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Champs again

Driver plows into revelers near NU

By Scott S. Greenberger
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The celebration of the Patriots' second Super Bowl title in three years ended tragically late last night when a vehicle drove into a crowd near Northeastern University and seriously injured two revelers, police at the scene said.

Ismael Luis, 19, who lives on nearby Norway Street, said he saw an SUV backing down Symphony Road the wrong way, then lurch forward and hit three people. "From there, he just pressed the gas and he just ran through the three guys. It looked like [one] was breathing, but he was really badly damaged. I hope he's OK."

Police at the scene said the unidentified driver of the SUV was under arrest. Police could not identify the three revelers who were hit, including the two seriously hurt.

The crowd near Northeastern was one of many that spilled into the streets across Boston after the thrilling victory by the Patriots over the Carolina Panthers.

Unruly revelers set bonfires at Faneuil Hall, in Kenmore Square, and at the intersection of Brighton and Harvard avenues in Allston, where firefighters sprayed the crowd with a hose in hopes of dispersing people. Fans climbed traffic light poles and flipped three cars near Northeastern University; and they threw bottles, urinated

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GLOBE STAFF PHOTO/DOMINIC CHAVEZ

Fans celebrated around a bonfire in Kenmore Square, one of several lit after the game.



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Ken Walter (left) and Christian Fauria (top) mobbed Adam Vinatieri after his title-winning kick. Super Bowl section, C1.

In repeat of '02, Vinatieri kick wins for Patriots

By Dan Shaughnessy
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HOUSTON — Groundhog Day. Adam Vinatieri's 41-yard field goal with four seconds remaining gave the New England Patriots a 32-29 victory over the Carolina Panthers last night in Super Bowl XXXVIII.

Yogi Berra would have called it "Deja vu all over again."

It was all so familiar . . . Vinatieri kicking the game-winner . . . quarterback Tom Brady winning the Most Valuable Players Award . . . coach Bill Belichick and owner Bob Kraft hoisting the Vince Lombardi Trophy while Patriot players hugged and brushed confetti off one another. All of these things happened two years ago when the Patriots upset the St. Louis Rams in New Orleans.

Kraft told the crowd last night, "Fifty-three players, 17 coaches, a head coach — the heart and soul of our team showed us what the concept of team is all about."

Championships are like children — you love each one equally. But the manner in which the 2003-04 Patriots went about their business makes this title a slightly favored son. The Patriots

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Perhaps best Super Bowl ever played

By Bob Ryan
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HOUSTON — And that, ladies and gentlemen, is why a couple of billion people around the globe are hooked on sport.

Commentary Hype doesn't matter. Prognostications don't matter. Talk doesn't matter. When the game starts, performance is all that matters, and the two teams playing in Super Bowl XXXVIII gave everything they could possibly summon, sometimes from who-knows-where, to produce what may very well go down in history as the greatest of all Super Bowls.

Even Bill Belichick took note. "That was a terrific football game to watch," said the coach whose team gave him a 32-29 victory that makes him a two-time Super Bowl championship mentor. "But it was not a terrific game to coach. I was having a heart attack out there."

These teams sure gave us a decent bang for the buck. For a game that re-

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Mydoom impact

Officials minimize the damage as the software worm shuts down a website, but the case shows that specialists still don't know how to avert attacks. **Business, F1.**

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Two suicide attacks kill 56 in Iraq

Kurdish parties targeted

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IRBIL, Iraq — Two suicide bombers with explosives wired to their bodies struck the offices of the country's two main Kurdish parties in nearly simultaneous attacks yesterday, killing at least 56 people and wounding more than 235 in the deadliest assault in Iraq in six months.

The attacks struck in the Kurdish heartland and took a heavy toll among senior leaders of Iraq's most pro-American ethnic group.

Elsewhere, an American soldier was killed and 12 were wounded in a rocket attack on a logistics base in Balad, 50 miles north of Baghdad, the US command said. Two soldiers were in serious condition, six in stable condition, and four soldiers were treated for superficial wounds.

Another soldier was killed yesterday, and two others were hurt when their Humvee overturned near the town of Haditha.

The deaths raised to 524 the number of US service members who have died since the Iraq conflict began in March.

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AP PHOTO

Kurdish women waited outside a hospital in Irbil for information about relatives.

In Mich., Democrats focus hopes on jobs

By Mary Leonard
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ROSEVILLE, Mich. — The Democratic presidential candidates are bringing one message to Michigan in advance of its caucuses on Saturday: They will restore good jobs in a state reeling with a 7.2 percent unemployment rate and stop the hemorrhaging in the manufacturing workforce.

Michigan's contest will be the first in a big, industrialized Midwestern state, where dissatisfaction with President Bush's economic policies runs high, anger over trade policies is palpable, and the prospect of a recovery in manufacturing remains uncertain.

An illustration of that failure, well known in Michigan, occurred Jan. 16, when the Bush administration unveiled a manufacturing strategy. The same day, Electroflux

Changing fortunes

After striking a chord with activists in Washington last year, Howard Dean may be seeing his support in the state slip. **A20.**

Cash-funneling flap

Dean attacks Senator John F. Kerry's explanations of his 1996 relationship with controversial fund-raiser Johnny Chung. **A21.**

AB announced it would close its 127-year-old refrigerator plant in Greenville, Mich., next year, moving about half of 2,700 jobs to Mexico, half to South Carolina.

In December, Michigan shed 31,000 jobs, and its unemployment rate rose while job losses nationally fell. For the seventh consecutive month, the state's unemployment rate topped 7

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