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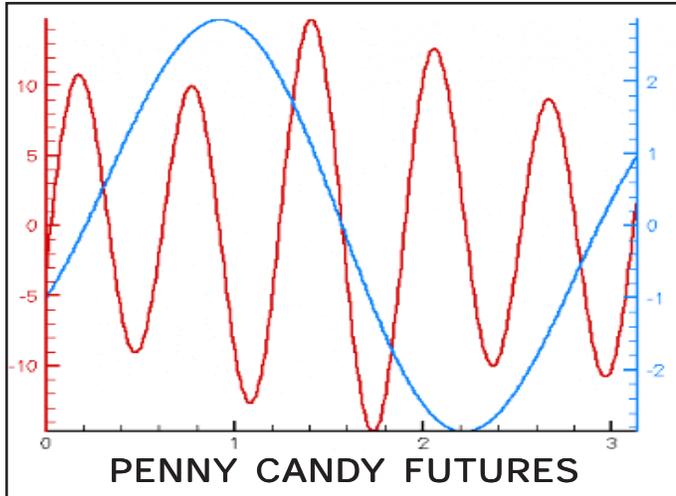
What's News -

New polls show that Barack Obama holds a commanding lead among voters who actually live on a street called Main Street. Figures from Gallup show Obama with 76% of Main Street residents likely to vote. A3

■ John McCain's lead has increased with voters who still reside on Wall Street in New York. The 14 registered voters are said to favor McCain overwhelmingly. A3

■ Sales of librarian glasses have soared along with Sarah Palin's campaign. A firm in Wasilla that markets the glasses worldwide says it can't keep up with the demand. A2

■ Congress will consider a measure to rename all U.S. streets Main Street. Backed by the Bush Administration, "No Street Left Behind" will guarantee that no Americans are denied the Main Street dream. A4



Obama Backs Bowling Bailout; McCain Seeks Six-Pack Subsidy

Seeking to ride the wave of enthusiasm for all things Main Street, both John McCain and Barack Obama have taken steps to bolster their appeal to voters who live on Main Street, or wish they did.

Obama said he will ask Congress to pass the bowling bailout bill without further delay. The measure would provide free insurance coverage to bowling establishments that have been hit by lawsuits over germs in older bowling shoes.

McCain, meanwhile told supporters in Mayberry, N.C., that government must step in with subsidies for beer drinkers.

"It is important,



my friends," McCain told the crowd at the Main Street Tavern, "that we not overlook the needs of Main Street during these difficult times. If Main Street wants a beer or two, then who are the blood-sucking CEOs on Wall Street to deny them?"

Obama staffers in Omaha, Neb., said they are seeking to re-

locate all campaign offices to addresses on Main Street. McCain aides said they were focusing efforts in the remaining weeks of the race on the "Battleground Streets" - Main Street in Carson City, Nev., West Main Street, in Colebrook, N.H., and South Main Street in Dublin, Ohio.

WEATHER

Gray skies are going to clear up! Sunny days are on the way! Temperatures on Main Street will be pleasant! Is the long-range outlook good? You betcha!

Journal Moves Headquarters To Des Moines, Cuts Newsstand Price to 5 Cents

By MAIN STREET STAFF

In a stunning acknowledgment of the depths to which Wall Street has sunk in the hearts and minds of Americans, News Corp. announced today that it will move all operations to Des Moines, Iowa. The company's flagship newspaper has been renamed The Main Street Journal.

"There's little left for us here," stated Rupert Murdoch as he packed for the trip to the Midwest. "No matter how much is spent to bailout Wall Street, it's clear that Main Street holds the future, not just for America but for the global economy."

Also today, The Journal slashed its cover price to 5 cents. Editors expected the new format to total six pages most days.

"The good news for us is that there are so few companies to cover, we can do it in much less space," explained the paper's editor in chief Robert Thomson.

"Ironically, we have one column called Main Street. We plan to add columns for Elm and State Streets."

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