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Overheard on move-out day

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EPA recognizes ISU for green efforts

Iowa State has been recognized as a Green Power Partner by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**Announcements**

- May 11 fund-raiser at Ames Pizza Ranch benefits Wildlife Care Clinic
- Amy Grant/ Michael W. Smith concert tickets on sale May 14
- Part of Sixth Street (near Grand) closed on May 9
- Ride Your Bike to Work week is May 16-20

Receptions & open houses

Retirements

- Dr. Pauline Miller, May 12 (departmental reception)
- John Mayfield, May 12
- Richard Larock, May 13-14

Arts & events*Monty Python's Spamalot***Stephens season announced**

The Iowa State Center released its 22-performance Season at Stephens for the 2011-12 academic year.

Honors & awards

- Richard Cruse, Maynard Hogbert, Elisabeth Huff-Lonergan, Susan Lamont, John Patience and Curtis Youngs
- Jan Shearer

Around campus

- Solar car team competes at Indy
- Economics department installs Hall of Honor
- Extension pilots food preservation

Partner by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for "significant purchase" of wind energy and support of sustainable technologies.

Undergraduate commencement

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Union Drive to close May 16 for three weeks

Union Drive, near State Gym and Beyer Hall, will close May 16 through June 3 for continued work on the new pedestrian bridge between the two buildings. CyRide routes will change to accommodate the closure.

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training program

- Faculty, staff approve School of Education proposal

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The May dance in the parking lot

by Anne Krapfl

Thousands of students -- and hundreds of thousands of pounds of their stuff -- moved out of campus housing in a few short days last week. Residence staff did their best to find everyone a nearby parking stall for 90 minutes; the packing and loading (or throwing) was up to the students and their families.

Here's a sample of what was overheard in the Friley-Helser loading zone on move-out Friday:

Son to dad: "Upright? In the truck? There's *no* way . . ."

Dad cuts him off: "It has worked. Every year."

About a loft piece extending beyond the truck tailgate: "If nobody hits it on the way home, we'll be good."

Daughter to dad: "These stairs are killing me."

Dad to daughter: "I expect you to be sprinting down those stairs."

"Plenty of room!" (less than an inch to spare)

Eyeing a full car trunk: "I'm not sure where to put this . . . and I'm not an engineer."

"I thought it would work. I didn't say I'd bet on it."

"Where IS mom?!!"

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Plan ahead: University Boulevard exit will close May 12

by Erin Rosacker

Construction work on U.S. Highway 30 will close the westbound exit ramp at University Boulevard for 10 working days, beginning Thursday, May 12. The westbound on-ramp and both the eastbound on- and off-ramps at University Boulevard will remain open.

The Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) will set up a detour exit at Duff Avenue and send travelers west to University Boulevard via South 16th Street. Drivers also can reach University Boulevard by going west on South Fourth Street or Lincoln Way.

When the westbound lanes are reopened in the next few weeks, pavement replacement work will shift to the eastbound lanes of Highway 30. The DOT will close the eastbound on-ramp at University Boulevard for that portion of the project.

Travel updates

Updated Iowa **travel information** is available online, including route reports and camera views for mobile devices. **Personalized reports** also are available.

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Cy's Locker Room to open May 13

by Erin Rosacker

Cy's Locker Room, the official online store of ISU athletics, is breaking out of the virtual world and adding a physical retail location in the heart of busy South Duff Avenue in Ames. The store's grand opening is Friday, May 13, at 9 a.m.

The retail location is part of the athletics department's contract with Genesco, which took over as the department's official merchandise provider on April 1. Genesco, based in Nashville, Tenn., also runs the [Cy's Locker Room online store](#), and will operate game day merchandise stands at Jack Trice Stadium and Hilton Coliseum.

"We are excited about expanding into off-campus opportunities with a merchandise partner," said Mary Pink, associate athletics director for marketing. "South Duff is such a busy commercial area and is a great fit."

Cy's Locker Room is located at 806 S. Duff Ave., in a retail building south of Wal-Mart (between the Verizon store and Qdoba Mexican Grill). It will be open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

The store will carry more than 300 officially licensed Cyclone items, including merchandise from Nike, New ERA and Riddell. Custom embroidery and personalized jerseys also will be available.

The University Book Store previously served as the athletics department's official merchandise provider. UBS still will carry licensed Cyclone apparel, gifts, novelty items and more [online](#) and in the store.

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Class of 1961 will join the Gold Medal Club this weekend

Alumni Days 2011, May 12-14, will celebrate Iowa State's 50-year reunion class of 1961. About 250 alumni have preregistered for the reunion, including 150 from the class of 1961. The 50-year class will gather at a social Thursday evening in the Memorial Union and be honored during the Friday evening banquet at the Gateway Hotel.

Alumni Days opens with campus walking tours Thursday morning and concludes with a brunch at The Knoll Saturday morning. The alumni center is the home base and registration site for Alumni Days; daytime activities, such as demonstrations and laboratory tours, will bring alumni to central campus.

Special recognition also will be given to Gold Medal Club members from the classes of 1956, 1951, 1946, 1941 and 1936 during a Friday luncheon.

More information about Alumni Days is on the alumni association's website.

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Conflict of interest policy receives council approval

by Erin Rosacker

Members of the Professional and Scientific Council voted in favor of a draft policy for conflicts of interest and commitment at their May 11 meeting.

The draft policy, which will replace former consulting and conflict of interest policies, earned Faculty Senate endorsement last month. It outlines the external activities and financial interests that must be disclosed if they impact an employee's performance of duty, objectivity or appropriate use of state resources.

Council leadership

Current president-elect Ken Kerns (environmental health and safety) announced last month that he accepted a position at Tulane University, New Orleans. He said the presidential succession plan will be initiated when the gavel is passed to him at the June 2 council meeting. Kerns will resign immediately as president and offer the position to incoming president-elect Dan Burden (value-added agriculture, ISU Extension). A special election for the next president-elect will be held in August.

Three members were elected to executive committee positions including:

- Pam Owenson (ag education and studies), vice president, university planning and budget
- Julie Snyder-Yuly (Carrie Chapman Catt Center), vice president, university community relations
- Christian Charbonneau (natural resource ecology and management), secretary and treasurer

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Big gesture, four years in the making

On command, members of the Class of 2011 move their graduation tassels to the left side of their mortarboards during the undergraduate commencement ceremony at Hilton Coliseum May 7. More than 3,300 students completed degrees at Iowa State this spring, including about 2,700 bachelor's degree recipients. *Photo by Bob Elbert.*

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EPA designates Iowa State as a Green Power Partner

by Annette Hacker, News Service

Iowa State has been recognized as a **Green Power Partner** by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for its "significant purchase" of wind energy and its support of sustainable technologies.

For an organization to qualify as a partner, it must purchase at least 3 percent of its annual electricity use via green power. Eligible resources include solar photovoltaic, wind, geothermal, eligible biomass, fuel cells, biodiesel-fueled generators and certain types of hydropower.

Jeff Witt, director of utilities, said the university now is buying enough wind power to supply more than 7 percent of its electricity needs -- an increase from 4.4 percent in calendar year 2010. Iowa State is still striving to meet a goal of 10 percent, Witt said, but is challenged by a transmission system that can't fully support the power being generated by NextEra Energy's 100-turbine wind farm south of Zearing.

At times, that means wind farm operators have to curtail some of the output. Transmission upgrades planned for 2012 should help address that issue, Witt added.

"Iowa State is unique compared to many campuses. We are purchasing directly from the wind farm and therefore see the variability in production from the farm," Witt said. "We track this variability on an hourly and daily basis, and share the information with student groups and others on campus with an interest in wind energy."

Another goal to strive for is inclusion in the EPA's quarterly list of the top 20 colleges and universities buying green power. Reaching that depends on many factors, Witt said, most notably, variability and price. Wind energy currently costs more than electricity generated from nonrenewable sources. Green power purchasers on the EPA's **top 20 list** vary widely. Ohio State University, Columbus, and the University of Wisconsin, Madison, buy 9 percent of their electricity needs through renewable sources. Green powers purchases reflect 100 percent of electricity needs at Drexel University, Philadelphia; University of California, Santa Cruz; and American University, Washington D.C.

Witt said Iowa State also is a partner in the EPA's Combined Heat and Power Partnership, which recognizes the power plant's use of cogeneration (or combined heat and power) to provide energy to the campus with higher efficiencies and lower emissions than conventional sources.

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Union Drive to close May 16 for three weeks

by Erin Rosacker

Union Drive will close Monday, May 16, for construction work on the under side of the pedestrian skywalk between Beyer Hall and the State Gym addition. The road is scheduled to reopen Saturday, June 4.

The street and sidewalks will be closed along both sides of Union Drive, from Sheldon Avenue to the east side of Beyer or State Gym. The south doors of the Thielen Student Health Center will be open, but pedestrian access will be available only from the north and west. The southeast entrance to Beyer also will be accessible.

Access to the parking area near Thielen (Lot 2) is available from Sheldon Avenue. The parking area at the Union Drive Community Center (Lot 59B) is open from the east on Union Drive.

CyRide rerouted

The road closure will impact CyRide service on the Red (No. 1), Green (No. 2) and Purple (No. 7) routes. The reroutes will close all bus stops on Union between Sheldon and Bissell; the Green and Purple stops along Bissell (south of Osborn Drive); and the westbound Red stops south of Osborn on Union and Welch Road.

The westbound Red route will be redirected south along Sheldon (via Bissell to Pammel Drive) to West Street, while the eastbound Red bus will go south on Sheldon to Lincoln Way before turning north on Welch. The Purple and Green routes will be diverted from Bissell to Sheldon and Pammel.

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Monty Python's Spamalot comes to Stephens next January as part of the 2011-12 Season at Stephens announced May 11. *Submitted photo.*

Next performing arts season features (literally) something for everyone

by Anne Krapfl

The 2011-12 Season at Stephens, announced today, features 20 performing arts groups in just seven months' time. Crowd-favorite Broadway musicals will include Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, 2005 Tony Award winner *Monty Python's Spamalot* (based on the Python Holy Grail fiasco), an updated version of *Young Frankenstein* and the 1956 classic *My Fair Lady*.

Iowa State Center general manager Mark North noted that the lineup features performers from around the globe.

"The arts have the power to engage our community, overcome cultural barriers and just flat out entertain us and make us feel good," he said. "They should remain a priority even during uncertain economic times."

[Details about all the shows](#) in the series are on the center's website. Discounted ticket packages for three or more shows are on sale through June 30. Single-show tickets go on sale Monday, July 18.

Dance productions coming to Stephens next year include *Sleeping Beauty* by the Moscow Festival Ballet company, the Dayton (Ohio) Contemporary Dance Company and *BLAST!* -- part dance, part marching percussion band.

The season features three holiday shows. Pianist Lori Line returns Nov. 20, Christian superstars Mercy Me will perform Dec. 1, and Osmond brothers Jay, Wayne and Jimmy will bring their Christmas show to Stephens on Dec. 15.

Other concerts will be performed by the St. Petersburg (Russia) State Orchestra, 12-voice men's vocal ensemble Chanticleer, County Waterford's (Ireland) Danu (traditional Irish instruments and vocals) and Limerick's Irish Chamber Orchestra. The Fab Four will pay tribute to The Beatles and the Ambrose Akinmusire Quintet will pay tribute to jazz icon Miles Davis.

Theater productions include Shakespeare's *MacBeth* performed by the Aquila Theatre of New York City and a look at the effects of climate change with Miss Frizzle on the *Magic School Bus Live*.

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