

National and World News Briefs: 2/12 to 2/19

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2-19-99:

International:

In light of Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic's refusal to cooperate in the latest round of peace talks over the conflict in Kosovo, President Clinton sent a strong warning to the Yugoslav leader. If Milosevic fails to accept a peace agreement by continuing to snub the U.S. mediator and refusing to allow foreign peacekeepers into the country, Clinton said that NATO is prepared to strike Serbia and to force Milosevic into compliance.

Domestic:

Former Presidential candidate Bob Dole will appear in advertisements for Viagra, urging people to 'get help for the problem.'

First lady Hillary Clinton considers a bid for New York Senator Moynihan's seat in the 2000 elections.

2-18-99:

International:

Kurds ended their siege of the Greek Embassy in London today. Sporadic protests over Turkey's capture of PKK guerrilla leader Abdullah Ocalan continued throughout Europe.

Domestic:

Texan John King, who is accused of dragging a black man to his death, is linked to a white supremacist group, which involves racially motivated killing as a gang initiation rite.

2-17-99:

International:

Turkey ignored a wave of global protests around the world and continued its assault on Kurdish separatists in northern Iraq.

The U.S. moved 51 military aircraft into the Balkans region to prepare for possible air strikes against Serbia as the Saturday deadline for a peace accord nears.

2-16-99:

International:

Six car bombs shake Tashkent, the capital of Uzbekistan; "religious fanatics," according to President Islam Karimov, are responsible for this

terrorist attack which was aimed at destabilizing the regime and which killed 16 people.

After capturing PKK rebel leader Abdullah Ocalan in Kenya, Turkey vowed it would ensure that he get a fair trial.

Domestic:

New Orleans city officials credited this year's Mardi Gras as the biggest in the city's history.

2-15-99:

International:

As U.S. military jets pounded Iraqi missile defense sites in response to Iraqi aggression, Iraq has renewed its threats to attack U.S. bases in Turkey, Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait.

President Clinton offered Mexico his support for its most recent efforts to fight the drug trade.

Domestic:

According to a recent poll, fewer and fewer teens are aspiring to become president.

2-14-99:

International:

Nigeria's transition to civilian rule moved forward today, as the People's Democratic Party decided on a candidate for the February 27

presidential election.

Domestic:

Senior U.S. Senators are urging reconciliation and are signaling a desire to 'move on' from the senate impeachment hearings.

2-13-99:

International:

The U.S. is investigating reports that international terrorist Osama bin Laden has left Afghanistan. Bin Laden might be in Iraq; Somalia, Chechnya, or still in Afghanistan.

President Clinton has agreed to send 4,000 U.S. troops to Kosovo to help monitor any future peace accord.

Domestic:

A CBS news poll indicates that 64 percent of Americans support Clinton's acquittal.

2-12-99:

Domestic:

The U.S. Senate voted to acquit President Clinton of all impeachment charges by a significant margin. Out of the 67 votes needed to remove him from office, 45 voted for removal on grounds of perjury and 50 on grounds of obstruction of justice.

1999 Phi Beta Kappa inductees

Members of the class of 1999 who have accepted election to Phi Beta Kappa (Gamma of N.C. Chapter) and who will be initiated on Sunday, 14 March. They were elected to Membership-in-Course on 26 January 1999.

- Merrit Gordon ABNEY
- Elisabeth Jane MALPHURS
- Burcu ALDOGAN
- Jennifer Leigh MARENBERG
- Christina L. BIEDERMANN
- Matthew Stephen McKILLOP
- William Burton BRADSHAW II
- Dalton Singletary McLEAN
- Richard Victor BRAND
- Rebecca Joy MONTAGUE
- Omer Lee BURNETT III
- Jack Osborn MORSE, Jr.
- Elizabeth Wendell CANFIELD
- John Francis PAULAS
- Toh Hean CH'NG
- Andrew Stark PRESTON
- Frances Marie CLEMENT
- Jason Emerson PRINCE
- Clay Matthew COFER
- Nancy Katherine PRITCHETT
- Loraine Elizabeth COOK
- Phillip Ould RAWLINGS, Jr.
- Elizabeth Guion DAVIS
- Lowell Yvonne Mettetal RAYBURN
- Elizabeth Angela DeWITT
- Grace Christian ROBINSON
- Stephanie Ann EICHENBRENNER
- Emily Elizabeth SETINA
- Carolyn Alethea FIXEL
- John Frederick SHAW
- Scott Christopher GELER
- Brett Pagenstecher SIMPSON
- Brent Douglas GILBERT
- Jonathan Eric SIPLING
- Elizabeth Coleman GREEN
- Claire Nicole SISCO
- Shannon O'Brien HOWLAND
- Benjamin Ryan SMOAK
- Ian Hugh HUMMEL
- Margaret Halsey TALBOT
- Emily A. KATZFEY
- Christopher Allen THUNBERG
- Jennifer Ann KAZMAREK
- Lindsay McCollum TRAYLOR
- Rebecca Reich LATANICH
- Natasha Balendu VASAVADA
- June Hui Min LEE
- Jeffrey Michael WALDMAN
- Andrew Gordon LETIZIA
- Michael Chad WELLMON
- Richard Andrew LINDSEY
- Kelly Elizabeth WESTBROOK

Union sponsors Solidarity Week

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in Norfolk, Virginia that serves meals to the poor.

The house runs purely on donations and invites homeless people to live there as well.

The Union also presented the movie "Smoke Signals" last week in conjunction with Solidarity Week. The movie deals with the story of two Native American boys on a journey in Arizona. On Friday afternoon, a Wofa drum and dance workshop was held in the Morrison Room. That night, those who attended the workshop gave a Wofa drum and dance performance in the Outpost. On Saturday morning, Multicultural Kids Day was held in Johnston Gym, coordinated by Dalia Abu-Dayyeh '01. The International Students' Association funded the event, and their president, Zhenya Arutyunyan '00, helped plan many of the activities. Around 40 kids from neighboring elementary schools showed up for the event, and

about 20 Davidson students assisted with the activities. Each child was paired with a Davidson student for the morning. The kids went around in groups to different stations, each representing a region or culture of the world. They made a craft for every ethnic station, such as Vietnamese blue dragons and Chipewa Native American dream catchers. At the end of the morning, all the children came together for a final game called "Ruler of the Sea." The parents of the children were then invited back for a Dahn meditation performance and an African drum and dance presentation. A flag procession from countries around the world was also held.

Abu-Dayyeh said, "a broad range of Davidson students helped out, from Patterson Court goes to international students. It was a nice mixture of people. We had as much if not more fun than the kids did."

This is Abu-Dayyeh's second year coordi-

nating such an event at Davidson, but she originally started doing a similar project in high school in the Palestinian Authority. She said, "I have this belief that if you teach children to celebrate diversity now, when they are older it will impact their lives... this event opened up their eyes and hearts to another culture, which is what I wanted to achieve. A lot of the children said, 'I want to go visit your country.'"

Aycock said, "I hope people will understand the point of Solidarity Week is not to be overwhelmed with the world's problems. The process of the week is to present small goals and steps people can make to change attitudes towards community, race, wealth, and privilege."

Solidarity Week also included Aukram Burton's photography exhibit in the College Union. The exhibit, entitled "Images from Nigeria," ended February 21. The week concluded on Sunday night with a community BBQ dinner and cultural talent show at the Ada Jenkins Center.



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