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Kerry Falls Short



Sen. John Edwards (left) talks with his running mate Sen. John Kerry before delivering their concession speeches. (AP photo)

Bush claims mandate for war, tax agenda

(AP) — Sen. John Kerry has brought his long White House campaign to an end, conceding the presidential election to George W. Bush and saying the time had come to “begin the healing.”

“I’m sorry that we got here a little bit late and a little bit short,” said a hoarse and stoic Kerry, one day after the Nov. 2 election, noting that he had called Bush

earlier at the White House and said they had a “good conversation.”

“In America, it is vital that every vote count...but the outcome should be decided by voters, not a protracted legal fight,” Kerry said. “I would not give up this fight if there was a chance that we would prevail.”

The Democrat said he would “fight on for the people and the principles that I’ve stood for” as he returns to the Senate to complete his term. Friends and admirers who joined him, running mate John Edwards and their families ap-

plauded lovingly during his 15-minute speech at Boston’s historic Faneuil Hall.

Bush pledged to pursue his agenda on taxes, social security and Iraq while seeking “the broad support of all Americans.”

Claiming a second term denied his father, George H.W. Bush, the younger Bush stands to reshape the federal judiciary, starting with an aging Supreme Court that voted 5-4 to award him Florida four years ago. In all branches of government, the GOP now holds a solid, if not permanent, ruling majority.

Bush’s victory ensures Republican dominance of virtually every quarter of the U.S. political system for years to come — the White House, Congress and the federal judiciary. Democrats pored over election results and sadly determined that the GOP base was bigger, more rural, suburban and Hispanic than they had ever imagined.

Bush made a modest inroad into the Black community. Surveys of voters after they left the polls indicated that 11 percent of African Americans voted for him, up at least two points from 2000.

New Mayor in Wings

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Chip Shields, the past executive of Better People, the local job program for former inmates, won election to House District 43, representing north and northeast Portland. Local African Americans, Sen. Margaret Carter and Sen. Avel Gordly, both Democrats, easily won reelection.

In other statewide ballots, Or-

egonians endorsed a measure to force governments to compensate people when regulations decrease property value or waive the rules. And they soundly defeated a measure to expand Oregon’s medical marijuana law.

A measure to cap medical malpractice awards was barely defeated.

Associated Press contributed to this report.


Katz Open House Saturday

Portland citizens have a chance to say goodbye and express thanks and good wishes to retiring Mayor Vera Katz at an open house at City Hall, 1221 S.W. Fourth Ave., from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Nov. 13.

The event, which is being funded with private donations, will include entertainment by members of the Oregon Symphony, the One More Time Around Marching Band and the Portland Gay Men’s Cho-

rus. Starbucks and Safeway will provide refreshments. The Royal Rosarians, Portland’s long-time civic ambassadors, will also be present.

Citizens will have the opportunity to express their sentiments to the mayor in a scrapbook that will be provided for people to sign at the open house. Katz will be present to say a few words of appreciation and to mingle with attendees.



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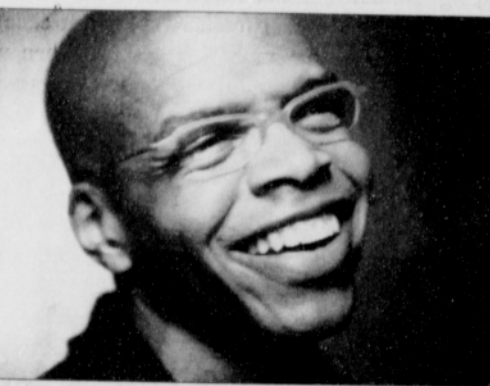
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discussing the significance of personal brand development and strengthening your creativity muscle.

Kevin Carroll is a Portland native and a storyteller with a gift for reaching an audience and awakening the inspiration that lies within.

He is a self-described ‘Katalyst’ — someone who helps turn creative ideas into reality. He is the author of “Rules of the Red Rubber Ball: Find and Sustain Your Life’s Work.”

Carroll will be speaking to a small crowd of about 100 people on Wednesday, Nov. 17 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at CoHo Theater, 2257 N.W. Raleigh. The public event is hosted by the New Professionals Group of the Portland Metro Chapter of Public Relations Society of America. Reservations can be made by visiting www.prsa-portland.org or contacting Cathie Locke at 503-221-6202.

Slave Monument Plans Stumble

(AP) — Some black leaders and scholars are accusing the National Park Service of dragging its feet on a congressional order to commemorate slaves kept by George Washington at the first presidential mansion in Philadelphia.

The site just steps from the Liberty Bell would be the first federal memorial to slavery in the nation.

“We have to tell the truth, whether it hurts or not,” said Charles

Blockson, a curator of African American artifacts at Temple University. “In the city of Philadelphia, it’s never been told.”

Park Superintendent Mary Bomar said the delays have been caused in part by disagreement among historians over the exact location where Washington’s slaves once lived, as well as a lack of funding.

“We’re not sweeping anything

under the rug,” she said. “Nothing would suit me better than to move forward on this project.”

Some park officials had resisted the argument that slaves and white servants used to live on the spot in front of the Liberty Bell Center, which is now a wide sidewalk along Market Street. Bomar said her staff finally agreed on the location of the slave quarters following a forum last month.

Friends of Trees Holiday Sale

This holiday season honor your friends, family and the earth by giving them gifts that grow—trees planted in their honor.

Friends of Trees’ Natural Area Commemorative Trees cost \$25 per native tree or \$50 for a grove of six native trees. When you purchase a Natural Area Commemorative Tree, Friends of Trees sends a card acknowledging your gift to the person receiving the gift tree. Both you and the person who receives

your gift will be invited to plant the tree at Friends of Trees’ annual Commemorative Trees planting on Sunday, Feb. 27 at Bonita Park in Tigard.

You can also buy a Commemorative Yard Tree, which Friends of Trees will plant in the yard you choose. The tree can be up to ten feet tall and comes with a glass sun catcher etched with the name of the person being honored and the date of the planting. Each tree

costs \$225 and will be planted on a designated date in the spring. When you purchase a Commemorative Yard Tree, Friends of Trees will send a card acknowledging your gift to the person receiving the tree.

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