Community needs and issues

Based upon WLNS's involvement in its community and input from community leaders and various organizations, WLNS has determined that the following issues are the concerns of the community:

Health and health care - Medical issues affecting all members of our community are a main focus of WLNS. These issues are addressed, in part, in our nightly "Healthcast" segment in our 11 p.m. news, Monday thru Friday.

Economy - As the home of General Motors, Michigan State University, and many other large corporations and smaller businesses in which area residents are dependent upon for jobs, the mid-Michigan economy is always of interest to viewers of WLNS.

Crime - Like many other large communities, crime is always a concern to the community. WLNS' "Crimestoppers" segment airs several times per week, and is responsible for the arrest of many fugitives.

Education - Michigan State University leads the way, along with hundreds of area schools, in making mid-Michigan an educationally based community, and WLNS offers a variety of coverage of educational issues, not to mention comprehensive coverage of school closings during the winter months.

Race relations - With a very diverse population, coverage of issues pertaining to relations between all races in our community is given prime focus on WLNS.

Environment - Being home to many manufacturing companies, the treatment of the environment is focused upon when news warrants. The area has also seen some train derailments in the past, which WLNS covered intensely, and will continue to do so in the future.

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Second Quarter 2006
ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST FOR WLNS

The following list contains some of the most significant programming treatment of issues of community concern addressed by WLNS during the quarter. The list is not intended to be exhaustive.

Date	Program	Time/ Duration	Issue	Description
29-Jun	11 p.m. news	11:04 p.m./ :31	Crime/ Education	OUTSIDE OF SEX-RELATED CRIMES.. STATE LAW DOES NOT REQUIRE DISTRICTS TO FIRE CONVICTED FELONS. SIX NEWS SPOKE WITH THE LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE AREA--LANSING PUBLIC SCHOOLS. SCHOOL OFFICIALS THERE WILL SIT DOWN WITH EACH OF THE 12 PEOPLE NAMED ON THE LIST. THEY'LL TRY TO DETERMINE THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE WORKERS PAST CRIMES--AND DECIDE IF ANY ACTION NEEDS TO BE TAKEN.
29-Jun	5 p.m. news	5:12 p.m./ :25	Health	TOMORROW, PFIZER LOSES ITS PATENT ON ITS BEST SELLING ANTI DEPRESSANT - ZOLOFT. SO THE DRUG GIANT IS GOING PROACTIVE, WITH ITS OWN, HEAVILY DISCOUNTED GENERIC VERSION. MERCK MADE THE SAME MOVE WHEN ZOCOR, ITS CHOLESTEROL FIGHTER, LOST PATENT PROTECTION LAST WEEK.
28-Jun	5 p.m. news	5:03 p.m./ 1:16	Crime/ Race relations	THE SUPREME COURT'S DECISION CAME DOWN TO THIS: PRESIDENT BUSH OVERSTEPPED HIS BOUNDS BY ORDERING WAR CRIMES TRIBUNALS FOR 10-DETAINEES AT GUANTANAMO BAY. THE COURT WENT ON TO SAY, TRIBUNALS ARE ILLEGAL UNDER U-S AND INTERNATIONAL LAW. IT'S CLEARLY A DEFEAT FOR THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION -- BUT THE PRESIDENT ISN'T GIVING UP.
28-Jun	5 p.m. news	5:03 p.m./ :32	Health	THERE MAY BE MORE TO BLAME FOR AMERICA'S OBESITY EPIDEMIC THAN FAST FOOD AND TOO MUCH TIME IN FRONT OF THE T-V. A GROUP OF RESEARCHERS CONTENDS SEVERAL ASPECTS OF MODERN LIVING ARE MAKING PEOPLE FATTER--- INCLUDING LACK OF SLEEP AND LIVING WITH AIR CONDITIONING. WHILE DIET AND EXERCISE REMAIN "KEY"--THEY ARGUE HEALTH EXPERTS SHOULD LOOK BEYOND THOSE FACTORS TO FULLY TACKLE THE OBESITY PROBLEM.
27-Jun	11 p.m. news	11:06 p.m./ 1:24	Environment/ Health	WHEN YOU WALK INTO A RESTAURANT THE SIGNS ARE CLEAR--SMOKERS GO ONE WAY--AND NON-SMOKERS GO ANOTHER. IN SOME PLACES THE DECISION IS ALREADY MADE. AMBER RODRIGUEZ HAS WORKED AT MCALISTER'S DELI'S FOR NEARLY 3 YEARS. SHE NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT THE PLACE BEING SMOKE FREE. BUT AFTER HEARING ABOUT THE SURGEON GENERAL'S REPORT--RODRIGUEZ SAYS SHE'S GLAD TO WORK WHERE SHE DOES.

27-Jun	Noon news	12:03 p.m./ :33	Education	THE INGHAM COUNTY PROSECUTOR JUST ANNOUNCED A $200 THOUSAND DOLLAR GRANT TO OPERATE THE GANG RESISTENCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM--OR GREAT FOR SHORT.
27-Jun	6:30 a.m. news	6:50 a.m./ :29	Economy	MORE MICHIGANIANS NOW SAY THE STATE'S ECONOMY IS HEADING IN THE WRONG DIRECTION THE RESULTS FROM A RECENT POLL ARE ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE DETROIT NEWS THIS MORNING--ACCORDING TO THE POLL---79 PERCENT OF MICHIGAN RESIDENTS SAY THE ECONOMY IS THE MOST SERIOUS ISSUE CONFRONTING MICHIGAN.
25-Jun	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy/ Environment	REPORT ON THE OIL BOOM IN ALBERTA, CANADA, WHERE THE OIL SANDS PRODUCE A MILLION BARRELS A DAY AND HOLD RESERVES EIGHT TIMES THAT OF SAUDI ARABIA.
21-Jun	5 p.m. news	5:17 p.m./ :40	Health	RESEARCHERS ARE LOOKING AT A COMMON MEDICATION IN A NEW WAY. PRELIMINARY DATA SHOWS THAT CHOLESTEROL-LOWERING STATINS MAY ALSO SLIGHTLY LOWER THE RISK OF CATARACTS. EXPERTS ARE SURPRISED BY THE RESULTS AND SAY MORE STUDY IS NEEDED TO CONFIRM THE FINDINGS.
20-Jun	7:25 a.m. cut in	7:25 a.m./ :20	Environment	A STATE HOUSE COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT MICHIGAN'S AGRICULTURAL POLLUTION TODAY-- FARM GROUPS SAY SOME NEWLY INTRODUCED BILLS WOULD POTENTIALLY HELP THE ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY. BUT ENVIRONMENTALISTS WORRY THAT THE BILLS COULD WEAKEN RULES DESIGNED TO PREVENT POLLUTION AT THE STATE'S LARGE ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS.
20-Jun	Noon news	12:13 p.m./ :23	Environment/ Health	A NEW REPORTED RELEASED TODAY SAYS GLOBAL WARMING POLLUTION IS INCREASING IN MICHIGAN. THE "ENVIRONMENT MICHIGAN RESEARCH AND POLICY CENTER" SAYS--POLLUTION HAS INCREASED 46-PERCENT IN THE STATE SINCE 1960. THEIR REPORT SAYS THAT THE INCREASES HAVE COME FROM ELECTRIC AND AUTO INDUSTRIES. "ENVIRONMENT MICHIGAN" SAYS RESIDENTS IN MICHIGAN CAN HELP PROTECT AGAINST GLOBAL WARMING POLLUTION EVERY-DAY.
18-Jun	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Crime	INTERVIEW WITH TONY SNOW ABOUT THE REPORT OF A PLANNED TERRORIST ATTACK ON NEW YORK SUBWAY SYSTEMS WITH POISON GAS.
16-Jun	5 a.m. news	5:25 a.m./ :48	Crime	IN THIS MORNING'S SPECIAL CRIMESTOPPERS REPORT. LANSING POLICE NEED YOUR HELP SOLVING TWO DRIVE-BY SHOOTINGS.. THAT HAPPENED ABOUT A WEEK AGO. ON JUNE 10TH--- JUST BEFORE ONE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING--- SEVERAL SHOTS WERE FIRED INTO A HOUSE IN THE 2-THOUSAND BLOCK OF WEST JOLLY ROAD IN LANSING. BULLETS ALSO RIDDLED A CAR SITTING IN THE DRIVEWAY. NO ONE WAS INJURED IN THE SHOOTING.
14-Jun	5 p.m. news	5:10 p.m./ :21	Education	THOSE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES THAT TEACH TEACHERS--WILL NOW BE GETTING A "GRADE" OF THEIR OWN. THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION UN-ANIMOUSLY APPROVED A MEASURE TO ISSUE "ANNUAL GRADES" TO EDUCATION PROGRAMS YESTERDAY. THE GRADING SYSTEM WILL FULFILL ONE OF THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE: "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND" MANDATE. THE INITIATIVE WILL BE PHASED-IN OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

12-Jun	11 p.m. news	11:20 p.m./ :26	Health	A NEW TECHNIQUE IS HELPING SAVE THE LIVES OF SOME HIGH RISK STROKE PATIENTS. IT'S CALLED A BRAIN STENT--IT'S VERY SIMILAR TO THE MORE FAMILIAR CORONARY ARTERY STENT IN THE HEART. THE BRAIN STENT IS A SMALL TUBE THAT KEEPS THE CLOGGED ARTERY IN THE BRAIN OPEN--ONCE THE STENT IS OPENED UP -- BLOOD STARTS FLOWING FREELY AGAIN THRU THE BRAIN-- PREVENTING A STROKE.
11-Jun	60 Minutes	7-8 pm..	Health	FOCUSING ON THE FDA'S FAILURE TO APPROVE OVER THE COUNTER SALES OF THE EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE 'PLAN B'.
11-Jun	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Environment	INTERVIEW WITH THOMAS FRIEDMAN ABOUT A PROPOSED MULTINATIONAL AGREEMENT WITH IRAN CONCERNING NUCLEAR POWER.
10-Jun	8-9 a.m. wknd	8:10 a.m./ :30	Crime	AND WE'RE LEARNING THIS MORNING OF ANOTHER CASE OF COMPUTER CRIME HERE IN THE STATE. THIS TIME----A 17-YEAR-OLD WYOMING BOY DROVE 13-HUNDRED MILES TO MEET A 12-YEAR-OLD WEST MICHIGAN GIRL----AND THEN HE DROVE HER ALL THE WAY BACK TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS. HE TOLD POLICE THEY MET IN AN INTERNET CHAT ROOM AND FELL IN LOVE. THE BOY'S BEING CHARGED WITH KIDNAPPING.
9-Jun	6 p.m. news	6:25 p.m./ :40	Education	FOWLERVILLE SCHOOLS ARE LOOKING TO CUT 400 THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THEIR BUDGET. SCHOOL LEADERS BLAME FALLING ENROLLMENT AND LOCAL PLANT CLOSINGS. THE DISTRICT WILL LOOK AT CUTTING STAFF--INCREASING FEES FOR SOME STUDENT ACTIVITIES-- AND ELIMINATING ADULT EDUCATION. BUT OFFICIALS WILL WAIT TO SEE WHAT-- IF ANY-- RELIEF THE STATE CAN OFFER BEFORE MAKING A FINAL DECISION
9-Jun	11 p.m. news	11:05 p.m./ :27	Economy	TOURISM IS MICHIGAN'S SECOND LARGEST INDUSTRY--IT PULLS 17-AND-A-HALF BILLION DOLLARS INTO THE STATE'S ECONOMY. THAT'S WHY TRAVEL MICHIGAN STARTED A NEW TELEVISION AD CAMPAIGN TO DRAW PEOPLE IN FROM NEIGHBORING STATES.
8-Jun	Noon news	12:04 p.m./ :11	Race Relations	JOIN THE CAPITOL CITY AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE 7th ANNUAL AFRICAN AMERICAN CELEBRATION ON Saturday AUGUST 5th.THERE WILL BE A PARADE, MUSIC, FOOD AND FUN
8-Jun	11 p.m. news	11:07 p.m./ :28	Health	WENDY'S IS LOOKING TO IMPROVE IT'S NUTRITIONAL PROFILE. THE FASTFOOD RESTAURANT CHAIN SAYS--IT'S SWITCHING TO A NEW "COOKING OIL" THAT HAS ZERO GRAMS OF ARTERY CLOGGING TRANS FAT PER SERVING. THIS MOVE WILL CUT TRANS FAT IN FRENCH FRIES AND BREADED CHICKEN BY A 95-PERCENT! THE CHANGE-OVER IS EXPECTED TO TAKE PLACE IN AUGUST.
8-Jun	6:30 a.m. news	6:46 a.m./ 1:03	Environment/ Economy	SOME MAJOR AMERICAN CORPORATIONS ARE OFFERING EMPLOYEES A WAY TO MAKE THE COST OF DRIVING LESS EXPENSIVE -- AND BETTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT TOO. BANK OF AMERICA, THE NATION'S SECOND-LARGEST BANK, SAYS IT WILL REIMBURSE 3,000-DOLLARS TO ELIGIBLE WORKERS WHO PURCHASE A NEW HYBRID VEHICLE.
6-Jun	8:25 a.m. cut in	8:25 a.m./ :38	Crime	ALMOST 40 YEARS AFTER A MID-MICHIGAN WOMAN WAS MURDERED--HER 72-YEAR OLD HUSBAND IS NOW SITTING IN JAIL-- CHARGED WITH THE CRIME.

4-Jun	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy/ Environmen t	INTERVIEW WITH JOHN MACKEY, CEO AND FOUNDER OF 'WHOLE FOODS MARKET' A CHAIN OF STORES CASHING IN ON THE GROWING DEMAND FOR FOOD GROWN ORGANICALLY WITHOUT PESTICIDES OR CHEMICALS.
4-Jun	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Crime	INTERVIEW WITH CONDOLEEZZA RICE ABOUT THE ARREST OF 17 PEOPLE IN CANADA ON SUSPICION OF TERRORISM.
4-Jun	8-9 a.m. wknd	8:15 a.m./ :31	Health	HEALTH EXPERTS ARE NOW SAYING DIABETES PATIENTS NEED MORE HELP MANAGING THEIR CONDITION A NEW SURVEY SAYS PATIENTS AREN'T DOING WHAT THEY NEED TO DO TO CONTROL THEIR CONDITIONS ---AND DOCTORS AREN'T ABLE TO HELP MUCH TYPE 2 DIABETES DEVELOPS AS A RESULT OF PROBLEMS WITH YOU DIET, EXERCISE OR GENETICS. DOCTORS SAY TO KEEP YOURSELF SAFE-----EAT SMART AND EXERCISE REGULARLY.
1-Jun	6:30 a.m. news	6:35 a.m./ :21	Education/ Economy	IF YOU BORROWED MONEY FOR YOUR EDUCATION-- YOU ONLY HAVE ONE MONTH LEFT TO CONSOLIDATE AND LOCK IN A LOW RATE ON FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS.
31-May	5 p.m. news	5:04 p.m./ :47	Health/ Environmen t	TODAY IS "WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY"-- AND LOCAL OFFICIALS WANT TO REMIND PEOPLE HOW DEADLY IT CAN BE. SO TODAY THE JACKSON TOBACCO REDUCTION COALITION IS ENCOURAGING FAMILIES TO SIGN A SMOKE FREE HOME AND CAR PLEDGE. THEY SAY IT'S IMPORTANT TO CREATE SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENTS FOR INFANTS, CHILDREN AND ADULTS.
31-May	5:30 a.m. news	5:55 a.m./ :23	Health	CANADIANS ARE HEALTHIER THAN THEIR AMERICAN NEIGHBORS AND RECEIVE MORE CONSISTENT MEDICAL CARE, ACCORDING TO A NEW REPORT. A SURVEY OF MORE THAN EIGHT-THOUSAND PEOPLE SHOWED THAT EVEN THOUGH AMERICANS SPEND NEARLY TWICE AS MUCH PER CAPITA FOR HEALTH CARE, THEY HAVE MORE TROUBLE GETTING CARE AND HAVE MORE UNMET HEALTH NEEDS THAN CANADIANS DO.
31-May	5 p.m. news	5:10 p.m./ :16	Economy/ Environmen t	U-S CONGRESSMAN MIKE ROGERS HOPES TO PUMP UP THE ECONOMY WITH ALTERNATIVE FUELS. ROGERS WAS AT THE M-S-U ETHANOL RESEARCH LAB TODAY TO PROMOTE ENERGY TECHNOLOGY. SO FAR, HE'S RAISED MORE THAN ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR RESEARCH. THE CONGRESSMAN SAYS THAT THE U-S RELIES TOO MUCH ON FOREIGN OIL.
29-May	6 p.m. news	6:04 p.m./ :26	Environmen t	BIOLOGISTS SAY WHITEFISH ARE SPAWNING IN THE DETROIT RIVER AGAIN-- A SIGN THAT THE WATERWAY'S HEALTH IS BEING RESTORED. INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION AND DREDGING CHASED THE FISH FROM THE RIVER FOR NEARLY A CENTURY. BUT BIOLOGISTS SAY 35 YEARS OF POLLUTION CONTROL HAVE BROUGHT THE WHITEFISH BACK.
28-May	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Crime	EX NEW YORK DETECTIVES ARE CHARGED WITH THE MURDER OF 10 PEOPLE, MURDERS COMMITTED ON THE ORDERS OF A MAFIA BOSS.
28-May	6 p.m. news	6:02 p.m./ 1:24	Race Relations	THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF LATINO CULTURE ARE COMING TO LIFE IN MID-MICHIGAN THIS WEEKEND THROUGH AN ANNUAL FUNDRAISER AT LANSING'S CRISTO REY CHURCH. OVER THE YEARS--THE EVENT HAS BECOME A TRADITION FOR MANY LOCAL FAMILIES.

27-May	48 Hours	10-11 p.m.	Crime	REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LONGO, A MAN ON THE RUN, CHARGED WITH KILLING HIS WIFE AND THREE CHILDREN, WHO ASSUMED THE IDENTITY OF MICHAEL FINKEL, AN AWARD WINNING NY TIMES REPORTER.
25-May	6 p.m. news	6:27 p.m./ 1:33	Race relations	THE SAME SEAT ON THE SAME BUS THAT ROSA PARKS REFUSED TO MOVE FROM HAS BEEN RESTORED... AND IS NOW ON DISPLAY AT THE HENRY FORD IN DEARBORN. IT'S ONE OF MUSEUM'S MOST POPULAR ATTRACTIONS...AND ONE THAT STILL HAS PROFOUND MEANING NEARLY FIVE DECADES
25-May	5 a.m. news	5:14 a.m./ :28	Race Relations	MEXICAN PRESIDENT VICENTE FOX IS PUSHING IMMIGRATION REFORM AS HE CONTINUES HIS VISIT TO THE U-S TODAY. HE'LL MEET WITH BUSINESS LEADERS IN SEATTLE--- THEN FLY TO CALIFORNIA TO SPEAK WITH GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER AND OTHER LAWMAKERS.
23-May	11 p.m. news	11:22 p.m./ :23	Crime	19 YEAR OLD SAMANTHA BACHYNSKI WILL STAND TRIAL FOR THE MURDER OF A FLINT MAN. A DISTRICT COURT JUDGE IN FLINT HAS BOUND HER OVER FOR TRIAL IN THE DEATH OF WINFIELD JOHNSON -- A 53-YEAR-OLD MAN WHO LIVED IN A RURAL TOWNSHIP NORTH OF FLINT. THE CHARGES INCLUDE FIRST-DEGREE MURDER.
21-May	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Crime/ Race relations	INTERVIEW WITH ALBERTO GONZALEZ ABOUT IMMIGRATION AND THE ROLE OF U.S. TROOPS TO BE STATIONED ALONG THE U.S./MEXICO BORDER AND THE POSSIBILITY THAT PRESIDENT BUSH WILL CONSIDER FENCING OFF THE ENTIRE BORDER.
20-May	8-9 a.m. wknd	8:11 a.m./ :20	Environmen t	MEANTIME----RESIDENTS IN WASHTENAW COUNTY BELIEVE THEY'VE FOUND SOMETHING IN THE GROUND THEY JUST DON'T LIKE. THEY BELIEVE A NORTHWEST JET DUMPED NEARLY 200-THOUSAND POUNDS OF FUEL OVER THE COUNTY ON WEDNESDAY. THE PLANE WAS HEADED TO TOKYO----BUT HAD TO TURN AROUND BECAUSE OF TROUBLE WITH THE LANDING GEAR.
20-May	8-9 a.m. wknd	8:44 a.m./ 1:23	Health	VISIT ANY HEALTH FOOD STORE--AND YOU'LL SEE AISLE--AFTER AISLE OF VITAMINS--THE LABELS PROMISING ANY IMPROVEMENT YOU CAN THINK OF. BUT DO THEY WORK?...A STUDY RELEASED WEDNESDAY SAYS -- SOMETIMES...
19-May	11 p.m. news	11:04 p.m./ :17	Education/ Crime	THE SCHOOL LOCKDOWN BILL UNANIMOUSLY PASSED THE STATE SENATE. IT WILL GO BACK TO THE HOUSE FOR APPROVAL. THE BILL'S SPONSOR---SAYS HE DOESN'T EXPECT ANY OPPOSITION.
18-Apr	6 p.m. news	6:02 p.m./ :24	Race relations	A COMMUNITY GATHERING TO DISCUSS THE ACTIONS OF A LOCAL POLICE OFFICER--TURNS INTO A FORUM ON RACE RELATIONS.
16-May	5 p.m. news	5:06 p.m./ :22	Health/ Economy	THE INGHAM COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAYS AN ITAILIAN RESTAURANT CAN OPEN BACK-UP FOR BUSINESS. "BRAVO" VOLUNTARILY SHUT DOWN FOR CLOSE TO A WEEK--AFTER MORE THEN 350 PEOPLE REPORTED GETTING SICK FROM EATING THERE. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAYS--THE LANSING TOWNSHIP RESTAURANT HAS MET ALL OF THE NECESSARY CLEANING AND SANITATION STANDARDS--BRAVO SAYS THEY PLAN TO BE OPEN FOR DINNER TONIGHT.
14-May	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy	INTERVIEW WITH ANDY STERN, PRESIDENT OF THE SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION, THE 2ND LARGEST UNION IN THE COUNTRY.

14-May	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Crime	INTERVIEWS AND DISCUSSIONS REVOLVING AROUND REPORTS THAT THE NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY WAS EAVESDROPPING WITHOUT COURT ORDERS ON SOME TELEPHONE CALLS COMING INTO AND OUT OF THE COUNTRY.
12-May	7:55 a.m. cut in	7:55 a.m./ :29	Education/ Economy	JACKSON SCHOOL EMPLOYEES FIGHT TO PROTECT A PROGRAM FOR AT RISK STUDENTS---THAT MAY BE CUT BECAUSE OF THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL TROUBLES.
10-May	6 a.m. news	6:04 a.m./ :21	Education	IN NEWS ACROSS THE STATE THIS MORNING. THERE'S A FIGHT BREWING AT THE CAPITOL OVER MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN PUBLIC EDUCATION FUNDS BETWEEN STATE LAWMAKERS.
10-May	6:30 a.m. news	6:56 a.m./ :36	Economy	THE L-A TIMES REPORTS THIS MORNING---- THAT MANY PEOPLE WHO PLAN TO WORK AFTER THE AGE OF 65 ARE BEING FORCED INTO EARLIER RETIREMENT--- AND ARE NOW STRUGGLING TO PAY THE BILLS. THE PAPER REPORTS THAT A NEW STUDY SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED TODAY---- SHOWS THAT 1 OUT OF EVERY 10 RETIRED WORKERS LEFT THEIR JOBS SOONER THAN THEY HAD PLANNED.
10-May	5 p.m. news	5:17 p.m./ :25	Environmen t	STUDENTS GET A LESSON TODAY ON HOW EVERYONE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROTECTING AND CONSERVING WATER. THE EAST LANSING CHILDREN'S WATER FESTIVAL BROUGHT KIDS FROM ACROSS THE REGION TO MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY-- TO LEARN ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT.
9-May	7:25 a.m. cut in	7:25 a.m./ :24	Health	IN THE MEANTIME--- GOVERNOR GRANHOLM ISN'T LETTING POLL NUMBERS STOP HER FROM PUSHING STATE LAWMAKERS TO ADOPT A UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE COVERAGE PLAN. LATER THIS MORNING--- THE GOVERNOR WILL VISIT A LOCAL HOSPITAL TO TALK ABOUT HER PLAN. IF IT PASSES-- THE PLAN WILL COVER HALF OF THE STATE'S
9-May	5 p.m. news	5:25 p.m./ 1:15	Race relations/ Health	EXPERTS SAY THAT INFANTS OF MINORITY FAMILIES ARE DYING AT AN ALARMING RATE--THE DEATH RATE AMONG MICHIGAN NEWBORNS REFLECTS THE PROBLEM AS WELL.
9-May	6 p.m. news	6:12 p.m./ :49	Crime	NEW DEVELOPMENTS TONIGHT IN A MAJOR MICHIGAN MURDER CASE--WHERE A 9-DAY CRIME SPREE LEFT THREE PEOPLE DEAD. TANIEYA LEWIS JOINS US LIVE IN THE NEWSCENTER WITH THE DETAILS
9-May	5:30 a.m. news	5:43 a.m./ :30	Economy	WITH DRIVERS REELING FROM PRICES AT THE PUMP.. THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION PRESSES ITS PLAN FOR BOOSTING FUEL ECONOMY STANDARDS WITH THE SENATE TODAY.
7-May	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Environmen t/ Economy	REPORT ON A GROUP OF FARMERS IN IOWA WHO HAVE INVESTED THEIR LIFE SAVINGS TO BUILD A FACTORY THAT TURNS CORN INTO AN ALTERNATE FUEL CALLED ETHANOL.
7-May	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy/ Education	MAKING GOVERNMENT BACKED LOANS TO COLLEGE STUDENTS HAS BECOME SO LUCRATIVE FOR THE SALLIEMAE CORPORATION THAT ITS STOCK HAS SKYROCKETED 2,000 PERCENT IN THE LAST DECADE.

5-May	5:30 a.m. news	5:33 a.m./ :42	Health	BRITISH RESEARCHERS SAY ELEVEN-YEAR-OLDS WHO ARE OVER-WEIGHT WILL LIKELY BE STUCK WITH THOSE EXCESS POUNDS INTO ADULTHOOD. THEIR STUDY FOUND THAT ELEVEN WAS A KEY AGE FOR DETERMINING A LIFE-LONG TENDENCY TO BE OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE. BECAUSE CHILDHOOD AND ADULT OBESITY ARE LINKED WITH A HOST OF HEALTH PROBLEMS--THE STUDY AUTHORS SAY THEIR FINDINGS STRESS THE NEED FOR EARLY INTERVENTION.
1-May	6:30 a.m. news	6:31 a.m./ :38	Race Relations/ Economy	THE BATTLE OVER IMMIGRANT RIGHTS TAKES TO THE STREETS AGAIN TODAY.. WITH A NATIONWIDE BOYCOTT DUBBED BY ORGANIZERS: "A DAY WITHOUT IMMIGRANTS."
1-May	Noon news	12:11 p.m./ :25	Economy	OUR TOP STORY--MASSIVE DEMONSTRATIONS AND BOYCOTTS ARE SCHEDULED IN CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY TODAY. ORGANIZERS HOPE TODAY'S "DAY WITHOUT IMMIGRANTS" WILL SHOW JUST HOW VITAL ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS ARE TO THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMY.
30-Apr	60 Minutes	60 Minutes	Environmen t	VISIT TO THE SITE ALONG THE COLUMBIA RIVER IN HANFORD, WA., WHERE WASTE LEFT OVER FROM THE PRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IS STORED.
30-Apr	8-9 a.m. wknd	8:09 a.m./ :21	Crime	DETROIT RESIDENTS ARE QUESTIONING THE POLICE RESPONSE TO THE STABBING OF A 9-MONTH-OLD BABY. THEY SAY----IF POLICE HAD RESPONDED FASTER----THE BABY MAY HAVE LIVED. POLICE SAY RAPHAEL THOMAS HAS CONFESSED TO THE CRIME---SAYING HE STABBED HIS SON TO FREE HIM FROM THE WORLD'S EVILS.
28-Apr	11 p.m. news	11:13 p.m./ :23	Health	GOOD EVENING. HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE INVESTIGATING WHAT CAUSED SIX PEOPLE WHO ATE AT WENDY'S IN GRAND LEDGE TO BECOME SICK. ANYONE WHO ATE AT THE RESTAURANT BETWEEN FRIDAY THE 21ST AND THIS TUESDAY COULD HAVE COME IN CONTACT WITH CONTAMINATED FOOD.
26-Apr	6 p.m. news	6:12 p.m./ :40	Health/ Education	AND FINALLY TONIGHT--SEVEN LOCAL SCHOOLS WERE HONORED TODAY BY MICHIGAN'S SURGEON GENERAL--FOR CREATING A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDENTS. BATH ELEMENTARY WAS ONE OF THE TOP WINNERS--THEY'VE CREATED A PLAN ENCOURAGING STUDENTS TO "GET UP-- GET OUT-- AND GET MOVING." BEAGLE MIDDLE SCHOOL IN GRAND LEDGE ALSO WON A FIRST PLACE AWARD FROM THE STATE.
25-Apr	5 p.m. news	5:03 p.m./ :21	Environmen t	THERE ARE ALTERNATIVE WAYS BESIDES DRIVING AND PAYING BIG BUCKS AT THE GAS PUMP--TO GET AROUND TOWN--THAT'S THE MESSAGE OF ONE PROGRAM THAT KICKED OFF TODAY. IT'S CALLED SMART COMMUTE-- AND IT PROMOTES GETTING AROUND BY: BIKING--TAKING THE BUS-- CAR-POOLING-- AND WALKING. COORDINATORS SAY "COMMUTING SMARTLY" NOT ONLY SAVES YOU MONEY--BUT IT HELPS PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT--TOO.
24-Apr	5 p.m. news	5:02 p.m./ :31	Education	MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY HAS TEAMED-UP WITH CHINA EDUCATION OFFICIALS--AND SOME MAJOR UNIVERSITIES IN BEJING--TO MAKE LEARNING CHINESE IN MICHIGAN EASIER.

21-Apr	6 p.m. news	6:06 p.m./ 1:30	Environment/ Economy	THE FUEL BEING PUMPED INTO THIS HOLDING TANK AT THIS JACKSON GAS STATION IS SOMETHING SPECIAL. SOMETHING THAT THE MAN WHO HELPED BRING IT HERE --SAYS COULD BOOST THE ECONOMY, SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT AND COST LESS.
20-Apr	5 p.m. news	5:23 p.m./ :39	Crime	TWO MORE STATE CORRECTIONS EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED. IT'S IN RESPONSE TO THE MISTAKEN RELEASE OF A MAN CHARGED WITH KILLING THREE PEOPLE. THE TWO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION SUPERVISORS "MAKE IT" 8-WORKERS WHO'VE BEEN DISCIPLINED FOR THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN PATRICK SELEPAK'S CASE. SELE-PACK FACES MURDER CHARGES FOR A CRIME SPREE IN NEW BALTIMORE AND ANOTHER NEAR FLINT.
19-Apr	11 p.m. news	11:16 p.m./ :20	Health/ Education/ Crime	M-S-U STUDENTS HELD A FUNDRAISER TONIGHT TO SUPPORT SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT. SOME MEMBERS OF THE SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS AND EDUCATION PROGRAM DISHED OUT ICE CREAM FOR THE CAUSE AT COLD STONE CREAMERY IN EAST LANSING.
19-Apr	6 a.m. news	6:15 a.m./ :20	Health/ Economy	LEGISLATION TO BAN SMOKING IN MICHIGAN'S BARS AND RESTAURANTS HAS AGAIN-- STALLED IN THE LEGISLATURE--SIX YEARS AFTER IT WAS FIRST INTRODUCED.
18-Apr	11 p.m. news	11:19 p.m./ :32	Race Relations	THE GREATER LANSING "CLERGY FORUM" AND THE EATON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT--MET TODAY--TO DISCUSS THE DEPARTMENT'S DIVERSITY AND RACIAL PRACTICES. ITS PART OF AN ON-GOING DIALOGUE--AFTER PROSECUTORS SAY EATON COUNTY SHERIFF'S SERGEANT JEFF LOOTZS "SHOT HIMSELF" AND THEN FALSELY BLAMED AN AFRICAN AMERICAN MAN.
18-Apr	7:55 a.m. cut in	7:55 a.m./ :30	Crime/ Education	TODAY- PARENTS HAVE ONE MORE CHANCE TO EXPRESS THEIR CONCERN FOR THE SAFETY OF THEIR CHILDREN AT A LANSING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL-- WHERE A SHOOTING TOOK PLACE LAST WEEK. THE INCIDENT HAPPENED LAST THURSDAY AFTERNOON ON THE PLAYGROUND AT GRAND RIVER ELEMENTARY.
17-Apr	11 p.m. news	11:12 p.m./ :50	Environment/ Economy	AND THE WALL STREET JOURNAL REPORTS THE WORLD AUTO INDUSTRY IS HEADED FOR A MILESTONE - ONE BILLION CARS ON THE PLANET BY THE YEAR 2020. THAT'S 25-PERCENT MORE THAN WHAT'S ON THE ROAD TODAY. WHILE THE PROJECTION MAY BE GOOD NEWS FOR AUTO MAKERS, ANALYSTS SAY THE BOOM COULD LEAD TO INCREASED CONGESTION, POLLUTION AND FUEL SHORTAGES.
16-Apr	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Crime	VISIT TO ISRAEL'S TOP SECURITY PRISON INCLUDING INTERVIEWS WITH TERRORIST, AND SUSPECTED TERRORIST, INMATES.
16-Apr	6 p.m. news	6:03 p.m./ :33	Education	MICHIGAN OFFICIALS WANT TO MAKE SURE COLLEGES ARE DOING A GOOD JOB PREPARING TEACHERS. THE STATE IS CONSIDERING TAKING AWAY UNIVERSITIES' AUTHORITY TO CERTIFY TEACHERS--IF THEY HAVE TOO MANY GRADUATES TEACHING IN FAILING SCHOOLS --AND TOO FEW PASSING CERTIFICATION EXAMS.

15-Apr	48 Hours	10-11 p.m.	Crime	IN 1982, IN THE TOWN OF OLATHE, KANSAS, A YOUNG BANKER NAMED DAVID HARMON WAS BLUDGEONED TO DEATH IN HIS BED. HIS WIFE MELINDA TOLD AUTHORITIES THAT TWO MEN INTENT ON ROBBING THE BANK WHERE DAVID WORKED HAD BROKEN INTO THEIR HOME AND COMMITTED THE CRIME. INVESTIGATORS BELIEVED OTHERWISE.
15-Apr	6 p.m. news	6:02 p.m./ :34	Economy	IN NEWS ACROSS THE STATE---YOU CAN EXPECT LESS TRAFFIC ON THE ROADS THIS HOLIDAY WEEKEND. THE AMERICAN AUTOMOBLIE ASSOCIATION SAYS ONLY ABOUT EIGHT THOUSAND PEOPLE ACROSS THE STATE --PLAN ON TRAVELING.
11-Apr	5 p.m. news	5:25 p.m./ :28	Environment/ Economy	A CHRYSLER SPOKESMAN IS SPEAKING OUT ABOUT MAJOR OIL COMPANIES BEING GREEDY AND IN DIFFERENT TOWARD THE ENVIRONMENT. VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATIONS JASON VINES BLASTED THE OIL INDUSTRY IN A COMPANY WEB BLOG. HE WROTE THAT BIG OIL WOULD RATHER FILL THE POCKETS OF ITS EXECUTIVES AND SHAREHOLDERS, RATHER THAN SPEND SUFFICIENT AMOUNTS TO REDUCE THE PRICE OF FUEL.
11-Apr	6:30 a.m. news	6:51 a.m./ :37	Economy	FEDERAL MOGUL IN SAINT JOHNS IS CLOSING UP SHOP AND NOW-- HUNDREDS OF EMPLOYEES WILL BE OUT OF WORK. ABOUT 300 FEDERAL MOGUL WORKERS WILL LOSE THEIR JOBS THIS SUMMER. THE NEXT HUNDRED WILL GO BY THE BEGINNING OF 2007.
10-Apr	5 a.m. news	5:11 a.m./ :32	Crime	THREE MEN ACCUSED OF KILLING 6 WOMEN JUST TO STEAL AN X-BOX GAME SYSTEM--WILL SOON HAVE THEIR DAY IN COURT. JURY SELECTION FOR THE 2004 MURDERS STARTS TODAY. INVESTIGATORS SAY THE VICTIMS RANGED IN AGE FROM 17 T0 34-- AND SAY THAT MOST OF THEM WERE SLEEPING AND DIDN'T PUT UP A FIGHT WHEN THEY WERE ATTACKED IN THEIR HOME IN FLORIDA.
9-Apr	Face/ Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy	INTERVIEW WITH RICK WAGONER ABOUT THE FUTURE OF GENERAL MOTORS.
8-Apr	48 Hours	10-11 p.m.	Crime	FOCUSES ON NEW EVIDENCE IN THE INVESTIGATION OF THE JULY 2005 DISAPPEARANCE OF HONEYMOONER GEORGE SMITH FROM THE CRUISE SHIP 'BRILLIANCE OF THE SEAS'.
7-Apr	5 p.m. news	5:19 p.m./ :33	Health	THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION SAYS THERES A GLOBAL SHORTAGE OF HEALTH WORKERS. IN FACT, THEY'RE REPORTING A SHORTAGE OF MORE THAN FOUR MILLION. THEY SAY DOCTORS AND NURSES ARE URGENTLY NEEDED IN THE 57 WORST AFFECTED COUNTRIES TO IMMUNIZE CHILDREN AND TREAT AIDS, MALARIA, AND TUBERCULOSIS. TODAY'S REPORT SAYS THE GREATEST NEED FOR HEALTH WORKERS IS IN SOUTHERN AND EASTERN ASIA-- AND SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA.
5-Apr	6 p.m. news	6:04 p.m./ :32	Economy	CURRENT LANSING MAYOR VIRG BERNERO'S ECONOMIC ADVISORS MET TODAY FOR THE FIRST TIME---LOOKING AT WAYS THEY CAN IMPROVE THE CITY'S ECONOMY.
4-Apr	6:30 a.m. news	6:40 a.m./ :41	Health	AND IF YOU LIKE YOUR SPLENDA-- LISTEN UP. A CONSUMER GROUP CLAIMS THE SWEETENER MAY HAVE SOME SIDE EFFECTS THAT COULD INCLUDE STOMACH PAIN. THE GROUP, "CITIZENS FOR HEALTH" IS ASKING THE F-D-A TO PULL THE SUGAR-SUBSTITURE SPLENDA-- OFF THE MARKET UNTIL IT CAN DO MORE RESEARCH.

2-Apr	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy	FOCUSES ON THE FINANCIAL PROBLEMS FACED BY GENERAL MOTORS RESULTING FROM HIGH LABOR COSTS, ESPECIALLY HEALTHCARE AND PENSION PAYMENTS.
2-Apr	8 a.m. wknd	8:11 a.m./ :51	Race Relations	NEW ORLEANS VOTERS WILL GO TO THE POLLS IN LESS THAN A MONTH-----AND THE NAACP SAYS THERE ARE PROBLEMS WITH THE VOTING SYSTEM. PROTESTERS TOOK TO THE STREETS YESTERDAY. THEY SAY THE UPCOMING MAYORAL ELECTION WILL DISENFRANCHISE MANY VOTERS.
2-Apr	6 p.m. news	6:20 p.m./ :24	Education	RESEARCHERS SAY-- THERE'S MORE TO A CHILD'S EDUCATION---THAN TAKING A TEST AND KNOWING THE MATERIAL. PARENTS AND EDUCATORS SAY HANDWRITING IS SOMETHING THAT OFTEN GETS OVERLOOKED DURING THE COURSE OF A CHILD'S EDUCATION.
2-Apr	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Crime/ Race Relations	INTERVIEW WITH SENS. RICHARD DURBIN AND JAMES SENSENBRENNER ABOUT IMMIGRATION, TIGHTENING BORDERS, AND THE CREATION OF A LEGAL PATH TO CITIZENSHIP FOR CURRENTLY UNDOCUMENTED ALIENS.
1-Apr	8-9 a.m. wknd	8:05 a.m./ :21	Race relations	A NEW STUDY BY A CIVIL RIGHTS GROUP FINDS THAT THE ECONOMIC GAP BETWEEN BLACKS AND WHITES ISN'T IMPROVING--DESPITE A GROWING ECONOMY. THE URBAN LEAGUE'S *ANNUAL STATE OF BLACK AMERICA REPORT* FINDS THAT AFRICAN AMERICANS' OVERALL WELL-BEING COMPARED TO WHITE AMERICANS---HAS STAYED THE SAME FOR THREE YEARS.
1-Apr	8-9 a.m. wknd	8:12 a.m./ :19	Economy	OIL PRICES ARE INCHING CLOSER TO 70-DOLLARS A BARREL. THAT'S THE HIGHEST LEVEL SINCE RIGHT AFTER HURRICANE KATRINA. EXPERTS SAY THAT COULD MEAN YOU'LL SEE THREE DOLLAR GAS AGAIN AT THE PUMP THIS SUMMER.