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Biology teacher Russ Barton's students see him as an Indiana Jones, always ready to dive into adventures that educate.

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A team of researchers in Creve Coeur is trying to turn algae into the next generation of biofuels.

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The Milwaukee Brewers defeat the Cardinals 12-0 in the opener of their two-game series at Busch.

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A number of Cardinals have expressed support of baseball's decision to adopt replay on disputed home run calls.

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**WILLIAMS' TEAM**

After a convincing outing last year vs. Ohio State propelled his career, Illini QB Juice Williams is ready to take another step as the face of the program.

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**GUSTAV'S IMPACT**

Hurricane Gustav sends fuel prices up amid fears it could shut down oil and natural gas rigs in the Gulf of Mexico.

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A suicide bomber kills at least 25 people in Iraq.

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**DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION** ★

## Clinton: Obama 'is my candidate'

**HER RALLYING CRY** • 'No way. No how. No McCain!' brings cheers from the crowd.

**THE REACTION** • Sea of Hillary signs replaced with ones that simply say, 'Unity.'



Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., acknowledges the crowd after addressing the Democratic National Convention on Tuesday night in Denver. The convention hall was packed for her speech. Charlie Neibergall | The Associated Press

By David Espo  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**DENVER** • Hillary Rodham Clinton summoned millions of voters who supported her in the primaries to send Barack Obama to the White House, declaring in a Democratic National Convention speech Tuesday night that the man who defeated her "is my candidate and he must be our president."

In a prime time address, the former first lady added, "we don't have a moment to lose or a vote to spare."

The packed convention floor became a sea of white "Hillary" signs as the New York senator — Obama's fiercest rival across 56 primaries and caucuses — strode to the podium for her prime-time speech. The signs were soon replaced others that read simply, "Unity."

Following her speech, delegates said they were impressed.

"I thought she hit a home run," said former Missouri Gov. Bob Holden, a Clinton delegate. "Really set this convention on fire."

Cynthia Nugent, a Clinton delegate from Ste. Genevieve, Mo., also was enthusiastic.

"She hit the nail on the head," Nugent said.

Obama fans had similar praise for Clinton.

"I thought she was phenomenal," said Missouri Rep. Jake Zimmerman, an early Obama

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• Some members of the Illinois delegation are not happy about Gov. Rod Blagojevich's appearance.

• Former U.S. Rep Dick Gephardt says he has moved on, urges voters to support Barack Obama.

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## Gregory testifies in abuse trial



Atlanta Archbishop Wilton Gregory declines to comment to reporters after testifying Tuesday at the St. Clair County Courthouse. Laurie Skrivan | Post-Dispatch

**Former Belleville bishop says the diocese should be held responsible for any cover-up.**

By Nicholas J.C. Pistor  
ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

**BELLEVILLE** • Former Belleville Bishop Wilton Gregory walked into a Belleville court-

room on Tuesday with the same tough confidence that has made him a celebrity in the Roman Catholic church.

"So help me God," he said with extra emphasis while taking the oath, cueing onlookers to the drama that would unfold.

Gregory, widely praised for his openness involving church abuse, coolly testified for more

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## Big stakes in Boeing bid: Airbus could get an edge

By Tim Logan  
ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

It's not just about the tankers.

As Boeing Co. weighs how hard to push and how long to fight in its bid to build \$35 billion worth of aerial refueling tankers for the Air Force, it is likely considering far more than just the big job itself.

That's because the high-profile contract also has big implications on Boeing's endless bout

for aerospace supremacy with its main commercial rival Airbus, and on the delicate balance of power between major military contractors over a shrinking pool of work for the Pentagon.

In recent days, Boeing has threatened to quit the competition if it doesn't get more time to submit a new proposal to the Air Force. Pentagon officials have said they want to choose a plane

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## Russia ups ante in Georgia, recognizes breakaway areas

By Douglas Birch  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**MOSCOW** • Russia stunned the West on Tuesday by recognizing the independence claims of two Georgian breakaway regions, and U.S. warships plied the waters off Georgia in a gambit the Kremlin saw as gunboat diplomacy.

The announcement by Russian President Dmitry Medvedev ig-

nored the strong opposition of Europe and the United States, and signaled the Kremlin's determination to shape its neighbors' destinies even at the risk of closing its doors to the West.

"We are not afraid of anything, including the prospect of a Cold War," Medvedev said hours after announcing the Kremlin's decision

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