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## Soviets to match nuclear cuts

### Soviets OK nuclear cuts

By T. Elaine Carey  
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MOSCOW — The Soviet Union is ready to match nuclear arms cuts proposed by President Bush and called on other nuclear powers to do the same, the Soviet Foreign Ministry announced Monday.

"The Soviet Union is ready to

take comparable measures," Soviet First Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky told a news conference. "Today we have a real chance of a breakthrough to a nuclear-free world."

Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev said later on Monday that the USSR "should not respond immediately" to the sweeping proposals Bush outlined in a nationally televised speech Friday night. Gorbachev, according to the state news agency TASS, said the issues were complex and that "rashness would be an ill considered

step."

But the independent Interfax news agency reported that Gorbachev was preparing counterproposals that may be presented publicly by the end of this week. Petrovsky declined to provide hints of what the Soviet cuts might entail.

In a speech in Florida Monday, Bush welcomed Moscow's pledge to match his proposed nuclear arms cuts. "I think peace has a much better chance

### Bush happy with answer

MIAMI (AP) — President Bush welcomed Moscow's response to his call for nuclear weapons cuts Monday and said he expected the Soviet Union to "cooperate fully" by cutting its own arsenal.

"I think peace has a much better chance than it's had in a long, long time," Bush said while traveling in Florida. He said he was particularly pleased by the

positive reaction from Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

In Washington, the Soviet ambassador, Victor Kompletov, met at the White House with Brent Scowcroft, the president's national security adviser, and expressed "official Soviet enthusiasm" for Bush's ideas, a U.S. spokesman said.

The ambassador said Gorbachev "wanted to be responsive," press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said.

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### Some students sharing books

A 900-plus increase in public school enrollment this year has meant that some Lafayette Parish students must share textbooks and some must be taught in makeshift classrooms. See A-2.

### U.S. students still behind

WASHINGTON (AP) — America's school children have made up the ground they had lost in math, reading, writing and science achievement since the 1970s but are still far short of where they need to be, the Education Department said Monday. See A-7.

### Rebel troops arrest president

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Rebel soldiers seized control of the National Palace on Monday and captured President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the foreign minister said. See B-6.

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### Heavy load

Eric Houser, 7, of Lafayette, carries a pumpkin that's a heavy load for him from a truck to a location on Johnston Street where the big orange

pumpkins will go on sale. With Halloween approaching, the pumpkins are expected to be a popular item.

## Local lottery winner couldn't believe it

By Liz Hebert  
Staff Writer

When Morgan City's Charles Jolivet first saw "\$10,000" written three times on his lottery ticket Sunday, he thought his 71-year-old eyes might be playing tricks on him.

Then he looked again.

"For a while, I just couldn't believe my eyes — then those zeros convinced me," Jolivet said Monday from the Lafayette Regional Lottery Office. "Then I knew I had a winner."

Jolivet became the Lafayette regional office's first "\$10,000 winner" in the Louisiana Lottery Monday, when he cashed in his winning ticket for a \$7,500 check.

The \$7,500 is what remains from the \$10,000 after Uncle Sam takes \$2,000 in taxes of the top and the state takes \$250.

"I'm going to pay some medical bills and the rest is going in the bank to help my son go to college," Jolivet said when asked what he would do with his winnings. "I've been playing the lottery all along, but this is the first big win I've had."

Jolivet purchased the winning ticket Sunday from a Morgan City Circle K store, the same store where he has bought all of his "70 to 80 lottery tickets." Prior to Sunday, those tickets had produced for Jolivet one \$50 winner, one \$10 winner and one \$2 winner.

"I just bought one ticket Sunday," he said. "Every day I play and I always wait until I get home to scratch it off. There was nobody but me here when I

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## Hub City Rhythm to rock USL's homecoming dance

USL's Alumni Homecoming Dance this Saturday will feature the music of Hub City Rhythm, and tickets are now on sale.

The dance takes place after the Homecoming game, from approximately 7 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$5 a person and can be purchased from the USL Alumni Association.

A week of events leading up to the Homecoming game is planned, beginning with some of the student activities and ending with a buffet and the alumni dance on Saturday. "The Winning Ticket" is the theme of this year's Homecoming festivities.

the Homecoming game, beginning at 4 p.m. at Cajun Field.

Immediately after the game, a Cajun buffet will be set up at the Cajundome for those alumni and USL supporters who plan to attend the alumni dance. The buffet will be open until 8:30 p.m. Cost of the buffet is \$8 per person. Please call the Alumni House to make reservations.

The alumni dance also begins at the Cajundome immediately after the game. Reserved tables for \$50 each are available by calling (318) 231-6193. There is a two

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## City police sweep nets 35 prostitution arrests

By Bill Decker  
Staff Writer

Lafayette police say a three-month operation, which used video surveillance and undercover officers posing as streetwalkers, netted 35 arrests for prostitution and soliciting.

The operation, prompted by citizen complaints, was designed as a permanent solution to the prostitution problem in the Four Corners area near Cameron and North University, Police Chief Gary Copes said Monday.

For years, Copes said at a press conference, sex for sale has been easy to find at Four Corners. "But I don't think it's as easy today as it was a few weeks ago," the chief said.

Among those arrested were 10 women and eight male transvestites suspected of being prostitutes, and 17 men apprehended in six hours Friday night when officers turned their attention to the customers. Officers escorted the men

and their vehicles to a nearby parking lot; the cars stayed, and the men went to jail.

"The only reason we stopped (Friday)," said Cpl. Chuck Hunger, "was that we ran out of room at the parking lot and we ran out of room at the jail."

The police say 12 or 15 prostitutes work the area regularly, and another dozen or so turn up less frequently. Copes said prostitutes tend to work alone or with a pimp who deals exclusively with one woman.

The officers said the men who patronize the prostitutes put themselves at risk from armed robbery and from disease. They said prostitutes are often IV drug users who engage in unprotected sex with multiple partners, two behavior patterns linked to transmission of the AIDS virus and other diseases.

Copes said new ordinances helped police by extending city court jurisdiction to cover male prostitution and men accused of soliciting for prostitution.

The chief said a city court prostitution case can be prosecuted in eight months, compared to 18 months in the district courts.

And, Copes said, the operation goes beyond a one-time crackdown:

• The chief said he will urge prosecutors to ask judges to bar prostitutes from the

Four Corners area as a condition of probation. They might go somewhere else, Copes said, but the johns won't know where to look.

• Police are cooperating with businesses and residents in the area. Copes said police developed the operation in response to more than 30 complaints from the Four Corners area.

• "Something needed to be done," said one citizen. "It was getting out of hand... I was getting real frustrated because I couldn't get any help."

Copes said business people have cooperated by writing letters telling police that individual prostitutes have been barred from their establishments. The letters help police develop criminal trespassing cases.

• The city is changing the physical characteristics of Four Corners. Among the changes: demolition of the abandoned Alamo Hotel, a trysting place for prostitutes and johns; the planned demolition of another building in the area; improved street lighting; and the removal of a bus-stop bench where prostitutes were often available.

• The police are writing "dear john" letters to men who were videotaped in the company of prostitutes. The letters warn the men about the legal and health risks.

we talking about?" the woman asks.

The man names a sex act. "How much you got?"

"Ten dollars."

"That's all you got?"

The second man says, "How about \$20 for the both us?"

The deal is done. The woman tells the men to drive around the block so she knows

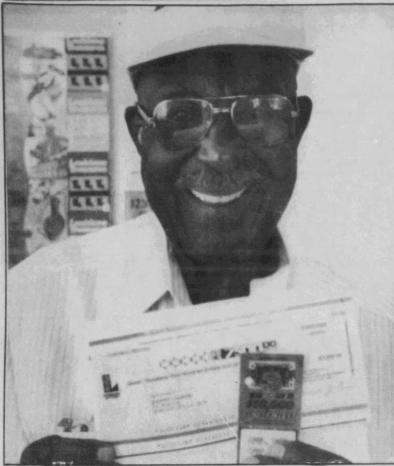
one of the men asks about a party.

"What kind of a party are

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**Charles Jolivet is all smiles after winning the big prize.**

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scratched this one off, so I just had to look keeping at it, just to make sure."  
Once Jolivet had convinced himself, he drove back to the store to tell everyone there the

news. At first, they thought he was joking. Then, they were congratulating him. And then, he said, "they all wanted a \$10 tip."  
"I said, 'No, I'm not tipping anyone. That was my ticket.'"

**Bush**

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The administration was buoyed by worldwide applause for Bush's plan, which entails the largest, one-sided reduction in nuclear weaponry in history. Bush couched his surprise announcement with a challenge to Moscow to make matching cuts.

Unilaterally, the United States will scrap about 2,400 short-range nuclear missiles on land and at sea.  
Bush urged the Soviets to join in negotiations for eliminating multiple-warhead missiles on land.

Fitzwater said Gorbachev had accepted an offer by Bush to send U.S. arms experts to Moscow. The spokesman said the team would not engage in formal negotiations but that the president wanted officials "to go soon to lay out directly the U.S. position."

In Moscow, officials said Deputy Foreign Minister Alexei Ubukhov, an arms control expert, will go to Washington in the first 10 days of October for talks.  
Responding to reporters'

questions, Bush said, "it's early" to think about him meeting with the Soviet president. He said he had not talked with Gorbachev since a telephone conversation last Friday spelling out his arms plan.

"Because of the dramatic changes that have swept our world — particularly in the Soviet Union — we are now able to take equally dramatic steps to make our world safer from the threat of nuclear weapons," Bush said in a speech in Miami before the Beacon Council, a gathering of business leaders.

"I believe that this announcement is the other day really does have the chance of removing fear from the minds and hearts of our young people in schools — not just in our country but all around the world," he said.

Bush expressed similar comments earlier at a Disney World celebration honoring the 575 public service volunteers whom he has cited as "points of light."

"I was pleased with the Soviet reaction and I fully expect that they will cooperate fully," Bush said.

**Soviets**

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If the Soviets match Bush's proposals, the mutual reductions in nuclear weaponry would be the most dramatic the world has seen since the two superpowers became embroiled in the Cold War arms race.

In his proposal outlined Friday, Bush unilaterally slashed the American nuclear arsenal by ordering the elimination of all ground-launched, short-range nuclear weapons; the withdrawal of all tactical nuclear weapons from U.S. ships, and; the cancellation of the controversial mobile MX missile. He also took U.S. strategic bombers off alert.

The Soviet Union has large stocks of equivalent weapons on submarines and in the western Ukraine.

Although Gorbachev on Saturday had welcomed the Bush initiatives, he said the USSR had to study the American actions before responding. By Sunday, the U.S. was clearly growing impatient with the Kremlin's failure to answer quickly with inked decreases.

Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney on Sunday warned the Kremlin that American cutbacks could be reversed if the Soviets did not equal them quickly.

The Soviet military Monday clearly backed the reversal of the arms race.

**Informant testifies in drug trial**

MIAMI (AP) — Drug traffickers never told Manuel Noriega when and where their cocaine flights were arriving in Panama even though they paid him to protect the shipments, the government's star witness said Monday.

Floyd Carlton, 42, a drug-peddling informant who has testified to paying bribes to the ousted Panamanian leader, has provided the most damaging testimony in Noriega's drug and

racketeering trial.  
Under cross-examination, defense attorney Frank Rubino asked why Carlton and the Medellin cartel allegedly paid millions of dollars to Noriega to protect their flights, then never told him what flights to protect.

"I have no explanation for that, sir," Carlton replied.

Carlton said Noriega never supplied troops or customs help for the flights.

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they're not being followed. But halfway around the block, police officers in two unmarked cars force the truck to pull into a parking lot. The men are under arrest.

They were two of 17 men arrested by Lafayette police officers Friday in a six-hour undercover operation. The woman was also a police officer who wore a microphone and a transmitter.

The arrests topped a three-month investigation designed to eliminate prostitution in the Four Corners area near the Cameron and North University intersection.

Officers say that a tough job. Women and men charged with soliciting for prostitution — negotiating the exchange of sex for money — can get out of jail in 90 minutes by paying a bail bondsman \$50. One policeman said prostitutes sometimes return quickly to the streets to recoup the money paid for bail or fines.

But after 30 area businesses and residents complained last summer about the growing number of prostitutes in the area, Police Chief Gary Copes decided to seek what he called a "permanent solution."

In a couple of weeks, he and his officers came up with this plan:

- Use undercover officers and video and audio surveillance agents to find and arrest prostitutes — male and female — and their customers.
- Ask judges to bar convicted prostitutes from Four Corners as a condition of probation.
- Cooperate with area businesses and residents on criminal trespassing prosecutions.
- Improve streetlighting and demolish abandoned buildings to deprive hookers and johns of privacy.

Cpl. Ed Ewing said male undercover officers posing as customers identified the prostitutes. They drove around the more popular corners, waited

until the offer was made, and drove off with the prostitute.

The officers used a bit of street drama they asked reporters not to reveal the tactic because it worked so well — to identify the prostitutes and get them out of the officers' cars. But they made no arrests yet.

Instead, they sought warrants against 10 women and eight male transvestites. The police didn't want to give away the plan.

On Friday, officers went after the customers. The bait: Two female rookie officers with a year of police experience between them.

"I'm going to have fun," said Charmaine Breaux shortly before she left for Four Corners. "The only thing I'm scared is that I've arrested half those prostitutes. I hope they don't recognize me ... I feel comfortable doing this because I can at least attempt to keep the streets clean."

The second officer, Yolanda Moss, joked about Lt. Bob Johnson's invitation to volunteer for the assignment. "I said, 'What? I'm not ready to change careers yet.' ... "It's interesting. It's very interesting."

Breaux's fears nearly came true when a pimp recognized her. And a malfunction in the hidden transmitter she wore delayed her first arrest.

But shortly after 8 p.m., the pickup pulled along side, the two-man arrest teams went into action, and the sting was on.

"It's a rush," Breaux said after participating in two arrests in the first minute.

"It's the ultimate rush." "It's like shooting fish in a barrel," Johnson said. "I've never caught this many fish before," Breaux said.

Between them, Breaux and Moss participated in 17 arrests Friday. Among the suspected johns were several married men and one man driving a company truck.

**Homecoming**

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table minimum.  
For dance tickets, to reserve a table, or for any other information about the USL Alumni Homecoming Dance, call the USL Alumni House at (318) 231-6193.

The USL Alumni Association this year is honoring the Silver Anniversary Class of 1966, as well as the Reunion Classes of 1971, 1976, 1981 and 1986-91.

The Homecoming schedule of events looks like this:

**Today**  
12:30 p.m.: Faculty Pie Throw on the Green.

2 p.m.: Faculty Door Decorating Contest.

3 p.m.: Residence Hall Door Decorating Contest.

6 p.m.: Student Scavenger Hunt, Union Room 206.

**Wednesday, Oct. 2**

7 p.m.: Student Yell Like Hell.

**Thursday, Oct. 3**

All Day: Car Spot. Owners with cars bearing USL stickers or decorations will win two free tickets to USL Homecoming game.

11:30 p.m.: Block Party / Midnight Pop Rally / Band.

**Friday, Oct. 4**

All Day: Car Spot.

8 a.m.-4 p.m.: Alumni Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament at Bourgeois Hall Tennis Courts. Must enter with a partner. Entry: \$40 per team. Call the Alumni House, (318) 231-6193.

11 a.m.-5 p.m.: Bill Bass Alumni Open Golf Tournament at Les Vieux Chenes Golf Course. Entry: \$50 per person. Contact the Alumni House at (318) 231-6193.

4-6 p.m.: University Honors Program Alumni Reception; Maxim Doucet Lounge, Room 204. Contact Dr. Patricia Rieckels at (318) 231-6700.

**Saturday, Oct. 5**

9 a.m.-Noon: Silver Anniversary Sunrise Reunion Brunch Class of 1966, Alumni House. Call (318) 231-6193.

9 a.m.-Until: Homecoming Display Viewing; Campus and Sorority-Fraternity Row.

9:30-11:30 a.m.: Alumni Band Rehearsal. Call Milton LeBlanc, (318) 989-4229.

10 a.m.: Parade; campus to Cajun Field. Public Viewing at

Blackham Coliseum.

11 a.m.-2 p.m.: Wesley Foundation Student and Alumni Luncheon; Wesley Campus Ministry. Students and alumni of Wesley and Westminster Fellowships invited. Call the Rev. Don Ross at (318) 235-6073.

Noon-2 p.m.: Home Economics Alumnae Chapter Lunch and Business Meeting; Cajundome Mardi Gras Ballroom. Call Myrtle Deranger at (318) 662-3546.

Noon: Blue Key Banquet; Cajundome Mardi Gras Ballroom. Call Richard Casimano, (318) 231-6219 or Mandy Dunn, 235-6038.

Noon-3 p.m.: Red Jackets Social; Cajundome. Call Leola Broussard at (318) 234-3562.

Noon-3 p.m.: S Club Social; Cajundome. Call George Cousan at (318) 231-2182.

Noon-3:30 p.m.: Business Administration Alumni Chapter Social, Cajun Field. Call Jack Rutherford at (318) 994-6589.

1:30 p.m.: Fraternity, Sorority Open House.

1-3:15 p.m.: Anniversary Class Gathering 1966, '71, '76, '81, '86; Cajun Field. "Remember '86 Reunion" alumni, SLI Fifty Plus Club graduates of 1937-41. Call Alumni House, (318) 231-6193.

3:15 p.m.: Ragin' March Band, cheerleaders, Ragin' Jazz, alumni march around Athletic Complex to pep rally at oak tree.

3:15 p.m.: Pre-game activities; Cajun Field. Performance by the Alumni Band.

4-7 p.m.: Homecoming Game; Cajun Field. USL v. Miami of Ohio. Call Athletic Department at (318) 231-6329 for tickets.

Immediate Post Game - 8:30 p.m.: Cajun Buffet, Cajundome. Reservations requested.

Immediate Post Game-Midnight: Alumni Homecoming Dance featuring Hub City Rhythm at Cajundome. Tickets \$5. Reserved tables available by calling (318) 231-6193 (Two table minimum).

**Sunday, Oct. 6**

8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.: "Challenge of the Decades" golf team alumni golf tournament; Le Triomphe Golf Course. All former USL golf team members and their guests invited to play. Call Buddy Short, (318) 232-2446 or Chad Williams, 232-8178.

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