

FCC REPORT

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CRIME & VIOLENCE

5AM - 11/13

THE HEAD OF THE INDEPENDENT PANEL THAT INVESTIGATED THE VIRGINIA TECH SHOOTINGS SAYS THE NATION MUST STOP THE SPREAD OF GUNS. GERALD MASSENGILL SPOKE YESTERDAY TO THE GUN CONTROL ADVOCACY GROUP.. THE VIRGINIA CENTER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. HE SAID GUN CONTROL ISSUES MUST BE ADDRESSED.. BUT THE RIGHTS OF LAW-ABIDING CITIZENS TO OWN GUNS MUST NOT BE THREATENED.

12PM - 11/1

THOSE EIGHT SWASTIKAS FOUND IN FOGGY BOTTOM IN THE PAST WEEK HAVE NOT YET BEEN LABELED "HATE CRIMES." CAMPUS POLICE SAY IT'S ABOUT SEMANTICS. UNDER D-C'S BIAS RELATED CRIME ACT OF 1989, INVESTIGATORS HAVE TO DETERMINE THE VANDAL'S *INTENT* BEFORE BRANDING IT A HATE CRIME.

12PM - 12/7

INVESTIGATORS IN BALTIMORE ARE CALLING A BUS ATTACK A HATE CRIME. ON TUESDAY, MARYLAND TRANSIT POLICE SAY NINE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS PUNCHED AND KICKED 26-YEAR-OLD SARAH KREAGER, AND DRAGGED HER OFF A CITY BUS. SHE SUFFERED SEVERAL BROKEN BONES. THE SUSPECTS - WHO ARE ALL BLACK - ALLEGEDLY TOLD KREAGER, WHO IS WHITE, THAT SHE COULDN'T SIT IN A PARTICULAR PART OF THE BUS. THE TEENS ARE CHARGED WITH AGGRAVATED ASSAULT.

5PM - 11/1

WITH THE SWASTIKA SUSPECT STILL AT LARGE, CAMPUS POLICE SAY THEY CANNOT LABEL THE ACTS OF VANDALISM AS *HATE CRIMES.* INVESTIGATORS SAY IT'S A MATTER OF SEMANTICS. D-C'S BIAS RELATED CRIME ACT OF 1989 SAYS POLICE HAVE TO DETERMINE THE CRIMINAL'S *INTENT* BEFORE BRANDING IT A HATE CRIME.

5PM - 12/11

VIRGINIA STATE POLICE ARE GOING DIGITAL TO FIGHT CYBER CRIME. TROOPERS SAY THERE'S A GROWING DEMAND TO FIND NEW TECHNIQUES TO COMBAT HACKERS AND IDENTITY THEFT. OFFICIALS STILL NEED FUNDING FOR THE NEW CYBER CRIMES CENTER, BUT IT WILL BE LOCATED IN RICHMOND.. AS A JOINT VENTURE WITH VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY AND THE NATIONAL WHITE COLLAR CRIME CENTER.

6PM - 10/3

TRACKING DOWN CRIMES IN FAIRFAX COUNTY NEIGHBORHOODS JUST GOT A LOT EASIER. RESIDENTS CAN NOW RESEARCH AND ACCESS INCIDENTS REPORTED TO POLICE THROUGH AN ONLINE MAPPING PROGRAM CALLED THE "POLICE INCIDENT VIEWER." USERS ENTER AN ADDRESS OR POLICE DISTRICT AND THE PROGRAM REVEALS VARIOUS CRIMES. A USER CAN SEARCH FOR INCIDENTS AGAINST OTHER PEOPLE, PROPERTY, AND QUALITY OF LIFE INCIDENTS.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

5AM - 10/31

THE ELECTIONS FOR VIRGINIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY SEATS ARE LESS THAN A WEEK AWAY. ALREADY.. THE RACE FOR LEGISLATIVE SEATS IS THE MOST EXPENSIVE IN VIRGINIA HISTORY. BOTH PARTIES SAY INTERNAL POLLING SHOWS THAT UP TO EIGHT SENATE RACES COULD GO EITHER WAY. IF DEMOCRATS CAN WIN JUST FOUR OF THOSE SEATS, THEY'LL CAPTURE THEIR FIRST MAJORITY IN THE SENATE IN 12 YEARS.

6AM - 10/10

THE ALEXANDRIA CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING CURRENT CITY POLICY TOWARDS IMMIGRATION. COUNCIL MEMBERS SAY THE RESOLUTION UNDERSCORES THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO MAINTAINING A DIVERSE POPULATION AND PROVIDING ALL RESIDENTS WITH EQUAL PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW. THE RESOLUTION ALSO STATES IT IS NOT THE ROLE OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO ASSUME FEDERAL RESPONSIBILITIES ON IMMIGRATION.

6AM - 11/6

MANY MARYLAND VOTERS WILL ALSO BE HEADING TO THE POLLS THIS MORNING. THERE ARE MAYORAL AND CITY COUNCIL RACES IN BOWIE, COLLEGE PARK, ROCKVILLE, AND TAKOMA PARK. VOTERS WILL ALSO PICK CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS IN GAITHERSBURG AND GREENBELT.

6AM - 12/22

FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND FORMER COLLEAGUES WILL PAY THEIR RESPECTS TODAY TO A LONG-TIME D-C PUBLIC SERVANT. A VIEWING IS SET FOR TODAY FOR HILDA MASON IN ALTA-VISTA, VIRGINIA. MASON SERVED ON THE D-C CITY COUNCIL FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS AND SPENT FIVE YEARS ON THE CITY'S BOARD OF EDUCATION. SHE WAS A STRONG ADVOCATE OF D-C STATEHOOD. HILDA MASON DIED LAST WEEKEND AT THE AGE OF 91.

12PM -10/8

D-C COUNCIL CHAIRMAN VINCENT GRAY WANTS TO MAKE PRE-KINDERGARTEN CLASSES AVAILABLE TO MORE CITY CHILDREN. HE REPORTEDLY PLANS TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION MAKING THE EARLY EDUCATION AVAILABLE TO ALL THREE- AND FOUR-YEAR-OLDS. THE IDEA WOULD LIKELY COST TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO IMPLEMENT. GRAY SAYS HE'LL PROBABLY INTRODUCE THE MEASURE NEXT MONTH.

12PM - 10/10

VIRGINIA GOVERNOR TIM KAINE HAS NAMED HIS PICK, TO FILL AN EMPTY SEAT ON THE STATE'S HIGH COURT. THE DEMOCRATIC CHIEF EXECUTIVE IS SET TO ANNOUNCE TODAY THAT HE WANTS CHESAPEAKE CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE S-BERNARD GOODWYN TO ROUND OUT THE STATE SUPREME COURT BENCH. THE APPOINTMENT TAKES EFFECT IMMEDIATELY, BUT GOODWYN MUST BE CONFIRMED BY THE 2008 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

12PM - 11/5

VIRGINIA VOTERS WILL DECIDE TOMORROW IF REPUBLICANS MAINTAIN CONTROL OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. EVERY SEAT IN BOTH HOUSES IS UP FOR RE-ELECTION. VOTERS WILL ALSO DECIDE LOCAL RACES IN FAIRFAX, LOUDOUN, PRINCE WILLIAM, AND ARLINGTON COUNTIES.

12PM - 12/5

A COALITION OF 12 VIRGINIA COMMUNITIES IS EXAMINING ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION IN THE AREA. IT'S CALLED "THE COALITION ON ILLEGAL ALIENS" AND PLANS TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. A COALITION REPRESENTATIVE SAID THE GOAL IS TO DETER ILLEGAL ALIENS FROM THEIR COMMUNITIES. HERNDON MAYOR STEPHEN DEBENEDITTIS IS THE CHAIRMAN.

5PM - 10/25

THE D-C COUNCIL IS CONSIDERING A BILL TO FIGHT STAPH INFECTIONS WHERE THEY MOST OFTEN START-- IN HOSPITALS. LAWMAKERS SAY THEY WANT ALL LICENSED EMERGENCY CENTERS IN THE CITY TO DEVELOP INFECTION-PREVENTION-PLANS, AS THE REGION RESPONDS TO A SPIKE IN DRUG-RESISTANT CASES OF THE BUG. 60% OF THE POTENTIALLY DEADLY INFECTIONS, BEGIN AT HOSPITALS.

5PM - 11/2

THE MARYLAND COURTS MAY SOON ALLOW CAMERAS IN THE COURTROOM AT CRIMINAL TRIALS. A BALTIMORE JUDGE IS CHAIRING A COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY. LEGISLATION ALLOWING CAMERAS HAS DIED IN PREVIOUS GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSIONS. CAMERA COVERAGE IS CURRENTLY ONLY PERMITTED IN SOME CIVIL PROCEEDINGS AND APPEALS. THE STATE BAR ASSOCIATION OPPOSES EXPANDING THE CAMERA RULE.

5PM - 12/4

FINDING THE NAMES OF VIRGINIANS WITH CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMITS MIGHT NOW REQUIRE SOME LEG WORK. A STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL HAS ENDORSED A BILL PROHIBITING THE STATE POLICE FROM RELEASING ITS DATABASE. THE VIRGINIA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ADVISORY COUNCIL BEGAN INVESTIGATING AFTER THE ROANOKE TIMES PUBLISHED THE PERSONAL INFORMATION OF PERMIT HOLDERS IN VIRGINIA. RECORDS OF THE PERMITS WOULD STILL BE AVAILABLE AT CIRCUIT COURTS.

6PM - 11/6

TODAY'S VIRGINIA RACES WILL DETERMINE WHETHER REPUBLICANS CONTINUE TO CONTROL BOTH THE HOUSE AND SENATE. IN MARYLAND, THERE ARE MAYORAL AND CITY COUNCIL RACES IN BOWIE, COLLEGE PARK, ROCKVILLE, AND TAKOMA PARK. VOTERS IN GAITHERSBURG AND GREENBELT ARE VOTING FOR CITY COUNCIL SEATS. THE POLLS IN MARYLAND CLOSE AT EIGHT TONIGHT.

6PM - 12/21

MARYLAND REPUBLICANS ARGUED IN COURT TODAY, THE DEMOCRATIC- CONTROLLED SENATE VIOLATED THE STATE CONSTITUTION DURING THE RECENT SPECIAL SESSION. THE G-O-P LAWSUIT CLAIMS THE SENATE IMPROPERLY ADJOURNED FOR SIX DAYS, WITHOUT APPROVAL FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES. DEMOCRATS SAY THE PROCEDURE WAS CONSTITUTIONAL. A JUDGE TODAY POSTPONED THE PROCEEDINGS UNTIL HE CAN HEAR THE DEPOSITION OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES' CHIEF CLERK.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

12PM - 11/1

AN ASSISTANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL HAS BEEN ARRESTED-- FOR ALLEGEDLY GROWING MARIJUANA. 50-YEAR-OLD LEONARD MARSH AND HIS WIFE WERE ARRESTED MONDAY NIGHT IN THEIR FAIRFAX STATION APARTMENT-- WHERE OFFICERS SAY THEY UNCOVERED THE ILLEGAL PLANT GROWING IN A CLOSET. MARSH WORKS AT CUB RUN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN CENTREVILLE. HE HAS BEEN PLACED ON ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE.

5PM - 11/28

D-C DELEGATE ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON IS RESPONDING TO THE CITY'S NEW H-I-V AIDS REPORT, BY URGING DISTRICT LEADERS TO SET ASIDE PUBLIC FUNDING FOR A NEEDLE EXCHANGE PROGRAM. A STUDY RELEASED MONDAY IDENTIFIED MORE THAN 3200 NEW H-I-V OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS. NORTON SAYS THAT REPORT FOCUSES TOO HEAVILY ON SEXUAL TRANSMISSION OF THE DISEASE, NOTING THAT *DRUG USE* ACCOUNTS FOR THE LARGEST PORTION OF H-I-V RELATED DEATHS.

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

5AM - 10/30

A NEW REPORT FINDS SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES IN D-C FIRE DEPARTMENT FACILITIES. THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE FOUND FIRE STATIONS WITHOUT WORKING SMOKE DETECTORS. THE REPORT ALSO FOUND ASBESTOS, EXPOSED ELECTRICAL WIRING, AND RODENTS. FIRE CHIEF DENNIS RUBIN SAYS MOST OF THE CONDITIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN REPAIRED OR ARE SCHEDULED TO BE FIXED.

6AM - 11/8

VETERANS MAKE UP JUST ELEVEN% OF THE U.S. ADULT POPULATION. BUT A NEW REPORT FIND THAT 25% OF HOMELESS PEOPLE ARE VETERANS. THE ALLIANCE TO END HOMELESSNESS COMPILED THE STUDY. THE PROBLEM ISN'T CONFINED TO OLDER VETERANS. THE VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT HAS IDENTIFIED 1500 HOMELESS VETERANS FROM THE WARS IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN.

5PM - 10/9

BIGGER AND BETTER THAN THE NATIONAL HARBOR PROJECT-- THAT'S HOW DEVELOPERS ARE DESCRIBING THE KONTERRA PROJECT IN LAUREL. THE 3-BILLION DOLLAR PROJECT WILL FEATURE HOTELS, A BUSINESS PARK, AND RETAIL SPACE-- AS WELL AS CONDOS, TOWNHOMES AND SINGLE FAMILY HOMES. THE IDEA WOULD RESEMBLE THE TOWN CENTERS OF RESTON AND BETHESDA. THE PROJECT IS STILL IN THE PLANNING STAGES AND DEVELOPERS HOPE TO BREAK GROUND IN 2009.

5PM - 11/30

A VIRGINIA FACILITY IS AMONG THE WORST NURSING HOMES IN THE U-S, ACCORDING TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THE FEDS RELEASED THEIR LIST OF THE NATION'S 54 WORST NURSING HOMES IN AN EFFORT TO PUSH THEM TO IMPROVE PATIENT CARE. AMONG THOSE ON THE LIST: RUXTON HEALTH IN WOODBRIDGE. LAWMAKERS AND ADVOCACY GROUPS HAVE BEEN PUSHING THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR CONSUMERS TO IDENTIFY POORLY-PERFORMING NURSING HOMES.

6PM - 11/15

THE HIGH RATE OF HOME FORECLOSURES ACROSS THE COUNTRY HAS PROMPTED GOVERNOR TIM Kaine TO FORM A FORECLOSURE PREVENTION TASK FORCE. IT WILL BRING MORTGAGE INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES, CONSUMER ADVOCATES AND RESEARCHERS TOGETHER TO FIND WAYS TO LESSEN THE IMPACT OF FORECLOSURES ON VIRGINIA FAMILIES AND THE STATE'S ECONOMY. VIRGINIA'S FORECLOSURE RATE IS LOWER THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE...BUT, IT HAS DOUBLED SINCE 2006.

6:30PM - 12/30

A MARYLAND COUPLE IS GETTING CREATIVE IN HOPES OF SELLING THEIR HOME. THEIR SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THEIR FARMHOUSE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. DENNIS KELLY AND KAREN CRAWFORD HOPE TO SELL ENOUGH 100-DOLLAR TICKETS TO GET THE FARMHOUSE OFF THEIR HANDS... AND GIVE SOME MONEY TO CHARITY. THE COUPLE HAD THE HOME ON THE MARKET FOR A YEAR-AND-A-HALF WITH NO LUCK. THE HOUSE IS VALUED AT 390,000 DOLLARS. A WINNER WILL BE DRAWN IN MARCH.

HEALTH & HEALTH CARE

5AM - 11/1

MARYLAND LAWMAKERS WILL TAKE UP GOVERNOR O'MALLEY'S PLAN TO BOOST HEALTH INSURANCE. THE PLAN WOULD EXPAND MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY FOR ADULTS.. AND OFFER SUBSIDIES TO SMALL BUSINESSES THAT WANT TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE. THE STATE HOUSE PASSED A SIMILAR PLAN LAST SESSION. BUT THE BILL DIED IN THE SENATE, AMID CONCERNS THAT IT WOULD COST TOO MUCH.

12PM - 10/10

STATE LAWMAKERS ARE BEING URGED TO MAKE MENTAL-HEALTH REFORMS IN THE WAKE OF THE VIRGINIA TECH SHOOTINGS. A HOUSE COMMITTEE HEARD TESTIMONY ON THE ISSUE YESTERDAY. WITNESSES CALLED THE STATE'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES "INADEQUATE." THEY SAY GUNMAN SEUNG-HUI CHO HAD HAD PROBLEMS FOR YEARS... BUT DIDN'T GET THE CARE HE NEEDED.

5PM - 10/25

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5PM - 11/6

BY 2016, MARYLAND COULD FACE A SHORTAGE OF 10,000 NURSES. THE MARYLAND HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION AND LEADERS FROM NURSING SCHOOLS AROUND THE STATE ARE PROPOSING A 59-MILLION DOLLAR PLAN AIMED AT EXPANDING STATE TRAINING PROGRAMS.. IN ORDER TO AVOID A HEALTH CATASTROPHE.

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5PM - 12/28

D.C. COULD SOON BECOME THE SECOND U.S. CITY TO REQUIRE EMPLOYERS TO PROVIDE PAID SICK LEAVE TO ALL WORKERS. SAN FRANCISCO IS THE FIRST. THE D.C. COUNCIL IS SET TO VOTE ON THE MEASURE JANUARY 8TH. UNDER THE BILL.. BUSINESSES WITH 51 OR MORE EMPLOYEES WOULD HAVE TO PROVIDE UP TO SEVEN DAYS OF PAID SICK LEAVE. BUSINESSES WITH TEN OR FEWER WORKERS WOULD HAVE TO OFFER UP TO THREE DAYS.

6PM - 10/5

A BETHESDA NURSING HOME MAY LOSE ITS FEDERAL FUNDING BECAUSE OF ON-GOING DEFICIENCIES. A SEPTEMBER REPORT BY MARYLAND'S OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE QUALITY FOUND THAT BETHESDA HEALTH AND REHABILITATION IGNORED THE BREATHING PROBLEMS OF TWO RESIDENTS, BOTH DIED. THE REPORT ALSO ALLEGES THE FACILITY MISMANAGED MEDICATIONS. THE FACILITY HAS ONE MORE CHANCE TO COMPLY, OTHERWISE, IT COULD BE DENIED MEDICARE AND MEDICAID PAYMENTS.

6PM - 12/18

VIRGINIA IS MAKING THE GRADE WHEN IT COMES TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS. THE COMMONWEALTH RECEIVED A PERFECT SCORE ON A REPORT RANKING HOW WELL STATES RESPOND

DURING PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES. VIRGINIA WAS ONE OF ONLY SEVEN STATES TO PERFORM ADEQUATELY ON THE TEST. LAST YEAR VIRGINIA SCORED EIGHT OUT OF TEN, LOSING POINTS FOR A NURSING STAFF AND HOSPITAL BED SHORTAGE.

11PM - 12/26

A FEDERAL SPENDING BILL JUST CLEARED THE WAY FOR D-C TO SPEND CITY MONEY ON A NEEDLE EXCHANGE PROGRAM FOR INTRAVENOUS DRUG USERS. PRESIDENT BUSH SIGNED THE BILL TODAY... ENDING A NINE-YEAR BAN ON CITY FUNDING FOR THE PROGRAM. D-C OFFICIALS SAY THE BAN CONTRIBUTED TO A HIGH RATE OF AIDS AND H-I-V INFECTIONS. MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY SAYS HE PLANS TO INCLUDE NEEDLE EXCHANGES IN A LARGER PROGRAM TO REDUCE AIDS AND H-I-V.

RACIAL, ETHNIC, RELIGIOUS & SEXUAL

5AM - 10/1

LATINOS MAKE UP ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING POPULATIONS IN THE D.C.-BALTIMORE AREA. MANY ARE MIDDLE CLASS PROFESSIONALS.. WHO MAINTAIN LINKS TO LATINO CULTURE. SOME COMPANIES ARE BEGINNING TO USE THOSE CULTURAL LINKS TO REACH OUT TO THIS GROWING MARKET. A CUBAN-AMERICAN COUPLE IN HOWARD COUNTY RECENTLY HOSTED A NETWORKING PARTY. CHEVY CHASE BANK SPONSORED IT.

5AM - 11/26

NEW STATISTICS ON H-I-V AND AIDS IN THE DISTRICT CONFIRM THAT D.C.'S AIDS RATE IS THE WORST OF ANY CITY IN THE COUNTRY. "THE WASHINGTON POST" REPORTS.. MORE THAN 80% OF H-I-V CASES IDENTIFIED BETWEEN 2001 AND 2006 WERE AMONG AFRICAN AMERICANS. MORE THAN 37% OF H-I-V CASES WERE SPREAD THROUGH HETEROSEXUAL CONTACT. ONE IN 20 D.C. RESIDENTS IS THOUGHT TO HAVE H-I-V.. AND ONE IN 50 TO HAVE AIDS.

6AM - 10/20

HARRY POTTER FANS, THE RUMORS ARE TRUE: ALBUS DUMBLEDORE IS GAY. THE MASTER WIZARD AND HEADMASTER OF HOGWART WAS OUTED BY AUTHOR J-K ROWLING BEFORE A FULL HOUSE AT NEW YORK'S CARNEGIE HALL. WHEN ASKED BY ONE YOUNG FAN WHETHER DUMBLEDORE FINDS "TRUE LOVE," SHE EXPLAINED "DUMBLEDORE IS GAY" AND WAS SMITTEN WITH A RIVAL WIZARD. ROWLING SAYS NOT EVERYONE LIKES HER WORK, ADDING THAT HER NEWS ABOUT DUMBLEDORE WILL GIVE THEM ONE MORE REASON.

6AM - 11/3

A GAY SUMMIT IS PLANNED TO BEGIN THIS MORNING IN THE DISTRICT. IT WILL BE THE FIRST LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, AND TRANS-GENDER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT IN THE CITY. THE SUMMIT'S GOAL IS TO ENSURE GAY LEADERS AND ENTREPRENEURS CONTINUE TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE ECONOMIC AND CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY.

6AM -11/3

THIS WEEKEND, LATINO COMMUNITY LEADERS ARE LAUNCHING A TELEVISION ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN AIMED AT CURBING THE ANTI-ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT SENTIMENT IN THE AREA. THE WASHINGTON POST REPORTS THE "AYUDA BUSINESS COALITION" IS CONCERNED RECENT MEASURES PASSED IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY COULD CREATE MOMENTUM FOR ANTI-IMMIGRANT LEGISLATION ACROSS VIRGINIA. THE ADS ARE SET TO APPEAR ON CNN.

6AM - 12/22

TODAY, PART OF THE NATION'S CAPITOL IS BEING BEAMED TO BETHLEHEM. A SERVICE THIS MORNING AT WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL WILL BE BROADCAST TO THE PEOPLE IN BETHLEHEM. A PROCESSION LED BY MARY AND JOSEPH IN TRADITIONAL DRESS, WITH A DONKEY, WILL FOLLOW THE SERVICE, WHICH BEGINS AT TEN A-M.

12PM - 10/15

TODAY IS LATINO AIDS AWARENESS DAY. THERE WILL BE FREE H-I-V AND AIDS TESTING IN THE DISTRICT UNTIL 5 O'CLOCK.. AT 14TH STREET AND SPRING ROAD IN NORTHWEST. D-C HAS AMONG THE HIGHEST AIDS RATES IN THE NATION.

11PM - 11/10

ACCUSATIONS OF RACIAL PROFILING CONTINUE TO PLAGUE MARYLAND STATE POLICE TONIGHT. THE AGENCY IS NOW FACING A LAWSUIT, THAT ALLEGES M-S-P TRAINING DOCUMENTS OFFER BIASED GUIDANCE, ON HOW TO INTERACT WITH HISPANICS. A DOCUMENT TURNED INTO THE COURT-- CAUTIONS THAT HISPANICS DRINK TOO MUCH, AND SAYS THEY'RE RELUCTANT TO LEARN ENGLISH. A POLICE LAWYER SAYS THE PAGES ARE *NOT* PART OF THE FORMAL TRAINING MANUAL.

5PM - 12/26

TODAY MARKS THE BEGINNING OF THE SEVEN-DAY AFRICAN AMERICAN HOLIDAY, KWANZAA. THE NON-RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY WAS STARTED IN 19-66 TO CELEBRATE FAMILY, COMMUNITY AND CULTURE. EACH DAY EMPHASIZES ONE OF THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF KWANZAA -- UNITY, SELF-DETERMINATION, COLLECTIVE WORK AND RESPONSIBILITY, COOPERATIVE ECONOMICS, PURPOSE, CREATIVITY AND FAITH.

EDUCATION

5AM - 11/2

THE OFFICE RESPONSIBLE FOR SETTING ACADEMIC STANDARDS FOR D.C. SCHOOLS HAS RELEASED A PLAN FOR ACADEMIC STANDARDS FOR HEALTH CLASSES. FIFTH GRADERS WOULD LEARN HOW TO RESIST PRESSURE TO BECOME SEXUALLY ACTIVE.. AND ABOUT RISKY BEHAVIORS THAT COULD LEAD TO H-I-V AND AIDS. EIGHT GRADERS WOULD LEARN ABOUT SEXUAL ORIENTATION. A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD NOVEMBER 28TH.

6AM - 11/26

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY HAS SURPASSED VIRGINIA BEACH IN PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLLMENT.. AND NOW RANKS SECOND IN VIRGINIA. FIGURES FROM THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SHOW THAT PRINCE WILLIAM'S ENROLLMENT GREW BY THREE% THIS YEAR. FAIRFAX COUNTY IS THE STATE'S LARGEST SCHOOL SYSTEM.. WITH ONE% GROWTH. GROWTH WAS FASTEST IN LOUDOUN COUNTY.. AT 7%.

12PM - 10/8

D-C COUNCIL CHAIRMAN VINCENT GRAY WANTS TO MAKE PRE-KINDERGARTEN CLASSES AVAILABLE TO MORE CITY CHILDREN. HE REPORTEDLY PLANS TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION MAKING THE EARLY EDUCATION AVAILABLE TO ALL THREE- AND FOUR-YEAR-OLDS. THE IDEA WOULD LIKELY COST TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO IMPLEMENT. GRAY SAYS HE'LL PROBABLY INTRODUCE THE MEASURE NEXT MONTH.

12PM - 12/4

A HIRING FREEZE IS NOW IN EFFECT FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS... AS PART OF A COUNTY REQUEST TO TRIM TWO PERCENT FROM THE 2008 OPERATING BUDGE. THAT WILL HELP CLOSE THE COUNTY'S PROJECTED 400 MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET GAP. THE HIRING FREEZE DOES NOT APPLY TO SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHERS, PRINCIPALS, SECURITY OFFICIALS, THERAPISTS, BUS OPERATORS, AND SECRETARIES.

5PM - 10/10

A BILL TO EXTEND D-C'S COLLEGE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HAS CLEARED CONGRESS AND IS ON ITS WAY TO PRESIDENT BUSH'S DESK. MR. BUSH SAYS HE SUPPORTS THE MEASURE, WHICH HELPS D-C RESIDENTS ATTENDING COLLEGE NATIONWIDE. OFFICIALS SAY THE PROGRAM HAS HELPED INCREASE COLLEGE ENROLLMENT AMONG D-C RESIDENTS BY MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

5PM - 10/31

MARYLAND EDUCATORS TOLD GOVERNOR MARTIN O-MALLEY HIS CUTS TO EDUCATION REFORMS WILL HURT STUDENTS. O-MALLEY'S NEW BUDGET PLAN WOULD FREEZE MONEY THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE GIVEN TO SCHOOLS TO COVER INFLATION. THE CASH WOULD THEN BE PHASED IN AT A LOWER RATE. O-MALLEY'S EDUCATION SECRETARY SAYS THE CUTS ARE UNAVOIDABLE. MORE HEARINGS ARE SCHEDULED ON THE PLAN FOR THE REST OF THE WEEK.

5PM - 11/13

VIRGINIA GOVERNOR TIM KAINE HAS CUT OFF STATE FUNDING FOR ABSTINENCE-ONLY SEX EDUCATION PROGRAMS, MAKING VIRGINIA THE 14TH STATE TO REFUSE TO SUPPORT ABSTINENCE-ONLY EDUCATION. AS PART OF A COST-CUTTING PLAN, KAINE ELIMINATED A 275,000 DOLLAR MATCHING GRANT FOR A FEDERAL PROGRAM THAT PROVIDED FUNDS FOR 14 NONPROFIT GROUPS THAT TAUGHT ABSTINENCE ONLY. VIRGINIA WILL NOW OFFER "MORE COMPREHENSIVE" SEX EDUCATION.

5PM - 12/20

MORE THAN HALF THE COLLEGE STUDENTS IN MARYLAND ARE PAYING FOR HIGHER EDUCATION WITH CREDIT CARDS. THE STATE'S HIGHER EDUCATION SECRETARY CALLS IT A CAUSE FOR CONCERN.. SINCE IT ONLY ADDS TO THE DEBT BURDEN OF THOSE ALREADY FACING STUDENT LOANS. JAMES LYONS SAYS THAT PUSHES MANY YOUNG ADULTS INTO BANKRUPTCY. LYONS IS ALSO CONCERNED THAT 60 PERCENT OF STUDENTS ARE WORKING JOBS WHILE TAKING CLASSES.

5PM - 12/21

D-C SCHOOL OFFICIALS PROMISE THEY'LL DO THEIR HOMEWORK THE NEXT TIME THEY CREATE TAKE-HOME TESTS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS. THIS WEEK, STUDENTS WERE GIVEN TAKE-HOME TESTS THAT WERE RIDDLED WITH SPELLING MISTAKES. SOME PARENTS COMPLAINED THE MISTAKES MADE THE TEST MORE CONFUSING FOR THEIR CHILDREN... ...BUT THEY WERE TOLD TO ADMINISTER THE TESTS, ANYWAY.

11PM - 11/5

IF YOUR CHILD'S A STUDENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA OR VIRGINIA TECH, BE WARNED. TUITION COULD BE ON THE WAY UP. SCHOOL LEADERS SAY TUITION AND FEES FOR *IN-STATE* STUDENTS AT BOTH UNIVERSITIES COULD MORE THAN DOUBLE... *UNLESS* THE SCHOOLS GET MORE STATE FUNDING. IT'S NOT YET KNOWN HOW MUCH MONEY LAWMAKERS WILL PUT ASIDE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION. BUT COLLEGE LEADERS SAY THEY'RE OPTIMISTIC THEY'LL GET ADDITIONAL HELP.

EMPLOYMENT & ECONOMY

5AM - 10/1

SEVEN OF THE 14 MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE OFFICERS WHO WERE SUSPENDED FOR ALLEGED "DOUBLE DIPPING".. HAVE AGREED TO RESIGN AND PAY RESTITUTION TO THE COUNTY. THAT'S WHAT DEFENSE ATTORNEYS TELL "THE WASHINGTON POST." THE OFFICERS ALLEGEDLY WORKED OFF-DUTY SECURITY JOBS THAT OVERLAPPED WITH THEIR COUNTY SHIFTS.

5AM - 11/20

THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING FOR FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS TO FILL MORE THAN 500 JOBS IN 15 DANGEROUS COUNTRIES. THEY INCLUDE AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN. ENOUGH DIPLOMATS HAVE ALREADY VOLUNTEERED FOR POSITIONS IN IRAQ. THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE NON-IRAQ POSTS STARTS THIS WEEK.. AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY JANUARY.

12PM - 10/30

THE FEDERAL RESERVE OPENED A TWO-DAY MEETING TODAY. THE FED IS EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE TOMORROW THAT IT WILL ONCE AGAIN CUT INTEREST RATES, BUT NO WORD ON BY HOW MUCH. THE IDEA IS TO CUSHION THE ECONOMY FROM THE HOUSING SLUMP AND CREDIT CRUNCH.

12PM - 11/22

A NEW LAW IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY IS DESIGNED TO PROTECT TRANSGENDER PEOPLE FROM DISCRIMINATION. IT PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION IN HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT AND PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS. *OPPONENTS* PLAN TO GATHER SIGNATURES FOR A REFERENDUM TO OVERTURN THE LEGISLATION. THEY WORRY THE MEASURE WILL GIVE MALE CROSS-DRESSERS ACCESS TO WOMEN'S RESTROOMS AND LOCKER ROOMS.

12PM - 11/29

WITH THE HOUSING SLUMP AND A MORTGAGE MESS, INVESTORS HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR SOME ENCOURAGING NEWS. THAT NEWS CAME WHEN THE FED ANNOUNCED IT'S READY TO CUT SHORT TERM INTEREST RATES.. AGAIN. AND THAT MOVE PROMPTED A 330-POINT SURGE TUESDAY, CAPPING THE BIGGEST TWO-DAY GAIN IN FIVE YEARS. WHILE THE RECENT MOVEMENT IN THE MARKETS IS ENCOURAGING, THERE IS STILL PROBABLY SOME VOLATILITY TO COME. FOR EXAMPLE, FORECLOSURE FILINGS ARE UP 94% FROM LAST YEAR.

5PM - 10/15

A SIDE EFFECT OF THE GROWING ECONOMY IN THE DISTRICT-- A BOOM OF BANK BRANCHES. SINCE 2002, THE NUMBER OF BANK BRANCHES IN D.C. HAS JUMPED NEARLY 20 PERCENT. THOSE BRANCHES ARE OCCUPYING PRIME RETAIL SPACES IN AFFLUENT AREAS. NOW D-C OFFICIALS ARE LOOKING AT WAYS TO CONTROL THE GROWTH. D.C. OFFICE OF PLANNING DIRECTOR HARRIET TREGONING SAYS THE CITY COULD REWRITE ZONING LAWS OR GIVE PROPERTY OWNERS TAX BREAKS TO LEASE SPACE TO OTHER RETAILERS AT BELOW-MARKET RATES.

5PM - 11/9

A LOCAL RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPANY IS MOVING FROM THE DISTRICT TO ARLINGTON-- CREATING 250 NEW JOBS AND INVESTING FIVE MILLION DOLLARS IN THE PROCESS. *GRIDPOINT INCORPORATED* WAS WAIVERING BETWEEN NORTHERN VIRGINIA AND TEXAS, FOR THE SITE OF ITS NEW HEADQUARTERS. BUT A 500,000 DOLLAR GRANT FROM GOVERNOR TIM KAINE HELPED LAND THE CLEAN TECHNOLOGY COMPANY IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

5PM - 11/20

NEW JOBS ARE ROLLING IN TO VIRGINIA. GOVERNOR TIM KAINE ANNOUNCED TODAY VIRGINIA BEAT OUT SEVEN OTHER STATES.. TO BUILD A NEW ROLLS ROYCE AERO-ENGINE FACILITY IN PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY. THAT WILL BRING 500 NEW JOBS AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN INVESTMENT TO

THE REGION.. AND FORGE A RESEARCH AND EMPLOYMENT PARTNERSHIP WITH ENGINEERING GRADUATES FROM VIRGINIA UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

5PM - 12/10

15,000 DISTRICT EMPLOYEES WITH CONTACT WITH CHILDREN WILL HAVE TO UNDERGO CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS-- REGARDLESS OF WHEN THEY WERE HIRED. EMERGENCY REGULATIONS ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES REQUIRE THAT EMPLOYEES OR UNSUPERVISED VOLUNTEERS HAVE A BACKGROUND CHECK, AND SUBMIT TO PERIODIC CHECKS. THE CHECKS WILL AFFECT EMPLOYEES AT 15 DIFFERENT AGENCIES INCLUDING PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

5PM - 12/20

A NEW DAY LABORER CENTER IS NOW OPEN IN SOUTH BALTIMORE, IN A REFURBISHED WAREHOUSE. IT'S OPERATED BY THE IMMIGRANT ADVOCACY GROUP "CASA DE MARYLAND," BUT IT'S FUNDED BY FEDERAL GRANTS AND PRIVATE DONATIONS. THE CENTER WILL PROVIDE JOB TRAINING AND LEGAL HELP. IT'S SUPPOSED TO REPLACE THE UNOFFICIAL GATHERING SITE AT A NEARBY SEVEN-ELEVEN.

11PM - 11/25

CIRCUIT CITY IS OFFERING SOME FORMER EMPLOYEES THE CHANCE TO RETURN TO THE JOB. THE RICHMOND-BASED ELECTRONICS RETAILER FIRED ABOUT 3400 EMPLOYEES TO REPLACE THEM WITH LOWER-PAID WORKERS IN MARCH. THE COMPANY SAYS IT'S INVITED SOME OF THOSE EMPLOYEES TO APPLY FOR OTHER POSITIONS. A SPOKESMAN SAYS CIRCUIT CITY ALWAYS RAMPS UP EMPLOYMENT FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

FAMILY ISSUES

12PM - 10/1

HUNDREDS OF FAIRFAX COUNTY FAMILIES LIVING IN SUBSIDIZED HOUSING EXCEED THE INCOME CAP TO QUALIFY FOR THE ASSISTANCE. ACCORDING TO THE WASHINGTON POST, A REVIEW OF COUNTY RECORDS SHOW SOME OF THOSE FAMILIES MAKE WELL INTO THE SIX FIGURES... BECAUSE THEY DON'T MOVE OUT OF THE SUBSIDIZED HOUSING WHEN THEIR FORTUNES IMPROVE. THE COUNTY'S POLICY AIMS-- IN MOST CASES-- TO HELP FAMILIES MAKING LESS THAN HALF OF FAIRFAX'S MEDIAN ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME OF 94,000-500.

12PM - 10/11

THERE'S A VOLUNTARY RECALL FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER COUGH AND COLD MEDICINE FOR BABIES. THE RECALL ONLY INVOLVES MEDICINES FOR CHILDREN UNDER TWO... AND INCLUDES BABY DIMETAPP, LITTLE COLDS, PEDIACARE, ROBITUSSIN, TRIAMINIC, AND TYLENOL. OFFICIALS SAY THE RECALL CAME AFTER A RARE PATTERN OF MISUSE THAT LED TO OVERDOSES.

12PM - 10/29

BABIES SHOULD NOW BE SCREEN TWICE FOR AUTISM BY THE TIME THEY ARE TWO. THAT ADVICE COMES FROM THE COUNTRY'S LEADING PEDIATRICIANS GROUP. THERE IS NO CURE FOR AUTISM, BUT EXPERT SAY THERAPY CAN MAKE THE DISORDER LESS SEVERE. SOME SYMPTOMS COULD INCLUDE BABIES WHO DON'T BABBLE AT NINE MONTHS.. OR ONE-YEAR-OLDS WHO DON'T POINT TO TOYS.

12PM - 12/13

SCIENTISTS THINK THEY FINALLY KNOW WHY PREGNANT WOMEN DON'T LOSE THEIR BALANCE AND TOPPLE OVER. A NEW STUDY FINDS THAT EVOLUTION HAS PROVIDED WOMEN WITH SLIGHT DIFFERENCE FROM MEN IN THEIR LOWER BACKS AND HIP JOINTS. THAT LETS THEM ADJUST THEIR CENTER OF GRAVITY AS THEY GAIN ALL THAT WEIGHT UP FRONT. THE STUDY IS PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL, "NATURE."

5PM - 10/4

SOME TOP SCIENTISTS ARE URGING PREGNANT WOMEN AND NEW MOTHERS TO EAT MORE SEAFOOD. THE CONCLUSION-- ANNOUNCED THIS AFTERNOON-- IS AT ODDS WITH CURRENT F-D-A ADVICE, WHICH WARNS WOMEN *AGAINST* EATING MORE THAN 12-OUNCES OF FISH A WEEK BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE MERCURY POISONING. BUT THE SCIENTISTS SAY WOMEN NEED AT LEAST THAT MUCH TO ENSURE THEIR BABIES' OPTIMAL BRAIN DEVELOPMENT.

11PM - 12/4

THE VICTIMS OF THE VIRGINIA TECH SHOOTINGS AND THEIR FAMILIES MAY GET A TAX BREAK. THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS PASSED A BILL THAT WOULD EXEMPT ALL PAYMENTS MADE FROM THE *HOKIE SPIRIT MEMORIAL FUND* FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXES. THE FUND HAS DISTRIBUTED MORE THAN 7-MILLION DOLLARS, SINCE THE APRIL 16TH SHOOTINGS IN BLACKSBURG. A SIMILAR VERSION OF THE TAX BREAK BILL HAS BEEN INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE.

ELDERLY & AGING

5AM - 11/29

THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION IS POSTING A LIST OF NURSING HOMES THAT ARE CONSIDERED AMONG THE WORST IN THEIR STATES. 56 NURSING HOMES FROM 33 STATES AND D.C. ARE ON THE LIST. THEY'LL BE POSTED ON THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES WEB SITE.. BEGINNING TODAY. THE FACILITIES ON THAT LIST FAILED TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS.. AFTER BEING FLAGGED BY INSPECTORS.

5AM - 12/27

THE FOOD PYRAMID FOR OLDER ADULTS IS GETTING A MAKEOVER. RESEARCHERS AT TUFTS UNIVERSITY BOSTON SAY THE PYRAMID IS MORE USER FRIENDLY AND EMPHASIZES THE DIETARY NEEDS OF PEOPLE OVER THE AGE OF 70. THE PYRAMID STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF FIBER, CALCIUM, AND VITAMINS AS WELL AS GETTING ENOUGH FLUIDS AND EXERCISE.

6AM - 10/3

THE TYPE OF PERSONALITY YOU HAVE MAY DETERMINE HOW LIKELY YOU ARE TO DEVELOP ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. A STUDY OF ELDERLY PEOPLE INDICATES THAT THOSE WHO SEE THEMSELVES AS SELF-DISCIPLINED, ORGANIZED ACHIEVERS HAVE A LOWER RISK THAN THOSE WHO ARE LESS CONSCIENTIOUS. THE STUDY IS PUBLISHED IN THE "ARCHIVES OF GENERAL PSYCHIATRY."

6AM - 10/5

A NATIONWIDE HEALTH STUDY OF 100,000 CHILDREN IS SET TO BEGIN IN 2009. JOHNS HOPKINS'S SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH WILL BE ONE OF 22 CENTERS TAKING PART. RESEARCHERS WILL STUDY CHILDREN FROM BIRTH THROUGH AGE 21. SCIENTISTS WANT TO LEARN HOW ENVIRONMENT AND GENETICS AFFECT A VARIETY DISEASES AND CONDITIONS.

12PM - 11/12

A PROGRAM CALLED HONOR FLIGHTS IS HELPING AGING WORLD WAR TWO VETERANS WHO COULDN'T OTHERWISE AFFORD TO VISIT THE NEW MEMORIAL HERE ON THE NATIONAL MALL. FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY, VETERANS ARRIVE TO SEE THE MONUMENT AND PAY TRIBUTE TO THEIR FALLEN FRIENDS. THE PROGRAM HAS HELPED 5,000 VETS GET TO WASHINGTON SO FAR

5PM - 10/3

THE CONTROVERSY OVER MONDAY'S DEVASTATING BLAZE IN ADAMS MORGAN HAS SET OFF A BIG DEBATE ABOUT THE CITY'S AGING INFRASTRUCTURE. UNION OFFICIALS SAY THE D-C WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY KNEW IT HAD WATER PRESSURE PROBLEMS ACROSS THE CITY. D-C MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY IS CONTEMPLATING A POSSIBLE TAKEOVER. TONIGHT WASA OFFICIALS ARE RESPONDING, SAYING THE AGENCY IS A GOVERNMENT ENTITY AND IF THE DISTRICT WANTED TO DO THAT, IT COULD. WASA WILL HOLD A PUBLIC MEETING IN ADAMS MORGAN -- AND COUNCILMAN JIM GRAHAM PLANS TO HOLD A PUBLIC MEETING TOMORROW AT THE WILSON BUILDING.

6PM - 10/5

A BETHESDA NURSING HOME MAY LOSE ITS FEDERAL FUNDING BECAUSE OF ON-GOING DEFICIENCIES. A SEPTEMBER REPORT BY MARYLAND'S OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE QUALITY FOUND THAT BETHESDA HEALTH AND REHABILITATION IGNORED THE BREATHING PROBLEMS OF TWO RESIDENTS, BOTH DIED. THE REPORT ALSO ALLEGES THE FACILITY MISMANAGED MEDICATIONS. THE FACILITY HAS ONE MORE CHANCE TO COMPLY, OTHERWISE, IT COULD BE DENIED MEDICARE AND MEDICAID PAYMENTS.

11PM - 12/3

CREWS ARE DEMOLISHING WHAT'S LEFT OF THE OLD WOODROW WILSON BRIDGE TONIGHT. WORKERS BEGAN BRINGING DOWN THE AGING STRUCTURE LAST YEAR. TRANSPORTATION

OFFICIALS SAY NEARBY COMMUNITIES MAY HEAR SEVERAL LOUD BOOMS TONIGHT-- AS CREWS DETONATE THE REMAINING FOUNDATION. THE WORK MEANS COMPLETE CLOSURE OF I-95 AT THE BRIDGE FOR ABOUT 30 MINUTES... SOMETIME IN THE OVERNIGHT HOURS.

Crime & Violence

Beauty Queen Raped by Her Husband : October 2007

Judges and juries are sending husbands to prison...for raping their own Wives. A beauty queen and a sheriff's deputy share their stories.

Polygamy in America : November 2007

What if your husband came to you and said, "I want another wife?" Even Though polygamy is illegal in America, experts say there are 30,000 to 50,000 People living in plural families across the county.

Substance Abuse

None

Housing & Homelessness

None

Health & Health Care

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Education

None

Family Issues

None

Elderly & Aging

None

