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DOMA DEAD, LOVE LIVES

Supreme Court rules in favor of same-sex marriage

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Demonstrators begin walking to the Supreme Court to hear the decision on the DOMA and Proposition 8 cases.
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Iowa State Daily:  
July 3rd edition  
Because of the holiday falling on our publication day, please look for print edition of the paper on JULY 3 instead of the normal Thursday edition.  

Sports:  
Former Cyclones prepare for NBA Draft  
The annual NBA Draft will commence this Thursday, June 27. Former Cyclones Chris Babb and Will Clyburn will be among the former Iowa State Prospects entering this year’s draft. Current Houston Rocket, Royce White, was the last Cyclone basketball player to be drafted during the NBA Draft.  

Celebrations:  
July 4th fireworks activities  
Interested in where you can find Fourth of July fireworks? Check back with the Iowa State Daily online at iowastatedaily.com to find out where all firework displays will be held in the Iowa State Daily, Ames and even Des Moines area.  

Editorials:  
DOMA, Prop 8 and Voting Act of 1965  
The Supreme Court of the United States had a busy week during the last week of June. Major decisions come out, including DOMA and Prop 8, giving equal rights to gay and lesbian couples. Check in with the opinion section of the Iowa State Daily online to read editorials and opinions of columnists on the editorial board.  

News:  
Human trafficking series, part three  
The third part of our series on human trafficking will appear online, June 27. The series continues with a part about labor trafficking, and how that is not only affecting people all across the nation, but how it might be happening right here in Iowa.  

Police blotter  
Ames, ISU Police Departments  
The information in the log comes from the ISU and City of Ames police departments’ records. All those accused of violating the law are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.  

April 22  
An individual reported the theft of a license plate at lot 61A (reported at 7:42 p.m.).  

April 23  
An individual reported someone moved a backpack from a classroom into a bathroom at Molecular Biology (reported at 12:46 p.m.).  

April 25  
A vehicle that left the scene collided with a parked car at Lot 21 (reported at 9:35 p.m.).  

April 26  
Ngoc Bao Le, 21, 841 Dickinson Ave., Apt. B, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated at Hayward Avenue and Mortensen Parkway (reported at 1:31 a.m.).  

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What would your super power be?

Mohammed BuSaleh
Sophomore
Computer Engineering

Rachel Horn
Junior
Design

Britteny Carpio
Alumnae
Political Science

Mark Juetten
Graduate
Chemistry

Caitlyn Dierks
Senior
Animal Science

Would have the ability to jump extremely high, because he would like to see different horizons around the world.

Rachel Horn
Would want the ability to come up with the best comebacks, because she believes everybody enjoys a witty person.

Britteny Carpio
Would want the ability to teleport, because it would be an efficient way to travel.

Mark Juetten
Would want the ability to teleport, because you could go anywhere in the world.

Caitlyn Dierks
Would want the classic ability of flying, because you could see the world with no limits.

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One-on-one with B-Bops owner, Bob Johnson

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B-Bops is a fast food franchise found only in the Des Moines area. There are seven locations - four scattered throughout Des Moines and one each in Altoona, Ankeny and Ames. Each location has the feel of a 1950s style drive-thru.

The owner of B-Bops, Bob Johnson, told us a little bit about his franchise.

What interested you in becoming a restaurant owner?

Needed a job. I started back in 1970 in fast food.

What is your favorite thing about being the owner of B-Bops?

Well the profit, naturally. Making money.

Do some locations get more business than others?

Oh, sure, yeah. It just depends on what day and, like, over on the East side we sell quarter-pound hamburgers on Saturday and Sunday for $1.09 each. And we had to do that because there's just nothing else over there on the weekends. And we've been doing it for five years. And it's just really gone gangbusters now.

Do you plan to expand outside of the Des Moines area?

Mainly right now we want to concentrate right here, central Iowa.

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If someone wanted to open up a new B-Bops location, what steps would they have to take and what specifications would there be for the building?

Well, right now we don't want to expand on our franchising. So we're sticking just with our own corporate.

You said you started out in fast food. Did you start out as an employee?

I started out as an assistant manager trainee in Bolingbrook, Ill. The chain was Mr. Quick Hamburgers.

What sort of feedback do you receive about the restaurants, food, service, etc.?

Well, nothing but good.

B-Bops' 25th anniversary is coming up in November, correct? How do you plan to celebrate that?

Right. Still be here. No, we haven't made any formal plans yet for that.
Though it may not be as old or as famous as some buildings on campus, Ross Hall is nonetheless a prominent structure at Iowa State. Ross Hall is located just northeast of Curtiss Hall and is one of the tallest structures on campus, standing at six stories, including basement and penthouse levels.

Ross Hall is named after Earle D. Ross, a former professor of economic history and official college historian at Iowa State. Ross received his Ph.D from Cornell University and joined Iowa State as an associate professor of economic history in 1923. He later became a full-time professor of economic history and Iowa State’s official historian in 1943.

Ross was also highly knowledgeable in other fields of history. During his time at Iowa State, he published several books and articles on political, economic, agricultural, regional, state and ISU history. Ross was highly regarded by his colleagues, and was known as the “father of agricultural history.”

He retired from teaching in 1956, but stayed on as a part-time faculty member. Ross died in 1973, shortly after the construction of his namesake building.

Ross Hall was initially designed to be seven stories tall. The building was also supposed to be constructed with an attached wing on the south side containing three lecture halls, but the addition caused the building project to go over budget and as a result, two of the three halls were scrapped along with the seventh floor.

Construction bidding led to the last lecture hall being eliminated from the building plan, and so Ross Hall was built without the lecture wing that was originally envisioned.

Changes were also made to the building’s location on campus. The original location for Ross Hall was set due north of Curtiss Hall, but concern over how the building’s shadow would affect the campus greenhouses caused the building to be relocated northeast of Curtiss Hall. Once these issues were sorted out, construction on Ross Hall began in 1970 and was completed in 1973.

The departments of philosophy and religious studies were formerly housed in Ross Hall; they are now located in Catt Hall. Ross Hall currently houses the departments of English, history, and political science.
Imagine that you are an African American citizen in the 1950s being denied admission to a university on the basis of race. You would most likely feel enraged, unfairly becoming a second-class citizen. But in a period before the sweeping Civil Rights reform of the 1960s, there wouldn’t be anything you could do.

Now imagine that you are a white or Asian American citizen here in 2013 who can’t get into your college of choice because of the race with which you choose to identify. Is that not just as unfair as the exclusion of African American applicants in earlier times?

This was the case for Abigail Fisher, who took her case to the U.S. Supreme Court. In 2008, Fisher was denied admission to University of Texas on the basis of one of the university’s admission criteria: race. On Monday, the case was sent back to lower courts when the Supreme Court decided not to overturn it based on lack of proper scrutiny of the university’s admission policies by the appeals court.

Many private colleges and state universities use race or ethnicity as a criterion for student admissions in an attempt to create diversity on campuses that have previously been exclusively filled by young, privileged white people.

Affirmative action (or positive discrimination, as it is referred to in the U.K.) was certainly necessary in earlier decades of U.S. history, but now we need to be careful what we sacrifice in the name of diversity.

Affirmative action has already accomplished much. For example, enrollment of black students rose to 14 percent by 2010. That almost perfectly matched the distribution of African Americans in the U.S. population, which was 13 percent in the 2010 census. Similarly, 13 percent of enrolled students are of Hispanic origin, closing the gap between Hispanic student enrollment and Hispanic population in the U.S., which is 16 percent.

This isn’t to say that diversity has been fully achieved. There are holes in diversity at individual colleges, even if the national numbers are starting to improve. However, at this point it is doing nearly as much damage as good.

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This is why, despite the noble goals of affirmative action, we must be cautious that it does not harm the success of any individuals. No matter how determined universities are to have campus diversity, they should not disadvantage those with the intelligence and the drive to get a post-secondary education.
Beware the next time you swat-stomp a bee, not for the sting, but for the starvation.

Time Magazine is calling it the "beepocalypse," in which a severe colonial collapse of the global honeybee population is threatening all life on Earth. For the sake of fear-mongering, if this bee collapse continues without explanation, global economic collapse and starvation of the poor could become a frighteningly real scenario.

Why are the bees so important? Bees are responsible for much of the pollination process plants need in order to survive. Bees transport pollen (sperm cells) to and from plants, invariably becoming the vessel for plant reproduction.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), honeybees annually pollinate about 15 billion dollars worth of crops in the United States alone. The bees pollinate about 80 percent of our flowered crops: Nuts, fruits, and vegetables, which account for nearly 40 percent of what we eat.

Honeybees also pollinate crops that we use to feed livestock, which we in turn use for meat and dairy products. Outside of the plants and animals we harvest, honeybees pollinate a very large portion of the ecosystem. The ecosystem is in a balance important to the plants and animals we harvest; if it falters, so does everything else.

Thankfully, corn does not require active pollination as it, like most grasses, can rely on the wind to spread seed. So economically speaking, Iowa might be slightly better off in a dire situation than, say, Texas.

The top four commodities of Texas account for 75 percent of the entire state's agriculture: Cattle, cotton, broilers (baby chicks grown for meat) and greenhouses. Texas is easily the nation’s leading producer of cattle and cotton, and among the leaders for broilers and greenhouses.

Imagine if cotton became a rare commodity.

In an impending economic and ecosystem collapse, Iowa and Illinois cannot be required or expected to support all the cattle feed and broiler feed that would be needed to support Texas, let alone the rest of the nation. Iowa will surely do its best, but ultimately, people will be more concerned with themselves when the sky starts falling.

There has been some hot debate recently as to whether or not high fructose corn syrup might be contributing to the bee disappearance. The argument is that high fructose corn syrup, a food substitute for honeybees, has allowed for the lowering of the bee’s immune system due to lack of naturally occurring immune system bolstering compounds. While the substitute might not be directly unhealthy for the bees, it could facilitate the colonial depletion we are seeing around the world.

In addition to high fructose corn syrup, certain pesticides coming from Monsanto, Bayer and Syngenta have shown to be attributed to honeybee death even when the pesticides are regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and not supposed to harm pollinators.

Neonicotinoids are a type of pesticide used by Monsanto, Bayer and Syngenta that have been under fire ever since it was recognized by the EPA as a pesticide in the mid-1980s. This pesticide is currently banned in Europe for its unreliable results in regards to how safe it is for pollinators. Even non-lethal doses have been known to impair the flight of honeybees.

You have probably heard about honeybees in the news for years. This problem has been creeping up continuously, and for years scientists and environmental activists have been speaking up about it and no one has been listening and heeding to its importance. In many cases, companies who make seed, fertilizer and pesticides have blatantly ignored the warning signs and the EPA regulations.

For those of you who have a role in our agriculture industry, please make a concerted effort to figure out and solve our pollination problem. The hunger and wealth of the world very well could be sitting on your shoulders and not too far across the apple orchard.

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Only a 40-minute drive separates Iowa State’s campus from Drake Stadium. So, when the USA Track and Field Championships selected the famous blue track in Des Moines to host the event in 2013, Iowa State was nearly handed home-field advantage.

Cyclone track and field athletes were also handed an opportunity to compete against world-class competition in their own backyard. With 12 current, former and soon-to-be Cyclone athletes competing in the national event, the Cyclones once again proved Iowa State to be a top-tier track and field school.

Six of those athletes qualified for the Senior Division, the more prestigious of the two divisions at the USA Championships. Among those was long-distance runner Meaghan Nelson, an outgoing Cyclone senior. Nelson qualified for the 10,000-meter run along with Cyclone teammate Dani Stack and former teammate and Olympian Lisa (Koll) Uhl. The added pressure of racing against some of the best athletes in the world did not seem to bother Nelson, who finished 11th in a field of 21 runners.

“She was kind of injured heading into nationals, and didn’t run very well, but she came out and ran really well at the USAs,” said assistant coach Travis Hartke.

The 11th place finish places Nelson as one of the fastest long-distance runners in the nation along with her Cyclone teammates Uhl (9th place) and Stack (13th). For Nelson, the finish is a positive start to what she hopes to now make a career.

“I’ve made the decision to commit myself to running in the next year and give professional running a shot,” Nelson said. “In September, sometime, I’m planning on moving out and training with Coach Ihmels in Boise. Ideally, I hope to get some races in and be able to do this as a job for a while.”

Stack finished two spots behind Nelson in a consistent showing for the Cyclone women in the 10k run, but an injury sustained in March held the outgoing senior back from what she hoped to do at the USA Championships. Like Nelson, she hopes to keep competing past college.

“Overall, I think it was progress from the last few 10ks I ran this year, but at the same time I think there is a lot of work to be done,” Stack said. “I’m hoping to still keep competitive and keep training... I think I still have some uncapped potential that hasn’t shown yet.”

While Nelson and Stack raced for the last time as Cyclones, other Cyclone athletes, current and in-

 Dani Stack and Meaghan Nelson participate in the women’s 5,000-meter run. Stack finished fourth and Nelson finished third, respectively. Both competed in the USA Track and Field Championships.
coming, had solid showings at the USA Championships.

Cyclone freshman Kevin Poster was the first Cyclone to place in an event, finishing seventh in the triple jump in the Junior Division. The jump of 47-9.25 was one of the best jumps of his short Cyclone career.

Two other freshman Cyclone men competed in Junior events, with Caleb Abfall finishing 11th in the 3,000-meter Steeplechase and Nick Jackosky finishing 23rd in the 5,000-meter run.

In field events, the Cyclone women notched two more top-10 finishes in the Senior Shotput event. Redshirt senior Danielle Frere finished seventh with a throw of 55-0.00, only the second time in her career to eclipse the 55-foot mark. Sophomore Christina Hillman finished ninth, with a throw of 53-11.25.

The Des Moines event attracted premiere competition from around the country. Cyclone athletes often competed against some of the world’s best athletes.

Redshirt sophomore Cameron Ostrowski tied a career high with a jump of 7-02 1/2 in the high jump to land him a fifth-place finish. The event was won by 2012 Olympic silver medalist, Erik Kynard (7-05 3/4).

“[Ostrowski] has had a long layoff from jumping and jumped the qualifier last week, hasn’t had too much practice,” said Hartke. “He was probably the most impressive overall.”

While the event featured current and former Cyclone athletes, future Cyclone stars also competed in both senior and junior events. The experience, said Hartke, helps the athletes grow faster than other events would.

“It’s a great experience to give them a feel like that, where there were some of the top athletes from across the U.S.,” Hartke said. “It helps them evolve a lot quicker than if they hadn’t done it.”

For incoming freshman Anna Holdiman, the experience resulted in two more top-10 Cyclone finishes in separate events. The future Cyclone finished 10th in the Junior 5,000-meter run after finishing second in the Junior 3,000-meter run.

The promise showed during the 2013 USA Track and Field Championships is a positive sign for incoming Director of Track and Field/Cross Country, Martin Smith. As the NCAA Champion coach joins the Cyclones, some members of the team will be a step ahead.

“I think it’s just good for the program and Iowa State in general to represent the Cyclones and represent the program that’s being built over the last couple years,” said Stack. “It shows all the hard work we, as Cyclone athletes, have put in.”
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A guide to summer blockbusters - July 2013

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Right now, we are halfway through summer vacation, meaning half of the summer blockbusters have already hit the big screens. If for some reason you want to know what you missed in the previous two months, you can have a look at May and June online at www.iowastatedaily.com/ames247.

The Lone Ranger
07/03/13

“The Lone Ranger” already has a lot of controversy surrounding it. Johnny Depp is playing the character Tonto, an American Indian character. Depp himself is actually part Cherokee and has permission from a local tribe, so I am curious as to why people even still care. In fact, he has said he hopes to combat racism by giving a new look to the very stereotypical character, and making him more than a sidekick. Disney seems to be launching this series with the clear intent of making a new “Pirates of the Caribbean,” so if it actually has a lot of controversy surrounding it, why do they sell those as stuffed animals?

Despicable Me 2
07/03/13

“Despicable Me” is a story about a villain who learns to love for three little girls and change his life. “Despicable Me 2” argues that somehow this man is still known for being a villain, and they need his brain in order to help save the world from a bigger threat: Aliens. I start to question how this man is still considered a villain. He only does good and saves the world. Either way, I didn’t think the first film was that great, I just thought the little minions were really cute, so that is what I am most looking forward to. Do they sell those as stuffed animals?

Pacific Rim
07/12/13

I think we are all thinking the same thing here. Giant robots fighting giant aliens is awesome. It is the best part of Power Rangers, and “Pacific Rim” wants to make it into an amazing movie. Heck, it also features Idris Elba and Ron Perlman, two gentlemen who I would always watch a movie for, and it is directed by Guillermo del Toro, who gave us “Hellboy!” I believe a sequel is probably going to blow the other films out of the water.

R.I.P.D.
07/19/13

Some former federal agents, now Retired and Extremely Dangerous (thus the title), going around and causing a ruckus. More importantly, John Malkovich is in it, and generally anything he does is worthy of a watch. His character was the best part of the first film, so I have high hopes he will be incredible in this one as well. It is hard to tell whether or not this film will be able to surpass “R.I.P.D.,” as both movies appear to be action comedies, so most likely they will hurt each other’s potential.

The Way, Way Back
07/19/13

Alright, imagine a movie where we have a grizzled vet who has been on the force for a while, getting a young partner who is new to the field. These men have to battle supernatural entities that are invading/disrupting Earth, while remaining secret from your everyday average human. Now, were you thinking of “R.I.P.D.” or “Men In Black?” Sure, “R.I.P.D.” has been a graphic novel since 2003, but by then “Men In Black” already had two movies. I think most viewers will have a problem separating the two, and they will claim this one is just a strange ripoff. Jeff Bridges is in it, an Academy Award winning actor, but he seems a bit too ridiculous for my taste. I personally am afraid it will be too cheesy without having enough original plot or interesting action to back it up.

The Smurfs 2
07/31/13

“The Smurfs 2” almost didn’t get mentioned in this July blockbuster review, but they decided to jump the gun and release the film on a Wednesday now, putting it right over the line. The first “Smurfs” movie was decently entertaining on its own right, I just think they went for too many gimmicks overall. Which is why I am not surprised to see the gimmicks continue with the sequel, which wants to turn Smurfette into a “Naughty,” opening up plenty of jokes about her voice actress Katy Perry. This will be the third big CGI animated movie in July, whereas the previous months each only had one big release. “The Smurfs 2” will end up doing well only if the families aren’t “movie’d out” by the end of the month.

Red 2
07/19/13

“Red” is the sequel to the now cult hit, “Red,” based loosely on a graphic novel of the same name. In it, we have some of the most funny scenes. One of my favorite parts comes when John Malkovich is in a room with a Russian spy, John Travolta, (who is bad at Russian), and Will Arnett. Malkovich is the one who needs to go to America to pick up a large sum of money, and when he sees Travolta at the airport Malkovich says “I am a Russian spy and I need you to help me.” And Travolta is like “Great, I just thought the literal minions were cute, so that is what I am most looking forward to. Do they sell those as stuffed animals?”

Turbo
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Hey, this seems like a good idea. Let’s take an animal, make it talk, and have him dream of doing things that he cannot do. Like a slug wanting to race and go fast. Hilarious! “Turbo” seems like it came about on a lazy day of writing, and for whatever reason the movie executives thought it would be an amazing idea. Even better, they got Ryan Reynolds to voice the lead, his most recent voice work coming from the “The Croods,” which flopped. I will admit, I like that he is starring in two movies that come out in the same day, but given this is the second CGI kids flick this month, it will probably not make bank.

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Grilling Safety Tips

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Nothing evokes the familiar sights and smells of summer like lighting a grill. Grilling is a staple of the summer season, but making sure it is done safely is essential for a good time.

**Grill in a safe location:** Make sure to place the grill on a flat surface to avoid tipping. Also avoid fences, shrubs or decks and make sure to cook in a location that has good ventiliation, but little wind.

**When using charcoal:** Do not add lighter fluid to hot coals in order to get the flames going. This could cause the flames to travel up the lighter fluid stream. Always make sure to use mitts or tongs if you need to adjust the grill grate or coals.

**Clean up:** Close the lid and all vents to allow the grill to cool down or the coals to burn out. When disposing of charcoal, make sure the briquettes are completely burned out and dispose of them in a non-combustible container. Make sure to clean the grease from the grate so it is ready to go for next time.

**Disaster Kit Items:**
- Weather radio
- First aid kit
- Bottled water
- Non-perishable food
- Paper towels
- Towels
- Blankets
- Extra clothes and shoes
- Flashlights
- Batteries

**Tornado Safety Precautions:**
- Understand your area’s emergency sirens.
- Make an exit plan in case of severe weather.
- Make sure all mobile devices are completely charged.
- Choose someone to be your contact person if you’re separated from family and friends to let them know you’re alright.

**During the storm – Indoors:**
- Seek shelter on the lowest level of the building or in the most interior room or closet. Do not use elevators to get there.
- Keep your disaster kit with you.
- Cover your face, head and neck with a blanket or jacket to protect from debris.
- Stay inside until the coast is clear and don’t try to leave to “escape” the storm.
- If in a mobile home, leave and seek shelter as soon and quickly as possible.

**Thunderstorm, Lightning and Hail Safety**
- Close windows, exterior doors, blinds, shades and curtains.
- Stay away from windows and doors. It wouldn’t be a bad idea to move to the basement or an interior room.
- Avoid all plumbing and bathroom fixtures since they conduct electricity.
- Unplug all electronic appliances and turn off air conditioners.
- Keep your disaster kit with you.

Severe Weather Precautions and Safety Tips

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This time of the year, severe storms are popping up left and right. It is always a good idea to be prepared at all times. Here is some information about being prepared and staying safe during severe weather:

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**During the storm – Outdoors:**
- Get inside as quickly as possible.
- Avoid buildings with long roof spans because they usually don’t have interior support.
- If you can’t get inside, find a ditch or other low-lying area, lay flat and cover your face, head and neck.
- If in a car, safely drive away from the storm if possible and avoid bridges and overpasses.

**Thunderstorm, Lightning and Hail Safety**
- Close windows, exterior doors, blinds, shades and curtains.
- Stay away from windows and doors. It wouldn’t be a bad idea to move to the basement or an interior room.
- Avoid all plumbing and bathroom fixtures since they conduct electricity.
- Unplug all electronic appliances and turn off air conditioners.
- Keep your disaster kit with you.

Summer Safety Tips

By Saige.Heyer
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Now that temperatures are on the rise, more and more people are spending time outdoors. Follow these tips to stay safe while having a fantastic summer!

- Use sunscreen that protects against both UVA and UVB rays, has an SPF of 30 or greater and is water resistant.
- Sunscreen should be reapplied every two hours, even on cloudy days.
- Plan to stay indoors between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. when the sun’s rays are strongest.
- Don’t forget to apply sunscreen to the tops of your feet, backs of your knees, hands, ears and your scalp.
- Pick shampoos and conditioners designed specifically for dry hair, because the sun and chlorine can dry out your scalp. Many leave-in conditioners contain sunscreen, which will protect hair color and your scalp.
- Stay hydrated, sleep well, keep allergies in check, maintain a constant body temperature and avoid aged cheeses, artificial sweeteners and caffeine to prevent migraines.
- You should use insect repellent that contains DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. When using DEET, be careful when applying it on children and always read the label.
- Wear sunglasses that protect against UVA and UVB rays.
- Never leave children unattended near water.
- Always wear the correct sized life jacket if you don’t know how to swim or while boating.
- Take swimming lessons from certified instructors.
- Don’t swim alone or dive into water unless it has been designated for diving.

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The Supreme Court of the United States gave its rulings on the 1996 DOMA (Defense of Marriage Act) and Proposition 8 cases early Wednesday morning.

The Supreme Court ruled in a 5-4 decision that DOMA was unconstitutional. The federal government will no longer treat individuals in heterosexual marriages differently from those in heterosexual marriages, and legal gay and lesbian marriages will be recognized in all states, no matter their marriage law.

"To find DOMA unconstitutional is to say that Congress cannot legislate what it attempted to legislate, Congress can no longer intervene to deny the benefits states guarantee gay and lesbian couples," said Dirk Deam, senior lecturer of political science at Iowa State.

In another 5-4 vote, the Supreme Court ruled Proposition 8 unconstitutional, which is the California ban on same-sex marriage. The Court ruled there was no standing on Prop 8, meaning same-sex marriage is legal in California.

"The litigants in this case were in New York and enjoyed the benefits from the state, however DOMA interceded and created a tax penalty at the federal level. Whatever the states did, DOMA created this special restriction on any sort of benefits," Deam said.

Deam clarified, while the Supreme Court ruled DOMA unconstitutional, there is no new fundamental human right.

"This is not an opinion that provides a sweeping change, the [Supreme] Court here could have announced a more encompassing opinion. It does not announce any new fundamental right; it does not identify any new constitutional rights."

While the Supreme Court did not identify a new constitutional right, Deam said the opinion was still important because it stuck down DOMA. The Supreme court did not recognize gay marriage as a right, but if they had, Deam said that would have set precedence for the future.

Deam explained the term, suspect classification, and how that is relevant in the same-sex marriage discussion.

"Discrimination of gay people falls into the realm of suspect classification. We treat race as suspect classification because it has historically been discriminated against. We could do the same thing with sexual orientation status, but the Court did not do that," Deam said.

However, Deam explained that sexual orientation has not been used as a suspect classification, but it is not completely out of the question.

"Sexual preference has never considered a suspect classification," Deam said. "Justice Kennedy’s language in the DOMA case, and in earlier cases on homosexuality such as Lawrence v. Texas, sounds like he’s talking about a change in suspect classifications."

Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote the Supreme Court’s opinion.

"DOMA divests married same-sex couples of the duties and responsibilities that are an essential part of married life and that they in most cases would be honored to accept were DOMA not in force ... this [law] places same-sex couples in an unstable position of being in a second-tier marriage," parts of the Supreme Court opinion read.

Deam thinks, as a political scientist, that the Supreme Court is going to eventually have to make a ruling on same-sex marriage.

"I don’t think they have any choice. Just like they did with segregation, somebody has to rule on something," Deam said. "It is noticeable, its just not going to go away. Like what happened in Roe v. Wade in 1973, everybody knew an abortion decision was going to come down."

David Pedersen, former President of the ISU College Republicans and junior in accounting at Iowa State, feels his generation is open to the idea of civil unions.

"I’m not opposed to civil unions or survivor benefits for same-sex couples," Pedersen said.

"DOMA was about state’s rights over federally mandated rules, it was a federal overreach into state’s rights; this should have been more about states rather than Washington telling them what to do, which is a core principle of the Republican party."
Choose the right photographer for your wedding

Photography

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Every bride wants her special day captured on film so she can go back through the albums from time to time and reminisce. It is important to choose the right photographer who matches your style and provides the services you need.

“If you feel like you can see yourself in their images, chances are your personalities are very compatible and you’re going to have a great time,” said Dan McClanahan of McClanahan Studio in Ames. A photographer’s imagery plays a big role in working with them.

“The engagement session, I think, is really important,” McClanahan said. “It kind of gives you a trial run of ‘Hey, this is what it feels like to be photographed’ and it gives the photographer an idea of what it’s like to photograph you.”

Sometimes, you’ll run into a consistent problem when photographing weddings.

“The tricky thing about wedding photography is that you run into just all kinds of crazy lighting situations,” said Craig Carroll, owner of Craig Carroll Photography in Ames. Choose someone who specializes or has a lot of experience with photographing weddings. Some people who are good at taking photos of things such as wildlife or portraits may not know how to adjust for the lighting in a dimly lit venue.

Get references from a photographer’s previous clients if you don’t know much about them. People put their best work on display so you want to get opinions from someone who has worked with the photographer and has actually seen their work.

“I would encourage all brides to consider the long term as well as the short term and make sure they hire a photographer they really love and can trust to immortalize their day,” McClanahan said.

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Technology

Microsoft set to build $700 million data center in Des Moines

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Iowa is steadily becoming the hidden gem in the corporate battleground. In the last few years, companies like Google, Facebook and Microsoft have all invested heavily in new data centers, the latter of which has just decided to spend $700 million on its latest acquisition.

Microsoft, the technology giant based out of Redmond, Wash., isn’t new to Iowa. The company owns more than 40 acres of land in the Des Moines area, on which they've built – and plan to build – large data centers for their online cloud services such as Xbox LIVE and Windows programs.

The company will receive $20 million in tax credits for their new project, as recently approved by the Iowa Economic Development Authority Board.

Microsoft's latest investment was not entirely out of left field. Earlier this year, the Des Moines Register reported that a $700 million data center code named Project Mountain was found in state documents.

It was reported that it would be coming to the city as the most expensive endeavor yet.

Debi Durham, director of the Iowa Economic Development Authority, said that this expansion was relatively quick because we both knew how these things work around here.

The actual procedure of organizing such a large financial investment is not done overnight, Director of Community and Economic Development for West Des Moines Clyde Evans said.

There are proposals, agreements, levels and phases of the approval process that must go on between the West Des Moines officials, state officials, and Microsoft.

“We have these processes so that we can have each of our steps down in writing. Once the proposals are agreed upon, it’s up to the city council to take action,” Evans said.

The data center will house important, private company information and the security would match that importance, Evans said.

“It’s going to be pretty tightly nailed down. Requests for qualified visitors must be sent directly to the Redmond, Wash. offices before they can enter the premises, and even then you’ll still have to deal with security gates, reinforced booths, and security guards before you get in,” Evans said.

“Microsoft is very strict about the security of their customers’ data, so I don’t see the place ever giving local tours and such.”

Durham sees the same thing as Evans does, in regards to public access.

“It’s not uncommon for this level of security to be in place. But I don’t think the public will have a negative reaction to the lack of access; rather, I think most people will take comfort in knowing that their personal information is so safe, as I do,” Durham said.

Evans said that while the new center won’t provide much in the way of jobs (only about 50 are expected to work in the new addition), it benefits the city and Iowa in other ways.

“We’re very pleased to do the expansion here because it shows their interest not only in West Des Moines, but Iowa as a whole. It puts us on the map and helps highlight our qualities,” Evans said.

The qualities – or incentives – of coming to Iowa are mouth-watering for these large-scale companies. One of the largest costs for data centers like Microsoft’s is the simple necessity of keeping it powered, and Iowa has one of the lowest natural energy costs of the nation, according to Durham.

Additionally, Iowa doesn’t charge tax for electricity, a savings that can cut a company’s sustainability costs exponentially. Durham said that Iowa is quickly becoming a hot spot for corporations.

“I expect to see more centers like these from small and large companies. Iowa has 3 large platforms: Manufacturing, information technology, and bio-economy,” Durham said. “It’s so enviable to these companies because those three platforms are hitting really hard right now, except for IT. However, IT is catching up with acquisitions like these, and that’s what’s helped us through the recession so much more than other places.”

It was also mentioned that green energy is a large incentive of the companies setting up shop in the corn state.

“Google has invested in a wind farm and Facebook chose Altoona partly because of its wind energy,” Durham said. “I fully expect these companies to be pushing the green conversation forward in Iowa. We’re working on how to move Iowa forward, and those benefits will never go away.”

Durham added that she finds it particularly interesting that these companies are expanding here, not just moving in.

“Iowa is a safe investment for these centers. There’s a national buzz going in here, and they know it,” Durham said.

According to Durham, these companies are starting to work with universities to let students know that there are new job opportunities close to home.

“Changes like what we’re seeing now can cause universities to look at their curriculums and possibly add more IT courses for students interested in entering the growing field,” Durham said. “It all comes back to just how much Iowa is advancing these days.”
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**Cancer**  
June 22–July 22  
With Jupiter in your sign for the next year, you’ll go through some positive changes. Expect just about every part of your life, from money to health to romance, to get better over the next twelve months. You deserve it!

**Libra**  
Sept. 23–Oct. 23  
You could be reconsidering your approach to a relationship. The moon is showing you that maybe you didn’t handle things all that well, and that’s why your situation has gotten out of control. Don’t worry. With enough effort, you can fix the mess.

**Capricorn**  
Dec. 22–Jan. 19  
Jupiter is going to be opposite your sign for the next twelve months, and this means that you should pull within and do a lot of reflecting on your life. Try not to make huge changes like moving somewhere new or getting married during this time.

**Taurus**  
April 20–May 20  
You might need distance from romance right now. Work, money, or educational commitments are demanding lots of your attention. Don’t pick a fight with your honey just because you’re stressed out. Venus says communication is the key.

**Leo**  
July 23–Aug. 22  
Speak carefully and choose your words with caution. A moon opposition could make you hasty, and you might end up saying something cruel to your partner that you could later regret. Don’t let a negative mood spoil an important relationship.

**Scorpio**  
Oct. 24–Nov. 2  
Prickly Mercury is putting you in one of those “It’s my way or the highway” moods. You’ll want to give your partner an ultimatum. But if your only real complaint is that your honey isn’t doing enough housecleaning, try to work things out.

**Aquarius**  
Jan. 20–Feb. 18  
You could have a lot of fun hanging out with a casual friend this week. A flirtatious mood is in the air, so things might even become romantic between you. The moon is creating some exciting moments of connection and a lot of light-hearted fun.

**Gemini**  
May 21–June 21  
With Mercury, your ruler, going retrograde, it’s important to take things slowly. The next few weeks could be a busy time, not the best period for making romantic decisions. Keep things light and fun in your social life.

**Virgo**  
Aug. 23–Sept. 22  
Your energy tends to be low whenever Mercury goes into one of its retrograde periods. So be gentle on yourself for the next few weeks. Don’t pressure yourself to hit the gym every day or to be perfect in everything you do. Relax with your honey.

**Sagittarius**  
Nov. 22–Dec. 21  
Your family might be telling you to do one thing with your personal life, but you want to do something very different. Mars is creating some tension. Your family members might love you, but you shouldn’t let them make major life decisions for you.

**Pisces**  
Feb. 19–March 20  
You’ll feel more energized this week than you have for several months. You’ll come up with a plan of attack to address any area of your life that needs fixing. Along the way, expect to gain greater clarity and insight into your romantic situation.

Fun Facts

Tuesday Island, Wednesday Island, Thursday Island, and Friday Island all exist in the Torres Strait off the coast of Australia.

Curly was a lifelong dog lover. He was constantly adopting stray pups.

Al Capone’s brother was a cop.

Venus and Uranus rotate on their axes in a different direction than the other six planets.

The space between your pointer finger and thumb is called the “purlie.”

Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel.

A National Weather Service study indicated that more than eight out of every ten people injured or killed by lightning were men.

Jimi Hendrix actually opened for the Monkees.

Moe wasn’t always laughing about acting. He was briefly a Shakespearean actor!

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**THURSDAY**

**Paint Your Own Pottery**

**What:** Join University Museums in welcoming artist Amy N. Worthen to the Brunnier Art Museum where she will discuss her series Real and Imagined Aspects of the State Capitol (1976-77).

**When:** 12 p.m.

**Where:** Brunnier Art Museum, Scheman Building

**Council Night at the Bandshell**

**What:** Concertgoers will have the opportunity to meet the Ames City Council. Ames Municipal Band concert is conducted by Michael Golemo.

**When:** 8 to 9 p.m.

**Where:** Durham Bandshell

**FRIDAY**

**Reiman Gardens Plant Pais**

**What:** Join Reiman Gardens as they help you to cultivate a garden. $2 for members, $6 for the general public. Iowa State University students pay 15 percent off member price.

**When:** 10 a.m.

**Where:** Reiman Gardens

**SUNDAY**

**Bookends at the Bandshell**

**What:** Take time for tunes and enjoy a little summer fun outdoors with a live concert at Bandshell Park.

**When:** 6 to 8 p.m.

**Where:** Durham Bandshell

**Live Music at the Vineyard at Prairie Moon Winery**

**What:** Make your way to Prairie Moon Winery to enjoy an afternoon of live American/Bluesgrass music with Finders and Youngberg. While listening to music indulge in some brick oven pizza!

**When:** 3 to 6 p.m.

**Where:** Prairie Moon Winery

**MONDAY**

**Perfect Games Patio Party**

**What:** Join perfect games on the patio overlooking the pond for the 2013 Patio Party! For $10 you get a 32oz Perfect Games Mug filled with a domestice beer or well drink. Refills are just $3 for draws and $5 for wells during the Patio Party. The mug deals continue all week long with domestic refill for just $4 and $6 for wells. Live music from New Rock 105.1 the last Thursday of every month all summer. There will be $2 pulled pork sandwiches, $1 BBQ Dogs and Burgers, and prizes or giveaways.

**When:** 7 p.m.

**Where:** Perfect Games, Ames

**TUESDAY**

**Harry Potter Writing Club**

**What:** Join us at the library this summer as we use the Harry Potter stories as inspiration to create short stories, improve our writing and share our work.

**When:** 1 to 2 p.m.

**Where:** Kirkendall Public Library, Ankeny

**DANCE SOCIAL**

**What:** Free dance social hosted by the ISU Ballroom Dance Club. Singles welcome. Dress is casual; indoor shoes or socks are required.

**When:** 7:30 to 9:45 p.m.

**Where:** Pioneer Room, Memorial Union

**LIVE MUSIC AT SNUS HILL WINERY**

**What:** Make your way to Snus Hill Winery to enjoy an evening of live blues music with The Blues Bureau.

**When:** 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

**Where:** Snus Hill Winery in Madrid, Iowa

**AMES CHORAL SOCIETY SUMMER CONCERT**

**What:** Enjoy an evening of music performed by the Ames Choral Society. Cost: $10 per adult.

**When:** 7 p.m.

**Where:** St. Andrews Lutheran Church

**YOGA IN THE PARK**

**What:** Ames Parks and Recreation presents Yoga in the Park. Cost is free.

**When:** 10 to 11 a.m.

**Where:** Bandshell Park

**SUNDAY**

**Bookends at the Bandshell**

**What:** Take time for tunes and enjoy a little summer fun outdoors with a live concert at Bandshell Park.

**When:** 6 to 8 p.m.

**Where:** Durham Bandshell

**Live Music at the Vineyard at Prairie Moon Winery**

**What:** Make your way to Prairie Moon Winery to enjoy an afternoon of live American/Bluesgrass music with Finders and Youngberg. While listening to music indulge in some brick oven pizza!

**When:** 3 to 6 p.m.

**Where:** Prairie Moon Winery

**NORTH GRAND FARMERS’ MARKET**

**What:** Shop fresh, local goods and products at the North Grand Farmers’ Market every Wednesday and Saturday from April through October.

**When:** 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Where:** North Grand Mall

**AMES ON THE HALF SHELL**

**What:** Join the Ames Jucees for a weekly Friday night live band extravaganzas in downtown Ames. Enjoy the awesome sounds of many local bands, socialize with friends and enjoy a fun-filled evening of warm, summer weather. The cost is $4 per person but for kids, 10 and under, free.

**When:** 5 to 8 p.m.

**Where:** Ames Bandshell Park, Downtown, Ames