

Presidential Election 2008: Who's it Going to Be?

Clinton or Obama?

It seems that in most opinions, Obama is the front runner, but many people don't think it's so wise to count Hillary out just yet. It also appears that Sen. Obama is one of those people. General campaign finance management practices tell us that when a candidate feels they have a comfortable lead, he or she tends to spend less money. Barack Obama has done anything but that. Recently he's outspending Senator Clinton 15 to 1. As of the last federal filing, Senator Obama had spent \$115,636,752. John McCain has spent just about half, reporting expenditures of just over \$58 million.

With the Pennsylvania Primary right around the corner (April 22), many pundits are predicting that the winner of the Penn. Primary will take all in the way of the democratic nomination. There are still others to follow Pennsylvania; Indiana, North Carolina, West Virginia, Kentucky and Oregon all have votes to be counted before the final call is made. It seems that in elections as tight and varying as this one has been, it would be unwise to put all of one's eggs in either candidates baskets until all said eggs have been counted.

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Which Democratic Candidate is Most Likely to Win the Party's Nomination?

Who's Got the \$\$\$?

Cash on Hand

Clinton: \$33,174,862.00

Obama: \$38,833,089.00

McCain: \$7,996,595.00

Does McCain Have a Chance?



The problem with John McCain is this: too many conservative republicans view him as liberal. Conservative republicans are unhappy with his views (perceived or actual) on social issues especially, but also immigration legislation and his admitted lack of economic knowledge. It seems however, that his middle of the road issue stance could actually be his saving grace. So many people are ready for some sort of change in the presidential administration and it seems reasonable that whoever fills the presidential shoes will have to be dramatically different from President Bush. McCain may just be different enough to attract republicans who have opposed Bush while still attracting the leading demographics in registered voters who actually show up to vote (white middle-aged men). So, yes, McCain definitely has a chance at the presidency. In fact, all indicators point to an extremely tight race between whoever wins the democratic primary and Sen. McCain

Questions or comments?

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