

## **FCC REPORT**

### **OCT. -DEC., 2010**

#### **CRIME & VIOLENCE**

4:30AM - 10/22

THE SEARCH FOR CLUES INTO SUNDAY'S SHOOTING AT THE MARINE CORPS MUSEUM COULD DISRUPT YOUR MORNING COMMUTE. AROUND EIGHT A-M.. PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY POLICE WILL BE SEARCHING FOR EVIDENCE ALONG NORTH AND SOUTHBOUND I-95 IN TRIANGLE. CREWS WILL LOOK FOR CLUES ALONG THE SHOULDERS AND MEDIANS -- AND ALSO IN THE MAIN TRAVEL LANES. NO ONE WAS INJURED WHEN BULLETS HIT THE MUSEUM EARLY SUNDAY. POLICE SAY THEY KNOW WHAT KIND OF WEAPON WAS USED.. BUT THEY HAVEN'T IDENTIFIED ANY SUSPECTS.

5AM - 11/1

POLICE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR A SERIAL RAPIST.. WHO'S BELIEVED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NUMEROUS ATTACKS ALONG THE EAST COAST. THREE TEENAGE GIRLS WERE ATTACKED IN DALE CITY, VIRGINIA ON HALLOWEEN OF LAST YEAR. TWO OF THEM WERE RAPED. D-N-A EVIDENCE LINKED THE CRIME TO AT LEAST 12 OTHER ATTACKS IN VIRGINIA, MARYLAND, RHODE ISLAND, AND CONNECTICUT.

6AM - 11/2

POLICE IN LAUREL, MARYLAND ARE INTERVIEWING POTENTIAL WITNESSES TO A HATE CRIME. ON SUNDAY, A BROWN DOLL WAS FOUND HANGING BY A NOOSE.. OUTSIDE CITY OF ZION CHURCH. THAT CHURCH HAS A PRIMARILY AFRICAN AMERICAN CONGREGATION. A SWASTIKA, THE N-WORD, AND OTHER EPITHETS WERE SCRAWLED ACROSS THE DOLL'S BODY.. ALONG WITH PRESIDENT OBAMA'S NAME.

12PM - 11/4

A PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD REVOKED THE LIQUOR LICENSE OF A COLLEGE PARK BAR. FOUR PEOPLE WERE STABBED OUTSIDE THE "THIRSTY TURTLE" LAST MONTH. POLICE SAY THREE OF THE STABBING VICTIMS WERE UNDERAGE STUDENTS... WHO HAD BEEN SERVED AT THE BAR. THE BAR'S ABILITY TO SERVE ALCOHOL MAY BE SUSPENDED AS EARLY AS NOVEMBER 23RD.

5PM - 10/6

THREE MORE CASES ARE NOW CONNECTED TO A BURGLARY SPREE IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY. 14 INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURED ALONG RIDING CLUB DRIVE AND GABLES GREEN WAY IN HAYMARKET SINCE MONDAY. DESPITE GATES, CAMERAS AND SECURITY SYSTEMS -- SOMEONE IS BREAKING IN TO HOMES AND CARS.. AND DETECTIVES CONFIRM -- THEY ARE LOOKING INTO THE POSSIBILITY THAT THESE BURGLARIES ARE LINKED TO A SIMILAR SERIES OF MORE THAN 80 CRIMES IN FAIRFAX COUNTY....WE'LL HAVE MORE ON THIS STORY COMING UP AT 5:30.

5PM - 10/7

A MAN IS FACING CHARGES IN A STRING OF VANDALISMS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY. POLICE ARRESTED 52-YEAR-OLD STEVEN ARMSTRONG WEDNESDAY EVENING... WEEKS AFTER OFFICERS SAY SOMEONE SPOTTED HIM SLASHING HIS NEIGHBOR'S TIRES. INVESTIGATORS BELIEVE HE MAY BE BEHIND AT LEAST 21 CASES OF TIRE-SLASHINGS IN WHEATON, DATING BACK TO MARCH 2006. NEARLY ALL OF THE VICTIMS ARE HISPANIC. ONE VICTIM WAS VANDALIZED 20 TIMES. ARMSTRONG FACES CHARGES INCLUDING PROPERTY DESTRUCTION AND HARRASSMENT.

5PM - 10/11

TAKOMA PARK POLICE HOPE D-N-A EVIDENCE WILL LEAD THEM TO AN ASSAULT SUSPECT. A MONTGOMERY COLLEGE STUDENT SAYS SHE WAS SITTING IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY WHEN A STRANGER EXPOSED AND TOUCHED HIMSELF NEXT TO HER. INVESTIGATORS SAY THE MAN LEFT

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ON THE VICTIM'S ARM. HE TOOK OFF IN A MAROON, FOUR-DOOR SEDAN WITH MARYLAND TAGS. IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION THAT CAN HELP CATCH THE GUY RESPONSIBLE, CALL TAKOMA PARK POLICE.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

5AM - 10/4

D-C'S WEALTHIEST RESIDENTS COULD SEE THEIR TAXES GO UP. THE EXAMINER REPORTS COUNCIL MEMBERS JIM GRAHAM AND MICHAEL BROWN HAVE INTRODUCED BILLS TO RAISE TAX RATES FOR PEOPLE IN THE HIGHEST INCOME BRACKETS. PREVIOUS ATTEMPTS TO RAISE TAXES HAVE FAILED. AND BOTH BILLS COULD FACE PROBLEMS IN THE COUNCIL'S FINANCE AND REVENUE COMMITTEE.

5AM - 11/30

THE D.C. COUNCIL IS CONSIDERING TWO BILLS AIMED AT COMBATING BULLYING. A COUNCIL COMMITTEE HEARD TESTIMONY YESTERDAY ON TWO BILLS.. THAT WOULD APPLY TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, LIBRARIES, AND PARKS. THE BILLS BAN ANY BULLYING OR HARASSMENT BASED ON RACE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, OR RELIGION. BUT THEY DON'T SPELL OUT SPECIFIC PENALTIES.

5AM - 12/10

THE VIRGINIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL TAKE UP A BILL REQUIRING POLICE OFFICERS TO STOP AT RED LIGHTS AND STOP SIGNS... UNLESS THEY'RE USING THEIR LIGHTS AND SIRENS. IT'S BEING PUSHED BY A FAIRFAX COUNTY WOMAN WHOSE DAUGHTER DIED AFTER SHE WAS HIT BY A POLICE CRUISER THAT DROVE THROUGH A RED LIGHT WITHOUT ITS SIRENS ON.

6AM - 10/5

VIRGINIA GOVERNOR BOB McDONNELL'S PLAN TO PRIVATIZE STATE LIQUOR STORES IS HEADING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. YESTERDAY A GOVERNMENT REFORM COMMISSION ENDORSED McDONNELL'S PLAN TO SELL OFF STATE-OWNED LIQUOR STORES. \*THAT\* WOULD RAISE ABOUT \$500-MILLION TO UPGRADE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE.

12PM - 11/3

D-C COUNCIL CHAIRMAN VINCENT GRAY IS NOW THE OFFICIAL \*MAYOR-ELECT\*. AND THIS AFTERNOON HE'S INTRODUCING HIS TRANSITION TEAM. GRAY FACED NO REPUBLICAN OPPONENT -- AND HE EASILY BEAT OUT WRITE-IN CANDIDATES INCLUDING MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY. VOTERS CHOSE KWAME BROWN TO REPLACE GRAY AS THE HEAD OF THE COUNCIL. AND IN AN INTERESTING REFERENDUM.. VOTERS WILL NOW "ELECT" THE CITY'S ATTORNEY GENERAL.. A POSITION THAT'S CURRENTLY APPOINTED.

11PM - 12/7

THE CORRUPTION SCANDAL IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY IS LIMITING THE ROLES OF NEWLY-ELECTED COUNCIL WOMAN LESLIE JOHNSON. TODAY THE COUNCIL VOTED TO RESTRICT JOHNSON'S LEADERSHIP POSSIBILITIES. SHE WILL NOT BE ASSIGNED TO ANY COMMITTEES. PROSECUTORS SAY JOHNSON FLUSHED A 100-THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK AND TRIED TO HIDE \$80,000 CASH IN HER BRA AS FEDERAL AGENTS WAITED OUTSIDE HER HOME.

## **SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

6AM - 10/6

ANOTHER STUDY LOOKS AT WHETHER THERE'S A LINK BETWEEN TRAUMATIC EVENTS AND ALCOHOL ABUSE. RESEARCHERS STUDIED PEOPLE WHO EXPERIENCED A MAJOR U.S. DISASTER FIRST-HAND. FEWER THAN ONE-PERCENT WHO HADN'T BEEN ALCOHOLICS BECAME ALCOHOL ABUSERS.. BECAUSE OF THE EXPERIENCE.

6AM - 12/1

D.C. POLICE ARE STEPPING UP THEIR EFFORTS TO CRACK DOWN ON "DRUGGED" DRIVERS. LAST YEAR.. 33-PERCENT OF FATALLY INJURED DRIVERS TESTED POSITIVE FOR DRUGS. FROM 2005 TO 20-10.. THE INVOLVEMENT OF DRUGS IN FATAL CRASHES INCREASED BY FIVE-PERCENT. MARIJUANA WAS THE MOST COMMONLY ABUSED DRUG.

5PM - 10/21

D-C POLICE HAVE CHARGED NINE PEOPLE IN CONNECTION TO A MASSIVE DRUG OPERATION.. THE SUSPECTS, INCLUDING AT LEAST ONE TEENAGER -- WERE ALLEGEDLY DISTRIBUTING FIREARMS, CRACK COCAINE, MARIJUANA AND ANOTHER VERY DANGEROUS DRUG.. COMING UP AT SIX -- THE UNUSUAL LOCATION WHERE THIS RING WAS BELIEVED TO BE BASED... AND HOW MANY ARE STILL ON THE LOOSE..

5PM - 11/1

A NEW REPORT SAYS THAT -- IN MANY WAYS -- ALCOHOL CAN BE MORE DANGEROUS THAN HEROIN OR CRACK COCAINE. BRITISH EXPERTS RECENTLY COMPARED SEVERAL ILLEGAL DRUGS TO ALCOHOL.. THEY ANALYZED NOT ONLY HOW ADDICTIVE THE SUBSTANCES ARE, BUT HOW THEY HARM THE BODY, ECONOMIC COSTS, AND THEIR ROLES IN BREAKING UP FAMILIES. BASED SIMPLY ON THE SHEAR VOLUME OF DRINKERS -- ALCOHOL FAR SURPASSED DRUGS IN TERMS OF OVERALL BURDENS. EXPERTS HOPE THE STUDY WILL PROMPT GOVERNMENTS TO FUND MORE PROGRAMS AIMED AT CURBING ALCOHOL ABUSE.

## **HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS**

5AM - 10/14

THE DISTRICT HAS DEVELOPED PLANS FOR THE WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER ONCE IT CLOSES NEXT YEAR. THE WASHINGTON POST REPORTS OFFICIALS WANT TO TURN THE 62-ACRE FACILITY IN NORTHWEST INTO A NEIGHBORHOOD OF NEW HOMES, SHOPPING, GREEN SPACE, FACILITIES FOR THE HOMELESS AND SCHOOLS.

5PM - 11/11

MILITARY LEADERS ARE ASKING US ALL TO REMEMBER A GROUP.. THAT IS OFTEN FORGOTTEN. TODAY AT THE CENTRAL UNION MISSION IN NORTHWEST... RETIRED COLONELS AND GENERALS HAD LUNCH WITH HOMELESS VETERANS. EVERY NIGHT.. MORE THAN 150-THOUSAND VETERANS SLEEP ON THE STREETS OR IN HOMELESS SHELTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THE CENTRAL UNION MISSION TYPICALLY HOUSES 25 TO 30 VETERANS EACH NIGHT.

6PM - 11/30

HUNDREDS OF WOULD-BE HOMEOWNERS IN OUR AREA--- ARE INSTEAD, VICTIMS OF A WIDESPREAD MORTGAGE SCAM. THE MAN ALLEGEDLY BEHIND IT, IS INDICTED TONIGHT. AUTHORITIES SAY HOWARD SCHMUCKLER CONNED AT LEAST ELEVEN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY FAMILIES OUT OF THEIR MONEY. HE ALLEGEDLY PROMISED THEY'D RECEIVE STIMULUS MONEY TO SAVE THEIR HOMES. VICTIMS SAY THEY PAID THOUSANDS FOR A MORTGAGE MODIFICATION SERVICE... INSTEAD THE MONEY DISAPPEARED.

## HEALTH & HEALTH CARE

5PM - 10/8

SEVEN-IS-ON-YOUR SIDE WITH ANOTHER POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCE OF OBESITY. A NEW STUDY SAYS \*ARTHRITIS\* IS ON THE RISE IN AMERICA. MORE THAN A FIFTH OF AMERICAN ADULTS SUFFER THE PAINFUL CONDITION. AND A THIRD OF OBESE PEOPLE HAVE THE DISEASE. RESEARCHERS SAY THE RISE IS LINKED WITH THE RISING RATE OF OBESITY, BECAUSE EXCESS WEIGHT PUTS STRESS ON JOINTS.

5PM - 10/11

SEVEN IS ON YOUR SIDE WITH NEW QUESTIONS ABOUT THE LINK BETWEEN JAUNDICE AND AUTISM. A NEW STUDY IN DENMARK FINDS CHILDREN WHO HAVE JAUNDICE AT BIRTH ARE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE AUTISM. BUT RESEARCHERS SAY THEY DON'T KNOW HOW THE TWO CONDITIONS MIGHT BE RELATED. AND THEY SAY PARENTS SHOULD NOT BE WORRIED BY A CASE OF JAUNDICE. THE YELLOWING CONDITION IS FAIRLY COMMON AND USUALLY HARMLESS. EXTREMELY RARE \*SEVERE\* CASES OF JAUNDICE CAN LEAD TO BRAIN DAMAGE.

5PM - 10/14

SEVEN IS ON YOUR SIDE WITH A WARNING ABOUT DRUGS FOR OSTEOPOROSIS. THE GOVERNMENT HEALTH AGENCY IS WARNING DOCTORS AND PATIENTS ABOUT A GROUP OF POPULAR BONE-STRENGTHENING DRUGS. THE F-D-A SAYS PEOPLE WHO TAKE MEDICATIONS SUCH AS FOSAMAX AND BONIVA, ARE MORE AT RISK OF RARE THIGH BONE FRACTURES. THE AGENCY IS MAKING DRUG COMPANIES POST A WARNING LABEL AND INCLUDE A MEDICATION GUIDE FOR PATIENTS.

5PM - 11/2

THERE'S DISAPPOINTING NEWS TONIGHT ABOUT A POSSIBLE TREATMENT FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION SAYS OMEGA THREE PILLS BELIEVED TO BOOST MEMORY... AREN'T SLOWING MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DECLINE IN MANY PATIENTS. AGING EXPERTS CALL THESE FINDINGS DISCOURAGING.. BUT THEY CAUTION THAT MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ARE BEING SPENT RESEARCHING OTHER DRUGS AND THERAPY PROGRAMS..

5PM - 12/8

ANOTHER TRY AT WEIGHT LOSS IN A PILL GETS ONE STEP CLOSER TO STORE SHELVES. A FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION PANEL HAS RECOMMENDED THE AGENCY APPROVE THE DRUG, "CONTRAVE". OPPONENTS ARGUE THERE MAY BE HEART RELATED RISKS. CONTRAVE IS THE FIRST IN A GROUP OF NEW WEIGHT LOSS DRUGS TO GET A NOD FROM EXPERTS. MERIDIA AND FEN-PHEN WERE PULLED FROM SHELVES AFTER THE F-D-A RECALLED THE DRUGS FOR SAFETY REASONS.

## **RACIAL, ETHNIC, RELIGIOUS & SEXUAL**

5PM -11/22

POPE BENEDICT THE 16TH SAID HE JUST WANTED TO "KICK START A DEBATE" WHEN HE SAID THAT SOME CONDOM USE MIGHT BE JUSTIFIED. THE POPE'S COMMENTS KICKED OFF A FIRESTORM. BENEDICT SAID FOR SOME PEOPLE LIKE MALE PROSTITUTES, USING CONDOMS COULD BE ASSUMING MORAL RESPONSIBILITY BECAUSE THE INTENT IS TO REDUCE INFECTION. a SPOKESMAN LATER SAID THE STATEMENT DOES NOT MEAN THE CHURCH MIGHT LIFT ITS BAN ON ARTIFICIAL BIRTH CONTROL.

6PM - 10/19

NEW AT SIX -- MILITARY RECRUITERS ARE BEING TOLD TO ACCEPT RECRUITS WHO ARE GAY. IT COMES A WEEK AFTER A FEDERAL JUDGE THREW OUT THE MILITARY'S BAN ON GAYS SERVING OPENLY IN THE ARMED FORCES. BUT THE PENTAGON SAYS RECRUITERS HAVE ALSO BEEN TOLD TO WARN RECRUITS THAT THE MORATORIUM COULD REVERSE AT ANY POINT. THE JUDGE IS SET TO RULE TODAY ON A JUSTICE DEPARTMENT REQUEST TO DELAY THE ORDER AGAINST DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL.

## **EDUCATION**

5AM - 10/6

EHRlich IS COMING UNDER FIRE.. OVER EDUCATION FUNDING. MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXECUTIVE IKE LEGGETT AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY EXECUTIVE NOMINEE RUSHERN BAKER PLAN TO HOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE TODAY. THEY SAY THEY'RE CONCERNED ABOUT A PLEDGE EHRlich MADE TO CUT FUNDING. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORTS.. EHRlich SAID HE WOULD NOT FUND MARYLAND'S "GEOGRAPHIC COST OF EDUCATION INDEX." THAT PROGRAM COMPENSATES JURISDICTIONS WHERE EDUCATION IS MORE EXPENSIVE.

12PM -12/27

GOVERNOR MARTIN O'MALLEY IS CONSIDERING TOUGH, COST-SAVING MEASURES.. TO CLOSE MARYLAND'S BUDGET GAP. HE'S LOOKING AT ACROSS-THE BOARD CUTS IN EDUCATION FUNDING.. AND A REDUCTION IN PAYMENTS TO MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS THAT SERVE THE POOR. GOVERNOR O'MALLEY IS ALSO CONSIDERING SHIFTING HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN TEACHER PENSION COSTS -- TO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS.

5PM - 10/5

THOSE EXTRA STUDENTS.. COULD SOON SPEND MORE TIME IN THE CLASSROOM. TODAY WARD THREE COUNCILWOMAN MARY CHEH INTRODUCED LEGISLATION THAT WOULD EXTEND THE SCHOOL DAY BY 30 MINUTES -- TO SEVEN HOURS A DAY. IF APPROVED, CHANCELLOR RHEE AND INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PRINCIPALS WOULD DETERMINE HOW TO USE THE ADDED INSTRUCTIONAL TIME. PRESIDENT OBAMA IS AMONG THE SUPPORTERS OF A LONGER DAY FOR ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

5PM - 12/29

APPARENTLY SOME TEXTBOOKS IN VIRGINIA ...ARE RE-WRITING HISTORY. HISTORIANS SAY THEY'VE FOUND \*PAGES\* OF ERRORS IN SOCIAL-STUDIES TEXTBOOKS USED IN SOME VIRGINIA CLASSROOMS. THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ORDERED A REVIEW OF "OUR VIRGINIA: PAST AND PRESENT" BY FIVE PONDS PRESS AFTER THE DISCOVERY OF AN ERRONEOUS CLAIM THAT THOUSANDS OF BLACK SOLDIERS FOUGHT FOR THE CONFEDERACY. IT ALSO INCLUDED THE WRONG NUMBER OF STATES IN THE CONFEDERACY AND THE WRONG YEAR FOR THE START OF WORLD WAR ONE.

## **EMPLOYMENT & ECONOMY**

5PM - 10/14

THE TALLEST OFFICE TOWER IN THE METRO AREA IS BEING BUILT IN ROSSLYN.. CONGRESSMAN JIM MORAN JOINED OTHER LEADERS FOR A GROUNDBREAKING TODAY. BY 20-13.. 18-12 NORTH MOORE STREET WILL STAND 390-FEET TALL... THE HIGHEST HEIGHT THE F-A-A WILL ALLOW. THE TOWER WILL CREATE THREE-HUNDRED JOBS. AND IT'S EXPECTED TO BECOME VIRGINIA'S FIRST "LEED PLATINUM" CERTIFIED ENVIRONMENTALLY-FRIENDLY BUILDING.

5PM - 11/11

SOME LOCAL NURSES ARE GETTING READY TO WALK OFF THE JOB. NURSES AT WASHINGTON HOSPITAL CENTER ARE PROTESTING STAFFING SHORTAGES THEY CLAIM ARE PUTTING PATIENTS AND EMPLOYEES AT RISK. THE STRIKE WILL LAST FROM SEVEN A-M NEXT WEDNESDAY -- TO SEVEN A-M THURSDAY, THANKSGIVING MORNING. THERE ARE 16-HUNDRED REGISTERED NURSES AT THE HOSPITAL... BUT THE UNION WON'T SAY HOW MANY ARE EXPECTED TO STRIKE.

5PM - 12/10

DOZENS OF NEW JOBS ARE COMING TO SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY. GOVERNOR BOB MCDONNELL ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT "A-T SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED" PLANS TO CREATE ONE HUNDRED NEW JOBS IN THE COUNTY - OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS. A-T SOLUTIONS IS OPENING A NEW OPERATIONS AND TRAINING CENTER IN FREDERICKSBURG. THE COUNTER-TERRORISM FIRM IS HEADQUARTERED IN TYSONS CORNER. IT FIRST MOVED INTO SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY IN 2008.

## **FAMILY ISSUES**

6AM - 10/8

MOTHERS WHO GET VACCINATED AGAINST THE FLU \*CAN\* PASS ALONG PROTECTION TO THEIR CHILDREN. RESEARCHERS TRACKED MORE THAN ONE-THOUSAND INFANTS FOR UP TO SIX MONTHS AFTER BIRTH -- AND CONCLUDED THAT BABIES OF VACCINATED MOTHERS HAD A FORTY-ONE PERCENT LOWER RISK OF INFECTION.

6AM - 10/21

FROM SEVEN ON YOUR SIDE... THE NUMBER OF TEENS BECOMING MOTHERS IS DROPPING. ACCORDING TO A RECENT SURVEY... THE RATE OF TEEN PREGNANCY FELL TWO AND A HALF PERCENT IN 2008. THAT MEANS... JUST OVER 41 BIRTHS... IN EVERY ONE-THOUSAND TEENS. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL... TEEN PARENTS ARE LESS LIKELY TO PURSUE HIGHER EDUCATION. THE REPORT ALSO FINDS THAT THE CHILDREN OF TEENS ARE LESS LIKELY TO BE HEALTHY.

12PM - 11/17

ALSO FROM SEVEN IS ON YOUR SIDE -- ENCOURAGING NEWS ABOUT PREMATURE BIRTHS. THE MARCH OF DIMES SAYS 12-POINT-THREE PERCENT OF BIRTHS IN 2008 WERE PREMATURE... COMPARED TO 12-POINT-EIGHT PERCENT IN 2006. BUT IT'S FAR BELOW THE GOVERNMENT'S GOAL OF SEVEN-POINT-SIX PERCENT. VIRGINIA'S PREMATURE BIRTH RATE STANDS AT 11-POINT-3 PERCENT. MARYLAND IS AT 13-PERCENT -- AND D-C'S RATE IS 15-POINT-5 PERCENT.

5PM - 12/27

ONE MARYLAND HOSPITAL HAS BANNED MOTHERS FROM TAKING PICTURES OF THEIR CHILD'S BIRTH. MERITUS MEDICAL CENTER IN HAGERSTOWN PROHIBITS HOME VIDEO OR FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY UNTIL FIVE MINUTES AFTER BIRTH. HOSPITAL OFFICIALS SAY IT REDUCES THE NUMBER OF DISTRACTIONS TO MEDICAL STAFF. THE NEW POLICY WENT INTO EFFECT NOVEMBER FIRST. SOME EXPECTANT PARENTS ARE OBJECTING THE POLICY ARGUING THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO TAKE THE PHOTOS.

11PM -11/ 23

WE'D LIKE TO THANK OUR VIEWERS FOR THEIR OVERWHELMING RESPONSE TO OUR POPULAR ADOPT-A-PET EVENT THAT AIRED EARLIER DURING ABC 7 NEWS AT 5. MOMENTS AFTER THE SEGMENTS AIRED... CALLS CAME POURING IN TO THE WASHINGTON ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE, WHERE WE FEATURED DOGS AND CATS UP FOR ADOPTION. SHELTER EMPLOYEES SAY THE EVENT GENERATED TREMENDOUS INTEREST IN PET ADOPTIONS.

## **ELDERLY & AGING**

5AM - 11/29

A NEW SOLAR ENERGY PROGRAM IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY IS EXPECTED TO GENERATE 80-THOUSAND DOLLARS A YEAR. THE PROGRAM WAS UNVEILED ON FRIDAY. OFFICIALS SAY THE MONEY SAVED WILL HELP THE ELDERLY PAY ELECTRIC BILLS. AND IT WILL HELP KIDS PAY COLLEGE TUITION WITH SCHOLARSHIPS. MOST OF THE INSTALLATIONS ARE ROOFTOP SOLAR PANELS.

6AM - 11/09

SEVEN IS ON YOUR SIDE... WITH NEWS ABOUT EFFORTS TO KEEP ELDERLY DRIVERS SAFE ON THE ROADS. THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD SAYS MORE THAN ONE IN FIVE LICENSED DRIVERS WILL SOON BE 65 OR OLDER. MANY ARE LIKELY TO HAVE MEDICAL CONDITIONS THAT AFFECT THEIR DRIVING. EXPERTS SAY SMALLER CARS AND BETTER ROADS MAY HELP THEM STAY BEHIND THE WHEEL LONGER.

5PM - 11/2

THERE'S DISAPPOINTING NEWS TONIGHT ABOUT A POSSIBLE TREATMENT FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION SAYS OMEGA THREE PILLS BELIEVED TO BOOST MEMORY... AREN'T SLOWING MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DECLINE IN MANY PATIENTS. AGING EXPERTS CALL THESE FINDINGS DISCOURAGING.. BUT THEY CAUTION THAT MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ARE BEING SPENT RESEARCHING OTHER DRUGS AND THERAPY PROGRAMS..

5PM - 11/10

LEADERS OF PRESIDENT OBAMA'S DEFICIT COMMISSION ARE PROPOSING MORE, MAJOR CUTS TO ELIMINATE FOUR TRILLION DOLLARS OF DEBT. ONE PROPOSAL WOULD REDUCE ANNUAL COST OF LIVING INCREASES FOR SOCIAL SECURITY. ADVOCATES FOR SENIORS ARE ALREADY UPSET ABOUT THE RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THERE WILL BE NO COST OF LIVING INCREASE AGAIN FOR 20-11. PANEL LEADERS ALSO PROPOSE MEANS TESTING SOCIAL SECURITY AND ELIMINATING THE MORTGAGE TAX DEDUCTION. SOME IN THE 14-MEMBER COMMISSION CALL THOSE PROPOSALS EXTREME. MEMBERS WILL RESUME DEBATE ON THE TOPIC NEXT WEEK.

11PM - 10/19

ALSO NEW AT ELEVEN-- MARYLAND'S BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS IS CONSIDERING AN OVERHAUL OF ITS AGING "MEDEVAC" FLEET. A 72-MILLION DOLLAR CONTRACT WOULD PAY FOR UP TO SIX NEW CHOPPERS. MARYLAND CURRENTLY USES 11 UNITS.. PURCHASED BETWEEN 1989 AND 1999. ONE CHOPPER CRASHED IN 2008, KILLING FOUR PEOPLE AND PROMPTING EXTRA SCRUTINY OF THE SYSTEM. TOMORROW, THE BOARD WILL MEET WITH THE "AGUSTA AEROSPACE CORPORATION" TO DISCUSS A POSSIBLE DEAL

## **4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER FCC REPORT: OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2010**

### **Crime & Violence:**

1. 10/11/10 **All New!** Fifteen Years After The O.J. Verdict: Former LAPD Detective Mark Furhman's Stunning Revelations (PG)
2. 10/18/10 **All New!** Exclusive: The 16-Year-Old Boy Who Killed His Molester (TV-14)
3. 10/20/10 **All New!** First Television Interview: Tyler Perry Speaks Out About Being Molested & The Aftermath (TV-14)
4. 10/22/10 **All New!** When Your Own Mother Is A Notorious Killer (PG)\*
5. 11/05/10 **All New!** A Two-Day "Oprah" Show Event: 200 Adult Men Who Were Molested Come Forward (TV-14)
6. 11/12/10 **All New!** A Two-Day "Oprah" Show Event: 200 Adult Men Who Were Molested Come Forward, Part 2 (TV-14)
7. 12/03/10 Best of Oprah: When Your Own Mother is A Notorious Killer (OAD 10/22/10) (PG)
8. 12/09/10 All New! In his first Interview: Grieving Husband & Father Dr. Willian Petit on the Horrific Tragedy in Connecticut (TV-14)\*
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### **Local Government:**

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### **Substance Abuse:**

### **Housing & Homelessness:**

1. 10/15/10 **All New!** American War Heroes: Why Are These Women Now Homeless? (PG)
2. 12/24/10 **Best of Oprah:** American War Heroes: Why are these Women Now Homeless? (OAD 10/15/10)

### **Health & Health Care:**

1. 11/01/10 **All New!** The 82-Pound Actress: Ellen's Wife Portia de Rossi & The Secret That Nearly Killed Her (PG)

### **Racial, Ethnic, Religious & Sexual:**

1. 11/02/10 **All New!** First Television Interview: Ricky Martin Coming Out As A Gay Man & A New Dad (PG)
2. 11/17/10 **All New!** Do You Believe In Miracles? (TV-14)

### **Employment & Economy:**

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### **Family Issues:**

1. 10/07/10 **All New!** Why She Sued Her Husband For \$12 Million & Won (PG)
2. 10/08/10 **All New!** The 30 Year-Old Virgin (TV-14)
3. 10/14/10 **All New!** The "Sister Wives" Controversy: Fascinating Families (PG)
4. 10/26/10 **All New!** America's Worst Cooks Get Rescued By Jessica Seinfeld (PG)
5. 11/30/10: **Best of Oprah:** The "Sister Wives" Controversy: Inside America"s Polygamist TV Family (OAD 10/14/10)
6. 12/07/10 Best of Oprah: America's Worst **Cooks Get Rescued By Jessica Seinfeld (OAD 10/26/10) (PG)**
7. **12/16/10 Best of Oprah:** Why she Sued her husband and for \$12 million & Won (OAD 10/07/10) (TV-14)

**Elderly & Aging:**

1. 10/27/10 **All New!** Legendary Icon Jane Fonda: Her Life, New Love & Working Out (PG)
2. 12/2/10 **Best of Oprah:** Aging Beauty Cybill Shepherd, "Dynasty's" Lind Evans & "Desperate Housewives" Teri Hatcher (OAD 09/30/10)
3. 12/23/10 **Best of Oprah:** Legendary Icon Jane Fonda: Her Life, New Love & Working Out (OAD 10/27/10) (PG)