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TRAGEDY

TENS OF THOUSANDS FEARED DEAD
 IN HAITI EARTHQUAKE, **Page 36**



PATRICK FARRELL / THE MIAMI HERALD VIA AP

Girls cry as a little girl is removed from the rubble Wednesday in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Tuesday's quake left a landscape of collapsed buildings — hospitals, schools, churches, ramshackle homes, even the gleaming national palace — the rubble sending up a white cloud that shrouded the entire capital.

JAIL SEX INVESTIGATION

Sheriff: Officers said something not right, **Page 3**

75 cents

Florez rethinking run for lieutenant governor

State Sen. Dean Florez is re-evaluating his run for lieutenant governor, as his primary challenger racks up key labor endorsements. Florez emphasized he is still "100 percent" in the race. But he said the next few weeks will be critical as he does more private polling.

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Artist taking a gamble in dicey economy

Artist and Delano native Johnny Ramos, left, who enjoys a large clientele both here and in Los Angeles, is celebrating the opening of his bossanovastudios here on 18th Street, an event scheduled for Friday evening. He has teamed with Web designer Kynan Chambers, right, for the unique venture.

Eye Street, Page 16

Nothing like progress to promote family unity

The real reason I now own a new phone is that my children (and, I suspect, my husband) want me to learn how to send and receive text messages. My family has perhaps created a monster, because this phone is a good fit for a writer.



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