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## MTV's "The Real World" kids soon will call Denver home

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Get real.

MTV announced Monday that it's coming to Denver this spring to begin filming the 18th season of "The Real World."

MTV spokeswoman Jessica Nicola told me she did not know where "The Real World" kids would live in Denver, but Ch. 4's Brian Maass ran a story Sunday night saying they'll move into 1920 Market St., the former site of B-52 Billiards, a defunct nightclub/billiard hall. Lots of work was going on in the building Monday morning, but a man would only say to me, "I'm sorry, I can't answer any questions. Maybe soon, but not now."

Euro Lofts are across the street, but the block is mostly bars (El Chapultepec, LoDo's, Mattie's, Tavern Downtown), so the seven cast members won't disturb the neighbors - too much.

The show will debut in the fall, and the Magnificent Seven will be announced a month before the premiere, says Nicola. But by that time, we'll all know these kids in "The Real World" real well.

### Gossip

The N.Y. Post Page Six gossip scandal has a Colorado component. Billionaire Ron Burkle claims he was the victim of a \$220,000 shake-down by Page Six contributor Jared Paul Stern to stop false and unflattering items about him from appearing in the widely read column.

Among the items he complained about: Page Six claimed that "Tobey Maguire, girlfriend Jen Meyer and babe-alicious blond actress Sara Foster" were "arriving in Aspen on billionaire Ron Burkle's private jet for a New Year's weekend vacation at Burkle's mansion."

Seems Burkle didn't fly those people to Aspen and doesn't even have a house there. But heck, I'd pay someone \$220,000 to have someone print that I did.

### Interruptus

CU-Boulder's 58th Annual Conference on World Affairs runs through Friday. I can miss "Clown, Physician, Activist" Patch Adams speaking on "Celebrities are hot ... NOT!"

And I'm not sure about Roger Ebert's Cinema Interruptus. Ebert, attending his 37th consecutive conference, each day at 4 p.m. attends a showing of Robert Altman's "The Long Goodbye" at Macky Auditorium. Anyone in the audience, at any time, can yell out "Stop!" and Ebert will stop the movie and answer questions. This could turn into "The Longest Goodbye."

### City spirit

In a mayor's office press release, we were happy to learn Erin Trapp, the new director of cultural affairs, previously worked for "Merrill Lynch Private Client Development Group" ... Rep. Tom Tancredo has hit the big time. He was spoofed on "Saturday Night Live" in an opening segment by actor Jason Sudeikis, then appeared as the real Tancredo on "Face the Nation" Sunday morning, where Bob Schieffer dissed him for not responding to the question at hand ... Sign at Whole Foods: "April Events, Raw Cooking Classes" ... Wellshire Inn's Leo Goto gets roasted April 25; cooks include Mayor Hick, Wellington Webb, Sam Arnold, Joe Blake. It benefits the Colorado Restaurant Association Education Fund, call 303-830-2972 ... Sez who: "Old age means realizing you will never own all the dogs you wanted to." Joe Gores