schedule was based around my Orientation date, so it's kind of inconvenient to reschedule," said James Min, whose Orientation was scheduled for June 24-25. "But it's OK with me."

Cinoman declined comment. Numerous other UI officials did not return requests for interviews.

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## FLOOD OF 2008

# Rude shock for newlyweds

## JOHNSONS

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Home decorations the pair registered for are damaged beyond repair.

Dressed in mud boots, her hair pulled up in a pony-tail, Johnson joked that the thank-yous would not be sent for a while.

The only belongings the family could find to save were the things that could be washed — kitchen dishes, glasses, and some clothes.

The single shelf high enough to thwart the waters only saved a jug of laundry detergent.

Johnson can do nothing but sort through her possessions and wait.

She is hoping to hear back from the UI Hospitals and Clinics about a certified nursing assistant position, and she is also on the waiting list for Kirkwood's nursing program.

However, she is receiving a little help.

The couple's landlord is releasing the couple from their lease and refunding them the full deposit and half of the first month's rent.



Julie Koehn/The Daily Iowan

Kalyn Johnson walks through her Coralville apartment on Tuesday. Johnson lost almost everything in the flood; she had moved into the apartment on June 1.

In addition, her hometown church in Sac City is hosting a card shower to help raise

money.

But for now, Johnson can only salvage what she can and move

on to a new place in Iowa City.

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# Official eyes efficient UIHC

## MONTCHAL

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one umbrella in order to maximize communication within the hospital.

Montchal expressed confidence in the program, considering the progress she has seen in the Heart and Vascular Center.

"One of the changes we have made is combining faculty meetings, which involve physicians, nursing staff, technical support and secretaries," she said. "Once they get together, everyone can talk about their goals and initiatives regarding the service line. People really enjoy being part of the bigger picture."

Throughout her career,

Montchal has witnessed many aspects of this picture, from the patient to administrative point of view. Her earliest experience with the hospital inspired her to enter the medical field.

"My grandmother was treated [at the UIHC] in the [surgical intensive care unit] when I was 18," Montchal said. "She was in a car accident and passed away, but I'll always remember how good the nurses were to my family."

After graduating from West Branch High School, she entered the UI College of Nursing. She received her degree in 1991 and spent a few years at the UIHC before moving to Arizona to help open a cardiac center at

the Yuma Regional Medical Center.

She didn't stay long, however, and moved back to the Iowa City area in 2001.

"It's home to me," she said. "I missed the academic environment: the teachers, students, and everything academia brings."

Upon her return, Montchal was director of ambulatory care services. Montchal's various activities in the health-care field have made her especially suited to take on her new position, Anderson said.

"She was picked because she has good business skills and strong interpersonal skills," he said. "These are aspects that will serve her well."

Montchal plans to balance both of her roles until at least Dec. 31, when the UI will assess the effect service lines have had on hospital administration and whether they require further oversight.

After her interim position is over, Montchal will likely remain as director of the Heart and Cardiovascular Center, but she is not afraid of a change.

"I love to help build things, which is what drew me to leave and go to Arizona. I might continue to move within the organization, because I tend to be drawn to projects in their infancy stages," she said. "In any case, I'll be here as long as they have use for me."

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# Fla. man dies after arrest

## DEATH

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Edwards was reportedly arrested and taken to the Coralville police station shortly following police arrival at the scene.

According to police, the Edwards became less responsive soon after taken into custody. He then reportedly requested the assistance of an ambulance as his condition worsened.

Edwards was then transported by the Johnson County Ambulance Service to the UI Hospitals and Clinics, where he was pronounced dead.

UIHC had no information on the incident.

Johnson County Medical Examiner Stephen Scheckel said an autopsy was conducted Monday but that results are unavailable because of a pending toxicology test.

"We're not sure when results will be in," he said. "But [it will be] at least a number of weeks before we get those back."

Scheckel said the examiner's office is not conducting any

tests out of the ordinary for this case.

Coralville Police Chief Barry Bedford called for the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation to look into the circumstances surrounding Edwards' death.

In the Coralville department's 2006 annual report, statistics showed theft as the second-most common crime in the city, with reports increasing more than 50 percent from a year prior.

"There's not much you can do proactively to combat theft," Coralville police Lt. Shane Kron told the *DI* in March 2007 interview. "We try to work with the retailers to tell them what to look for."

Hy-Vee declined comment on the security measures taken in its stores.

Neither the Coralville Police Department nor Hy-Vee provided further comment on the incident.

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# Flood of woes

By Katie Hanson  
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Local flood victims now have another mess to deal with — flood insurance.

Area insurance agencies have been bombarded with phone calls from customers verifying their policies. Usually, people living within flood plains are covered, said State Farm Insurance agent Boyd Murray.

"The bank will evaluate its customers' property when they're applying for loans, and if, by Federal Emergency Management Agency standards, the homes are in flood plains, they are required to have it," he said.

Area flood maps were drawn to include the flood plains at the 1993 water level.

However, the government did not count on more-extensive flooding. The National Flood Insurance Program requires homes within the 100-year, but not the 500-year, plain to get coverage.

"I have had customers look at purchasing insurance because they were in the 500-year flood plain, but when they look at the cost, they decide not to have it," Murray said.

This was the case for Bev Gartner, who was shoveling drywall Monday out of the house she rents on 713 Manor Drive, located in the 500-year plain.

"We didn't have a problem in 1993, and we didn't think we'd have a problem again," she said. "When we left the house [June 12], it was dry."

Flooding came the next day and cascaded 5½ feet of water into the home.

Gartner estimates she will spend around \$6,000 just on electrical repairs.

Flood insurance typically ranges between \$500 and \$2,000 per year, Murray said, an amount more expensive than most homeowners' policies. The high rates and convictions that their homes are safe from flooding have deterred all but 17 percent of the nation's households to spring for insurance.

Even so, this year's abnormal weather outweighed any dissuading factors for Tim Anding, the owner of 700 Eastmoor Drive.

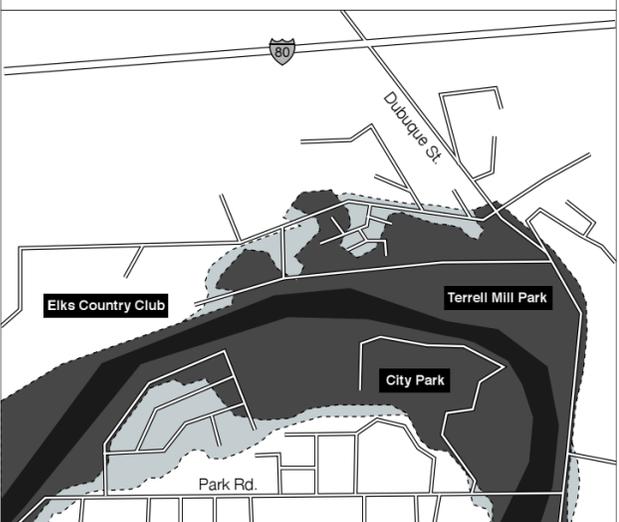
"I thought it was a no-brainer," said Anding, who purchased insurance in March for his residence in the 500-year flood plain.

## Flood-insurance requirements

The National Flood Insurance Program requires homes within the 100-year, but not the 500-year, plain to get flood coverage. Area banks also require people seeking home loans to have insurance if their homes lie in a flood plain.

### Iowa City flood plains

■ 100-year ■ 500-year



Jacqueline Cieslak and Kelly Peterson/The Daily Iowan

"Just look at the water we had from rain and heavy snowfall."

Anding's policy costs almost \$300 a month; he noted that he would pay around \$1,800 had he lived in the 100-year plain.

Insurance will cover Anding's property as well as the house's contents. All in all, he estimates that insurance will save him around \$200,000.

Bank requirements and a policy-holder's preference determine how much property is covered, should a home suffer damage. For example, Murray said, a \$150,000 mortgage would likely have \$150,000 worth of coverage. However, he said, insurance agencies can only do so much for customers without this protection.

"What most agencies are doing now is helping people who have no coverage provide documentation that insurance won't cover the loss," he said, which would allow federal agencies to step in.

People can contact FEMA after they have documented that they are not covered and request assistance. So far, the federal flood program has received claims for 1,373 Iowa residences.

Murray recommends not only

obtaining certification but taking pictures of property damage and providing receipts of lost items.

Nevertheless, this route does not ensure aid.

President Bush has approved more than \$2 billion in federal relief funds, but there is no word yet on how much FEMA will cover.

"We're not going to get any help from FEMA because this isn't considered our primary home," Gartner said. "I don't know if we'll qualify for a small-business loan, but that would be our next route."

Iowa City may offer flood victims another option. Gartner said the city is researching buying out houses around Normandy Drive and constructing a dike in the area.

In the meantime, Gartner cannot decide whether to repair while awaiting the city's decision. In any event, she is quick to put the situation in perspective.

"It's just stuff," she said about her lost items. "We'll pick up the pieces and move on. I've been through worse things, and this is just another bump in the road."

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# Abstinence doesn't make states grow fonder

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Skeptical states are shoving aside millions of federal dollars for abstinence education, walking away from the program the Bush administration touts for slowing teen sexual activity.

Barely half the states are still in, and two more say they are leaving.

Some \$50 million has been budgeted for this year, and financially strapped states might be expected to want their share. But many have doubts whether the program does much, if any good, and they're frustrated by chronic uncertainty that it will even be kept in existence. They also have to chip in state money in order to receive the federal grants.

Iowa Gov. Chet Culver, a Democrat, made his decision to leave based on the congressionally mandated curriculum, which teaches "the social, psychological, and health gains of abstaining from sexual activity." Instructors must teach that sexual activity outside of marriage is likely to have harmful psychological and physical effects.

"It was just too strict," said Emily Hajek, a policy adviser to Culver. "We believe local providers have the knowledge to teach what's going to be best in those situations, what kind of information will help those young people be safe. You cannot be that prescriptive about how it has to be taught."

A federal tally shows that participation in the program is down 40 percent over two years, with 28 states still in. Arizona and Iowa have announced their intention to forgo their share of the federal grant at the start of the federal

fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1.

The program was created by Congress in 1996 as part of the welfare reform.

Since 2002, lawmakers have approved 19 short-term extensions — usually for three or six months at a time. But on three occasions, the program was extended for just a few days.

Whatever state officials think of the program's aims, that's not the kind of bureaucratic consistency they need to budget for employees and to put contracts out to bid.

"The funding stream became inconsistent. We didn't know from one quarter to the next whether we'd be getting the rest of the money," said Elke Shaw-Tulloch of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. "We got to the point where we didn't have any infrastructure to put the money to use. At the same time, there was mounting evidence the abstinence programs weren't proving to be effective."

Throw in a rising pregnancy rate among 15-19 year-olds in Idaho — 2,543 pregnancies in 2006 compared with 2,396 in 2004 — and state officials decided last summer it was time to get out.

Stanley Koutstaal, the federal official who oversees the abstinence-only program at the Administration for Children and Family Services, notes that more than half the states still choose to participate. "Obviously, many states still find it valuable and have adopted it as their approach to addressing the sexual activity of teens," he said.

He called for long-term reauthorization of the block grants so that states and their contractors can be more certain about the future and can plan accordingly.

Some states' officials do

speak favorably of the program.

In Georgia, some 250,000 students have participated in abstinence education since 2000 through schools, church groups, and nonprofit agencies.

Teachers in Georgia go beyond the abstinence message. They stress community service and doing better in school, said Jen Bennecke, the executive director of the governor's office for children and families. Bennecke says the program has led to an almost a 50 percent drop in pregnancy rates for Georgia youth ages 15-17 since the mid-90s.

"We really see abstinence education as a clear, concise and positive message," Bennecke said. "We've presented it as a healthy lifestyle choice."

The abstinence-only grants have been controversial from the start.

Supporters say comprehensive sex education sends a mixed message and that abstinence is the only method that is 100 percent effective in preventing pregnancy and sexually transmitted disease. Critics say abstinence education simply doesn't stop teens from having sex, and those teens need more information about how to reduce pregnancy and disease.

In April 2007, a federally funded study of four abstinence-only programs by Mathematica Policy Research Inc., found that participants had just as many sexual partners as nonparticipants and had sex at the same median age as nonparticipants. The four programs had taught students about human anatomy and sexually transmitted diseases, helped them improve their communication skills, manage peer pressure, set personal goals, and build self-esteem.

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# Journalism going indie

A web-based newspaper seeks to revitalize investigative reporting in Iowa.

By Christopher Patton  
THE DAILY IOWAN

For many media consumers, news and the Internet don't just mix, they're inextricably linked.

And as traditional newspapers struggle to be competitive in today's market, the Internet provides a new opportunity for journalists.

Iowa Independent is a hybrid of a newspaper and a blog, said Chase Martyn, the outlet's managing editor. Since its founding in May 2007, the organization's goal has been to merge the passion and energy

of the traditional blogosphere with the original reporting and editorial standards expected in print journalism, he said.

"Part of what's wrong with journalism is that traditional newspapers are relying too much on Associated Press wire copy and simple stuff you can write up from a press release," he said. "We try to supplement that, filling the gap that's left when other papers stop covering a story after two days."

Arthur Sanders, a political-science professor at Drake University, said a site such as Martyn's has the potential to add to the investigative

journalism going on in the state if it is sufficiently well-funded.

"With media cutting back on that kind of reporting because it's too expensive, there's clearly room for that kind of operation and for it to have an impact," he said.

Being an exclusively web-based publication is a mixed blessing for Iowa Independent, Sanders said, noting that such a distribution model has the opportunity to widen readership because there is no need to subscribe or buy a paper. However, he said, building a threshold level of trust may be difficult because many people are rightly skeptical of things they read online.

"How they get credibility and trust is to start doing things that the mainstream media pick up," Sanders said. "If you do that, you start to

develop a cycle where people don't wait for the mainstream media to pick you up anymore."

Though some good stories get exposed and reported on Iowa's other blogs, Martyn said, they don't generally get much attention from the traditional media because such outlets tend to be wary of citing such partisan, opinionated sources. Part of Iowa Independent's mission is to provide information in a way ordinary newspapers take seriously, he said.

"Journalism is becoming a very different industry from what it used to be," Martyn said. "Ad-supported publications are working too hard to keep advertisers to do serious journalism."

Iowa Independent incurs surprisingly few overhead costs because it doesn't have to pay for printing or a brick and

mortar office, he said. Thus, the news outlet is able to survive primarily on funds from the Center for Independent Media, a nonprofit group based in Washington, D.C.

The center's mission is to help facilitate citizen-driven journalism through new media channels such as the Internet, Martyn said. Staff in Iowa have complete editorial control over what they write, he said.

Though many of Iowa Independents writers got into journalism through blogging, Jason Hancock, a recent full-time hire, started out working in the print media.

"Newspaper staffs are shrinking all over the country," he said. "The nonprofit model is something that has to be considered if you want media to have a watchdog role."

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Autopsy doesn't reveal cause of death at triathlon

DES MOINES (AP) — An autopsy has failed to reveal what killed a Des Moines businessman who died after competing in the Hy-Vee Triathlon.

Forty-six-year-old Jim Goodman was about 150 meters from the end of the triathlon's swimming leg of the amateur competition when he signaled for help. Rescuers pulled Goodman from the water and flew him to Iowa Methodist Medical Center, where he died.

Polk County Medical Examiner Gregory Schmunk says it appears Goodman's death was heart-related, but he couldn't confirm that.

Schmunk says it could take weeks or months before a cause of death is determined.

## Another levee fails in Mo.



Jeff Roberson/Associated Press

John Pharis paddles his canoe back to his flooded house after making a trip to the grocery store Tuesday in South Shore, Mo. Pharis' house is surrounded by floodwater from the Mississippi River, but he has been able to stay in the house because, like many houses in the community, it sits high up out of the water.

By Cheryl Wittenauer  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WINFIELD, Mo. — The swollen Mississippi River burst through yet another levee Tuesday, not endangering any towns but proving to anxious Midwesterners that the high water is still a threat.

Water pouring through the new break was expected to swamp only a soccer field and a sod farm on the north side of St. Charles. There had been fears that the water would threaten a nearby mobile-home park, but St. Charles Assistant Fire Chief Rich Oney said Tuesday morning that residents there would likely stay dry and did not need to leave.

Flooding from the break in the Elm Point levee will come close to only two homes, he said, and the occupants of both decided to stay put.

The break comes along the stretch of the Mississippi northwest of St. Louis where the river is forecast to start cresting today. It should remain at that high water mark for a few more days.

The constant pressure of water against overworked levees remains the primary concern in Lincoln County, just up the river from Tuesday's break. Crews used plastic sheeting and tens of thousands of sandbags to fortify the 2½-mile-long Pin Oak levee, an earthen berm so waterlogged that officials have compared walking on it to being on a waterbed.

"It is still holding at this point," said Dennis Gage, the deputy director of emergency management in Lincoln County.

Federal officials have said they couldn't be sure the Pine Oak Levee would survive through the end of the river's crest at Winfield, expected sometime late Thursday. If it were to break, the river would swamp 100 homes in east Winfield, as well as 3,000 acres of farm fields, several businesses, and a city ballpark.

"They have a serious condition on their hands," Travis Tutka, the Army Corps' chief of dam

safety, said on Monday. "This will be quite a test of that levee."

Only a handful of residents remained in east Winfield after emergency workers went door to door urging them to evacuate. Among the holdouts was Sherman Jones, 56, who was all alone in his house except for his dogs, Mugsy and Junior.

"I am not going to leave till my feet are wet," Jones said. "It's been a rough year, but we'll get through it."

In nearby Foley, Gage said on Tuesday that water had risen a foot deep on the higher, western side of town since the river topped of the Sandy Creek levee on Sunday. The east side of the town of a few hundred residents was already submerged.

Upstream, the river was continuing to slowly fall from Canton, not far from the Iowa border, through Quincy, Ill., Hannibal and Saverton, Mo.

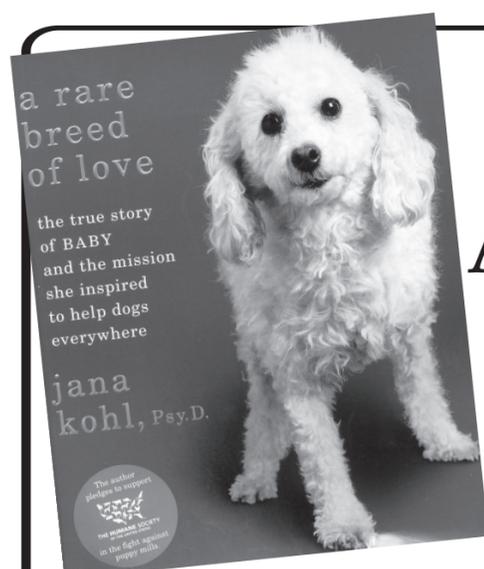
Farther south, the National Weather Service said the river wouldn't begin to recede at St. Louis until Thursday night. There is flooding in the St. Louis area but none of it is significant.

Now, the weakest spot left along the swollen Mississippi River may be the Pin Oak levee, a barrier so tenuous that soil slides down its slope.

Only National Guard soldiers and firefighters in life vests are allowed to stack sandbags, because volunteers and heavy equipment could sink. A single muskrat recently created a geyser of riverwater by digging into the berm.

But the earthen levee is all that's still protecting 100 houses, a city park, several businesses, and 3,000 acres of agricultural land in east Winfield, one of the last towns where the upper Mississippi was expected to crest.

For days, emergency management officials in Lincoln County have focused on the 2½-mile-long levee about 45 miles northwest of St. Louis. A storm with thunder and lightning Tuesday was only the latest impediment to the desperate attempts to shore up the Pin Oak.



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# Opinions

# Dem deserve wedgie

I am not a tough guy. (Shocking, I know.) I am more the receiver of swirlies and wedgies than the giver, or at least I was when that sort of thing was going on. I was in marching band, I did well on standardized tests; really, there was never a lot of hope that I would amount to much in the badass department.

But I feel like Muhammad Ali or Winston Churchill — see, I even make dorky badass references — compared with congressional Democrats sometimes. What a bunch of wimps.

Most recently evinced by the Democratic majority's shameful — and inexplicable — caving in on the issue of retroactive immunity for telecom companies. Perhaps a little explanation is in order here.

You see, in America, any intrusive surveillance that the police or feds would like to do to you — things such as searching your house or car or tapping your phone line — needs the approval of a judge before it can proceed. This is because we've got the Fourth Amendment, which protects us from "unreasonable search and seizure." So our valiant G-men and G-women — all of our G-persons, in fact — are required to show a judge that they have a good reason for invading your privacy, like probable cause. Otherwise, the government could simply search your stuff whenever it liked, especially if you were a political opponent or other thorn in its side. This is *not OK*.

What some naughty G-persons did on behalf of the Bush administration violated the Fourth Amendment. They approached some of the country's largest telecommunications companies and asked them to spy on Americans without a warrant, which we just learned is against the rules. The telecoms, displaying the high ethical standards we've come to expect from large corporations, rolled over like panting little puppies.

Of course, all this was a huge scandal when it came to light, but Americans are so numb after suffering through all of this administration's countless misdeeds that it eventually became part of the generalized background noise of completely justifiable Bush hatred. That's why nobody was particularly punished: They knew they could get away with it.

There was a great guest opinion that this newspaper published in May of last year that sums this point up perfectly. The author, Mark Slayton, remarked that "our government's ability to act outside our will is exactly proportionate to our tolerance for its abuses. Every time we fail to say 'no,' it hears a 'yes.'"

Strong words; words that I would like to staple to the foreheads of craven Democratic leaders. They're in the majority. They should be leading the resistance to President Bush's assault on the Constitution, not acceding to it based on political calculus.

And it's not as if anyone's asking them to impeach or anything (anyone but Dennis Kucinich). They're not calling for criminal investigations of administration officials who signed off on the program, though it would be nice to see. They could even be bothered to hold the outré-cooperative telecommunications companies responsible for violating the law. Now, admittedly, the greater fault is with the Bush administration for asking them to do so in the first place, but these were giant corporations with oodles of high-flying lawyers. If I can figure out that warrantless wiretapping flies in the face of the Constitution, surely one of their high-priced sharpies could have said something. But I suppose it's no big surprise that most American corporations have all the moral judgment of genital lice.

The administration, against all available evidence, continues to insist that the warrantless wiretapping program was lawful and that retroactive immunity protects telecom consumers from evil, Democrat-backed trial lawyers. (I've never understood this hatred for trial lawyers, much less its use as a standard-issue GOP talking point: Are you really attacking the people that are the average American's sole legal recourse against getting screwed by giant corporations?) This is, of course, utter blythe — telecom consumers are the very people who are suing the telecoms, so this purported concern about litigation costs being passed on is a pretty thin smokescreen. The government violated the privacy of American cities with the cheerful collusion of the telecom companies, and the majority party in Congress is going to let everybody off the hook. Pathetic. ■

DI columnist **Jonathan Gold** feels like former NFL coach Dennis Green, who wiggled out at a press conference after blowing a 17-point lead to the Bears: "The Bears are who they thought they were!" E-mail him at: jon.gold01@gmail.com



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## Editorial

# Sour grapes don't reflect change America needs

Presumptive Democratic nominee Barack Obama and runner-up Hillary Rodham Clinton have plans to campaign together in Unity, N.H., on Friday. The location is no circumstance; their aim is to promote Democratic Party unity.

This is what Obama needs from his party — a public display of affection between one-time bitter rivals. After all, despite the far-reaching hopes of downtrodden Rodham backers, Obama has won. He has won the delegate count, the number of states, and the number of votes counted. Never mind that Hillary has made veiled references to holding out a sliver of hope until the Democratic National Convention is held in August; judging from her campaign-suspension speech, shouldn't it be fully expected of her to "endorse ... and throw [her] full support behind" the man who has essentially won her party's nomination?

The answer is no. Some disgruntled stragglers in the Rodham Clinton Camp continue to attack Obama for being a "talker" and not a "doer," but now it seems that they are occupying this role. By refusing to declare defeat, a small, sad gaggle of Hillary-supporters are refusing to support Obama. For fear of alienating the larger mass of impassioned Rodham Clinton supporters, Obama has avoided most all opportunities to declare the race over, instead praising the New York senator as a formidable opponent. It is hard for a party to affirm when "opponents" remain after the battle has been fought. If a party is to emerge in unified strength, there can be no internal hindrances.

The Democratic Party needs to become gathered and focused if it hopes to avoid a major collapse before the general election. According to *The Week* (Volume 8, Issue 363), in Kentucky, where Rodham Clinton enjoyed success among working-class whites, a startling number of up to 80 percent of registered Democrats told pollsters that if Obama wins the nomination, they will stay home or even vote for John McCain. Last week on "Your World with Neil Cavuto," another of Rodham Clinton's disenchanted supporters, Cynthia Lowney, displayed similar feelings, emphatically

proclaiming that she will not vote for Obama because he has misled people and isn't qualified. Lowney admittedly would cast a McCain vote in November, although she believed that Rodham Clinton could still win the nomination.

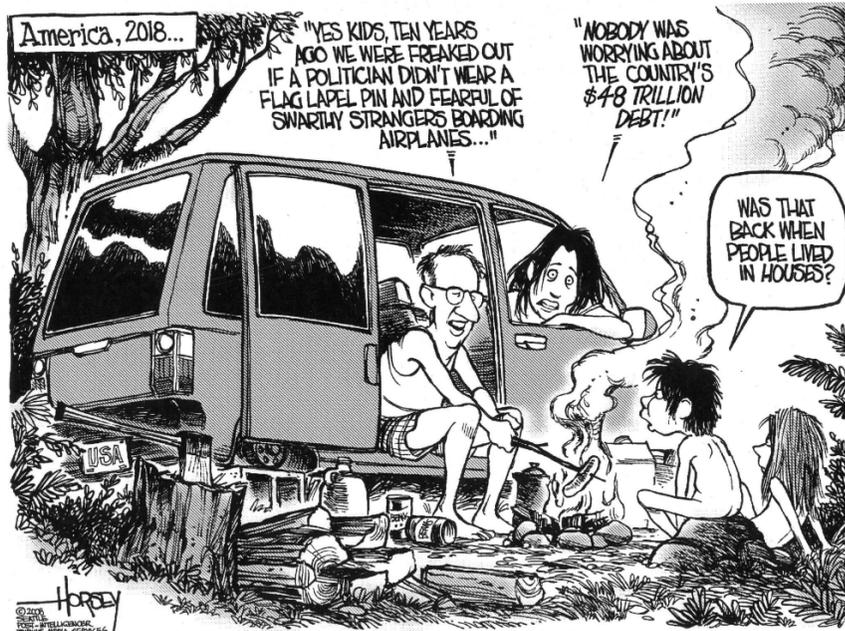
Lowney does have a somewhat valid point: The nomination is ultimately up to the superdelegates. Even though it is impossible for Rodham Clinton to overcome Obama's lead among pledged delegates, it is still possible for the superdelegates to go with Hillary if they have questions or concerns about Obama's electability. Rodham Clinton's most ardent followers feel that she should stick it out if only for this reason. However, in an April interview with George Stephanopoulos, Rodham Clinton admitted that Obama most certainly is able to beat McCain. Thus, even with Hillary foreseeing no electability issues, the question remains: Why do some of her supporters remain in position? Are these the same folks that have screamed for change these last seven years? Change, but only on their terms? On their terms, or else?

Democrats should hope that Rodham Clinton and all of her former supporters now throw their full weight behind Obama, not in August. The two politicians could be negotiating about fundraising or potential Cabinet spots, but certain Rodham Clinton supporters have distracted them from the real issues by entertaining unpopular running-mate strategies and bickering about hypothetical superdelegate scenarios. Obama needs to shift focus to his race with McCain, not on how to overcome negative publicity from intra-party squabbles among bummed-out former Rodham Clinton backers. At a time when the entire red and blue electoral map is up for grabs, a time when a conservative Republican candidate is capable of attracting moderate Democrats, a time when a history-making Democratic candidate has energized independents, minorities, and the youth — at this time it would seem Obama has bigger fish to fry. If his own party won't unite and rally around him, how can Democrats expect the country to?

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## Guest Opinion

# Big oil isn't the big problem

Here we go again. Soaring oil prices have sent Washington politicians into overdrive to come up with a variety of legislative plans that aim to lower the cost of energy by targeting oil companies. Presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama, for example, has declared: "I'll make oil companies like Exxon pay a tax on their windfall profits, and we'll use the money to help families pay for their skyrocketing energy costs and other bills." It may sound good in theory, but if history is any guide, this is a pipe dream. The real danger isn't that Congress will do too little, but too much.

The recent past suggests that, in fact, efforts to influence the supply of energy can actually boom, driving up prices and consumption. Rather than demanize Big Oil, lawmakers should focus on tamping down demand.

Washington's record when it comes to forcing oil prices down by trying to manipulate the supply of energy is dismal. In August 1971, the Nixon administration, mired in an expensive war in Vietnam, worried about the state of the dollar and fearful of rising inflation, introduced wage and price controls for a period of 90 days, which turned into several years. President Nixon scrapped most of them in 1974 (they weren't working generally), but because government needed some sort of response to increased oil prices, he kept the provisions relating to energy. Under the scheme, there were limits on the price and therefore the profits on oil produced domestically. At the same time, however, there were no such limits on imported oil. Oil companies could make more money importing oil than producing it at home.

The result was predictable: The United States became more, not less, dependent on Arab oil-producing countries. As Americans lined up at gas stations and shortages occurred, the price of fuel soared. President Ford floundered. Not until Jimmy Carter became president were price controls mostly lifted in 1980, with President Reagan finishing the job in 1981. As part of a bargain with Congress, however, Carter supported a windfall profit tax on domestically produced crude. It meant substituting one bad idea for another.

Once again, a measure intended to help low-income Americans simply meant that the country became even more reliant on imported crude. Domestic production sank in the 1980s, and the tax never brought in much revenue to federal coffers. Reagan finally killed it in 1988.

Now that the cost of gasoline has more than doubled since President Bush took office and America's dependence on foreigners is greater than ever, Democrats are essentially vowing to revive the very same failed policy. It may sound good in theory, but if history is any guide, this is a fairy tale.

"Oil barons" Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid. Reid has been lambasting "oil barons" as though we were happy in the bad old days of John D. Rockefeller and Standard Oil cornering the market. He is touting a

Consumer-First Energy Act that would, among other things, punish oil producers with a complicated 25 percent windfall profits tax and create a government program to reinvest that money in renewable energy, perhaps with some of the same companies. That's too much government, too little common sense.

A worthier bill is the proposed Renewable Energy and Job Creation Act of 2008, which would extend tax breaks for alternative energy producers. It rewards innovation without the government deciding what is and isn't innovative.

The truth is that conservation and innovation are the key responses to the high cost of gasoline. Corporations are already adapting to the end of the era of cheap oil. Thus, the modest miles-per-gallon targets that Congress imposed last year may look irrelevant. In a superbly researched article in the current *Atlantic* magazine called "Electro-Shock Therapy," Jonathan Rauch shows that General Motors is in the middle of a crash program to reinvent the automobile by relying almost exclusively on electricity.

"Automobile the Volt," he writes, "GM — battered, beleaguered, struggling for profitability — hopes to re-engineer not just the car but the way the public thinks about cars, the way the public thinks about GM, and the way GM thinks about itself."

More prosaically, the U.S. Department of Transportation recently announced that for six-straight months, Americans have driven fewer miles compared with last year. And Americans aren't the only ones cutting back. China has stated that it will increase the cost of its subsidized fuel, which should slow the growth in energy use.

But more can be done. The approach of the United States and other oil-importing countries shouldn't be to create apprehensions among the Saudis and other exporters about the lessening demand for gas, it should be to scare them silly. Such fears prompted Saudi Arabia to declare on Sunday that it will increase production by 200,000 barrels a day to try to keep prices from going even higher.

After confronting the energy challenge in the 1970s, America now has a second chance to liberate itself. It should embark on a program of conserving energy, encouraging new technologies, and developing alternative fuels, from solar to nuclear power, that will help wean it from its dependence on foreign oil.

Until then, the Middle East will continue to have Washington where it wants — over a barrel.

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Did you know that the Chris Brown song "Lottery," which is all about guessing a girl's phone number, uses a 319 area code? We recommend dialing Mr. Brown's guess — "319-143-1437" — just to see if it works. It'll be the next "867-5309 (Jenny)", mark the D/s words.

# Arts & Culture

## Poetry as a function of a circle

If you thought math and English were two areas never to meet on a Venn diagram, introduce yourself to Victor Camillo, a professor specializing in circles part of the time and poetry tonight at Prairie Lights.

By Tara Atkinson Gunyon  
THE DAILY IOWAN

"Do you want to hear the story of the book?" he asks after a night of no sleep.

Professor Victor Camillo arrives at the downtown Java House and orders a cappuccino after waiting overnight in an Ohio airport for the flight that brought him back to Iowa City from a mathematics conference. He drinks the espresso beverage with sugar.

"You can't apply, you can't ask, just someday, it may happen," he says, referring to the well-call-you policy that has led him here.

Here is the story, according to Camillo, of the book that just happened into his life, which the mathematics professor and poet will read from tonight: Marvin Bell, a former Writers' Workshop faculty member, revived a tradition from some years ago of publishing mostly unknown poets, three to a book. The series of collections is titled *New Poets I Short Books*; Camillo's short book, *Death Song for Africa*, appears third in Volume II of the series.

"I've known Marvin for a very long time," Camillo says, "and I showed him some occasional stuff, and I remember standing in a parking lot on a cold day and he said to me, 'You're on a roll. You have to keep doing it, and you have to do it for yourself.' Then one day I got an e-mail saying, 'Send me poems fast. Your best. Immediately.'" Camillo mentions, as an aside, that the e-mail was actually a little less terse. "So it was an e-mail one day and the next it was a book."

Camillo will read from *Death Song for Africa* tonight at Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque St. It's his first book, though Camillo's



Phoebe Webb/The Daily Iowan

UI math Professor Victor Camillo gets his hair cut on Monday in preparation for his reading at Prairie Lights Books today. Camillo will read from his poems in *Death Song for Africa*.

poems and essays have seen publication before, in journals.

"I was thinking about it in the airport last night because I realized I was going to have to say something," he says. Camillo's career in poetry began like this: "I had a 21-year-old crisis, and like a lot of people, I tried to write my way out of it."

These days, a poem of Camillo's begins like a vacation scene.

"The process for me is a piece of paper, a pen, and a cup of coffee, preferably in London," he says. "No, actually, London is too tame. A small village in Spain where people are saying, 'Who the hell is that?'"

The poems, however, are also memories. Camillo and his wife, Barbara, to whom he dedicates his book to with the inscription, "To my best buddy and fellow

traveler," initially dates his poems to a title.

"I have one poem which was 'November 11, 1994' and I would have forgotten everything," he says. "I was in Barcelona at a coffee shop on Armistice Day, but I picked up that poem and remembered."

What is poetry to a math professor?

"I can't distinguish between

the beauty of math and the beauty of poetry. Poetry is language and rhythm. To me, it's just music with words. Tough music, I hope," he says, pointing to the speakers mounted to the coffee shop ceiling. "Like the blues we're listening to now. I'd be happy if my poems sounded like this."

And that thing about the left and right sides of the brain?

### A trip to the circus

Already a poet and mathematician, Camillo has also spent some years as an intrepid traveler — including a stay with one of the most famous circuses, the Carson and Barnes.

"My wife Barbara is a painter. One day we were sitting in bed and she said, 'My work would be improved if we went to a circus.' And I didn't even look up. I said, 'I'm OK with that.'"

So, the couple loaded up their 30-year-old trailer with their son, Seth, and visited the Circus World Museum in Baraboo, Wis., where they met ringmaster Phil Chandler, who, after a time, grew to trust the Camillos and offered them the chance to travel with the circus the next year.

During some of their stay with the circus, while his wife spent the days drawing, Camillo helped out as a ticket-taker.

"They took a picture and told me to show it to my students and tell them that that's what will happen if they don't study," he said.

The Camillos, who frequently write essays together, are writing a book about their stay in the circus.

### VIC CAMILLO

When: 7 p.m. today  
Where: Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque  
Admission: Free

"I've thought about it a lot, and I have it all figured out," he states. "The right side of my brain speaks English."

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## Methodology of mixology

Girl Talk's latest release *Feed the Animals* delivers a solid glance into the ridiculously popular remix methodology, but can we really give the mastermind full credit?



ANN COLWELL

THE DAILY IOWAN

If you have yet to hop on the Girl Talk madness bandwagon, it's time to check your pulse.

Girl Talk, a one-man mash-up mania hailing from Pittsburgh, puts together a mean sampling album — the most recent, *Feed the Animals*, was released over the weekend on his website. It was a pay-if-you-please type of deal, allowing the listener to download the entire album for the price of her or his choosing (à la Radiohead's *In Rainbows* or Nine Inch Nails' *Ghosts I-IV*).

Gregg Gillis (alias Girl Talk) has built a mini-empire of (mostly) self-righteous indie hipsters totally and utterly obsessed with the dance/hip-hop scene. Upon the release of his third record, *Night Ripper* in 2006, the 27-year-old single-handedly legitimized the full-length remix album. Girl Talk 101: Gillis creates songs by mixing and mashing samples of Top 40 hits and obscure rap songs on his laptop. Just imagine Britney Spears' "Gimme More" layered over Air's "Sexy Boy." Even better yet, try to find symmetry between Len's "Steal My Sunshine," Young Leek's "Jiggle It," and Cheap Trick's "I Want You to Want Me." Classy.

Welcome to *Feed the Animals* and your next obsession: 14 tracks collaged into flawless dance party hits. I'll have my Lil Mama with a side of Metallica and Karen Carpenter, please.

But before this becomes a glorified review (please try to ignore my girlish squeals of delight and shrieks of pure joy), I have a serious question to pose. There's no doubt whether his albums are well-mixed and -produced, or that Gillis has a full-fledged following in college towns across the New World. However, I have to ask myself: is this actually music?

I mean, I love it, but how much can I really credit Girl Talk with his albums? Gillis has claimed in a number of interviews (one last October with *The Daily Iowan* included) that he is not a DJ and he's not making mash-ups. But if he's not a DJ, what exactly is he?

Well, first of all, using other musicians' material doesn't make him a criminal. My favorite review of *Night Ripper* said that it was the equivalent of standing on a street corner smoking crack and wearing a signboard that says, "Hey, I'm smoking crack." However, Fair Use law — which allows the use of other people's material under certain conditions — allows Gillis to continue his art. He may not be a criminal, but is he a musician?

He sure knows his music history — the range of clips and samples expanded profoundly on his latest album, and he managed to scrounge up some more rare gems and less obvious hits (i.e. using Ini Kamoze's "Here Comes the Hotstepper"

as opposed to a greater cult classic like Rick Springfield's "Jessie's Girl").

So setting aside that I'm a total Girl Talk substance abuser (and the fact that my neighbors are ready to come up and smother me every time I blare AC/DC's "Thunderstruck" rearranged with Lil Wayne's "Lollipop" and DJ UNK's "In Yo Face" while jumping on my bed), I'm having issues coming to terms with Girl Talk getting

all the credit. Without the musical stylings of the hundreds of artists featured on the album, all Gillis' work of trial-and-error editing would be worthless. On the other hand, the sampling music world wouldn't be nearly as accessible without Gillis' extensive touring and easy-access downloading convictions. In other words, without him, I couldn't feed my own addiction. Does the answer to my questions

emerge as a simple: Who cares?

Perhaps. It's more a question of how much we're willing to compartmentalize his work. And even though I could probably do the same thing if I had a lot of spare time and the right software program, I haven't. So original or not, it's (at least) fresh and catchy, and something we haven't heard yet. He's not a DJ, he's not a mash-up artist, but I'm not going as



Publicity photo

Gregg Gillis's merch may go for the easy laugh, but ... true or not?

far as to say he's a musician. No, I'm filing Girl Talk in a category all his own: remix king.

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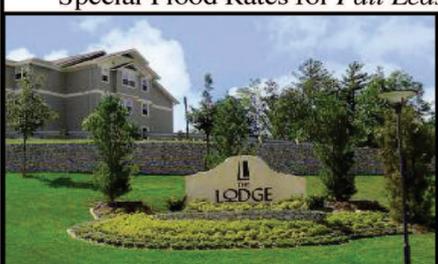
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# Wireless systems may disrupt medical devices

By Lindsey Tanner  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

'It seems that hospitals, regulators, and manufacturers certainly have some immediate work to do.'

— Dr. Donald Berwick, president of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement

wireless medical equipment were placed within about one foot of the lifesaving machines.

Nearly 20 percent of the cases involved hazardous malfunctions that would probably harm patients. These included breathing machines that switched off, mechanical syringe pumps that stopped delivering medication, and external pacemakers, which regulate the heart, that malfunctioned.

The wireless systems are used to tag and keep track of medical equipment such as heart-testing machines, joint replacements, and surgical staplers. They can help quickly locate devices that are elsewhere in the hospital and help prevent theft.

The technology also is viewed as a way to prevent drug counterfeiting by embedding microchips in drug containers and to prevent harmful medical errors by keeping tabs on devices used during surgery.

The results show that it's crucial for hospitals to test their wireless items before using them around equipment essential for keeping patients alive,

said Dr. Erik Jan van Lieshout, a study co-author and critical care specialist at the University of Amsterdam's Academic Medical Center.

His study appears in today's *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

"Attention must be paid to these disturbing findings," Dr. Donald Berwick, the president of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement, said in an editorial in the journal.

"It seems that hospitals, regulators, and manufacturers certainly have some immediate work to do," including examining whether similar problems are occurring in hospital critical care units, he said.

Peper Long, a spokeswoman for the Food and Drug Administration, said the agency is aware of the potential problem but has not received any reports of injuries directly caused by electronic interference with hospital medical devices.

She said the FDA is testing some medical devices to "determine their vulnerability and to what extent such vulnerability may be a public health concern."

# Fla. strikes deal with Big Sugar

By Brian Skoloff  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WELLINGTON, Fla. — In one of the biggest conservation deals in U.S. history, the nation's largest producer of cane sugar reached a tentative agreement Tuesday to get out of the business and sell its nearly 300 square miles in the Everglades to the state of Florida for \$1.75 billion.

The deal with U.S. Sugar Corp. results from a convergence of interests: The state is trying to restore the Everglades and clean up pollution caused by Big Sugar and other growers, while the American sugar industry is being squeezed by low-price imports.

Republican Gov. Charlie Crist declared the agreement "as monumental as the creation of our nation's first national park, Yellowstone."

Under the deal, the state would buy U.S. Sugar's holdings in the Everglades south of Lake Okeechobee, including its cane fields, mill, and railroad line. U.S. Sugar would be allowed to farm the 187,000 acres for six more years, after which it would go out of business.

The state would then protect the land from development, which has been encroaching on the Everglades for decades.

State officials would also build a network of reservoirs and marshes to filter water flowing into the Everglades and help restore the River of Grass to a cleaner, more natural state. For generations, farming and development have blocked the natural



flow of water and allowed fertilizers and other pollutants to spill into the wetlands. Negotiations are still going on, and officials hope to sign a final agreement by September. David Guest, a lawyer with the environmental group Earthjustice and a longtime foe of U.S. Sugar, gloated over the announcement. "In the old days, you didn't just beat your opponent, you also ate them," he said. "Today, we're eating U.S. Sugar." The deal would not end sugar production in the Everglades. Some 300,000 acres of land, or close to 500 square miles, used

by other companies would remain in production.

"But it makes it a lot more manageable," said Ken Ammon, a deputy executive director of the South Florida Water Management District, the state agency overseeing restoration efforts. "It totally changes the face of Everglades restoration ... No one ever thought that a whole corporation like U.S. Sugar would up and potentially leave the Everglades."

Ammon said that considering the land and the other equipment on the property, the sale price "looks like a tremendous deal" for the state.

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Kosuke Fukudome

**MLB**

**Roberts leads O's to victory**

CHICAGO (AP) — Brian Roberts had three hits against the team that was interested in acquiring him, and the Baltimore Orioles made their first visit to Wrigley Field a memorable one, beating the Cubs, 7-5, Tuesday night to end their 14-game home winning streak.

Orioles' closer George Sherrill struck out Ronny Cedeno, Kosuke Fukudome, and Henry Blanco to escape a no-out, bases-loaded jam in the bottom of the ninth to get his 26th save.

Roberts had two singles and his sixth triple of the season to reach 1,000 hits for his career. His off-season was filled with rumors of a trade to the Cubs.

"I thought I was going to be a Cub in December," Roberts said before the game. "I didn't know what was going to happen. ... Once the season started, you just kinda go out and play your spot, and the rest will take care of itself. I really haven't thought about in a long time."



Justin Gatlin  
**TRACK**

**Sprinter Gatlin to file appeal**

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Banned sprinter Justin Gatlin got support but no relief Tuesday from a federal judge who rescinded his order allowing the defending 100-meter champion to compete in this weekend's Olympic track and field trials.

Judge Lacey Collier said that while he believed Gatlin "is being wronged," he lacked jurisdiction over the U.S. Olympic Committee to determine who is eligible for the trials.

The former world 100- and 200-meter champion's next recourse will be with an appellate court in Atlanta. Gatlin's attorney, Joe Zarzaur, told the Associated Press that he will file an appeal this morning along with a motion asking the 11th Circuit court to reinstate the injunction during the appeals process, which would allow Gatlin to run in the trials.

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## Game Time on



Amy Andrews/The Daily Iowan

Wiese/Premier Investments' JoAnn Hamlin handles the ball against Coralville Hy-Vee/Pelling/Pawz. Coralville Hy-Vee won, 84-73.

### Smith's surge carries team

By Mike Brownlee  
THE DAILY IOWAN

After trailing by as many as 19 points in the first half, McCurrys/Cullen Painting/Active Endeavors used solid defense and timely shooting to come back and eventually pull away from Imprinted Sportswear/Goodfellow Printing, 87-76, in Game Time League action Tuesday in North Liberty.

McCurrys/Cullen/Active Endeavors finished the first half with an 11-6 to cut its deficit to nine, then clawed back into the game and took their first lead at the 12-minute mark, 59-57.

Back-and-forth-play ensued before Iowa guard Kristi Smith and McCurrys/Cullen/Active Endeavors pulled away.

After getting off to a horrid start shooting, Smith came on strong down the stretch. The senior-to-be scored 13 points on an array of 3-pointers, jumpers, and lay-ups in the second frame to finish with 17 and added three rebounds.

On the other end of the court, she played shutdown defense on Linn-Mar High School senior-to-be and Iowa oral commitment Jaime Printy late in the game to stop one of Imprinted/Goodfellow's key scorers.

"We couldn't find a way to stop them, and we couldn't score, either," said Imprinted/Goodfellow coach Randy Larson. "Kristi Smith did a great job on offense and defense late."

Much of Smith's early offensive troubles could be attributed to the defense of fellow Hawkeye Kachine Alexander. The defensive specialist held Smith in



SEE SMITH, 3B

### Hamlin's strong play falls short

By Krisanne Ryther  
THE DAILY IOWAN

In a first half plagued with turnovers and missed rebounds, Dan Wiese Marketing Research/Premier Investments came out a bit rusty in its 84-73 loss to Coralville Hy-Vee/L.L. Pelling/Lucky Pawz in the opening match of the Game Time League in North Liberty.

Playing against a hungry Coralville Hy-Vee/Pelling/Pawz squad, the women in black never really found a rhythm to latch onto throughout the game.

Meanwhile, coach Mike Stoermer's Hy-Vee/Pelling/Pawz lineup attacked from the get-go, compiling an 18-2 run to start out the game with execution of strong drives to the basket and short jumpers.

Though her team may have been a little flat, JoAnn Hamlin was a force down low, going 6-of-11 from the floor to rack up 14 points and nine rebounds. While she may only have one year of playing time under her belt at Iowa, the Kansas State transfer feels as if she benefited from sitting out during the 2006-07 season.

"Being able to get to know my teammates a little better on and off the court before I played with them helped me out a lot," she said.

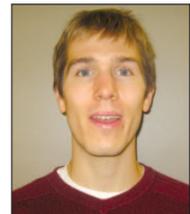
**JoAnn Hamlin**  
**Hometown:** Douglass, Kan.  
**Position:** Center  
**Class:** Junior-to-be  
**Tuesday's stat line:** 14 points, nine rebounds

SEE HAMLIN, 3B

COMMENTARY

## A word from Beijing

Check back here each Wednesday for commentary from the DI's Nick Compton, who is volunteering for Olympic News Service.



NICK COMPTON  
THE DAILY IOWAN

BEIJING — Here we are, 24 badly jet-lagged, black-and-gold bleeding Hawkeyes, stomping through the streets of Beijing.

We are here to work as volunteers for the Olympic News Service, gathering quotations from athletes, helping with crowd control, and smoothing out problems at the international press center. Iowa was among only a handful of American universities sending a group of students halfway across the world to work at the Summer Games.

Our journey began

several years ago when Judy Polumbaum, a UI journalism professor with a deep knowledge of the Chinese culture and several crucial connections with Chinese officials, was able to land two dozen volunteer spots with the Olympic News Service.

A diverse set of journalism, biomedical, and Chinese language students jumped at the opportunity. They have just settled into their rooms at Tsinghua University, in the heart of Beijing.

Tsinghua's campus is a colossal, gated sub-city very near the Olympic Village. Although the enrollment is slightly more than 30,000, the campus stretches for miles, an impossibly confusing maze of concrete dormitories, L-shaped classrooms, and brown construction sites.

All of us are staying a plain white, 12-story

SEE BEIJING, 3B

## Grannies hoop it up



League took over Minneapolis this past weekend for the national tournament.

By Amie Kiehn  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The lights were on and the shoes were tied as the basketball players took their positions on their makeshift court June 20.

The players and fans inside Minneapolis' Mall of America waited quietly for the first blow of the ref's whistle, signaling the beginning of the first National Granny Basketball Tournament.

A conglomerate of grannies formed teams to play in the opening exhibition game in America's largest shopping center. Three floors of shoppers were able to watch the senior women whisk by defenders and make toughly guarded lay-ups.

"The fans were quite impressed that women are my age and older — I'm in the 50s group — could play as we did," said Audrey Carlson, 56, of Route 65's Motorcycle Grannies in Indianola, who help referee the tournament. "Everyone just loved the uniforms."

Granny Basketball was started in 2005 by Barb McPherson, 63, of Lansing, Iowa, as a way to stay in shape. She organized a trial game to allow others the opportunity to reconnect with the sport many Iowans enjoyed growing up, basketball. Although their competitive nature has not changed, the rules have.

SEE GRANNY LEAGUE, 3B



# SPORTS 'N' STUFF

# Rowing facility on hold

The project to build a new boathouse has been delayed because of the flood.

By Nick Fetty  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The football team is the largest athletics program on campus, but what is the second largest?

The answer is, in fact, the rowing team, with slightly more than 50 members on last year's roster.

However, because of the flood, construction on the \$6.2 million new boathouse is on hold, and the facility won't be completed on time. Construction was originally scheduled to begin over the summer, with its projected completion May 2009. Neumann Monson Architects — the same company responsible for the renovation of Carver-Hawkeye Arena — will be in charge of the project.

"We've got to get the water down to a certain level before we can even start construction," said Tim Schroeder, the Neumann Monson vice president. "Before we start construction, we're going to revisit the elevation we have it set at, which was above the 100-year flood elevation by code."

The boathouse is designed to

stand about 6 feet off the ground, so that it can withstand any future flooding from the Iowa River.

The new facility will include an indoor rowing tank and an ergometer room — which contains a machine that simulates the movement that occurs while rowing — that will allow the Hawkeyes to train during the winter. The machine is being designed by the Hydrosience and Engineering Center — a division of Iowa's College of Engineering.

The team currently uses the east wing of the Iowa Advanced Technology Labs. The facility barely has enough room to store the equipment, let alone have showers or locker rooms.

Rowing is the country's oldest intercollegiate sport. The Iowa rowing squad was established in 1994, and it has been growing in popularity since.

"The new boathouse is giving us a new start for our program," Iowa junior-to-be rower Megan Erickson said. "It's kind of equaling the playing field because all of the other Big Ten schools, or a lot of them, have boathouses that

are just as nice."

When completed, the building hopes to earn Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification. The Iowa campus doesn't currently have any such certified buildings.

The boathouse will be built across the street from Mayflower Residence Hall, between Dubuque Street and the Iowa River. It will cover 22,501 square feet and will stand two stories tall.

When completed, it will be named the Beckwith Boathouse in honor of Dr. P. Sue Beckwith, a four-time letter-winner for the Iowa women's basketball team.

"The need [for a new boathouse] is well overdue," Beckwith said. "It's something that after a lot of investigating, spending time looking into what the need was, I discovered that if I didn't do something, it wasn't going to get done."

The Boone native graduated with a medical degree from Iowa in 1984, and she is now a surgeon in Des Moines. Although she said she was hesitant at first, she said she was honored when asked if the boathouse could be named after her.

## UI boathouse

**Cost:** \$6.2 million  
**Area:** 22,501 square feet  
**Architect:** Neumann Monson  
**Location:** Between Dubuque Street and Iowa River, across from Mayflower

"The reason that I said yes [to the boathouse being named after me] was simply to show people, especially young women, that they should be feeling [encouraged] and they should give back when they've been given an opportunity," Beckwith said.

Recreational Services is pitching in \$1 million to complement the \$1 million donated by Beckwith for the project. The remainder of the funding will come from the Iowa athletics department.

"I am very hopeful that people in Iowa City get back to rowing again," Beckwith said.

Iowa rowing coach Mandi Kowal did not return requests for comment.

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Tuesday's Interleague Games				
Boston 5, Arizona 4				
Pittsburgh 12, N.Y. Yankees 5				
St. Louis 9, Detroit 4				
Philadelphia 3, Cleveland 2				
Toronto 14, Cincinnati 1				
Seattle 11, N.Y. Mets 0				
Tampa Bay 6, Florida 4				
L.A. Angels 8, Washington 3				
Houston 4, Texas 3				
Baltimore 7, Chicago Cubs 5				
Kansas City 7, Colorado 3				
Oakland 5, Philadelphia 2				
Chicago White Sox 6, L.A. Dodgers 1				
Minnesota 3, San Diego 1				
Today's Interleague Games				
Arizona (Johnson 4-5) at Boston (Wakefield 4-5), 6:05 p.m.				
St. Louis (Lohse 9-2) at Detroit (Galaraga 7-2), 6:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees (Chamberlain 1-2) at Pittsburgh (Duke 4-4), 6:05 p.m.				
San Francisco (Zito 2-11) at Cleveland (Sowers 0-2), 6:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Harang 3-10) at Toronto (Halladay 8-6), 6:07 p.m.				
Seattle (Batista 3-9) at N.Y. Mets (Maine 7-5), 6:10 p.m.				
Tampa Bay (Shields 4-5) at Florida (Tucker 2-1), 6:10 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (E.Santana 9-3) at Washington (Fredding 6-3), 6:10 p.m.				
Texas (Feidman 1-3) at Houston (Oswalt 6-7), 7:05 p.m.				
Baltimore (Burrell 6-5) at Chicago Cubs (Lilly 7-5), 7:05 p.m.				
Colorado (Cook 10-4) at Kansas City (Hochevar 4-5), 7:10 p.m.				
Minnesota (Perkins 3-2) at San Diego (Banks 2-1), 9:07 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Kendrick 6-3) at Oakland (Smith 4-5), 9:05 p.m.				
Chicago White Sox (G.Floyd 8-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Stults 1-0), 9:10 p.m.				
Thursday's Interleague Games				
Tampa Bay at Florida, 11:10 a.m.				
St. Louis at Detroit, 12:05 p.m.				
Baltimore at Chicago Cubs, 1:20 p.m.				
Chicago White Sox at L.A. Dodgers, 2:10 p.m.				
Minnesota at San Diego, 2:35 p.m.				
Philadelphia at Oakland, 2:35 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees at Pittsburgh, 6:05 p.m.				
San Francisco at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati at Toronto, 6:07 p.m.				
Texas at Houston, 7:05 p.m.				

TRANSACTIONS				
BASEBALL				
<b>American League</b>				
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with INF Tony Graffanino and RHP Juan Rincon on minor league contracts. Sent C Yamid Haad outright to Buffalo (IL).				
DETROIT TIGERS—Activated OF Jeff Sheffield from the 15-day DL. Optioned 1B Jeff Larish to Toledo (IL).				
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Claimed RHP Robinson Tejeda off waivers from Texas. Transferred LHP John Bale from the 15- to the 60-day DL.				
NEW YORK YANKEES—Purchased the contract of OF Justin Christian from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Optioned LHP Billy Traber to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.				
<b>OAKLAND ATHLETICS</b> —Agreed to terms with LHP Anthony Capra, RHP Daniel Thomas and RHP Ben Horbeck.				
TAMPA BAY RAYS—Recalled INF Ben Zobrist from Durham (IL).				
<b>National League</b>				
ATLANTA BRAVES—Sent LHP Nelson Payano to Seattle to complete the May 5 trade for INF Greg Norton.				
CHICAGO CUBS—Recalled LHP Sean Marshall from Iowa (PCL). Activated INF Darlye Ward from the 15-day DL. Placed OF Reed Johnson on the 15-day DL, retroactive to June 18. Optioned INF Mitch Hoffpauir to Iowa.				
FLORIDA MARLINS—Activated OF Josh Willingham from the 15-day DL. Recalled C Paul Hoover from Albuquerque (PCL). Optioned C Mike Rabelo to Albuquerque.				
HOUSTON ASTROS—Placed INF Kazuo Matsui on the 15-day DL. Purchased the contract of INF David Newhan from Round Rock (PCL).				
NEW YORK METS—Signed 1B Ike Davis and assigned him to Brooklyn (NYP).				
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Designated RHP Vinny Chulk for assignment. Purchased the contract of RHP Sergio Romo from Connecticut (EL).				
<b>BASKETBALL</b>				
<b>National Basketball Association</b>				
ATLANTA HAWKS—Named David Pendergraff assistant general manager and director of player personnel and Steve Rosenberg director of pro personnel and college scouting.				
<b>FOOTBALL</b>				
<b>National Football League</b>				
NEW YORK GIANTS—Signed QB Andre Woodson, LB Bryan Kehl and LB Jonathan Goff.				
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Signed DE Rob Jackson. Released DT J.T. Mapu.				
<b>Arena Football League</b>				
LOS ANGELES AVENGERS—Fired Ed Hochkiss, coach, Brent Winter, assistant head coach/offensive coordinator and director of player personnel, and Michael Church, defensive coordinator.				
<b>HOCKEY</b>				
<b>National Hockey League</b>				
NHL—Suspended Henry Samueli, Anaheim Ducks owner, indefinitely from any involvement with the team and the NHL after pleading guilty to one count of making a false statement to the Securities and Exchange Commission.				
BOSTON BRUINS—Signed D Mark Stuart to a multi-year contract extension. Traded C Matt Hendricks to Colorado for D Johnny Boychuk.				
CAROLINA HURRICANES—Re-signed F Tuomo Ruutu to a one-year contract.				
CHICAGO BLACK HAWKS—Re-signed F Andrew Ladd and D Jordan Hendry to two-year contracts.				
Signed D Tim Hamby to a one-year contract.				
COLORADO AVALANCHE—Signed F Scott Parker to a one-year contract and F Marty Sertich to a multiyear contract.				
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Acquired D Janne Niskala from Nashville for F Tristan Grant and a 2009 seventh-round draft pick.				
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Named Barry Melrose coach.				
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Waived F Kyle Wellwood and G Andrew Raycroft.				
<b>COLLEGE</b>				
FRADLEY—Named Elvis Dominguez baseball coach.				
DAYTON—Named Cornell Mann men's assistant basketball coach.				
GEORGE WASHINGTON—Named Mike Bozeman women's basketball coach.				
LINCOLN, PA.—Named Dianthia Ford-Keel director of athletics.				

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Fresno State 19, Georgia 10, series tied 1-1				
<b>Today's Game</b>				
Georgia (45-24-1) vs. Fresno State (46-31), 6 p.m.				
WIMBLEDON AT A GLANCE				
WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — A look at Wimbledon on Tuesday:				
<b>Attendance:</b> 40,653. Last year: 39,282.				
<b>Weather:</b> Mostly sunny. High of 77 F.				
<b>Men's Seeded Winners:</b> No. 2 Rafael Nadal, No. 6 Andy Roddick, No. 8 Richard Gasquet, No. 9 James Blake, No. 12 Andy Murray, No. 14 Paul-Henri Mathieu, No. 16 Radek Stepanek, No. 17 Mikhail Youzhny, No. 19 Nicolas Almagro, No. 23 Tommy Robredo, No. 24 Jarkko Nieminen, No. 25 Dmitry Tursunov, No. 27 Nicolas Pietrangeli, No. 28 Gilles Simon.				
<b>Men's Seeded Losers:</b> No. 4 Nikolay Davydenko, No. 26 Ivan Ljubicic.				
<b>Women's Seeded Winners:</b> No. 2 Jelena Jankovic, No. 3 Maria Sharapova, No. 7 Venus Williams, No. 9 Dinara Safina, No. 10 Daniela Hantuchova, No. 13 Vera Zvonareva, No. 16 Victoria Azarenka, No. 20 Francesca Schiavone, No. 21 Nadia Petrova, No. 22 Flavia Pennetta, No. 24 Shahar Pe'er, No. 25 Lindsay Davenport, No. 26 Sybilie Bammer, No. 31 Caroline Wozniacki, No. 32 Sania Mirza.				
<b>Women's Seeded Losers:</b> No. 23 Katarina Srebrnik.				
<b>Top Players On Court today:</b> No. 1 Roger Federer, No. 3 Novak Djokovic, No. 10 Marcos Baghdatis, No. 1 Ana Ivanovic, No. 4 Svetlana				

# Lightning hires Barry Melrose as coach

By Fred Goodall  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TAMPA, Fla. — When the Tampa Bay Lightning called, Barry Melrose was eager to listen.

Out of coaching for 13 years, he missed the passion and competition of the NHL. Countless hours of watching games as a television analyst intensified his desire to return to the bench, and it didn't hurt that he'd be able to work with such talent as Vincent Lecavalier and Steve Stamkos.

"They approached me. I couldn't wait to say yes," Melrose said Tuesday after the Lightning's new owners made the league's worst-kept secret official: The former Los Angeles Kings coach was the choice to replace John Tortorella.

"Watching successful teams, and watching teams that work and watching teams that don't work, it just reinforced what I believe in, and how I coached, and the way we're going to play here," Melrose said. "You don't win by accident. You don't lose by accident. There are reasons certain teams win all the time, and there's a reason certain

teams lose all the time."

Melrose estimates he watched about 90 percent of Tampa Bay's games on TV last season. What he saw was a team that lost its zest under the hard-driving Tortorella, who led the club to its only Stanley Cup title four years ago.

The Lightning not only missed the playoffs for the first time since 2002, they finished last in the NHL with a league-worst 31-42-9 record.

"I think what happened here is just a group that lost their passion in the second part of the season. That's why you win," Melrose said. "You outwork other teams, you outwant other teams. When you lose that fire and lose that passion, it's very hard to compete in the NHL."

Tortorella helped transform a perennial last-place team into a champion. But his demanding, in-your-face style wore on players, especially younger ones who new owners Oren Koules and Len Barrie believe can benefit by playing for Melrose.

"When you talk to people in the league, the talent is here," Koules said, adding that he's banking on Melrose being

someone who can get everyone on the team "pulling in the same direction."

Two of Melrose's assistants will be Rick Tocchet and Wes Walz. The Lightning are pursuing a third.

A major priority next season will be improving defensively.

"I believe in effort. I believe in energy. I believe in speed. I believe in aggression. I believe in letting guys be creative, using their imagination," Melrose said.

"I give them a lot of freedom. All I ask in return is that they compete defensively. Most people love playing for me. The guys who don't love playing for me usually don't want being on your team anyway."

Melrose coached Los Angeles from 1992-95. In his first season, he helped the Wayne Gretzky-led Kings to the Stanley Cup finals, where they lost to the Montreal Canadiens. He spent the past 12 years at ESPN.

He said his time in television enabled him to get a good read on what works and doesn't work in the NHL, as well as "a handle on the players that I would love to have in our organization when deals are made."

## CORRECTIONS

In the June 24 article, "Impressive showing for Brunner at Prime Time League," former Iowa basketball player Kenyon Murray, who plays for the team Goodfellow Printing/Imprinted Sportsweat, was misidentified as current NBA player Kenyon Martin, who has no association with the men's basketball program. Also, in the brief, "Sports camps make comeback," it was inaccurately reported that all previously postponed sports camps would also resume along with those originally scheduled. All camps that were postponed because of the flood will not be rescheduled, according to Iowa Sports Camps Director Josh Berka.

The *I*/regrets the errors.

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# Jaguars raise \$90,000 for tornado relief

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The Jacksonville Jaguars raised \$90,000 to aid center Brad Meester's Iowa hometown, which was ravaged by a tornado last month.

The Jaguars received donations from players, coaches, staff members, and partners, and raised money through the sale of Aplington-Parkersburg Falcons hats.

A check for \$24,000 will be given to the Aplington-Parkersburg High School football pro-

gram and \$66,000 will go to the Parkersburg Relief Fund.

"The fundraising is huge for them," Meester said on Tuesday. "All the money that goes to the relief fund is going directly to the ones that were affected. I think it's going to be huge for them because they are obviously going through a tough time right now having to find another place to live, having to buy everything, just the little things they have lost."

"Having to wait for insurance to come through has been tough because they still have

bills to pay and everything else. I know this will definitely help them a lot."

Nearly half of Meester's hometown was flattened by a May 25 tornado. Several people died, and dozens more were injured.

Meester's parents, who live around 10 miles south of Parkersburg, avoided damage. But his wife's family wasn't so fortunate. Several of Jamie Meester's relatives, including her parents and grandmother, lost their homes.

Brad Meester traveled to

Iowa last week to survey the damage. Although he had heard stories and seen pictures, witnessing the leveled areas firsthand was overwhelming.

"The pictures don't tell the whole story," he said. "Just going in there and seeing absolutely nothing. All those things you remember growing up and seeing are completely gone. All the trees, everything, it's just flat. There is nothing there."

"It was definitely tough to see. It was tough to see the pictures, but it's really hard to see in person."

## NATION

### Woods has surgery

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Tiger Woods had reconstructive surgery on his left knee Tuesday in Utah to repair a torn ligament, and doctors said it was "highly unlikely" there would be any long-term effects.

It was the second time in 10 weeks Woods had surgery on his knee, this time on his anterior cruciate ligament.

"We were confident going into this surgery, and I am pleased with the results," Dr. Thomas Rosenberg said in a statement released by IMG, Woods' management company. "There were no surprises during

the procedure, and as we have said, with the proper rehabilitation and training, it is highly unlikely that Mr. Woods will have any long-term effects as it relates to his career."

The surgery came one week after Woods went 91 holes at Torrey Pines to win the U.S. Open in a playoff over Rocco Mediate, revealing later that he also had a double stress

fracture in his left tibia.

The surgery, performed by Rosenberg and Dr. Vernon Cooley in Park City, was the fourth time Woods has had surgery on his left knee. He had a benign tumor removed in 1994, and he had benign cysts removed in 2002, along with fluid around the ACL.

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# Making up for lost year



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Kachine Alexander fights to keep the ball during Game Time action on Tuesday.

## SMITH CONTINUED FROM 1B

check throughout the first half and much of the second half, with the majority of Smith's scoring spurt coming while Alexander rested on the bench.

"Unfortunately, I can't keep her in the game all the time," Larson said. "Kristi got away and scored points, which is what she'll often do."

It was the first competitive basketball game for Alexander since she helped the Hawkeyes to a 60-58 win over Big Ten foe Illinois on Jan. 21. The sophomore-to-be had her freshman year cut short when she was declared academically ineligible.

Alexander said she learned a lot during her time off the court and is happy to be playing again. "I missed playing a lot," she said. "Every college basketball player loves to play. Not being able to play hits you hard; it's probably the hardest thing I've been through."

"I'm really riding the incoming freshmen hard to make sure they

don't make the same mistakes I did."

As would be expected of someone who hadn't played competitively in five months, Alexander wasn't sharp on the offensive end.

"She was rusty," Larson said. "She couldn't convert her drives into points. I thought she showed rust, but that's what the summers for. She'll be a great addition to the Hawks."

Getting used to new teammates didn't make the transition any easier for Alexander.

"It hard playing with new people, because you don't know how everybody plays," Alexander said. "Now we know how everybody plays, and we'll play better next game."

Alexander finished with 10

## Kachine Alexander

**Hometown:** Minneapolis

**Position:** Guard

**Class:** Sophomore-to-be

**Tuesday's stat line:** 10 points, four rebounds

points, four rebounds and an assist. She said her focus in the summer league will be to improve her offense.

"I need to work on my shooting," the Minneapolis native said. "I'm known for driving, so I want to be able to do things people don't expect from me."

In addition to Smith's efforts, her team got 13 points from Jessica Dirks of Mount Mercy College and 12 points from Ally Weaver of Carleton College. McCurrys/Cullen/Active Endeavors also put on the clamps defensively late in the game, holding Imprinted/Goodfellow to nine points over the last 5:25.

That team was led by incoming Hawkeye freshman Hannah Draxten, who was on fire in the first half, scoring 21 points on the way to finishing with 26. The product of Fergus Falls High School in Minnesota will play for Iowa after scoring 2,364 points in high school.

Imprinted/Goodfellow also got 19 points from Printy.

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# Happy to be a Hawk

## HAMLIN CONTINUED FROM 1B

The 6-3 junior-to-be averaged 10 points and almost five rebounds in her freshman debut at Kansas State. Some would wonder why anybody would want to leave after such success. Yet, in her drawl, Hamlin said she just didn't feel right at home there.

"I didn't get along well in the program," she said. "When I knew I was transferring, I looked at Iowa and Marquette, and I knew that Iowa was the best fit for me."

One of the crowd pleasers that involved Hamlin came at the 11:15 mark of the first half. After a turnover at the other end of floor, Andrea Downs of Upper Iowa snagged the ball up from the floor and delivered a bullet to Hamlin for a lay-in with style points.

While Hamlin's team never came closer than a 20-14 deficit, her opposition, incoming freshman Kamille Wahlin, showed a lot of promise for Hy-Vee/Pelling/Pawz. The point guard from Minnesota tallied 12 points and looked as if she could juke just about any Big Ten foe right out of her sneakers.

Looking forward to her first steps onto campus as a freshman, Wahlin is ready to play with the Hawkeyes and to have the chance to share the ball with Hamlin.

"I'm really excited," she said. "She's strong, she's an easy target, and everything you pass to her she catches."

Though Wahlin hasn't had many experiences of playing alongside Hamlin, she knows a talented center when she sees one.

"I've watched her play only a couple of times and I've only scrimmaged with her a couple of times," Wahlin said. "But just by the few times I've played with her, I can tell that I need to get



Amy Andrews/The Daily Iowan

Kachine Alexander of Imprinted/Goodfellow goes up for shot during a Game Time basketball game on Tuesday. It is not enough to win against McCurrys/Cullen/Active Endeavors, as her team fell, 87-76.

her the ball."

While Hamlin may have shown that she can battle with the best of them, her teammate and fellow Hawkeye Kelsey Cermak was a smooth operator, making frequent drives to the hoop in a 17-point performance.

With the final score panning out to be an 11-point game, the concluding numbers may be a

little deceiving. Hy-Vee/Pelling/Pawz had the game on lockdown the majority of the minutes and a lot of that had to do with the play of Hawkeye senior-to-be Wendy Ausdemore, who hit on all cylinders with 17 points, seven rebounds and five assists.

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## COMMENTARY

# Plunking down in Beijing

## BEIJING

CONTINUED FROM 1B

dormitory that is practical in every sense but as eye-pleasing as a washing machine. We're stationed two people to a room and are all rooming with fellow Hawkeyes.

The rooms themselves are furnished sparsely, with two cot-like beds, two desks, a small closet, and a TV that receives only Chinese channels, which feature a steady stream of bizarre and colorful commercials and loud propaganda boasting of the Chinese government's infallibility.

Our group members all arrived in Beijing earlier this week, some flying in from Chicago, others from Minneapolis. The first few days have been devoted to

orienting ourselves to the quirks of this strange new campus and overcoming the fierce realities of an 11-hour time difference. We've met with Olympic News Service officials, who have told us more about our duties with them and have attended several Chinese cultural classes taught by professors at Tsinghua.

The biggest adjustment of all, most of our group members would report, has been the food. Because we're responsible for our own meals, we've been frequenting cheap, local cafeterias that cater to university students and faculties. We point to what we want and food-service staff behind glass windows ladles it up. Already having traveled to China once, I've acquired a knack for avoiding the questionable dishes and sticking to the staples:

rice, braised beef, steamed vegetables, and the like.

Alternately salty, slimy, crunchy and spicy, the food is hit-or-miss, depending on the restaurant and the selection. It's either phenomenal, or insufferable.

So far, very few athletes have arrived. The air pollution is definitely noticeable. Even on sunny days, a gray layer of smog cloaks the city. A midday run in through the thick air stings your lungs and leaves you out of breath after only a few strides. But the Chinese government says it will have it cleared up by the time the games start in August.

It's late June now, and the acid rain continues to fall. We'll see.

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# Granny Ball catching on

Basketball in 1920s style of play and attire.

## GRANNY LEAGUE

CONTINUED FROM 1B

The league closely resembles the vintage 1920s style of play and attire, meaning no running and jumping are allowed and no bare arms or legs may be revealed. Many grannies have dropped their knitting needles to become players of the gentler game of basketball. This past season, the league had grown to 12 teams with the Des Moines' Hot Pink Grannies taking home the state championship.

This weekend however, every team started at square one in the pursuit of becoming national champs.

Four teams made the journey to the Nationals: the Golden Oldies and the New York Knickers from Iowa, the Wanamingo Bulldogs from Minnesota and the Abe Spades from Illinois ... well sort of.

"My team was representing Lincoln, Illinois," said McPherson, who was also the team captain of Lincoln's Abe Spades. "Because we had so many people from Iowa, and the Lincoln team couldn't come, we told them our team would represent them."

They did not disappoint their neighbors to the East, as they strutted into the championship game. The championship was hosted in the Target Center, home of both Minneapolis' professional basketball teams, the NBA's Timberwolves and the Lynx of the WNBA.

McPherson's team lost, 45-40, to Des Moines' New York Knickers on June 21. Ask Rita Leitzinger, 52, captain of the New York Knickers what her favorite part about the tournament and she'll eagerly reply, "Winning! And well, getting the trophy!"

Although her team lost, McPherson and the other grannies still found energy to get the word out about Granny Basketball. After the championship, the grannies sat in the "Party Zone" of a Minnesota Lynx game, still fully dressed in their game attire.

"We wanted everyone to know we were there," McPherson said. "We hoped they would ask about Granny Basketball to help start more teams in Minnesota."

After the Lynx game, the grannies had the opportunity to speak with players from the WNBA franchise. Seeing women be able to play professional basketball deeply moved many of the grannies.

"Well, we teased them, saying, 'We used to be tall like you,'" McPherson said.

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# Limping Davenport advances at Wimbledon

By Steven Wine  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WIMBLEDON, England — With Wimbledon devolving into a fashion contest, former champion Lindsay Davenport's retro getup may have trumped all other outfits.

Her sleeveless white top and pleated skirt were very 1980s, and the wrap on her right leg — with bandages extending from mid-thigh to mid-calf — looked like something out of the British Museum.

Playing her first match at Wimbledon since 2005, Davenport whacked enough winners to compensate for a sore knee Tuesday, and she hobbled past Renata Voracova (6-3, 5-7, 6-3).

Moving more comfortably into the second round were Maria Sharapova and her new all-white tuxedo-style outfit, which prompted 13 fashion-related questions at her post-match news conference. Other winners in straight sets included defending champion Venus Williams, Rafael Nadal, and Andy Roddick on a second successive mild, dry day at the All England Club.

While photographers focused on Sharapova's ensemble, and Roddick poked fun at Roger



Rafael Nadal hits a backhand during his first-round match against Andreas Beck on the Centre Court at Wimbledon on Tuesday. Nadal won in straight sets (6-4, 6-4, 7-6).

Anja Niedringhaus/Associated Press

Federer's opening-day sweater, Davenport resorted to tactics that had her winning ugly. Back on the women's tour after a hiatus to have her first child, the 1999 Wimbledon champion showed she still possesses the

grass-court game to beat anyone — even on one leg.

"I wouldn't come here if I didn't think I could do really well," Davenport said.

Idle for two months after sitting out the clay-court season,

Davenport feared rust would be a problem in the opening round. But she was troubled more by a sore knee that has bothered her in recent weeks.

Playing on Court 2 — the "Graveyard of Champions" —

Davenport held a match point in the 10th game of the second set but failed to convert it. Before the final set began, she required treatment from a trainer, who probed and stretched her knee, then sprayed and wrapped her right thigh. During a changeover three games later, more tape was applied to the knee.

"Some days it feels OK, and other days it is a problem," Davenport said. "In the latter stages of the second set, I definitely felt like it was getting worse. I didn't feel great in the third."

Limited mobility wasn't really a problem, however, because Davenport has compensated for that her whole career. She went for a big shot at every opportunity,

eager to end points quickly, and often did by swatting a winner.

"I actually felt like I started hitting the ball a little bit better because I felt like I needed to do more with it," Davenport said.

She had help: Voracova double-faulted to fall behind 5-3 in the final set. Davenport lost the first point of the next game, then ripped an ace, a service winner, another ace and another service winner for the victory. She looked to the court in relief and limped off the court, but an hour later she sounded optimistic about her chance of moving deep into the tournament.

Seeded only 25th, Davenport proudly noted she hasn't lost before the quarterfinals at Wimbledon since 1997.

# Paxson mum on draft pick

By Andrew Seligman  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DEERFIELD, Ill. — Derrick Rose or Michael Beasley?

Chicago Bulls general manager John Paxson wasn't about to announce a decision on Tuesday, though he might have hinted at his intentions for the No. 1 pick despite his best effort to hide them.

Surveying the microphones and notepads, he grinned and said, "If anybody thinks I'm going to give something away today, I'm not."

The Bulls have the top pick in the NBA draft on Thursday and a big decision to make, and Paxson said he's thinking about the long term.

Considering he believes Beasley will have a more immediate impact, that could be an indication he's leaning toward Rose.

"I know we can't go wrong either way," he said. "Every team would like to think when they have a bad year, they can turn it around overnight. But

we sit here and we have to look a few years down the road and how we're going to be better then to establish something."

The Beasley-Rose debate began in Chicago when the Bulls defied 1.7 percent odds and won the lottery.

Do they go with Rose, who grew up on the city's South Side and played at Simeon High School before leading Memphis to a record 38 wins and the NCAA finals in his lone season? Or Beasley, who delivered one of the best seasons ever by a college freshman?

Rose averaged 14.9 points and 4.7 assists and was better in the postseason when his scoring jumped to 20.8 per game before things ended on a sour note. He missed one of two free throws with 10.8 seconds left in regulation, and Kansas' Mario Chalmers took advantage, hitting a 3-pointer to send the game into overtime and, ultimately, the Jayhawks to the championship.

Then there's Beasley. He became the third freshman

in NCAA history to lead the nation in rebounds at 12.4 per game while averaging 26.2 points. He had the second-most rebounds and third-most points by a freshman in NCAA history, helping Kansas State to its first NCAA tournament victory in 20 years.

Paxson said he will keep the pick unless "somebody calls and wants to offer the best player in the game," and there are no indications that LeBron James and Kobe Bryant are being shopped. That leaves Chicago in a situation similar to Portland's last year.

The Trail Blazers were also a long shot to get the first pick, and they had to decide between a potentially dominant big man (Greg Oden) and perimeter player (Kevin Durant). Unlike Chicago, Portland did not have the added bonus of a coaching search.

"Thank God," Blazers general manager Kevin Pritchard said.

Trying to pick the cornerstone of the franchise was

difficult enough. The Blazers ultimately opted for surgery on his right knee and missed his rookie year.

Pritchard said deciding between two players posed "a lot more challenges than you expect. But it allows you to get very deep into two players."

Pritchard told his staff last year to "keep an open mind until right before the draft." He wrote Paxson this advice a few weeks ago: "Relax; you got two good guys to look at. Have fun with it."

Paxson said, "I don't think we've had as much fun as they might have. I'm a little more uptight than that."

He has reason to be following a difficult season.

After three-straight appearances, the Bulls expected to contend in the Eastern Conference but went 33-49 instead. Coach Scott Skiles got fired in December, and interim coach Jim Boylan was let go after the season.

# Anthony pleads guilty to reduced charge

By Pat Graham  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — All-Star Carmelo Anthony may have found reassurance that the Denver Nuggets still want him around in the most unlikely of places: the courtroom where he pleaded guilty Tuesday to a reduced charge of driving while ability-impaired.

With trade rumors swirling around the beleaguered Anthony in recent weeks, coach George Karl and Mark Warkentien, the team's vice president of basketball operations, were in the courtroom to offer their support.

Anthony was sentenced to a year probation, 24 hours of community service, and more than \$1,000 in fees and court costs while prosecutors dropped a more serious DUI charge.

Anthony also pleaded guilty to failure to stay in a single lane.

The sentencing capped off a bustling two days for the 24-year-old. He was chosen for the U.S. Olympic team on Monday, only to learn he was suspended by his team for two games because of the DUI arrest.

"I'm happy that it's over so I get a chance to take care of my business," Anthony said.

Anthony, who signed a five-year, \$80 million extension in 2006, has been the topic of trade rumors, but he said Tuesday he expects to remain with the Nuggets for the foreseeable future.

"I hope so," he said with a grin. "I plan to be."

Anthony's agent, Calvin Andrews, also doesn't see his



Brian Brainerd, Denver Post/Associated Press  
Surrounded by reporters and photographers, Denver Nugget forward Carmelo Anthony emerges from the Denver City County Building on Tuesday after he pleaded guilty to driving while impaired and failure to stay in one lane. Anthony was arrested on April 14 while driving down Interstate 25 just outside downtown Denver.

client going anywhere.

"I've been saying that until I'm blue in the face — there are no plans to trade Carmelo Anthony," Andrews said Tuesday.

"It's a good relief. No one wants to hear about being traded, unless he's totally unhappy, and he's not," Andrews said. "He likes the fans, he likes the city, he likes his teammates. It's a good environment for him to play basketball."

In court Tuesday, Anthony wore a dark-gray pinstripe suit, white shirt and silver-blue tie.

He arrived with his fiancée,

LaLa Vazquez, hanging onto his arm. When he spied Karl and Warkentien sitting in the back of the room, he went over and shook hands before Anthony was called before the judge.

"We all got together last night and said we want to come out and support him," Karl said. "It's a tough time. It's time to learn from the past and move on to the future."

If that wasn't reassurance enough, Anthony also had a recent conversation with Rex Chapman, Denver's vice president of player personnel.

"I'm happy with that. It shows

some loyalty to me," Anthony said. "I can't complain when I have somebody like that being loyal to me."

"It's unfortunate that this day had to come right now. It happened, and I've been putting it behind me."

Defense attorney Dan Recht was happy with the deal but said Anthony would have gotten a better offer if he weren't a professional basketball player.

"If anything, he was punished more than the average Joe would be punished," Recht said. "The system is always worried about treating celebrities too nicely."

Anthony was pulled over on Interstate 25 on April 14. Denver police said he was weaving and failed to dim his lights, and then failed a series of sobriety tests.

The State Patrol said Tuesday that Anthony will participate in its "Alive at 25" program, aimed at encouraging good driving habits among 15- to 25-year-olds, as part of his community service.

"It's a great organization," Recht said. "I think his very involvement will save lives."

Anthony has had numerous missteps since he was drafted by the Nuggets third overall in 2003. He was caught with marijuana in his backpack during the preseason in 2004, but the charge was dropped after a friend said the pot was his. He appeared — but did not speak — in a street video called "Stop Snitching" that warned people to not go to police with information about crimes.

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