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Carl Sagan's wife among those crossing line

## 149 arrested in biggest test site protest ever

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The wife of noted astrophysicist Carl Sagan and 148 other persons were arrested Monday as the American Peace Test camp-in — the largest demonstration in the 45-year history of the Nevada Test Site — ended.

The American Peace Test began a desert rally on Saturday, with campers in tents and activists such as Daniel Ellsberg and Rep. James Weaver, D-Ore., calling for an end to nuclear testing and a comprehensive nuclear test ban.

"Nuclear testing is an evil seed that grows the nuclear flower," Weaver said. He supports Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-

Colo., and her bill to stop funding U.S. nuclear testing unless the Soviet Union breaks its one-year unilateral moratorium. Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev announced the extension of Russian's nuclear testing ban begun Aug. 6, 1985, until next Aug. 6.

Author Sagan was the main event at Saturday's opening rally. Monday, his wife, author Anne Druyan, crossed the line and was arrested.

In addition, Dr. John Mack and Sally Mack of Harvard University, with their sons, Kenneth, Tony and Dan, were also arrested Monday.

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# Group rallies at NTS for nuclear test ban

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While Department of Energy spokesman David Miller estimated the crowd at 220, American Peace Test spokesman Ray Larson said 350 attended Monday's rally with 149 arrested for trespassing and 107 of them going to Beatty.

American Peace Test coordinator Jessie Cocks said demonstrators began to gather about 6 a.m. Monday to greet test site workers. After a flag ceremony in the desert at 11 a.m., those who participated in civil disobedience began to cross a white-painted line across the road leading to the test site.

Cocks called continued nuclear testing, "not defense — it's suicide."

American Peace Test sources believed an underground nuclear test code-named "Darwin" was scheduled for Monday morning. DOE spokesman Miller did not

confirm that the "Star Wars"-related test was conducted.

Other tests planned by DOE, the activist group said, include "Tahoe" and "Alamon," but those nuclear experiments would not be conducted for four or five weeks.

Casting an ominous shadow over the demonstrators at Camp Desert Rock was a reminder of the above-ground atomic bomb blasts of the 1950s and 1960s — a three-story-high black mushroom

cloud spread 50 feet wide, designed by artist Lee Waisler.

"Under the Mushroom" was made in Holland and first exhibited outside the U.S. and Soviet embassies in Amsterdam last Aug. 6, in memory of the 40th anniversary of the U.S. bombing of Hiroshima.

Waisler explained his creation was "to make tangible the nuclear threat" through art.