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NEW CONTRACT FOR PNNL OPERATION: Paul Kruger (left), associate manager for Science and Technology in the Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, and Len Peters, director of Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, seal a new contract agreement with a handshake. The contract signed Aug. 27 will govern Battelle's operation of PNNL through September 2007. More autonomy and scientific "stretch goals" are among the hallmarks of the new operating contract. Battelle will have the potential for earning a higher fee, counterbalanced by its acceptance of greater accountability and risk.

FILLING THE BOOT FOR THE

MDA: Hanford firefighters Josh Hatch (holding the boot) and Sean Strege collect a donation from Larry Olguin, vice president of Fluor Hanford's Central Plateau Remediation Project. Hanford firefighters were collecting donations Aug. 22, at the Wye, Rattlesnake and Yakima Barricades, and at the 300- and 400-Area gates, for the Muscular Dystrophy Association's "Fill the Boot" campaign. This is the sixth year the Hanford Fire Department and the International Association of Fire Fighters Local I-24 have participated in the annual fund-raiser. This year's Hanford firefighters, organized by Kathi Bolton, collected more than \$4,300 during the campaign, which surpassed last year's donations. The Hanford Fire Department also hosted a muscular dystrophy golf tournament, which raised an additional \$4,000. In all, Hanford Fire Department members from Local I-24 raised close to \$8,500 for Jerry's Kids and the MDA during this year's activities.



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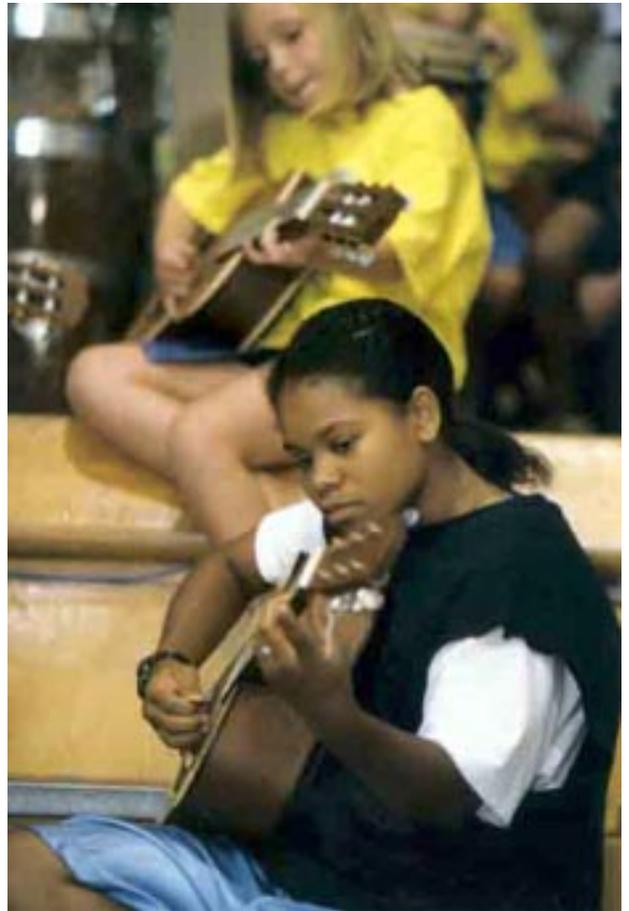
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SUMMER STRUMMIN': Leah Atkins, foreground, and Brandee Miller tune up their guitars for an August concert at the Boys and Girls Club in Pasco. More than 50 kids performed in the concert for about 150 friends and family, as well as members of the Bechtel Women's Group. The Boys and Girls Club music program was made possible by a gift from the Bechtel Women's Group to purchase instruments, sheet music and other supplies.