

# Noon News



**Today**  
High: 60 Low: 37  
Partly cloudy



**Tomorrow**  
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**Friday, October 30, 2009**

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## **Regents approve UI budget reduction plan**

The state Board of Regents yesterday approved a University of Iowa plan to deal with a \$23.5 million budget cut announced earlier this month. The UI proposal includes a reduction in building and equipment spending; a redirection of unobligated federal stimulus funds; a \$100 spring semester tuition surcharge for students; and a temporary 2 percent reduction in the employer contribution to retirement benefits. The Regents will give a final vote on the one-time \$100 surcharge for students in December.

## **Pappajohns' gift will name new research facility**

UI leaders yesterday announced a \$26.4 million gift commitment from longtime UI benefactors John and Mary Pappajohn of Des Moines—the largest single gift commitment ever to the UI from individual Iowa donors—for the new, interdisciplinary Institute for Biomedical Discovery currently under construction. In recognition of the Pappajohns' gift, the institute will be named the Pappajohn Institute, and the building that houses it the John and Mary Pappajohn Biomedical Discovery Building.

## **Coralville mayor suffers heart attack**

Longtime Coralville Mayor Jim Fausett had a heart attack Wednesday but he expects to make a full recovery, the *Cedar Rapids Gazette* reports. Fausett, who turns 78 next month, is running unopposed in Tuesday's election. He has served as the city's mayor since 1996, and before that he was a Coralville City Council member for 18 years. Fausett said he plans to serve another two-year term as mayor.

## **Military plane, helicopter collide off California**

Rescuers are searching today for nine people off the Southern California coast following a collision between a Coast Guard plane and a Marine Corps helicopter last night, the Associated Press (AP) reports. The crash happened about 50 miles off the San Diego County coast near San Clemente Island.

## **Clinton faces Pakistani anger over drone attacks**

On the final day of a three-day visit, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton faced intense Pakistani anger over U.S. aerial drone attacks in tribal areas along the Afghan border that have killed civilians as well as insurgents. Clinton refused to discuss the subject, which involves highly classified CIA operations. U.S. officials have credited the drone aircraft, armed with guided missiles, with killing terrorist leaders.

## **Pirates plan to move British couple**

Somali pirates holding a retired British couple said today they will move the couple to another hijacked ship with other hostages anchored off the eastern coast of Somalia, the AP reports. Paul and Rachel Chandler were heading to Tanzania in their yacht last week when the pirates attacked their vessel.

## **Honduras' ousted president, government reach deal**

Representatives of ousted Honduran President Manuel Zelaya have reached an agreement with the government of interim President Roberto Micheletti that could help end the months-long dispute over Honduras' June 28 coup and possibly pave the way for Zelaya's reinstatement, the AP reports.

## **Verizon says Droid is coming**

Verizon Wireless officials yesterday said the much-anticipated Google Android phone called the Droid will be available beginning Nov. 6. The device has a voice-activated feature that lets users to speak a query and retrieve contacts, music, or photos or search the Web via a Google-powered search engine.

## **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame marks 25 years**

Music legends and fans celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame last night. Bruce Springsteen, Stevie Wonder, Simon and Garfunkel, and Bonnie Raitt were among the performers at a concert at New York's Madison Square Garden. A second concert is set for tonight.

## **Hawkeyes host Hoosiers**

The Iowa Hawkeyes host the Indiana Hoosiers tomorrow at Kinnick Stadium. Kickoff is 11:02 a.m. On offense, the Hawks will have their hands full against a tough Indiana defensive line, led by senior ends Jammie Kirlew and Greg Middleton. The Hoosier duo has combined for 45 career quarterback sacks.

## *Today in history*

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**On this day in 1938, the radio play "The War of the Worlds," starring Orson Welles, aired on CBS. The live drama, which employed fake news reports, panicked some listeners who thought its portrayal of a Martian invasion was true.**

**MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON BACK**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Schedule your hair color or cut in the Fourth Floor Salon today and receive a 10 percent discount! Also, receive 25 percent off select retail merchandise today. Open until 4:30 p.m. Proceeds benefit patients and their families through Volunteer Services.
- Hawkeye Fever! Wild Rose Gifts is celebrating the UI football team's success. Purchase \$100 in Hawkeye merchandise today and receive a free Hawkeye gift. Open until 8 p.m. Profits support programs that benefit patients and their families.
- Friday prayers for those of the Muslim faith are held at 12:45 p.m. in the Meditation Room, Elevator B, Level 1.
- The Patients' Library and the Medical Museum, Elevator F, Level 8, are open 1 to 4 p.m. weekends.
- Spiritual Services holds a Protestant service at 10:30 a.m. and a Catholic Mass at 3:30 p.m. Sundays in the East Room, Elevator F, Level 8. Services are televised on Channel 5.
- An Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Conference Room G, Elevator F, Level 7.
- "Women and Cancer" is the focus of the next "Health For Your Lifetime" program from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday in the East Room (Level F, Elevator 8). Carol Scott-Conner, MD, PhD, from Surgery and Michael Goodheart, MD, and Kimberly Leslie, MD, both from Obstetrics and Gynecology, will discuss breast, cervical, endometrial, and ovarian cancers. The event is free but registration is encouraged. Call 335-8886 or toll free 877-MEDIOWA or visit [www.uihealthcare.com/register](http://www.uihealthcare.com/register).
- Health care reform advocate Wendell Potter will give a free lecture at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Main Lounge of the IMU. After a 20-year career as a public relations insider for two major health insurance companies, Potter now details their practices and calls for an overhaul of the U.S. health care system. The event is hosted by the University Lecture Committee.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Tomorrow is a Hawkeye home football game. Special parking arrangements have been made for staff who work during home games. UI Hospitals and Clinics buildings are on restricted access on game days. Staff may only gain access with photo ID cards or by coming in at the main entrance. For specific details, please contact your manager/supervisor, your departmental HR representative, Hospital Human Resources, or visit [The Point](#).
- Clarissa Kraayenbrink, 14, of Sioux City is Kid Captain for the Hawkeye game tomorrow against Indiana. Clarissa came to UI Children's Hospital with a life-threatening heart defect when she was four days old. She had open-heart surgery on that first visit and again at ages 7 months and 22 months. At age 4, she was among the first in the nation to receive a CardioSEAL implant to correct her heart defect. Today, she's an active teenager. To learn more, visit [www.uihealthcare.com/children](http://www.uihealthcare.com/children).
- Need funding for a program or project that benefits patients or families here? Volunteer Services may be able to help with proceeds from its businesses (Wild Rose Gifts, Rooftop Café, and Fourth Floor Salon). Staff or faculty funding requests are reviewed annually by the Contributions and Donations Committee. Application deadline is Sunday. Find forms and guidelines at [www.uihealthcare.com/depts/volunteerprogram/funds.html](http://www.uihealthcare.com/depts/volunteerprogram/funds.html).

## RESEARCH VOLUNTEERS INVITED

*More studies listed at [www.uihealthcare.com/depts/clinicaltrials/volunteer.html](http://www.uihealthcare.com/depts/clinicaltrials/volunteer.html).*

- Individuals age 18 and older who have fewer than three bowel movements per week, abdominal pain or discomfort, and experience straining or hard stools may be eligible to participate in a research study evaluating an investigational medication for the relief of irritable bowel syndrome with constipation. For details, call 384-9756 or e-mail [jessica-paulson@uiowa.edu](mailto:jessica-paulson@uiowa.edu).
- Adults 35 to 85 with no history of neurological disease are invited to participate in a UI Department of Neurology research study of cognitive function. Participants will be asked to undergo neurophysiological testing. Compensation. Contact Bradley at 384-6084 or [bradley-thomas@uiowa.edu](mailto:bradley-thomas@uiowa.edu).
- Women age 18 and older with bothersome bladder control problems (frequent urinary leakage and urgency) may participate in a research study evaluating the medication fesoterodine compared to placebo (inactive substance) for 12 weeks. After that, participants may choose to take the fesoterodine for up to an additional nine months as part of the study. Participation lasts up to one year and includes nine visits. Compensation. Interested? Call 384-8028 or e-mail [regina-arthur@uiowa.edu](mailto:regina-arthur@uiowa.edu).
- Volunteers age 21 and older who have been diagnosed with atrial fibrillation (an abnormal heart rhythm) are invited to participate in a research study evaluating the safety and effectiveness of an investigational blood-thinning medication in the prevention of stroke. Qualifying participants will receive study-related laboratory evaluations, physical exams and electrocardiograms, and study medications. Compensation. For details, call 384-5046 or 800-887-6917.

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