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A decision to contract with ServiceMaster cleaning and restoration pros following the flood of 1993 is helping speed the recovery in 2010.

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- Lied Center reopens for limited use
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Iowa State Fair

Final days of the state fair

The Iowa State Fair continues through Aug. 22. The ISU exhibit is open 9 a.m.-9 p.m. in the northeast corner of the Varied Industries Building.

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• *U.S. News* rankings: ISU remains in top 25 percent of national public universities

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Engineering dean Jonathan Wickert (center), his wife Karen, and their daughter Rebecca helped welcome students to campus as they moved into the residence halls Aug. 18. Throughout the three-day move-in schedule, volunteer crews assist students and their families by unloading and carrying items into their new homes, or simply answering questions and providing directions. *Photo by Bob Elbert*.

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Plastic ventilation tubes bring dehumidified air in to help dry the Lied Center. Photo by Bob Elbert.

After the flood: Facilities update

by Diana Pounds

Here's an update on university facilities damaged in last week's floods.

Hilton Coliseum

Damage: 12-14 feet of water.

Cleanup: Water and muck have been removed. Wet sheetrock and carpeting were removed from second-floor office areas. Movable equipment and furniture in the building have been assessed for usability. Temporary lighting has been installed, and dehumidification equipment is running. Assessment of electrical systems is under way.



Flood-damaged items from Hilton Coliseum. *Photo by Bob Elbert*.

Status: Power remains out. Facility cannot be occupied until power is restored and safety issues are addressed. Athletics officials hope the building can be ready for the first basketball game (women's) Nov. 4.

Scheman Building

Damage: 4 feet of water on ground floor.

Cleanup: Ground floor muck and wet sheetrock (up to 4 feet from the floor) have been removed. Temporary dehumidifying and air conditioning equipment is running throughout the building, with



special attention to protecting art in the Brunnier Art Museum (on the second floor). Assessment of electrical and HVAC systems is under way. Movable equipment and furniture have been assessed for usability. The water line is visible on the wall outside the Iowa State Center offices in the Scheman Building. *Photo by Bob Filhert*

Status: Power remains out. The power must be restored, elevators fixed and all safety issues addressed before the facility can be occupied.

Lied Recreation Athletic Center

Damage: 2 feet of water on first floor.

Cleanup: Water has been removed and cleanup is under way. The first-floor turf and racquetball courts must be replaced. The first-floor track will be repaired for use during the spring track season, then further evaluated.

Status: Third-floor workout area (except for the track) and first- and second-floor restrooms are open. Locker rooms are closed. The climbing wall is unavailable. Lied updates are available on the recreation services website.

Veenker Memorial Golf Course

Damage: 1-9 feet of water covered the course. Maintenance shed was under 8 feet of water.

Cleanup: Muck and debris have been removed from fairways and bunkers.

Status: Driving range and practice facilities are open. A playable nine-hole course is expected to open by Friday, Aug. 20.



An unintended sand trap stretches across Veenker golf course. *Photo by Leah Hansen*.

University Community Childcare

Damage: 4-6 inches of water on the first floor.

Cleanup: Water, carpeting and wet sheetrock have been removed. Drying operations are under way. Reconstruction may start this week.

Status: UCC is closed through Aug. 20. The center will reopen Monday, Aug. 23, in a temporary location at Collegiate United Methodist Church, 2622 Lincoln Way. Officials estimate the UCC facility will be ready for reoccupation in several weeks.

General Services Building

Damage: 18 inches of water on the first floor.

Cleanup: Flood-damaged items were removed and the facility was power-washed.

Status: Cleanup is complete.

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Ann Campbell Transit Facility

Damage: Inundated by flood waters.

Cleanup: Water and wet materials have been removed and power restored.

Status: Some minor reconstruction will be required in the facility. Restrooms are not available.

Jack Trice Stadium

Damage: Some water on the field.

Cleanup: Water cleared with pumps. No remediation required.

Status: Open.

Iowa State Center parking lots

Damage: Water and broken asphalt.

Cleanup: Cleanup completed; some asphalt repairs required.

Status: Commuter lots are open. Officials hope to repair asphalt on other lots prior to the first football

game (Sept. 2).

ISU Soccer Complex

Damage: Water and muck.

Cleanup: Crews are cleaning up debris in the area.

Status: Grass areas should rebound quickly and be available for the Sept. 17 home game. The pressbox

needs to be evaluated.

Southeast intramural fields

Damage: Water and muck.

Cleanup: Crews have begun removing muck and debris.

Status: Grass areas in the fields should rebound quickly. The sand volleyball courts north of the fields

will not be open for some time.

Maple-Willow-Larch field

Damage: Water and muck.

Cleanup: No work required.

Status: Grass areas should rebound quickly.

Disc golf course

Damage: Minimal damage.

Cleanup: Debris must be removed.

Status: Closed, at present.

University Village

Damage: Flooding in 27 apartments housing 47 students.

Cleanup: Crews removed water and are in the process of cleaning and sanitizing.

Status: Construction work to be completed includes: removal and replacement of flooring, the lower 30 inches of drywall, kitchen cabinets, first floor doors, appliances, furnaces and air conditioning. Students have been or will be relocated until apartments are ready, no later than Oct. 1.

Jacobson/Olsen Building

Damage: Some water in the ticket office area.

Cleanup: Cleared with shop vacs.

Status: Open.

Alumni Center

Damage: No water damage, but electrical service was out due to flood waters. Power was restored to the building at 4 p.m. Wed. Aug. 11.

Status: Open.

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Despite flooding, the show must go on

by Erin Rosacker

Thanks to last week's flooding, a change of plans (and venues) is in order for some campus events. Hilton Coliseum and the Iowa State Center bore the brunt of the damage, forcing planners to make alternate arrangements.

Destination Iowa State

Destination Iowa State, an introductory program for new ISU students, is expecting more than 4,000 students to participate in

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several activities beginning Thursday. Check-in has been moved to the Great Hall in the Memorial Union; central campus will be the backdrop for Thursday night's "Center of Ex-CY-tment" and kickoff; and Saturday night's performance by comedian Jeff Dye will be at Stephens Auditorium.

Cyclone soccer

The ISU soccer team's Aug. 20 home opener vs. Drake has been moved to the Prairie Ridge Sports Complex in Ankeny (1510 Northwest Ash Dr., west of Highway 69). Game time was changed to 5 p.m., and admission is free. A decision about the remaining home games will be made after damage to the turf at the ISU Soccer Complex is assessed. The team is on the road until its Sept. 17 matchup against the University of Iowa.

Cyclone volleyball

ISU volleyball will move all of its home matches -- including Saturday's 3 p.m. scrimmage -- to Ames High School (1921 Ames High Dr.). Wednesday night matches will start at 7 p.m., and weekend contests will take place as scheduled. Season tickets will be honored, leaving a limited number of seats (about 800) available. Single-match tickets are not yet available, but season tickets for the 15-match home schedule can be purchased for \$35. The Cyclones face the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, in their home opener Sept. 3.

Iowa State Center

The Chris Cagle concert scheduled to take place in the Iowa State Center courtyard on Sept. 1 has been cancelled. Refunds are available at the point of purchase, beginning at 10 a.m. on Aug. 19.

Organizers of two career fairs scheduled for Hilton Coliseum are scrambling to find new locations. The College of Engineering's career fair is slated for Sept. 21, while the colleges of Business and Liberal Arts and Sciences are holding a joint event Sept. 22.

Floodwaters left Stephens Auditorium largely unaffected, allowing the College of Veterinary Medicine's Aug. 20 white coat ceremony to take place as scheduled (7-9 p.m.). However, the reception has been moved to the Gateway Hotel and Conference Center. Stephens' performing arts series, which

opens Oct. 8 with the musical *Legally Blonde*, also will go on as planned; and comedian Brian Regan will take the Stephens stage Oct. 7.

Conferences and events planned for the Scheman Building are being relocated primarily to Fisher Theater and Stephens. Relatively few events were planned, and most anticipate fewer than 100 attendees. The Iowa Veterinary Medicine Association is expecting 250-300 people to attend its annual meeting Sept. 16-17, the first of several bigger events planned this fall.

Pat Dennis, director of event and conference services at the Iowa State Center, said that Sept. 17 is the tentative target date to resume operations in Scheman.

Fisher Theater

Fisher Theater escaped damage and will be ready to stage ISU Theatre's 2010-11 season, which opens with *Orpheus Descending* Oct. 1.

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A fleet of flood-relief vehicles has been staged in the Iowa State Center parking lots. *Photo by Bob Elbert*.

An army of yellow helps ISU clean up

by Diana Pounds

Iowa State is rolling along the road to flood recovery behind a convoy of yellow vans. The vans belong to ServiceMaster Clean, an international disaster recovery service headquartered in Memphis, Tenn.

"These are the pros in the business," vice president for business and finance Warren Madden said. "They work disasters all over the country."

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Experience, foresight helps

Madden said Iowa State is two to three weeks further along in recovering from the flood than it was during the similarly destructive flood of 1993 because "we've got more experience and we had the foresight to have a contract with ServiceMaster that we could immediately implement."

Crews were on campus within 24 hours of the flood, arriving late Wednesday, Aug. 11.

ServiceMaster's focus is on initial cleanup of facilities, before reconstruction work begins, said David Miller, director of facilities planning and management operations.

Sterilize, humidify, disinfect

"They come in to sterilize, dehumidify, disinfect and clean everything," he said. Their job is to make

the building safe and dry."

ServiceMaster workers are tackling most flood-soaked facilities, such as Hilton Coliseum, the Scheman Building, University Community Childcare, first. However, they'll also be turning their attention to some other facilities on campus with lesser damage.

Another professional disaster recovery service on campus is Cotton USA, a firm headquartered in Katy, Texas. Cotton crews are concentrating on outdoor surfaces, such as Veenker Memorial Golf Course and recreational fields, Miller said.

Lots of generators, diesel fuel

Miller estimated that ServiceMaster and Cotton USA have brought some 700 workers to campus over the past week. He added the two contractors are using \$18,000 worth of diesel fuel each day. The fuel is powering generators to run pumps, fans, dehumidifiers and powerwashers.

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Our state fair is almost over ...

But there still are three days left to enjoy the rides, pork chops on a stick (or your favorite stick food) and countless displays. Remember to stop by Iowa State's booth in the northeast corner of the Varied Industries Building (9 a.m.-9 p.m.) and check out the university's sustainability-themed display. And, of course, visitors may pick up Cyclone football posters and schedule cards, get I-State temporary tattoos and register to win tickets to a Cyclone football game. The Insight Bowl and Cy-Hawk trophies also are on display. *Photo by Bob Elbert*.

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