

Noon News



Today
High: 74 Low: 57
Afternoon showers

Tomorrow
High: 70 Low: 54
Thunderstorms



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Deputies seize 23 dogs in Amana

Johnson County sheriff's deputies have seized 23 dogs they say were malnourished, diseased, and living in filthy conditions at a residence in Amana. Misha Goodman, director of the Iowa City Animal Care and Adoption Center, said it is likely more dogs will come into the shelter. She said some dogs are still running loose at the property and her employees are still trying to catch them.

Cedar Rapids school board approves contracts

Cedar Rapids school board members approved a 3.5 percent "total package" settlement for the district's 2009-10 teachers and nurses last night. This is an estimated new allocation of more than \$3 million in salaries and benefits. The total cost of all salaries and benefits for teachers and nurses in the district will be \$89 million next school year compared with \$86 million for the current school year.

Treasury says 10 big banks can repay bailout

The Treasury Department has approved 10 of the nation's largest banks to repay \$68 billion in government bailout money. The banks will be allowed to repay the money they received from the \$700 billion emergency fund created by Congress last October at the height of the financial crisis.

Congress to consider 'cash for clunkers' plan

Consumers could receive rebates of up to \$4,500 for turning in their gas-guzzling vehicles for more fuel-efficient models under a House proposal. President Obama has urged Congress to approve incentives for car purchases as part of efforts to reorganize General Motors Corp. and Chrysler LLC.

U.S. releases Iraqi linked to death of five U.S. soldiers

The U.S. military has released a Shiite militant accused of being involved in the killing of five American soldiers in January 2007, officials said today. The release of Laith al-Khazali comes amid reports of negotiations with his militia group to free at least one of five British hostages.

First Gitmo detainee arrives in U.S. for trial

A Guantanamo Bay detainee indicted in the 1998 bombings of U.S. embassies in East Africa arrived in New York today to face criminal charges. Ahmed Khalfan Ghailani is the first detainee to be transferred to the U.S. to face prosecution. He has been held at the camp since September 2006.

Third acid attack in six months in Hong Kong

Authorities in Hong Kong were reviewing surveillance tapes today to determine who tossed a bottle of acid from the top of a building, injuring 24 pedestrians in a busy shopping district. The incident was the third such attack in the Mong Kok district in the last six months.

Pakistan shelling Taliban in tribal district

Pakistan's military started shelling Taliban hideouts in Bannu district, a local government official said today. Bannu's district coordination officer, Kamran Zeb Khan, said the military operation began this morning after a deadline given to tribal leaders in the region to hand over militant suspects had expired.

Apple announces new iPhone 3GS

Apple today unveiled the iPhone 3GS, its third iteration of the popular smartphone, which will include a video camera, an improved still camera, a digital compass, and faster Web browsing. Pricing will be \$199 for a 16-gigabyte version and \$299 for a 32-gigabyte model. It will be available June 19.

Catch of the day: Missile

A commercial fisherman reeled in a live missile in the Gulf of Mexico and kept it on his boat for 10 days, authorities in Florida said. Police said man hooked the air-to-air guided missile 50 miles off the coast of Panama City. The Air Force and Navy use the area for weapons training.

Braves outlast Pirates in 15 innings

David Ross' bases-loaded infield single in the 15th inning drove in Jeff Francoeur to give the Atlanta Braves a 7-6 win over the Pittsburgh Pirates in a game that lasted almost five hours last night. It was the longest game in Atlanta since July 7, 2008, which was the longest game in Turner Field history.

Today in history

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On this day in 1973, with a victory at the Belmont Stakes, Secretariat became the first horse since Citation in 1948 to win America's coveted Triple Crown.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON BACK

UPCOMING EVENTS

- The Fourth Floor Salon is hosting an Aveda event until 3:30 p.m. today. All Aveda products are 20 percent off and the distributor is available to answer questions. Proceeds support programs that benefit patients and their families.
- A public presentation on medical debt and how it affects families will take place from 2 to 3:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Bean Conference Room, SE301 GH. The event is part of the 2009 Obermann Summer Seminar Series “Borrowing to the Brink: Consumer Debt in America.” For more information, e-mail ryan-andersen@uiowa.edu or call Neda Barrett at 335-4034.
- Tune in to an interview about a family based prevention program study with Robert Philibert, MD, PhD, professor and psychiatrist, airing at 7:30 and 9:50 a.m. tomorrow on the AM-800 KXIC University of Iowa Health Care Today program.
- Wild Rose Gifts will be hosting a Father’s Day event from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. tomorrow. Great new gifts for Dad including ties, hats, coffee mugs, water bottles, and more. Proceeds support programs that benefit patients and their families.
- Patients and visitors are invited to children’s story hour at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow, Patients’ Library, Elevator F, Level 8.
- Project Art presents Jonny Lipford playing the Native American flute at noon tomorrow in the Colloton Pavilion Atrium, Elevator F, Level 1.
- “Lactation Chat” is a breastfeeding support group facilitated by a University of Iowa lactation consultant from 4 to 5 p.m. every Wednesday in the Dr. Bell Conference Room, Elevator I, Level 6. Participants can discuss common challenges to breastfeeding and receive inspiration and tips. Babies are welcome.
- Hospital Ramp 2 will be closed at 6 p.m. Friday until 6 a.m. Monday. If you normally park in this ramp, please use another ramp during this time. Questions? Call Martin Shafer, Director, Department of Environmental & Guest Services at 356-2277.
- Do you eat when you are stressed, bored, angry, or to celebrate? Many diets work for weight loss, but can you control your emotional eating to lose weight and keep it off? Learn and share strategies to manage emotional eating from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. Thursday, June 25, in 115 CDD. Pre-registration via Employee Self Service is required. Go to “My Training” and search the date or title of the presentation. If you are unable to attend, you may request materials by calling 353-2973.
- UI Health Care will have an information booth at the Johnson County Fair, July 27 through 30. To promote a program, area, or department, contact Tom Walljasper at 384-1745 or tom-walljasper@uiowa.edu.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- UI Health Care staff and health science program students are reminded to wear photo ID badges above the waist with the photo facing out. Badges are not to be punctured in any way; holes in the badge will render the card dead for door access.
- Persons who have a family member with diabetes; are overweight; have high blood pressure or cholesterol levels; had diabetes during a pregnancy; delivered a baby that weighed more than nine pounds; or are of Native American, African American, or Hispanic descent are at risk for impaired glucose tolerance or diabetes. A free REACH screening (risk assessment, fasting blood sugar, and recommendations for follow-up of test results) is available by calling 384-8442.

RESEARCH VOLUNTEERS INVITED

- Healthy adults between the ages of 18 and 55 are invited to participate in a study concerning personality, genetics, and the perception of pain. The study will involve questionnaires, a saliva sample, and temporary muscle soreness from an injection of acidic saline solution. The study will consist of two visits, with an injection at each visit. Each session will last approximately 1.5 hours. Compensation. If interested, call 353-5342 or e-mail armand-gentile@uiowa.edu.
- Adults ages 18 to 25 who have language learning or reading disabilities are invited to participate in a research study on sleep and word learning. Participants will learn new words and take tests to determine their retention of the new words. The study involves five visits of 90 minutes each. Compensation. For details, call Nichole Eden or e-mail child-language@uiowa.edu.
- Children ages 2 years, 6 months to 6 years, 11 months are invited to participate in a research study examining how children use social cues such as looking at or touching an object to learn words. During the study, children will learn names for unfamiliar objects. They will also participate in a battery of speech, language, and listening tasks. The study involves one to two visits for approximately 90 minutes at the Department of Otolaryngology on the UI campus or a mutually agreeable location. Contact Elizabeth Walker or Karla McGregor at 353-8980 or e-mail [elizabeth-walker@uiowa.edu](mailto:lizabeth-walker@uiowa.edu).

View the most recent study announcements at www.uihealthcare.com/depts/clinicaltrials/volunteer.html.

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