QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM REPORT

January 1, 1999 – March 31, 1999

WRC-TV attempts to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by presenting broadcast material which treats significant issues of the people in the communities served by WRC-TV station. WRC recognizes that it has an ongoing obligation to remain aware of such community issues and to exercise its best judgment as to what broadcast matter should be programmed to treat those needs and interests.

The following is a brief description of such community issues and some of the programs we believe have provided the most significant treatment of such issues during the period January 1, 1999 – March 31, 1999, including the title of such program, its time, type, source, date and duration of broadcast.

NEWS FOUR AT FOUR, NINE, FOUR, FIVE, SIX AND ELEVEN PM. TYPE: News Series SOURCE: Local TIME: 9:00-10:00AM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-7:00PM, 11:00-11:30PM, Monday – Friday; 6:00-6:30PM, Saturday and Sunday. DURATION: See Times. WRC-TV reporters probe special issues of concern to area residents. Individual stories three to five minutes long highlight community issues and people. WRC-TV initiated, in December 1992, active closed captioning of its news broadcasts. Currently, all regularly scheduled news programs thirty minutes or longer are closed captioned. Also, special news events sometimes are closed captioned, depending on the availability of the transcription service. The word for word transcription service includes chitchat between stories at two hundred plus words per minute, with less than a three-second delay. This effort addresses the needs of more than 300,000 deaf and hard of hearing people in the Washington area.

NEWS 4 TODAY. TYPE: News SOURCE: Local TIMES: Weekdays, 5:30-7:00AM, Saturdays, 6:00-7:00AM, 9:00-10:00AM, Sundays, 6:00AM-8:00AM, and 9:00AM-10:30AM. (News 4 on Sunday was expanded to 10:30AM as of Sunday, August 6, 1995.) DURATION: See Times. WRC-TV brings viewers news, sports, weather, human-interest features, community events, and other reports of interest to local residents.

THE MCLAUGHLIN GROUP. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV studios) TIME: Saturdays, 7:30-8:00PM, Repeated Sundays, 11:30AM. DURATION: thirty Minutes. This public affairs panel, anchored by John McLaughlin, features discussion and analysis of current national and world events by five candid and respected Washington commentators.

ONE ON ONE. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV) TIME: Sundays, 12:00 DURATION: Thirty Minutes. Host John McLaughlin interviews a prominent political or world leader each week on selected newsworthy issues.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 6:15-6:30AM. DURATION: Fifteen Minutes. This reporter roundtable, which premiered on October 4, 1992, features discussion of public affairs issues by leading area journalists. The program is part of News 4 Today and usually is hosted by WRC-TV reporter Tom Sherwood. He is joined by journalist Milagros Ardin, WMAL-AM; Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM; and Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM.

VIEWPOINT. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 7:00-7:30AM. DURATION: Thirty Minutes. WRC-TV's Joe Krebs hosts this weekly exploration of issues and people impacting

the community. The program is part of the two hour News 4 Today news block on Sundays from 6:00-8:00AM. It premiered on November 15, 1992.

I. CHILDREN/EDUCATION/WEDNESDAY'S CHILD

Many children in the Washington effort suffer from being denied the opportunity to grow up in a stable home with parents who can care for them emotionally and financially. WRC-TV helps these children directly through its Wednesday's Child project, described below. The station also broadcasts other news stories on the issue of adoption, some of which are described below.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE PM. – WEDNESDAY'S CHILD. WRC-TV's Barbara Harrison, on selected Wednesdays, features a child or children who need a home, or celebrates a happy ending to an adoption story. In September, Barbara Harrison, with the Council of Governments, launched a program through which viewers may dial a phone number and find out more about adopting a child through any jurisdiction in our viewing area. Some of the stories are repeated on News 4 Sundays at nine AM. Some of the dates in which Wednesday's Child ran were:

JANUARY (1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27)

FEBRUARY (2/3, 2/10, 2/17 and 2/24)

MARCH (3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, and 3/31)

NEWS 4 January 4 - New DC School Board in place, 5 new members sworn in.
Standardized test scores in Arlington Schools has dropped presenting a new challenge.

NEWS 4 January 6 - Parents of public school students in Virginia will get a new kind of report card, one that tells how their child's school is doing compared to other schools in the state.
NBC4 donates $30,000 to Brookland Elementary School in the District, to help school buy new computers and get wired to the Internet

NEWS 4 January 21- Clinton calls for big increases in education spending, 200 million dollars more to hire new teachers

NEWS 4 January 26 - Montgomery Blair High School in Silver Spring, Maryland has produced 6 finalists in the Intel Science Talent Search, one of the most prestigious scholarship competitions in the country.

REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK - Jan. 21; Congressman Tom Davis plans to introduce a tuition bill that would allow DC graduates to pay in-state taxes rates at U.S. public colleges.

REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK- Jan 28; PG public schools are in a crisis; legislation being drafted in the MD state assembly to strip the elected school board of all authority.

NEWS 4 February 1- news coverage of UDC demonstration "Operation Take Back" at the US Capitol in protest of the bill which allows students in DC to attend colleges outside DC at in-state tuition cost.

NEWS 4 February 2- Coverage of honored Bailey's Elementary School teacher Regla Armongol as Teacher of the Year

NEWS 4 February 3 - news coverage of launch of first fully interactive Internet web site specifically designed for urban students, teachers and parents in recognition of Black History Month; news coverage of Thompson sextuplets being awarded free dental care until the age of 16 by the Howard School of Dentistry

NEWS 4 February 5 - news coverage of reading of Martin Luther King's speech "I Have a Dream" at Lincoln Memorial.

NEWS 4 February 12 - news coverage of Manassas Park High School completion.

NEWS 4 February 9- news coverage of PG County School Board hearing

NEWS 4 February 8 - news coverage of H.D. Woodson Senior High School students, parents and Ward 7 education activists holding protest rally against DC Public Schools Superintendent Arlens Ackerman over school's deplorable condition.

REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK- Feb 10; need based funding may leave many DC schools with a lot less
NEWS 4 February 16 Melvin J. Bergman school renovation in Aspen Hill news coverage.

REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK- Feb 18; Mayor Williams wants to give city's public school teachers a 4.5% pay raise to discourage them from taking jobs in suburbs where salaries are higher.

REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK- Feb. 18; MD Court of Appeals ruled mistake was made in awarding custody of 2 year old boy to his mother, who had killed her infant daughter six years earlier.

NEWS 4 February 18- news coverage of new program of visitation services for children, which will allow kids to visit the non-custodial parent in a neutral atmosphere.

VIEWPOINT February 21, 1999 - Guests: Beverly Roberson Jackson Ed.D. President, DC Court Appointed Special Advocate Program; Sharon Drewer, Executive Director, Montgomery County Court Ppointed Special Advocate Program, and, Maggie Thorpe, Program Director, Fairfax County Court Appointed Special Advocate Program. Discussed the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), a trained citizen who is appointed by a judge to represent the best interest of a child in court. Children helped by CASA volunteers include those whose home placement is being determined in Juvenile Court. Most of the children are victims of abuse and neglect.

NEWS 4 February 23- news coverage of children's chess tournament

VIEWPOINT February 28, 1999 - Guest: Douglas Duncan, County Executive, Montgomery County. Discussed school construction funding (requested $57 million); class size reduction plan; child abuse workers, (requested 22 additional workers).

Missing New England Boy

NEWS 4 Feb 26 & 27 - News coverage of 9-year old New England boy who disappeared in a snowstorm as he ventured out to look for his dog. He was missing for 3 days. Boy's body was found Feb 27.

NEWS4 Feb 27 –Wendy Rieger reports on completion of Brookland Elementary School wiring project by WRC.

NEWS 4 March 1- New survey shows that children would rather learn about sex, drugs and violence at home than at school or from friends

REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK- Mar. 4; Supreme Court ruled public schools must provide wide array of medical care for disabled children; in DC Superintendent Ackerman says she will overhaul Special Education.

NEWS 4 March 8 - Students at Wilson High School in DC are getting a special opportunity to learn about business and finance. The Treasury Department will provide internships to students in the Academy of Finance at Wilson.

REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK- Mar. 11 - Fairfax School Board is backing plan that would give elementary students two more hours of instructions a week.

VIEWPOINT March 14, 1999 - Guest: Alive M. Rivlin, Chair, DC Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority. Discussed the request by DC School Superintendent Arlene Ackerman for a 15% increase in local funding next year. She wants to earmark for staff and supplies for individual schools, pay raises and incentives for teachers and assessment and transportation of special education students.

NEWS 4 March 29- NBC4 launches new campaign, "Mentor 2000" to encourage adults to reach out to a child. Representatives for mentoring groups were on hand to take calls from potential mentors.

II. LOCAL POLITICS

WRC-TV covers the activities of state and local governments, and other regional organizations in a number of its programs, some of which are described below.
VIEWPOINT January 3, 1999 Guests: 3 newly elected DC Council Members: Phil Mendelson, At-Large DC Council, Jim Graham, Ward 3, DC Council and Vincent Orange, Ward 5 DC Council. Discussed Economic Development, government re-organization and council's role with control Board and new Mayor.

NEWS 4 January 2 - One political era ended and another began as Anthony Williams was sworn in as Mayor to succeed Marion Barry.

NEWS 4 January 4 - report on Anthony Williams' first day on the job as Mayor

NEWS 4 January12 - Maryland general assembly will begin 3 month session – On the agenda is how to spend 220 million dollar surplus -- some are lobbying for more caseworkers for child abuse cases.

NEWS 4 January 13 - Virginia's General Assembly kicks off 1999 session today – on the agenda is what to do with state's budget surplus.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- January 14 - Maryland General Assembly opened its session this week with six new democratic delegates who ousted republicans from the house. Virginia Governor Gilmore announced his intention to ban trash barges and put tough controls on landfills- in addition to cutting taxes and building schools.

NEWS 4 January 20 - Maryland Governor Parris Glendening prepares State of the State Address. Lieutenant governor Kathleen Kennedy Townsend is sworn in for second term and Inaugural Ball will be held in Baltimore tonight.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- January 21 - DC Mayor Williams may be looking to John Hill as new city administrator.

NEWS 4 January 21- Mayor Anthony Williams travels to Capitol Hill for his first congressional hearing as DC Mayor.

VIEWPOINT January 24, 1999 Guest: Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) discussed District of Columbia 2000 Act which ensures city administration has control of agencies and accountability for city agencies. And would sunset control board a year in advance because of city's fiscal progress.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK January 28 – Coverage of controversy over the resignation of staff member after use of word some considered offensive, although word is not racially insensitive.

NEWS 4 February 3 - Mayor Williams says he's asked David Howard to come back to work as the director of the Mayor's Office of the Public Advocate.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- Feb 4; Congress took first major step towards restoring self-government in D.C. wen a house panel unanimously approved a bill that would give Mayor Williams the power to hire and fire agency heads and direct day to day city government relations.

VIEWPOINT February 7, 1999 - Guest: DC Mayor Anthony Williams discussed "niggardly" controversy. Taking on the responsibilities of City Administrator. Racial Diversity of his new administration.

NEWS 4 February 9 - Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton advises that HR 433, "the District of Columbia Management Restoration Act" will be considered on the House floor today.

NEWS 4 February 18 - The First Lady's decision to consider a senate run came up at the Schmoke's Weekly Press Briefing today.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- Feb 18; Mayor Williams says he will announce a city administrator and several other appointees by March 24th, then will select a financial officer and inspector general in late April.

NEWS 4 February 19 - MD Governor Glendening takes heat for funding cut to a crucial road improvement project (bypass).

NEWS4 February 23- Improving safety on our nation's highways was topic of hearing today- a house subcommittee heard from industry experts.

VIEWPOINT February 28, 1999 Guest: Douglas Duncan, County Executive, Montgomery County. Discussed county operating budget, cut in income tax, and search for new Police Chief.

NEWS 4 March 2 - Montgomery County Council has approved a tough new anti-smoking policy for the county passing legislation that would ban smoking in all county businesses.

NEWS 4 March 10 - Montgomery County has the largest minority population in the state. County Executive Doug Duncan announced efforts to create new multi-cultural center.

NEWS 4 March 11 - Montgomery County Executive Doug Duncan wants to allocate nearly 3 million dollars to new budget to protect abused children.

VIEWPOINT March 14, 1999 Guest: Alice M. Rivlin, Chair, DC Financial responsibility and Management Assistance Authority. Discussed Washington Post report that DC Financial Control Board had devised political strategy to convince Congress that the city deserves to have self-government back. Rivlin calls the memo a "working paper". Board rejected a plan to build Children's Island theme park on the Anacostia River. Board approved a revised revenue estimate for the current year that shows tax collections and other revenue running more than $100 million ahead of earlier estimates.

NEWS 4 March 15 - DC Mayor Anthony Williams budget for next year calls for more money for education and health care and a controversial proposal to move University of District of Columbia.

III. HEALTH

WRC-TV covers issues related to health care, maintaining and improving health, and health- related breakthroughs.

NEWS 4 January 4 – Report on new technique developed by AIDS researchers to suppress HIV in infected patients.

VIEWPOINT January 10, 1999 Guests: Sherry B. Adams, RN, Executive Director, Office of emergency Health and Medical Services; Courtney Williams, Community Planner, DC Office on Aging. Topic: Coping With Cold Weather. Discussion focused on everything you need to stay healthy throughout the winter. Focused on elderly, families as well as the homeless and hypothermia.

NEWS 4 January 11 - Blood banks here and around the country are dangerously short on all types of blood.

NEWS 4 January 12 - Reports on Salmonella outbreaks from Alfalfa sprouts; and Diabetes, who's at risk, what are the symptoms.

NEWS 4 January 13 - Previews 4 Your Health & Fitness Expo with a report on a woman who suffered from depression for 38 years.

NEWS 4 January 14 - Knowing your cholesterol level could save your life.

NEWS 4 January 19 - Study shows doctors don't pay attention to patients, 25% don't even ask reason for the visit.

VIEWPOINT January 24 - 1999 Guest: Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) discussed higher incidence of HIV/AIDS among female inmates vs. male inmates and apparent inadequacy of health care, parenting programs and treatment programs for drug and alcohol abuse for female inmates.

NEWS 4 January 26 - Study shows that women who take both hormone therapy and cholesterol medicine may get extra protection against heart disease.

NEWS 4 February 1 - National Donor Day news coverage.

NEWS 4 February 3 - Interview with Daniel Zingale, Executive Director of AIDS Action Council on huge HIV threat posed to gay men by the practice of "barebacking" (unprotected sex).

NEWS 4 February 11- News coverage of kick off assembly for the annual "Superdance" fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis.

NEWS 4 February 16 - news coverage of new study on heart attacks and possible causes; coverage of benefit of eating tomatoes.

NEWS 4 February 18 - news coverage of Fibrocystic Breast Disease; report on study claiming polio vaccines administered back in the 1950's and 60's may be linked to cancer.

NEWS 4 February 19- Flu outbreak news coverage.

NEWS 4 February 21- there is a new weapon in the battle of the bald. Report on a brand new hair transplant procedure.

NEWS 4 February 22 - Possible breakthrough in the treatment of cervical cancer; news report on study of running's effect on how smart we are.

NEWS 4 February 23 - New study indicates that some Medicare HMOs a better job than fee-for-service plans at detecting and treating breast cancer; news coverage of President's campaign to get parents to sign their kids up for federal health care coverage.

NEWS 4 February 26 - A grief counseling center is being built in College Park, on Erie Street, geared to help people deal with the loss of a loved one who died suddenly in an accident or the death of a child.

NEWS 4 March 5- new study says Viagra does not work as well on women as it does men.

NEWS 4 March 8 - Moderate exercise may be best medicine for people with so called "stable" congestive heart failure.

NEWS 4 March 17 - New study links heartburn from acid reflux cancer of the Esophagus.

NEWS 4 March 25 - FDA has approved a drug called Cenestin for treatment of menopausal symptoms, such as hot flashes and night sweats.

NEWS 4 March 26 - Researchers think such herbs as St. John's Wort, Echinacea and Ginkgo could cause infertility.

NEWS 4 March 29 - Researchers at John's Hopkins have devised a vaccine to prevent severe allergic reactions to peanuts.

IV. VIOLENCE/CRIME

WRC-TV regularly covers issues related to crime, crime prevention, and anti-violence activities.

NEWS 4 January 5 - Manassas man accused of stabbing his wife to death in front of her children is being held without bond.

POLICE SHOOTINGS INVESTIGATIONS

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- Jan. 7, 21, Mar 11 - Chief Ramsey asked Justice Department to review every fatal shooting by city officers in the past decade because his department lacks credibility to investigate self. . Shootings will now be investigated by trained "shooting teams" from the office of professional responsibility. Lawyers who sued the DC Police Department in shooting cases question objectivity of probe.

NEWS 4 January 11- Murder of Temple Hills woman may be solved. Update.

NEWS 4 January 12 - Baltimore man in custody after allegedly trying to run over a State Trooper.

NEWS 4 January 13 - Police are investigating 3 rapes that occurred in SE D.C. in November and December.

NEWS 4 January 14 - Federal and local officers execute a crack down on one of the most violent gangs in the District.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- January 14 - SE residents held protest over way police handled three recent rapes in the area.

NEWS 4 January 19 - FBI and DC Police investigate another break-in at the Capitol Hill offices of a prominent Democratic Pollster

NEWS 4 January 21 - In Winchester, Virginia, 3 members of a family found shot to death in murder/suicide.

NEWS 4 January 22 - One of the two midwives charged with involuntary manslaughter in the death of a 30 year old woman from Virginia turned herself into Stafford County authorities. Both women are accused of practicing medicine without a license.

VIEWPOINT January 24, 1999 Guest: Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC). Discussed her request that GAO investigate reports of sexual abuse and harassment of female US and State prisoners by male guards.

NEWS 4 January 25 - Fairfax City police are searching for a man who posed as a police officer and sexually assaulted women.

VIEWPOINT January 31, 1999 Guest: Police Chief Charles Ramsey. Discussed "Use of Force," and Ramsey's call for Justice Department to review fatal shootings by DC Police Officers and escape of inmates from halfway houses.

NEWS 4 February 1- Arrest of Paul Warner Powell, accused of the murder of a Manassas area teenage girl on Friday night.

NEWS 4 February 2- Jury found detective Mehalic guilty on 10 of 15 felony counts, and in addition to that, guilty of three out of six misdemeanor counts.

NEWS 4 February 3- A Brazilian Diplomat working at the Brazilian Army Commission was abducted, carjacked, robbed and assaulted on Saturday, Jan 30th.

LAUREL RAPES

NEWS 4 February 2, 4 – A man suspected of raping two girls and an adult female in Laurel since September has been arrested. Police say the rapes happened in the Laurel City area. The suspect is identified as 21 year old Sharn Rasheed Chapman.

NEWS 4 February 5 - Prince George's County police are investigating a double homicide in Kettering.

NEWS 4 February 9 - news coverage of maintenance man peeping tom

NEWS 4 February 8 - Story on bounty hunters posing as FBI.

NEWS 4 February 10 - news coverage of Parkway sexual assault of 16 yr.-old update.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- Feb. 10; Federal Appeals court has ruled that prosecutors may use a suspect's voluntary confession against him regardless of whether he was advised of his Miranda Rights.

NEWS 4 February 11 - news coverage of Mike Tyson's appeal

NEWS 4 February 11 - news coverage of vandalism perpetrated on Mount Olivet Cemetery in NE Washington

NEWS 4 February 13 - news coverage of the Suitland Post Office robbery by two armed men.

NEWS 4 February 15 - news coverage of two teens murdered at the corner of 15th and D Street, SE.

NEWS 4 February 16 - news coverage of Fairfax man who pleaded guilty to murdering his sister. News coverage of re-trial of Jean Louis Nance, accused of stabbing a man and throwing him off a bridge; his first trial ended in mistrial.

NEWS 4 February 16 - News coverage of trial of John William King, one of the three men charged in the dragging death of a black man in Jasper, TX. February 18- Trial Update

NEWS 4 February 17- Marine hates crime sentencing coverage

PIZZA DELIVERY MURDER

NEWS 4 February 19 & 23 - Travis Savoy being held without bond for the murder of pizza deliveryman.

NEWS 4 February 19 - news coverage of Montgomery County teacher charged with fondling 15-year-old student; report on GW Parkway bike trail assaults.

NEWS 4 February 22- Hundreds of people gathered outside City Hall to protest a police shooting earlier this month. Police who were looking for a serial rape suspect fired 41 rounds at an unarmed, innocent man, killing him; news coverage of convicted hit man James Perry, who was denied a retrial today for his role in the murders of three Burtonsville residents.

NEWS 4 February 23 - A routine traffic stop on the Beltway this morning led to the arrest of a Florida man and the discovery of 6K worth of drugs/A Virginia jury convicted one of three teenage white boys in a cross burning.

NEWS 4 February 24 - Police seized 427 pound of marijuana from a truck at a freight delivery company in Millersville, Maryland, police are looking for the owner of the company/report on PG County unserved criminal warrants backlog/the defense began calling witnesses today in the court martial of the marine charged in the Italian cable car tragedy.

SHEINBEIN COVERAGE:

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- Feb 25; NEWS4 at 5, 9, 5, 6, 11 February 24, 25: Sheinbein will not be returned to Maryland to face murder charges- the Israeli Supreme Court ruled that Sheinbein cannot be extradited and will be tried in Israel

NEWS 4 February 25 - A shoot out between police in Missouri and two prison escapees left five officers injured; a congresswoman is introducing a bill aimed at keeping violent criminals behind bars, the Bill is called "Aimee's Law" after the George Mason University athlete murdered in PA.

ABANDONED BABY

NEWS 4 February 23, 26- The alleged father of a baby whose 12 year old mother left in a trash can has been charged with rape and will stand trial April 4th.

NEWS 4 February 26 - Churchill High School teacher arrested; NEWS 4 February 27 Head of the National Baptist Convention is facing up to 7 years in jail after being found guilty of racketeering and grand theft

NEWS 4 February 28 - A disagreement between two neighbors escalates into a struggle between police officers. Two police officers are facing assault charges and have had their police powers revoked.

NEWS 4 March 2 - Suspect arrested in triple shooting at Georgetown Starbucks

NEWS 4 March 4 - Baby sitter from Eastern Shore pled guilty today in connection with the deaths of two infants in her care.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- March 4 - Chief Ramsey says the surge in crime is due to decrease in number of police officers.

NEWS 4 March 5 - Man arrested and charged with all three murders committed at the Georgetown Starbucks in July

NEWS 4 March 10 - Carjacking in Montgomery County suspect took a car with a young child in back seat.

NEWS 4 March 11 - Man accused in D-U-I death of Anacostia High School star basketball player, has been charged with 2nd degree murder.

NEWS 4 March 16 - Police are searching for 2 men who terrorized a household in Manassas, Virginia while posing as immigration agents.

NEWS 4 March 19 - Man in custody for murder committed nearly 9 years ago.

NEWS 4 March 24 - Montgomery County police are looking for a robbery suspect who knocked off one bank today, and wanted for questioning in 13 others.

IV CONSUMER

WRC-TV airs daily segments on issues of interest to consumers, including safety, cost saving, government regulations, and new products.

NEWS 4 January 7 - Reports on 10-10 phone calls and how to kill E-Coli bacteria in meat.

NEWS 4 January 11 - Tax Tips— employees of IRS available in Volunteer 4 to answer viewer tax questions.

NEWS 4 January 20 - reports on chimney inspections; inspections should cost about $50, cleaning would run $50-$175 more.

NEWS 4 January 21 – Recalls on infant carriers because small infants can slip through leg openings.

NEWS 4 January 25 - Tax Tips—employees from IRS available in Volunteer 4 to answer viewer tax questions.

NEWS 4 February 1 – tricks of the trade- what experts know that you don't about saving time and money

NEWS4 February 2 - coverage of press conference held to announce a law enforcement crackdown on a credit card scam that bilks consumer-victims and turns them into felons.

NEWS 4 February 3 - Report on legislation that will be announced later his week that would protect the rights of airline passengers when purchasing and using airline tickets.

VIEWPOINT February 7, 1999 Guests: Stella Hog, Chief, Customer Service, DC Office of Tax and Revenue; Marvin Bond, Assistant MD State Comptroller; Domenic J. Laponzina, Chief of Communications, Internal Revenue Service; and, Jim Slicer, Agent, Virginia Department of Taxation. Topic: Tax Tips.

NEWS 4 Feb 16 - People who keep their money on traditional savings account lose out when it comes to interest, Americans should move their money into CDs or Credit Union accounts, according to the Credit Union National Association.

NEWS 4 Feb 16 - Liz Crenshaw's Diet Challenge – Sugar Busters; news coverage of the American Airlines Pilots' sickout.

NEWS 4 February 18 - Cosco Company baby stroller/crib mattress recall report.

NEWS 4 February 18 - Daimler Chrysler Dodge's full size RAM vans and wagons recall.

NEWS 4 February 19 - Liz Crenshaw's coverage of new fee on phone bills; tax preparation; workplace injuries; new Coca-Cola venture into bottled water.

NEWS 4 February 22- News coverage of improperly installed car seats; Report on Lunchables and what critics have to say

NEWS 4 February 24 - Report on child thermometers and proper way to get accurate temperature.

NEWS 4 February 26 - Nutrition Quiz by Liz Crenshaw; movie price increase update by Arch Campbell.

NEWS 4 February 28 – Report in renovation done to Adventure World. It opens May first.

NEWS 4 March 1 - Saving for college tips.

NEWS 4 March 8 - Tax tips.

NEWS 4 March 18 - More than 10,000 puzzles are being recalled because they may be dangerous to young children. Safari Limited is recalling train shaped puzzles, which have pieces small enough to present choking hazard.

NEWS 4 March 19 - Big recall on Kidde Safety Company Lifesaver and Nighthawk carbon monoxide detectors problem is they don't work.

NEWS 4 March 26 - Expert testers check out latest greatest Easter Egg coloring kit.

NEWS 4 March 29 - General Motors has designed a safety feature to prevent children from becoming locked in trunks of cars.

V. ENVIRONMENT/WEATHER

WRC-TV regularly broadcasts news and other segments on regional environmental issues. Some examples are listed below.

NEWS 4 January 6 - Ugly expensive eyesore in NE Washington is being cleared up after neighborhood complaints.

NEWS 4 January 11- broken watermain in Liberty City, Florida created huge sinkhole, takes days to clean up.

NEWS 4 January 12 - President proposed tripling funds for land conservation

NEWS 4 January 13 - Water emergency in Winchester, Virginia inconveniences thousands closing businesses and schools. Residents/businesses ordered not to use water.

NEWS 4 January 15 - Ice storm leaves hundreds of thousands in the dark causing widespread problems in the area. Maryland governor declares state of emergency in six counties.

NEWS 4 January 19 - Vice President Gore visits Jackson Tennessee to take first hand look at tornado damage.

NEWS 4 January 22 - Deadly tornadoes swept through Arkansas and Tennessee killing 6. Forecasters say there may have been as many as 30 tornadoes.

NEWS 4 January 26 - Death toll surpassed one thousand in the wake of a powerful earthquake in Colombia.

VIEWPOINT February 7, 1999 Guest: Mayor Anthony Williams. Discussed Interior Department's plan for beautifying federal parks in the District.

NEWS 4 February 18 - list of environmentally friendly cars unveiled.

NEWS 4 March 4 - Fierce thunderstorms caused some damage and injuries in parts of Central Virginia last night.

NEWS 4 March 8 - President Clinton toured the scenes of Hurricane Mitch's worse horrors, over nine thousand killed in Nicaragua and 10 billion dollars worth of damage.

NEWS 4 March 9 - First time in 3 years major snowstorm hits the area.

VI. TRANSPORTATION

NEWS 4 January 2 - Sleet and freezing rain cause massive airport delays and interstate pile-ups as road and power crews throughout the area brace for icy mess.

NEWS 4 January 4 - Report on Smart Mover Bus between Montgomery County and Tysons.

NEWS 4 January 5 - Richmond Highway Route One in Virginia was shut down because of gas line rupture.

NEWS 4 January 9 - Planes grounded at National Airport because of foggy conditions.

NEWS 4 January 15 - Power outages shut down part of the Red Line making a rough night for thousands of metro commuters.

NEWS 4 January 22 - Light rail system is proposed for Tyson's Corner. Rail System would have elevated trains and cost up to 900 million dollars.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- Jan. 28- VA Governor Gilmore III is planning to keep a seven mile stretch of I-66 open to commuters an hour later each evening for an 8 month test period.

NEWS 4 February 2 – The AAA Potomac holds a press briefing to release its annual transportation poll of area drivers.

WILSON BRIDGE

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- February 10, March 11 - Metro urged to adopt new safety measures. The Alexandria City Council has voted to settle the lawsuit over the reconstruction of the Wilson Bridge. Governor Glendening warns unless the Federal Government comes up with more than $500 million in additional funding, reconstruction cannot begin as scheduled next year.

NEWS 4 February 11- Mayor Williams and Dept of Public Works officials open the Thomas Circle underpass, which has been closed for some time due to contracting problems.

NEWS 4 (All February)- Joe Krebs commuter series dealing with bad traffic places outside of rush hour.

NEWS 4 February 14- featured story on the General Assembly's approval of $104 million in bonds to improve Northern Virginia's highways.

NEWS 4 February 18, 25 - Report on controversy over the Inter-County Connector in Maryland which will connect 270 and 95. Five council members say road is environmentally unacceptable and should not be built.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK – February 18 - Montgomery County Executive Doug Duncan endorsed building a "Parkway-Like-Road" that would link interstates 270 and 95 North on the Capital Beltway.

VIEWPOINT February 28, 1999 - Guest: Douglas Duncan, County Executive, Montgomery County. Discussed inter county connector/Parkway between I-270 and I-95.

NEWS 4 March 1 - Starting today, Virginia transportation department has extended the hours when drivers can use the shoulder land on I-66 to ease gridlock.

NEWS 4 March 3 - Radar channels went out at Dulles airport, nearly 30 flights were delayed. One channel was restored; the other should be up tomorrow.

NEWS 4 March 4 - Congress is considering adding more flights at Reagan national Airport – 48 more flights each day.

NEWS 4 March 8 - Major snowstorm causes massive traffic problems all throughout the area.

NEWS 4 March 10 - Backlog in cities hit by storm creates slow going for travelers flying out of a number of airports.

NEWS 4 March 15 - Airfares are going up again. The airline industry increased fares for the second time this year.

NEWS 4 March 16 - Deadly AMTRAK crash in Illinois at least 14 dead and 4 missing presumed dead in derailment caused by collision with truck.

NEWS 4 March 19 - America West Airlines flight attendants are threatening to go on strike after midnight tonight.

VII. REGIONAL

The Greaseman's Racist remarks.
REPORTERS NOTEBOOK- Feb 25; News 4 March 3, 4, 6, 8 and 20. The WARW shock jock fired after joking about the dragging death of a black man in Texas after playing song by Lauryn Hill apologized; held press conference.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK - February 18 - Mayor Williams supports proposal to build $300 million Major League Baseball Stadium east of Mount Vernon Square.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK – March 4 - Montgomery County passes the smoking ban.