Community needs and issues

Based upon WLNS-TV's involvement in its community and input from community leaders and various organizations, WLNS-TV ("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 upon which area residents are dependent 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.

Terrorism/National Security – The events up to, surrounding and subsequent to 9/11 continue to have an impact on the entire nation and are of prime concern to WLNS viewers.

First Quarter 2007
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
3-Jan	6-7 a.m. news	6:14 a.m./ :55	Economy	THE ECONOMY WILL TAKE CENTERSTAGE OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS...INVESTORS WITH SOME MAJOR REPORTS TO REACT TO. TODAY: THE LATEST FIGURES ON MANUFACTURING. WE'LL SEE SOME OF THE RHETORIC BEHIND THE FEDERAL RESERVE'S DECISION IN DECEMBER TO LEAVE INTEREST RATES UNCHANGED - THE MINUTES FROM THAT MEETING WILL BE RELEASED.
4-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:02 p.m./ :39	Education/ Economy	SOME LANSING SCHOOL TEACHERS NOW FACE THE POSSIBILITY OF LOSING THEIR JOBS. DISTRICT OFFICIALS SAY ABOUT NINE SPECIAL ED TEACHERS RECEIVED THEIR LAYOFF NOTICES LAST WEEK. THE DISTRICT SAYS IT LOST $700 THOUSAND DOLLARS IN COUNTY FUNDING AFTER THIS YEARS SCHOOL COUNT. THAT'S BECAUSE DOZENS OF KIDS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS HAVE LEFT THE DISTRICT--WHILE OTHERS HAVE BEEN RECLASSIFIED OUT OF THAT CATEGORY.
6-Jan	8-9 a.m. wknd news	8:13 a.m./ :23	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	AND MORE NEWS ON THE WAR-----COMING OUT OF FRANCE THIS MORNING---- WHERE FRENCH PRESIDENT JACQUES CHIRAC CRITICIZED THE U-S LED INVASION---SAYING "THE WAR IN IRAQ CAUSED UPHEAVEL..MORE THAN EVER, THE PRIORITY IS TO RETURN SOVEREIGNTY TO THE IRAQIS." CHIRAC SAID THE WAR'S DESTABILIZED THE MIDDLE EAST----- AND ALLOWED TERRORISM TO SPREAD. HE'S CALLING FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ---- TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS IN IRAQ.
7-Jan	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Health/ Health Care	POISONING WITH A RARE RADIOACTIVE ISOTOPE OF A FORMER RUSSIAN AGENT. ALSO, INTERVIEW WITH FORMER FIRST LADY BETTY FORD WHERE SHE DISCUSSES HER ALCOHOLISM, THE CREATION OF HER FAMOUS CLINIC AND
7-Jan	Face/Nation	10:20-11 a.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	INTERVIEW WITH HOUSE SPEAKER NANCY PELOSI ABOUT THE WAR IN IRAQ, OPPOSITION TO INCREASING THE NUMBER OF TROOPS, AND A PHASED WITHDRAWL

7-Jan	8-9 a.m. news	8:08 a.m./ :33	Crime	LANSING POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING THE FIRST MURDERS OF THE YEAR---TWO YOUNG MEN STABBED---BOTH ON THE SAME NIGHT---BUT POLICE SAY THE CRIMES ARE NOT CONNECTED.
8-Jan	11 p.m. news	11:24 p.m./ :41	Health/ Health Care	LANSINGS CHRISTO REY HEALTH CLINIC HAS RE-OPENED AT A NEW TEMPORARY LOCATION NURSES AT THE CRISTO RAY CLINIC SAY THINGS ARE SLOWLY GETTING BACK TO NORMAL HERE AT THEIR NEW OFFICES ON MICHIGAN AVENUE. ITS ORIGINAL FACILITY BURNED DOWN ONE MONTH AGO FROM AN APPARENT ARSON FIRE. LOCAL DOCTORS HAVE FURNISHED EXAM ROOMS WITH DONATED BEDS AND METAL CHAIRS, AND NOW CRISTO REYS DIRECTOR SAYS IT'S BUSINESS AS USUAL.
10-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:11 p.m./ :21	Health/ Health Care	THE POSSIBILITY OF UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE IS TAKING CENTER STAGE FOR ONE SENATOR. AS THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE OVERSEEING HEALTH ISSUES--DEMOCRAT EDWARD KENNEDY IS URGING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE FOR EVERYONE. KENNEDY'S HOME STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS--BECAME THE FIRST STATE TO REQUIRE ALL RESIDENTS TO HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE.
11-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:20 p.m./ :22	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	AFTER HIS PRIME-TIME SPEECH LAST NIGHT--PRESIDENT BUSH WASTED NO TIME WITH EFFORTS TO CONVINCE AMERICANS THAT HIS NEW WAR PLAN IS *THE ANSWER* TO ENDING THE FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM IN IRAQ.
12-Jan	5-6 a.m. news	5:36 a.m./ :27	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	BREAKING NEWS THIS MORNING-- THE U-S EMBASSY IN GREECE HAS BEEN ATTACKED. HERE'S WHAT WE KNOW RIGHT NOW-- EARLIER THIS MORNING A BLAST WAS REPORTED COMING FROM THE U-S EMBASSY IN ATHENS GREECE. JUST A FEW HOURS AGO THAT BLAST WAS CONFIRMED BY GREEK POLICE-- AS AN ACT OF TERRORISM.
13-Jan	8-9 a.m. news	8:13 a.m./ :33	Crime	IT'S BEEN A TOUGH WEEK FOR LANSING'S GENESEE NEIGHBORHOOD-- WITH ONE MURDER AND ANOTHER SUSPICIOUS DEATH. NOW THE COMMUNITY IS LOOKING FOR ANSWERS. AND AS MONA SHAND SHOWS US--THEY FEEL THE CITY NEEDS TO DO MORE TO HELP THAT NEIGHBORHOOD.
14-Jan	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/	INTERVIEW WITH PRESIDENT BUSH, HIS FIRST SINCE CALLING FOR MORE TROOPS IN IRAQ. ALSO, THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DUKE LACROSSE RAPE CASE.
18-Jan	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	INTERVIEWS WITH JOHN MCCAIN AND BARACK OBAMA CONCERNING PRESIDENT BUSH'S DECISION TO SEND 21,000 MORE TROOPS TO IRAQ.
18-Jan	11 p.m. news	11:12 p.m./ :24	Education	THE NEWLY ELECTED CONGRESS IS TAKING A BITE OUT OF THE PRICE OF A COLLEGE EDUCATION. THE U-S HOUSE PASSED LEGISLATION CUTTING THE INTEREST RATES ON SOME STUDENT LOANS--- IN HALF. AS MONA SHAND TELLS US, THE RELIEF CAN'T COME SOON ENOUGH FOR LOCAL STUDENTS.

18-Jan	8:55 a.m. cut in	8:55 a.m./ :26	Economy	STATE LAWMAKERS ARE EXPECTED TO FIND OUT TODAY JUST HOW BIG MICHIGAN'S BUDGET DEFICIT IS. EARLIER THIS MONTH-- GOVERNOR JENNIFER GRANHOLM SAID THE STATE COULD BE DEALING WITH A ONE-BILLION DOLLAR SHORTFALL. GRANHOLM SAYS MICHIGAN'S STRUGGLING ECONOMY AND TAX STRUCTURE ARE SOME REASONS WHY THE STATE IS FACING BUDGET PROBLEMS. TODAY LAWMAKERS ARE SCHEDULED TO ATTEND A REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE TO DETERMINE HOW MUCH MONEY THEY'LL HAVE FOR THE YEAR.
21-Jan	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	INTERVIEW WITH SENATOR CHUCK HAGEL ABOUT HIS CRITICISM OF PRESIDENT BUSH'S WAR PLAN FOR IRAQ.
22-Jan	8:55 a.m. cut in	8:55 a.m./ :27	Education	RESULTS FROM THE MEAP TESTS ARE JUST IN TO OUR NEWSROOM THIS MORNING. THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REPORTS MATH AND READING SCORES INCREASED FOR THE STATE'S ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS. MATH SCORES IMPROVED AT EVERY SINGLE GRADE TESTED --3RD THROUGH 8TH WHILE READING SCORES INCREASED IN GRADES 4 THROUGH 8. FIFTH GRADE SCIENCE ALSO SHOWED AN INCREASE. FOR MORE ON THE MEAP RESULTS STAY WITH SIX NEWS -- WE'LL HAVE MORE ON THIS STORY THROUGHOUT THE DAY
22-Jan	11 p.m. news	11:08 p.m./ :27	Health/ Health Care	THE NATION'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IS UNDER SCRUTINY TONIGHT-- THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS SAYS THE STATE OF THE NATION'S HEALTH CARE IS INADEQUATE, AND WIDESPREAD REFORM IS NEEDED. THE REPORT SAYS TOO MANY DOCTORS ARE LEAVING THEIR PRACTICES BECAUSE OF PATIENT LOAD AND LACK OF GOVERNMENT FUNDING. THE DOCTOR'S GROUP IS URGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PLAN--THAT WOULD GIVE THE ESTIMATED 47-MILLION UNINSURED PEOPLE ACROSS THE NATION-- AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE.
24-Jan	6-7 a.m. news	6:10 a.m./ :23	Crime	SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE NEW YEAR... THE CITY OF LANSING HAS HAD THREE MURDERS AND ONE SUSPICIOUS DEATH. BUT YESTERDAY CITY LEADERS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO CHANGE THAT TREND.
25-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:12 p.m./ :25	Health/ Health Care	THE STATE WANTS ALL KIDS WHO ATTEND DAY CARE OR PRE-SCHOOL TO GET A NEW VACCINE. THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH SAYS IT'S A SIMPLE SHOT THAT COULD SAVE YOUR CHILD'S LIFE. TANIEYA LEWIS JOINS US IN STUDIO. TANIEYA WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THIS NEW VACCINE?
27-Jan	5-6 a.m. news	5:14 a.m./ :17	Environment	OME GOOD NEWS, POTENTIALLY, FOR THE ENVIRONMENT. PRESIDENT BUSH IS ANNOUNCING A NEW PLAN-----TO CLEAN UP THE NATION'S OCEANS AND COASTLINES. HE WANTS TO INCREASE THE FEDERAL BUDGET FOR MARINE PROGRAMS-----BY 143 MILLION DOLLARS. THAT MONEY WOULD GO TOWARD EXTRA RESEARCH, FORECASTING, AND WATER QUALITY MONITORING.
1/2/807	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy	THE INCREASINGLY COMPLICATED ELECTRONICS OUR SOCIETY RELIES ON HAS GIVEN RISE TO "THE GEEKS," THE ESSENTIAL TECHNICIANS. INTERVIEW WITH ROBERT STEVENS, WHO STARTED "THE GEEK SQUAD."
28-Jan	Face/Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	SEPARATE INTERVIEWS WITH SENATORS WEBB, SPECTER AND MCCONNELL ABOUT THEIR VIEWS ON PRESIDENT BUSH'S NEW WAR PLAN FOR IRAQ.

29-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:20 p.m./ :22	Education	IT'S A WEEK OF CELEBRATION FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN MID-MICHIGAN. HUNDRED'S GATHERED FOR A SPECIAL MASS THIS MORNING IN CELEBRATION OF "CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK". STUDENTS AND TEACHERS FROM OVER FORTY MID-MICHIGAN SCHOOLS ARE SPENDING THE WEEK RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THEIR AREA SCHOOLS. THE DIOCESE OF LANSING IS HOPING TO SPREAD ITS MESSAGE OF "THE GOOD NEWS IN EDUCATION"
1-Feb	6 p.m. news	6:25 p.m./ :56	Crime	POLICE CRACK THE CASE OF A MAJOR CRIME SPREE. INVESTIGATORS SAY TWO MEN ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MORE THAN 20 BREAK-INS IN LANSING AND EAST LANSING. JULIAN GRACE TELL HAS THE STORY.
1-Feb	11 p.m. news	11:19 p.m./ :29	Health/ Health Care	THE COST OF BIRTH CONTROL HAS MORE THAN TRIPLED FOR SOME WOMEN. ANGELA CUNNINGHAM EXPLAINS WHY THE PRICES HAVE RISEN... AND WHY SOME HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS ARE CONCERNED.
1-Feb	5-6 a.m. news	5:03 a.m./ :23	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	NINE SUSPECTS ARRESTED IN A COUNTER-TERRORISM SWEEP ARE NOW BEING QUESTIONED BY BRITISH POLICE. RAIDS WERE CARRIED OUT AT 12 HOUSES AND TWO ISLAMIC BOOKSHOPS IN BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND YESTERDAY. COUNTER-TERRORISM OFFICIALS SAY THEY ARRESTED MEN FOR PLANNING A KIDNAPPING PLOT. BRITISH BROADCASTERS SAY THE PLAN INVOLVED THE BEHEADING OF A BRITISH MUSLIM SOLDIER-- THAT WOULD HAVE BE SHOWN ON THE INTERNET.
7-Feb	6-7 a.m. news	6:15 a.m./ :45	Education	GOVERNOR JENNIFER GRANHOLM SAYS INVESTING IN EDUCATION IS VITAL TO TURN MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY AROUND. THAT MESSAGE WAS DELIVERED LAST NIGHT DURING HER STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS.
9-Feb	Noon news	12:10 p.m./ :30	Education/ Health/ Health care	FEDERAL SAFETY OFFICIALS MEET WITH AUTOMAKERS AND CAR MANUFACTURERS TO DISCUSS WAYS TO IMPROVE CHILD SAFETY SEATS. THEY SAY THE VAST VARIETY OF CAR SEATS AND THE DIFFERENT INSTALLATION METHODS HAS LED TO SOME CONFUSION. SO NOW-- THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION SAYS THE GOVERNMENT WILL PURSUE A CHILD-SEAT SAFETY EDUCATION CAMPAIGN THE MEETING COMES LESS THAN A MONTH AFTER A CONTROVERSIAL CONSUMER'S REPORT ON INFANT CAR SEATS.
9-Feb	Noon news	12:09 p.m./ :28	Health/ Health Care	MORE THAN A HUNDRED RESIDENTS OF A HOWELL NURSING HOME ARE LOOKING FOR A NEW PLACE TO LIVE THIS AFTER-NOON. AN INVESTIGATION BY THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH-- DISCOVERED REPEATED SAFETY VIOLATIONS BY STAFF AT THE CEDAR KNOLL CARE CENTER-- AND THAT PROMPTED OFFICIALS TO SHUT THE CENTER DOWN. THOSE VIOLATIONS INCLUDE--LEAVING PATIENTS EXPOSED TO COLD TEMPERATURES WITHOUT PROPER COVERING--A LACK OF GUARD-RAILS ON BEDS--AND IMPROPER TREATMENT OF PATIENTS WITH BEDSORES.

12-Feb	Noon news	12:03 p.m./ :25	Environment	LANSING MAYOR VIRG BERNERO HAS PLANS TO MAKE THE CITY MORE ENERGY EFFICIENT. BERNERO IS EXPECTED TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT TODAY TO JOIN MORE THAN 3-HUNDRED OTHER CITIES WORKING TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT. IT'S CALLED THE "GO GREEN, GO LANSING" INITIATIVE AND IT WILL REQUIRE THE CITY TO USE MORE ENERGY SAVING PRODUCTS SUCH AS MORE FUEL-EFFICIENT CARS. BERNERO WILL LAY OUT MORE OF THE PLAN DETAILS AT THE FENNER NATURE CENTER THIS AFTERNOON AT TWO.
12-Feb	5 p.m. news	5:15 p.m./ :30	Economy	MAKING NEWS ACROSS THE NATION TONIGHT--THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT IS REPORTING A *DROP* IN THIS YEAR'S FEDERAL DEFICIT. A REPORT OUT TODAY SAYS THAT FOR THE FIRST *FOUR* MONTHS OF THE BUDGET YEAR--FINANCIAL OFFICIALS HAVE SEEN A DROP OF NEARLY *SIXTY-PERCENT* FROM A YEAR AGO. THIS-- AS PRESIDENT BUSH SIGHTS OUR ECONOMY AS BEING HEALTHY--- WITH CONTINUED GROWTH EXPECTED.
12-Feb	6 p.m. news	6:23 p.m./ :27	Environment	ONE OF THE GREAT LAKES WILL SOON BE A LITTLE BIT CLEANER. A CHICAGO FOUNDATION IS PLEDGING FIVE MILLION DOLLARS TO ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS--FOR CLEANING UP LAKE ERIE'S LARGEST TRIBUTARY. THE MONEY WILL HELP REDUCE POLLUTION IN THE MAUMEE RIVER AND RESTORE BOTH WILDLIFE HABITATS AND WETLANDS.
13-Feb	6 p.m. news	6:06 p.m./ :44	Crime	A LIVINGSTON COUNTY MAN WILL SPEND UP TO THIRTY-FIVE YEARS BEHIND BARS--AFTER TRYING TO ARRANGE THE MURDER OF HIS WIFE. FORTY-TWO-YEAR-OLD ROBERT HEXIMER WAS SENTENCED YESTERDAY TO BETWEEN FOURTEEN TO THIRTY FIVE YEARS IN PRISON. POLICE SAY HE WAS IN JAIL FOR CHARGES OF HOME INVASION AND ASSAULT WHEN HE OFFERED TO PAY AN UNDERCOVER OFFICER TO KILL HIS ESTRANGED WIFE. HEXIMER PLED NO CONTEST TO ALL THREE CRIMES.
14-Feb	5-6 a.m. news	5:12 a.m./ :29	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	IN WASHINGTON D-C--DEBATE CONTINUES TODAY ON A RESOLUTION OPPOSING PRESIDENT BUSH'S TROOP BUILD-UP IN IRAQ. ON TUESDAY-- BACKERS OF THE NON-BINDING MEASURE ARGUED THAT THE PRESIDENT SHOULD CHANGE HIS IRAQ POLICY NOW. REPUBLICANS WHO OPPOSE THE RESOLUTION SAY A "YES" VOTE WOULD SIGNAL A LACK OF SUPPORT FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM.
16-Feb	5 p.m. news	5:21 p.m./ :17	Health/ Health care	BECAUSE THE NEED CONTINUES TO GROW, THE CARE-FREE CLINIC IS EXPANDING. IT'S ADDING DENTAL SERVICES AND MOVING TO A LARGER BUILDING. BUT IT WON'T BE ACCEPTING ANY NEW PATIENTS UNTIL NEXT MONTH. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO HELP THE CARE FREE CLINIC REACH ITS GOALS OF QUALITY CARE: CALL 517-887-5922.

19-Feb	11 p.m. news	11:30 p.m./ 1:25	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	FOR YEARS, SIX OF THE NATION'S LARGEST PORTS HAVE BEEN OPERATED BY A BRITISH COMPANY. BUT WHAT'S CAUSING CONTROVERSY NOW IS THE SALE OF THAT COMPANY TO A FIRM OWNED BY THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. LONDON BASED P &O - THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY OPERATES PART OF THE PORTS OF NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, MIAMI AND NEW ORLEANS. IN A 6-POINT-8 BILLION DOLLAR DEAL, P& O IS SELLING ITS OPERATION TO DUBAI PORTS WORLD -CONTROLLED BY THE U.A.E. THAT DEAL WAS APPROVED LAST MONTH BY CFIUS- THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES. IT INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES FROM MOST OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH , INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION DOES NOT SEE A DANGER.
21-Feb	7:55 a.m. cut in	7:55 a.m./ :22	Economy/ Crime	PLANS TO CLOSE A PRISON IN JACKSON HAVE COMMUNITY LEADERS WORRIED ABOUT THE IMPACT ON JACKSON COUNTY'S ECONOMY. THE STATE HAS DECIDED TO SHUT-DOWN THE SOUTHERN MICHIGAN CORRECTIONAL FACILITY BECAUSE OF BUDGET PROBLEMS. THE PRISON CURRENTLY EMPLOYS OVER 400 PEOPLE. THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS SAYS IT WILL LAY-OFF AS FEW WORKERS AS POSSIBLE IN AN EFFORT TO LIMIT THE ECONOMIC IMPACT.
21-Feb	Noon news	12:04 p.m./ :19	Health/Heal th care/ Economy	PRESIDENT BUSH PUSHES HIS NEW HEALTH CARE TAX BREAK IN TENNESSEE TODAY. THE PRESIDENT SAYS HIS GOAL IS TO HELP UNINSURED AMERICANS GET COVERAGE. AND HE WANTS TO END WHAT HE CALLS AN UNFAIR TAX BREAK FOR COMPANY PAID INSURANCE. BUT MANY DEMOCRATS WORRY THE PLAN WOULD CAUSE COMPANIES TO DROP THEIR CURRENT INSURANCE PLANS.
23-Feb	5 p.m. news	5:22 p.m./ :26	Education	A COUPLE LOCAL MAGNET SCHOOLS-- WELCOMED SOME VERY SPECIAL VISITORS FROM ABROAD TODAY. EDUCATORS FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM SPENT THE DAY LEARNING CREATIVE NEW WAYS TO MAKE MATH, SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING---FUN FOR THEIR STUDENTS BACK HOME. M-S-U HOSTED THE GROUP AS A PART OF THE TEACHERS' INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. IT ALLOWS U-K TEACHERS TO VISIT SCHOOLS FROM AROUND THE WORLD TO EXPERIENCE FIRST HAND--THE BEST OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION.
27-Feb	5 p.m. news	5:14 p.m./ :25	Crime	I'M STANDING HERE ON TURNER STREET AND GRAND RIVER...IN THE HEART OF LANSING'S OLD TOWN. JUST DOWN THE STREET...POLICE HAVE TAPED OFF THE AREA AROUND THE THE *CREOLE GALLERY* WHILE THEY INVESTIGATE THE CITY'S LATEST MURDER.
27-Feb	6-7 a.m. news	6:15 a.m./ :31	Health/Heal th care	SOME LANSING CITY OFFICIALS MAY HAVE TO PAY MORE FOR HEALTHCARE. LANSING MAYOR VIRG BERNERO IS INTRODUCING A NEW HEALTHCARE PLAN FOR THE CITY'S DEPARTMENT HEADS-- TO HELP SAVE MONEY. HERE'S HOW IT WORKS. UNDER THE PLAN DEPARTMENT HEADS WOULD PAY FIVE PERCENT OF THEIR HEALTHCARE PREMIUMS. AND PAY MORE TO SEE A DOCTOR IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM OR IN URGENT CARE.

27-Feb	6-7 a.m. news	6:41 a.m./ :30	Education/ Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	THREATS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST STUDENTS AT SPRINGPORT HIGH SCHOOL HAVE PARENTS CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR CHILDREN'S SAFETY THIS MORNING. OVER THE PAST TWO WEEKS A SERIES OF NOTES PROMISING ACTS OF VIOLENCE HAVE BEEN LEFT AROUND THE SPRINGPORT HIGH SCHOOL. THOSE THREATS INCLUDE TWO SEPARATE BOMB WARNINGS AND A NOTE THAT SAID STUDENTS WOULD BE PHYSICALLY HARMED. SO FAR NONE OF THE THREATS HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT-- BUT THAT DOESN'T MATTER TO SCHOOL OFFICIALS OR POLICE. THEY SAY THE THREATS ARE CONSIDERED AN ACT OF TERRORISM.
27-Feb	6 p.m. news	6:06 pm./ :22	Race relations	AN ANONYMOUS LETTER MAKES SOME WEIGHTY ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THE JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT. AND NOW THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE N-double a -C-P WILL COME TOGETHER TO DISCUSS IT. JULIAN GRACE HAS THE STORY.
1-Mar	6 p.m. news	6:03 p.m./ :25	Race relations	THE JACKSON BRANCH OF THE N-DOUBLE-A-C-P WILL MEET WITH CITY OF JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT--- OVER ACCUSATIONS OF DISCRIMINATION. THE N-DOUBLE-A-C-P GOT AN ANONYMOUS LETTER THAT CONTAINED THOSE ACCUSATIONS. THE JACKSON POLICE CHIEF DENIES ANY FORM OF WRONG-DOING. THE CHIEF SAYS HE'S LOOKING FORWARD TO THE MEETING AND WILL ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. ITS SCHEDULED FOR TONIGHT AT 6:30 AT THE DOCTOR MARTIN LUTHER KING JUNIOR RECREATION CENTER IN JACKSON.
1-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:03 a.m./ :52	Crime	A MAN ACCUSED OF CAUSING A VIOLENT ROLLOVER THAT MADE NATIONAL HEADLINES IS FOUND NOT GUILTY OF RECKLESS DRIVING. YOU MAY REMEMBER THIS ACCIDENT ALONG I-96 LAST MAY----AND THE STUNNING VIDEO CAUGHT ON TAPE BY AN OFF-DUTY OAKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF DEPUTY. LUCKILY, THE DRIVER OF THE S-U-V SUSTAINED ONLY MINOR INJURIES IN THE ACCIDENT. THE DRIVER THAT CAUSED THE ACCIDENT NINETEEN YEAR OLD TREVOR RYAN---WAS FOUND NOT GUILTY OF RECKLESS DRIVING---BUT WAS FOUND GUILTY OF LEAVING THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT CAUSING PERSONAL INJURY. HE MAY FACE UP TO ONE YEAR IN JAIL FOR THAT CRIME.
5-Mar	Noon news	12:05 p.m./ :40	Health/ Environment	A LAWSUIT FILED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AGAINST A DAY CARE IN GRAND LEDGE IS NOW SETTLED. THE D-E-Q FILED THE LAWSUIT AGAINST *KIDS UNIVERSITY CHILD CARE* IN 2005---IT ALLEGED THE DAY CARE DID NOT TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AFTER THE D-E-Q FOUND E-COLI IN THE WATER SUPPLY. AS A RESULT OF THE SETTLEMENT--THE DAY CARE WILL NO LONGER USE GROUND WATER FOR DRINKING. THEY MAY ONLY USE BOTTLED WATER. KIDS UNIVERSITY MUST ALSO PROPERLY CLOSE AND ABANDON A WATER WELL LOCATED ON THE PROPERTY---AND PAY A 6 THOUSAND DOLLAR FINE.

6-Mar	11 p.m. news	11:06 p.m./ :33	Economy	ANOTHER BLOW TO MICHIGANS ECONOMY-- AS A NATIONAL BANK--HEADQUARTERED HERE---PLANS TO MOVE OUT-OF-STATE. DETROIT BASED COMERICA BANK ANNOUNCED PLANS TODAY--TO MOVE ITS CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS TO DALLAS TEXAS LATER THIS YEAR. THE MOVE WILL AFFECT ABOUT 200 MICHIGAN EMPLOYEES. GOVERNOR GRANHOLM SAYS TODAYS ANNOUNCEMENT IS TOUGH TO HEAR--BUT SHE SAYS THE STATE WILL KEEP MOVING FORWARD WITH ITS ECONOMIC PLAN.
6-Mar	Noon news	12:02 p.m./ :29	Education	EDUCATION LEADERS FROM ACROSS THE STATE ARE IN LANSING TODAY... TRYING TO FIND WAYS TO SAVE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S MONEY. TRANSPORTATION OF STUDENTS IS THE MAIN POINT ON THE AGENDA. MORE THAN 631-MILLION DOLLARS IS SPENT EVERY YEAR TRANSPORTING STUDENTS TO AND FROM SCHOOLS IN THE STATE.. AND THAT ACCOUNTS FOR UP TO 6 PERCENT OF SOME DISTRICT'S BUDGETS. AS SCHOOLS ACROSS THE STATE ARE NOW DEALING WITH STATE CUTS AND BUDGET DEFICITS, THEY'RE HOPING THEY CAN WORK TOGETHER TO HELP CUT SOME OF THAT TRANSPORTATION COST DOWN.
8-Mar	7:55 a.m. cut in	7:55 a.m./ :34	Health/Health care/ Crime	A FEDERAL JUDGE SAYS CLOSING A JACKSON PRISON COULD ENDANGER LIVES OF THE PRISONERS THEMSELVES. THAT JUDGE PUT THE BRAKES ON THE STATES PLAN TO SHUT DOWN THE SOUTHERN MICHIGAN CORRECTIONAL FACILITY YESTERDAY. THAT PRISON PROVIDES SOME UNIQUE HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO MANY SERIOUSLY ILL INMATES---AND THE JUDGE RULED THAT CLOSING THE PRISON COULD BE DISASTROUS FOR THEM.
7-Mar	6 p.m. news	6:06 p.m./ 1:17	Race relations	ANN COULTER HAS SPOKEN TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ACROSS THE NATION ABOUT CONSERVATIVE ISSUES...HER SCHEDULED APPEARANCE AT CLEARY UNIVERSITY LATER THIS FALL HAS ALREADY UPSET SOME PEOPLE WHO SAY THIS IS NOT THE TYPE OF ATTENTION THE HOWELL AREA NEEDS. LIVINGSTON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIRMAN MATT EVANS WANTS THE UNIVERSITY TO SCRAP COULTER'S VISIT.
9-Mar	5 p.m. news	5:01 p.m./ 1:06	Crime	TWO PEOPLE ARE FOUND DEAD IN A WILLIAMSTON HOME--AND NOW--POLICE ARE SEARCHING FOR CLUES AS TO JUST *HOW* IT HAPPENED.
13-Mar	6 p.m. news	6:19 p.m./ :20	Economy	A NEW SURVEY BY MANPOWER SAYS THE LANSING ECONOMY WILL BE AMONG THE NATIONS WORST IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS--WHILE OTHER PARTS OF MID-MICHIGAN--- SEEM TO BE THRIVING. LAUREN THOMPSON EXPLAINS.
14-Mar	6 p.m. news	6:05 p.m./ :23	Education	THE STATE'S SCHOOLS CHIEF WILL STAY ON THE JOB FOR A LITTLE LONGER. MIKE FLANAGAN HAS BEEN GIVEN A ONE YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION. HIS CONTRACT HAS BEEN STRETCHED TO RUN THROUGH MAY FIRST OF TWO-THOUSAND AND TEN. THE EXTENSION DOES NOT AFFECT FLANAGAN'S SALARY.

14-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:34 a.m./ :33	Environment/ Economy	LEADERS FROM THE BIG THREE ARE SCHEDULED TO TESTIFY BEFORE A CONGRESSIONAL PANEL IN WASHINGTON D-C TODAY. THE HEARING IS EXPECTED TO FOCUS ON THE AUTO INDUSTRY'S IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. MICHIGAN CONGRESSMAN JOHN DINGLE-- SAYS PRESIDENT BUSH'S PROPOSAL TO IMPROVE GAS MILEAGE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE DISCUSSED DURING THE HEARING-- ALONG WITH OTHER ISSUES SURROUNDING GLOBAL WARMING.
15-Mar	6 p.m. news	6:04 p.m./ :21	Health/Health care/ Economy	GENERAL MOTORS SAYS IT HOPES TO MAKE CHANGES TO REDUCE SOME UNION COSTS. G-M WILL ASK EMPLOYEES TO PAY FOR MORE OF THE AUTOMAKERS'S HEALTH CARE AND PENSION COSTS--IN UPCOMING CONTRACT TALKS WITH THE U-A-W. IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT-- G-M SAID THAT IT NEEDS TO CONTINUE TO CUT COSTS TO RETURN TO PROFITABILITY.
16-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:22 a.m./ :28	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	THERE'S MORE INFORMATION BEING RELEASED FROM THE CONFESSION OF A TERRORIST BEING HELD IN GUANTANAMO BAY. THE PENTAGON HAS RELEASED A PREVIOUSLY BLACKED-OUT SECTION OF A TRANSCRIPT IN WHICH KALID SHAKE MOHAMMED SAYS HE BEHEADED WALL STREET JOURNAL REPORTER DANIEL PEARL. PEARL WAS KIDNAPPED AND KILLED IN PAKISTAN IN 2002. TERRORISM EXPERTS SAY THE CONFESSION IS OFFERING INSIGHT INTO HOW THE TERROR NETWORK OPERATES--BUT IT'S ALSO RAISING QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW THE CONFESSION CAME ABOUT.
16-Mar	11 p.m. news	11:17 p.m./ :39	Crime/ Race relations	MEANTIME-- POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING A POSSIBLE HATE CRIME IN HAMBURG TOWNSHIP. IT HAPPENED BACK ON MARCH 4TH ON *GLENN-ROY-LET* ROAD. POLICE SAY THAT SOME TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS RETURNED HOME FROM VACATION AND FOUND THEIR HOUSE RANSACKED AND ROBBED WITH RACIAL SLURS SPRAY PAINTED INSIDE THE HOME. A TWO-THOUSAND DOLLAR REWARD IS BEING OFFERED FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARRESTS OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE.
21-Mar	Noon news	12:09 p.m./ :30	Environment	CANADIAN TRASH MAY BE ON IT'S WAY OUT OF MICHIGAN. A US HOUSE SUB-COMMITTEE JUST APPROVED A NEW BILL TO REGULATE IMPORTS OF TRASH FROM CANADA AND OTHER NATIONS. THE BILL WOULD GIVE STATES MORE POWER TO LIMIT THE SHIPMENT AND DUMPING OF IMPORTED WASTE UNTIL THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ISSUES REGULATIONS. MICHIGAN GETS ABOUT 350 TRUCK LOADS OF CANADIAN TRASH A DAY AND ABOUT FOUR (M) MILLION METRIC TONS EACH YEAR.
21-Mar	Noon news	12:03 p.m./ :28	Environment	AL GORE TESTIFIES ABOUT GLOBAL WARMING BEFORE CONGRESS TODAY. GORE IS CALLING FOR THE U-S GOVERNMENT TO TAKE A STRONGER ROLE IN CLEANING UP THE ENVIRONMENT. THE FORMER VICE PRESIDENT HAS GAINED A LOT ATTENTION ON THE TOPIC LATELY. BECAUSE HE RECENTLY MADE A DOCUMENTARY ON GLOBAL WARMING CALLED "AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH."

22-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:34 a.m./ :26	Health/Health care	THE UN-INSURED ARE ABOUT TO GET SOME HELP WITH AFFORDABLE HEALTH-CARE IN LANSING. A NEW HEALTH CARE CENTER THAT WILL PROVIDE MEDICAL SERVICES FOR LITTLE OR NO CHARGE TO PEOPLE WITH NO INSURANCE-- IS ABOUT TO OPEN IN LANSING. IT WILL PROVIDE EVERYTHING FROM DENTAL WORK-- TO SURGERY-- AND COULD SERVE AS MANY AS FIVE-THOUSAND PATIENTS BY THE END OF 2007. THE DOCTOR'S WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR OPENING THE CLINIC SAYS HE'S DOING IT TO HELP PEOPLE FEEL BETTER ABOUT THEMSELVES.
24-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:23 p.m./ :32	Race relations	A TOURING THEATER GROUP--IS OFFERING LIFE LESSONS ON RACISM AND HOPE TO SOME AREA RESIDENTS. THE MOSAIC YOUTH THEATRE FROM DETROIT PERFORMED *THIS* PLAY AT THE OKEMOS LIBRARY THIS MORNING. THEIR GOAL IS TO SHOWCASE ACCEPTANCE AND UNDERSTANDING FOR ONE ANOTHER. THE GROUP ALSO HELD PERFORMANCES AT HOLT JR. HIGH SCHOOL AND GARDNER MIDDLE SCHOOL THIS AFTERNOON.
26-Mar	6 p.m. news	6:02 p.m./ :22	Economy	STATE HOUSE DEMOCRATS SAY THEY WANT MORE SMALL BUSINESSES TO START UP IN MICHIGAN. THEY UNVEILED A PLAN TODAY TO OFFER INCENTIVES FOR RESIDENTS WANTING TO START THEIR OWN BUSINESSES. THE PROPOSAL INCLUDES HEALTHCARE TAX CREDITS AND FREE TUITION FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP COURSES. DEMOCRATS SAY BY HAVING MORE SMALL BUSINESSES IN MICHIGAN--THE STATES ECONOMY WILL GET A BOOST
27-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:15 a.m./ :27	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	THE FIRST TERROR SUSPECT TO FACE PROSECUTION UNDER NEW MILITARY TRIBUNALS AT THE GUANTANAMO BAY PRISON IS WAITING TO BE SENTENCED. ON MONDAY---AUSTRALIAN DAVID HICKS PLED GUILITY TO TERRORISM CHARGES. HICKS HAS BEEN IN U-S CUSTODY FOR FIVE YEARS-- ACCUSED OF TRAINING WITH AL QAEDA AND FIGHTING ALONGSIDE THE TALIBAN IN AFGHANISTAN. HE COULD KNOW HIS SENTENCE BY THE END OF THE WEEK..
27-Mar	5-6 a.m. news	5:14 a.m./ :43	Education	HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING IS ONCE AGAIN AT THE CENTER OF A DEBATE INVOLVING THE STATE'S BUDGET CRISIS. STATE REPRESENTATIVE BILL CAUL SAYS HE WILL FIGHT FOR WHAT HE CALLS FAIR FUNDING. GOVERNOR GRANHOLM PROPOSED ONE BUDGET FOR THE THREE LARGEST RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES--INCLUDING MSU, U OF M AND WAYNE STATE. THE REMAINING 12 SCHOOLS WOULD HAVE A DIFFERENT BUDGET.
28-Mar	11 p.m. news	11:31 p.m./ :35	Crime	THIS WEEK WE'RE FEATURING FOUR FUGITIVE FELONS---ALL WANTED ON A VARIETY OF FELONY CHARGES--SO--TAKE A CLOSE LOOK--AND SEE IF YOU CAN HELP CRIMESTOPPERS PUT THESE FOLKS--BACK BEHIND BARS
29-Mar	5 p.m. news	5:04 p.m./ :25	Race relations	THE HONORABLE "TUSKAGEE AIRMEN" OF WORLD WAR TWO--ARE BEING HONORED AGAIN TODAY--IN A BIG WAY. THE LEGENDARY BLACK AVIATORS--NOW HAVE THE NATION'S HIGHEST HONOR...THE CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL. THOUGH UP AGAINST SKEPTICISM AND RACISM OVER THEIR ABILITIES MORE THAN SIXTY YEARS AGO--THE GROUP AMASSED AN IMPRESSIVE RECORD OF SUCCESS ON THEIR WAR MISSIONS. THE MEDAL WAS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH LEGISLATION CO-SPONSORED BY MICHIGAN SENATOR CARL LEVIN.