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Clinton wins a lifeline Primary victory keeps her in the race with Obama



Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., with former President Bill Clinton, celebrates with supporters in Philadelphia after winning the Pennsylvania primary last night. "Because of you, the tide is turning," she told the rally.

Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., greets supporters at a diner in Pittsburgh yesterday. He moved on to Indiana later and told a crowd in Evansville last night: "Now it's up to you Indiana."

AP / JAE C. HONG



Now the Democratic presidential contenders will face their next critical tests in two weeks with primaries in Indiana and North Carolina.

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PHILADELPHIA — Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton ground out a gritty victory in the Pennsylvania primary last night, defeating Sen. Barack Obama and staving off elimination in their historic race for the Democratic presidential nomination.

"Some counted me out and said to drop out," the former first lady told supporters cheering her triumph in a state where she was outspent by more than two-to-one. "But the American people don't quit. And they deserve a president who doesn't quit, either."

"Because of you, the tide is turning."

Her victory, while comfortable, set up another critical test in two weeks in Indiana. North Carolina votes the same day, and Obama

SEE DEMOCRATS, A7

Panel clears cuts to close budget deficit

In order to close the \$168-million gap for the current fiscal year, the plan cuts state aid to cities and towns, and a host of social-service programs.

BY STEVE PEOPLES, CYNTHIA NEEDHAM and KATHERINE GREGG
JOURNAL STATE HOUSE BUREAU

PROVIDENCE — The winners were hard to find inside the House Finance Committee room last night.

In less than an hour, the powerful legislative panel voted to close a current-year budget hole of \$168 million, imposing a swath of cuts to programs for poor children, cities and towns, and state workers.

"There is a lot of pain out there on all levels," said Finance Committee Chairman Steven M. Costantino. "This budget, I don't think it's a gleeful budget. But it's a responsible budget and it's something we had to do."

The deficit-avoidance plan cuts state aid to municipalities by \$12.5 million in the fiscal year that ends in June. It will knock more than 2,800 immigrant chil-

dren off subsidized health care and another 3,400 poor children off welfare. And it sharply reduces health-care benefits for state employees who retire after Sept. 30.

The vote marks a significant step forward in the state government's struggle to close massive budget deficits that Governor Carcieri says have pushed Rhode Island to the brink of financial disaster.

But it was just a first step. The package passed yesterday addresses only the deficit projected for the current fiscal year. It does little to address next year's estimated hole of \$384 million, a number that state leaders largely agree will grow substantially when fiscal advisers examine state revenues next month.

Still, the plan approved yesterday 13 to 0, with 3 abstentions, includes cuts and new policies that will affect virtually every Rhode Islander, from inmates to taxpayers to immigrant children.

SEE BUDGET, A7

Chemical in plastics new cause for concern

Retailers move quickly to remove baby bottles containing BPA from store shelves.

JOURNAL WIRE REPORTS

Are toxic plastics lurking in your kitchen?

That's the question many people are asking after reports last week that a chemical used to make baby bottles, water bottles and food containers is facing increasing scrutiny by health officials in Canada and the United States.

The substance is bisphenol-A, or BPA, widely used in the making of the hard, clear and nearly unbreakable plastic called polycarbonate. Studies and tests

show that trace amounts of BPA are leaching from polycarbonate containers into foods and liquids.

Yesterday, Woonsocket-based CVS Caremark said it was joining numerous other retailers, including Wal-Mart and Toys "R" Us, in pulling tens of thousands of products containing the chemical off its store shelves.

Nalgene, the maker of a popular sports bottle, and the baby-products maker Playtex have announced they will stop using the plastic.

And last week, the Canadian government became the first country to ban BPA from use in baby bottles, a move that spurred a leading Democrat in the U.S.

SEE PLASTIC, A5

Students to hear firsthand the cost of drunken driving

A new program aims to cut the incidents of drunken-driving among teenagers.

BY AMANDA MILKOVITS
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CRANSTON — They were once so much like the teenagers who will begin visiting them this week.

The young men and women now assigned numbers and cells inside the Adult Correctional Institutions remember their lives on the outside, before they drove drunk and injured or killed someone.

The crashes were a result of

SEE INMATES, B3

Dubious distinction

Massachusetts and Rhode Island are among the states with the highest drunken-driving rates in the country, according to a report released today based on figures obtained from the National Survey on Drug Use and Health.

According to the three-year government study, the states rank seventh and eighth respectively with 20.5 percent of drivers in Massachusetts and 20.4 percent in Rhode Island reported driving under the influence during a previous year. That's above the national average of 15 percent.

Wisconsin has the nation's highest drunken-driving rate at 26.4 percent. Utah has the lowest at 9.5 percent. (AP)

Teen sent to ACI after latest charge



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Ryan Greenberg, 17, appears before Special Magistrate Joseph Keough yesterday as a bail violator. He was later taken to the Adult Correctional Institutions.

Ryan Greenberg, of Barrington, has been free on personal recognizance since being charged in the boating death of his friend last summer.

BY C. EUGENE EMERY JR.
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PROVIDENCE — Ryan Greenberg, the Barrington teen who has been free on personal recognizance since being accused of second-degree murder in the summer boating death of his friend, Patrick Murphy, was sent to the ACI yesterday after he and seven friends were found with alcohol in the Brickyard Pond area of town Saturday evening.

"I am not going to allow him any further freedom because he has indicated he can't accept the responsibility," said Special Magistrate Joseph A. Keough, who sent Greenberg off in

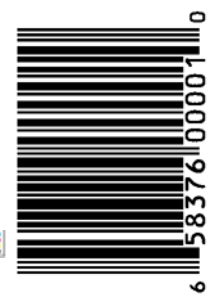
handcuffs after scheduling a bail hearing for May 1.

The 17-year-old had been ordered to stay away from drugs and alcohol, submit to random drug testing, and be of good behavior when he was released Jan. 2. But this weekend he was part of a group discovered drinking by a Barrington police officer on party patrol.

In court yesterday afternoon, prosecutor Christian Capizzo said Greenberg refused to take both a field sobriety test and a breath test.

He was also charged with

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ROADSIDE RESCUE

A Station nightclub fire survivor and two other good Samaritans rescue a 66-year-old Coventry woman and a toddler trapped in a vehicle that had veered off the road and landed upside down in a brook. **B1**

ATTRACTED TO GREEN

The hospitality industry in Rhode Island is finding that being environmentally responsible is also good for business. **F1**

MANDATING BETTER MILEAGE

Automakers will need to produce cars and trucks that on average achieve 31.6 miles per gallon by 2015 and 35 mph by 2020, according to proposed standards set by the federal government. **A2**



SOX RALLY OVER ANGELS

Jacoboby Ellsbury, left, hits two solo homers and Dustin Pedroia cracks a tiebreaking double in the eighth inning to help the Sox rally for their sixth straight victory with a 7-6 win over the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim. **D1**