

# Soldier will be promoted

## from injuries in bombing

...k his Humvee in Iraq last weekend. He was the 24th man to die in Iraq or Afghanistan. The Guard didn't have a vacant spot open at the time of Garceau's death. Officials announced Saturday that they will promote him posthumously in a private ceremony with his family and other Guard members.

"He met all the criteria. He had gone to all the schools. He was fully qualified and was ready to go," said Lt. Col. Gregory Haggood. "This is really an honor. When you become a sergeant, you are now a non-commissioned officer. There is a lot of responsibility to take care of

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### Died from injuries

Spc. Seth Garceau, left, of Oelwein died Friday from injuries he received when a homemade bomb struck his Humvee in Iraq last weekend.

### Iowa's fallen soldiers

Go to **DesMoinesRegister.com** to read profiles and Register coverage of the 24 Iowans who have died in Iraq or Afghanistan.



# Mondale: Ray vital to refugee efforts

The 2 leaders will be honored for helping Southeast Asians.

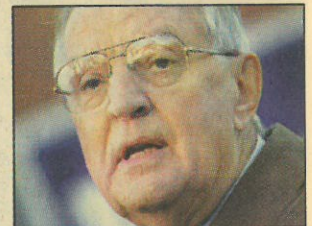
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REGISTER FARM EDITOR

An effort nurtured in Iowa 25 years ago to save Vietnamese refugees shows how bipartisan efforts can overcome opposition at home and abroad, said former Vice President Walter Mondale, who is to appear in Des Moines later this month.

Mondale and former Iowa Gov. Robert Ray will be recognized March 14 for their efforts to help Southeast Asian refugees. They will appear at the second annual Hoover-Wallace Dinner at the downtown Des Moines Marriott Hotel.

Mondale — who also is a former U.S. senator from Minnesota and the 1984 presidential nominee — recalled that Ray was instrumental in laying a bipartisan foundation for the emigration

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### Walter Mondale

AGE: 77

**CURRENTLY:** Senior counsel for Dorsey & Whitney law firm in Minnesota.

**PUBLIC OFFICE:** Minnesota attorney general, 1960-1964; U.S. senator, 1964-1976; vice president, 1977-1981; Democratic nominee for president, 1984; U.S. ambassador to Japan, 1993-1996; U.S. Senate candidate, 2002.

# Dinosaur named Sue lands in city near you

**C**edar Falls, Ia. — Sue is a Tyrannosaurus rex, one of the biggest, nastiest creatures ever to inhabit the Earth.

Which is no doubt the reason the T-rex is the favorite of so many kids, who go absolutely nuts over dinosaurs.

The people who run the University of Northern Iowa Museums are counting on lots of kids — and grown-ups — showing up over the next three months to get a look at one of the beasts.

Or at least the next best thing. The UNI Museums have landed their most ambitious exhibit ever. It's a full-scale replica of Sue, the T-rex skeleton dug out of western South Dakota and purchased by scientists at the Field Museum in Chicago. Ninety percent of the animal's skeleton is at the Field, making it the most complete and best-preserved T-rex ever found.

The UNI exhibit — called "A T. rex Named SUE" — opens this weekend in Cedar Falls. It is one of two Sue replicas visiting museums around the world. The other will go on display in two weeks in Tokyo. This is Sue's first visit to Iowa.

"We polled the community and asked people what kind of things we should be doing," said Sue Grosboll, director of UNI Museums. "They said we should bring in big, exciting exhibits from around the country. You can't get much bigger than a dinosaur."

Sue, along with a representative of the Field Museum who directed the assembling of the beast, arrived last week in three semitrailer trucks.



### JOHN CARLSON'S I O W A

She is 42 feet long, 12 feet tall and weighs 3,000 pounds. Her skull is 5 feet from end to end and contains 58 teeth — some as long as 12 inches.

It's so big it wouldn't fit into the existing UNI Museum, so university officials convinced the municipal utilities to allow them to turn a vacant building a few blocks from campus into the exhibit site.

It hasn't been easy or inexpensive. Including a \$1 million insurance policy, the university is spending \$125,000 on the exhibit, which runs daily through May 27.

They need 35,000 visitors to break even and — before it opened Saturday — had commitments from area schools that plan to bring 10,000 students over the three-month run.

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D.C. Most spellers were eliminated in the four rounds before lunchtime. Ten remained after the written competition. After four hours of grueling competition, the final five contestants were in place — all boys.

"That's unusual," said Solveig Nelson, who has been judging the event since 1982 and is an English

The final two contestants — Isaac and Jeff St. Clair of Mount Vernon Middle School — were both 13-year-old blond boys with glasses who hailed from eastern Iowa. They both wore long-sleeved striped shirts and black shoes.

Isaac and Jeff went back and forth for five more rounds without making an error. Then came

"There's a couple times I thought he misspelled the word, but he was right and I was wrong," Carol Kurth said.

"He was born that way because none of the rest of us can spell," Larry Kurth said. "This wasn't anticipated. We knew he was good, but we didn't think it would go quite this far."

# Mondale: Refugee aid was bipartisan

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of thousands of Vietnamese and other Asians displaced after the Vietnam War and the fall of South Vietnam's government.

"Bob Ray had invited the refugees to Iowa, and there was a similar effort in Minnesota," Mondale said in a telephone interview from his office in the Twin Cities. "It meant a lot that there was bipartisan support in the country for the resettlement, and Ray was one of the most respected and impressive leaders in the country on this issue."

To convince the rest of world that it needed to follow the U.S. lead, Mondale spoke July 21, 1979, to a U.N. conference on refugees in Geneva.

At the time, he said, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees said the Vietnamese exodus was caused by poverty, not politics, meaning that the United Nations wouldn't aid the refugees leaving Vietnam.

"We had a really horrible human crisis in Southeast Asia, where the authorities in Vietnam were pushing Vietnamese, mostly ethnic Chinese-Vietnamese, out of the country by the thousands, forcing them into the sea on unseaworthy boats," Mondale said. "They were so desperate they tried to make it to other Asian countries, and those countries couldn't provide refuge to the swarms of people who were leaving."

Ray attended the U.N. conference with Mondale.

"There we were, a Democrat and a Republican, both from the Midwest, standing in a bipartisan gesture that this country had a heart," Ray said.

"It was a tough message I delivered," Mondale said. "There were about 150 countries represented there, and they saw what the real problem was and how they had to overcome the policy."

Former President Jimmy Carter's administration had come up with an unprecedented set of

## Hoover-Wallace Dinner

**WHAT:** The World Food Prize is sponsoring the dinner with the Rotary Clubs of Iowa in conjunction with the Greater Des Moines Partnership. Proceeds from the dinner will support the Borlaug-Ruan International Internship program for Iowa high school students.

**WHEN:** 6 p.m. March 14

**WHERE:** downtown Des Moines Marriott Hotel

**TICKETS:** \$100 each. To order tickets, call (515) 245-2411 or (800) 682-8976.

initiatives, agreeing to bring in 180,000 refugees.

Carter also ordered the U.S. Navy to intercept refugee boats in danger of capsizing and to bring people aboard to save them from piracy and drowning, said Mondale, who was Carter's vice president.

"It was a very dramatic move that really did get a big response," he said.

After Mondale's announcement of the U.S. effort, other countries agreed to help set up refugee centers that could give decent care "for these helpless people," Mondale said.

Some in the United States opposed the effort. Mondale said some resisted using U.S. military forces, and others thought resettlement would be too big a burden on the economy.

"We did have resistance, there is no question about it," Mondale said, but the support of Republicans including Ray helped the Carter plan succeed.

Although some Iowans criticized the resettlement, Ray said he never let it bother him.

"Sometimes you feel that you are so right in what you are doing that criticism slides off you pretty quickly," he said.

Iowans, he said, "responded appropriately and quickly. The response was tremendous."

An organization called Iowa SHARES (Sends Help to Aid Refugees and End Starvation) was established to handle donations to help the Southeast Asian refugees.

About \$600,000 was raised in six weeks, said Ken Quinn, president of the World Food Prize.

The first shipment of food and medicine was delivered to refugee camps in Thailand on Christmas Day 1979.

A Mason City doctor, William Rosenfeld, who now practices medicine in Michigan, went to a refugee camp in Thailand, where he worked at a medical clinic in 1980.

Rosenfeld also will be honored at the Hoover-Wallace Dinner, Quinn said. Leaders of the Iowa SHARES campaign and organizations who solicited assistance also will be recognized.

Mondale said the outpouring of aid 25 years ago was in line with the great tradition of Herbert Hoover and Henry Wallace, Iowans who led efforts to feed the victims of poverty and war in the 20th century.

Hoover, a Republican president, and Wallace, a Democrat who was secretary of agriculture and vice president in President Franklin Roosevelt's administration, are examples of the bipartisan spirit that must lead humanitarian efforts, Mondale said.

"When America is seen as a decent country that is trying to help others, it helps us in the war against terrorism," he said. "It helps our moral stature in the world and that can't be forgotten. When we founded our nation, we were going to be a nation the world can look up to. The story of what Governor Ray did is a good example of what we should do."

ily will be available from 5 to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Memorials may be made to Windsor United Methodist Church or the Alzheimer's Association.

## BOB BUCHANAN

Des Moines/ Carlisle



Bob Buchanan, 65, of Des Moines/ Carlisle died Thursday, March 3, 2005 at his home. Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 9 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses Southern Hills Congregation, 420 SE Watrous Avenue in Des Moines where he had been a member for 33 years. The family will greet friends following the service at the Archie Brooks Community Center, 2100 SE 5th Street.

Bob owned Bob's Body Shop and Bob's Used Cars. He shared his life for 37 years and two days with his wife, Diane K. Buchanan. They shared two children, son, Steven Buchanan; and daughter, Kimberly (Brian) Lloyd as well as grandchildren. He is also survived by two sons, Robert and Scotty; and two daughters, Brenda Buchanan and Patty Brooks.

Among many interests he enjoyed were Bible reading and studying, buying and selling cars, traveling, camping and the Iowa State Fair. He particularly enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren Taylor, Jacob and Summer. Memorial contributions may be made to his family.

## LINDA LEE FISHER

Des Moines



Linda Lee Fisher, 57, died Thursday, March 3, 2005 at her home after a courageous battle with cancer. Services will be 11 a.m. Monday, March 7 at Hamilton's Funeral Home. Cremation will follow the service.

Linda was born October 13, 1947 in Des Moines, Iowa. She was a group leader in the imaging department at Nationwide Services Corp. and also worked as a receptionist at Valley View Village. She was a life member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post #9662 and member of the Valley View Village Guild.

Linda enjoyed many things in life, such as crafts, crocheting and cross stitching. She loved to bowl, play golf and do yard work. However, Linda had the most fun when watching drag car racing.

She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Linda is survived by her daughter, Traci Fisher; mother, Barbara Vertz; brother, Rick (Ellen) Vertz; and a sister, Vicki Shelton, all of Des Moines. She is also survived by two nieces, Vanessa and Angela; two nephews, Josh and Jeremy; and a great-nephew, Joe. She was preceded in death by her father, Denzel Vertz and her grandparents.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Animal Rescue League or to a charity of the donor's choice.