The Veepstakes!

Talking points

1. In his commentary on the relative qualifications of the Democratic nominees, Robert Tornoe suggests that the roles seem to be reversed. Joe Biden should be wearing the Batman suit, which is way too large for Barack Obama. If Biden is so much more qualified for the job, why is Obama Batman to Biden’s Robin?

2. RJ Matson shows Palin, a self-described “hockey mom,” jumping into the fray to rescue an embattled McCain. Does the addition of a woman to the ticket make you more interested in the campaign?

3. Do you think women will vote McCain/Palin simply because there’s a woman on the ballot? Do you think Blacks will vote Obama/Biden simply because Obama is black? Is that the right way to pick a president?

Between the lines

John McCain’s surprise selection of Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin as his running mate raised speculation about whether she will be able to attract Hillary Clinton supporters to the Republican side. Palin makes history as the first woman ever to appear on a Republican presidential ticket.

Barack Obama’s selection of Sen. Joe Biden as his running mate, brings a deeper knowledge of foreign affairs to the ticket and a network of international contacts unmatched on the Democratic side of the aisle.

Tooning into the campaign

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