

Too Close to Call

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Romney or Barack Obama?
Edwina Gonzalez, an employee at Providence Irvington Village, called Obama's performance in office "awesome."
"This is a very important election. We all need to get out and vote. Every vote counts!" She will vote Obama.

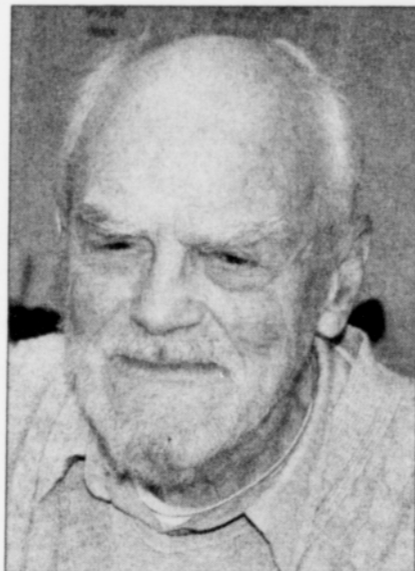
Another Irvington Village employee, Heidi Barth, said Obama did a "fantastic job."

"Who could have done better with the situation he was handed," she said. "Honestly, we are just now starting the recovery. If we were to put Romney in the driver's seat, we would end up in the same position we were in 2008."

Resident Charlyn Scott said Obama did a good job and she intends to vote for his re-election.

"He finally got a health bill passed, he's intent on championing the middle class, he got

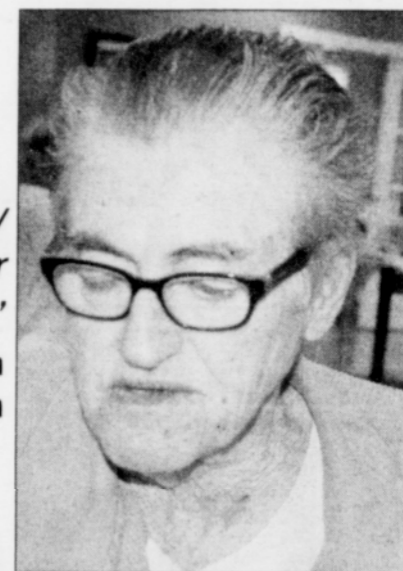
'Romney would revive economy.'
-- Charles Long



'Obama did a fantastic job.'
-- Heidi Barth



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-- Warren Turlington



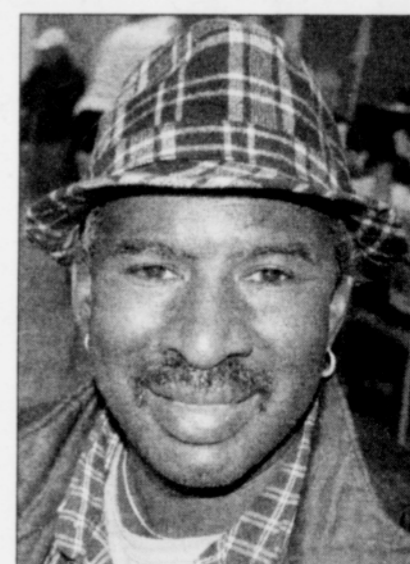
'Give Obama credit for his first term.'
-- Kevin White



'Obama needs second term to complete his task.'
-- Akiba Fisher



'Yes, definitely voting Obama.'
-- Labern Houston



the troops out of Iraq and he killed Osama Bin Laden," Scott said. "He's going to continue

to work on the economy. I think he has a balanced view of all the needs of the country

and he doesn't weigh too heavily to one area."

Scott's friend and resident Carol Freda agrees and will also vote Obama.

Charles Long, a resident at Irvington Village, said he has already voted for Romney.

"President Obama has been ineffective in reviving our economy and he is leading us towards complete socialism and government control," Long said. "I'm not voting against him because he's black—I would have liked Martin Luther King Jr. to be president, but unfortunately he was assassinated."

Long said he thought Romney will be effective in restoring the economy because "he's a very levelheaded person and has a lot of business experience."

Another resident, Kevin White, gives Obama credit for cleaning up the mess created from the Bush era.

His neighbor Labern Houston agreed, "Yes, definitely Obama."

Resident Warren Turlington said, "We shouldn't be changing horses midstream."

"Obama's done a good job. People are going back to work," he said.

Turlington, who has degenerative hearing, said he had student nurses read him every

detail of local and national elections. "I've already voted for him (Obama)," he said.

At a Walgreens parking lot, Akiba Fisher, 36, said "Yes, I think Obama's done a good job with what he had to work with and he needs another term to complete his task."

Local resident Eric Marshall had a different opinion about Mr. Obama. "I think he had a difficult task in front of him and he made progress in certain areas. However, overall it appears our country is still suffering economically."

For economic reasons, Marshall is going to go with Romney. "He's been very successful in his business endeavors and straightening out the Olympics. And I think the country need his unique skill set to get us back to work again," he said.

A few people told us they are not voting for either presidential candidate because they don't like either option. Some said things will stay the same or get worse no matter which president is elected to office.

"They are in it for the money," said a local Hispanic resident and gas station attendant. "I have a family. I'm at the minimum. No president is looking out for the poor people," he said.

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