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## “QUOTE” OF THE WEEK

“I’ve got good news and I’ve got bad news.” - Indianapolis Mayor Bart Peterson on disclosing \$43 million in city/county budget shortfalls during this and next fiscal year

## McIntosh tax plan ‘defining moment’

Governor says it doesn’t add up

**BRIAN A. HOWEY** in Indianapolis

For David McIntosh, his “Families First” tax plan is what he calls “the defining moment of the campaign” and a theme he plans to strike as much as Doc Bowen did in his 1972 race for governor. That campaign was the prelude to the historic 1973 tax reforms that have run their course.

For Gov. Frank O’Bannon, it will be a target. “McIntosh’s plan can’t be done without raising taxes or making significant cuts in education and government services,” O’Bannon said. The governor’s campaign manager, Tom New added, “I’ve seen a lot of tax cut schemes in my time, but (have) never seen a plan that is touted to do so much with so little analysis or documentation.”

And Thad Nation, O’Bannon’s spokesman, observed, “He doesn’t say how he’ll pay for it. The spending caps could save as much as \$150 million a year. There is no detailed breakdown. No real numbers. You’ll remember ‘96 when the entire press corps made both campaigns show how much each proposal will cost and how they would pay for it. That is the standard we live by, and a standard that we expect McIntosh will be held to.”

McIntosh delivered his new "Families First" tax cut plan from front porches in Indianapolis, Fort Wayne and Evansville on Monday. It mimicked a 1996 TV ad by Frank O'Bannon when the Democrat sat on a front porch in Indianapolis holding a tax bill and said that property taxes were too high. The McIntosh plan, developed with the help of the IMA's Pat Kiely, the state Chamber's Kevin Brinegar, former Goldsmith aide Joe Loftus, and State Rep.

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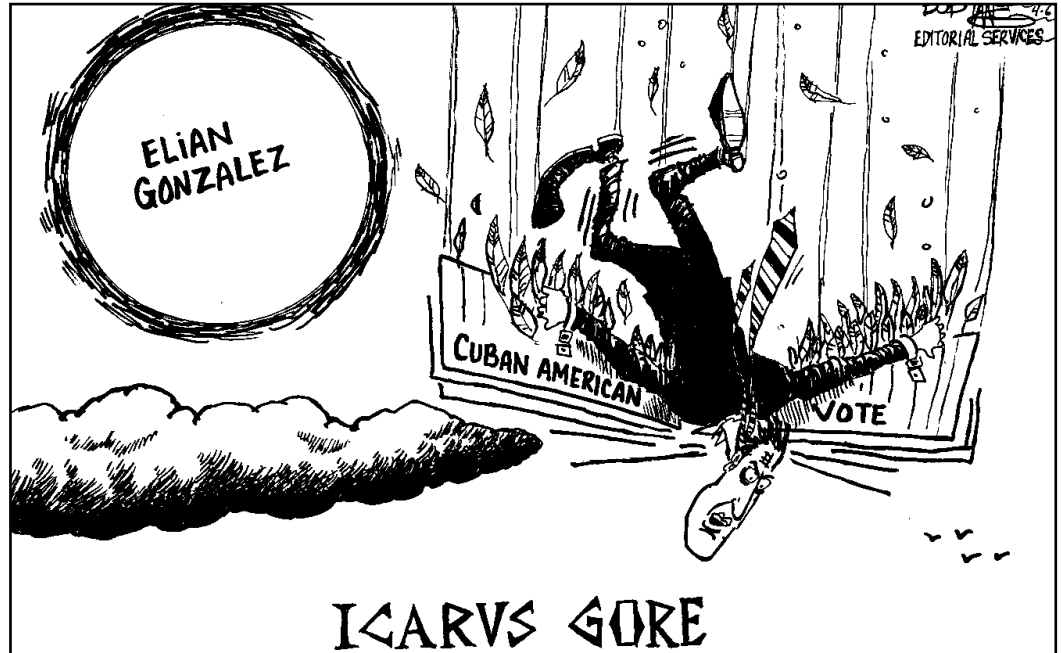
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NUVO'S ULLMANN DIES:  
HPR Publisher Brian A. Howey released this statement on Saturday, April 15, shortly after his friend and colleague, Harrison J. Ullmann, died: "Harrison J. Ullmann passed away around 6 p.m. Saturday, April 15. The editor emeritus of NUVO Newsweekly was 64 years old. Harrison Ullmann was the sage of Indiana. His magnificent writing gave a voice to the downtrodden, the neglected, the disadvantaged and the sick. Indianapolis is a different and better place because of the energy, intellect and compassion that Harrison Ullmann presented to the tens of thousands of people who read his columns each week. While Harrison's origins were in the mainstream media, he became one of the most effective advocacy journalists in Indiana history. Whether it was exposing the excesses of government and its leaders, printing what had really happened on the streets of Indianapolis, what was really going on in our schools, or unearthing the impact of lead in our soil, Harrison Ullmann wrote with compassion and conviction. And he wasn't timid about giving hell to those who deserved it. When he fell sick, Harrison was astonished that so many people - including

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## Taxes, *from page 1*

Jeff Espich would expand the homestead credit to 50 percent, providing homeowners with an average 25-percent property tax cut. It would also eliminate the inventory tax on Indiana businesses; create a new Farmland Protection Credit that would cut farm taxes by 25 percent; and freeze property taxes for Hoosiers 65 years old and over after the 25-percent cut. "I pledge to you that as your governor I will work every day to guarantee that property taxes will be cut by 25 percent," McIntosh said. "Indiana desperately needs leadership to reduce Hoosiers' rising property taxes."

In an interview with HPR on Tuesday, McIntosh acknowledged, "O'Bannon says it can't be done. But the courts are going to order it done and that will mean a 25- to 45-percent increase, even when he moves welfare off the property tax rolls. This is very, very similar to what happened to Congress in 1994. Bill Clinton said we couldn't balance the budget and the Republican Congress said, 'We'll hold the line. We won't let it grow,' and we went from deficits to surpluses. Frank O'Bannon's response is like

Bill Clinton."

McIntosh sees his tax cut initiatives in the historical context of the Bowen plan. "Last time property taxes went down, Gov. Bowen specified a proposal, he got elected, he got the legislation and he got it done. When I say taxes will go down by 25 percent, that means I'll spend every day working to get it done. It will be my focus." McIntosh said that GOP legislative leaders will be thematically coordinated into his campaign and will be ready to push the reforms next January.

Between now and November, the McIntosh campaign sees property tax cuts as its "defining issue." They compare the tax plan to the Republicans' 1994 "Contract with America."

To date, there has been no expert independent analysis of the McIntosh plan. The Democrats will try to make the case that "Congressman McIntosh" doesn't understand state and local government. McIntosh has already copied his 1994 strategy, when he successfully linked Joe Hogsett to Bill Clinton. It now looks as if he will try to hogtie President Clinton to Frank O'Bannon. He will be making the case that the Democrats are nay-sayers unwilling to break the status quo. ❖

# PERHAPS... WE WANDER

By Brian Howey

## Price and McIntosh

INDIANAPOLIS - I received an e-mail from Republican gubernatorial candidate John R. Price last week.

It read: *"Missing from your article today was a head-to-head between myself and David McIntosh. Any reason? Thanks. John Price"* Price was referring to a recent NUVO/ TeleResearch Poll that showed Gov. Frank O'Bannon with a slim 41-37 percent margin over U.S. Rep. David McIntosh.

That was a dramatic wake-up call for the incumbent Democratic governor, who rushed a new TV ad on education into production and doubled his TV buy this past week. It was presumptive in that McIntosh would be the Republican nominee for governor. And, in a sense, it wasn't fair to John R. Price, because here is a man who is doing a lot of things right when it comes to his race for governor.

Price is currently on one of the longest stumping journeys ever attempted in recent memory. He's going to visit all 92 county seats. If you've seen some commotion on your courthouse square over the past week, it could very well have been Price.

**He is vocalizing a decent** message. He is telling people that he wants to be a "Teddy Roosevelt Republican" when it comes to environmental issues. Price was particularly appalled during the massive White River fishkill. On education, Price is advocating a discontinuation of the ISTEP program used to test students. He favors the Iowa Test, a one-day annual exam. Price wants schools to teach phonics. He favors a successful program in Georgia, where kids who maintain a B grade average get their college tuition paid by the state. Price wants to tax riverboat casinos at a greater rate. He wants to

cut property taxes.

These are all themes that should endear him to Republican voters. So should his past. Last year, Price went to the site of Homer Capehart's "Cornfield Conference," a chicken and clambake in Southeastern Indiana that took place in August 1938. Expecting 8,500 people, twice as many showed up and the event was hailed as a turning point for Indiana Republicans trying to overcome FDR's New Deal and it launched Capehart's career in the U.S. Senate. "I am sick and tired of the New Deal and I intend to do something about it," Capehart said then.

**It is a sentiment Price** echoes today. Price is a former associate of Gov. Otis Bowen. He took a decidedly controversial stand on broadcast ethics when he waged a campaign advocating decency against the Bob & Tom radio show a decade ago. While liberals and moderates chafed at that effort, Price revealed a more libertarian side last year when he fought the mandatory seatbelt law and the City of Indianapolis in its narcotic roadblocks. Price sees the roadblocks as an affront to the 4th Amendment to the Constitution that should guard us against illegal search and seizure.

And he is obviously a hard worker. Consistent comments throughout the state find many Republicans viewing him with admiration for his months of stumping, having press conferences, showing up in newsrooms, cafes and town squares seeking votes. In the political business, it's called "earned media."

**Fifty years after** the Cornfield Conference, Price nearly stunned the GOP establishment by finishing second and losing the U.S. Senate nomination by only 1 percent to Paul Helmke. Price did it by visiting gun shows and churches, cultivat-

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those he had raised cane with - were praying for his recovery. Those of us who knew Harrison Ullmann knew a man who was robust, funny, audacious, sincere, and who enjoyed life to the fullest. We are stunned that he has left us so quickly." Ullmann's funeral was on Wednesday. See next week's NUVO for a memorial edition on Ullmann.

**ROVE IN INDY:** Karl Rove, chief strategist for the Bush for President campaign, will be at the Colu-bia Club in Indianapolis from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday. Rove had to cancel a previous engagement with the Indianapolis Young Professionals during the tumultuous early primaries.

**GOP SEEKS COMMENTS:** Indiana Republicans are seeking comments for their 2000 platform. The party is inviting people to log on at [www.indgop.org](http://www.indgop.org) or e-mail [platform2000@aol.com](mailto:platform2000@aol.com) to make comments. "It's always fun to be first," said Republican Chairman Mike McDaniel. "The internet is creating a more open society. The computer makes it possible for citizens who cannot attend formal platform hearings to share their expertise and comments with the GOP platform committee."

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**SAMUEL:** Former Indianapolis Mayor Bill Hudnut endorsed 10th CD Republican Tony Samuel on Wednesday. Samuel is in a primary battle with 1994 nominee Marvin Scott.

**A PLUM FOR INDY:** The Technology Network, a high-powered Silicon Valley lobbying group, will open its third national branch office in Indianapolis in early June (Lori Pugh, Indianapolis Business Journal). The two-person office is expected to raise significantly the state's technology profile. TechNet, a national bipartisan political organization, also operates political action committees. Former Indiana Attorney General Jeff Modisett left that position recently to become vice president and Democrat general counsel for TechNet.

**RED INK FOR INDY:** "Serious financial challenges" are in the immediate future of Indianapolis, Mayor Bart Peterson announced in a report on city finances (Doug Sword, Indianapolis Star). The city's projected deficit will be \$11 million this year and \$32 million in 2001. The insolvency of police and fire pension funds is the primary reason for the problem. But Curt Coonrod, chairman of the City-County Council's administration and finance committee, said there is

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# Lugar's dizzying legislative pace

INDIANAPOLIS - It has been an almost dizzying legislative pace; a cornucopia of public policy rarely witnessed here in the Hoosier heartland.

Whether it's legislation dealing with the development of alternative fuels, modernizing the payment system for managed health care, proposing tax breaks for restaurants and farmers who give food to soup kitchens, managing the floor debate on crop insurance, or chairing hearings on nuclear non-proliferation, U.S. Sen. Richard Lugar has had his hands in an array of recent activities that almost confound the mind.

"I recently went back in our files to look for some press releases from 1983-84," said Lugar's press secretary, Andy Fisher. "I was struck by how much more legislation Sen. Lugar is able to move today than he did back then."

Here's an example of one recent week in the life of Dick Lugar. The Republican worked on legislation to remove the Social Security earnings limit that will pass the Senate and is expected to be signed by President Clinton.

**Lugar managed** the floor debate on crop insurance - one of the most significant pieces of farm legislation occurring between 1996 and 2002. At stake is \$6 billion that will represent what Fisher calls the "safety net for farmers." Lugar has taken the position for a farmers' choice program that would allow farmers to pick crop insurance or other risk management strategies, but his proposal lost by two votes in committee. Lugar supported the final bill, and began working with Senate leadership to bring about quick passage.

In the foreign policy realm, Lugar pushed for sanctions reform legislation, which would end the use of food and medicine as a weapon of foreign policy. That would essentially overhaul the totality of U.S. sanctions policy. The legislation

was originally proposed by Lugar and former U.S. Rep. Lee Hamilton, who noted that in the four years prior to its unveiling in 1997, the U.S. had imposed unilateral sanctions 63 times on 35 counties.

As if that wasn't enough for one week, Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Jesse Helms asked Lugar to assemble and chair four hearings on U.S.

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non-proliferation nuclear policy. This is an extremely topical issue, given the high-stakes nuclear showdown taking place between India and Pakistan. Whew!

Then there are the three major legislative initiatives that came about this past winter. Lugar introduced the Hunger Relief Tax Incentive Act on Feb. 22. It would make it easier for restaurants, food production companies and farmers to distribute food to food banks, soup kitchens and other hunger relief charities. The bill would allow the deduction of the full market value of food donated.

"Citizens have moved off of welfare, but not out of poverty," Lugar said. "Thus, the demand on food banks is up and this bill is a reasonable and efficient way to make certain there is a sufficient supply of food. If we just catch 1 percent of the 96 billion pounds of food that goes to waste each year, we will double the donations to the nation's food banks."

**The Lugar initiative** on developing biofuels struck a national chord due to the skyrocketing gasoline prices. While many politicians, both in Indiana and nationally, called for the repeal of gas taxes as a solution, Lugar responded with the Sustainable Fuels and Chemicals Act, which would accelerate recent advances in science and engineering to produce fuels and chemicals from plants, weeds and agricultural waste.

“The fact that OPEC has succeeded in raising prices higher than during the perilous conditions preceding the Gulf War represents a clear failure of U.S. foreign policy,” Lugar said. “Our extensive business, strategic and diplomatic relationships with most OPEC members should have been leveraged much earlier by the Clinton administration. The administration should waste no more time in pointing out that the Mexican and Venezuelan economies are extremely dependent on ours and America provides defense for Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.”

Lugar also noted, “American now has the capacity to change the time-worn assumptions underlying oil markets. Plants constitute an energy-rich raw material for producing fuels and chemicals that are often functionally and environmentally superior to their petroleum derived counterparts. By replacing as little as 10 percent of oil imports with domestically produced biofuels and biochemicals, America will diversify its energy portfolio and reap enormous economic, strategic and environmental benefits.”

**And Lugar believes** a significant source of income from the biofuels initiative will help sustain the family farm.

Finally, he became an original co-sponsor of the Lugar-Carson bill (sponsored along with Indiana Democratic U.S.

Rep. Julia Carson) that would help increase access for 10 million children to health insurance coverage. And Lugar is co-sponsoring the Medicare Wellness Act that would shift the fundamental focus of the Medicare program from simply treating illness and disability to emphasizing health promotion and disease prevention.

**Lugar may be** facing his stiffest challenge for re-election from Democrat David L. Johnson, who like Lugar is a Rhodes Scholar. Johnson has spent most of his time raising money to become competitive in the November election. In doing so, he has not weighed in on many issues to date. Lugar has prepared his bid for a record fifth term not by stumping across Indiana in a campaign mode, but by directing his considerable energies into the vital concerns of health care, food for the poor, financial well-being for the farmer and consumer, and critical security of the planet when it comes to the India-Pakistani crisis.

This all from a man who can speed read through a number of books in a night under the guise of relaxation.

When David Johnson finally engages Sen. Lugar on the stump, Hoosiers are going to be treated to an elevated discussion on numerous public policy fronts. It could be politics and government at its very best. ❖

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ing 2nd Amendment advocates, home schoolers, and the Pro-Life movement. He won a third of the vote with grit, determination, and little money. The campaign of Sen. Evan Bayh quietly acknowledged that they felt John Price would have given them the toughest campaign.

Unfortunately, that's the rub.

Candidates these days use “earned media” because they are short of money. At the end of 1999, John Price only had about \$8,000 cash on hand in his campaign warchest, compared to the millions raised by McIntosh and Gov. O'Bannon.

To the pundits, that lack of money raises red flags about viability of a candidate. The reasoning is that money will find a potential successful candidate who has a good message. Price insists that “message can win over money” and cites a litany of rich candidates who outspent their opponents and still lost. The problem Price has in his quest for governor is not only a lack of money, but the fact that he is up against David McIntosh, a man many Hoosier Republicans see as their version of Evan Bayh.

Many Hoosiers see McIntosh as their best hope in 12 years for reclaiming the governor's office.

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more than enough wiggle room in the city's budget to meet the \$11 million shortfall this year.

**BUCHANAN IN INDIANA:** The Indiana Reform Party had a convention at Greenwood Saturday at Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria, and Pat Buchanan, the party's presumptive presidential candidate, was there (Bill McCleery, Indianapolis Star). A large contingent of former Republicans was there to support Buchanan's "America first" economic and foreign policies.

**SOUDER FINANCING HEALTHY:** Fourth District Republican U.S. Rep. Mark Souder has a comfortable financial lead over Mike Loomis, his competitor in the race (Sylvia A. Smith, Fort Wayne Journal Gazette). As of March 31, Souder had \$38,744 and no debts while Loomis reported \$6,645 on hand and \$34,760 in debts, including an unpaid \$25,000 bank loan from his 1994 campaign.

**MORE KNIGHTLY NEWS:** IU is trying to retrieve from CNN/Sport Illustrated the videotape of the basketball practice session purportedly showing Coach Bob Knight choking Neil Reed (Tom Kreager, Indiana Daily Student). Christopher Simpson, IU vice president for public affairs and gov-

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ernment, said, "They would not give us (the tape), as we asked three different times....Right now we are considering all our options."

**EARLY START ON VIOLENCE:** Three first graders at a Lake Station elementary school were suspended after school authorities learned they had started a club with the sole intention of killing a classmate (Ari Kramer, Gary Post-Tribune). Their target was another girl who "thought she was the queen of the school." The planners had a map of the site of the killing, where they would either stab her or shoot her with a parent's gun.

**MORE SECURITY:** The Madison County Council has approved the expenditure of \$225,000 for the first of three security upgrades at the County Government Center (Ken de la Bastide, Anderson Herald Bulletin). The first phase will include upgrading security systems in the courthouse and annex.

**O'BANNON TUTORS KIDS:** Gov. Frank O'Bannon and First Lady Judy O'Bannon had more than 800 school kids at the governor's residence reading on Tuesday. They were joined by 45-year-old Ed Castor who had just learned to read for the "Reading Day at the Residence" event. "Ed

# COLUMNISTS ON INDIANA

**Evan Davis, Fort Wayne Journal**

*Gazette* - You don't know whether little Sally down the street is flunking arithmetic or why little Jeremy got suspended from school. That information is confidential. But you do know how their school is doing on ISTEP scores, awards and other measures of competence. Nor do you know whether Sally goes to bed hungry every night because her drunken mother won't feed her, or whether Jeremy is getting the life beaten out of him by his sadistic dad. That's confidential, too. And what you also don't know is how well the child welfare system created to protect such children is doing its job. Citizens don't expect to know the details about every child's record in school, but they do expect to be kept informed about how the schools are doing overall. It doesn't work that way with child welfare. Not only are children's records kept secret by state and federal law, but the system itself is largely a mystery to the public it serves. And the harshest critics say a lack of public oversight allows caseworkers to ignore children's desperate needs. ❖

**Morton Kondracke, Roll Call**

Two of President Clinton's leading 1992 campaign operatives acknowledge that Vice President Al Gore trails Texas Gov. George W. Bush (R) right now. But they say Gore can catch up, though maybe not until October. In a memo released last week, Democratic pollster Stan Greenberg and strategist James Carville confirmed what public polls also show - that Bush holds a 5-point lead among likely voters and is liked better as a person. Last week, the Bush campaign, reviewing 28 public polls published since March 1, asserted that Bush's lead has widened from an average of 1.4 points last month to 5.7 points in April. In a poll last month,

Greenberg and his partner, Al Quinlan, also found that on a test of how warmly voters feel toward the two candidates, Bush rated 50.5 and Gore, 46.3. Some GOP pollsters think that the election will be decided more on perceptions of the candidates' personal "attributes" than on issues. The ex-Clinton strategists clearly do not agree. "If the Democrats remain on the offensive," they wrote, "there are very good reasons to believe this election will shift Democratic - though probably late in the cycle, maybe even in October." To win both the presidential and Congressional election, Carville and Greenberg wrote, Democrats have to attack GOP tax cuts, emphasize education, Medicare and health issues, and be more reassuring to voters on values. "The massive Bush-Republican tax cut is the single biggest thematic advantage available to Democrats in 2000," their memo advised. "They should never lose sight of it." ❖

**John Clayton, Logansport Pharos-**

*Tribune* - (Bob) Knight could be the most complex figure in sports. He is a bundle of contradictions - as we all are - but his contradictions seem to be from realms of the human spectrum where many of us dare not go. He is whispered as magnanimous, giving of his time and money to charity, helping in any possible way, including financially, to make sure his former players receive a degree from IU. He can be insightful, wise, even occasionally endearing to the very people with whom he has mutually antagonistic relationships. At the same time, there is no doubt that it is Knight with his hand around (Neil) Reed's throat on CNN. When you see that video - see it for the truth it is, without doubt, without character assassination - it makes you wonder if there is a line that can be crossed when "Coach is just being coach." ❖

# Indiana 2000 Racing Form

## GOVERNOR, congressional races

**Governor: Republican:** U.S. Rep. David McIntosh, John R. Price. **Democrat:**

Gov. Frank O'Bannon. **Libertarian:** Andrew Horning. **1996 results:** O'Bannon 1,107,342, Goldsmith 997,505, Dillon 35,261. **2000 Forecast:** McIntosh has unveiled what he calls the "defining moment" in the campaign - his tax reform plan. The O'Bannon campaign notes that it lacks "the numbers," and noted that when Stephen Goldsmith released his plan in 1996, there was plenty of documentation. There has been virtually no independent scrutiny of the McIntosh plan to date. O'Bannon reported \$4.4

million cash on hand after raising \$1.06 million during the first quarter. McIntosh showed \$1.58 million raised, including \$637,000 from the National Republican Congressional Committee. McIntosh spent \$1.6 million on TV and ended with \$1.87 million cash on hand. Price raised \$75,000 during the quarter and had \$6,111 cash on hand. The *Muncie Star Press* printed a lengthy response ([www.thestarpress.com/Local\\_News/0416mcintoshresponse.html](http://www.thestarpress.com/Local_News/0416mcintoshresponse.html)) from Chris Jones, McIntosh's communications director, on the congressman's environmental record. Price has a 27-point "promise list" he would strive to implement if elected, but his lack of funds may keep voters from realizing the plan exists (Susan Dillman, *South Bend Tribune*). The promise list follows the successful strategy congressional Republicans used with their Contract With America in 1994 and Democrat Bart Peterson used in his successful race for mayor of Indianapolis last year. The idea is to tell people what will be done if you are elected. Price is taking his list to all 92 counties between now and election day. Price won a straw poll in the 9th CD, but votes there were bought by supporters. Price and McIntosh spar over campaign finance overhaul in their Scottsburg debate. Craig Harris of the *Louisville Courier-Journal* described that disagreement as "genteel as the rest of the 45-minute exchange." **General Status:** *Leans O'Bannon.*

**U.S. Senate: Republican:** U.S. Sen. Richard Lugar. **Democrat:** David L. Johnson.

**1988 results:** Lugar (R) 1,430,525, Wickes (D) 668,778. **1994 results:** Lugar (R) 1,039,625, Jontz (D) 470,799, Bourland (L) 17,343, Barton (A) 15,801. **2000 Forecast:** Lugar picked up the endorsement of the United States Chamber of Commerce, as well as one from the Indiana Farm Bureau. Lugar reported \$2.36 million cash on hand. Friends of Lugar Committee said it has recruited 2,000 precinct captains statewide. All of this signals a serious GOTV that other Republicans believe will help them in downticket races next November. Johnson raised \$200,000 for the quarter and had \$560,000 cash on hand at the March 31 FEC filing date. "I am pleased with our progress," Johnson said. "With the *New York Times* ranking this race in the top 10 Senate races in the country and with Sen. Torricelli coming out later this month, my campaign has the national attention we need to have the resources to get our message to Hoosier working families." **Status:** *Safe Lugar.*

**Congressional District 2: Republican:** Mike Pence, State Rep. Jeff Linder, Brad Steele, Luke Messer, Cliff Federle, David Campbell. **Democrat:** Ron Gyure, Robert Rock Jr., Troy Liggett, Angela Burks. **Independent:** Bill Frazier. **Geography:** Muncie, Anderson, Richmond, Shelbyville, Columbus and East Central Indiana. **1994 results:** McIntosh 93,592, Hogsett 78,241. **1996 Results:** McIntosh 122,288, Carmichael (D) 83,478, Zimmerman (L) 4,662. **1998 Results:** McIntosh (R) 99,584, Boles (D) 62,426, Federle (L) 2,236. **2000 Forecast:** Pence began his TV last Sunday in the Indianapolis market, along with a heavy cable buy. Pence's first TV spot features a Bartholomew County farmer walking into his barn, turning on radio and hearing *The Mike Pence Show*. It then cuts to the studio, then home and family shots. An issues ad, which can be viewed on Pence's website ([www.mikepence.com](http://www.mikepence.com)) will begin running next week. It is the first time in our recollection that voters can access TV ads before they make rotation. Pence also picks up the Indiana Right to Life endorsement.

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Castor is a truly remarkable man," Gov. O'Bannon said. "He was brave enough to admit that he didn't know how to read and strong enough to learn at the age of 45."

**THE KNIGHTLY NEWS:** Here is a smattering of comment from across the state about the ongoing Bob Knight soap opera, complete with videotape showing him with his hands on Neil Reed's neck:

- Ron Felling, an assistant basketball coach at IU who was fired shortly after the start of the 1998-99 season, told assistant athletics director Steve Downing last month that he had a copy of the tape and would use it as his "trump card" (Tony Hutchens, Indianapolis Star). Bob Knight's son, Pat, an assistant coach, said his father feels betrayed by the release of the tape.

- An editorial in the Bloomington Herald-Times called for the investigation into the charges against Knight to be concluded quickly. "Why should it take 90 days to talk to the principals involved and come to a decision on what to do about it?" the editorial asked.

- When does "Coach being Coach" become unacceptable, asked a headline in the Logansport Pharos-Tribune. The column by John Clayton says that despite all the positive activities attributed to Knight, "you wonder

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what embarrassing, horrific things will have to happen for him not to coach any more."

- An article by Tom Kreager in the Indiana Daily Student quoted Michael Lewis, the senior point guard on this year's IU team, as defending Knight after viewing the videotape. "It (the tape) didn't show anything to me. I was standing right there, I guess. Even watching the tape...I still don't remember that happening. It's not something that stood out in my mind as something that happened in my four-year career. I don't think that was really that big a deal."



Messer said in Anderson his priorities are protection of Social Security and Medicare (Ken de la Bastide, *Anderson Herald Bulletin*). He wants a Social security "lockbox" that would keep the federal government from borrowing Social Security money to fund other programs. Linder was in Shelbyville to visit business leaders and push "building stronger communities" as a vital principle of good government. Thus far the GOP debates have not had much impact on this race. Steele has been running TV ads since April 10. The Democratic primary is turning into a mysterious event. There really is no clearcut frontrunner. We've been basing Rock's "leans" status on the basis of the district's bulwark Madison County machine and Anderson Mayor Mark Lawler turning out for Rock. But his lackluster campaign has been largely quiet on the issues and the airwaves, so we have seriously considered returning the Democratic primary to the tossup zone. If anyone has been impressive during the debates, it has been Liggett, according to several Democratic sources. **Primary Status:** *Likely Pence (R); Leans Rock (D)*.

**Congressional District 4: Republican:** U.S. Rep. Mark Souder, Mike Loomis.

**Democrat:** Mike Foster, Dave Roach. **Geography:** Fort Wayne, Huntington, NE Indiana. **1994 results:** Souder 83,466, Long (D) 65,956. **1996 Results:** Souder 118,344, Houseman (D) 76,152, Bisson (L) 4,743. **1998 Results:** Souder 93,671, Wehrle 54,286. **2000 Forecast:** Souder reported \$38,744 compared to \$6,645 cash on hand for Loomis, who also has debt of \$34,760 (*Fort Wayne Journal Gazette*). Part of that is a \$25,000 unpaid loan left over from his 1994 campaign. **Status:** *Solid Souder*.

**Congressional District 7: Republican:** Brian Kerns, Bob Griffiths, Dr. Alex

Gatzimos, Doug Hess, Bryan Donaldson, Tony Duncan, John Timm. **Democrat:** Jeff Clapper, Sam Hillenburg, Michael Graf. **Geography:** Terre Haute, Lafayette and Western Indiana. **1994 results:** Myers 104,359, Harmless 55,941. **1996 Results:** Pease 130,010, Hellmann (D) 72,705, Bourland (L) 7,125. **1998 Results:** Pease (R) 109,553, Hillenburg (D) 44,749. **2000 Forecast:** Rumors that Kerns was going to suspend his campaign are untrue. Kerns cancelled a late TV ad buy, but for strategic reasons, said campaign spokesman Steve Lutes. "We're just changing spots. It's full steam ahead." Kerns received the endorsement of the Indiana Farm Bureau, a letter of support from U.S. Rep. Henry Hyde, and a donation from Bob Dole. Kerns' FEC report shows \$118,000 raised. Griffiths reported \$88,764 raised through April 12 with \$30,926 cash on hand. The *Lebanon Reporter* has reported that Gatzimos' estranged wife has taken out a restraining order in a dispute over a computer and records in their combined practice. **Republican Primary Status:** *Leans Griffiths*.

**Congressional District 8: Republican:** U.S. Rep. John Hostettler. **Democrat:**

John Hamilton, Dr. Paul Perry, John W. Taylor. **Geography:** Evansville, Bloomington, Vincennes and SW Indiana. **1994 results:** Hostettler (R) 93,529, McCloskey (D) 84,857. **1996 Results:** Hostettler (R) 109,582, Weinzapfel (D) 106,134, Hager (L) 3,799. **1998 Results:** Hostettler (R) 92,227, Riecken (D) 81,381, Hager (L) 3,395. **2000 Forecast:** Perry is putting his money where his mouth is in his run for the 8th District Democratic nomination for Congress (Tim Starks, *Evansville Courier & Press*). Perry is willing to swap his practice as an orthopedic hand surgeon that brought him an income of \$610,410 in 1998 for a congressional salary of \$141,300 if he wins. His \$331,000 house is collateral on a \$200,000 loan to cover campaign and personal expenses during the campaign. Perry raised \$133,000 as of March 31 FEC deadline, for a total of \$615,000. "Important things in this country don't happen without people taking risks," Perry said. Our sense on this race is that Hamilton has not been nearly as aggressive as he should have been. He had the institutional advantage at the onset, and several major Democratic players predict he'll win because the supporters Perry has attracted aren't likely to turn out the vote. From the perspective of Horse Race, there have been too many county chairs, big city council members, mayors, county commissioners and sheriffs who have endorsed Perry that make that spin suspect. **Democratic Primary Status:** *Tossup*

**Congressional District 9: Republican:** Kevin Shaw Kellems, Michael Bailey.

**Democrat:** U.S. Rep. Baron Hill, Lendall B. Terry, James McClure. **Geography:** Lawrenceburg, Rising Sun, Connersville, New Albany Jeffersonville, Madison, Nashville and SE Indiana. **1994 results:** Hamilton 91,459 (D), Leising (R) 84,315. **1996 Results:** Hamilton (D) 128,885, Leising (R) 97,747, Feeney (L) 2,315. **1998 Results:** Hill (D) 92,477, Leising (R) 87,278, Feeney (L) 2,397. **2000 Forecast:** *USA Today* reported that Hill is in the Top 10 of Democratic members who have been getting financial help from other member's PACs. **Status:** *Leans D*. ❖





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Lunch served.

1:30 p.m. **HPR/TeleResearch Polling Results and Political Analysis**  
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