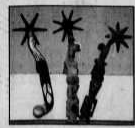


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## Impeachment: It's crunch time

Wire and local reports

The Senate trial of President Clinton resumes today at 11 a.m. Tucson time with the House impeachment team starting to present its case.

TV ABC, CBS and NBC plan to cover the trial selectively. All three networks said they would carry the opening session and begin the proceedings as news warrants.

On cable, all-news networks CNN, Fox News Channel and MSNBC, as well as Court TV and C-SPAN II, plan gavel-to-gavel coverage.

Some PBS stations will provide gavel-to-gavel coverage. But KLUPTV Channel 6 in Tucson, plans only to pre-empt regular programming to present "events of a historically significant nature as events develop," the station said.

Radio: KUAZ, 1560 AM, and KUAZ, at 89.1 FM, will cover the proceedings.

### The case for Clinton

**The Boston Globe** — President Clinton's defense is detailed in a 130-page report his lawyers released yesterday. These are their key points:

- While the president, in an effort to conceal his affair and avoid embarrassment, misled his family staff and the nation about his relationship with White House intern Monica Lewinsky, he did not intend to conceal, perjury or obstruct justice.
- There is no evidence to support the allegations the president lied under oath, and innocent explanations — faulty memory among them — explain why the president's federal grand jury testimony

sometimes appears at odds with Lewinsky's.

- No matter how badly the president behaved, his wrongdoing falls short of the constitutional standard of high crimes and misdemeanors that would merit removing him from office.
- The first thing White House lawyers will do is point away on this last point.
- "It is ridiculous, and a dangerous precedent, to think of removing the president from office because of the sexual misconduct," said Cass Sunstein, a University of Chicago law professor and one of 200 constitutional scholars who signed a letter advising

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Public opinion remains solidly in President Clinton's corner, several polls say. Page 5A.

### The case against Clinton

**The Boston Globe** — The heart of the case against the president is the allegation that Clinton lied before the grand jury when he said his testimony in an earlier civil case was truthful.

Moreover, Clinton tried to obstruct justice and hide his relationship with former intern Monica Lewinsky, according to the impeachment articles approved last month by the House.

This is the case against Clinton, as outlined by House impeachment managers, evidence from independent counsel Kenneth Starr and the House Judiciary Committee.

• Perjury: While the House

rejected an impeachment article that said Clinton lied in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case, it approved an article that said Clinton lied about many of the same facts before the federal grand jury. This has complicated matters for the House managers because to prove that Clinton lied before the grand jury, it must be established that Clinton lied in the civil case.

"The burden of proof is higher," said Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., a House manager who is slated to deliver the opening statement in the Senate trial today.

"We have to prove he lied

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### Phone calls are free — if you listen to the ads

That's company's long-distance pitch

By Teddie Weyer  
The Associated Press

BALTIMORE — What is your time worth?

A Maryland company is offering free long-distance service to callers around the country if they agree to listen to advertisements first.

BroadPoint Communications, a Landover, Md.-based company, tested the plan in Pittsburgh last year and began offering it nationwide on Tuesday.

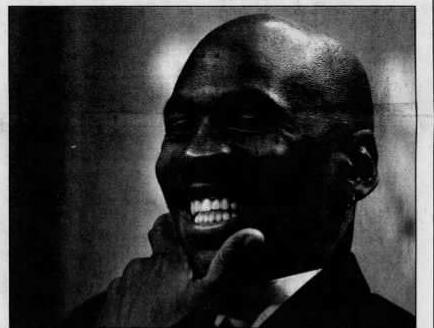
Company President and CEO Perry Kameel says BroadPoint expects to have 1 million members by the end of the year.

People who sign up for the service, called FreeCall, will get up to two minutes of free long-distance calling in the United States for each advertisement of 10 to 15 seconds that they listen to.

Users must listen to the advertising before they are able to obtain the free call. For example,

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### 'I'm gone'



Michael Jordan, apparently a man without a care, announces his retirement. But he left the door barely open for a return to the NBA, saying yesterday that he's "99.9 percent sure this is final. Move on Jordan's retirement. Page 1D.

### Reay's shops' sale to Colorado firm seems imminent

By Richard Ducoite  
The Arizona Daily Star

It has been open talk around town for days.

Even employees of Reay's Ranch Markets have told customers that the chain is about to be taken over by Colorado-based Wild Oats Markets Inc.

Neither Reay's nor Wild Oats has denied the reports. Craig Reay, a co-owner of the local chain, referred calls yesterday to Richard Conch, Reay's general manager and one of several investors, who did not return repeated calls over the last two days.

The Reay's stores at 3360 E. Speedway, 4751 E. Sunrise Drive and 7183 N. Oracle Road employ about 250 workers.

Wild Oats, a fast-growing coast-to-coast chain of "natural foods" markets, bought the three Reay's stores in the Phoenix area in June 1997.

Jim Lee, president of the national chain, said yesterday the company could not comment on acquisitions or other major developments because of a self-imposed "quiet period" leading up to an annual earnings report Feb. 1. But Lee did volunteer his view that, "We think Tucson is a great town."

A bulletin board on the Wild Oats Web site contains a few messages about the Tucson acquisition and one reply from a reader, not the company, confirming it.

Most of Wild Oats' past growth has been through acquisitions of smaller chains or "Mom and Pop" natural foods stores, Lee said.

The company operates from California to New York and from

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### SNAPSHOT

**Wild Oats Markets Inc.**  
•Headquarters: Boulder, Colo.  
•Operates 63 stores in 18 states and British Columbia  
•6,000 employees  
•Nation's 2nd-largest natural foods chain  
•Nasdaq symbol: OATS

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Washington state to Florida. It had two Phoenix-area stores with plans for two more.

It operates stores under the name Wild Oats, Alfalfa, Capers and Oats.

The company reported third quarter sales of \$96.8 million, a 21 percent increase from third quarter 1997 levels. Net income in the third quarter, the last period reported, was \$3 million, or 23 cents a diluted share, compared with income of \$1.8 million, or 17 cents a share, in the same 1997 period.

In Nasdaq trading yesterday,

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### 'Feeding frenzy'

Legislative factions preparing for a tug of war on tobacco funds

Dr. Andrew Arthur checks 7-year-old Danica Green for an arithmetic condition at El Rio Health Center while her mother, Irene Meza, waits. Danica has been accepted by Kids Care, one of a patchwork of health care programs for the working poor. Story, Page 11A.



By Jane Erikson  
The Arizona Daily Star

Deciding how to spend Arizona's share of the tobacco lawsuit settlement is expected to be the most contentious health care issue in the Legislature this session.

The \$2.8 billion windfall will bring the state more than \$100 million a year for the next 25 years.

"It's going to be a feeding frenzy, with some good stuff and some bad stuff coming out of it," said Rep. Sue Gerrard, R-Phoenix, chairwoman of the House Health Committee.

She and other lawmakers are planning projects ranging from a new state mental hospital to more money for child abuse prevention — but not the projects ordered in November 1996.

More than 70 percent of voters approved a ballot proposition called Healthy Arizona to expand the

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### Artist accused of fondling 3 girls at youth center

By Hipolito R. Corella  
The Arizona Daily Star

A celebrated Tucson artist and musician is accused of fondling three girls at El Rio Neighborhood Center, the westside facility where he has served as assistant director for about two decades.

Antonio Jimenez Pazos, 46, was arrested Jan. 4, about a week after two

girls at the center complained to a staff member.

Pazos, best known locally for murals he painted on walls across the city since the late 1970s, remained at the Pima County Jail last night in lieu of \$75,000 bond.

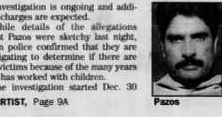
He was arrested on suspicion of one count each of child molestation and continued sexual conduct with a minor.

The investigation is ongoing and additional charges are expected.

While details of the allegations against Pazos were sketchy last night, Tucson police confirmed that they are investigating to determine if there are more victims because of the many years Pazos has worked with children.

The investigation started Dec. 30

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### WEATHER

**Doing 70.** Today is expected to be sunny with winds up to 15 mph. Look for a high near 70 and a low in the upper 30s to lower 40s. Yesterday's high was 69. The low was 37. Page 10A.

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Star critic Gene Armstrong assesses the Broadway hit playing at Tempe's Gammage Auditorium.