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Quick Take



WALTER PAYTON
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Chicago bids farewell
Flags at half-staff whippewell in the cold November wind outside Soldier Field on Tuesday. But the day after his death, many spoke more of Walter Payton the man than Walter Payton the running back.

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Indestructible legacy
Walter Payton's legacy will include the courage and dignity with which he faced death.

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Getting a lift
When Debbie Zimmerman found her weight creeping up, she decided to experiment with a different approach to weight loss — pumping iron.

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1999 UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN


Goal	\$2.5 million
Raised	\$2,007,221.97
Needed	\$492,778.03
Days left	15

Lottery
Here's the winning numbers selected Tuesday:
■ Pick Three-Midday: 6-0-2
■ Pick Three-Evening: 1-7-8
■ Pick Four-Midday: 4-0-3-7
■ Pick Four-Evening: 9-3-9-5
■ Big Game: 03-11-18-21-26
■ Lotto jackpot: \$3 million
■ Big Game: 6-10-30-31-35
■ Big Money Ball: 14
■ Big Game jackpot: \$46 million

Weather
■ Today: Sunny, High 52.
■ Tonight: Clear, Low 30.

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GET INVOLVED:
The Rev. Jesse Jackson urges parents at a town hall meeting Tuesday at the Church of the Living God Temple 3 to get to know their children, teachers, exchange phone numbers and get involved in their children's education.

It's not going to end in Decatur tonight. We're coming back again and again and again.
The Rev. Jesse Jackson

1,000 join call for reinstatement



COMING TOGETHER: Feeling the spirit of the town hall meeting Tuesday, Barbara Smith, Tacora Williams and Harold Johnson applaud the introduction of the Rev. Jesse Jackson. Some 1,000 people packed the Church of the Living God Temple 3 sanctuary in support of the seven Decatur high school students expelled for two years for fighting.

Herald & Review photo/Kathy J. Holt

School board president vows 'the expulsions stand'

Goetter says there's nothing Jackson can say to alter decision.

By KEN DICKSON
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DECATUR — Decatur school board President Jackie Goetter let the Rev. Jesse Jackson know he was getting his limelight before he got his place at Decatur Airport.

"I'm not here to speak," Goetter said. "As president of the board of education, there is nothing that the Rev. Jackson can say or do during his visit to Decatur that would make me change my mind."

Seated next to Superintendent Kenneth Arndt in the board room at the Keil Administration Building, Goetter read from statements. Then she said, "There is little to be served in further discussing and debating the recent actions taken by the school board."

The board expelled the Decatur high school students Oct. 1 and four more on Oct. 4 as the result of a Sept. 17 fight during a football game at Eisenhower High School. The expulsions are in force until Sept. 17, 2001.

Goetter cited "physical violence, physical confrontation, behavior that endangered the lives of others and ganglike, mob action activity" as the reasons for the expulsions.

"The students who initiated and were primarily involved in this horrific brawl," Goetter said. "Innocent bystanders, young and old, who were not involved in the fight, became victims in this melee. Picture, if you will, a grandmother protecting her young grandchildren by shielding them with her body."

Goetter said she is puzzled why an

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EXPelled STUDENT: Courtney Carson applauds the remarks of the Rev. Jesse Jackson Tuesday evening.

Chapter One
Josh

I wonder where he's going in all this snow, thought Josh, as he pressed his nose against a small pane in the porch door and watched his dog barking at the snow. The snow was falling in great leaps and land, and then, instead of sinking into the depths of the snow, the small, brown body would bounce up again in great leaps and land on the Nature Trail. Where could he be heading? After that stupid Web Rockette's house, there was nothing at the end of the road — some fields, a bit of woods, and then a dead end. He had been lost last week before the snow came. It seemed strange his mother hadn't stopped him. In Virginia she would hardly let him go to the mall with his mother. She had never let him have a new baby, and an old farmhouse at the other end of nowhere, she didn't seem to care whether he lived or died.

"Did you let Manch out again?" His mother had come to the door with the baby on her left hip and a diaper in her right hand.

"I did, Mom," Josh said.

"In all this snow?" Josh, that fool dog will get lost and freeze to death. I told you to walk him on the leash. He hasn't lived here long enough to find his way home."

Josh unclipped, got his jacket, and stuck the leash in his pocket. As he opened the porch door his mother called from the bathroom. "Have you got your boots on?"

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The Field of the Dogs

By KATHERINE PATTERSON
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Shelbyville woman part of pioneering heart study

By ARVIN DONLEY
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SPRINGFIELD — Marie Ross and Bryan Evans, a Mount Vernon resident, share a bond as the first two Central Illinois residents to take part in a Food and Drug Administration study of intracoronary radiation.

Both underwent balloon angioplasty in late September at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, but only one received the radiation treatment designed to inhibit the growth of scar tissue inside the

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