

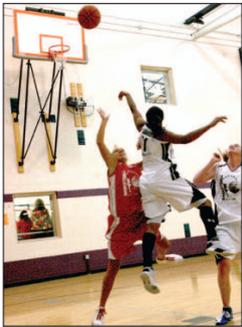
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Partly sunny, turning cloudy, quite windy.

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Iowa City resident Josh Grinolds pets his pooch Fern and other dogs at the Thornberry Off-Leash Dog Park on Monday. Fern is a 2-year-old rat terrier mix.

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# Area to get 2nd dog park

Pups get another place to mark as their own.

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Eight dogs romped at Thornberry Off-Leash Dog Park, on Canton Street near Foster Road, on a cloudy Tuesday afternoon. But on any given Sunday, as many as 50 dogs crowd the area, said Iowa City dog owner Andy Marks while watching his Australian shepherd, Dewey, play.

That's why the four-legged buddies will soon have another place to scratch and sniff.

On July 25, Rita's Ranch — bordered by Scott Boulevard, Court Street, and Muscatine Avenue — will become Iowa City's second

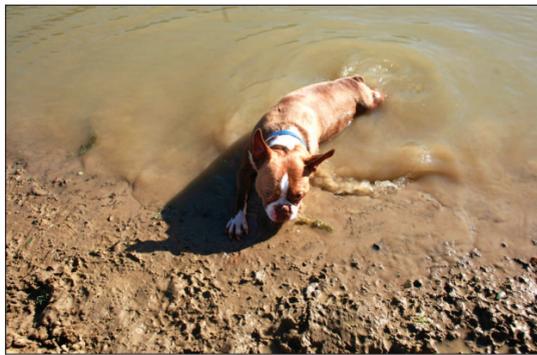
pooch playground.

A group of dog owners and friends formed the Johnson County Dog Park Action Committee in November 2002 to promote areas in which dogs can play without disturbing the community.

And in 2006, they succeeded when the 11-acre Thornberry park opened — a "real draw for the city," said Diana Harris, the president of the Johnson County Dog Park Action Committee.

Thornberry attracts mostly Iowa City, Coralville, and North Liberty residents, Harris said. She estimates between 1,800 and 2,200 permit tags are sold or renewed each year.

Marks finds times to bring Dewey to the park daily, even in the snow, while UI students Emi McClafin and Andy Jorgensen bring



AMY ANDREWS/THE DAILY IOWAN

A dog takes a moment to cool off in Lily's Pond at the Thornberry Off-Leash Dog Park on Monday. The dog park is a community-based organization. It is open from dawn to dusk.

Jack and Scout to Thornberry several times a week.

"It's like a sixth sense," Jorgensen said about his 2-year-old border collie's excitement when he hears the words "dog" and "park" in the same sentence.

Rita's Ranch will be a more condensed — only three acres — but it will share the same purpose: a place for dogs and owners to exercise and socialize.

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### Rita's Ranch

A new dog park is opening at the former site of Scott Park.



MATT BORGER/THE DAILY IOWAN

### ON THE WEB

Log on to [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com) for video from the dog park, along with a multimedia slide show with more photos of man's best friends.

# Going phishing at UI

Scammers are spending their summers phishing, and some UI students are taking the bait.

By **ABE TEKIPPE**  
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Many UI students have left campus for the summer. But that hasn't stopped scammers.

While scams at the university are more common during the fall and spring semesters, they are not unheard of during the summer months, said Robert Vinson, a senior security analyst with Information Technology Services.

And though ITS employees always respond to complaints they receive, they said, there is only so much they can do to address the overall issue of scamming.

"We can't track every phishing attempt that comes through with a high degree of effectiveness," Vinson said. "It's hard to determine the point of origin."

Statistics on complaints received by ITS were not immediately available.

UI and Iowa City police agree when it comes to

### Scams targeting UI students

It can be difficult to tell the difference between legitimate and fraudulent e-mails, but there are still a few tips to easily identify phishing attempts.

#### Example scam email

**From:** Legitimate Sounding Name  
**Subject:** E-mail Account Verification Update  
**To:** Your Name <your-name@uiowa.edu>  
**Date:** Saturday, Jan. 31, 2009, 7:09 p.m.

The Helpdesk Program that periodically checks the size of your e-mail space is sending you this information. [...] To help us reset your space in our database, please enter your current username ( ) and password ( ).

You will receive a periodic alert if your in-box size is between 18 and 20 MB. If your in-box size is 20 MB, a program [...] will move your oldest e-mails to [...] to ensure you can continue receiving incoming e-mail. [...] All this is programmed to ensure your e-mail continues to function well.

Thank you for your cooperation.  
Help Desk

Source: Campus Technology Services (<http://helpdesk.its.uiowa.edu/security>)

#### Return to sender

• An easy giveaway that someone is trying to scam you is if the "From" address does not end with "uiowa.edu."

#### Login information

• Most credible organizations will never ask for this via e-mail because they have it available to them.

#### Generic signature

• Messages from the UI will never contain generic signatures such as this. They will use real names which can be found in the UI Directory.

DAN AMBRISCO/THE DAILY IOWAN

Internet crime, it can be difficult to track down scammers because they can be in another state or country.

Earlier this year, an estimated 21,000 UI students received a fraudulent e-mail claiming they

could earn \$300 to \$550 per week by filling out online surveys.

Last week, scammers once again targeted UI students.

SEE **SCAMS**, 3

# New plan aims at debt

A new federal program could lighten the load on debt from student loans.

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Some students struggling with federal loans could soon lower their monthly payments or eliminate them altogether.

Under the Income-Based Repayment plan, available starting today, college graduates can cut their monthly payments down to a rate tailored to their income and family size.

The initiative was started by the Project on Student Debt, a nonprofit organization funded by the national Institute for College Access & Success.

The biggest difference in

this new initiative is that it's available to more students than its predecessor, officials said.

"The [original program] protects less income and takes a higher percent of what's left," said Edie Irons, the communications director for the national Project on Student Debt.

The new payment plan is similar to the existing Income-Contingent Repayment program at the UI, the only plan of its kind until now. Both plans allow students to make their monthly loan payments based on their income.

"Those who participated in the indirect loans already had that option," said Mark Warner, the UI director of Student Financial Aid.

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description



# UI connecting early events, later disease

UI researchers say diet and stress may be two main factors.

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A low birth-weight baby and a 60-year-old's heart attack — UI researchers believe these could be related, and diet and stress could be the links.

On campus, researchers are working to find out how. The Program in Developmental Origins — developed four years ago by several scientists in the pediatrics department in the UI Children's Hospital — focuses on the connection between early events in life and development of diseases later on.

Numerous clinical studies conducted globally have found newborns who have low birth weights tend to suffer an earlier onset of cardiovascular disease as adults.

Professor Jeffrey Segar, one of the primary investigators involved in the UI program, said low birth weight may not be the only culprit — it's what's going on in the womb during development.

"It's the first intrauterine environment that results in low birth weight, somehow affecting the health of the offspring later in life," he said.

Scientists found dietary patterns and stress in pregnant mothers are two elements that result in low birth weight, along with health complications as the individual ages.

"You can actually change the diet in pregnant mothers and thus change the way the children were affected by the environment," said Kenneth Volk, the lab director of the program.

For example, providing a diet high in fat and carbohydrates but low in protein results in offspring with an increased risk of developing diseases such as hypertension, atherosclerosis, and diabetes, Volk said.

This is also known as fetal programming. The detrimental diet in the womb causes the offspring to expect that sort of diet into adulthood, which will cause problems down the road.



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI research scientist Kenneth Volk feeds smooth muscle cells in preparation for purifying genetic material at the Carver Biomedical Research Center on Tuesday.

Segar said low birth weight should not be confused with premature birth.

According to the March of Dimes, about one in 12 babies are low birth weight, and approximately 67 percent of those are premature.

Women with underlying health conditions during pregnancy, such as diabetes, hypertension — which can result from stress — and other conditions that prevent blood flow to the uterus, put the offspring at risk for devel-

oping complications, Segar said.

The Program in Developmental Origins has received funding from the pediatrics department and the Carver College of Medicine, as well as National Institutes of Health.

The research could help scientists develop therapies for women during their pregnancies and the interventions could help those who are likely to deliver infants with an increased risk for developing diseases.

# DiCarlo set for new job

Handling student-on-student cases of sexual misconduct, stalking, and domestic-violence cases is now a full-time job at the UI.

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College freshmen and sophomores are at the highest risk of being sexually assaulted, according to the U.S. Department of Justice. And now Monique DiCarlo, the UI sexual-misconduct response coordinator, will work full-time trying to prevent the assaults.



DiCarlo coordinator

DiCarlo stepped down as the director of the Women's Resource and Action Center on Monday to focus on the job. She formerly headed both organizations, working part-time as the interim sexual-misconduct response coordinator.

Along with Tom Rocklin, the interim vice president for Student Services, DiCarlo will now handle cases of sexual misconduct instigated

by and directed at students.

Linda Kroon will serve as interim WRAC director. "I can tell you from having watched [DiCarlo] do it on an interim basis and working at WRAC that it needed to be a full-time position," Kroon said. "There is a lot of work to be done."

The UI has faced its share of negative publicity for such issues. Notably, former Hawkeye football players Abe Satterfield and Cedric Everson have yet to stand trial on charges of sexual assault stemming from an alleged incident in Hillcrest. The university's initial response was deemed inadequate and an investigation resulted in two top administrators' firings.

As the full-time coordinator for sexual-misconduct response, DiCarlo's responsibilities include myriad aspects of reporting and responding to such issues as stalking and domestic violence involving students. She is also a contact point for victims ensuring

they receive appropriate and responsive care.

"When I learn of an allegation of sexual misconduct, I want to make sure the university has had a prompt response to that allegation," she said.

DiCarlo wants to make sure offenders are held accountable. This could include getting the offender counseling so the behavior isn't repeated or implementing consequences for the behavior.

"We want to create a campus climate that deters the use of violence and sends a message that it's not acceptable," DiCarlo said.

The UI has adopted some measures to address the issue. In order to register for spring semester courses, incoming UI freshmen are required to score at least 80 percent on a sexual-misconduct test. Resident assistants are also required to be trained in the school's sexual-misconduct policy and how to respond to incidents.

DiCarlo said she wants to give potential victims the opportunity to work with advocates and learn their options for reporting those cases.

The Rape Victim Advocacy Program in Iowa City provides confidential victim advocates that are experts at providing safety and support during the victim's reporting process.

"Monique has an advocacy background," said Karla Miller, the RVAP executive director. "Her abilities to understand the issues are superior, and she's a good resource for people to call if they have questions."

Miller said DiCarlo's new appointment is a positive step in responding to cases that happen on campus.

Kroon said WRAC is preparing to search for DiCarlo's replacement. Officials at the facility hope to have a new director in approximately a year.

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2. City Council places city manager search on hold
3. Freshman Payne hot in Prime Time loss
4. Moore keys Prime Time win
5. Tweet, Tweet, Tweet

## METRO

### Man pleads not guilty in stabbing

Adam Dinero Albert Burkart, 19, who is accused of stabbing a man earlier this month, pleaded not guilty to attempted murder Tuesday.

Burkart was charged along with Harry Rayton, 22 — who also pleaded not guilty — after an

attack left an Iowa City man with 5-inch-deep stab wounds and a broken rib, police records show.

Burkart is also charged with willful injury, a Class C felony. His arraignment is scheduled for July 9.

If convicted of both charges, Burkart could be fined to \$10,000 and spend 35 years in prison.

— by Scott Raynor

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## METRO

### Man charged with third OWI

Coralville police arrested a man for allegedly driving drunk after police reportedly observed him driving over the curb two times.

Imaadeen Hamed, 42, Coralville was charged Tuesday with third-offense OWI.

After Hamed was pulled over, he moved to the front passenger seat, reports show.

Hamed reportedly told authorities he had consumed three

shots 20 minutes earlier. Police reported he smelled strongly of alcohol, and he failed several breath tests.

Third-offense OWI is a Class D felony punishable by up to five years in prison and a maximum fine of \$9,375.

— by Abe Tekippe

### UIHC to get new helicopter hangar

The UI Hospitals and Clinic's emergency transport system, UIHC AirCare, will have a new

helicopter hangar at the Iowa City Municipal Airport, the Iowa City City Council decided Tuesday evening.

City officials agreed to sell the lot to UIHC for \$225,000 — the city's asking price — by a vote of 6-0. Councilor Amy Correia was absent.

"The circumstances are unique," Councilor Matt Hayek said at the meeting. "It provides a general benefit for the community and for the county."

Located in the North Aviation Commerce Park, the new hangar will have space for three helicopters —

one more than the current facility on the Oakdale Campus.

"We're hoping the contractor [for the project] will keep its Midwest backup helicopter there," said UI spokesman Tom Moore, and UIHC AirCare could use the backup when both of its primary helicopters need maintenance or repair.

Last year, more than 1,300 people received lifesaving care from UIHC AirCare and Mobile Critical Care Service.

Moore said officials hope the hangar will constructed by 2011.

— by Chris Clark

## POLICE BLOTTER

**Christina Armstrong**, 27, Amana, was charged Sunday with OWI.

**Patrick Bigsby**, 22, Plainfield, Ill., was charged Monday with OWI.

**Bethany Birney**, 22, Solon, was charged Monday with fifth-degree theft.

**Dennis Bull**, 27, Davenport, was charged Sunday with OWI.

**Troy Burkey**, 36, Kalona, was charged June 27 with OWI.

**Roanid Cooley**, 47, address unknown, was charged Aug. 26, 2008, with delivery of a controlled substance and driving while barred.

**Kenneth Elders**, 26, 3552

Shamrock Place, was charged Monday with obstructing emergency communication, domestic abuse, and theft.

**Allison Flaherty**, 19, 4000 Oak Valley Drive, was charged June 27 with PAULA.

**Brandy Fulton**, 25, address unknown, was charged Sunday with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

**Jeffrey Kent**, 24, Valparaiso, Ind., was charged Monday with interference with official acts and public intoxication.

**Daniel Lovetinsky**, 57, 13 Video

Court, was charged Monday with second-degree theft.

**Meghan McClary**, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged June 27 with PAULA.

**Scott Muttifainin**, 19, 221 E. Church St. Apt. 6, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

**Cameron Olson**, 19, Radcliffe, Iowa, was charged June 26 with interference with official acts and public intoxication.

**Rohan Patel**, 21, 120 N. Clinton St. Apt. 21, was charged June 27 with public intoxication and unlawful possession of a traffic device.

**Christopher Peoples**, 19, Country Club

Hills, Ill., was charged June 27 with OWI.

**Travarus Robbins**, 22, 629 S. Johnson St. Apt. 12, was charged Sunday with simple assault.

**Kari Scribner**, 48, Waterloo, was charged June 27 with violating a protective order.

**Tiffany Stevens**, 26, 427 S. First Ave., was charged April 17 with possession of a controlled substance.

**Prateek Tiwari**, 20, 650 S. Johnson St. Apt. 7, was charged June 27 with public intoxication, unlawful possession of a traffic device, and unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID.

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# Loan aid coming

**LOANS**  
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According to the new program, students pay 15 percent of the portion of their income that is above the federal poverty line, Irons said. Some don't have to pay at all. Graduates whose income is less than 150 percent of the federal poverty level are exempt.

The original initiative only applies to students who receive loans through the Federal Direct Student Loan Program, which is offered by the UI.

Irons said students who receive money through the Federal Family Education Loan Program, which provides indirect federal loans, don't qualify for the Income-Contin-

gent Repayment plan but they will qualify for the new program.

"This plan is very broad, and it does apply to a lot of people," Irons said.

This is a major change, she said, because more students take out loans indirectly from federal funds rather than directly.

But there are restrictions. While the program does help a larger portion of students, "it doesn't help every single person who might need help," Irons said.

For example, the new plan doesn't apply to those with state, private, or the Federal Direct PLUS (Parent) Loan, which are given to parents who plan to pay for their child's higher education.

Also starting today, the fixed interest rate for new

Stafford loans is down from 6 percent to 5 percent for all new loans and the maximum amount for the Pell Grant award has also increased from \$4,731 to \$5,350.

Irons said this is the result of a bill Congress passed in 2007 to progressively lower interests rates every year.

But these changes may not be perceivable to the students they are intended to help. UI senior Lindsay Whitson said she has just begun to go over her loans with her parents.

"I don't know anything about my loans," said Whitson, who plans to graduate at the end of July. She said she is "definitely interested," in the new income-based program.

# Students find phishy e-mail

**SCAMS**  
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On June 23, ITS received numerous reports of a fraudulent e-mail — seeming to come from a "uiowa.edu" account — that a scammer sent out to some UI students. The e-mails instructed them to click on a link to validate their account and increase their account quota, which had supposedly been exceeded.

Whenever ITS employees receive numerous reports of a scam, they go through a series of routine steps to address the issue, Vinson said, including posting a notice on the ITS site. If the scammer asked the victim to submit personal information — such as a Hawk ID and password — via e-mail, ITS employees set up blocks that prevent anyone in the UI community from sending e-mails to the scammer's e-

mail address.

But those can only do so much.

If the scammer asked the victim to submit personal information via a website — as with the June 23 scam — blocks are ineffective.

In the event that the scammer succeeds in obtaining personal information, ITS employees temporarily shut down the infiltrated account until the password has been reset.

But aside from taking these steps and — in the case of larger scams that target numerous universities — contacting UI police, Vinson said there isn't much more ITS can do.

Bill Searls, an associate director of the UI police, said officers will work with state and federal agencies and occasionally send out mass e-mails to the UI community if a particular scam warrants it.

Some UI students are

concerned about scams, especially those that use "uiowa.edu" accounts to obtain personal information.

"I think it's a problem. The university is so large, it's hard to determine what's what," UI graduate student Kelly Ruth Winter said, and incoming students may be more "at risk" than students who have been at the UI for a while because they aren't familiar with the environment.

But Tim Staub — a UI junior who has received questionable e-mails in the past — is relatively unfazed by it all. He said he believes taking a closer look at e-mail senders' names and links can go a long way.

"I haven't really worried about [e-mail scams]," he said. "I hope I'd be able to decipher the real from the fake."

# FREQUENT MARIJUANA USERS are invited for a research study.

Researchers are studying the effects of chronic marijuana use on brain structure, function, and mental abilities. The study involves a lengthy screening appointment, followed by two overnight hospitalizations at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Volunteers are compensated for participating (and for out-of-town travel). Brain imaging studies are done and volunteers take achievement tests and tests of various mental abilities. Volunteers must be current marijuana users, be from 18 to 35 years old, be right-handed, and be within commuting distance from Iowa City, Iowa. Information about the identity of volunteers will be treated confidentially.

For further information about the study and to see if you qualify, call Barbara at 319-384-2884, or Catherine at 319-335-6907.

# Pooch park 2 near



Stephen Lovely plays with a dog ball launcher while Miranda Meyer watches at the Thornberry Off-Leash Dog Park, spread over 11 acres of land, on Monday.

**DOG PARK**  
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"People meet each other," Harris said. "Anything that creates connections in our environment, I think, is a good thing."

Pat Wood, who recently received an M.A. from the UI, said he would definitely bring his two dogs — whose photos he posted on Facebook — to Rita's Ranch. At present, Wood takes his 6-month-old Staffordshire bull terrier, Kaya, and 1-year-old cavalier King Charles spaniel, Wrigley, to Thornberry park at least twice a week.

"It's a nice way for them to burn off energy, and the dogs really enjoy it," Wood said. "It keeps them socialized as well."

Wood began taking Kaya, the brindled black and brown terrier, to the park when she was still a puppy. He said he believes the dog

park is important during the training process, keeping the dogs socialized and less likely to attack people.

But Kathy Evans, owner of K9s with Class obedience training, has mixed feelings about the dog-park phenomenon. She said she is wary of the distinction between human and dog-designated recreational areas.

"What I'm concerned about with dog parks is labeling things, [implying] dogs can't go to regular parks," Evans said, and the trend could be indicative of pet owners losing places where dogs are permitted.

City officials also mulled issues that came with Scott Park's transformation into a dog-park. Maintenance and upkeep are shared by Iowa City and Johnson County Dog Park Action Committee. The Iowa City City Council voted Tuesday evening to keep the split in maintenance costs and revenue constant.

## U.S Pet Ownership Statistics

**The American Pet Products Manufacturers Association 2007-08 Pet Owners Survey:**

- There are approximately 74.8 million owned dogs in the U.S
  - 39 percent of U.S households own at least one dog
  - 63 percent of owners only own one dog
  - 10 percent of owned dogs were adopted from an animal shelter
  - On average, \$219 is spent annually by dog owners on veterinary visits
- Source: Humane Society of the United States website

In the end, many are just rolling over for the dog park's opening at the end of the month.

"Well-exercised dogs are happier," Harris said. "And [in turn] owners are happier."

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## Editorial

## New homeless shelter is an important step for IC

Today is a turning point in a long struggle for Shelter House. Today, the organization — which provides support to eastern Iowa's homeless population — will break ground on its new facility at 429 Southgate Ave. This new facility will be bigger and better equipped to properly care for Iowa City's homeless population. Its location will also allow people with addiction easier access to treatment. The services the new facility will provide will assist people in becoming better citizens.

Ultimately, this new facility will benefit the people of Shelter House as well the rest of Iowa City's population. The people working for the shelter should be proud of their achievement.

Construction of the new facility has not been an easy undertaking for the nonprofit. Plans to develop a larger and better-equipped facility started around seven years ago. It took Shelter House two years to find a suitable location, because of both budget constraints and the zoning regulations the facility must abide by.

Legal hurdles by various groups opposed to Shelter House's new location have acted as a barrier to the project's moving forward. Residents from a trailer park near the new site argued having a homeless shelter so close would lower their property values. The lawsuits by potential neighbors reached the Iowa Court of Appeals. Fortunately, voices of reason prevailed, and the court allowed Shelter House to go through with construction.

But as soon as the group successfully hopped over legal hurdles, we were in the midst of an historic recession, and fundraising became a much more difficult task. Shelter House Director Crissy Canganelli said donors had wished to give larger amounts but refrained from doing so because of increasing economic hardship.

It is understandable that some people might have reservations. Some homeless people have problems ranging from mental-health issues to criminal behavior, but not all homeless people are dangerous transients. Canganelli said that roughly half of Shelter House's population are women with

children, often fleeing abusive homes. Additionally, most criminal citations to the shelter's inhabitants are for alcohol-related infractions rather than violent crimes.

Alcohol and other substance abuse are problems for approximately one-third of Shelter House's residents, Canganelli said. That is one key reason the new location is a good idea. The future shelter's proximity to both MECCA — a substance-abuse treatment center — and a Head Start program will benefit two of the largest groups in the Shelter House: people with substance-abuse problems and women with small children. People with addictions may attend MECCA while staying at Shelter House, and women may leave their small children at Head Start while they are also at Shelter House.

That relationship benefits both the people needing these programs as well as the rest of the community. People receiving treatment at MECCA can better function in society, and women can find a job knowing their child is receiving a proper education and other benefits at Head Start. Both of these options could eventually make the people self-sufficient and no longer in need of Shelter House's services.

The Shelter House's new facility itself provides much more benefit to its residents and the city than the older house. Perhaps the most surprising aspect of the new location is that it will be more environmentally friendly. The new location will use geo-thermal power instead of a gas furnace for heat, reducing both power use and Iowa City's carbon footprint. The new location will also maintain separate floors for residents and people in general use of the facility.

Shelter House has had to fight an uphill battle so that it may adequately provide services to the people who need it the most. It has won that battle, and for now, a long struggle has come to an end. This ending however, also begins a new chapter for both Shelter House and Iowa City. Both should take full advantage of that.

## Distortions and contests

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I started smoking because it fit me. I was in my junior year of high school, and anyone holding a cigarette looked undeniably cool. And now I'm trying to quit. Sigh.

The thing with cigarettes that I really love is the culture grown up around them. Picture them: there's the wonderful disdain of wine-guzzling French artistes languishing on café patios; the arch dismissal of teenage greasers with a pack wound into the sleeves of their white T-shirts; the relaxed and nebulously dangerous cowboys puffing their Marlboros around the fire before turning in; the ruined old ladies propped on their front porches glaring at the neighborhood kids across the street, a scowl, perhaps a line of drool, a rumbling hack. Then the quieter, more personal rituals, the first smoke of the day with coffee that, if I hadn't smoked the day before, leaves me slightly dizzy. Or the last before sleep, reclined and tired on my roommates' living room couch and twisting the filter into the ashtray I keep hidden beneath it. Turning a lucky to save it for last, a friend of mine turns two in case he finds himself amorously indisposed. I usually give someone a cigarette if asked for one and so feel OK bumping from others: I call this Smokers' Karma. It's a little bit of community and solidarity, which crops up again when my friends and I vacate the bar en masse to stand in circles on the sidewalk. This is part of why it's so difficult to quit.

Another in our band of (failingly) reforming miscreants has this theory: Don't smoke for 24 hours, and the half-life of nicotine is spent, your body free of the active agent of addiction; don't smoke for three days, and the distress of withdrawal has passed, and your body no longer

craves whatever pleasure-center cigarettes tickled before; don't smoke for 30 days, and the lifestyle is gone, you've begun to operate your days without this harmful element pervading them. I haven't tried this method, but it worked for him when he quit years ago.

Then life got strange for my friend, in that way life can, where friendships and opportunities have fallen to distortions and contests. Remembering the refuge cigarettes provided, those short minutes of performing one whole-attention action that could tickle that pleasure-center like it once did, he slipped and bought a pack of Camel Lights while refueling his car. And not just the memory of past enjoyments indulged but the somewhat who-gives-a-shit gesture they provide. When life screws you over, and it will, reader, it will, you just want to find a way to say "fuck you" to life. Falling back on bad habits like smoking is fantastic in this capacity, and anyway, you get to look composed and kinda cocky instead of broken and alone.

Thanks to the smoking ban this loneliness is banished quite literally. Smoking holds people together, like knitting or blogging, an activity to be enjoyed with others. Like any group effort, then, quitting has to be a democratic undertaking. The group activity becomes not smoking. Community and Solidarity. So why are we diving off the bandwagon en masse? I've cut my consumption, but not ripped out the roots, you see. None of us have. Maybe we never really wanted to quit but simply gave in to our enthusiasm for the effort. It's almost become a joke, another group interaction based neither on vice nor virtue but guilt. Maybe. But I think that's just another reflection of that fundamental human drive: When life sucks in one way, enjoy it in another.

Distortions and contests everywhere, from friends to politics to religion. I haven't yet finished today's pack of Reds, but I might. ■

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## Guest opinion

## How an action-oriented attitude backfires on U.S.

GREGORY RODRIGUEZ  
Los Angeles Times

With apologies to Nike, if the United States were a for-profit venture, its slogan would be "Just do it."

Few would dispute the notion that we are an action-oriented people. From an early age, Americans are bombarded with the message that actions speak louder than words and that talk is cheap.

To the extent that we do value thinking, it's usually as a means to action. We're taught to want solutions, find answers, get to the bottom of things. We pride ourselves in our pragmatism. As Ralph Waldo Emerson once put it,

"Nothing astonishes men so much as common sense and plain dealing." That's so American.

OK, I'm not about to repeat the hackneyed liberal charge that we are a nation of unthinking dolts or H.L. Mencken's famous dictum about "the booboisie." I think our orientation toward action has a lot to do with the fact that our country was founded on and built around some rather lofty ideas: freedom, equality, liberty.

The reality is, we don't see a big dichotomy between action and knowledge. Knowledge gets us where we want to go. In fact, Americans seem to

have a grasp of this fact or the other. Having flattened the world of news and knowledge, the younger generations, in particular, have trillions of facts at their fingertips. "Search" has made us all drive-by scholars.

This, according to liberal think-tanker Andrea Batista Schlesinger, has only heightened our collective "obsession with answers." The problem, she says, is that we're less and less likely to be engaged in the questions. Quick access to facts has made us too impatient to engage in lengthy deliberation, "deep inquiry," or discernment.

In her new book, "The

Death of Why?," Batista Schlesinger — until recently, the executive director of the Drum Major Institute for Public Policy in New York — makes a passionate case for inquiry qua inquiry. She links the future of the American Experiment to the extent to which we teach our children how to ask questions.

Even as society more and more limits its definition of civic engagement to results-oriented activism, Batista Schlesinger defines it as teaching Americans to discuss problems and giving them the intellectual skills to navigate our democracy.

For example, she

acknowledges the uptick in youth political involvement in the Obama era — they voted, gave money, sent e-mails. She nonetheless questions young people's depth of engagement in the political process. She suggests that it's not enough to mobilize people to advocate for this or that position. What's more important is cultivating long-term patient "skills of inquiry, problem solving, and creative thinking." As Batista Schlesinger puts it, "We have the mistaken belief that even the most pressing challenges facing our country — climate change, globalization, health care, poverty — are problems to be 'fixed' once and for all, if

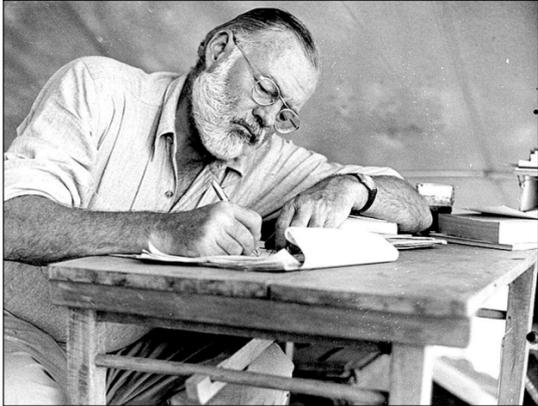
only we can find the right solution and the right person to implement."

This overwhelming preference for outcome over process is part of what has led to the ideological polarization of the country. The desire for certainty — hard facts, quick answers — in an uncertain world leads people to take refuge in political or religious ideology. Ideological solutions — whether from the left or the right — generally offer us simple answers to complex problems.

Gregory Rodriguez, a columnist for the Los Angeles Times' opinion pages, is director of the California Fellows Program at the New America Foundation. This commentary appeared in Tuesday's Times.

## Pen not mightier than the drink

Ernest Hemingway is one of many authors who fell into depression and took to drinking.



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Ernest Hemingway suffered from alcoholism and depression, which ultimately led to his death on July 2, 1961.



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Thursday marks the anniversary of acclaimed writer Ernest Hemingway's death in 1961. The author committed suicide by laying a Boss & Co. shotgun at an angle on the ground, leaning his face over the barrels, and pulling both triggers. The brutal death was a shocking way to go — permanently marking his legendary status.

It's no secret that Hemingway suffered from alcoholism and a severe case of depression. A large number of authors, including Virginia Woolf, Sylvia Plath, and Hunter S. Thompson, all committed suicide, and even more suffered from mental illness.

It may seem strange that writers get so depressed; after all, they get to sit around and do what they love for hours on end. Sometimes, though, the creative process has its downsides.

Many authors write about bleak topics. Hemingway wrote several novels that focused on war and death including the acclaimed *Farewell to Arms*, a novel that discusses the consequences of war. Frequently, writing about such topics is likely to leave an image that will haunt an author's mind long after the story is done.

Some writers frequently deal with failure throughout their entire lives. Even successful authors such as Stephen King admit it's a struggle to launch their careers.

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Pink slips, rejection letters, and monetary struggles are all part of life for creative minds. This could make even the most optimistic of writers crave a few drinks.

Both known and unknown writers have a tendency to hit the bottle hard. In addition to Hemingway, James Joyce, Edgar Allen Poe, and William Faulkner all suffered from alcoholism. Even here at the UI, there are spots known as "writer's bars" where the scholarly go to socialize with fellow authors and drink for hours on end — talking about the novels they hope to publish someday.

The writing field can also be a lonely one. People who spend lots of time dedicated to writing usually do so behind closed doors in an isolated room with only a computer or pen and paper as company. It can be easy for them to get caught up in their own world and forget that life exists beyond writing. Writing may be a depressing medium, but it is also has a lot of merit. Readers tend to use stories as a means for escaping the real world or dealing with difficult issues. It's just too bad that many writers have trouble taking on their own problems.

Hemingway is one of the most highly regarded authors of the 20th century, yet he lived a life full of torment and misery. Despite this, readers will remember the author for his great contributions to literature rather than his unfortunate life.

### FROM THE BLOG

#### GONE TOO SOON



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Let me start by acknowledging I am no more qualified to eulogize Michael Jackson than anyone else. That's exactly why he is a legend: because we all have a strand of memory tied to Michael Jackson. Whether you had a friend who could Moonwalk, or your first love wore only one glove, or the first fright of your life came courtesy of the "Thriller" video.

John Mayer once said, "I'm a big believer in a different Jimi Hendrix from most people." I think I'm a big believer of a different Michael Jackson from many people.

When I was a kid, I was obsessed, OBSESSED, with Michael Jackson. I just found my VHS of *Michael Jackson: Moonwalker* in my garage last week. I was more than a fan.

#### ON THE WEB

To read the rest of Meryn Fluker's tribute to MJ, click to [dailyiowanarts.blogspot.com](http://dailyiowanarts.blogspot.com).

True story: While all the little girls in my third-grade class were drawing pictures of fairies and princesses or whatever little 7- and 8-year-old girls draw during free time, I wrote out the entire track list on the then-new Michael Jackson *HIStory* boxed set. And I'll never forget when my "friend" (or so I thought) Allison Tisack saw what I was doing and said, "You're so weird." It only solidified my imagined bond with the King of Pop. That happened in the early to mid-90s, when Jackson's inarguable legacy had already been tainted by tabloids and tarnished by his transgressions. Yet I had no shame. All I knew was that he made the greatest music my single-digit-aged ears had ever heard. It was funky, it was infectious, but it had SOUL. And man, could he dance.

— by Meryn Fluker

# Michael, Michael, Michael

Michael Jackson's career was full of positive memories that will go down in history, but for younger generations, his successes may be overshadowed by his failures.

By DI ARTS STAFF

### Michael Jackson: The Good

Michael Jackson, a man of extremes, was never simply good. When he was low, he sunk way low, but when he was "good," he was the all-out blazing King of Pop. His achievements in the musical industry are too lengthy to list, but a quick search on YouTube reveals thousands of awe-inspiring moments in the spectacular life of Jackson — unveiling a small portion of the enormous effect he had on his business and his fans.

He was a natural-born performer. In the Jackson 5, as early as age 8, he fronted the band with his amazing vocal ability, his stupendous stage presence, and his feet that grew increasingly invulnerable to the laws of friction. He was impervious to failure, and in 1982, he cemented his spot in pop music history with the release of the record-breaking album, *Thriller*. The album contained such songs as the demandingly danceable "Billie Jean," "Beat It," and the title track, "Thriller," all of which produced a caliber of music video that had never been seen before.

Aside from releasing the world's best-selling album in history and forging the art of the music video, Jackson continued to blaze trails and blow minds in his later career. His live performances, such as 1995's MTV Video Music Awards, ensured that he would not be forgotten as the King of Pop and one of the most gifted performers to ever grace the world's stages.

— by Ryan Fosmark

### Michael Jackson: The Bad

The best financial move Michael Jackson ever made was when he paid \$47.5 million in 1985 to purchase the Beatles' catalogue.

His more private money problems weren't nearly as savvy — he spent millions of dollars on various paintings, purchased a chimp named

Bubbles, and spontaneously jet-setted around the world.

He supposedly earned \$700 million from the 1980s to the present but sank most of it in his Neverland Ranch, in court, lawyer, and settlement fees for various child-molestation cases, and in his escape from the United States to the Middle East after his 2005 acquittal.

Neverland Ranch, located in California, housed its own amusement park and zoo and required titanic amounts of money to maintain as well as to pay the nearly 150 employees. When Jackson defaulted on a \$24.5 million loan in 2008, he almost lost his precious retreat.

Soon, Jackson would have gone on tour — something sure to help revive his tanking finances. Obviously, the tour can't happen, and the concert promoter is looking at losses of almost \$100 million through pre-show investments and ticket refunds, among other expenses. Of course, that depends on what kind of insurance claim can be filed based on cause-of-death.

In death, he is estimated as being \$500 million in debt. That, folks, is definitely bad.

— by Ellen Harris

### Michael Jackson: The Ugly

Some say America is the only country where a young black boy can evolve with age into a white woman. Michael Jackson may be the only reference to that cliché.

In his later years, he was known for the frequent altering of his appearance. The two most recognized shifts in his look were, of course, his skin and nose.

The skin — spontaneously lightened during the '80s — garnered more reaction than his 1987 album *Bad*, and with it came a plethora of excuses. Most widely speculated was that Jackson had been bleaching his skin. It is, however most aptly explained by his



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Michael Jackson performs with his brothers at Dodger Stadium as part of their Victory Tour concert, on Dec. 3 1984. Jackson, the sensationally gifted child star who rose to become the "King of Pop" died June 25.

apparent vitiligo.

The nation can excuse a skin disease, but when it comes to his thinning — and ultimately disappearing — nose, there is little room left to be kind. The numerous surgeries he received on his nose became so frequent and overdone that it began to almost deteriorate — leaving behind an exposed nasal cavity that he allegedly covered up with surgical masks.

It seems as if Jackson used plastic surgery as a way to cover alleged deep-seated emotional issues — something of which he should never be judged.

While he may be idolized by earlier generations as the stud who had all of the confidence in the world, many 20-somethings will forever remember him as a celebrity who was, unfortunately, painfully ugly.

— by Kristen Peters

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# Daily Break

I had an epiphany a few years ago when I was at a celebrity party, and it suddenly dawned on me that I had yet to meet a celebrity who is as smart and interesting as any of my friends. — Moby

## the ledge

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### Midyear's resolutions

- I resolve not to fly to New Zealand for a two-month vacation unless I win a contest in which the prize is a two-month vacation to New Zealand.
- I resolve not to accept free or discounted meat from German truck drivers. Anymore.
- I resolve to stop using my considerable influence in exchange for under-the-table bribes.
- I resolve to start using my considerable influence in exchange for under-the-table brides.
- I resolve to finish what I start—
- I resolve to stop making "That's what she said" jokes. It's childish and small.
  - I resolve 2 use < txt spk.
  - I resolve to be more assertive, if that's OK with you; and if it's not, then I can be less assertive, too.
- I resolve to finish writing my first novel before Christmas.
- If I keep the previous resolution, then I also resolve to bring Satan a blanket to keep him warm.
- I resolve to Resolve® more.
  - I resolve to stop making endorsements in the Ledge without first performing a thorough background check on the company hiring me. And to perform those background checks I will use Intelius® Verification Services. Intelius: Live in the Know.TM
  - I resolve to learn a foreign language other than Klingon or Mon Calamari.
- I resolve to shave my beard more often (pending her approval, of course).

— Andrew R. Juhl resolves to keep it clean, make sure it's long enough, and get it in on time. (That's what she said.)

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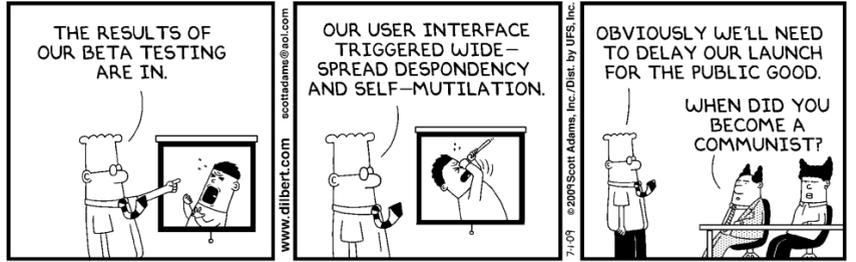
Jason Hootton shoots at the 11th hole at Turkey Creek disc-golf course on Tuesday. Hootton and friends Charlotte Uteg and Kyle McCauley played the first nine holes on Monday and returned to finish the course Tuesday. Log on to [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com) for a slide show on disc golf.

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## horoscopes Wednesday, July 1 — by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 A partnership will bring you greater incentive to follow through with your plans. You can make some noteworthy changes at home that will make it easier for you to get your chores out of the way, leaving more time for the projects and pastimes you enjoy most.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Spend more time taking care of the people and projects that mean the most to you. Otherwise, you will feel weighed down by the growing obligations that face you. A romantic gesture will help you get something you want in return.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 A change regarding your position will be beneficial, personally and financially. You can expect to get a good response from communicating what's in your heart. You can make travel plans, but remember to budget.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 You can prove a point to someone who has been questioning your motives. An interesting relationship with someone you meet at a conference, event, or while volunteering will develop quickly. Don't let anyone take advantage of your kind and generous nature.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Don't allow someone's emotional whims to cause you to miss out on something you want to attend. You must be kind but firm regarding your intentions. You shouldn't feel that you have to buy someone's adoration or approval.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Take any opportunity you get to be around others. You need to broaden your horizons and check out ways to update or revamp your look. The change will do you good and will attract some interesting attention.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 You will mesmerize everyone with your unique outlook. You should spread the word around about something you are doing and gather interest and support. This is an ideal time to promote, present, and pursue a creative venue.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Don't let your emotions get the better of you. Someone may play with your heart, but if you are prepared to walk away, you will send a message that will put you back in control and able to make a beneficial, responsible move.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 An old partnership can be re-established. There are benefits to working alongside someone who complements your style and skills. Avoid situations with bureaucrats if you are traveling or dealing with foreigners or institutions.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Do what you can to fix up your digs or update your look. Getting involved in something you enjoy will also promote a partnership that will help you out personally and professionally. A change of plans will be in your favor.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Don't be fooled by what someone tells you or by the advances being made or the signals sent. Read between the lines if you want to avoid being led astray. You should be able to catch someone in her or his own trap.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Use your experience to see your way through any doubt about your capabilities. You can show everyone your unique and effective qualities. Be ready to sign on for a proposal coming your way.

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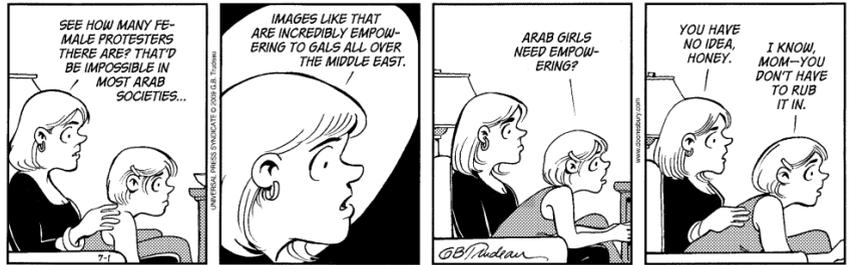
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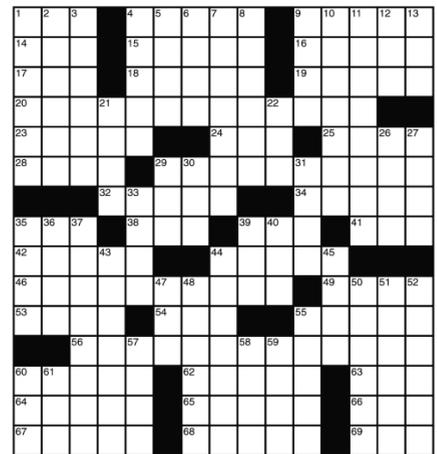
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10 a.m., North Liberty Community Library, 520 W. Cherry
- **Iowa City Public Library's Stories in the Park**, 10:30 a.m., Willow Creek Park
- **Iowa Summer Writing Festival Elevenses Literary Hour**, 11 a.m., 101 Biology Building East
  - **Teen Tech Zone**, 1 p.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
  - **Stars & Stripes Forever, celebrating the Fourth of July with story and song**, 1:30 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
  - **Transcendental Meditation for Children and Parents**, 2 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
    - **Children's Gaming Event, Wii Gaming for Grades 4-6**, 2 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
    - **Open Studio**, 4-8 p.m., Dawn's Hide & Bead Away, 220 E. Washington
    - **Farmers' Market Music**, Ron Hillis, 5-7 p.m., Chauncey Swan parking ramp
    - **Farmers' Market**, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Chauncey Swan parking ramp
    - **PJ Story Time**, 6 p.m., North Liberty Community Library
    - **Wednesday Night Bicyclists of Iowa City Ride**, 6 p.m., West Branch Park Square
- **Diet and Health Session 2: Food as Medicine**, Dr. Terry Wahls, 6:30 p.m., New Pioneer Co-op, 1101 Second St., Coralville
  - **Sita Sings the Blues**, 7 and 9 p.m., Bijou
  - **Travelogues with Patrick Nefzger**, 7 p.m., Senior Center
  - **Unknown Component**, 7 p.m., T Spoons Coffee Cafe, 301 E. Market
  - **Iowa Summer Rep, Dead Man's Cell Phone**, 8 p.m., Theatre Building Theatre B
  - **Karaoke Wednesday**, 8 p.m.-midnight, Charlie's, 450 First Ave., Coralville
  - **Riverside Theatre Shakespeare Festival, Richard III**, 8 p.m., Riverside Festival Stage, Lower City Park
    - **Comedy Night**, 9 p.m., Summit, 10 S. Clinton
    - **Prussia, Molly Ringwald, Random Candy**, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington

- **ONGOING**
  - **Life, Promise, Hope, and Joy**, Kimberlee Rocca, Chait Galleries Downtown
  - **Local Photography**, Julie Staub, Kelsey Cater, Michael Goedken, and Garth Conley, T Spoons Coffee Cafe, 301 E. Market
  - **MetalArt: Miriam Vakulskas and Inae Choi**, M.C. Ginsberg, 110 E. Washington

## The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0520

- Across**
- One-two part
  - Cattle-herding breed
  - Playground retort
  - Draft pick?
  - Keats title starter
  - Stands at wakes
  - Diam. x π
  - Get on
  - Daisy type
  - Words of encouragement to a Brit?
  - Up to
  - Abu Dhabi's fed.
  - Little jerks
  - "Hey, over here!"
  - Group of dancing Brits?
  - One way to think
  - Dark horse's win
  - Eggs Benedict need
  - With 30-Down, kind of clause
  - Aramis, to Athos
  - Causes for stadium cheers, for short
  - Extract with a solvent
  - Give off
  - British smart alecks?
  - Favor one side, perhaps
  - Dresden denial
  - Sail through
  - Wedding memento
  - Sleep like a Brit?
  - When doubled, a wolf's call
  - Turbine part
  - Sacha Baron Cohen character
  - On \_\_\_ (hot)
  - Money in la banque
  - Net judge's call
  - iPhone display unit
  - Piece in the game of go
  - Method: Abbr.



**Down**

- Hike, as a price
- Vulcans and Romulans
- Left Bank toppers
- Computer language in Y2K news
- Take too much of, briefly
- True-to-life
- Bout
- Clad like some Halloween paraders
- Bernstein/Sondheim's "\_\_\_ Like That"
- Have a tussle
- Hardest to see, perhaps
- Direct conclusion?
- Sugar suffix
- Hummus holder
- "The Crying Game" Oscar nominee
- Lambda followers
- Like some actors going on stage
- Like a solid argument
- Friday, notably
- See 38-Across
- British pound, informally
- Leopold's partner in a sensational 1924 trial
- Just manages
- Monarch crowned in 1558: Abbr.
- Geneva's \_\_\_ Léman
- Earth tones
- Worthy principles
- This-and-that concert performance
- Puts forth
- Chapter's partner
- Seven-foot, say
- Other, in Oaxaca
- Provide with a rear view?
- Chance, poetically
- Ocean State sch.

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SPORTS 'N' STUFF

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	39	35	.527	—
Florida	40	39	.506	1½
New York	37	39	.487	3
Atlanta	36	40	.474	4
Washington	22	53	.293	17½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	42	35	.545	—
St. Louis	41	38	.519	2
Cincinnati	37	38	.493	4
Chicago	36	38	.486	4½
Houston	36	39	.480	5
Pittsburgh	36	41	.468	6
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	49	29	.628	—
San Francisco	42	34	.553	6
Colorado	41	36	.532	7½
San Diego	34	42	.447	14
Arizona	31	46	.403	17½

Tuesday's Games

Pittsburgh 3, Chicago Cubs 0  
 Arizona 6, Cincinnati 2  
 Atlanta 5, Philadelphia 4, 10 innings  
 Florida 7, Washington 5, 7 innings  
 Milwaukee 6, N.Y. Mets 3  
 San Francisco 6, St. Louis 3  
 San Diego 4, Houston 3  
 Colorado 3, L.A. Dodgers 0

Today's Games

Washington (Zimmermann 3-3) at Florida (Jo.Johnson 7-1), 11:10 a.m.  
 N.Y. Mets (Pelfrey 5-3) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 8-4), 1:05 p.m.  
 Colorado (Hammel 5-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 5-5), 2:10 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs (R.Wells 2-3) at Pittsburgh (V.Vasquez 1-0), 6:05 p.m.  
 Arizona (Garland 4-7) at Cincinnati (Cueto 7-4), 6:10 p.m.  
 Philadelphia (Harms 4-4) at Atlanta (Jurjens 5-6), 6:10 p.m.  
 San Francisco (Cain 9-2) at St. Louis (Wainwright 8-5), 7:15 p.m.  
 Houston (Moehler 4-4) at San Diego (W.Silva 0-1), 9:05 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	47	30	.610	—
New York	44	32	.579	2½
Tampa Bay	44	35	.557	4
Toronto	41	38	.519	7
Baltimore	35	42	.455	12
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	43	34	.558	—
Minnesota	40	34	.541	4
Chicago	39	38	.506	4
Kansas City	33	43	.434	9½
Cleveland	31	48	.392	13
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	42	33	.560	—
Texas	41	35	.539	1½
Seattle	37	37	.500	3½
Oakland	32	44	.421	10½

Tuesday's Games

Chicago White Sox 11, Cleveland 4, 7 innings  
 N.Y. Yankees 8, Seattle 5  
 Baltimore 11, Boston 10  
 Tampa Bay 4, Toronto 1  
 Texas 9, L.A. Angels 5  
 Minnesota 2, Kansas City 1  
 Detroit 5, Oakland 3  
**Today's Games**  
 Tampa Bay (J.Shields 6-5) at Toronto (R.Romero 5-3), 12:07 p.m.  
 Boston (Beckett 9-3) at Baltimore (Bergesen 5-2), 12:35 p.m.  
 Minnesota (Perkins 3-4) at Kansas City (Meche 4-7), 1:10 p.m.  
 Detroit (Verlander 8-3) at Oakland (Braden 5-7), 2:35 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox (Contreras 2-7) at Cleveland (Sowers 2-5), 6:05 p.m.  
 Seattle (Washburn 4-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 7-3), 6:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels (Jer.Wheeler 8-3) at Texas (Millwood 8-5), 7:05 p.m.

MLB ALL-STAR FAN VOTING

To Be Held: Tuesday, July 14  
 At Busch Stadium, St. Louis  
**National League**  
 Released Monday, June 28  
**First Base**  
 1. Albert Pujols, Cardinals, 3,602,765  
 2. Ryan Howard, Phillies, 1,644,971  
 3. Prince Fielder, Brewers, 1,383,563  
 4. Adrian Gonzalez, Padres, 1,105,396  
 5. Lance Berkman, Astros, 623,783  
**Second Base**  
 1. Chase Utley, Phillies, 3,510,082  
 2. Orlando Hudson, Dodgers, 1,277,348  
 3. Rickie Weeks, Brewers, 970,229  
 4. Skip Schumaker, Cardinals, 898,929  
 5. Dan Uggla, Marlins, 604,661  
**Third Base**  
 1. David Wright, Mets, 2,049,487  
 2. Chipper Jones, Braves, 1,351,455  
 3. Ryan Zimmerman, Nationals, 1,301,577  
 4. Pedro Feliz, Phillies, 1,132,441  
 5. Bill Hall, Brewers, 991,583  
**Shortstop**  
 1. Hanley Ramirez, Marlins, 2,026,174  
 2. Jimmy Rollins, Phillies, 1,771,917  
 3. J.J. Hardy, Brewers, 1,239,195  
 4. Miguel Tejada, Astros, 1,020,895

5. Jose Reyes, Mets, 851,001

Catcher

1. Yadier Molina, Cardinals, 1,846,629
2. Brian McCann, Braves, 1,458,909
3. Ivan Rodriguez, Astros, 1,236,476
4. Jason Kendall, Brewers, 1,175,566
5. Bengie Molina, Giants, 1,167,336

Outfield

1. Raul Ibanez, Phillies, 2,970,139
2. Ryan Braun, Brewers, 2,654,061
3. Carlos Beltran, Mets, 2,085,028
4. Alfonso Soriano, Cubs, 1,916,598
5. Shane Victorino, Phillies, 1,642,248
6. Mike Cameron, Brewers, 1,345,763
7. Justin Morneau, Twins, 1,343,011
8. Rick Ankiel, Cardinals, 1,216,858
9. Jayson Werth, Phillies, 1,201,864
10. Corey Hart, Brewers, 1,135,038
11. Ryan Ludwick, Cardinals, 1,128,447
12. Adam Dunn, Nationals, 866,296
13. Andre Ethier, Dodgers, 817,970
14. Andre Elmer, Dodgers, 768,457
15. Justin Upton, Diamondbacks, 742,585.

American League

Released: Tuesday, June 30

First Base

1. Kevin Youkilis, Red Sox, 1,915,303.
2. Mark Teixeira, Yankees, 1,245,256.
3. Justin Morneau, Twins, 1,560,530.
4. Miguel Cabrera, Tigers, 1,139,804.
5. Carlos Pena, Rays, 767,088.

Second Base

1. Ian Kinsler, Rangers, 2,170,100.
2. Dustin Pedroia, Red Sox, 2,163,270.
3. Robinson Cano, Yankees, 1,245,065.
4. Aaron Hill, Blue Jays, 892,006.
5. Placido Polanco, Tigers, 809,976.

Third Base

1. Evan Longoria, Rays, 2,988,363.
2. Alex Rodriguez, Yankees, 1,354,319.
3. Mike Lowell, Red Sox, 1,136,723.
4. Michael Young, Rangers, 1,134,921.
5. Brandon Inge, Tigers, 667,331.

Shortstop

1. Derek Jeter, Yankees, 3,046,813.
2. Jason Bartlett, Rays, 1,419,499.
3. Elvis Andrus, Rangers, 1,028,157.
4. Marco Scutaro, Blue Jays, 807,199.
5. Jed Lowrie, Red Sox, 576,629.

Catcher

1. Joe Mauer, Twins, 2,851,819.
2. Jason Varitek, Red Sox, 1,399,946.
3. Jorge Posada, Yankees, 1,095,219.
4. Jarrod Saltalamacchia, Rangers, 1,002,391.
5. Victor Martinez, Indians, 867,613.

Outfield

1. Jason Bay, Red Sox, 2,609,913.
2. Ichiro Suzuki, Mariners, 1,802,826.
3. Josh Hamilton, Rangers, 1,635,781.
4. Torii Hunter, Angels, 1,490,800.
5. Carl Crawford, Rays, 1,442,175.
6. Jacoby Ellsbury, Red Sox, 1,355,133.
7. Ken Griffey Jr., Mariners, 1,204,863.
8. Johnny Damon, Yankees, 1,175,539.
9. Nelson Cruz, Rangers, 1,171,354.
10. J.D. Drew, Red Sox, 1,050,112.
11. Adam Jones, Orioles, 1,022,041.
12. Nick Markakis, Orioles, 850,150.
13. Curtis Granderson, Tigers, 798,786.
14. Bobby Abreu, Angels, 733,329.
15. Grady Sizemore, Indians, 714,902.

WIMBLEDON AT A GLANCE

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — A look at Wimbledon on Tuesday:

**Women's Quarterfinals:** No. 1 Dinaara Safina defeated Sabine Lisiciki 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-1. No. 2 Venus Williams beat No. 8 Victoria Azarenka 6-2, 6-3. No. 3 Venus Williams defeated No. 11 Agnieszka Radwanska 6-1, 6-2. No. 4 Elena Dementieva beat Francesca Schiavone 6-2, 6-2.

**Stat of the Day:** 15 — double-faults by Safina in her victory.  
**Quote of the Day:** "We still, I think, are definitely the front-runners in tennis as far as, you know, being some of the best players out there." — Venus Williams, talking about herself and younger sister Serena.

**On TV Today:** No. 2 Roger Federer vs. No. 22 Ivo Karlovic, No. 3 Andy Murray vs. Juan Carlos Ferrero, No. 4 Novak Djokovic vs. No. 24 Tommy Haas, No. 6 Andy Roddick vs. Lleyton Hewitt in the men's quarterfinals.  
**Today's TV:** ESPN2, 6-9 a.m. CDT and 12-4 p.m. CDT; NBC, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., all time zones.  
**On the Web:** <http://www.wimbledon.org>

GAME TIME LEAGUE STANDINGS

Coraville Hy-Vee 4 1  
 Active Endeavors/McCurrys 3 2  
 Goodfellow/Imprinted Sportswear 2 3  
 L.L. Pelling/Cullen Painting 1 4

Tuesday's Games

Goodfellow Printing/Imprinted Sportswear 76, L.L. Pelling/Cullen Painting 65  
 Coraville Hy-Vee 90, Active Endeavors/McCurrys 88

Thursday's Games

L.L. Pelling/Cullen Painting vs. Active Endeavors/McCurrys, 6 p.m. Old gym  
 Coraville Hy-Vee vs. Goodfellow Printing/Imprinted Sportswear, 6 p.m. New gym

# Pistons fire Curry

By DAVID N. GOODMAN  
 Associated Press

DETROIT — All or nothing seems to be the formula for coaching the Detroit Pistons. Bring home an NBA championship or hit the road.

First-year coach Michael Curry became the latest Piston coach to get the ax — President for Basketball Operations Joe Dumars fired him Tuesday after watching his team stumble to a sub-.500 record and an embarrassing first-round exit from the playoffs.

But winning playoff games hasn't been enough to keep Pistons manager happy. Just ask Flip Saunders.

Dumars fired Saunders last season after he led the team to the Eastern Conference finals in each of three seasons. Curry was an assistant under Saunders for one season.

In 2005, the Pistons parted ways with Hall of Fame coach Larry Brown after he helped them win a title and almost repeat during his two years with the team. And Rick Carlisle was fired after two years with the Pistons following a conference finals appearance in 2003 in his second season and NBA Coach of the Year honors in his first.

Curry and Dumars shared playing days together with Detroit. That may have helped Curry land the coaching job last year, but it wasn't enough to keep him in it.

The Pistons went 39-43 in 2008-09 and were swept in the postseason in four lopsided losses to the Cleveland Cavaliers after six-straight

conference finals appearances. Dumars said after that series that Curry would return, but he changed his mind by Tuesday.

"This was a difficult decision to make," Dumars said in a statement. "I want to thank Michael for his hard work and dedication to the organization. However, at this time, I have decided to make a change."

Pistons spokesman Kevin Grigg said the timetable for naming a new coach was up in the air.

"Obviously with the free agency period starting [today], we don't know quite the speed of it," Grigg said.

Another ex-Piston player and former Dumars teammate, Bill Laimbeer, stepped down in June as coach of the WNBA's Detroit Shock, saying he wanted a shot at coaching in the NBA. An e-mail message was left for Laimbeer seeking comment Tuesday.

The Pistons began the season with big hopes but couldn't recover from the loss of All-Star point guard Chauncey Billups in a November trade to Denver for Allen Iverson — a move intended to feature Iverson's creativity and create time for emerging guard Rodney Stuckey.

Instead, the Pistons fell apart. They won just three games in February and three in April, plummeting to the final spot in the Eastern Conference playoff seeding and a no-win matchup with LeBron James and the Cavs.

The playoff series loss ended a dominant run: The Pistons and the Magic Johnson-led Los Angeles Lakers are the only franchises to play in six straight conference finals since 1970-71, when teams had to win two series to advance that far.



Curry ex-coach

# Pirates trade 2nd outfielder

By ALAN ROBINSON  
 Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Pirates, swapping outfielders at a rapid rate for the second successive season, sent starting left fielder Nyjer Morgan to the Washington Nationals in a four-player deal involving outfielder Lastings Milledge and also shipped backup Eric Hinske to the Yankees on Tuesday.

The Pirates, spurred to trade because their farm system has been unproductive, acquired Milledge and reliever Joel Hanrahan from the Nationals for the fleet Morgan and left-handed reliever Sean Burnett, a former first-round draft pick.

Hinske, the 2002 AL Rookie of the Year, went to the Yankees for minor league right-hander Casey Erickson and outfielder Eric Fryer. The Yankees also get around \$400,000 to help pay the remainder of Hinske's \$1.5 million salary.

Just as they did last season by dealing Jason Bay and Xavier Nady, the Pirates traded two of their three starting outfielders before Aug. 1. They sent former NL All-Star center fielder Nate McLouth to Atlanta on June 4 for pitcher Charlie Morton and two other prospects.

Like the McLouth trade, these deals weren't popular with players who have seen regular after regular traded — Aramis Ramirez, Brian Giles, Jason Kendall, Bay, Nady — since 2004 with the Pirates getting little in return. The Pirates are on a pace for a major-league-record 17th-consecutive losing season.

"What's so shocking is we're [six] games out, and we've lost three of our everyday players," said shortstop Jack Wilson, a nine-year veteran who could be traded this

month. "It's tough for the guys who've been here and have seen these trades happen and absolutely do nothing. I've seen these trades two or three times a year, and we still haven't had a winning season."

Morgan, who will turn 29 on Thursday, was traded less than halfway through a promising first season as a starter. He is hitting .277 with two homers and 27 RBIs, only four fewer than No. 3 hitter Freddy Sanchez, and he has 18 steals, although he has been thrown out 10 times.

"We see him as a speed-type of player who can play above-average defense for us in center field, give us a top-of-the-lineup bat that can create a little havoc on the base paths and get you a stolen base when you need it," National general manager Mike Rizzo said. "It gives us the defensive center fielder we've been missing here."

Milledge, a former top Mets prospect, hit .167 in only seven games before being sent to the minors, and he has spent much of the season rehabilitating a broken right ring finger that required surgery in May. He is expected to join Triple-A Indianapolis within a week to 10 days.

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# Williams sisters reach semis

By HOWARD FENDRICH  
 Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — Her 19th-consecutive victory at the All England Club already wrapped up, Venus Williams grabbed a seat and watched younger sister Serena Williams win easily to reach the semifinals, too.

Afterward, Venus and Mom, Oracene Price, strolled out of Centre Court arm-in-arm, chatting and laughing.

Sure is fun to be a Williams at Wimbledon.

Five-time champion Venus beat No. 11-seeded Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland (6-1, 6-2) before two-time champion Serena defeated No. 8 Victoria Azarenka of Belarus (6-2, 6-3), a pair of overwhelming performances Tuesday that moved the siblings closer to another all-in-the-family final at Wimbledon.

"They are both playing super-well. They're playing the 'Williams Way,' their father, Richard Williams, said. "And when you're playing the 'Williams Way,' it's very difficult for anyone to touch you."

Particularly at the grass-court Grand Slam tournament, where a Williams has won seven of the past nine championships.

If No. 3 Venus gets by No. 1 Dinaara Safina of Russia in Thursday's semifinals, and No. 2 Serena eliminates No. 4 Elena Dementieva of Russia, the siblings would meet Saturday in their second consecutive

final at the All England Club and fourth overall.

It also would be the eighth all-Williams Grand Slam championship match; Serena leads 5-2.

"I would love it to be a Williams final," Venus said. "And so would she."

They are competitors, of course, but also form a team in many ways: The sisters are sharing a house during this tournament, practice with each other, and have reached the women's doubles quarterfinals together.

"We've got it all figured out at this point," Venus said.

She is trying to become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1991-93 to win three-consecutive Wimbledon titles; Serena wants to add to the trophies she earned in 2002-03 by beating her sister in the finals.

At least one person has no doubt there will be a rematch Saturday.

"It will be. I'll go home because I can't watch," their father said. "I think they both definitely make it to the final."

First things first. If the 19-year-old Azarenka and 20-year-old Radwanska represented up-and-coming opponents with little experience on the sport's grand-nest stages — neither has reached a Grand Slam semifinal — Safina and Dementieva are far more accustomed to playing significant matches.

On the other hand, they're not nearly as accustomed to winning them as



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 Serena Williams acknowledges the crowd after defeating Victoria Azarenka in their quarterfinal match at Wimbledon on Tuesday.

the Williams sisters are, of course: Serena owns 10 major titles, Venus seven; Safina and Dementieva have zero.

Safina, who lost in the final at three of the previous five Grand Slam events, overcame 15 double-faults and wore down 41st-ranked Sabine Lisiciki of Germany (6-7 (5), 6-

4, 6-1. Dementieva, twice a runner-up at major championships and a singles gold medalist at last year's Beijing Olympics, was never challenged by 43rd-ranked Francesca Schiavone of Italy and won their quarterfinal (6-2, 6-2.)

AP freelance writer Sandra Harwitt contributed to this report.

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 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:00

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 11:50, 2:15, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40

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 12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:50

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 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10

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 11:45, 12:30, 1:15, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 9:30, 10:15

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 12:40, 3:40, 6:40, 9:40

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 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50

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# No keeping up with Jones

**JONES**  
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Even after a solid individual game, Jones would only comment on her team's play.

"We distributed the ball, scored evenly, and played smart," she said.

Goodfellow/Imprinted exploded in the second half after closing a back and forth first half ahead 39-37. Jones and company were able to jump to an eight-point lead at 52-44 with 12:30 remaining in regulation — the team's largest to that point.

But Pelling/Cullen wasn't going to go down without a fight. Trailing 58-50, Iowa sophomore

Kelly Krei slipped into the lane for an easy lay-up before hitting a 3-pointer on Pelling/Cullen's following possession.

And the Iowa City native was not done. Pelling/Cullen forced a turnover during Goodfellow/Imprinted's ensuing possession and was able to feed Krei the ball. She nailed a nifty, spin-move lay-up to pull her team within 58-57 with 7:38 remaining.

"I was thinking don't get tired at that point," said Krei, who finished the game with 15 points. "My teammates do a nice job of getting me the ball, but it was just a little streak that happened, so it was nice."

Despite Krei's 7-0 run, Pelling/Cullen's hopes were doused by former Hawkeye Kristi Smith.

Smith, who played her senior year at Iowa last season, drilled two 15-foot jumpers in a row — her only points of the second half — to give Goodfellow/Imprinted a 62-57 lead it didn't relinquish.

The Thornton, Colo., native, who filled a spot vacated by sophomore Kamille Wahlin, finished the game with 13 points.

"I thought we did a pretty good job on Smith for a while; she was just letting the game come to her," Larson said. "But she hurt us eventually when she started being a little more aggressive

when the game came down to the wire."

Larson thought the youth of his team may have also contributed to loss.

"We're so young. I don't think we have a player that has ever started a Divison-I game, we are just learning as we go," he said. "But the effort is always there, the teamwork is always there, and they are very unselfish."

Other Hawkeyes playing for Pelling/Cullen were sophomore-to-be Hannah Draxten, who finished with 10 points and three rebounds, and incoming freshman Trisha Nesbitt, who tallied two points and four assists in the defeat.

# Ex-Hawks play in pro softball

**SOFTBALL**  
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"The U.S. teams would beat [international teams] by 10 runs, killing the teams. We [the Chicago Bandits] are on par talent-wise with the Cubs," May said. "But we aren't able to outdraw the Schaumburg Flyers or the Kane County Cougars. Triple A, Double A, Single A — they all outdraw us."

The league, in which each team plays 50 games a year, is suffering financially, forcing the six-team league to be cut to five when the New England Riptide went under. The lack of stability and the inability to sign long-term deals (save for big-name stars such as Finch) leads to many softball careers to be more part-time diversion and less lifelong commitment.

"It's not a full-time career. We have people

who've been around since the league started, but many only play for a year or so," May said. "At some venues, you feel like a professional, but at some that don't draw, you don't."

May wouldn't comment on her salary but did say her 2009 contract would reflect her success in 2008.

The shaky future of the league may have found some support in a juggernaut. Major League Baseball has made the league an "Offi-

cial Development Partner" in continuation of its efforts to connect with female athletes and fans.

As far as Weil's softball future is concerned, a better understanding of pitcher-batter psychology will be key to her experiencing sustained success.

"I have to pay attention to batters," she said. "I have to understand batters, their tendencies. I have to learn to pitch to them."

# Pirates trip Cubs, 3-0

**CUBS/PIRATES**  
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Sanchez singled to start the fourth against Ted Lilly (7-6) and moved up on Andy LaRoche's two-out single. Brandon Moss struck out swinging, but the ball bounced into the dirt and away from catcher Geovany Soto. Sanchez never stopped running from second and scored when Lilly was late covering the

plate. Lilly drew an error for mishandling Soto's throw.

Sanchez, hitting .315, had a run-scoring single an inning later and doubled following Steve Pearce's double in the seventh.

"I came up in some big situations [Monday] and didn't get the job done, so it felt kind of good to go out and get the job done," Sanchez said.

The Cubs were shut out for the second time in three days and eighth

time this season.

"I think we've forgotten how to hit, especially with men on base," said manager Lou Piniella, whose team was 0-for-5 with runners in scoring position. "The problem is basically what it's been all year, putting runs on the board. Until that gets solved, it's a huge struggle."

The Cubs finished 11-14 during a forgettable June, their first losing month since August

2007. Their June swoon included Piniella's blowup with Milton Bradley, seven extra-inning games, Bradley forgetting how many outs there were and throwing the ball into the stands and Soto's apology for failing a drug test.

"I hope that everything happened now, it's in the first half and in the second half everybody's laughing and playing better," Alfonso Soriano said.

# Alexander is the Great

**ALEXANDER**  
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"[I was] real happy; we had some reserves who came in and played really well. We were missing a couple, so we had to go with Kachine and Cermak pretty much the whole game," he said. "I was really pleased; it was a fun game to watch. We just made a few plays down the stretch that allowed us to win."

Most notably absent from the Hy-Vee line-up was Iowa freshman Morgan Johnson.

"[Because of the Johnson absence] we suffered a little defensively. Hamlin was big tonight," Stoermer said. "So we had a little tough time defending the post, and that kind of hurt us a little bit."

Stoermer said Alexander was "the best player in the league," and he praised her for making the game-win-

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— Mike Stoermer, Hy-Vee coach

ning shot.

Hy-Vee's next game will be Thursday against Goodfellow Printing/Imprinted Sportswear. Active Endeavors/McCurry's will also play Thursday evening against L.L. Pelling Company/Cullen Painting. Both contests are slated for 6 p.m. at the North Liberty Community Center.

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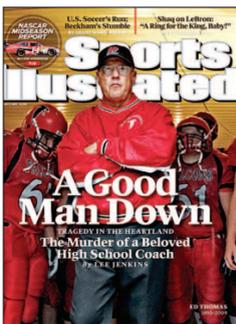


### SCOREBOARD

**WNBA**  
Minnesota 91, Atlanta 85  
Chicago 74, Sacramento 72  
Washington 84, San Antonio 82

**MLB**  
Baltimore 11, Boston 10  
White Sox 11, Cleveland 4 (7)  
N.Y. Yankees 8, Seattle 5  
Tampa Bay 4, Toronto 1

Texas 9, L.A. Angels 5  
Minnesota 2, Kansas City 1  
Pittsburgh 3, Chicago Cubs 0  
Florida 7, Washington 5  
Atlanta 5, Philadelphia 4 (10)  
Milwaukee 6, N.Y. Mets 3  
San Francisco 6, St. Louis 3  
Arizona 6, Cincinnati 2  
Colorado 3, L.A. Dodgers 0  
San Diego 4, Houston 3



Ed Thomas

### FOOTBALL

#### Thomas featured in Sports Illustrated

Ed Thomas, the Aplington-Parkersburg head football coach killed last week, will be featured on the cover of the July 6 edition of *Sports Illustrated*.

Before his untimely death, Thomas had been the football coach at that small high school, around 120 miles from Iowa City, for the past 34 years. He was also the school's athletics director.

Thomas had four players who went on to careers in the NFL, three of whom played at Iowa.

The *SI* article is written by Lee Jenkins, and chronicles both Thomas' role in helping the town of Parkersburg deal with the devastating effects from an F5 tornado last year, and how Thomas is being remembered in the Aplington-Parkersburg community following his death.

This issue of *Sports Illustrated* hits newsstands nationwide today.

— by Brendan Stiles

### MLB

#### White Sox pour it on

CLEVELAND (AP) — The rainy weather stopped the game prematurely. The Chicago White Sox ended Cliff Lee's night soon after it started.

Paul Konerko and Jermaine Dye drove in two runs apiece Tuesday as the White Sox chased Lee in the fourth inning and pounded the miserable Indians, 11-4, in a game called in the seventh to move above .500 for the first time since May 2.

Konerko hit a two-run homer in the first off Lee (4-7), who had worked past the fifth in 47 consecutive starts before being battered for seven runs and 11 hits in three-plus innings.



Konerko  
first baseman

"It was a bad day," the reigning AL Cy Young Award winner said. "That's not in my job description. I'm supposed to go deep into games and give up fewer runs. It seemed like they knew what was coming with every pitch. One of those games."

Gordon Beckham and Josh Fields also homered for the White Sox, who have won four straight, 11 of 15 and have a winning record for the first time since they were 12-11.

Clayton Richard (3-1), moved into Chicago's rotation in May, won for the first time in six June starts. He allowed four runs and four hits and was credited with his first complete game, staying in following a 30-minute rain delay in the fourth.

The left-hander is 5-0 with a 2.37 ERA in six career starts of at least six innings.

### TV TODAY

**MLB**  
• Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m., CSN  
• San Francisco at St. Louis, 7 p.m., ESPN

**TENNIS**  
• Wimbledon, men's quarterfinals, at London, 6 a.m., ESPN2; 9 a.m., NBC; 12 p.m., ESPN

## Game Time

# Alexander, Hamlin shoot it out

Kachine Alexander comes through in the clutch for Coralville Hy-Vee.

By ZACH CHRISWELL  
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Kachine Alexander and JoAnn Hamlin went back and forth all game long.

Each took her team's last shot. Alexander hit hers, Hamlin missed at the buzzer, and Alexander's Coralville Hy-Vee squad emerged with a 90-88 win over Hamlin and Active Endeavors/McCurry's on Tuesday in the North Liberty Community Center.

Alexander, who will be a junior for the Hawkeyes this coming season, finished the Game Time game with 30 points, 11 rebounds, and four assists.

With 14 minutes left in the game, she went up for a lay-up, was fouled, and hit the ground hard. She left the game with an apparent neck injury, but came back 90 seconds later. Those were her only moments on the bench.

In a losing effort, Hamlin posted a game-high 34 points on 15-of-21 shooting. The Hawkeye senior had snared seven rebounds.

Alexander got beat up throughout the course of the contest but kept her head up and continued knocking down shots.

"I think, overall, I did well; my shots were falling tonight," she said. "And I kept taking the shots when I was open. I wasn't afraid to take them. So I think I did pretty well."

Hamlin had a modest opinion about her 34-point performance and noted that a better defensive effort would have helped.

"I guess I played all right; I probably could have done a little better job on defense," she said.



JOE SCOTT/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa junior Kachine Alexander goes for a lay-up during Hy-Vee's Game Time contest against Active Endeavors/McCurry's in the North Liberty Community Center on Tuesday. Alexander scored 30 points and hauled in 11 rebounds for Hy-Vee in its 90-88 win.

"And probably a little better job rebounding. But as far as a team, we played very well tonight."

Also stepping up for Hy-Vee was Iowa junior Kelsey Cermak and Coe College's Kayla Lincoln. Cermak had 17 points to go with 10 rebounds, and Lincoln also scored 17.

In the losing cause, Iowa freshman-to-be Jaime Printy had 10 points to go with 10 assists and six rebounds. Kirkwood Community College's Kalli Hansen also had a big game with 22 points and seven rebounds.

Hy-Vee coach Mike Storer said he was pleased

### ON THE WEB

Go to [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com) for footage from Tuesday's Game Time contest between Coralville Hy-Vee and Active Endeavors/McCurry's.

with the way his team played.

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# Jones goes off

By CLARK CAHILL  
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If her last two Game Time performances are any indication, sophomore Shante Jones will not only earn some serious playing time in the upcoming season, she will be a key component for the 2009-10 Iowa Hawkeyes.



Jones  
sophomore

After scoring 30 points on June 25, the Dayton, Ohio, native tallied 20 points to lead Goodfellow/Imprinted to a 76-65 victory over L.L. Pelling/Cullen Painting on Tuesday night in North Liberty.

Jones, who shot 10-for-13 from the field and pulled down four rebounds, seemed to be able to score at will — pulling up for 15-foot jumpers or slashing into the lane for lay-ups while being fouled.

"She's a pull-up, pop shooter. There aren't a lot of those anymore in the college game," Pelling/Cullen coach Randy Larson said. "People can shoot the 3 or they can drive, but to pull up and shoot that little in-between jumper is a thing that not everybody has."

SEE JONES, 8

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# Softball players find next level

Former Hawkeyes continue their careers in a young pro league.

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Brittany Weil left the Iowa softball program as one of the greatest pitchers in school history. The All-American racked up 339 strikeouts and sported an ERA of only 1.10.

But that was college. Now she laces up for the Akron Racers of the National Pro Fastpitch League.

"At this level, everyone can hit the ball over the fence," said Weil. "Even people on the bench can contribute. I'm looking to get more starts."

Internationally known gold medalist and fellow pitcher Jennie Finch has seen the best the world has to offer and described the level of competition facing Weil in the league.

"It's an all-star league,"

said Finch, who was a highly decorated collegiate pitcher at Arizona. "Each country has its own style, but this is consistent. You can have a five-game series. You could pitch back-to-back-to-back."

Weil is the newest Iowa alum on an league roster this summer, but she isn't the only one. While she dominated the mound at Iowa, the top Hawkeye at this level is Stacy May, the leadoff hitter for the 2008 league champion Chicago Bandits and the league's reigning Player of the Year.

A 2006 Iowa graduate, May batted .361 while hitting 13 home runs and finishing with a league-high 61 hits and .686 slugging percentage. May, who is a teammate of Finch in Chicago, agrees the league is the pinnacle of softball competition, and she understands the reality of playing for a struggling organization.

SEE SOFTBALL, 8

# Thin Pirates bounce Cubs

By ALAN ROBINSON  
Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Their bench was thin, their minds admittedly jumbled a few hours after watching three more teammates leave. The Pirates had every reason to expect to lose to the Cubs after management effectively told them they're not ready yet to win.

Ross Ohlendorf and Freddy Sanchez made certain it wouldn't happen.

Ohlendorf pitched seven innings, and Sanchez got the depleted Pirates going by scoring from second on a ball that bounded only a few feet from home plate during the fourth inning, helping Pittsburgh beat the Cubs, 3-0, on Tuesday night.

Sanchez, coming off probably his worst game of the season, went 3-for-3, reached base four times, and drove in two runs as the Cubs lost for only the sixth time in 26 games in Pittsburgh.

The victory came a few hours after the Pirates dealt outfielders Nyjer Morgan, Eric Hinske, and reliever Sean Burnett, leaving them with only 23



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Pittsburgh Pirates' Freddy Sanchez (12) scores as the throw from catcher Geovany Soto gets away from Chicago Cub pitcher Ted Lilly at home plate on a fourth-inning wild pitch in Pittsburgh on Tuesday.

players in uniform. The deals weren't popular in a clubhouse in which several players, still unhappy with the earlier trade of Nate McLouth, prominently displayed pictures of Morgan in their lockers.

"We lost [some] great guys on the field and in the clubhouse. That's the business of baseball," Sanchez said after the last-place Pirates pulled

within 1 1/2 games of the fourth-place Cubs in the jumbled NL Central. "We've got to keep playing no matter what happens."

Sanchez played as if he wanted to make up for going 0-for-4, grounding into a double play and stranding six runners during a 3-1 loss to Chicago on Monday.

SEE CUBS/PIRATES, 8