

## Ron Paul takes bulk of Nevada delegates

### Support for longshot candidate will only parlay into votes if Mitt Romney does not win party nomination in 1st round at national convention

BY SANDRA CHEREB

Associated Press

SPARKS (AP) — Republican presidential hopeful Ron Paul trumped presumptive nominee Mitt Romney in Nevada's

national delegate count Sunday, but he will only be able to parlay those supporters into votes for his longshot bid at the national GOP convention if Romney fails to win the nomination in the first round.

Of Nevada's 25 dele-

gates elected Sunday to go to the national convention, 22 openly support Paul and three back Romney. The state's three other delegates are state party officials.

The results were certified as the state Republican



Ron Paul

Convention that was supposed to wrap up by 7 p.m. Saturday slogged into a second day. Paul supporters were successful not only in winning the lion's share of national delegates but in ousting the state's national committeeman and committeewoman and replacing them with supporters of the Texas congressman.

Romney won Nevada's caucus in February with half of the vote. Under party rules adopted last

fall, Romney was to get 20 of Nevada's 28 delegates for the national convention, and Paul was to get eight. Besides the 25 elected at the state convention, the other three Nevada delegates are state GOP Chairman Michael McDonald; National Committeeman Bob List; and National Committeewoman Heidi Smith.

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## Study: Sierra Nevada adds 1-2 mm in elevation each year

### Combination of GPS data and space-based radar provide info to scientists at UNR and in United Kingdom

Associated Press

RENO (AP) — The Sierra Nevada range continues to grow about one-half inch in elevation every 10 years, and scientists say new technology that allows them to detect the relatively fast rate of uplift in the crust from space is helping shed new light on the origin of the mountains.

Researchers at the University of Nevada's Geodetic Laboratory in Reno and University of Glasgow in the United Kingdom say they've recorded annual elevation increases between 1 and 2 millimeters for more than 10 years along the entire 400-mile-long range that straddles the Nevada-California line.

They say a combination of GPS data and space-based radar has provided them with unprecedented accuracy in measuring the uplift of the crust compared to Earth's center of mass and to relatively stable eastern Nevada.

"The exciting thing is we can watch the range growing in real time," said

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## LAS PRIMERAS DEL CINCO



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The winners in this weekend's Miss Cinco de Mayo contest were (left to right) Ana Sanchez, 22, of Reno, in third place; Jessica Jimenez, 20, in first place; and Mariela Salazar, 22, of Reno, in second place. The young women participated in a variety of promotional events, including shoots, interviews, public service announcements for radio and more. Jimenez said she was very excited at the honor but doesn't plan to leave her from her work as a full-time criminal justice student at the University of Nevada, Reno, her two part-time jobs, her community work through multi-cultural sorority Lambda Phi Xi and playing on an adult softball team. The winner was named Sunday afternoon during the Cinco de Mayo festivities at the Grand Sierra Resort, which drew thousands of people for food and games over the weekend.

## George Lindsey, known as TV's Goober Pyle, dies



George Lindsey

### Actor known for roles on 'The Andy Griffith Show' and 'Hee Haw' dead at age 83

BY TRAVIS LOLLER

who spent nearly 30 years as the grinning Goober on "The Andy Griffith Show" and "Hee Haw," has died. He was 83.

The Marshall-Donnelly-Combs Funeral Home in Nashville said

Lindsey was the beaney-wearing Goober on "The Andy Griffith Show" from 1964 to 1968 and its successor, "Mayberry RFD," from

## Elko County appeals U.S. Forest Service road plan

Associated Press

ELKO (AP) — Elko County commissioners have voted to appeal the U.S. Forest Service's travel management plan for forest roads in the county.

Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest under the plan.

Elko County commissioners have long opposed the Forest Service's plans to close certain roads.

According to the

Higgins will be the officer.

Under the vast majority of forest roads Elko County will remain open for motorized vehicles, but only some will be



# Paul also wins majority of delegates from Maine GOP

In same weekend they take over Nevada, supporters of Texas congressman take 21 of 24 delegate spots

BY GLENN ADAMS

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — With Mitt Romney's GOP presidential nomination all but decided, Ron Paul supporters took control of the Maine Republican Convention and elected a majority slate supporting the Texas congressman to the GOP national convention, party officials said. The results gave the Texas congressman a late state victory.

In votes leading to the

close of the two-day Maine convention, Paul supporters were elected to 21 of the 24 delegate spots from Maine to the GOP national convention in Tampa, Fla. The 24th delegate's seat goes to party Chairman Charles Webster, who has remained uncommitted throughout the process.

Making the Paul takeover complete was the election of Paul supporters to a majority of the state committee seats.

"It's certainly a significant victory," said Jim Azzola of South Portland, Cumberland County coordinator for Paul.

Paul, the last challenger to remain in the contest, finished a close second behind Romney in Maine's GOP caucuses in February, but those results were non-binding. Not everyone had a chance to cast a ballot before the results were announced, and a snowstorm forced the cancellation of some caucuses, including one in a Paul stronghold. Romney won the February straw poll with 39 percent of the vote to Paul's 36 percent. Rick Santorum trailed with 18 percent and Newt Gingrich got 6 percent.

Romney's aides say

they do not view Paul as a threat to winning the nomination. But Romney and his team have also been mindful not to do or say anything that might anger Paul's loyal supporters.

"I think he's being very careful because he knows how important the Ron Paul voters are — they obviously represent a very different dynamic," said Mike Dennehy, a former top aide to Republican John McCain's 2008 campaign. "They are the most passionate and the most frustrated of any voters heading to the polls. And many of them are independents."

The weekend's turn of events — in a state neighboring one where Romney served as governor — would indicate the GOP has not yet united behind the presumptive nominee, and there are indications the infighting may last all the way to the national convention.

Paul supporters accused the Romney crowd Saturday of dirty tricks to garner more delegates. "We came here to see democracy in action. We are floored by what happened, absolutely floored to see the cheating," said Elizabeth Shardlow of Auburn, a Paul activist.

Charles Cragin, a Romney supporter who lost Saturday's bid to chair the convention, called the turn of events at the Maine convention "bizarre." Cragin said the Paul-led delegation may not be recognized at the national convention because of violations of

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Bill Hammond, the lead researcher of the multi-year project at the University of Nevada.

"Using data back to before 2000 we can see it with accuracy better than 1 millimeter per year. Perhaps even more amazing is that these minuscule changes are measured using satellites in space."

The research was funded by the National Science Foundation and NASA, along with the United Kingdom's Natural Environment Research Council.

Zhenhong Li contributed from the University of Glasgow in Scotland, where he is a senior lecturer at the School of Geographical and Earth Sciences' Centre for

the Observation and Modeling of Earthquakes, Volcanoes and Tectonics.

Hammond's team in Reno included three research professors at the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Seismological Laboratory — Geoffrey Blewitt, Peter Plag and Corne Kreemer.

Hammond said the new findings to be published in the journal *Geology* in July may help resolve an active debate regarding the age of the modern Sierra in California and Nevada.

The Sierra Nevada stretches from 10,000-foot peaks in the north around Lake Tahoe to the highest peak in the continental U.S. 400 miles south — Mt. Whitney at about 14,500 feet.

"Combined with more GPS stations, and more

radar data, detecting motions in the Earth is becoming more precise and ubiquitous," he said. "We can see the steady and constant motion of the Sierra in addition to episodic events such as earthquakes."

Hammond said the history of the Sierra's elevation is complex and the uplift process "fairly unique on Earth." It exhibits features of both ancient elevation — as old as 40 million years — and relatively young elevation dating to less than 3 million years ago.

"Our data indicate that uplift is ... active and could have generated the entire range in less than 3 million years, which is young compared to estimates based on some other techniques," he said. "It basically means that the latest pulse of uplift is still ongoing."

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Massachusetts governor, fails to clinch the GOP nomination in the first round.

"If there's a second ballot, shame on the Mitt Romney campaign for allowing that to happen," said James Smack, a Paul supporter who will replace List on the Republican National Committee.

Neither the RNC nor the Romney campaign were expected to challenge the makeup of Nevada's delegation, despite an implied earlier threat from a national party lawyer that Nevada's delegation

might not be seated in Tampa if it was packed with Paul backers.

Four years ago, party officials shut down the state convention when it appeared Paul would take most of Nevada's delegates to the national convention. Paul backers have been building a grassroots network since then, and in 2012 took control of the Republican Party in Clark County, the state's largest, and claimed a large share of seats on the state GOP central committee.

Carl Bunce, chairman of Paul's campaign in Nevada, sought to assure convention goers that they

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on "Hee Haw" from 1971 until it went out of production in 1993.

he's awfully good."

In a statement released through the funeral home, Griffith said, "George Lindsey was my friend. I had great respect for his tal-

Hour," "The Real McCoys," "Rifleman," "The Alfred Hitchcock Hour," "Twilight Zone" and "Love American Style."

Reflecting on his career,

## Local News

# CRIME BEAT



## Reward in shooting at Center and Stewart streets

RENO — Secret Witness is offering a \$1,500 reward for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of the suspects wanted in connection with a Saturday shooting in the area of Center and Stewart streets.

At about 3:40 a.m., a woman and man were walking north on Center Street in the crosswalk when an eastbound vehicle on Stewart Street approached them at high speed, nearly striking them. A verbal confrontation ensued between the pedestrians and the vehicle occupants when one occupant exited the vehicle and fired two shots towards the pedestrians. The female walker was struck with fragments from one of the bullets and sustained a non-life threatening wound to her leg.

The suspects fled the area in a red-colored Ford Explorer. The shooter is described as a white male adult, approximately 5-foot 11-inches to 6-foot 1-inch tall with a skinny build and blond hair, wearing dark-colored baggy pants and a dark T-shirt.

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