



# An Indiana primary that matters!

### Clinton, Obama deadlock makes May 6 relevant

By **BRIAN A. HOWEY**

INDIANAPOLIS - INDIANAPOLIS - For the first time since 1992, Indiana Democratic voters will have a contested presidential primary. Perhaps as stimulating as the granddaddy of them all in 1968.

With U.S. Sens. Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama virtually tied, the Clinton campaign told NBC News they expected the nomination fight to go all the way to the Democratic National Convention in Denver. "There are only four days left on the calendar with significant delegates," said Indiana Democratic Chairman Dan Parker. Those dates include Saturday with Washington, Nebraska, Louisiana and Maine on Saturday, next lady states next Tuesday (Maryland and Virginia), March 4 when Texas and Ohio are in play, and May 6 when Indiana and North Carolina are up.

Hillary Clinton played a role in the 1992 primary



U.S. Sen. Barack Obama campaigned for Democrats Joe Donnelly, Baron Hill and Brad Ellsworth in October 2006. All three Hoosiers are now uncommitted super delegates. Sen. Bayh has endorsed Hillary Clinton, (HPI Photos)



when Bill Clinton squared off against former California Gov. Jerry Brown and Sen. Paul Tsongas. Clinton won that race as Hillary Clinton spent several days campaigning in Indiana. In 1968, Robert F. Kennedy defeated Sen. Eugene McCarthy and Indiana Gov. Roger Branigan in a race people still talk about.

What about Pennsylvania on April 22? Parker explained, "Indiana and North Carolina have more combined delegates than Pennsylvania. At stakes will be 72 Hoosier delegates

## Education revolution

By **BRIAN A. HOWEY**

INDIANAPOLIS - I heard the news today, oh boy. Michigan City Schools could lose \$1.4 million in 2009 if Gov. Mitch Daniels' cap'n'cut tax reforms pass. Indianapolis schools could lose \$14 million. South Bend could lose \$6.84 million, Hammond \$13 million, Gary \$8.2 million. Wayne County schools could lose \$1.2 million in 2010.



Brian Howey's Column

Centerville Supt. Phil Stevenson told the Richmond Palladium-Item, "It's a killer. It knocked the wind out of me. It's just another blow for education."

And yet this plan passed the Indiana Senate voted 41-7 for Senate Joint Resolution 1 on the constitutional caps



"This isn't cutting fat. This is cutting through muscle and into bone."

- South Bend Mayor Stephen Luecke on HB 1001