

Study break



Curt Proske, a sophomore engineering major, plays his guitar while taking a break from studying in front of Rudder fountain yesterday afternoon.

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Agency: Africa needs to act against AIDS

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP) — AIDS, not war, has turned Africa into a "killing field" and will wipe out enough adults to create 13 million orphans in the next 18 months, the United Nations children's agency said yesterday.

Such cataclysmic statements at the 11th international AIDS in Africa conference were aimed at prodding African governments — which spend more on defense than on health — to act against the scourge of the continent.

Africa is home to two-thirds of the world's 31 million HIV-infected people. Last year, AIDS killed 2 million Africans, outstripping deaths from armed conflicts on the continent 10-1, said UNICEF, the children's fund.

In 15 years, AIDS has killed 11 million Africans, more than 80 percent of the world's AIDS deaths.

"By any measure, the HIV-AIDS pandemic is the most terrible undeclared war in the world, with the whole of sub-Saharan Africa a killing field," UNICEF executive director Carol Bellamy said at the conference's third day.

Ninety percent of the world's AIDS orphans live in Africa and most suffer "alarmingly higher rates of malnutrition,

stunting and illiteracy," UNICEF said. "They often die of neglect and are victimized by the stigma surrounding the disease." The number of child-headed households is rising sharply, the UNICEF report said.

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UNICEF executive director

In many southern African nations up to 25 percent of adults are infected with the AIDS virus — the highest prevalence in the world. In Zambia alone, 90,000 AIDS orphans have been left to fend for themselves on the streets.

Bellamy said decades of gains for child survival and development are being wiped out by the disease.

Lack of AIDS education is part of the problem, the group said.

More than a quarter of the women south of the Sahara — most at risk from infection with virus that causes AIDS — were of any effective way of avoiding the disease, research has shown. In Africa, more than 30 percent of women felt a healthy-looking man could not be a carrier.

The threat has been worsened, Bellamy said, by the lack of courage from political leaders to fight the amounts to a "conspiracy of silence" to hide the seriousness of the crisis from ordinary people, she said.

The United States spends \$5 billion fighting about 40,000 new AIDS cases a year. All of Africa spends about \$1 billion fighting 4 million new cases and only one-tenth of that comes from governments, Bellamy said.

She said African governments should mobilize community education as a priority. She called for them to make it for the year 2002, including:

- making adolescent women aware of how to protect themselves.
- giving up to 70 percent of women access to voluntary blood and dental testing.

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