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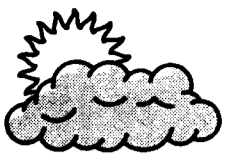
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Tape traders and bootleggers enter World Wide Web to access new pool of fans

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A few clouds early today, otherwise partly sunny and warmer. High 82. Clear to partly cloudy tonight. Low 59. A mix of clouds and sunshine, warm and humid for the weekend. High 85-90.

— by Chris Patti



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Manhunt ends, questions begin

Authorities identify body of Cunanan

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MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Andrew Cunanan called someone he knew in a desperate effort to obtain a false passport — and failing that, he stuck a .40-caliber handgun in his mouth and pulled the trigger, the FBI said yesterday.

The suspected serial killer claimed his last victim — himself — late Wednesday, in the upstairs master bedroom of a houseboat in which he was holed up, 2½ miles from the spot where fashion designer Gianni Versace was gunned down.

Nine days after Versace's murder, after one of the most intense manhunts in the nation's history, authorities had Cunanan's body. What they lacked was answers.

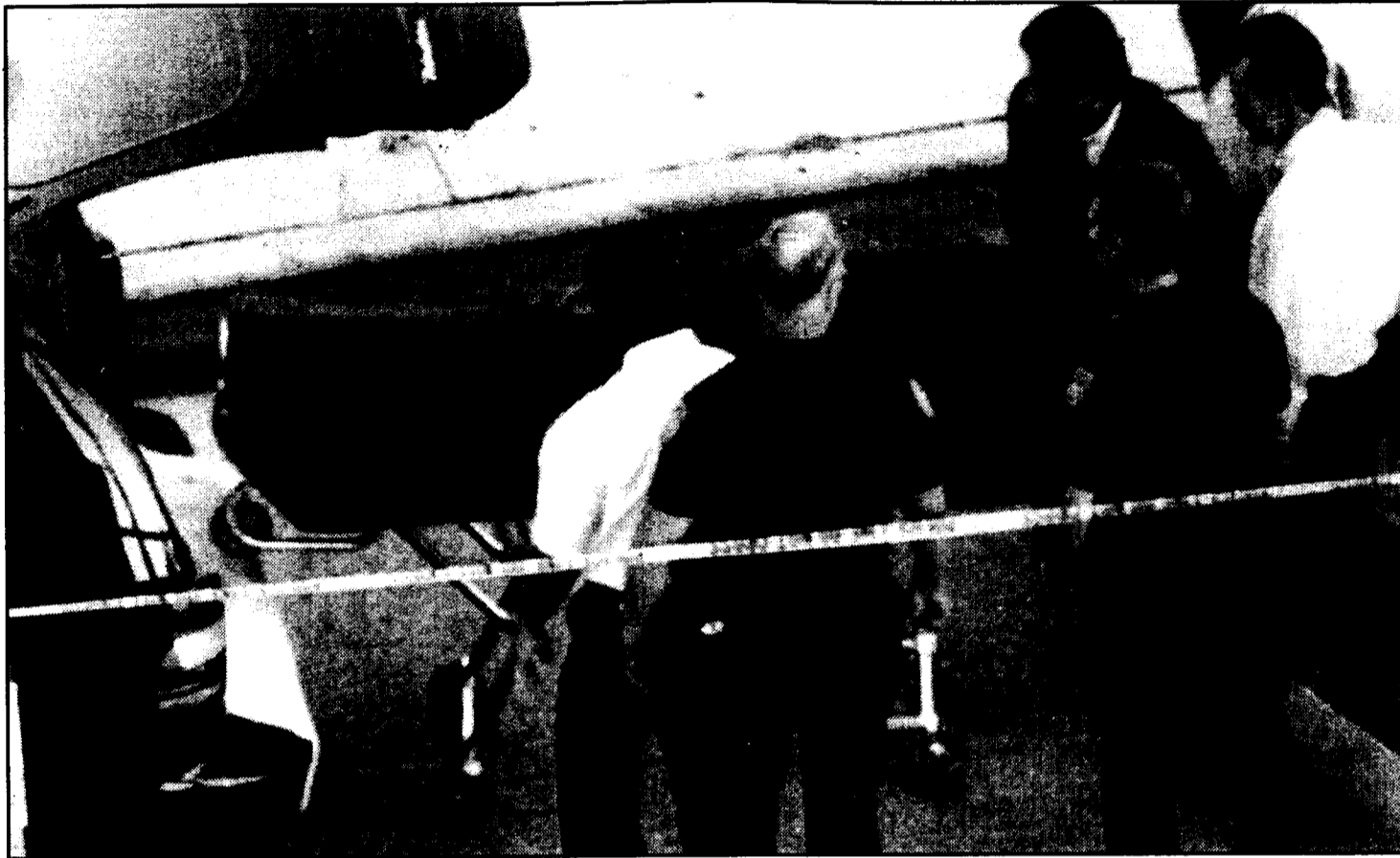
Why, in the course of three months, did Cunanan kill five men? Why did he kill these five men?

How did Cunanan elude one of the FBI's most ferocious dragnets? And why did so clever a man stay close to Miami Beach after Versace's murder?

When the end finally came, Cunanan didn't explain.

"There was no suicide note and no correspondence to reflect why he committed the crimes," Miami Beach Police Chief Richard Barreto said.

It is clear that he wanted to escape. William Esposito, deputy director of the FBI, said at a Washington news conference



AP Photo

Police load the body of suspected serial killer Andrew Cunanan into a van outside the houseboat in Miami Beach, Fla. where the body was discovered yesterday. Cunanan is suspected in the murder of Gianni Versace and four other men.

that a nervous and agitated Cunanan was in touch with "an associate" within 48 hours of the Versace slaying. They discussed who on the East Coast might have passports.

"He was trying to reach out to these individuals for the purpose of obtaining false identification, especially . . . a pass-

port, so that he could flee the country," Esposito said.

Cunanan, a 27-year-old described by his own mother as a gay gigolo, was the FBI's most-wanted fugitive, the prime suspect in the slaying of Versace and four other men in Minnesota, Illinois and New Jersey. He managed to elude capture even though his

picture was plastered on television, newspapers, the Internet and wanted posters.

After the Versace slaying, Cunanan abandoned a stolen pickup truck belonging to the New Jersey victim in a parking garage and vanished. But he didn't go far.

"He was out of places to run," said Doyle
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Legacy of questions left behind

By AMANDA COVARRUBIAS
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SAN DIEGO — In the three months since he left his hometown of San Diego, Andrew Cunanan left a trail of bodies across the nation, but little trace of himself.

No one may ever know what made him tick. By all accounts, he was a brilliant, complex man driven by envy, greed and a deep desire for notoriety.

If attention was what he was looking for, he got what he wanted. But his moment in the spotlight ended Wednesday when he killed himself on a houseboat in Miami Beach, 2½ miles from the spot where he allegedly shot his fifth victim, fashion designer Gianni Versace.

"I feel sorry for the person holed up in a houseboat knowing he killed five people and holding the gun of the first person he killed — a person he considered to be his best friend," said Daniel O'Toole, an acquaintance who last saw Cunanan in April in San Francisco.

"It must have been a difficult final hour for him. I don't know why this had to happen. It's a total tragedy."

His time as a fugitive was foreshadowed by elaborately fabricated tales he told to friends from San Diego to San Francisco:
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State funding comes up short for University

By JODI HANAUER
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University students and Pennsylvania residents said they are surprised to find out how little money the University gets from the state legislature, compared to other public universities within the state.

Pennsylvania residents support increased funding of public higher education with state dollars, according to a recent survey taken by the Center for Survey Research at Penn State Capital College.

In Pennsylvania, 74 percent of adults said they believe the state's funding distribution for higher education is unsatisfactory because the state favors funding for private colleges over public ones, according to the survey.

Pennsylvania ranks 47th in the nation in terms of the support it gives for public higher education, while it ranks second in the nation in the support of private colleges with its tax dollars. Among other public state-funded universities in Pennsylvania, the University ranks last in the amount of money the

state spends on each student.

"We have two sources of income — appropriation given by the state and tuition and fees that are charged," said Bill Mahon, director of public information for the University. "And when we get less money by the state, our students see the end result of it by being charged more tuition."

The University is not up to par financially with other similar universities, he said.

"Our University is much larger, yet worse funded than most of the other Big 10 schools," Mahon said.

State residents said they think the University makes an important contribution to the economy of the state, according to the survey.

Other surveys indicate many students do not realize how little money the University is given by the state compared to other universities, said Betty Moore, senior research analyst at the University.

In a survey taken in October 1996 through the Office of Student Affairs Research and Assessment, students show a general lack of knowledge about the state's support of public higher education.

Survey results

How important is it to you that you yourself, or someone in your household or family has access to an affordable college education?

Very important	86%
Somewhat important	6%
Not very important	3%
Not at all important	3%
Don't know/Not sure	3%

Would you say state funding for Pennsylvania's colleges and universities should receive...

High priority	62%
Moderate priority	32%
Low priority	3%
Don't know/not sure	2%

Using a scale from one-to-five, where "5" means very important, and "1" means not at all important, please rate Penn State's economic contribution to the state.

1 Not at all important	2%
2	3%
3	18%
4	28%
5 Very important	40%
Don't know	9%

Source: Center for Survey Research

Collegian Graphic/Kara Heermans

The data of this survey suggests the importance of having highly educated citizens, she said.

"It is so short-sighted of the state of Pennsylvania to limit support to its students, because these students are the keys to the future," Moore said.

"I think the state should be given more money for higher education because the graduates of this University put so much back into the state as a whole," said Jaime Desmond, Undergraduate Student Government president. "Penn State is the state school of Pennsylvania

and it should receive a higher amount of money than it receives now."

Since the University is a research institution, Eaton Morrison said the state might think the University doesn't need more money.

"The state might not give us as much money because we are a big research school and they might assume they can give us less money since research brings in a lot of money to the University," said Morrison (junior-electrical engineering).

'Knockout Revue' pleases audience but upsets others

By KRISTIN WALPOLE
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The live entertainment Wednesday night at Crowbar did not take place on stage, but in a boxing ring set up on the dance floor.

To the delight of the men and a few women in the crowd, two scantily clad women later entered that ring to fight — and some professors and women's groups are upset by the management's judgment.

Crowbar's usual entertainment, a live band, was replaced by the Hollywood Knockouts Female Revue, an event that included strippers, lap dances and women's boxing.

"I have never seen anything like this before," said Thomas Myles, a Philadelphia resident, who attend-

"Alcohol is the fuel for our sports spectacular."

Hollywood Knockouts Female Revue emcee

ed the revue. "I'm up here for a conference and decided to come expecting to have a good time," he said.

The entertainment, which started about an hour late, began with an emcee who encouraged the crowd to start a wave while chugging whatever alcohol they were drinking.

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Longer commencement requested by petition

Local business owners are upset with the two-day graduation weekend because visitors are rushed and can't enjoy their stay in State College.

By MARK PARFITT
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Downtown State College Partnership Inc. has created a petition asking the University to switch back to a three-day commencement schedule, after many businesses experienced problems serving graduation customers in only two days in May.

The University eliminated commencement ceremonies on Sundays in May, creating congestion and confusion among students and their families, as well as area businesses, said Charlene Friedman, president of the partnership.

Many area businesses said they could not serve students and their families as well as they should, she added.

The petition, which will be sent to University President Graham Spanier and the President's Council, is a follow-up to a letter Friedman wrote to Spanier about the concerns the business community have over the new schedule.

"The business community sees the commencement as a celebration," Friedman said. "They just couldn't accommodate the customers the way that they should," she said.

Graduation is one of the few times alumni come back to Happy Valley, Friedman said.

It is also the time in which students turn into alumni, and have their final impression of the town as a University student, she added.

"I certainly hope that Penn State has as much interest as we do in having a long relationship with students," she said.

Bill Mahon, director of public information for the University, said area businesses normally are consulted before a change, such as the commencement date, is made.

However, he said in this case the students and their graduation was

the University's first priority.

"Our priority is to serve students and parents. That's who we need to respond to," he said. "The idea of collapsing it into two days was to try to make it more convenient for students and parents," he said.

However, Friedman said some downtown businesses said the two days created more of an inconvenience for those in town for commencement.

Families felt rushed for time between ceremonies, dinner reservations and other events, she said.

The hotel and restaurant industry was especially affected by the change, Friedman added.

Hal McCullough, owner of Cafe 210 West, 210 W. College Ave., said many of his customers could not enjoy themselves during the graduation weekend.

"The two-day schedule seemed to cut things a little bit short," he said. "People seemed to be more pushed," he said.

McCullough said in previous years, students would come to his restaurant still dressed in their gowns, ready to celebrate.

This year he said he only saw a couple students in their commencement attire.

Many customers had gone to their hotels and changed clothes before they ate and were not in the celebration mood, he said.

"They just wanted to eat dinner. People were in a rush and just wanted to get out of town," he said.

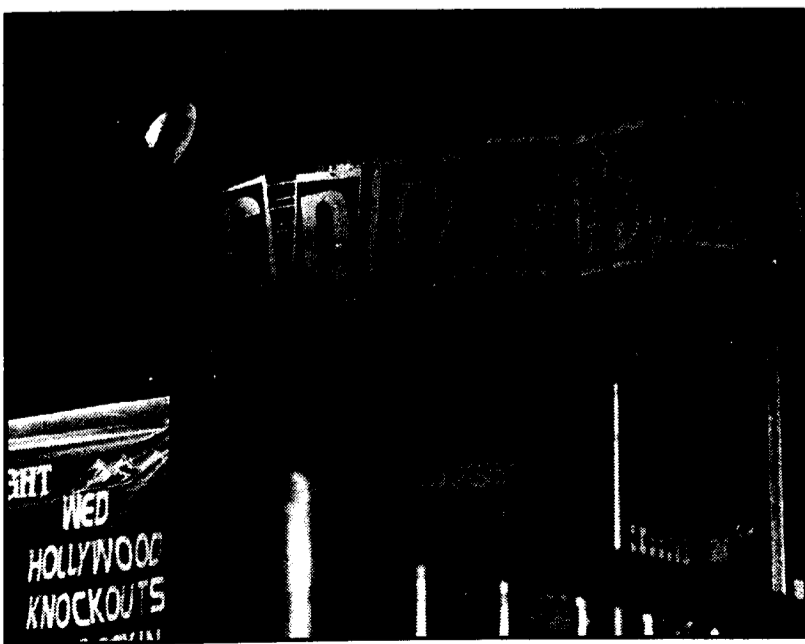
"I am definitely all in favor of going to the original schedule," McCullough said.

Timothy Beale, bar manager of Chili's Bar and Grill, 137 S. Allen St., said his restaurant was very busy, but did not encounter many problems.

Beale said Chili's is within walking distance from the University, which allowed customers extra time because they were not tied up in traffic.

Beale would like to see the University go back to a three-day schedule because it would mean a third day of increased business, he said.

"If we had a choice we would rather spread it out over three days, for the simple fact that's just an extra day of selling," he said.



Collegian Photo/Christa Rimonneau

The Hollywood Knockouts Female Boxing Revue was the featured event at Crowbar, 420 E. College Ave., on Wednesday night. The event upset some professors and women's groups.