

WORLDWIDE

Additional troops sent to Gulf

WASHINGTON — The first of up to 3,500 U.S. Army troops from Fort Hood began its deployment to Kuwait Wednesday as part of an American military buildup in the Persian Gulf region to check any further aggression by Iraq's president, Saddam Hussein. A group of 219 soldiers from the First Cavalry Division left the nation's largest army base in central Texas on a commercial jet after saying goodbye to their families. Defense officials said a C-5 military cargo plane would follow later in the day with 73 soldiers and key satellite equipment. Two more flights go today.

Yeltsin considers power switch

MOSCOW — Russian President Boris Yeltsin, hospitalized to prepare for heart bypass surgery, considered procedures Wednesday for temporarily handing over power to his prime minister. A Kremlin statement issued after the talks with Chief of Staff Anatoly Chubais made it clear that Yeltsin would name Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin as his temporary successor while Yeltsin is incapacitated. The statement was the clearest signal so far that Yeltsin intends to go ahead with a brief transfer of his duties, including control of Russia's nuclear missiles.

Shakur memorial canceled

LOS ANGELES — Recording artist Tupac Shakur's memorial service has been canceled. His record label, Death Row Records, said the service was called off because there was not a proper venue large enough in Los Angeles to accommodate the throngs of fans who wanted to attend. The cancellation came less than 24 hours after the Los Angeles-based "gangsta" rap label announced a memorial service at the Wilshire Ebell Theater near the city's downtown area. Shakur, 25, died Friday in Las Vegas, six days after being shot in an ambush near the city's Strip.

Clinton leads Midwest in poll

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton leads Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole by 15 percentage points in a sampling of voters across the key Midwestern states of Ohio, Michigan and Illinois, a Reuters poll released Wednesday said. The poll of 1,325 likely voters found Clinton ahead of Dole by 47.3 percent to 32.2 percent. Reform Party nominee Ross Perot received 4.4 percent. The three Midwestern states account for 61 electoral votes, or 22 percent of the 270-vote majority needed to win the presidency in the electoral college.

Student interns for Smithsonian

Andrew Frey researched astrophysics at Harvard University this summer

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This summer, junior Andrew Frey skipped the customary job search and instead opted to study the stars through a Smithsonian internship program at Harvard University.

The internship, which took place over a 10-week period, is known as a Research Experience for Undergraduates program. The REU Frey participated in lasted from June 10 to Aug. 16 and centered mainly around astrophysics, but Frey said the programs vary in time frame and subject matter.

Frey and 11 other students had the opportunity to use facilities at the Harvard Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics and to consult with scientists in their fields of interest.

"It was a good experience and a great opportunity to meet other students who were interested in science," Frey said. "I think for anyone going into the areas of science it's a good idea.

"Lots of the time, the people we worked with were top scientists," Frey

said. "Who knows out of the interns who's going to end up famous like that?"

Frey, who studied the luminosities of protostars, said he intends to continue to pursue this project, and, hopefully, submit a publication of his findings to a science journal.

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Frey said the program had much to offer him in addition to what he learned in the lab.

"It certainly gave me an appreciation of doing research rather than sitting in class," Frey said.

"It definitely is a different experience knowing that you're looking at

something that no one else has really looked at before, and seeing something that no one's seen."

According to Frey, finding an REU which suited his interests was not difficult. He had heard about REUs and decided he would enjoy a summer internship.

"I just got on the World Wide Web and started looking," Frey said.

According to Frey, there were about 15 programs which centered around astrophysics alone, and he found many REUs which dealt with other subjects.

Though only 12 of the approximately 200 to 250 applicants for the REU which Frey attended were accepted, he said the competitiveness of the application process varies from program to program.

Frey said he was so impressed with his experience at the REU program that he intends to apply to a different one for next summer.

He added that the project entailed a great deal of hard work and was not always fun and games, his experience is one he will remember for a long time.



LeeAnn Hodges

Junior Andrew Frey works on a physics project at a computer terminal. Frey interned at Harvard University this summer in a program called the Research Experience for Undergraduates.

POLICE BEAT

Trespasser stopped at gate

A Winston-Salem resident was issued a trespass warning and escorted off campus at 11:40 p.m. Friday. The person had been stopped at the University Parkway gatehouse and could not give a reason for wanting to drive through campus. The person then drove away from the gatehouse while the guard requested assistance.

When the driver was stopped by another officer near Palmer Residence Hall, he became verbally abusive and used his car door to strike the officer's leg.

THEFT — An IBM ThinkPad was taken between 12 p.m. Sept. 5 and 9 a.m. Sept. 6 from an office in Carswell Hall. The computer, which is worth \$4,500, was left unsecured on a bookshelf.

A student's bicycle was taken between 5 p.m. Sept. 6 and 7:45 a.m. Sept. 9 from a rack at Taylor House. The bike, which was worth \$450, was secured to the rack with a chain lock.

A student's bicycle worth \$730 was taken between 5 p.m. Sept. 9 and 7:35 p.m. Sept. 10 from a rack at Johnson Residence Hall. The bike was secured to the rack with a chain lock.

A student's bicycle was stolen between 1 p.m. Sept. 8 and 12 a.m. Sept. 12 from a rack at Collins Residence Hall. The bike was secured to the rack and was worth \$350.

Three bicycles were taken at 8:56 a.m. Sept. 12 from two university residences along Polo Road. A student witnessed the theft. Three suspects were later found riding the bikes in the 500 block of Polo Road by the Winston-Salem Police Department. Two of the suspects were juveniles. The third, who was a young adult, was arrested for larceny and charged with obstructing an officer for giving false information.

A student's bicycle and its lock were taken between 12 p.m. Sept. 8 and 4:15 p.m. Sept. 12 from a rack at Taylor House. The items were worth \$520.

MISCELLANEOUS — A Winston-Salem resident was issued a trespass warning and arrested for possession of marijuana and a weapon at 4:55 p.m. Sept. 9.

The person had created a disturbance in Reynolds Gymnasium after a Campus Police officer requested his identification. The person left the gym and was driving off campus when he was stopped by another officer at Wake Forest Road and University Parkway. The officer found a 13-inch knife and marijuana in the person's car.

A Campus Police officer issued a citation for marijuana possession to a Winston-Salem resident in Reynolda Gardens at 5:30 p.m. Friday. The suspect was seen hiding behind a tree along with two other people. When approached by the officer, the suspect admitted to having a marijuana cigarette.

Campus Police responded to 51 calls from Sept. 9 to Sunday, including 16 incidents and investigations and 35 service requests.

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