

# National



Staff photo by Greg Gammon

## Dish it out

Julie Davis, a representative of the Student "Y" Association, dishes up some free ice cream to Lizzi McDevitt (r) and Vivian Sembera. The student "Y", part of the national association of student YMCA's, is a student oriented organization sponsoring events from social activities to religious programs. Prospective members were treated to free ice cream during a recruiting program Monday night.

# Unions snub Reagan at Labor Day parade

**United Press International**  
NEW YORK — Snubbing President Reagan and paying homage to the air traffic controllers he fired, more than 100,000 workers marched up Fifth Avenue Monday in a Labor Day salute to the American union movement's 100th anniversary.

The marchers included 2,500 of the striking controllers who were fired by the president.

AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland, the parade's grand marshal in honor of the giant union's 100th anniversary, was at the head of the column of workers as the parade began under heavily overcast skies at 10:50 a.m.

Reagan was not invited to participate and Kirkland scoffed at the president's recent pledge to generate "jobs, jobs and more jobs."

Mayor Edward Koch, jeered loudly by many in the crowd, said it was "a great error" for the labor leaders not to invite Reagan.

Carpenters, electricians, laborers, plumbers, steamfitters, teachers and others marched amid a sea of buttons, banners, floats, flags and multi-colored balloons to celebrate the first such parade in New York in 13 years.

Snake-dancing garment workers from Chinatown — members of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union — performed in the street. Radio City Rockettes dressed in red, white and blue stage costumes pranced in front of the reviewing stand to the strains of "Stars and Stripes Forever."

Operating engineers walked next to a yellow crane with a huge American flag hanging from it, and a delegation from the United Farm Workers marched in the distinctly nonrural setting.

Spectators stood three and four deep along the parade route, and police officials estimated the marchers at well over 100,000.

"His actions speak a lot louder than his words," Kirkland said of Reagan. He said the federal

budget already was aimed at eliminating 1.25 million jobs.

Harry Van Arsdale, president of New York City's Central Labor Council, played down the fact Reagan was not invited to attend the parade, even though the president was to be in New York to present Mayor Edward Koch with a symbolic \$85 million check for the city's Westway superhighway project.

"This is not a political parade," Van Arsdale insisted.

But in a direct reference to Reagan's firing of 12,000 air controllers who struck in defiance of federal law, Van Arsdale appealed to the president's good will in urging him to reinstate the controllers.

"It's true that if your children make a mistake, you want to punish them, you don't want to destroy them," the 76-year-old labor leader said. He said Reagan's action in the strike was "a terrible mistake" and "enough punishment for those people."

Standing near Van Arsdale when the parade began was Robert Poli, president of the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization, who cheered several thousand of his union members who made the trip to New York to participate in the Labor Day celebration.

The PATCO marchers were decked out in blue and white caps and blue T-shirts with white let-

tering that read, "Leading the nation with striking results."

"It's a message to everyone in this country, including the administration, of our resolve and solidarity," Poli said of the parade. "This nation's air system can't operate without 12,000 air traffic controllers."

# Green light in Maryland for three-wheeled vehicle

**United Press International**  
BALTIMORE — A three-wheeled, fuel-efficient vehicle has been ruled a passenger car by the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration, a move that allows a Finksburg man to sell the car in the state.

Mark Burnett, employee of a paper products firm in Dorsey, has been trying to get a license for the cars since last spring.

Called the Freeway and manu-

factured in Minnesota, the car gets about 80 miles per gallon. Powered by a modified lawn-mower engine, it has two wheels in the front and one in the rear and can go 65 mph.

The car is already licensed in 30 states and Burnett wants to open a dealership in Baltimore.

MVA Administrator William Bricker said the car didn't meet Maryland safety standards with its single headlight and no safety

glass on the front windshield. The vehicle also has no reverse gear.

Burnett said the problems will be overcome with simple modifications. While waiting for the Maryland decision, he opened a dealership in Washington, D.C.

Last week, Bricker informed Burnett. The vehicle could be licensed as a passenger car with safety glass and two headlights. No mention was made of the reverse gear.

# Labor day death toll lower than predicted

**United Press International**  
More than 350 people were killed in traffic accidents nationwide during the 3½-day Labor Day holiday but the death count was well below the 580 fatalities predicted by the National Safety Council.

A United Press International count showed 352 people were killed in traffic accidents nationwide from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Monday. Last year, 531 people died in traffic accidents during the weekend and 21,300 were seriously injured.

California reported 48 deaths, followed by Texas with 38, Florida with 24, Ohio and Illinois with 17 each, New York with 15, Wisconsin and Tennessee with 14 apiece, Alabama, Mississippi and North Carolina with 13 each, and Louisiana and Missouri with 12 each.

Six people were killed in a blazing head-on collision between two trucks Monday on a winding stretch of Idaho state highway, state police said.

An Idaho State Police spokesman said a pickup truck carrying

five people collided with a large van-style truck on a highway linking Boise with northern Idaho. The crash sparked a fiery explosion that touched off a small range fire, officers said.

A family of six was killed when their car hurtled off a concrete ramp Sunday night into the dark waters of Lake Sardis in Mississippi.

The accident was not discovered until Monday morning when a fisherman found one of the bodies. The submerged car and five other bodies — none of them inside the car — were recovered later. All six reportedly drowned.

A speeding car ran a stop sign in north Louisiana Sunday, knocking a motor home into a pickup truck, killing one person.

In one of the worst traffic accidents of the weekend, five people died about 7 miles south of Sturgeon Bay, Wis., when two cars collided head-on early Saturday.

Two New York City residents were killed and five others were injured Monday in a one-car crash on the New York Thruway near Catskill. State police said the driv-

er apparently fell asleep at the wheel.

Michael Shea and Karen Sugarman, both 16, died in a one-car crash in their hometown of Norwood, Mass., early Sunday. Police said Shea apparently was speeding when the car hit a stone wall and an oak tree on Route 1A. A fake license plate on the car said "Drive like hell, you'll get there."

In Chicago, Antonio Colon, 34, was killed early Monday when his motorcycle slammed into a fire truck that was headed to the scene of a fire. Colon was the third Illinois traffic death of the weekend involving a motorcycle.

At least 11 people were killed in four separate plane crashes.

Five were killed in the fiery crash of a small plane Monday near the Rattlesnake Range in central Wyoming. The only discernible remains were an adult's hand, a child's hand and smaller pieces of human flesh.

Four others were killed Friday in Kansas City, Kan. when the plane they were riding in apparently stalled and crashed while they were en route to their holiday vacation.

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