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U.S. goalkeeper Brianna Scurry makes an acrobatic game-saving block off Nené during the World Cup final Saturday.

Scurry a 'hero' for stopping penalty kick

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Brianna Scurry charged left, deflected the ball with her outstretched arms and a record crowd of 90,185 fans roared.

After giving up China's first two penalty kicks, the American goalkeeper stopped Liu Ying with the score tied 2-2.

"She hit it pretty hard, but I don't think she placed it all that well," Scurry said. "I knew I just had to make one save the entire time because I knew my teammates would make their shots. I knew if I just got one, we'd probably win."

She charged out of the net, (See Scurry, Page 3)

West Las Vegas service center opens

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Clark County School District Board Trustee Shirley Barber hosted a distinguished dignitaries luncheon to celebrate the grand opening of the new District C Academic Support and Community Service Center.

The new center is one of three in existence and will house Barber's office.

"I'll be at the service center to be close and accessible to the community," Barber said.

The state-of-the-art facility is located in the Nucleus Plaza, Owens Avenue and "H" Street. She'll be in Suite 926. "This center is for all of my constituents — to put it in this area is to accommodate those with the greatest need," she said.

The center's mission is "to develop, inform, train and support school and community educational programs designed to increase the academic achievement and post-graduation skill options for students."

It will offer services such as parenting classes, various adult and student training classes, a library, two computer labs, and PC's



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The H.P. Fitzgerald choir, under the direction of Quanisha Stokes, performed a theatrical rendition of "I Love Chocolate" during opening ceremonies for the center.

that parents can take home for a semester.

"We know there's a tremendous amount of distrust in our community for the Clark County School District," said center director, Yolanda McKinney-Arrington.

"We're trying to get parents and children in our community involved and actively engaged in the educational process. We're hoping to bridge the gap between achievement and success in our community by providing support services that other parents take for granted, but we've never had."



SHIRLEY BARBER

The center cost \$162,000. Wells Fargo donated an additional \$45,000 in funding, software company PLATO provided \$65,000 in technological resources. The

Mirage Hotel donated 350 computers to the center; most of which have been made Y2K compliant by the school district.

Annual operating costs hover around \$45,000. At 1,800 square feet, the center is the smallest of the three school district sites, McKinney-Arrington said. The other two service centers on East Charleston and in Henderson, are at least 3,000 square feet.

Clark County District School superintendent Brian Cramm expects the new center to thrive, much as the other centers have.

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Concert raises \$50,000 for cancer

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The American Cancer Society's and Power 88 KCEP FM 88.1's benefit "Entertainers Against Cancer Singin' For Survival" was a phenomenal success, according to Willette Ballard, the cancer society's regional executive director.

"We made at least over \$50,000," Ballard said. The weekend concert inside the Mandalay Bay's Island Ballroom featured the Whispers, the Dells and ConFunkShun.

According to the cancer society, smoking is responsible for 87 percent of

all lung cancers. One-third of cancer deaths is due to dietary factors. Half (563,100) of the 1.2 million people diagnosed with cancer this year are expected to die.

African-Americans are more likely to get cancer and die from it than people of any other ethnic group, according to the cancer society.

Black women have the highest rates of lung, colon and rectum cancer. We are also more likely to die of breast, colon and rectum cancer than other race, according to the cancer society.

Black men have the highest rates of prostate,

colon, rectum and lung cancer than other groups and are more likely to get prostate cancer than men of any other racial background. They also have the highest mortality rates for these cancers, including cancer of the bronchus.

Larry Gamell, a representative for the Community Health Centers of Southern Nevada and ACS volunteer, said that the key to survival was early detection.

Guest speakers sprinkled short comments between performances.

ConFunkShun started off the party on Friday dancing (See Benefit, Page 9)



The Whispers were among the celebrity performers on hand for a benefit concert for the American Cancer Society. Joining them were the Dells and ConFunkShun. The event raised approximately \$50,000 for the cancer society. Sentinel-Voice photo by John Broussard