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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 2008
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
1-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:07 p.m./ :22	Race Relations	THE SOUNDS OF DRUMS CAN BE HEARD LOUD AND CLEAR AT SAINT STEPHEN'S COMMUNITY CHURCH IN LANSING. THE CHURCH IS CELEBRATING THE LAST DAY OF *KWANZAA*...AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL EVENT. KWANZAA SPANS SEVEN DAYS...AND RECOGNIZES THE VALUES...CUSTOMS...AND TRADITIONS OF AFRICA. CHURCH LEADERS SAY...THIS YEAR'S CELEBRATION...WILL BE THEIR BIGGEST IN TWENTY YEARS.
2-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:26 p.m./ :29	Education	WITH HOLIDAY BREAK---STILL UNDERWAY FOR MANY LOCAL KIDS--- SOME FAMILIES ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF AREA LIBRARIES. IN EAST LANSING-- KIDS AGED THREE AND UP--WERE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A FUN "GRAB-BAG CRAFT SESSION"... TO BUT THEIR YOUNG CREATIVITY TO THE TEST. KIDS MADE THEIR OWN MASTERPIECES OUT OF SIMPLE SUPPLIES--- LIKE MARKERS, PAPER AND GLUE!
3-Jan	6-7 a.m. news	6:10 a.m./ :30	Economy	CHRYSLER PLANS TO LAY OFF MORE THAN ONE-THOUSAND WORKERS IN A PLANNED CUT-BACK AT IT'S NORTHERN ILLINOIS PLANT. ON WEDNESDAY, THE COMPANY SAID IT WOULD ELIMINATE 1096 WORKERS AT IT'S ASSEMBLY PLANT IN BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS. A COMPANY SPOKESMAN SAYS THE ACTIONS ARE A RESULT OF A TOUGH ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT.
4-Jan	5-6 a.m. news	5:06 a.m./ :22	Crime	A DALLAS MAN WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON THURSDAY AFTER SPENDING NEARLY 27 YEARS BEHIND BARS FOR A CRIME HE DIDN'T COMMIT. A JUDGE LET 47-YEAR-OLD CHARLES CHATMAN GO--- AFTER HE WAS CLEARED BY D-N-A TESTING. HE HAD SERVED ALMOST 27 YEARS OF A 99 YEAR SENTENCE FOR AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ASSAULT. 30 INMATES HAVE BEEN CLEARED BY D-N-A TESTING IN TEXAS IN RECENT YEARS--THAT'S THE MOST OF ANY STATE IN THE NATION.
5-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:03 p.m./ :24	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Race Relations	PRESIDENT BUSH HAS OFFERED A BIT OF A PREVIEW OF HIS UPCOMING EIGHT-DAY TRIP TO THE MIDDLE EAST. THE PRESIDENT LEAVES ON TUESDAY. TODAY...DURING HIS RADIO ADDRESS...HE SAID HIS TRIP WILL BE FOCUSED ON IRAN, TERRORISM AND PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THE PRESIDENT SAYS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST...DIRECTLY IMPACT OUR LIVES HERE. AND THAT'S WHY IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THE U-S COMMITMENT TO SECURITY THERE... IS STRONG AND ENDURING.

5-Jan	11 p.m. news	11:03 p.m./ :24	Environment	THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS ENDED TALKS WITH DOW CHEMICAL...OVER THE CLEANUP OF DIOXIN. THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY SAYS IT HAS FAILED TO REACH AN AGREEMENT WITH DOW...ON HOW TO CLEAN UP THE TITTABAWASSEE RIVER SYSTEM. A DOW SPOKESMAN SAYS THE MIDLAND-BASED COMPANY... THOUGHT ITS PLAN TO DEAL WITH DIOXINS EXCEEDED REASONABLE EXPECTATIONS. BUT THE E-P-A SAYS IT WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY DEAL THAT ISN'T COMPREHENSIVE.
6-Jan	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Crime	An interview with Pakistan's President Pervez Musharraf regarding the assassination of his chief political rival, Benazir Bhutto. Also, an interview/profile of John Martorano, the infamous triggerman for Boston's Winter Hill Gang. Recently released after serving twelve years in prison, Martorano became a government witness in 1995, when he learned that his partners, James "Whitey" Bulger and Stevie "the Rifleman" Flemmi had broken his code of loyalty and were top-level FBI informants.
8-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:02 p.m./ :27	Health/ Health care	NEARLY ONE MILLION MICHIGAN RESIDENTS DON'T HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE-- AND THAT NUMBER IS GROWING BY THE DAY. NOW-- ONE GROUP WANTS TO HOLD THE STATE ACCOUNTABLE. SO THEY'RE LAUNCHING AN INITIATIVE TO CHANGE THE WAY MICHIGAN THINKS ABOUT HEALTH CARE. MONA SHAND TELLS US-- WHY THEY WANT YOU TO SIGN ON THE DOTTED LINE.
10-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:14 p.m./ :26	Crime/ Education	CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY IS DOING MORE TO COMBAT HATE CRIMES. YOU MAY RECALL... A STUDENT ADMITTED TO HANGING FOUR NOOSES ON CAMPUS BACK IN NOVEMBER. WE'LL TODAY...THE CAMPUS IS HOLDING AN OPEN FORUM DISCUSSING THAT INCIDENT. AND OTHER ISSUES...LIKE HATE SYMBOLS AND BIAS ACTS. MEANTIME... AUTHORITIES IN ISABELLA COUNTY - WHERE C-M-U IS LOCATED - ARE TRYING TO DETERMINE IF THE STUDENT INVOLVED IN THE NOVEMBER INCIDENT...SHOULD BE CHARGED WITH ETHNIC INTIMIDATION.
12-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:04 p.m./ :28	Education	STATE ANALYSTS SAY...THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS GETTING AN EDUCATION IN MICHIGAN...WILL CONTINUE TO DECLINE. RIGHT NOW...THE STATE HAS ABOUT 1-POINT-65 MILLION STUDENTS. ANALYSTS SAY NEXT YEAR... ENROLLMENT WILL DROP BY 200-THOUSAND. THAT'S AFTER AN UNUSUALLY LARGE SENIOR CLASS GRADUATES THIS SPRING. MORE THAN 4-HUNDRED OF THE STATE'S 5-HUNDRED-52 SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE LOSING STUDENTS. ANALYSTS SAY A BIG REASON...IS A LOWER BIRTH RATE. ALSO CONTRIBUTING TO THE DECLINE...MORE FAMILIES ARE LEAVING THE STATE.
13-Jan	Face/ Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy	Topics include: speculation as to the outcome and the significance of winning the Michigan primary; the current economic situation in Michigan and its possible effect on the rest of the United States / the state of the automotive industry / opposition to the recently passed mandate to improve fuel economy on cars due to the lack of help from the federal government / the need to invest in technology and research and the development of new products as a possible solution; reaction to Mike Huckabee's claim that he operated a leveraged buyout company / his experience as a businessman in the private sector and the advantage that gives him over the other candidates; opposition to Mike Huckabee's political advertisements claiming he cut taxes when he was governor of Arkansas.

13-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:02 p.m./ :22	Economy	A LOCAL BUSINESS HOSTED A FOOD DRIVE TODAY...TO HELP THE GREATER LANSING FOOD BANK. THE GIFT AND BIBLE BOOK STORE IN LANSING'S FRANDOR SHOPPING CENTER INVITED PEOPLE TO CONTRIBUTE ALL KINDS OF NON-PERISHABLE PRODUCTS...TO HELP THOSE HIT HARD DURING THE STATE'S TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES.
13-Jan	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Environmen t/ Crime	A report on how the growing demand for bluefin tuna, highly coveted in Japan and the rest of the world as the ultimate taste experience in sushi, is impacting the traditional fishing industry in the Mediterranean. Needing to supply the demand, high-tech fishing methods are being used, which ultimately threaten to endanger the species. Includes interviews with Harvard University professor Ted Bestor and Roberto Mielgo. Also, report on the ongoing civil war in the Democratic Republic of Congo, where rape is being used as a weapon of war against women and children. Among those interviewed are Dr. Denis Mukwege, director of the Panzi Hospital; Anneka Van Woudenberg, senior Congo researcher at Human Rights Watch; Lucienne M'Maroyhi, a survivor; and Judithe Registre of Women For Women.
16-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:03 p.m./ :29	Environmen t	TWO PARTIES NOT KNOWN FOR GETTING ALONG-- GATHERED TOGETHER TODAY AT THE KELLOGG CENTER. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION GROUPS ATTENDED A CONFERENCE HOSTED BY THE NATURE CONSERVANCY. SPEAKERS PRESENTED NEW PLANS TO DEVELOP ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS IN MICHIGAN.
16-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:04 p.m./ :39	Health/ Health care	INDIVIDUALIZED HEALTH INSURANCE COULD SOON BE EASIER FOR MICHIGAN CITIZENS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF. THAT'S BECAUSE---THE CONSUMERS FOR FAIR AND AFFORDABLE INSURANCE REFORM---HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY--ANNOUNCING THE FORMATION OF A NEW COALITION. THE GROUP WILL CONSIST OF BUSINESSES...LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AND OTHER CITIZEN GROUPS. THEIR GOAL? TO REFORM HEALTH CARE-- BECAUSE INDIVIDUALIZED INSURANCE IS ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING MARKETS IN MICHIGAN--- BUT IS NOT READILY AVAILABLE TO MANY RESIDENTS.
17-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:02 p.m./ :28	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Crime	OFFICIALS SAY A FORMER MICHIGAN CONGRESSMAN-- IS CONNECTED TO A TERRORIST FUNDRAISING RING. MARK SILI-JANDER IS CHARGED WITH MONEY LAUNDERING--CONSPIRACY AND OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE. HE'S ACCUSED OF LYING ABOUT LOBBYING SENATORS ON BEHALF OF AN ISLAMIC CHARITY-- ONE THAT ALLEGEDLY SENT MORE THAN 130-THOUSAND DOLLARS--- TO AN AL-QAIDA AND TALIBAN SUPPORTER. SILI-JANDER IS A REPUBLICAN FROM SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN-- WHO SERVED TWO HOUSE TERMS DURING THE 1980'S. HE ALSO SERVED AS A U-S DELEGATE TO THE UNITED NATIONS IN 1987.
18-Jan	Noon News	12:04 p.m./ :25	Economy	MICHIGAN HAS BEEN FEELING THE ECONOMIC PINCH LONGER THAN MOST OTHER STATES---AND THINGS HERE AREN'T EXPECTED TO GET BETTER ANY TIME SOON. EXPERTS SAY UNLESS THE STATE MAKES SOME DRASTIC CHANGES--WE COULD BE HEADED TOWARD THE SAME TYPE OF RECESSION WE HAD IN THE EARLY 80'S.

20-Jan	Face/ Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Race Relations	Topics include: the status of his campaign; Senator Hillary Clinton and Senator Barack Obama as candidates; his political strategy / the meaning behind a "leaked" strategy memo characterizing Senators Clinton and Obama as celebrity candidates; the significance of super Tuesday; Senator John McCain as the likely Republican opponent; the perception of a focus on the factor of race in the Clinton and Obama campaigns.
21-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:05 p.m./ :1:08	Race Relations	MARTIN LUTHER KING JUNIOR FOUGHT FOR CIVIL RIGHTS DECADES BEFORE MANY OF THESE MICHIGAN STATE STUDENTS WERE EVEN BORN---BUT TODAY ON CAMPUS--THEY'RE LOOKING BACK AND SAYING THANK YOU. JENNIFER WARD IS ONE OF DOZENS OF MICHIGAN STATE STUDENTS TAKING PART IN TODAY'S MLK LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. SHE SAYS IT THE MOST EYE OPENING PART OF THE DAY WAS SITTING DOWN WITH A MICHIGAN GRAD FROM 1952.
21-Jan	6 p.m. news	6:04 p.m./ :21	Crime	LANSING POLICE NEED YOUR HELP TONIGHT--TRACKING DOWN THE SUSPECT--IN AN ARMED ROBBERY. IT HAPPENED AT A SPEEDWAY GAS STATION--- ON SOUTH CEDAR--- EARLY SUNDAY MORNING. POLICE SAY A MAN--- WALKED UP TO THE CLERK--- WITH A WEAPON--- AND DEMANDED MONEY. HE GOT AWAY WITH THE CASH. IF YOU HAVE *ANY* INFORMATION ON THIS CRIME--YOU'RE ASKED TO CALL CRIMESTOPPERS.... THAT NUMBER--- IS 517-483-STOP.
22-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:03 p.m./ :28	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	A TERRORIST CONSPIRATOR IS BEHIND BARS TONIGHT. JOSE PADILLA hoh-ZAY' puh-DEE'-uh) WAS SENTENCED TO MORE THAN 17 YEARS IN PRISON FOR SUPPORTING TERRORISM. THE U-S CITIZEN WAS ONCE ACCUSED OF PLOTTING TO BLOW UP A RADIO-ACTIVE BOMB IN A MAJOR AMERICAN CITY. PADILLA AND TWO OTHER MEN WERE CONVICTED FOR BEING PART OF A NORTH AMERICAN SUPPORT CELL FOR AL QAEDA AND OTHER ISLAMIC EXTREMISTS. PROSECUTORS SOUGHT LIFE IMPRISONMENT-- BUT THE JUDGE GAVE PADILLA CREDIT FOR TIME SPENT IN A MILITARY JAIL.
22-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:06 p.m./ :26	Health/ Health care/ Crime	A MENTALLY ILL INMATES DEATH COULD LEAD TO RADICAL CHANGES TO MICHIGAN'S PRISON SYSTEM. THAT INMATE'S DEATH IN 2006 - GRABBED NATIONAL ATTENTION...AND PROMPTED A YEAR LONG INVESTIGATION. TODAY THE STATE RELEASED THE FINDINGS OF THAT INVESTIGATION. ANGELA CUNNINGHAM HAS THE DETAILS.
24-Jan	11 p.m. news	11:30 p.m./ :29	Health/ Health care	A NEW GROUP SAYS ITS FIGHTING TO IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH CARE ACROSS THE STATE. ITS KNOWN AS MICHIGAN PARTNERS IN CRISIS. THEY ARE CALLING FOR CHANGE---SAYING TOO MANY PEOPLE WITH UNTREATED MENTAL ILLNESS ARE ENDING UP IN JAIL OR PRISON. THEY SAY MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE TO GET THESE PEOPLE ADEQUATE CARE OUTSIDE OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM.
25-Jan	7:55 a.m. cut-in	7:55 a.m./ :16	Economy	A TAX REBATE COULD BE IN YOUR MAILBOX BY SPRING--HOWEVER--THE REFUND DOES NOT EXTEND TO EVERYBODY--SOME LOCAL RESIDENTS WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED-- WON'T SEE A REFUND. ONE LANSING RESIDENT SAYS SHE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE PEOPLE WHO NEED THIS BOOST THE MOST-- ARE BEING IGNORED.

25-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:02 p.m./ 1:23	Crime	IT WAS A MOMENT CLAUDE MCCOLLUM HAD ANTICIPATED FOR THREE LONG YEARS. THIS PAST OCTOBER HE FINALLY WALKED OUT OF JAIL A FREE MAN. AFTER BEING WRONGLY CONVICTED OF MURDER AND SENTENCED TO LIFE PRISON. IT'S A QUESTION HIS ATTORNEY HUGH CLARKE WANTS ANSWERED TOO. HUGH CLARKE IS CLAUDE MCCOLLUM'S ATTORNEY. HE'S FILED A LAWSUIT ON MCCOLLUM'S BEHALF CLAIMING PROSECUTORS AND POLICE WITHHELD EVIDENCE THAT COULD HAVE CLEARED HIS CLIENT. IN FACT...HE SAYS...IT'S THE SAME EVIDENCE THAT WOULD EVENTUALLY SET HIM FREE.
27-Jan	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy	A report on the United States subprime mortgage crisis, in which banks loaned hundreds of billions of dollars to home buyers who are unable to pay them back. Wall Street took the risky debt, dressed it up as fancy securities and sold them around the world as safe investments. Among those interviewed are real estate agent Kevin Moran and Jim Grant
29-Jan	6-7 a.m. news	6:14 a.m./ :25	Economy	MEANWHILE--- THERE MAY BE A DELAY WITH THE PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE--- AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE HAS SCHEDULED HEARINGS FOR WEDNESDAY FOR A DIFFERENT VERSION OF THE PLAN. THE SENATE VERSION INCLUDES LOWER TAX REBATES THAN AGREED UP-ON BY HOUSE LEADERS AND THE WHITE HOUSE. SOME LAWMAKERS ARE WARNING THAT THIS NEW PLAN COULD JEOPARDIZE THE ENTIRE PACKAGE.
29-Jan	Noon News	12:03 p.m./ :22	Education/ Economy	GOVERNOR GRANHOLM LAID OUT HER PLANS FOR MICHIGAN IN TONIGHTS ANNUAL STATE-OF-THE-STATE ADDRESS. THE FOCUS WAS ON JOBS, THE ECONOMY---AND EDUCATION. SHE ALSO INTRODUCED A MICHIGAN ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE---WITH ONE BILLION DOLLARS WORTH---WOULD REBUILD MICHIGANS AGING INFRASTRUCTURE---AND CREATE UP TO 28 THOUSAND NEW JOBS--MAINLY IN CONSTRUCTION AND EDUCATION.
30-Jan	5 p.m. news	5:12 p.m./ :24	Environmen t	WHEN IT COMES TO ENERGY--- AND THE ENVIRONMENT--MIGHIGAN RESIDENTS ARE STARTING TO TAKE NOTE. A NEW SURVEY BY MSU'S INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC POLICY SHOWS MORE THAN 90 PERCENT OF MICHIGAN RESIDENTS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE RISING COST OF ENERGY. OVER 75 PERCENT SAY ENERGY EFFICIENCY IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THEM AND THEIR FAMILY. AND THE MAJORITY OF RESIDENTS--SUPPORTE STATE GOVERNMENT PLAYING A ROLE IN PUSHING FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY.
3-Feb	Face/ Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Economy	Interview with Senator John McCain. Topics include: the criticism from some members of the right wing that he is not conservative enough / reaction to Mitt Romney's claim that he is "not in line with the mainstream of the party"; position on tax cuts; his chance of winning the presidency should conservatives not participate; participation in the upcoming Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC); his ability to work with Democrats to co-sponsor legislation while maintaining a conservative record; positive reaction to Senator Barack Obama's claim that a McCain presidency will continue to follow President Bush's economic and foreign policies.
3-Feb	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy	A profile of Dubai, a wealthy and stable sheikdom nestled along the Persian Gulf. Part of the United Arab Emirates, Dubai has transformed itself into a political, economic and financial success. Includes an interview with Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, the man behind the vision.

4-Feb	7:25 a.m. cut-in	7:25 a.m./ :19	Economy	CONGRESS--AND THE WHITE HOUSE--ARE TRYING TO FIND A WAY TO HELP FEND OFF A RECESSION. TODAY CONGRESSMAN MIKE ROGERS WILL BE IN OUR STUDIO TO DISCUSS THE ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE AND HOW IT WILL AFFECT ID MICHIGAN.
5-Feb	6-7 a.m. news	6:19 a.m./ :32	Crime	POLICE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE ARE SEARCHING FOR A COUPLE CAUGHT ON TAPE STEALING FROM A COFFEE SHOP--USING THEIR BABY TO HELP SHIELD THE CRIME. SURVEILLANCE VIDEO SHOWS A MAN SWIPING A RED CROSS DONATION JAR FROM THE COUNTER AND TUCKING IT UNDER HIS SWEATSHIRT. THE WOMAN STANDING BESIDE HIM USES THE CHILD TO SHIELD THE ACTIVITY. AND POLICE SAY IT'S SOMETHING THAT THEY'VE DONE BEFORE.
6-Feb	5 p.m. news	5:07 p.m./ :19	Environment/ Health/ Health care	RESEARCHERS REPORT YOUNG CHILDREN EXPOSED TO SECOND-HAND SMOKE ARE MUCH MORE LIKELY TO DEVELOP ALLERGIES. THE FINDINGS SUPPORT THE THEORY THAT EARLY DAMAGE TO THE LUNG'S AIRWAYS... MAKES CHILDREN MORE VULNERABLE TO THE ENVIRONMENT. THEY ALSO OFFER PARENTS YET ANOTHER REASON... TO QUIT SMOKING OR TO ALWAYS KEEP IT AWAY FROM THEIR KIDS.
6-Feb	11p.m. news	11:31 p.m./ :21	Health/ Health Care/ Crime	A NEW STUDY CLAIMS PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH CARE OF PRISONERS IN MICHIGAN ---IS SEVERELY LACKING. THE AMERICAN SERVICE FRIENDS COMMITTEE---JUST RELEASED ITS REPORT TO THE MEDIA TODAY. AMONG ITS FINDINGS--YEARS OF WHAT COMMITTEE MEMBERS SAY ARE LEGITIMATE COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE SYSTEM---FROM PRISONERS---AND THEIR FAMILIES.
10-Feb	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy	A report on the ongoing debate over the U.S. Mint abolishing the production of pennies and nickels, whose metal content is worth more than their face value. Includes interviews with U.S. Mint Director Edmund Moy; Stephen Dubner, co-author of "Freakonomics"; Mark Weller, voice of Americans for Common Cents and a lobbyist for Jarden Zinc; and Jeff Gore, a scientist at MIT.
12-Feb	5-6 a.m. news	5:13 a.m./ :20	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Crime	MILITARY OFFICIALS SAY THEY'LL SEEK THE DEATH PENALTY AGAINST SIX GUANTANAMO BAY DETAINEES CHARGED WITH MURDER AND WAR CRIMES FOR THE SEPTEMBER ELEVENTH ATTACKS. THEY'RE HOPING TO TRY ALL SIX TOGETHER -- INCLUDING THE ALLEGED MASTERMIND OF 9-11--- KHALID SHEIK MOHAMMED-- IN THE FIRST CAPITAL TRIAL UNDER THE TERRORISM ERA MILITARY TRIBUNAL SYSTEM.
12-Feb	6 p.m. news	6:03 p.m./ :20	Economy	A NEW STUDY CLAIMS MICHIGAN IS LAGGING BEHIND OTHER STATES IN TRANSITION TO A KNOWLEDGE BASED ECONOMY. THE REPORT--- BY MICHIGAN FUTURE -- A NON PARTISAN RESEARCH GROUP -- SAYS THE KEY TO MICHIGAN'S ECONOMIC GROWTH IS KEEPING AND ATTRACTING MORE COLLEGE GRADUATES TO OUR STATE. RIGHT NOW, IT SAYS DETROIT AND LANSING ARE NOT MEASURING UP TO OTHER MIDWEST CITIES.

12-Feb	6 p.m. news	6:27 p.m./ :31	Education	THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS CONSIDERING ALLOWING SOME HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO USE A FIFTH YEAR TO GRADUATE. MICHIGAN LAW ALREADY LETS SCHOOLS COLLECT A FIFTH YEAR OF PER-PUPIL STATE AID - FOR MOST STUDENTS TAKING FIVE YEARS TO GRADUATE-- BUT CURRENTLY-- SCHOOLS ARE PENALIZED UNDER THE FEDERAL NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT IF STUDENTS DON'T GRADUATE IN FOUR. THAT CAN COST SCHOOLS FEDERAL FUNDING. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WOULD ALSO HAVE TO GO ALONG WITH THE PLAN FOR ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FOR IT TO BECOME OFFICIAL
13-Feb	6 p.m. news	6:05 p.m./ :21	Crime	ANYONE ARRESTED FOR A VIOLENT CRIME-- COULD BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A D-N-A SAMPLE. THAT AFTER A VOTE FROM A MICHIGAN HOUSE PANEL. STATE LAW ALREADY REQUIRES SUCH A SAMPLE WHEN SOMEONE IS CONVICTED-- BUT BACKERS OF THE NEW LAW SAY EXPANDING THE REQUIREMENT TO ARRESTED SUSPECTS--WOULD GIVE POLICE ANOTHER TOOL TO SOLVE COLD CASES...PREVENT MORE CRIMES...AND RELEASE THE INNOCENT.
14-Feb	5 p.m. news	5:04 p.m./ :28	Race Relations	IN RECOGNITION ON BLACK HISTORY MONTH....LEADERS FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE...JOINED LAWMAKERS AT THE STATE CAPITOL TODAY. PARTICIPANTS LISTENED WHILE N-A-A-C-P COMMITTEE MEMBERS DISCUSSED PRESSING ISSUES...INCLUDING THE STATE'S BUDGET PROCESS...EC-ONOMIC GROWTH...AND TAX ASSISTANCE FOR WORKERS. STATE SENATOR MARK SCHAUER HOSTED THE EVENT... AND SAYS HE HOPES THAT VOTERS CAN HELP SENATORS MAKE INFORMED CHOICES REGARDING THE STATE BUDGET
17-Feb	Face/ Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Race Relations/ Health/ Health Care	Interview with David Axelrod and Howard Wolfson. Topics include: the number of African-American party officials and members of Congress, some of whom are superdelegates, who pledged support for Senator Hillary Clinton and now say they will vote for Senator Barack Obama at the convention / the impact that has on both campaigns; the role of debates in the race to secure the nomination; Senator John McCain's pledge to accept limits on campaign spending once he reaches the general election / apparent backing away by Senator Obama from that pledge. Also, an interview with Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and Mayor Doug Wilder. Topics include: President Bill Clinton's remarks in South Carolina, comparing Senator Barack Obama to Jesse Jackson / the supposed Hispanic-African American divide amongst Latino voters / the likelihood that the nominee will be decided at the convention / the issue of experience versus unity / Senator Clinton's efforts in health care.
17-Feb	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Health/ Health Care	A report on the drug Trasylol, made by Bayer and given in the operating room to control bleeding. In 2006, a study revealed widespread death associated with the drug, but it took Bayer and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration nearly two years to remove it from the market. Among those interviewed are Dr. Dennis Mangano, an eminent medical researcher and author of the study; and Dr. William Hiatt, a cardiologist and chairman of the FDA's Advisory Committee.

18-Feb	6-7 a.m. news	6:04 a.m./ :28	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	NORTH KOREA WANTS PROMISED ENERGY-AID AND REMOVAL FROM THE U-S TERRORISM AND SANCTIONS LISTS BEFORE IT WILL PROVIDE A COMPLETE DECLARATION OF IT'S NUCLEAR PROGRAMS. THE NATION ALSO SAYS IT'S SLOWED THE REMOVAL OF FUEL RODS FROM THE COUNTRY'S REACTOR BECAUSE THE U-S AND OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE FALLEN BEHIND IN SUPPLYING AID UNDER A DISARMAMENT PACT SIGNED IN OCTOBER. THE OCTOBER DEAL CALLS FOR NORTH KOREA TO DISABLE ITS NUCLEAR FACILITIES IN EXCHANGE FOR ENERGY AID AND POLITICAL CONCESSIONS.
18-Feb	8:55 a.m. cut in	8:55 a.m./ :23	Race Relations/ Economy	GOVERNOR GRANHOLM SAYS THAT HISTORIC PRESERVATION AT NORTHERN MICHIGAN'S IDLE-WILD IS GOOD FOR MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY. THE GOVERNOR PAID TRIBUTE TO BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN HER WEEKLY RADIO ADDRESS...AND SAID THAT PRESERVING IDLE-WILD WILL NOT ONLY PRESERVE MICHIGAN'S AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE...BUT WILL ALSO BRING NEW JOBS. FOR MANY YEARS DURING SEGREGATION-- IDLE-WILD WAS ONE OF ONLY A FEW RESORTS IN THE COUNTRY WERE AFRICAN AMERICANS COULD VACATION AND PURCHASE PROPERTY.
19-Feb	6 p.m. news	6:03 p.m./ 1:11	Environmen t/ Crime	THE DEVELOPERS OF THIS MOBILE HOME PARK ARE IN TROUBLE TONIGHT. THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY SAYS THEY ILLEGALLY DUMPED WASTEWATER. THE D-E-Q SAYS IN JANUARY--- THE DEVELOPERS OF THE WOODLAND RIDGE MOBILE HOME PARK DISCHARGED 5 MILLION GALLONS OF WASTEWATER INTO LOCAL WETLANDS. THE DEQ SAYS THEY REGULATE DISCHARGE TO MAKE SURE OUR WATERWAYS STAY CLEAN AND SAFE. AND WHEN WASTE IS ILLEGALLY DISCHARGED--- THEY SAY IT AFFECTS US ALL.
21-Feb	5 p.m. news	5:22 p.m./ :26	Crime/ Race relations	IN NEWS AROUND THE WORLD...SOME AMERICAN SERVICE MEN ARE FACING SEXUAL ASSAULT ALLEGATIONS IN JAPAN. THE CHARGES COME AFTER TWO RAPE CASES... BOTH OCCURRING ON OKINAWA... A SOUTHERN JAPANESE ISLAND. TENSIONS *ARE RISING* AS FINGERS ARE BEING POINTED TOWARDS THE AMERICAN MEN...WITH MANY JAPANESE ASKING TROOPS TO LEAVE ALL TOGETHER. IN RESPONSE...COMMANDERS HAVE ORDERED THEIR SOLDIERS TO STAY AT THEIR BASES...AND SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION PROGRAMS ARE STARTING.
22-Feb	6 p.m. news	6 p.m. news	Health/ Health care/ Economy	THE UNITED AUTO WORKERS IS SEEKING APPROVAL TO SHIFT RETIREE HEALTH CARE COSTS FROM GENERAL MOTORS--TO A TRUST FUND. THE U-A-W AND ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING RETIREES--SUED G-M TODAY---THEY WANT A FEDERAL JUDGE TO APPROVE THE CHANGE. IT WOULD COVER FIVE-HUNDRED THOUSAND RETIREES AND SPOUSES--PLUS CURRENT U-A-W- WORKERS WHEN THEY RETIRE. G-M SAYS THEY WONT OPPOSE THE MAJOR POINTS OF THE LAWSUIT. AND IF THE COURT APPROVES---THE TRUST WILL TAKE ON OVER 46-BILLION DOLLARS IN HEALTH CARE COSTS.

22-Feb	11 p.m. news	11:02 p.m./ 1:13	Crime	IT'S NOT OFTEN IN THE TOWN OF LESLIE -- THAT YOU SEE CRIME TAPE. BUT BACK IN JANUARY THE CITY'S HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS BECAME A CRIME SCENE -- WHEN A 15--YEAR--OLD BOY ATTACKED AND ALMOST KILLED 13--YEAR--OLD MARY PULLIAM. UNTIL TODAY -- THE BOY THAT'S ALLEGEDLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CRIME -- WAS AT HOME ON BOND WITH AN ELECTRONIC THETHER --A THAT SOME IN THE COMMUNITY SAY DIDN'T FIT THE CRIME. BUT NOW THAT THE BOY IS BACK IN JAIL --OTHERS WORRY THAT'S NOT THE RIGHT PLACE FOR HIM EITHER.
24-Feb	Face/ Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Health/ Health Care	Interview with Governor Janet Napolitano and Governor Jennifer Granholm. Topics include: whether or not the political mailings sent out by Senator Barack Obama's campaign misrepresented Senator Hillary Clinton's position on NAFTA and health care.
24-Feb	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Crime	A report on Don Siegelman, former governor of Alabama and the most successful Democrat in that Republican state. While he was governor, the U.S. Department of Justice launched multiple investigations, and he was eventually convicted of bribery. He is currently incarcerated at a federal prison camp in Louisiana. Critics of the case, both Democrats and Republicans, believe that the investigations were politically motivated. Those interviewed include attorney Doug Jones; Jill Simpson, a Republican lawyer from
25-Feb	Noon News	12:03 p.m./ :26	Economy	A RECESSION IN THE U-S--- MAY BE LOOMING. THE LATEST SURVEY BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR BUSINESS ECONOMISTS--- SAYS THAT 45 PERCENT OF THE ECONOMISTS ON IT'S FORECASTING PANEL EXPECT A RECESSION THIS YEAR. THAT'S UP 20 PERCENT SINCE SEPTEMBER---WHEN ONLY 25 PERCENT OF THE PANEL SAID THE SAME THING. A RECESSION IS USUALLY DEFINED AS TWO CONSECUTIVE QUARTERS OF ECONOMIC DECLINES. ALL THE ANALYSTS SURVEYED EXPECT GROWTH TO SLOW CONSIDERABLY THIS YEAR.
26-Feb	6-7 a.m. news	6:02 a.m./ :23	Health/ Health care	INTERNET GIANT GOOGLE IS TEAMINGUP WITH THE RENOWNED CLEVELAND HEALTH CLINIC TO PUT PATIENTS IN CHARGE OF THEIR OWN MEDICAL RECORDS THE NEW VENTURE WILL ENROLL UP TO 10-THOUSAND PATIENTS IN A PROGRAM -- THAT ALLOWS THEM TO CONTROL THEIR OWN ELECTRONIC MEDICAL DATA -- INCLUDING PRESCRIPTIONS. THE HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY HAS BEEN TRYING TO USHER IN A PAPERLESS SYSTEM FOR MORE THAN A DECADE WITH LITTLE SUCCESS.
28-Feb	6-7 a.m. news	6:06 a.m../ :25	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	COLOMBIAN REBELS FREED FOUR LAWMAKERS ON WEDNESDAY AFTER FOUR YEARS OF CAPTIVITY. THIS IS THE GUERRILLA'S SECOND HOSTAGE RELEASE THIS YEAR. THE ARE TRYING TO PERSUADE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO REMOVE THEM FROM THE LISTS OF TERRORIST GROUPS. THE HOSTAGES WERE REUNITED WITH THEIR FAMILIES AT CARACAS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. THE RELEASE OF HOSTAGES HAS RAISED THE PROFILE OF THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMED FORCES OF COLOMBIA.
28-Feb	11 p.m. news	11:02 p.m./ :27	Education/ Crime	A NEW REPORT SHOWS MICHIGAN IS ONE OF A HANDFUL OF STATES TO INVEST MORE ON PRISONS--THEN HIGHER EDUCATION. THE REPORT FROM A WASHINGTON THINK TANK--SHOWS THE STATE SPENDS A DOLLAR-19 ON CORRECTIONS--FOR EVERY DOLLAR SPENT ON PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES. ONLY VERMONT'S RATIO IS HIGHER THEN MICHIGAN'S.

29-Feb	6-7 a.m. news	6:41 a.m./ :25	Health/ Health care/ Economy	GENERAL MOTORS SAYS FUNDING A HEALTH CARE TRUST--- COULD MEAN MORE SPENDING CUTS. IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT FILED THURSDAY-- THE AUTO GIANT SAID THAT IT WILL HAVE TO PAY OVER 33-BILLION DOLLARS INTO THE FUND-- INCLUDING 25 BILLION IN JUST A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. THE COMPANY SAYS IT IF CAN'T GET FAVORABLE FINANCING-- SPENDING MAY HAVE TO BE CUT--OR EVEN DELAYED IN SOME SPOTS. THE TRUST IS THE KEY FEATURE OF A NEW FOUR-YEAR CONTRACT SIGNED WITH THE U-A-W.
2-Mar	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	A report on the highly effective and nonlethal weapon developed by the Pentagon for crowd control. The ray gun, an Active Denial System (ADS) which shoots out an intense blast of heat, will be ready to go to Iraq this summer, even though it faces opposition and goes against the culture of the American military.
3-Mar	5:30-6 a.m. news	5:32 a.m./ :23	Health/ Health care/ Economy	AND-- HILLARY CLINTON SAYS SHE'S READY TO RUN THE COUNTRY ON DAY ONE. SHE SAYS SHE'S PREPARE TO TAKE ON THE SERIOUS PROBLEMS CONFRONTING AMERICA'S LOSS OF JOBS AND HEALTH CARE COVERAGE WHEN SHE'S PRESIDENT. SHE TOLD SUPPORTERS IN OHIO ON SUNDAY THAT QUOTE-- "WE CANNOT GO ON LIKE THIS. IT'S MORALLY WRONG AND ECONOMICALLY STUPID." END-QUOTE RECENT POLLS SHOW THE RACES IN OHIO AND TEXAS TO BE A VIRTUAL DEAD HEAT. MANY EXPERTS SAY TUESDAY WILL BE A MAKE OR BREAK DAY FOR CLINTON.
3-Mar	7:25 a.m. cut-in	7:25 a.m./ :25	Crime	POLICE WANT TO FIND OUT WHO SHOT AND KILLED JUSTIN WECK SATURDAY NIGHT. INVESTIGATORS SAY WECK WAS ON THE CITY'S SOUTH SIDE...ON THE 18-HUNDRED BLOCK OF DONORA STREET...WHEN HE WAS GUNNED DOWN. POLICE WON'T SAY IF WECK WAS WALKING OR DRIVING DOWN THE STREET WHEN HE WAS SHOT. AS OF LAST NIGHT---POLICE WERE INTERVIEWING WITNESSES. MEANTIME...RESIDENTS WHO LIVE NEAR THE CRIME SCENE...SAY THIS ISN'T THE FIRST TIME SHOTS HAVE BEEN FIRED IN THE AREA.
5-Mar	7:55 a.m. cut-in	7:55 a.m./ :26	Health/ Health care/ Economy	A GENERAL MOTORS AND UNITED AUTO WORKERS DEAL TO CREATE A RETIREE HEALTH CARE TRUST-- HAS BEEN GIVEN THE GO-AHEAD. A FEDERAL JUDGE IN DETROIT GAVE PRELIMINARY APPROVAL TODAY-- THE SETTLEMENT WOULD SET UP A UNION-RUN TRUST FOR RETIREE HEALTH CARE. G-M AND THE U-A-W AGREED TO FORM THE TRUST AS PART OF CONTRACT NEGOTITATIONS LAST FALL-- BUT NEEDED COURT APPROVAL FOR IT TO TAKE EFFECT. WORKERS AND RETIREES WILL BE GIVEN DETAILS OF THE SETTLEMENT BY MARCH 28TH.
5-Mar	6 p.m. news	6:26 p.m./ :18	Race Relations	DOZENS OF WOMEN SPENT THE DAY MAKING THEIR VOICES HEARD AT THE STATE CAPITOL. IT WAS "DELTA DAY" --- THE BI-ANNUAL STATE CAPITOL VISIT FOR THE MEMBERS OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY. THE WOMEN SPENT THE DAY-- MEETING WITH STATE LEGISLATORS...AND VOICING THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT ISSUES IMPACTING THE AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY.

6-Mar	5 p.m. news	5:10 p.m./ :30	Education	STUDENT MEMBERS OF THE LANSING SCHOOL DISTRICT'S JUNIOR BOARD OF EDUCATION ARE PARTICIPATING IN A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY AT THE STATE CAPITOL TODAY. STATE REPRESENTATIVE, JOAN BAUER, IS HOSTING A "DAY AT THE CAPItOL" FOR THESE STUDENTS. TODAY'S EVENT IS DESIGNED TO HELP THEM LEARN MORE ABOUT STATE GOVERNMENT AND TO DISCUSS ISSUES IMPORTANT TO THEM.
6-Mar	5 p.m. news	5:11 p.m./ :24	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Crime	NEW DETAILS ABOUT A MORNING EXPLOSION IN TIMES SQUARE. A BOMBER STRUCK A MILITARY RECRUITING STATION THIS MORNING IN NEW YORK CITY. SURVELLIENCE CAMERAS CAUGHT ALL OF THE ACTION...HOWEVER NEW YORK CITY POLICE AND THE F-B-I ARE HAVING A HARD TIME IDENTIFYING THE SUSPECT BECAUSE HE WAS DRESSED IN A HOOD. OFFICIALS BELIEVE THERE IS NO REASON TO SUSPECT TERRORISM... HOWEVER...THE BOMBING RATTLED MANY TOURISTS AND NEW YORKERS.
6-Mar	11 p.m. news	11:06 p.m./ :25	Environment/ Education	A NEW STUDY IS LINKING POLLUTION-- TO POOR PERFORMANCE IN SCHOOL. THE STUDY FINDS THE THAT POLLUTION IS HURTING MORE THAN THE ENVIRONMENT... IT'S AFFECTING CHILDREN'S BRAINS. KIDS WHO LIVE IN NEIGHBORHOODS WITH HEAVY TRAFFIC POLLUTION... SCORE WORSE ON TESTS OF INTELLIGENCE AND MEMORY THAN CHILDREN WHO BREATHE CLEANER AIR. THE EFFECT WAS SIMILAR TO THAT SEEN IN CHILDREN WHOSE MOTHERS...SMOKED WHILE PREGNANT...AND KIDS WHO HAD BEEN EXPOSED TO LEAD.
7-Mar	6 p.m. news	6:02 p.m./ :47	Economy	IT'S NOT WHAT MOST DRIVERS LIKE TO WAKE UP TO.GAS PRICES WAY HIGHER THAN THEY WERE THE DAY BEFORE. PATRICK ANDERSON HAS BEEN WATCHING ENERGY PRICES FOR MORE THAN TWENTY YEARS. HE SAYS TODAYS PRICE HIKES ARE CAUSED BY TWO THINGS. FIRST...HAS TO DO WITH WHAT'S GOING ON IN OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES. THE OTHER THING HE FEELS HAS A IMPACT ON GAS PRICES ARE CONSUMERS THEMSELVES. HE SAYS WHEN WE HEAR PRICES ARE ON THE RISE WE PANIC AND TRY TO FILL UP TOO FAST.
9-Mar	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Crime	A report on Alton Logan, an innocent man convicted of killing a security guard at a McDonald's in Chicago. Two lawyers, Dale Coventry and Jamie Kunz, bound by client-attorney privilege, kept secret their knowledge that their client, Andrew Wilson had committed the murder -- which resulted in an innocent man being sent to prison. Among those interviewed are Alton Logan; Dale Coventry; Jamie Kunz; and public defender Harold Winston, who represents Logan.

11-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:10 a.m./ :35	Race Relations	MORE THAN A DOZEN WORKERS IN NORTHERN TEXAS WHO SUED THEIR EMPLOYER FOR CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATIONS WILL SHARE A RECORD--- MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR SETTLEMENT AGAINST ALLIED AVIATION. THE COMPANY PROVIDES FUEL TO COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFTS AT AIRPORTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THE WORKERS ARE AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND LATINO-- AND THE E-E-O-C FILED SUIT ON THEIR BEHALF--CLAIMING THAT SUPERVISORS REFERRED TO THEM USING RACIAL SLURS-- AND THEN RETALIATED AGAINST THOSE WHO COMPLAINED. THE EXACT AMOUNT OF THE SETTLEMENT WILL BE RELEASED LATER TODAY--BUT ATTORNEYS SAY IT'S THE LARGEST SETTLEMENT OF IT'S TYPE EVER-- FOR THAT REGION.
12-Mar	5-6 a.m. news	5:12 a.m./ :33	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Crime	A LOCAL COMPANY STRUCK BY ECO-TERRORISM IS SPEAKING OUT-- AS POLICE PUT FOUR SUSPECTS BEHIND BARS---- IN A CASE THAT IS ALMOST A DECADE OLD. POLICE SAY THEY NOW KNOW WHO SET MICHIGAN STATE'S AGRICULTURE BUILDING ON FIRE IN DECEMBER OF 1999. THEY SAY THE 4 ARRESTED SUSPECTS ARE MEMBERS OF A RADICAL GROUP--CALLED THE EARTH LIBERATION FRONT. AUTHORITIES SAY OVER THE YEAR'S--- THEY'VE DEVOTED MASSIVE RESOURCES TO TRACK THE TERRORISTS DOWN. ERVIN FELTON IS THE MANAGER OF MONSANTO. HE SAYS THE COMPANY WAS FUNDING RESEARCH AT M-S-U-- AND IT'S THAT RESEARCH THAT ALLEGEDLY PROMPTED THE ATTACK.
12-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:15 a.m./ :29	Environment/ Economy	THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL SAYS NEW LEGISLATION AIMED AT HELPING THE ENVIRONMENT...WILL HURT CONSUMERS. ON TUESDAY-- MIKE COX ANNOUNCED HE OPPOSES A PACKAGE OF BILLS...THAT PUSHES UTILITY COMPANIES TO PROVIDE MORE RENEWABLE ENERGY. COX SAYS IF THE LEGISLATION PASSES...CONSUMERS WILL SEE THEIR ENERGY BILLS RISE BY AS MUCH AS FORTY PERCENT.
13-Mar	5 p.m. news	5:12 p.m./ :28	Economy	ECONOMIC WORRIES HAD WALL STREET INVESTORS WORRIED EARLY TODAY----WITH STOCK PRICES DOWN---BUT THEY RALLIED STRONG--- AS THE DOW CLOSED UP ON THE DAY A DAY THAT SAW TREASURY SECRETARY HENRY PAULSON GIVE HIS TAKE ON THE ECONOMIC DOWNTURN. PAULSONS FOCUS WAS ON THE ONGOING CREDIT CRISIS IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS--HE SAID MORE GOVERNMENT REGULATION IS NEEDED TO PREVENT A REPEAT OF THE CURRENT HOUSING SLUMP AND CREDIT CRUNCH.
16-Mar	Face/ Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Race Relations	Campaign quick check with Clarence Page and David Brooks. Topics include: the Reverend Wright and Geraldine Ferraro controversies / reaction to Senator Obama's recent speech on race; the upcoming Pennsylvania primary and the possible re-vote in Michigan and Florida; the role of race at the convention / how Senator Obama not securing the nomination would impact African-American voters / the political pressure on Senator Clinton to choose Senator Obama as her running mate, should she win the nomination, in order to secure a big African-American turnout / an overview of other fractious political pairings

16-Mar	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Health/ Health Care	An interview with actor Dennis Quaid and his wife Kimberly, whose newborn twins nearly died of an overdose when they were mistakenly given two doses of the blood thinner Heparin, instead of Hep-lock, the pediatric version of the drug. Those interviewed include Diane Cousins, vice president of US Pharmacopeai; Debra Bello, a senior director at Baxter International, which manufactures the Heparin product in question; and Thomas Priselac, the president and CEO of Cedars-Sinai Hospital. Also, a report on how scientists are discovering that sleep is far more critical to human health than previously believed. They have linked sleep deprivation to serious problems such as diabetes, obesity and heart disease. Among those interviewed are Matthew Walker, director of the Sleep and Neuroimaging Lab at the University of California - Berkeley; Dr. David Dinges, the scientist in charge of the NIH-funded study at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine; Dr. Eve Van Cauter, an endocrinologist at the University of Chicago School of Medicine; and Dr. Scott McRobert, a scientist at St. Joseph's University.
18-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:14 a.m./ :23	Economy	PRESIDENT BUSH SAYS HIS ADMINISTRATION IS ON TOP OF THE SITUATION-- WHEN IT COMES TO THE SLUMPING ECONOMY. PRESIDENT BUSH MET WITH THE TREASURY SECRETARY AND OTHER TOP ECONOMIC ADVISORS ON MONDAY. HE SAYS THEY AGREE THAT "OUR MARKETS ARE STRONG." HE DID HOWEVER ADMIT-- THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH A DIFFICULT SITUATION--OF UNCERTAIN STOCK MARKETS--OIL PRICES AT RECORD HIGHS--AND THE DOLLAR AT RECORD LOWS.
18-Mar	6-7 a.m. news	6:48 a.m./ :25	Education/ Health/ Health care	OLDER AMERICANS ARE HAVING LESS TROUBLE WITH THEIR MEMORIES -- AND IT MAY BE BECAUSE THEY SPENT MORE TIME IN SCHOOL. NEW RESEARCH INDICATES THE MORE EDUCATION A PERSON HAS -- THE BETTER THEY'RE ABLE TO HOLD OFF THE EFFECTS OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND OTHER DEMENTIA. THIS REINFORCES OTHER STUDIES THAT SUGGEST PEOPLE WHO CHALLENGE THEIR MINDS EARLY ON -- BUILD UP A RESERVE OF BRAIN POWER THAT HELPS THEM WITHSTAND INJURIES -- SUCH AS A STROKE.
18-Mar	5 p.m. news	5:04 p.m./ :31	Health/ Health care	A NEW REPORT OUT TODAY SAYS MORE AND MORE BABY BOOMERS ARE LIKELY TO DEVELOP ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AS THEY GET OLDER. THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION ESTIMATES THAT TEN-MILLION BABY BOOMERS WILL GET THE DISEASE IN THEIR LIFETIME. AND THAT WON'T HELP FAMILIES IN A STRUGGLING HEALTH CARE SYSTEM. LAST YEAR ALONE-- THE REPORT FOUND THAT NEARLY TEN-MILLION AMERICAN'S AGES 18 AND OLDER PROVIDED MORE THAN EIGHT-BILLION HOURS OF UNPAID CARE TO ALZHEIMER'S PATIENTS. AND THAT'S COMING WITH A HEFTY PRICE TAG-- ADDING UP TO AN ESTIMATED 89-BILLION DOLLARS.
18-Mar	11 p.m. news	11:31 p.m./ :23	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	THE MEMORIAL TO THE PASSENGERS AND CREW WHO DIED ON FLIGHT 93-- IS A STEP CLOSER TO REALITY. A FAMILIES GROUP HAS AGREED TO BUY ONE-POINT-FIVE SQUARE MILES OF LAND FROM A PENNSYLVANIA COAL COMPANY. THE PROPERTY WILL THEN BECOME PART OF A MEMORIAL SITE TO HONOR THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE TERRORISTS ATTACKS ON 9-11. ALL 33 PASSENGERS AND SEVEN CREW MEMBERS WERE KILLED WHEN THEIR JETLINER CRASHED.

19-Mar	5 p.m. news	5:05 p.m./ :25	Economy	STATE LEGISLATORS INTRODUCED A CREATIVE PACKAGE OF BILLS TODAY... THAT COULD HELP STIMULATE MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY. THE BILLS WOULD PROVIDE NEIGHBORHOODS WITH TOOLS TO BENEFIT THEIR LOCAL ARTS AND CULTURE PROGRAMS. THE IDEA IS... TO CREATE FLOURISHING CULTURAL HUBS THAT WILL ATTRACT VISITORS, RESIDENTS, AND -ESPECIALLY- BUSINESSES. BY CREATING ATTRACTIVE CITIES, LEGISLATORS HOPE MICHIGAN CITIES WILL BECOME STRONGER AND MORE SUCCESSFUL.
23-Mar	Face/ Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Economy	Interview with Senator Lindsey Graham and Senator Jack Reed. Topics include: the level of progress made in Iraq; predictions as to what would happen if Senator Hillary Clinton or Senator Barack Obama's timeline for troop withdrawal from Iraq were followed / how long American troops should remain in Iraq; the cost of the Iraq war and its effect on the American economy.
24-Mar	5-5:30 a.m. news	5:15 a.m./ :30	Crime	AN ALLEGED RAPIST IN BEHIND BARS THIS MORNING-- 25 YEARS AFTER THE CRIME. 59 YEAR OLD GARY GUTMAN WAS CHARGED ON MONDAY WITH FOUR COUNTS OF CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT. MORE THAN 2 DECADES AGO --POLICE SAY THIS MAN RAPED A 10 YEAR OLD GIRL. SHE'S NOW A GROWN WOMAN -- AND WHEN SHE HEARD the SUSPECT HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM JAIL ON ANOTHER CHARGE--SHE SPOKE UP ABOUT WHAT HAD HAPPENED TO HER. AND WHILE POLICE SAY THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE SURE THEY'RE AREN'T ANY MORE VICTIMS IN THE FUTURE-- THEY DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE GUTMAN HURT IN HIS PAST.
25-Mar	8:55 a.m. cut in	8:55 a.m./ :21	Education/ Economy	TOUGH BUDGET TIMES ARE FORCING THE HOWELL SCHOOL BOARD TO LOOK AT CUTTING MORE THAN A DOZEN FACULTY POSITIONS. ON MONDAY NIGHT SCHOOL OFFICIALS MADE A REPORT TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO REDUCE COSTS NEXT YEAR. ONE OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDE CUTTING 16 TEACHER POSITIONS.
25-Mar	5-6 a.m. news	5:24 a.m./ :21	Environment	A UNIQUE DISCOVERY IN SPACE----SCIENTISTS SAY AN INTERNATIONAL SPACECRAFT HAS FOUND ORGANIC MATTER ON ONE OF SATURN'S MOONS. IT'S ONE OF MANY INGREDIENTS THAT MAKE AN ENVIRONMENT HOSPITABLE TO EXTRATERRESTRIAL LIFE. THE DISCOVERY HAS EXCITED MISSION TEAM MEMBERS-- WHO SAY IT'S A SIGN THAT FURTHER RESEARCH IS NEEDED INTO WHETHER THE PLANET'S MOON---HAS SUCH AN ENVIRONMENT.
25-Mar	5 p.m. news	5:17 p.m./ :27	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	ATTORNEY GENERAL MICHAEL MUKASEY...ARGUED A CASE BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT TODAY. IT'S THE FIRST TIME IN A DECADE...THAT THE NATION'S TOP LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL...ARGUED A CASE IN FRONT OF THE JUSTICES. MUKASEY PRESENTED ARGUMENTS... IN THE TERRORISM CASE AGAINST AHMED RESSAM... ALSO KNOWN AS THE "WOULD-BE MILLENNIUM BOMBER." RESSAM WAS CONVICTED...BUT THE CONVICTION WAS THROWN OUT. MUKASEY NOW WANTS THE CONVICTION REINSTATED. RESSAM'S LAWYER HIMSELF...SAYS HE WAS IMPRESSED.

29-Mar	11 p.m. news	11:03 p.m./ :35	Crime	TONIGHT THE CHARGES ARE GROWING-- AGAINST A GROUP FROM CHARLOTTE ACCUSED OF A MAJOR CRIME SPREE. 17-YEAR-OLD THOMAS KNOFSKY JUNIOR .... AND 36-YEAR-OLD JONATHAN GOOD WERE BOTH CHARGED TODAY IN MECOSTA COUNTY...YESTERDAY THREE OTHER CHARLOTTE TEENS WERE CHARGED. THE FIVE FACES DOZENS OF FELONY COUNTS INCLUDING CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MURDER... ARMED ROBBERY.. AND BREAKING AND ENTERING. STATE POLICE AREN'T RELEASING MANY DETAILS-- BUT SAY THEY'RE NOW COORDINATING AN INVESTIGATION THAT COVERS NEARLY A DOZEN JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE STATE. AND THEY THINK THE FIVE COULD BE BEHIND OTHER-- UNSOLVED CRIMES AS WELL.
30-Mar	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Environment	Three months after 9/11, nineteen-year-old Murat Kurnaz was arrested in Pakistan, en route to the airport to fly home to Germany. An innocent man with no connection to terrorism, he was kept in U.S. military custody under false terrorism charges for five years -- first in Afghanistan and then at Guantanamo Bay -- where he says he was tortured. Includes an interview with Baher Azmy, Kurnaz's lawyer and a professor of constitutional law at Seton Hall Law School. Also, an interview with former vice president, former presidential candidate, and Nobel Peace Prize winner Al Gore, about his Oscar-winning documentary, "An Inconvenient Truth", and his ongoing campaign to make the world aware of global warming.