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One of 11 rescued miners leaves a shaft outside the Zapadnaya mine in Novoshakhtinsk, southern Russia, Wednesday. Eleven of 13 coal miners who were trapped in a deep shaft for six days were found alive Wednesday, and rescuers led them out of the mine after blasting a tunnel through solid rock.

## Rescuers find trapped miners

11 of 13 Russian coal miners stuck underground emerge after six days

NOVOSHAKHTINSK, Russia (AP) — Search crews blasted through solid rock to rescue 11 of 13 coal miners who emerged covered in soot Wednesday after six days trapped in a deep shaft in southern Russia. One miner died underground and another remained missing, emergency officials said.

Rescuers reached the men Wednesday morning after drillers punched through to the pit face where the miners had sought refuge following a flood. Entering the chamber, the rescuers found a note scrawled on a ventilation pipe, showing in which direction the miners had moved,

NTV television reported. "The guys looked fine for people who have been trapped in a mine for six days. They came out themselves," said Alexander Smetalin, one of the rescuers. "They were found in the northern part of the mine. They were lying there all together."

Rescued miner Vasily Karlov said conditions had become increasingly desperate in the last hours before the rescue.

"We felt that the water level was rising and there was little oxygen and people were not feeling well," he said from a hospital bed.

"When we saw the rescuers, it was like the appearance of Christ

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VASILY AVDEYEV  
rescued miner

before the people," said another of the rescued miners, Vasily Avdeyev.

"We had nothing to eat. I delivered a speech saying that a 20-day fast has not ever hurt anyone and it is good for the health," added Avdeyev, who was the mine's director and had been trapped with the others.

Smetalin said that the miners had climbed an incline in the

shaft in the Zapadnaya mine that kept them above the level of the icy water. The missing miner apparently had left the others in hopes of finding a way out, and rescuers were continuing to search for him, officials said.

In spite of their ordeal, most of the miners walked out of the shaft on their own after being carried

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**Solar storm hits earth**  
A large solar storm traveled to Earth Wednesday in about 19 hours. Typically storms can take more than four days to reach the Earth. Storms of this size occur about three times every 11 years.

**Solar flares**  
Flares send out electromagnetic rays and electrically charged particles that disrupt the Earth's magnetic field.



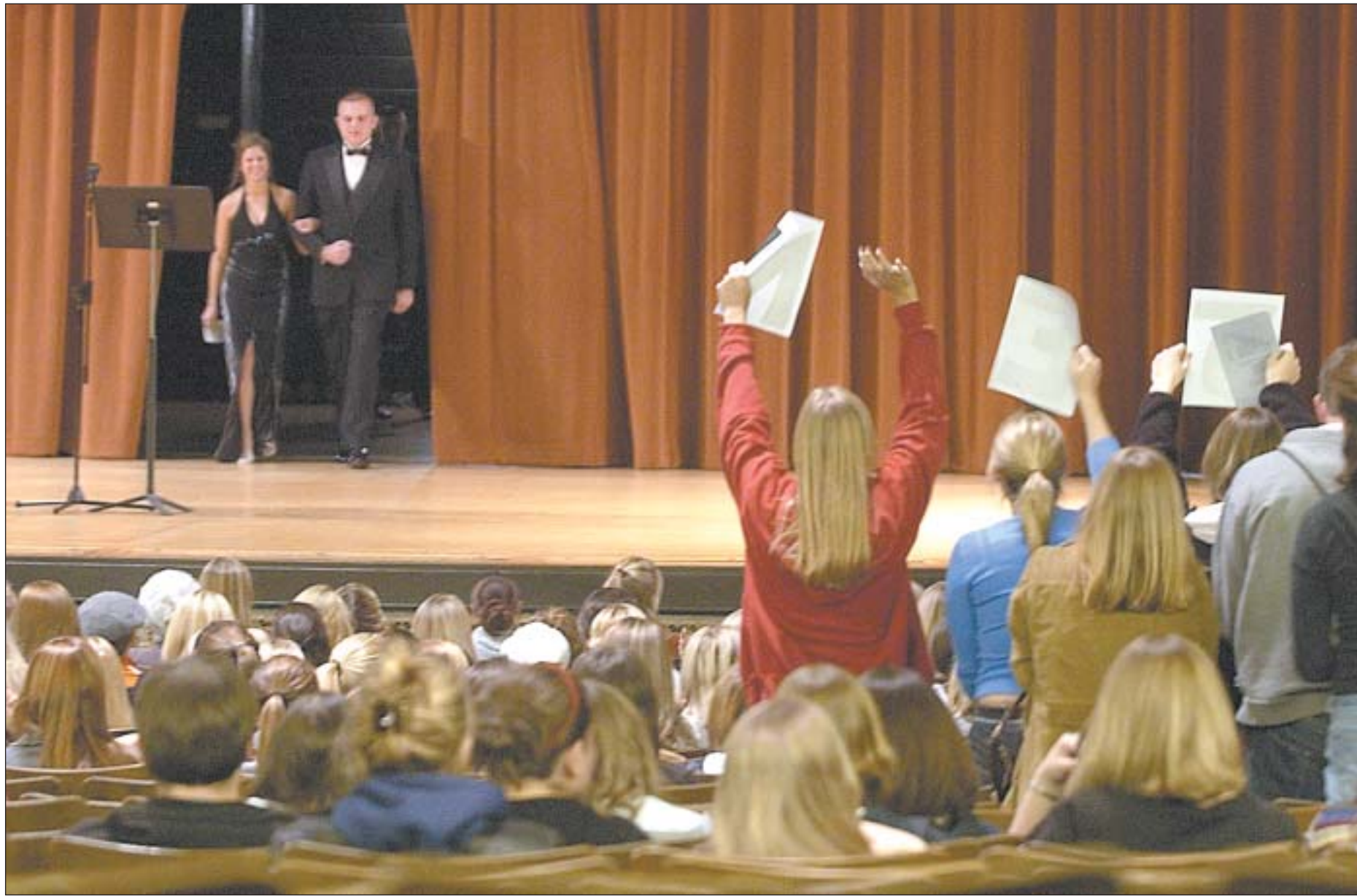
**Earth's magnetic field**  
**Storm's possible effects**

**Biological**  
Astronauts and people in planes at higher latitudes experience greater radiation than normal (equivalent to 10 chest X-rays is possible).

**Satellite**  
Disruptions in memory, imaging and reduced solar panel efficiency

**Other**  
Radio communications in the poles may blackout

NOTE: Drawing is not to scale  
Source: NASA AP graphic



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Friends cheer on Kappa Delta Tau's Sarah Woolley, sophomore in LAS, during the Foxy Lady Contest on Wednesday night at Foellinger Auditorium.

## Foxy Ladies raise money for a good cause

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Although representatives from 15 sororities weren't competing for the Miss America crown Wednesday night, the honor of being named Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity's Foxy Lady this year was enough for contestants at the fraternity's 31st annual Foxy Lady contest held at Foellinger Auditorium.

The contest provided a pageant-style atmosphere for its participants, complete with tuxedo-

clad escorts, formal gowns, an audience full of cheering sorority members and an intermission performance by the a capella group No Strings Attached.

Participants were nominated by their respective houses to compete in the event.

Nikki Rhodes, sophomore in applied life studies and a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority, said she enjoyed the opportunity to represent her sorority in the contest.

"I think it's a really good philanthropy idea ... you get a

chance to show what your house means to you," Rhodes said. "My favorite part was being picked to be a participant ... I'm honored that my chapter picked me."

Prior to the actual contest, participants were serenaded by the men of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and formally interviewed by a committee of various campus representatives.

Participants were required to give short speeches about their experiences in their respective sororities.

Eight finalists were then cho-

sen and asked impromptu questions by the judges.

Danny Curtin, junior in ACES and Alpha Gamma Rho philanthropy chair, said the Foxy Lady contest has become popular over the years.

He said although the contest is just for fun, it's a big deal for the participants to have the opportunity to represent their houses.

Erin Nolley, sophomore in LAS and member of Sigma Kappa sorority, said she considers the event more fun than anything else.

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NIKKI RHODES  
Pi Beta Phi member

"I think it's a very creative way to do something for charity," she said. Nicole Edwards, senior in ACES and member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, won the contest.

All proceeds from ticket sales benefited the American Cancer Society.



FIRE DRILL

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Illinois Fire Services Institute Instructor Joe Drennan (right) walks with IFSI students (from right) Michael Zimmerman, Hickory Point Fire Department, Trent Short, Urbana Fire Department, and Bart Owens, Mattoon Fire Department, as they help put out a fire set to a car at the IFSI, 11 Gerty Drive, Champaign, on Wednesday morning. The car, a Dodge Durango donated by Chrysler, was used to demonstrate how airbags affect safety for firefighters dealing with automobile fires. "One of the things we have to look out for and be aware of is airbags in any car fire," said IFSI instructor Dan Czarnecki (not pictured). "With airbags ... virtually now in every vehicle, how safe is it for firemen? What hazards do they have to look at?"

## Anti-spam bill may not stem mail flood

UI faculty doubt if federal legislation will help

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Open your e-mail inbox and you might find advertising for everything from cheap textbooks to genital enhancers to free movie tickets — all known as "spam."

While spam is clogging millions of inboxes around the country, the government is starting to address the problem at the national level.

On Oct. 22, the U.S. Senate took action against the unsolicited messages, voting unanimously to outlaw some of the methods used by the spammers.

If passed in the House of Representatives, the new bill would require spammers to include a legitimate return address in the body of the message, prohibiting the use of false or deceptive headers. It would also require the Fed-

eral Trade Commission to create a national "do not e-mail" list, keeping unsolicited commercial messages away from Internet users.

Katherine Galasyn-Wright, president of the Roundtable marketing consultants firm in Champaign, said in an e-mail that this type of government regulation "tends to introduce barriers to doing business for responsible marketers — all in an attempt to curb the actions of a few who are not so responsible."

Even if legislation is passed, some University faculty and staff also doubt that federal action would change the situation.

"The biggest problem is that most of the spam comes from abroad. Those spammers are outside the jurisdictional reach of the United States," said Jay Ke-

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## Cantor denies seeking Penn presidency position

Chancellor Nancy Cantor was listed among the top five candidates for president of the University of Pennsylvania in the October issue of *Philadelphia Magazine*, but spokeswoman Robin Kaler denied on Wednesday that Cantor is a candidate.



NANCY CANTOR

Cantor was out of town and unavailable for comment. She is representing the University at meetings of the Association of American Universities in Oregon.

Kaler said Cantor is not considering the position and is unsure as to why her name came up for the position.

"She is one of the leading women in higher education," Kaler said. "Any time you are

looking for someone, you're going to try to poach the best people from other places."

Eileen Gifford, who is Cantor's administrative assistant and keeps her calendar, said the chancellor was surprised on Wednesday to hear about the article.

"There's no pursuits of any other positions outside the University to my knowledge," Gifford said. "She's busy being our chancellor."

Ron Ozio, director of media relations at the University of Pennsylvania, said the list of candidates did not come from the university.

"They (*Philadelphia Magazine*) were just speculating," he said. "The university is not releasing any information about the search. We have absolutely no comment about the search."

— Ann Sanner