

Racing world mourns the loss of a legend

Friends, family and fans spend the day paying tribute to Earnhardt.

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MOORESVILLE, N.C. — A single black balloon broke free from the wrought iron fence surrounding the sprawling complex housing Dale Earnhardt's racing teams. A security guard caught the balloon and retied it next to the growing memorial of personalized tributes left by fans Monday in memory of the seven-time Winston Cup champion who died in a crash at the Daytona 500 the day before. A sign said the compound was "respectfully closed today." Still, employees of Dale Earnhardt Inc. solemnly filed in, past the security

officers posted at every gate. "It ain't too good in there. Everyone's trying their best," said Cam Ramey, the security chief. Dale Earnhardt Jr., who finished second in Sunday's race, emerged from the complex shortly before noon in a black pickup truck. He was driven across the street and up a private drive to his home. Another truck with two of his friends followed. "He's holding up as best he can under the circumstances," said Steve Crisp, the DEI employee who drove Earnhardt Jr. to his house. "There is a lot of character in that family and in that organization," said H.A. "Humpy" Wheeler, president of Lowe's Motor Speedway in nearby Concord. He said he thought the teams

still would participate in this weekend's Dura-Lube 400 at North Carolina Speedway in Rockingham. "Knowing how Dale would have felt, I think so," Wheeler said. Hundreds of fans left poems, letters and pictures at the compound, quietly taking in the scene, occasionally wiping away a tear. "Forever A Champion," one sign said. "R.L.P. Intimidator You'll Race In Our Hearts Forever," said another. When a team wins a race, tradition at Dale Earnhardt Inc. calls for a checkered flag to fly in front of the complex until the next race begins the following week. On Monday, the flag was at half-staff, representing both Michael Waltrip's victory at Daytona and Earnhardt's death on the last lap of the race.

"It's like Superman is dead," said Craig Freshwater, who made the 30-mile trip from Charlotte to pay his respects. "Heroes aren't supposed to die." Twelve miles up the road in Kannapolis, Earnhardt's hometown, a lone police officer stood outside the home of Earnhardt's mother, Martha. The blinds were drawn and about a dozen cars lined the driveway. A sign in front of a nearby drug store said, "We'll Miss You Dale." Fans also headed for the town of Welcome, where Earnhardt's team was based at Richard Childress' race shop. Among them was 59-year-old Gary Farabee of Lexington. "He was a guy you either loved or loved to hate," he said. "But it's just not the same this morning. It just doesn't feel right."

"Over the last year, I think he exposed his inner self, his softer side, a little more," Farabee said. "I don't think I pulled for him as much as a racer as I pulled for him as a man." Allen Wrenn of Summerfield, who was accompanied by his wife, Blanche, said he had known the Earnhardt family since Dale's father, Ralph, raced cars as a professional. "He really raced. He didn't pull no punches," Wrenn said. "If he hit somebody, that was OK, and if somebody hit him, that was OK, too." Billy Simmerson, 30, of Salisbury, brought his 1-year-old son, Chris, to the shop. "I don't think NASCAR will ever be the same without him," he said. "I know it won't be nearly as interesting."

Museum honors Oklahoma City bombing victims

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OKLAHOMA CITY — President Bush opened a museum commemorating the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing Monday, imploring Americans to "confront evil, wherever and whenever" it exists in a nation vulnerable to senseless violence and terrorism. "The presence of evil always reminds us of the need for vigilance," Bush said in a solemn address.

The emotional ceremony began with 168 seconds of silence — one second for each life lost in the rubble of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. Only the whistling, wintry wind and the rippling of an American flag could be heard outside the Oklahoma City National Memorial Center, where nearly 1,500 people gathered less than 100 yards from the site of the worst act of terrorism on U.S. soil.

A grim-faced Bush toured the museum, stopping to hear a recording of the explosion from a nearby building. He signed his name to a registry, with the words: "God Bless." First lady Laura Bush wrote, "With love," and signed her name, too.

Jeannine Gist, mother of one of the victims, took Bush into a room covered with photos of those who died, each picture accompanied by a memento from their lives. "This is my daughter here," Gist told the Bushes, pointing to a picture of Karen Karr, who worked at a fitness center in the federal building.

A business card was placed next to Karr's photo. "That was a really hard job — picking out something that represents somebody's life," she said. The Bushes shook their heads sympathetically.

The president started to walk away, but did a double take at the wedding photo of Cindy Brown. She had been married five weeks to a fellow Secret Service agent when the explosion killed her and three other Secret Service agents.

"We knew some of the agents here," Bush said to no one in particular while gazing at faces of the dead. His voice was hoarse, choked with emotion.

Brown's husband is on Bush's protective detail. Another agent killed in the blast, Alan G. Whicher, protected Bush's father.

The tragedy can never be forgotten, the president said at the ceremony.

"The time for mourning may have passed, but the time for remembering never does," he said.

Bush praised rescue workers and civic leaders who helped the state and the nation recover from the bombing.

"Together you endured," he said. "You chose to live out the words of St. Paul: Be not overcome with evil, but overcome evil with good."

"Here we remember one act of malice," the president said. "Yet we also remember many acts of kindness and love."



SACRED JOURNEY: A group of Jordanian pilgrims wave from aboard a bus as they prepare to leave for the Hajj pilgrimage to Mecca on Sunday in Amman, Jordan. Jordan will be sending some 50,000 pilgrims to Mecca.

Suspected Dartmouth killers found

Two teens suspected of murdering two college professors were found at an Indiana truck stop hitching a ride.

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NEW CASTLE, Ind. — Two teenagers wanted in the stabbing deaths of two Dartmouth College professors were arrested Monday after authorities acting on a hunch used a CB radio to lure the boys to an Indiana truck stop.

James Parker, 16, and Robert Tulloch, 17, were captured peacefully before dawn at an Interstate 70 truck stop more than 700 miles from the site of the slayings in Hanover, N.H.

Sgt. William Ward of the Henry County Sheriff's Department said he heard a trucker say he was carrying two teens who were looking for a ride to California.

Ward, who had seen television reports that the Dartmouth suspects might be headed to California, got on the CB and suggested the teens might find a ride at the Flying J truck stop south of New Castle.

"I just said, 'Why don't you drop them off at the fuel desk and someone will pick them up in a few minutes?'" Ward said.

The teens were caught a short time later as they were asking another trucker for a ride.

Said Ward: "It was a long shot, and I didn't expect it would be them."

Parker and Tulloch will be charged as adults with two counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of Half and Susanne Zantop, whose bodies were found in their home Jan. 27.

It was not known when the teens would be extradited from New Castle, which is 40 miles east of Indianapolis.

Attorney Robert Katims, who is representing Parker, said the boy's parents were on their way to Indiana. He said no decision had been made on whether the boys would waive extradition.

Tulloch's mother, Diane Tulloch, told The Dartmouth, a student newspaper: "We love our son, and we want the press to know that he's innocent until proven guilty."

Half Zantop, 62, taught earth sciences. His wife, Susanne Zantop, 55, was chairwoman of the German Studies Department. Both were naturalized citizens who were natives of Germany and traveled abroad frequently.

Their slayings shocked the 6,500-student Dartmouth campus and the surrounding community of Hanover.

Authorities have refused to discuss a motive or any connection between the boys and the victims.

Authorities said they believed the teens left their hometown of Chelsea, Vt., on Thursday, and a nationwide manhunt began over the weekend.

Orange County, Vt., Sheriff Dennis

McClure said the boys became suspects in the Dartmouth case after authorities learned one had bought a military-style knife via the Internet. The boys were asked last Thursday to come in and provide their fingerprints, which they did voluntarily. Arrest warrants for both were issued late Friday and early Saturday.

"All I know is that the prints probably matched enough (from the crime scene) for an identification," said McClure, who declined further comment.

A car belonging to Parker's parents was found Sunday at a Sturbridge, Mass., truck stop, where workers said they saw two teens who matched the suspects' description on Friday night.

They were seen at a New Jersey highway rest area Saturday morning asking for rides, police said.

The boys told a trucker who picked them up in New Jersey that they were from California and had hitchhiked to Massachusetts to look for work. They said they weren't able to find jobs so they were returning to California.

Audrey McCollum, a friend and neighbor of the Zantops, said the arrests do not ease the pain for her and her husband, Bob.

"These two extraordinary people are still dead and, in a sense, the tragedy is extended because if these two kids did it, which hasn't yet been proven, what it tells me is that our society has just gone off the rails," said McCollum, a retired psychotherapist.

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Delay in removing Milosevic halts legislation

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Yugoslav officials said Monday it may take months to draw up legislation for cooperation with the U.N. war crimes tribunal, signaling further delays in the extradition of former president Slobodan Milosevic for trial.

Carla Del Ponte, the chief U.N. war crimes prosecutor, meanwhile, urged the European Union to step up pressure on Yugoslavia

to extradite Milosevic and other indicted war crime suspects for trial in The Hague.

Though she didn't urge the 15-nation bloc to set a deadline for extraditions, Del Ponte said that the European Union had the means to convince President Vojislav Kostunica and other Yugoslav leaders to send a "signal" of cooperation.

Yugoslav officials have insisted that the country's current laws ban extradi-

tion of local citizens to foreign courts and that a new law would be needed to allow cooperation with the international war crimes tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands. Even advocates of Milosevic's extradition have pulled back in recent days.

Yugoslav Justice Minister Momcilo Grubac cautioned Monday that it would take "several months" for legislation outlining cooperation with the U.N. tribunal to be drafted and put to parliament — and that such a law might actually work against extradition of suspects.

The law might give, "national courts ... the priority (over The Hague tribunal) to conduct war crime trials," he told reporters.

Some federal government ministers who have switched loyalties from Milosevic to his successor, Kostunica, also said they would oppose any move to extradite the former Yugoslav leader. Kostunica is against extradition.

At the same time, those in the Yugoslav parliament favoring extradition are outnumbered by those opposed, meaning they would vote against any law that could deliver Milosevic to the tribunal.

Yugoslavia's new authorities face growing U.S. and other international pressure to cooperate with the court. The United States has given Yugoslavia a March 31 deadline to make good on the issue or risk losing \$100 million in financial aid.

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California

Barrymore, Green's escape injury after house catches fire

LOS ANGELES — A fire gutted the home of actress Drew Barrymore and her comedian fiancé Tom Green. Both escaped injury. They were awakened early Sunday by their dog.

"We're great," Barrymore, a star of "Charlie's Angels," told reporters at the scene.

"Other than the fact that the home burned down," Green added.

Their dog, Flossie, woke them up around 3:30 a.m. when she barked and "literally banged on their bedroom door," said Eddie Michaels, Barrymore's spokesman.

It took firefighters about an hour to douse the flames. Firefighters estimated damage at \$700,000 in the two-story, 3,500-square-foot home north of Beverly Hills. The cause of the blaze was under investigation.

Zimbabwe

Two journalist flee country after being threatened

HARARE — Fearful of violence against his wife and 2-year-old daughter, a British journalist threatened with deportation fled out of Zimbabwe on Monday.

Joseph Winter, a British Broadcasting Corp. correspondent, left the country after government agents broke into his Harare apartment early Sunday morning, claiming they intended only to serve him with a deportation order.

A second journalist ordered deported, Mercedes Sayagues, has moved from her Harare apartment to a friend's home with her 8-year-old daughter.

Winter and Sayagues, a correspondent for South Africa's weekly newspaper the Mail and Guardian, were ordered to leave the country within 24 hours Saturday. A High Court judge delayed their deportation until Friday to give them more time to make personal arrangements.

Winter and his family fled out of the country Monday.

The expulsions came amid growing threats against independent journalists in Zimbabwe.

Hawaii

Submarine commander refuses to talk to investigators

HONOLULU — The commander of the U.S. submarine that sank a Japanese fishing vessel has refused to discuss the accident with investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board until the Navy completes its investigation, officials said on Monday.

NTSB investigators met with Cmdr. Scott Waddle over the weekend when he told them his lawyer recommended he only respond to written questions from the NTSB for the time being and only about search and rescue efforts, NTSB spokesman Ted Lopatkiewicz said.

Waddle's information could be crucial to the NTSB effort to determine how the USS Greenville failed to detect the 190-foot Ehime Maru before it conducted an emergency rapid-ascent drill.

Iraq

Country's media threatens attack on Kuwait, Saudi Arabia

BAGHDAD — Iraqi media on Monday threatened to punish Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, saying they helped U.S. and British airstrikes against sites around Baghdad last week.

Some 11,000 Iraqis marched Monday in the capital, some burning American, British and Israeli flags and carrying banners declaring "aggression will not scare us and sanctions will not harm us" — the latest in daily rallies since Friday's attack.

In Kuwait, the foreign minister brushed off the suggestions of retaliation.

"They have the right to ... say what they want," Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed Al Sabah told reporters. "But Kuwait is protected by its people, its friends, its Arab brothers and its allies."

The indirect threat came in Monday's edition of Al-Thawra, the newspaper of Iraq's ruling Baath Party.

Weather

TODAY
Partly cloudy
high 31, low 8

TOMORROW
Mostly sunny
high 29, low 13