

Noon News



Today
High: 55 Low: 40
Mostly sunny



Tomorrow
High: 64 Low: 45
Partly cloudy

Thursday, November 5, 2009

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Closing arguments today in Kehoe trial

Closing arguments began today in Grundy County District Court in the murder trial of Michelle Kehoe, 36, of Coralville. Kehoe is charged with first-degree murder in the death of her 2-year-old son and attempted murder and child endangerment causing serious injury involving her 7-year-old son in the October 2008 incident near Littleton. Kehoe has pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity.

Coralville talks redevelopment

A tree-lined First Avenue and a true downtown center were among the ideas discussed at a public forum yesterday on the development of Coralville's Old Town area, the *Iowa City Press-Citizen* reports. The session included consultants and a representative from the EPA's Smart Growth program.

Grassley sees independents as key voters

Republican wins in Tuesday's governor races in New Jersey and Virginia are signs that independents are losing their enthusiasm for some of President Barack Obama's programs, Sen. Chuck Grassley of Iowa said yesterday. If there's a lesson for Grassley, who is up for re-election in 2010, it's the need to focus on independent voters who were key to Obama's 2008 win, the *Cedar Rapids Gazette* reports.

Italian judge convicts Americans in CIA rendition case

An Italian judge yesterday convicted 23 Americans of a 2003 CIA kidnapping of an Egyptian cleric in Milan, the *New York Times* reports. Former CIA station chief in Milan Robert Seldon Lady received an eight year sentence, while 21 other agents and a U.S. Air Force lieutenant colonel each received five-year sentences. The Americans were all tried in absentia because the U.S. refused to extradite them.

Missing Florida baby found alive

A Florida baby missing for five days was found alive and well yesterday under her baby sitter's bed, the Associated Press (AP) reports. Police found 7-month-old Shannon Dedrick in a box tucked under a bed surrounded by items intended to hide the child at sitter Susan Baker's home near Chipley.

Saudi Arabia bombs Yemen rebels

Saudi Arabia launched a large military incursion across the border into northern Yemen yesterday, using fighter jets and artillery bombardments to quell a Shiite rebellion, the AP reports. The northern rebels, known as Hawthis, have intensified battles with Yemeni government forces in recent months.

Nicaragua braces for Ida

Ida has reached hurricane force as it nears Nicaragua's mainland. The National Weather Service today issued a hurricane warning for the east coast of Nicaragua. The storm had already uprooted trees, knocked down power lines, and forced the evacuation of 300 people on Nicaragua's Corn Island.

Medical group warns about AIDS funding

The global recession and growing pressure to divert funds to other health crises are hurting the fight against AIDS, representatives from the group Doctors Without Borders warned today. One health worker said he feared a return to the days when the AIDS virus was a death sentence in Africa.

Google offers better view of user data

Google is offering a new privacy control that makes it easier for people to see some of the information being collected about them. The "Dashboard" feature unveiled today pulls together summaries of a person's e-mail use, search requests, and viewing habits on Google's video site YouTube.

McCartney's son to play in Iowa

Musician James McCartney, 32, son of Paul McCartney, will make his U.S. debut Nov. 14 at the Sondheim Center for Performing Arts in Fairfield, Iowa, the *Des Moines Register* reports. He will be joined by his band Light as part of a bill that includes legendary 1960s British pop singer Donovan.

Yankees win World Series

The New York Yankees won their 27th World Series championship last night, beating the Philadelphia Phillies 7-3. Yankee Hideki Matsui drove in six runs and later was named the World Series MVP.

Today in history

On this day in 1994, George Foreman became boxing's oldest heavyweight champion at age 45 by knocking out Michael Moorer in the 10th round of their World Boxing Association title fight in Las Vegas.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON BACK

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Check out the Gallery Art Sale tomorrow running through 8 p.m. tonight at the Pappajohn Pavilion Lobby (Elevator I, Level 1). Proceeds from this event will benefit UI Children's Hospital through Children's Miracle Network.
- UI Obesity Surgery Support Group will meet from 6 to 7 p.m. tonight in the Clinical Cancer Center conference room, 4638 Colloton Pavilion (Elevator H, Level 4). The topic: "Attitude is Everything." This free event is open to anyone who has had bariatric surgery or is considering it. Contact Chris Melichar at 356-1887 or obesitysurgery@uiowa.edu to register.
- An Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting for patients, families, visitors, and hospital staff is at 7:30 tonight, Conference Room G (Elevator F, Level 7).
- Children's Miracle Network will be holding a merchandise sale from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. tomorrow in the Pappajohn Atrium Lobby (Elevator F, Level 1). Cash, checks, credit cards and staff charges accepted; proceeds benefit UI Children's Hospital.
- Tune in to an interview about pancreatic cancer with Joseph Cullen, MD, airing at 7:30 and 9:50 a.m. tomorrow on the AM-800 KXIC "University of Iowa Health Care Today" program.
- Project Art presents pianist Agnes Wan, who will be performing a recital from noon to 1 p.m. tomorrow in the Colloton Atrium (Elevator F, Level 1).
- Hardin Library is offering the open workshop "How Can We Help You Use RefWorks?" from 3 to 4 p.m. tomorrow. Contact kelly-thormodson@uiowa.edu for more information.
- The annual ACoS/CoC staging review of oncology registry data will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, in the Cancer Center Conference room, 4638 Colloton Pavilion (Elevator H, Level 4). Physicians, pathologists, PAs, nurses, fellows, and residents are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. For details, call 356-2388 or e-mail deborah-schulte@uiowa.edu.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- UI Health Care employees, fall enrollment time is here! This year there are more reasons than ever to choose UI Health Care, and here's one of them: In 2010, UI Health Care will offer MyChart, a secure, online tool that allows patients to access their own electronic medical records, request appointments and prescription refills, see test results, and ask questions. For more reasons, visit www.uihealthcare.com/enroll.
- Domestic hot water service to all areas and levels of the John Pappajohn Pavilion will be interrupted on Saturday for about three hours, beginning at 5 a.m., to repair leaking valves. Questions? Contact Merle Hagie at 384-9575.
- Before a crisis occurs, find out the services available to your aging family member. To schedule a time to meet with a geriatric social worker at UI Hospitals and Clinics on Nov. 11 or Dec. 16, contact Jane Holland at familyservices@uiowa.edu or 335-1371. Other dates and times can be accommodated.
- UIHC Child Care Center, located in Westlawn, currently has full- and part-time openings for children in the Pre-K classroom and in the 2-1/2- to 3-1/3-year-old room. Please call 335-9666 or e-mail uihc@brighthorizons.com for more information.
- A new channel guide service is now available on all televisions in UI Hospitals and Clinics. To see the channel lineup anywhere in the hospital, simply tune to Channel 15. For details, contact Communication Technology Services at 356-1915.
- Don't miss the UI Children's Hospital Medical Mini about Mother's Milk Bank of Iowa. Visit www.uihealthcare.com/kids to view the video, learn more about the Mother's Milk Bank, and find out how you can become a donor, request milk, or support this unique resource for Iowa families. A 30-second UI Children's Hospital Medical Mini will air on KCRG-TV9 now through Dec. 25.
- Personal mail should be deposited in U.S. mailboxes located throughout the main level of UI Hospitals and Clinics.
- UI staff and faculty members are not allowed to accept gifts from vendors. Staff receiving gifts can either return them to the vendor or donate them to Volunteer Services for distribution to the food bank or to a needy family.

RESEARCH VOLUNTEERS INVITED

More studies listed at www.uihealthcare.com/depts/clinicaltrials/volunteer.html.

- Volunteers ages 45 to 100 with no known neurological or psychiatric disease are invited to participate in a study on tactile experiences. Participants may be asked to complete questionnaires, watch videos, touch the experimenter's arm, or be touched on the arm by the experimenter. The study also includes neuropsychological testing, including measurement of skin sweating and heart rate. Compensation. For details, call 384-5639.

Contact *Noon News* at noonnews@healthcare.uiowa.edu. Persons with a disability requiring reasonable accommodations in order to participate in programs at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics may discuss their needs with Concierge Services in advance at 356-1900.