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## Nuns market T-shirts with heavenly designs

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. - It's a heavenly marketing idea.

Two nuns from Miami Shores, Fla., seeing what pictures on T-shirts, posters and the like have done to raise the profile of Bart Simpson, decided to do the same with the Virgin Mary, St. Francis of Assisi and other heavenly heroes.

Sister Kathy Hollywood said she and Sister Lorraine Hale of the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary got the idea while working on doctorates on Catholic schools.

"During visits to Catholic schools, we asked the kids who the teachers told them to be like," she recalled. "They said Jesus and the saints. But the kids wanted to be

like Madonna."

The nuns responded with shirts containing colorful decals of popular saints as a way to "revitalize Catholic tradition in a contemporary way," said Sister Kathy. She sold some of the shirts at the Catholic Education Conference here Friday.

The nuns also are working on saints' greeting cards and have developed games, quizzes and puzzles for kids.

They wouldn't be unhappy if their merchandise gives animated anti-hero Bart Simpson a run for his money.

"We want to portray Catholic values," Sister Kathy said. "I don't think Bart is helping us. We hope in some way to balance out Bart."

## Bush meets with de Klerk, lauds 'dramatic progress'

WASHINGTON - President Bush on Monday praised South African President F.W. de Klerk for making "dramatic progress" toward abolishing white supremacist rule and vowed the United States won't impose new conditions for lifting economic sanctions.

"These conditions are clear-cut and are not open to re-interpretation. And I do not believe in moving the goalposts," Bush said about sanctions imposed in 1986 over President Reagan's veto.

Bush also said all political groups in South Africa "have a special responsibility to support the process of peaceful transition."

That statement appeared aimed at African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, who refused during a meeting with Bush in June to forswear violence.

De Klerk, the first South African leader to visit the United States since

1945, assured Bush that the process of reform is irreversible.

"We will not turn back," de Klerk said.

The leaders met at the White House for two hours, first in the Oval Office and again over lunch. The meeting was a showcase of U.S. political support for de Klerk's efforts to guide South Africa toward a post-apartheid democratic system.

"Clearly, the time has come to encourage and assist the emerging new South Africa," Bush said at a farewell ceremony, standing alongside de Klerk in front of the sun-drenched South Lawn.

Behind them, a black Marine held the flag of South Africa; a white Marine held the American flag.

But Bush said that despite "the dramatic progress that we salute here today," South Africa hasn't moved far enough to meet the conditions for removing economic sanctions.

## Talks continue as Gramm-Rudman date nears

WASHINGTON - President Bush will veto any attempt by Congress to postpone the \$85 billion in Gramm-Rudman spending cuts scheduled next week unless a budget deal is reached, White House officials said Monday.

"We're T-minus seven," said presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, referring to the number of days before the slashes occur. "We're sticking with it and still talking."

Fitzwater spoke as administration officials and congressional leaders prepared for yet another session aimed at working out a five-year, \$500 billion deficit-reduction package. With the new fiscal year beginning next Monday, the two sides remain locked

in a budget stalemate that has persisted all year.

"We're getting closer, but we're not there, that's for sure," said White House budget chief Richard Darman.

Negotiators continued to reveal little about the details of their closed-door discussions. The principal hangup remained a dispute over a reduction in the capital gains tax rate, which Bush wants and Democrats oppose.

On Oct. 1, the Gramm-Rudman law automatically will impose \$85 billion in cuts in the \$1.2 trillion federal budget, an amount that would hobble many federal programs.

Democratic congressional leaders planned to begin moving legislation

# Supreme Soviet moves toward Western-style market economy

MOSCOW - The Supreme Soviet legislature voted Monday to move toward a Western-style market economy and gave President Mikhail S. Gorbachev sweeping new powers to make the switch.

Despite warnings by some lawmakers that the special powers would make Gorbachev a virtual monarch, the legislature passed a resolution allowing him to issue decrees on property, wages, prices, the national budget, the financial system and law and order.

Gorbachev promised to exercise the powers with care.

"It's a responsibility," he told the legislature. "It's not a tea party."

After rancorous debate, the lawmakers were unable to agree on a specific, step-by-step program to move away from the central planning system that they blame for technological backwardness and shortages of housing, food and consumer goods.

Instead of choosing one of the three plans presented in the past two weeks, the Supreme Soviet set up a committee to combine them and report back by Oct. 15.

Despite disagreement on how to

make the switch, the Supreme Soviet's vote marked the first time it has committed the country to a market-based system and was a departure from seven decades of Communist economics.

Since the 1920s, ministries in Moscow have kept a tight grip on the economy, issuing detailed five-year plans that told thousands of factories, farms and businesses what to produce, where to sell it and how much to charge.

The most radical reform proposal, written by economist Stanislav Shatalin, calls for junking the central planning system and moving to a market economy within 500 days by selling factories to private owners and breaking up collective farms.

The most conservative proposal, backed by Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, would leave the government in control of most of the economy while moving gradually to allow free enterprise.

Gorbachev has backed a compromise that contains many elements of the 500-day plan but would not move as fast. He also wants a national referendum to decide whether to return

land to private farmers.

Before and during the Supreme Soviet's meeting, protesters gathered outside the Kremlin and at Pushkin Square in downtown Moscow to condemn the decision to give the president additional powers. They said Gorbachev did not deserve such authority because he was not elected by direct vote of the people.

"The people don't trust Gorbachev!" shouted a group of demonstrators outside the Kremlin's Spassky Gate. They held signs saying, "A President -- Not an Emperor" and "All Decrees of the President are Battles Against Democracy."

Gorbachev was elected to a five-year term as president by the Supreme Soviet in March. Previously, his power had come from his position as general secretary of the Communist Party, which he has held since 1985.

The legislature voted 305-46, with 41 abstentions, to allow Gorbachev the special powers until March 31, 1992. The time limit was intended to cover a 500-day economic reform plan, should one be approved.

# Mapplethorpe trial draws protest

CINCINNATI - About 150 people demonstrated for freedom of expression Monday outside a courthouse where an art gallery and its director went on trial for showing Robert Mapplethorpe's sexually graphic photographs.

About 50 police officers patrolled on foot, on horseback and on motorcycles outside the Hamilton County Municipal Court, where jury selection began for the misdemeanor obscenity trial of the Contemporary Arts Center and its director, Dennis Barrie.

In addition to rallying at the courthouse, the protesters, organized by a gay-rights group, walked 10 blocks through downtown. Some people lay in the street, briefly halting traffic. But no one was arrested.

Some of the officers on patrol wore rubber gloves. Catherine Adams, a lawyer for Gay-Lesbian March Activists, said she told city and county

authorities last week that some members of the group had AIDS.

Inside the courthouse, attorneys questioned a pool of 50 people as they worked to seat a six-member jury.

At the beginning of the trial, Municipal Judge David Albanese denied three defense requests.

He denied a motion to limit potential jurors to Cincinnati residents. Because of structure of the Hamilton County Municipal Court, the jury pool is drawn from residents of Cincinnati and its suburbs.

The judge also denied a motion to increase the number of peremptory challenges allowed. The defense argued that because of publicity, it would need to eliminate more jurors than in a case with less notoriety.

Albanese also rejected the defense's request to question potential jurors individually.

The case has become a rallying point for artists, First Amendment activists and people who believe the

indictments are part of a wider effort to intimidate homosexuals.

Demonstrators shouted, "Who's our Hero? Dennis Barrie; Who's the Crook? Simon Leis."

Leis, Hamilton County sheriff, stood on the courthouse steps and smiled.

The seven-week exhibition of photographs by Mapplethorpe, who died of AIDS in 1989, attracted a record crowd of more than 80,000 people to the gallery last spring.

But a grand jury indicted Barrie and the gallery, concluding that seven of the 175 photos violated community standards. One photo shows a man urinating into another man's mouth. Others show oral sex and anal penetration with objects.

Barrie, 43, and the gallery are charged with pandering obscenity and with using children in nudity-related material. The second charge stems from two photos, one of a boy and one of a girl with their genitals exposed.

# World leaders condemn Iraq at U.N.

World leaders opened a U.N. General Assembly session Monday by condemning Iraq as a warlike state for its invasion of Kuwait, as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein vowed to fight for "a thousand years" to keep the oil-rich emirate.

While the world body prepared to tighten sanctions on Iraq, the economic repercussions of the Persian Gulf crisis spread and strengthened.

Oil prices peaked at \$39.20 a barrel and settled at a record \$38.25 on the New York Mercantile Exchange, where oil futures have been traded since 1983. Gasoline and home heating oil both topped \$1 a gallon. The

International Monetary fund, meanwhile, moved to help poor countries whose economies are being devastated by the conflict.

The stock market in New York fell to a 14-month low Monday, battered by rising oil prices and trouble in the banking industry. The Dow Jones industrial average tumbled 59.41 points to 2,452.97.

French President Francois Mitterrand delivered the first of a series of condemnations of Iraq, warning that Iraq's aggression could lead to global anarchy. Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze speaks today,

and President Bush is to address the 160-member assembly next Monday.

Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, was to address the United Nations the same day as Bush, but he has insisted on traveling to New York aboard Iraq's flag carrier, Iraqi Airways. The United States has not approved landing rights.

Aziz was not on hand for the General Assembly opening, but the Iraqi ambassador to the United Nations listened silently as Mitterrand assailed the Baghdad government and said the international community would not retreat from its demand that Iraq give up Kuwait.

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