

# Halliburton workers killed

## 3 of 4 bodies in Iraq attack identified

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HOUSTON — Three of four bodies found near an attack on a fuel convoy in Iraq earlier this month were contract workers for Halliburton Co., the company said Tuesday.

Stephen Hulett, 48, of Manistee, Mich.; Jack Montague, 52, of Pittsburg, Ill.; and Jeffery Parker, 45, of Lake Charles, La., "were brave without medals, humanitarians without parades and heroes without statues," Houston-based Halliburton said in a statement confirming the identities of the workers.

Thomas Hamill of Macon, Miss., the Halliburton worker seen on video after the convoy attack, remained unaccounted for.

The fourth body has not been identified, Halliburton spokeswoman Wendy Hall said. In Baghdad, Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt said one of the four bodies had been identified as a non-American. He would not give the nationality or further details.

Hulett, Montague, Parker and Hamill were among seven employees of Halliburton subsidiary KBR, formerly known as Kellogg, Brown & Root, missing since an April 9 attack on their convoy west of Baghdad.

The bodies of Hulett, Montague, Parker and the unidentified victim were found near the site of the attack.

Two military men, Pfc. Keith M. Maupin and Sgt. Elmer C. Krause, also were unaccounted for, and Maupin, like Hamill, has been seen on video footage.

"We grieve today for the tragic and sudden loss of our co-workers,"

the Halliburton statement said.

Hulett was a truck driver hauling dry goods in the Midwest until he quit after Christmas to work for Halliburton, said Bonnie Bigalke, president of Manistee, Mich.-based Kowalski Distributing Co.

She said Hulett seemed to realize the danger of working in Iraq but didn't think it was a huge risk because the dust "was kind of settled" after the capture of Saddam Hussein.

Hulett is survived by his wife, Hollie, and three adult children.

Parker was due home at the end of May and was planning to get married in early June, his sister, Sheryl Reeves of Moss Bluff, La., told KPLC-TV in Lake Charles, Texas. He had one son from a previous marriage. Parker was the sixth of nine children; he had two brothers and six sisters.

A woman answering a telephone listing for a Jack Montague in Pittsburg, Ill., declined to identify herself or comment. No one answered the door at a ranch home listed as belonging to Montague. A neighbor said the family wanted privacy.

Counting the deaths announced Tuesday, the company says 33 Halliburton contractors have died while working in Iraq and Kuwait, performing jobs for the government that range from extinguishing oil fires to delivering fuel and food.

Thousands of people have signed on as contract workers because of the good pay. Workers can earn up to \$120,000 tax-free for a year's work, including overtime.

### WELCH

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about being so close to one another.

"We always knew we were going to the same school," she says. "It was never an issue. And it hasn't been an issue."

Year three called for an acclimation into the business school and an inevitable distancing from the life on main campus, which Welch had not only become accustomed to but came to call her own.

But if her best academic decision was enrolling at UNC, a close first runner-up, she says, was her settling down with business as a major.

"It's one of those things that people either love or hate," she says. "Fortunately, I've loved it. I've

enjoyed the material so much."

But Welch says no matter how engaging the educational experience, she was hesitant about leaving the buzz of central campus life. So Welch infused each semester with a class or two that drew her near the Pit and Polk Place. "I really do enjoy campus life and I didn't want to sacrifice that," she says.

Such was life for Welch: turning academic wishes into willed actualities. Now, she can collect herself in the comfortable fact that come October she will be headed to Columbus, Ohio, to work for the accounting firm KPMG in the international services division. Welch calls this job "the shot in the dark I was crossing my fingers for."

And — oh, yeah — this high-strung senior didn't ball up with

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KATIE WELCH, UNC SENIOR

stress and spontaneously combust under the pressures of the day-to-day. She steadied herself.

"I've learned that staying balanced is definitely, as it was and still is, a challenge for me," she says. But after four years, she's remained on top of the competition against chaos. What's her secret? "My planner," she admits. "I don't leave home with out it."

What was truly enriching for Welch and also centered her equilibrium was the constant, candid contact she kept with those she was close with, whether it fit her schedule or not.

"I will take an hour and talk to a friend about our weeks before I sit down and write a paper," Welch says. "It's more important for me to be a good friend, a good sister, a

good daughter."

The next frame in the game of life is being set up for Welch. She will miss North Carolina, UNC academics, campus life, sorority life and being near her family, especially Kent. "I can't say I'm ready to leave him," she says. "I'll miss him a lot. I really will."

Then there's the Ohio weather. "I hate cold weather," she admits. "I just have to have a good attitude and prepare myself, mentally. But I'm definitely excited. It's a great opportunity."

It was all classic Katie Welch: setting 'em up to knock 'em down. She says, "This is going to make me a better person."

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### SHELTER

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county contract with a local veterinarian to offer the services.

"(The Humane Society of the United States) severely criticized the animal care at (APS) based on quality of care, not quantity," he said.

Linda Schmoltd, a member of the task force, said it is good news that APS will not provide shelter services.

"It gives us a fresh start," she said. "And that's what everyone wants."

Commissioners were not asked to make a decision on whether or not a county bureau or a department would be created, since many

members had questions about the operations.

A county bureau would be overseen by an animal advisory board and the county manager. A department still would allow the creation of an advisory board, but the Orange County Health Department would help oversee animal control.

Commissioner Alice Gordon said the two models are similar and their differences need to be explained before a decision is made.

"I think it's still a little murky as to how these two models will work."

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### CENTER

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importance of women taking on more leadership roles to combat violence.

Jaki Shelton Green, a poet and the winner of the 2003 N.C. Award for Literature, captivated the audience as she shared her poetry and stories about her life in a small town.

She joked about how quiet and austere the guests were during her speech.

"In our healing, we must remember to laugh," Shelton Green said. She commended the center for its dedication and its "respect for everyone's humanity."

"Our spirits have soared," Cason said after the poet's final reading. She then thanked sponsors and the community for their continual support.

Cason said the event was filled with powerful moments from speakers and guests.

Artist Meredith Mayer honored the courage of the survivors in her painting, which was presented to the Downtown Commission. The collage of magazine clippings with the phrase "You are not alone" will hang in the Southern Human Services Center for the next year.

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### HARPSTER

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tell you what needs to be done," he said at the forum.

Harpster cited his close ties with students at Shippensburg, which include hosting weekly meetings with student government and monthly meetings with leaders of student groups.

He also said that one of his major efforts has been to encourage multiculturalism on campus, changing Shippensburg's multicultural and women's centers from part-time to full-time offices. "I believe I live my commitment to diversity," he said. "I have a multicultural family, and I'm very proud of that."

He said he considers UNC's Summer Reading Program an important part of increased multicultural awareness.

"You should find another book that gets people upset," Harpster

said. "That is what higher education is about. If it's worth doing, it's worth taking the heat."

Harpster received an undergraduate degree in psychology from Juniata College, a master's degree in counseling-college student personnel administration from Shippensburg and a doctoral degree in philosophy from UNC.

He spent six years at UNC from 1977 to 1983, first as the area director of Hinton James Residence Hall, then as the associate director of the Office for Housing for Residential Life.

"As a graduate and alumnus, I have a great deal of affection for UNC," he said. "Frankly, I believe it's one of the most outstanding institutions in the country if not in the world."

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### SENIOR CLASS

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ior class officers in the process of selecting a Commencement speaker, Irvin said.

"People don't know what happened," she said. "We need to break the misconception of the process."

Senior class Vice President Becca Frucht said the role of officers is to present senior class opinions to the Commencement Speaker Advisory Committee.

"We'd like to get as much input as we can before the meeting," Frucht said.

The senior class president and vice president are members of the committee, a group of students and administrators who make recommendations to the chancellor.

The first committee meeting was earlier this month. Another meeting will be held Monday.

Irvin encouraged students to recommend individuals who are of respectable standing. She said seniors should remember that the

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JOVIAN IRVIN, CLASS PRESIDENT

University offers honorary degrees to Commencement speakers, so their choice should be someone worthy of such an award.

"We try to represent the class as best as possible," Irvin said. "People think it's a voting process, but it's the chancellor who extends the final invitation."

Irvin and Frucht said they are excited about starting a new year with momentum.

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