

Afghanistan deaths rise to at least 1,200 troops

The Associated Press

As of Thursday, Sept. 23, 2010, at least 1,200 members of the U.S. military had died in Afghanistan as a result of the U.S. invasion in late 2001, according to an Associated Press count.

The AP count is six more than the Defense Department's tally, last updated Thursday at 10 a.m. EDT.

At least 969 service members have died in Afghanistan as a result of hostile action, according to the military's numbers.

Outside Afghanistan, the department reports at least 94 more members of the U.S. military died in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Of those, 12 were the result of hostile action.

The AP count of total OEF casualties outside of Afghanistan is two fewer than the department's tally.

The Defense Department also counts two military civilian deaths.

Since the start of U.S. military operations in Afghanistan, 8,040 U.S. service members have been wounded in hostile action, according to the Defense Department.

The latest identifications reported by the military include:

Sgt. Aaron K. Kramer, 22, of Salt Lake City, Utah; died Sept. 16 in Kandahar, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with small

arms fire; assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

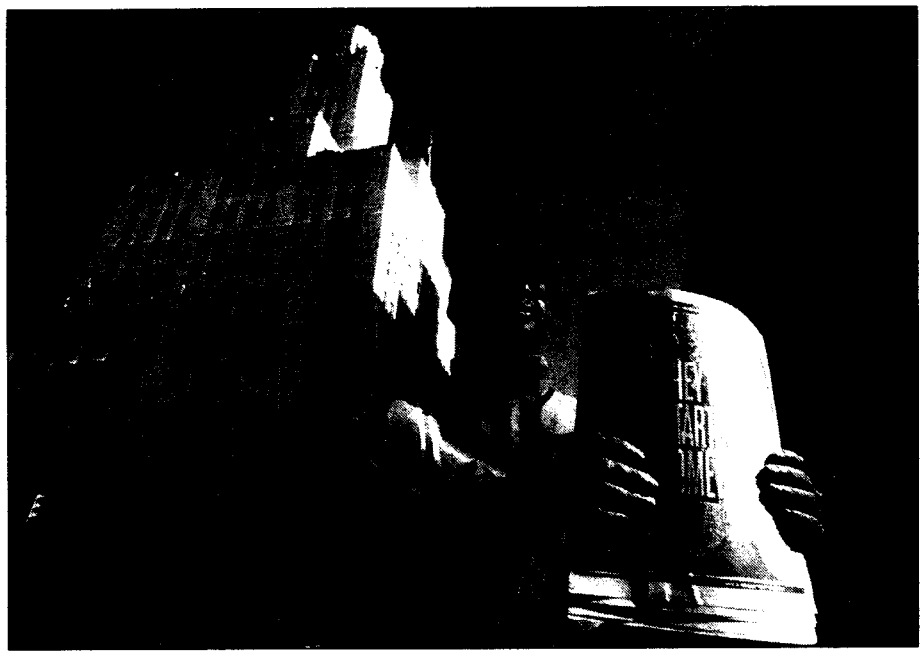
Senior Airman Daniel R. Sanchez, 23, of El Paso, Texas; died Sept. 16 while conducting combat operations in Oruzgan province, Afghanistan.

He had been assigned to the 23rd Special Tactics Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.

Spc. Deangelo B. Snow, 22, of Saginaw, Mich.; died Sept. 17 in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attached his vehicle with a rocket propelled grenade; assigned to the 526th Brigade Support Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

1st Lt. Scott J. Fleming, 24, of Marietta, Ga.; died Sept. 17 while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan; assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force, based out of Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Two soldiers died in the Zhari district, Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked their unit with an improvised explosive device; both were assigned to the 1st Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.



Matt Rourke/Associated Press

Lenders will take over The Philadelphia Inquirer and Philadelphia Daily News after bidding \$105 million at a bankruptcy auction Thursday. They plan to cut costs by 13 percent.

Senior lenders win auction for Philadelphia newspapers

Maryclaire Dale
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

PHILADELPHIA - Secured lenders will take over Philadelphia's two largest newspapers after winning a bankruptcy auction Thursday with a \$105 million cash bid.

The new owners vowed immediate changes to reinvigorate The Philadelphia Inquirer and Philadelphia Daily News. For starters, they will move the company's separate Philly.com operations into the newspaper building to revamp the website and better integrate print and online news-gathering.

The lenders' offer topped an \$85 million bid from Raymond Perelman, a 93-year-old philanthropist and business mogul from Philadelphia.

They plan to cut costs by 13 percent across the board, but have pledged to continue publishing both newspapers and hold off on any newsroom layoffs for at least one year.

The acrimonious 19-month bankruptcy has been a roller-coaster ride for employees, readers and advertisers, incoming Publisher Greg Osberg said.

"We are hoping we've lifted a cloud," said Osberg, who called the turmoil especially difficult for the company's several

thousand employees. "They've been extremely resilient, extremely patient, but I think they're eager to move forward."

The creditors had won a spring auction for about the same price, only to walk away from the deal two weeks ago because of a contract stalemate with delivery drivers.

Perelman then stepped in to mount a challenge.

"We need newspapers. I read (them) every day," said Perelman, the father of billionaire Revlon Chairman Ronald Perelman.

The creditors group includes the hedge funds Alden Global Capital and Angelo, Gordon & Co., the latter of which now owns stakes in newspapers in Los Angeles, Chicago, Minneapolis and several other U.S. cities.

They vowed to honor contracts forged in recent months with the other 14 employee unions in Philadelphia. But "all options are on the open" if the drivers refuse to sign by the scheduled mid-October close, creditors' lawyer Fred Hodara said.

The creditors, known as PN Purchasers, plan to end contributions to their Teamsters pension fund and switch the drivers to individual 401k plans. Local 628 President John Laigaie did not immediately return a call for comment.

Facebook creator donates \$100M to Newark schools

Geoff Mulvihill
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

NEWARK, N.J. - Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg is about to make a lot of new friends: The 26-year-old tycoon is pouring \$100 million of his staggering fortune into Newark's blighted school system after hitting it off with the mayor of the poverty-stricken city.

The donation - which is being announced today on Oprah Winfrey's show - instantly establishes Zuckerberg as one of high-tech's biggest philanthropists and comes just ahead of the release of "The Social Network," a movie that paints an unflattering portrait of the boy wonder of the Internet.

The arrangement brings together the young entrepreneur, Newark's celebrated Democratic mayor and a governor who has become a star of the Republican Party. And it underscores how the remaking of the nation's urban schools has become a popular cause among young philanthropists.

"What you're seeing is for the under-40 set, education reform is what feeding kids in Africa was in 1980," said Derrell Bradford, executive director of the Newark-based education reform group Excellent Education for Everyone.



Mano Jose Sanchez/Associated Press

Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg will announce a \$100 million donation to Newark schools on Oprah Winfrey's show.

"Newark public schools are like the new Live Aid."

Last year, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announced \$290 million in education grants, including \$100 million for the school system in Tampa, Fla., and \$90 million for the Memphis, Tenn., district. The Gates Foundation also has given more than \$150 million to New York City schools over the past eight years. Exactly how Zuckerberg's donation will be used in Newark - a school system with about 40,000 students and a budget this year of \$940 million - has not been disclosed.

UPAC
Your Student Activity Fee
PRESENTS

LATENIGHT

Friday, Sept. 24
NERF CAPTURE THE FLAG - Everyone welcome (sneakers only)! - 10 PM-1 AM, Alumni Hall (Sponsored by Urban Gaming Club)
CREATIVE CRAFTS - Decorate and stencil your own colorful tote bag! - 9 PM-1 AM, Ground Floor
POKER TOURNAMENT - Prizes for winners! - 10 PM, Ground Floor (Sponsored by GAPS)
GAPS GAMING - 9:30 PM-1:30 AM, Ground Floor
LATENIGHT BILLIARDS - 9 PM-1 AM, Corner Pocket
ARHS MOVIE: GROWN UPS - 7 PM, 9:30 PM & 12 AM, Auditorium

FRIDAY LATENIGHT FOOD SPECIALS:
Ground Floor Carts: \$1 Nathan's Hotdog, \$1.29 Soft Pretzels, David's Large Cookies at \$1.59, and 75¢ Box of Popcorn - 9 PM-1 AM
Sbarro: \$1.99 Meatball Hero or Pasta Special and \$1 slice of Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza - 9 PM-2 AM

WHITE BUILDING ACTIVITIES:
LateNight Basketball League - 7:45 PM start
Swing Dancing - 9 PM start
Open Recreation - 9 PM start
Open Pool Recreation* - 9 PM-12 AM (Closed if no Lifeguard)
Fitness Center* - 9 PM-1 AM (*Requires Fitness Pass/ID)

Saturday, Sept. 25
SOCIAL DANCE NIGHT - Lessons followed by Salsa, Tango and Ballroom dancing! - 10 PM-1 AM, Alumni Hall (Sponsored by Ballroom Dance Club)
CREATIVE CRAFTS - Decorate and stencil your own colorful tote bag! - 9 PM-1 AM, Ground Floor
GAPS GAMING - 9:30 PM-1:30 AM, Ground Floor
LATENIGHT BILLIARDS - 9 PM-1 AM, Corner Pocket
ARHS MOVIE: GROWN UPS - 7 PM, 9:30 PM & 12 AM, Auditorium

SATURDAY LATENIGHT FOOD SPECIALS:
Ground Floor Carts: \$1.99 Fruit Smoothies, \$1.29 Soft Pretzels, David's Large Cookies at \$1.59, and 75¢ Box of Popcorn - 9 PM-1 AM
Nathan's: 59¢ Mini-Hamburger, 99¢ Nachos, \$1 Nathan's Hotdog, and 5 Penny Rogers Roasters Wings for \$1.99 - 9 PM-2 AM

WHITE BUILDING ACTIVITIES:
Open Recreation - 9 PM start
Open Pool Recreation* - 9 PM-12 AM (Closed if no Lifeguard)
Fitness Center* - 9 PM-1 AM (*Requires Fitness Pass/ID)

Sunday, Sept. 26
ARHS MOVIE: GROWN UPS - 7 PM & 9:30 PM, Auditorium

PSU-UPark Student ID required at most events.
All events are in the HUB-Robeson Center unless noted otherwise. Check out Union St. and get a great deal on late night food on Friday and Saturday nights!
www.latenight.psu.edu

Critique HOSS's Fundraiser
Sep. 25 HOSS's Restaurant State College
Come out and support Smeal College of Business's first student business magazine by having a meal on Saturday, Sept. 25. Just show your ticket with Critique's name to your waitress. To get tickets please contact Joanne at jaa5279@psu.edu.

Mexican American Student Association Presents
Una Noche en México - Featuring the los Quetzales Dance Ensemble
Sep. 25 7:30 PM
Heritage Hall - HUB - Robeson Center
This year marks Mexico's bicentennial celebration, and we will be celebrating it as part of Hispanic Heritage month!

BROUGHT TO YOU BY
UPAC
Your Student Activity Fee

WHAT'S GOING ON

YOUR GUIDE TO MOVIES, LATENIGHT, MEETINGS & EVENTS AT PENN STATE

NOW PLAYING

ARHS Movies Presents

GROWN UPS

Friday & Saturday: 7 PM, 9:30 PM & MIDNIGHT

Sunday: 7 PM & 9:30 PM

PSU Student ID required. All ARHS movies are shown in the HUB Auditorium. All ARHS movies are free & funded by UPAC! Your Student Activity Fee at work!

COMING UP

HUB Gallery Art Exhibits

Uncommon Bond

Donna Curanzy-Seltzer, Mary B. Hochendoner, Beverlee Lehr, Mary Lundeen and Jo Margolis
HUB Gallery - Free and open to the public
Dates of exhibition: Sept. 14 - Dec. 12
Reception: Oct. 5, 4 - 6 PM

Textural Rhythms: Quilting the Jazz Tradition

Curator Carolyn Mazloomi, Founder and Coordinator of the Women of Color Quilters Network
Robeson Gallery - Free and open to the public
Dates of exhibition: Sept. 24 - Dec. 5
Reception: Sept. 30, 5 - 7 PM

Student Red Cross Club

Special September Blood Challenge Philadelphia vs. Pittsburgh Blood Donor Challenge

With a critical appeal for blood donations, the Red Cross has launched the Philadelphia vs. Pittsburgh Blood Donor Challenge. Throughout September, donate and vote for your favorite city and be eligible to win prizes and giveaways. Appointments are recommended. To schedule an appointment, visit psuredcross.org. Your single donation can save up to three lives.

Global Engagement and Leadership Experience (GELE)

Oct. 15 - 17 Bald Eagle State Park

Applications available at <http://www.global.psu.edu/dgrp/gli/>
GELE was designed specifically for Penn State students to explore what it means to "think global" and how to lead and follow in increasingly multi-national settings. The two part program for undergraduate students will begin with a two and a half day mini-conference on global culture and leadership at Bald Eagle State Park Oct. 15 -17. GELE brings international and U.S. students together to positively change campus climate and society by inspiring Penn State students - future leaders - to transform themselves into globally engaged and responsible citizens. No previous experience is required, but a desire to explore new perspectives on leadership and international engagement is preferred! For more information and to apply online, visit the University Office of Global Programs at <http://www.global.psu.edu/dgrp/gli/>



Does your organization have a weekly, bi-weekly or monthly meeting? Or do you have a special event coming up? Would you like to get the word out to the students? Then stop by the UPAC office located in 229 HUB Robeson and pick up a form, fill it out and return it to the UPAC office as early as possible but no later than the week before the event. We will be happy to publish your information in our weekly meeting section. The Meeting List is published each Monday in the What's Going ON page. Events are published Monday and Fridays! This service is free and provided by UPAC! Your Student Activity Fee at Work!

The Center for Arts & Crafts Fall 2010 Art Classes

The Center for Arts and Crafts is now taking registrations for our fall 2010 art classes! Classes include wheel thrown pottery, Irish dance, Zumba, drawing, watercolor painting, acrylic painting, scrapbooking, stained glass, recycled workshops and more! Class fees are discounted for PSU students with valid ID; Penn State affiliation is required to participate. To register, stop by our new location in 3 Ritenour Building, or mail in a registration form found in the Fall 2010 catalog. For questions or catalog request, please call 814-863-0611 or email mandi@psu.edu. Classes start Sept. 13. Reserve your spot today! For class info visit: www.sa.psu.edu/usa/craftcenter

Attention New and Returning Student Organization Leaders!

The Office of Student Activities will once again be offering the Student Organization Success Series to better train you so that you may better serve your organizations. If you have any questions please come see us in 209 HUB or email studentorg@sa.psu.edu. All programs start at 6PM

Oct. 12 Risk Management 129A HUB

Presented by: Jay Arcuri, Union and Student Activities

Nov. 9 Organization Transitioning Hertz Lounge

Presented by: Andrea Mosby, CampusSpeak, Inc.

Dec. 7 Reflection Facilitation 129A HUB

Presented by: Beth Bradley, Center for Ethics and Religious Affairs

Club Kreyol and Dominican Student Association

Komparengue

Oct. 6 8 PM West Halls study lounge
Come out and support Club Kreyol and the Dominican Student Association in a night of celebration of culture through dancing. Watch Kompa and Meringue performances and learn some new dance moves. Tickets are \$2 in advance and \$3 at the door. Look for our group selling tickets at the HUB info tables during the week of Sept. 27.

Rename the Corner Pocket!

The Corner Pocket in the HUB-Robeson Center has undergone significant renovations this summer and continues to do so! Part of that change includes the addition of a gaming area with a gaming tower and a gaming island. They will include Play Station 3, Xbox, and Wii stations with 20 game slots to accompany these stations. We aren't just Billiards anymore and the name "Corner Pocket" no longer fits. So we are asking YOU to re-name the Corner Pocket and create a new logo! The winner will be chosen by a small committee and will win fabulous prizes! Questions? Email Keith at kjs5234@psu.edu. Submissions can be turned in until Oct. 15 to Erin in room 230 HUB.