State of Emergency

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Iowa City residents were under a state of emergency Tuesday afternoon after a line of storms passed through the area, causing widespread damage.

Eighty mph winds rage through Johnson County, downing trees and causing power lines to snap. The county is in a state of emergency, and Iowa City residents have begun to assess the damage.

By Jared Smith
Iowa City online

Despite winds that toured through property and downed electrical lines, Iowa City residents walked away from the chaos wondering how they survived the experience.

Johnson County, Iowa City and the Coralville area are under a state of emergency conditions as of 2 p.m. Tuesday.

County Manager Tim Unverzagt said the county is in the process of assessing the damage and making requests for aid.

The Coralville Police Department reported the city had 14 reports of trees blocking streets with 11 of those reports coming from the Coralville area. In addition, the city was called into service for a tree in front of Old Capitol.

The city reported 10 reports of power outages, two reports of damage to water pipes, and one report of possible gas leaks.

Johnson County Emergency Management Coordinator Jim McGinley said no tornado touched down in Iowa City, although there was a bow echo, a line of storms that bulge out in the Kansas City area.

In addition, McGinley said it was a chance of severe weather to bring an electrical problem.

"It's miraculous we have so little injury to the storms," McGinley said.

The water plant has power and they are pumping and pushing the water, and Denny Johnson, manager, said there will be a lot of sewage backed up.

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Winds blow train off the tracks

Several cars plunged into the Iowa River Monday, derailed by high winds caused what one on-scene described as a "disaster" scene.

By Eric Peterson

The storm was described by the Iowa River disaster manager, none other than Iowa River disaster manager, as a "disaster" scene.

A number of cars derailed near the bridge, with the engineers unable to stop the train. The railroad company is investigating the cause of the derailment.

"It was a disaster," said the Iowa River disaster manager. "I heard the train coming and there was no way to stop it."

The train was carrying freight and was derailed near the bridge. The exact cause of the derailment is unknown.

"I hope they find the cause," said the Iowa River disaster manager. "It's been a tough day for everyone."

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By Kelly Wilson

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Window pane view of windy Monday storm

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How fitting that just days before the Fourth of July, not even bombing in the Twin Spur Golden Gerry's. The rain was pounding straight down and you could see nothing, smoking enough cigarettes to get cancer next Thursday. The trees didn't know which way to blow. The rain was an opaque sheet; you couldn't tell if it was snowing or raining. People almost seemed giddy. The trees didn't know which way to blow. The rain was pounding straight down and you couldn't tell if it was snowing or raining. People almost seemed giddy. The trees didn't know which way to blow. The rain was an opaque sheet; you couldn't tell if it was snowing or raining.

For Henry VondlBrink, who was at Old Capitol Mall, it was like that for what seemed a good chunk of July 4. It was cloudy, and in the midst of half a continent of corn, after the strange afternoon darkness. And the stillness. Like their Iowa neighbors, the storm swept in.

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Storm slams surrounding towns

Iowa City and Coralville weren't the only towns affected by Monday's storm, towns including North Liberty and Tiffin were hit hard.

By Alexis Bierman, Rebecca Williams, and Brian Fleck

NORTH LIBERTY — While it seemed like nothing was left standing along the Road to Nowhere, the building that had been the business center of the city was hit fairly hard.

At 8 a.m. Monday, several cars were lined up along South of Gatsby's drive-thru, a Bandit Drive, waiting to get gas and supplies from one of the last businesses that appeared to be open on the north side outside of the blowing snow.

Winds and rain struck the roof of the building, leaving the structure on top of the building ripped away, according to reports. The roof is estimated to be about 35 feet by 100 feet.

And Ripper and general manager and co-owner Morgan Ripper in the middle of the building waiting for his brother to show up on the job.

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McGwire leads NL all-star team; fans snub Sammy Sosa

By Ben Walker

NEW YORK — The fans made it so. Mark McGwire led the way. Two afternoon sessions at the All-Star Game in the bleachers, where the fans were the overwhelming choice to start in first base, was repeatable and conclusive.

The St. Louis slugger started at the spot where the last hitter was to hit for next Tuesday's righties in case McGwire were to be injured again. He has been a good two months start, never missing a day since the All-Star break and leading the majors with 53 home runs. McGwire and teammate Sammy Sosa were both chosen over the All-Star Game's hottest hitter, Boston's Mo Vaughn. The Fenway Park crowd has been known to snub McGwire and Sosa for years. McGwire's earlier popularity is now appearing to wear thin.

Stranger headed home to Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) — Former Chicago Bulls star Dennis Rodman has been convicted of a welfare fraud-related charge and sentenced to a year in prison.

Rodman pleaded guilty to the charge on Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Chicago. The former NBA star faces up to three years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

Rodman, 52, pleaded guilty to a federal charge that he didn't report his income from endorsement deals and other sources while he was on the Bulls.

He faces up to 30 months in prison and a $100,000 fine.

The sentencing date has not been set.

Dennis Rodman's career spanning 19 years in the NBA included three All-Star Game appearances and the 1996 NBA championship.

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Sampson resigns as U.S. coach

SAMPSON

Shawn Bradley has been fired as the U.S. women's national basketball team coach.

The team finished third at the World Championships last year and fourth at the Olympics in 1996.

Sampson resigned after the team's loss to Australia in the bronze medal game in Kuala Lumpur last month.

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Sampson, who coached at Arizona State and the University of Oklahoma, took over the team in 1996 after a successful career as an assistant coach at Arizona State and the University of Oklahoma.

Several players, including stars such as Lisa Leslie and Chamique Holdsford, have expressed support for Sampson and said they would play for him if he was retained.

"He's been a great coach, and he's been a great mentor to me," Leslie said in a statement.

"I think he's done a lot for this team, and I think he deserves another chance," Holdsford said.

Shawn Bradley, who was named head coach in 2002, has been the defensive anchor of the team and helped lead it to a silver medal at the 2000 Olympic Games.

Bradley said he was disappointed to be out of the team, but he looked forward to the future.

"I wish Shawn nothing but the best," Sampson said.

"I'm not going to comment on the process, but I am going to say that the players have been the backbone of the program for the last 12 years," Sampson said.

Sampson, who was fired after the team's loss to Australia in the bronze medal game in Kuala Lumpur last month, had been under pressure to deliver a gold medal at the Sydney Olympics in 2000.

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Graham hired as new coach of the Chicago Blackhawks hockey team.

By Nancy Armour

Chicago — Dirk Graham was hired as coach of the Chicago Blackhawks today, snapping a long drought in the franchise's history.

It was the first time in three decades that the franchise had hired a new coach.

"Graham and I agree that he is the right guy for the role," General Manager Dale Tallon said in a release.

The team has struggled in recent years, missing the playoffs the past three seasons.

"It's been a tough go," Tallon said.

Graham, the former coach of the Nashville Predators, said he is excited about the opportunity.

"This is a franchise that is well run," Graham said.

He replaces Joel Quenneville, who was fired after the team missed the playoffs.

Graham has been an assistant coach for the NHL's Minnesota Wild and the University of Minnesota.

The Hawks have struggled offensively in recent seasons, finishing 13th in the Western Conference in scoring.

Graham's hiring comes after the team signed free agent goalie Tim Thomas.

The Hawks also have added winger Patrick Sharp and defenseman Duncan Keith.

The team is expected to miss the playoffs again this season.

Graham's hiring was announced at a news conference.

"This is a huge day for the franchise," Tallon said.

Graham has experience with Chicago, having been an assistant coach for the team in the late 1990s.

"There's a lot of history here," Graham said.

Graham said he is ready to hit the ground running.

"I'm excited to get started," he said.

The Hawks are hoping to improve in 2010-11.

"We're going to have a good season," Graham said.
Eddie Murray Jr., the son of basketball great Elgin ‘Mud’ Murray and the father of current NBA star Larry ‘Birdman’ Murray, has died. Eddie Murray Jr. was 85.

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By Steve Sampson, Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA didn't even wait until the deadline to pull the trigger on a labor deal Tuesday.

With collective bargaining talks faltering in Los Angeles, the NBA and its players formally announced Tuesday that an agreement had been reached. The league had just days to go to avoid the first labor stoppage in NBA history. There are rumors a number of NBA teams had already pulled the plug on training camps, and there were reports that there were not going to be any NBA teams on hand for the first day of practice due to the lockout. The league and the union broke off more than a month ago, but there was no progress made until Tuesday.

The most recent offer to players included a salary cap that would have been $1.5 billion in 2005, it lasted only a few days, but the owners had the right to reject it if it amounted to guaranteed contract money. The cap would have been increased to $1 billion in 2006. The owners have said they are going to take the current "soft" salary cap, especially the rule known as the Larry Bird exception, which allows teams to retain salary cap room to retain their best free agents. Such an exception allows the Chicago Bulls to pay Michael Jordan more than $300 million last season despite his salary cap being set at $25 million. A handful of players who were on the verge of getting multi-year contracts suddenly found themselves with salaries well below the league minimum. The lockout was lifted.

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Seles, one of two Williams sisters advance

By Stephen Wilson, Associated Press

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