Sharon easily wins re-election as party leader

By the Associated Press INTERNATIONAL

JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon easily won re-election as the Likud Party leader, defeating his hawkish foreign minister by positioning himself as a centrist in a tactic that could help him in January elections against the Labor Party's dovish

Sharon's victory on Thursday came amid violence at home and abroad. The violence overshadowed the polling but didn't alter the anticipated outcome: Surveys in the last week had predicted Sharon would beat Foreign Minister Benjamin Netanyahu by about 20 percentage points.

Results from 50 percent of polling places showed Sharon had garnered 59 percent of the vote among Likud members, compared to 38 percent for Netanyahu. A lesser-known challenger, American-born Moshe Feiglin, had 3 percent.

Netanyahu told supporters late Thursday he had phoned Sharon to congratulate him on his victory and urged the party's members to work to-

Sharon will face the new Labor leader, Haifa mayor Mitzna, in Jan. 28 elections. Polls predict Sharon has good chances of keeping his job.

BOGOTA, Colombia

Colombia's largest right-wing paramilitary group will begin a unilateral cease-fire on Sunday in its long-running battle against leftist rebels, the group's leaders announced early today.

The United Self-Defense Forces of Colombia, or AUC, said it has faith that the government of President Alvaro Uribe is serious about cracking down on the rebels, its arch-enemies.

So beginning Sunday, it will stop all offensives against the rebels and suspected sympathizers, its leaders said in an official declaration posted on the

"We have taken the historic decision to declare a unilateral cease-fire with national reach," stated an open letter to Uribe signed by AUC chief Carlos Castano, military commander Salvatore Mancuso and other top AUC

The 12-point document clarifies that, under the cease-fire, members of the militia group could still defend

themselves against attacks by rebels. Colombia's 38-year-old civil war

around the world

Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, mas, which accounted for 34 percent and the smaller National Liberation of holiday sales, according to the Inter-Army, or ELN, against the government national Council of Shopping Centers. and paramilitary groups.

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nancial recovery plan is in limbo as a onto a multibillion-dollar package of bot arm from one side of the orbiting proposed labor cutbacks.

The labor setback was expected to put new pressure today on United's struggling stock, which sank to 40-year lows earlier this fall amid fears the nation's No. 2 carrier is headed to bankruptcy court.

Still hoping to carry out its restructuring without resorting to Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection from its debtors, United on Thursday pledged to still achieve \$5.2 billion in labor cutbacks despite the mechanics' vote rejection a day earlier. It said it was immediately reopening negotiations with union leaders in an urgent new attempt to get concessions from its mechanics.

fate of its effort rides on whether it can secure givebacks from its 13,000 mechanics, the only group holding out on memorable ride.

NEW YORK — The nation's retailers, their expectations modest for the holiday season, are resorting to deep discounts and some unusual marketing gimmicks to get shoppers into stores and in a mood to buy. Teen retailer Abercrombie & Fitch

will have male models, clad only in underwear, greet shoppers at stores in major cities today.

No one wants to take any chances amid so much uncertainty about the

"Sales will be intense. Consumers vill turn out in full force to the mall, but there is a general feeling that consumers are going to be reticent," said Kurt Barnard, president of Barnard's Retail Trend Report, based in Upper husband. Montclair, N.J. "They will look at the price tag before they look at the prod-

While the Thanksgiving weekend starts the shopping spree, it no longer is the busiest period of the season. Last Thursday, said hospital spokeswoman year, the weekend accounted for 8.4 Leslie Porras. Gabor was a passenger percent of holiday sales. The busiest in the front seat of a car driven by her

pits leftist rebels of the Revolutionary period was the last week before Christ-

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — A CHICAGO — United Airlines' fi- spacewalking astronaut celebrated Thanksgiving by taking a thrilling ride result of its mechanics' refusal to sign on the international space station's rocomplex to the other.

> John Herrington clutched a 600pound rail car as the robot arm swung him in a 180-degree arc Thursday evening so he could relocate the wagon. He hooted and shouted, "Oh my goodness," as he gazed down at

> It was NASA's first Thanksgiving Day spacewalk and the second one this week for Herrington, the first American Indian in space, and Michael Lopez-Alegria.

The two astronauts, visiting from the docked space shuttle Endeavour, hooked up the plumbing on the space station's newest addition, a \$390 mil-But the airline acknowledged the lion high-tech beam. The highlight of the six-hour spacewalk came at the very end, when Herrington took his

Herrington anchored his feet at the end of the space station's 58-foot robot arm and lifted the rail cart that was launched atop the beam. Astronauts inside slowly steered Herrington, with the wagon tight in his hands, to the girder on the opposite end some 50 feet away so he could fasten the cart to an identical one already there.

LOS ANGELES — Zsa Zsa Gabor, hospitalized after an auto accident, was drifting in and out of consciousness but improving as she recovers from her injuries, her husband said.

The 85-year-old Gabor was breathing with the help of a respirator at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center after suffering multiple broken bones, cuts and bruises, said Frederic von Anhalt, her

'She can't talk," von Anhalt said Thursday night. "She opens her eyes, but we don't know if she recognizes

Gabor was listed in serious condition

pole Wednesday evening, said von Anhalt. The hairdresser also was hospitalized.

The cause of the accident was unknown, said Sgt. Bruce Thomas of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's depart-

Gabor, sisters Eva and Magda, and their mother, Jolie, all emigrated to America around World War II. Zsa Zsa gained notice when she became the wife of hotel millionaire Conrad Hilton, whom she married in 1942. She has been married eight times. She married von Anhalt in 1986.

TACOMA, Wash. — A gunman fired through a window into a Thanksgiving party, killing a 5-year-old boy and injuring three others.

A gunman stood on the front lawn and opened fire at close range into a

hairdresser when the car struck a light said. Neighbors said they heard about there on an Israeli-owned hotel and an eight gunshots in rapid succession.

The gunman fled. At least three generations of one

family lived in the home, neighbors A critically injured 14-year-old girl was in surgery late Thursday night at

Madigan Army Medical Center, police spokesman Jim Mattheis said. A 20year-old woman was reported in serious condition with a gunshot to the abdomen and a 22-year-old man, who suffered a gunshot wound to the leg, was in satisfactory condition, Tacoma General Hospital spokesman Peter Frohmader said.

The 5-year-old boy died at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, Frohmader said.

WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON — The State Department urged Americans in Kenya to

Israeli airliner. President Bush labeled the violence acts of terrorism.

Israeli and Kenyan officials said Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network was the likely perpetrator of Thursday's attacks, but White House spokesman Gordon Johndroe said it

"It's premature to rule al-Qaida in or out in these incidents," Johndroe said.

The attacks, Bush said, "underscore the continuing willingness of those opposed to peace to commit horrible crimes. Those who seek peace must do everything in their power to dismantle the infrastructure of terror that makes such actions possible.

The United States "remains firmly committed ... to fight against terror and those who commit these heinous acts," the president said in a written statement from his Texas ranch, where he was

Chanute to erect sculpture

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Octave Chanute was a man of many interests. He played an important role in Kansas City's development, and a town in eastern Kansas is named for

He is mostly forgotten now, but that's about to change. The Chanute High School class of 1941 is planning a sculpture in his namesake town honoring Chanute and his contribution to

Chanute was born in 1832 and came to Kansas City just after the Civil War. He designed the first railroad bridge over the Missouri River, which fueled development of the young city.

Chanute went on to design the stockyards, plat the town of Lenexa, Kan. now a thriving Kansas City suburb and lay out rail lines into Kansas.

Later in the 1800s he left the area. art professor who is the designer of the Chanute became interested in aviation, sculpture and a member of the 1941 conducted glider experiments, and provided important advice to the Wright Brothers before their pioneer-He died in Chicago in 1910.

Back in mid-America, public recognition of him never came.

"There is nothing I know of in Kansas City, and it's a shame," said Bill Nicks, parks and recreation director in Riggs said. Lenexa and an expert on Chanute. "He doesn't get his due." The city of Chanute, about 100 miles

southwest of Kansas City and with a don't even know where the city got its population of about 9,500, traces its roots to the French-born engineer, railroader and aviation booster.

But Chanute has little recognition even there, said Robert Blunk, a retired first flight.

"There's really nothing much," Blunk said.

The sculpture to honor Chanute will be an artistic depiction of a glider balanced on an 80-foot boom that will function as a giant wind vane.

Not everyone likes the planned mo-

bile, Chanute City Manager Randy Nevertheless, Chanute should do

better at memorializing its patron, said Riggs, who added that some residents Plans call for the sculpture to be

dedicated on Dec. 17, 2003, the 100th anniversary of the Wright brothers'

Jordan says he'll retire after season

Jordan made it clear that he's playing his final NBA season, saying there's "zero chance" he will return for a third year with the Washington Wizards. Jordan said Thursday he will retire

after this season and return to his role as partial owner of the Wizards.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michael fulfilling my contract," said Jordan, take its own course." who signed a two-year, \$2.1 million

"At the end of this season, I'm not looking at another contract. I just want Jordan energized Washington for most to finish this year out and hopefully of last season before he was forced out "I tell you right now that I'm just fulfill my obligations and let this team of the lineup with a right knee injury.

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Jordan, who will turn 40 in February, deal with Washington last year after returned to basketball last season bestepping down from his executive du- cause he said he still felt the need to After joining the Wizards as a player,

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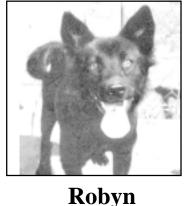
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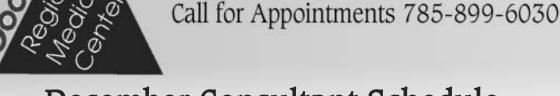
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Male Boxer who is neutered and in need of some Tender Loving Care.

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December Consultant Schedule

Allergist	Jeffrey Rumbyrt, M.D	December 5
Audiologist	Sherri M. Beck, M.A., CCC-A	December 6 & 20
	Nicole L. Pygott, M.A., CCC-A	
Cardiologist	James K. Warren, M.D	December 19
Cardiologist	Barry Smith, M.D.	December 5 & 11
Dermatologist	Charles Ruggles, M.D	December 5 & 12
	Alfred N. Carr, M.D	
Endocrinologist	Gerald Poticha, M.D	December 13 & 20
Gastroenterologist	Jeffrey D. Huston, M.D	December 16
Gynecology	Laura Rokosz, M.D	December 4 & 18
Neurologist	Steven J. Gulevich, M.D	December 4, 6 & 27
Obstertrics/Gynecology	David Forschner, M.D	January 15
	Martin Rubinowitz, M.D	
Ophthalmologist	David Pfoff, M.D	December 6, 20 & 27
Orthopedist	Theodore J. Clarke, M.D	December 2
Orthopedist	Tim Birney, M.D	December 9
Orthopedist	Stuart J. Kennedy, M.D	December 9
Orthopedist	James Holmes, M.D	December 16
Orthopedist	Edward Parks, M.D	December 23
Pediatrician	Raymond Ketting, M.D	December 17
	Warren Toews, M.D	
Psychiatrist	John C. Faul, M.D	December 4, 6 & 20
Podiatrist	Erik Ouderkirk, D.P.M	December 11 & 18
Pulmonologist	Ken Weisiger, M.D	December 12
Pulmonologist	Tim Clark, M.D	December 18
Radiologists	Professional Radiology Services	WEEK DAYS
Rheumatologist	Karl Chambers, M.D	December 19
Speech Pathology	Vicki Transue, M.S	Monday thru Friday
Substance Abuse Dir	Fred Waters, CADC III	Monday and Tuesday
Urologist	Darrell D. Werth, M.D	Janyar 14
Urologist	Carl T. Newman, M.D	December 3
Urologist	Kevin R. McDonald, M.D	December 17

