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NASA to crash tiny probes into Mars

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Two little space probes heading for Mars this week will not float beneath parachutes or bounce to a landing on cushions. Instead, they will smash into the planet at 400 mph, punching into the ground like interplanetary lawn darts.

If the drastic landing technique works Friday, the softball-size instrument packages will search for water and test lower-cost technology that could revolutionize solar system exploration.

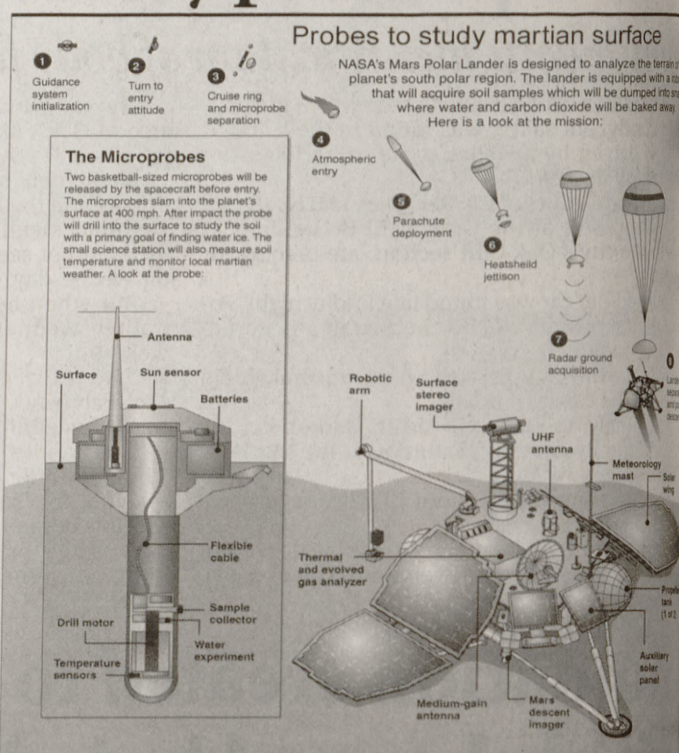
The Deep Space 2 probes are flying toward the Red Planet along with the Mars Polar Lander.

After they reach Mars, Polar Lander will begin a controlled descent. The probes will follow 18 seconds later, but unlike the lander their 77-mile fall will not be slowed by any expensive parachutes or thrusters.

"We're not your average mission — we're slamming into a planet at 400 mph," Deep Space 2 project manager Sarah Gavit at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, said.

The \$29.6 million Deep Space 2 probes are part of NASA's New Millennium program, a series of inexpensive missions testing untried technology for future spacecraft. Ten systems will be tried out during the Mars mission.

For four years, Gavit and her team have been throwing models out of airplanes over the Mojave Desert and firing electronic de-



vices out of air guns to find designs and materials that might survive a crash into the surface.

After about 20 attempts, they finally arrived at a design that should withstand the force of impact, which will be 60,000 times stronger than gravity on Earth.

Each probe will be protected from the heat of entry by a basketball-sized aeroshell, but that will shatter as it hits the surface.

Impact will cause a bullet-sized penetrator to separate from the rest of each probe and plunge feet into the ground.

Head of Mexican restaurant dies in plane crash

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A float plane piloted by the head of a Mexican health food restaurant chain carrying his three sons crashed into the Columbia River, killing all aboard.

William S. "Tiger" Warren, the 48-year-old chair of Portland-based Macheezmo Mouse, was flying to the family's summer home in Washington with sons Jack, 14; Will, 13; and Rob, 9, after a Thanksgiving gathering, family members said.

The plane went down about 3 p.m. Saturday near the Washington side of the river, about 45 miles east of Portland, shortly after it left the water and began climbing into the sky, Dave Cox, spokesperson for the Skamania County sheriff's office, said.

"Witnesses said the plane was taking off, banking sharply to the left, and then went down," Cox said.

Dive teams on Saturday retrieved two bodies, a man believed to be Warren and a child. Two other bodies were pulled from the plane yesterday.

Warren's 8-year-old daughter, Lucy, had stayed behind in Oregon with her mother, Geraldine, who was divorced from Warren and is now married to Portland stockbroker H. Gerald Bidwell.

Warren, his ex-wife and Bidwell had just entered from a long ordeal in court as witnesses against disgruntled investor who blamed Bidwell for a \$50,000 stock loss.

Daniel Loren Jenkins Jr. was convicted Nov. 1998 of plotting aggravated murder for calling Warren and his wife to "whack" Bidwell if Warren would pay him \$1 million.

Warren immediately called police. Evidence and money at trial showed that Jenkins had stalked the Bidwells for months, made harassing phone calls, sent death threats via e-mail and threatened the lives of their six children, including the four children of Warren and his ex-wife.

Gerald Bidwell told *The Oregonian* shortly after the family learned about the crash that his wife and he were devastated.

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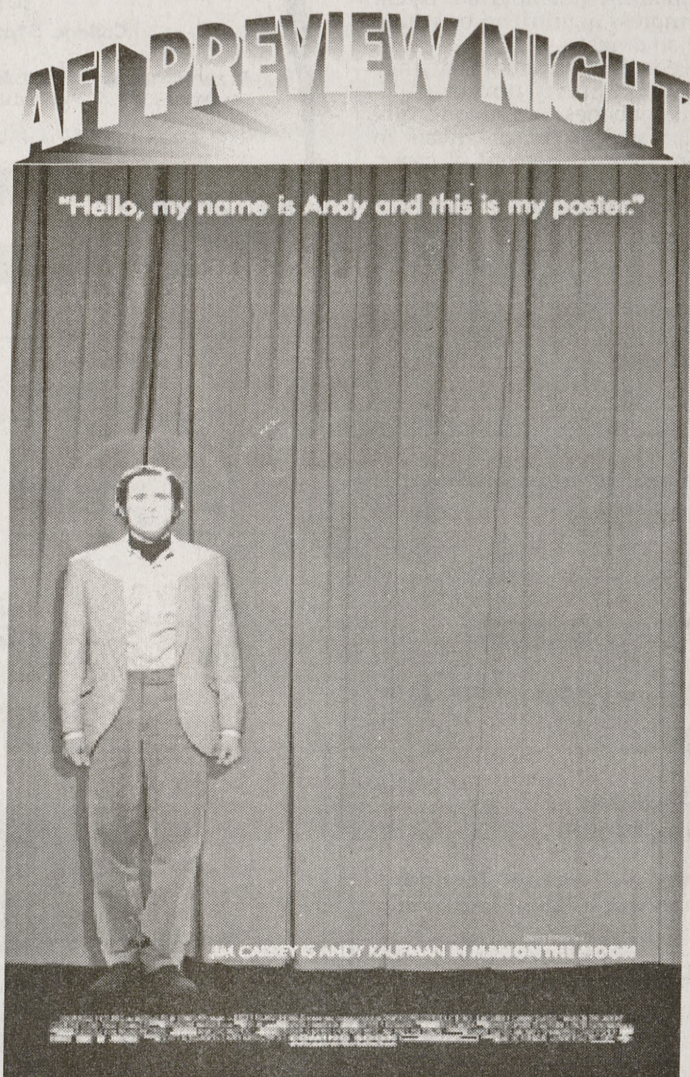
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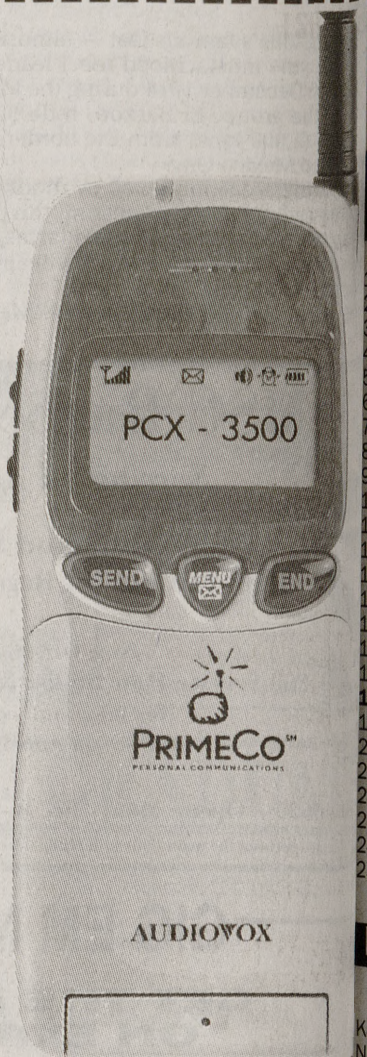
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