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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.

Fourth 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
2-Oct	6-7 a.m. news	6:11 a.m./ :32	Environment	A NEW REPORT SUGGESTS GOING GREEN-- WILL HELP THE ECONOMY--AS MUCH AS THE ENVIRONMENT. A STUDY BY THE U-S CONFERENCE OF MAYORS SAYS A BIG SHIFT TO RENEWABLE ENERGY AND EFFICIENCY COULD PRODUCE 4-POINT-2 MILLION NEW JOBS BY THE YEAR 2028. THAT WOULD ACCOUNT FOR 10 PERCENT OF NEW JOB GROWTH OVER THE NEXT 30 YEARS. CURRENTLY-- 750-THOUSAND-PEOPLE WORK TODAY IN WHAT ARE CONSIDERED "GREEN" JOBS.
2-Oct	Noon news	12:22 p.m./ :29	Crime	POLICE IN MEXICO ARE LOOKING FOR A GROUP OF GUNMEN RESPONSIBLE FOR A RECENT CRIME SPREE. THE MEN REPORTEDLY SET FIVE BUILDINGS ON FIRE IN A SMALL TOWN ALONG THE MEXICO-- U-S BORDER. WITNESSES SAY THE GUNMEN CAME INTO TOWN EARLY TUESDAY MORNING AND WENT INTO SEVERAL HOMES LOOKING FOR TWO MEN-- WHO THEY EVENTUALLY KIDNAPPED. THE SUSPECTS TORCHED FOUR HOMES AND A CONVENIENCE STORE BEFORE LEAVING. INVESTIGATORS SAY THE DON'T KNOW THE MOTIVE BEHIND THE CRIME-- BUT SAY THE AREA IS KNOWN FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING.
2-Oct	11 p.m. news	11:31 p.m./ :33	Health/ Health Care/ Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	THERE'S A NEW PUSH TO GET MILITARY PERSONNEL TO SPEAK UP ABOUT THE HEALTH CARE THEY'RE RECEIVING. THE PENTAGON IS ASKING SERVICE MEMBERS WHO ARE WOUNDED, INJURED OR ILL-- TO RATE THEIR MEDICAL CARE. OFFICIALS SAY ---IT'S AN ANONYMOUS POLL-- AND THEY ARE HOPING THAT WILL ENCOURAGE PERSONNEL TO BE HONEST. QUESTIONNAIRES HAVE BEEN POSTED ON THE WEB SITE OF THE MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM-- WHICH SERVES 9 MILLION PEOPLE.

4-Oct	6 p.m. news	6:01 p.m./ :25	Environment/ Health/ Health Care/ Education	MICHIGAN WILL SOON PLAY A BIGGER ROLE IN RESEARCH AIMED AT HEALTHIER KIDS. THE STATE IS GETTING 57-MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH TO STUDY HOW THE ENVIRONMENT AND OTHER FACTORS AFFECT CHILDREN. ESPECIALLY CONDITIONS LIKE AUTISM.. ASTHMA.. DIABETES.. AND OBESITY. THAT MONEY WILL GO TO RESEARCHERS AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY.. THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.. AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AMONG OTHERS.
5-Oct	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy	Campaign quick check with David Brooks. Topics include: Governor Palin's successful debate strategy; the impact of the economic crisis on each of the campaigns / belief that both campaigns, but predominantly the McCain campaign, are out of touch with the potential serious recession.
5-Oct	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy/ Crime/ Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	"Wall Street's Shadow Market" - a report on credit default swaps and their impact on the current economic crisis. Private, largely undisclosed, and deregulated, these are the contracts that mortgage investors, who bought up the riskiest mortgages when they were repackaged by Wall Street as exotic investment securities, entered into to protect themselves in case their investments went bad. When homeowners began defaulting and the Wall Street high-risk mortgage-backed securities also began to fail, the big investment houses and insurance companies who sold the credit default swaps hadn't set aside the money they needed to pay off all the insurance contracts they'd written. An interview/profile of the officer in command of a team from the U.S. Army's secret Delta Force, sent to Tora Bora, Afghanistan by the Pentagon shortly after 9/11 to kill Osama bin Laden. Calling himself Dalton Fury, he is the author of "Kill Bin Laden" and has only recently decided to break his silence in order to correct the inaccuracies regarding his mission.
6-Oct	Noon news	12:05 p.m./ :30	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	SURVEILLANCE CONTINUES TODAY INSIDE THE BORDERS OF GEORGIA. EUROPEAN UNION MONITORS ARE OVER SEEING THE RUSSIAN PULL OUT EFFORTS THERE. RUSSIA'S WITHDRAWAL STARTED ON SUNDAY. THE COUNTRY FACES A FRIDAY DEADLINE FOR PULLING OUT TROOPS UNDER THE TERMS OF A DEAL MADE WITH THE EUROPEAN UNION. AFTER ITS WAR WITH GEORGIA-- RUSSIAN OFFICIALS SAID THEY WOULD SET UP A TOTAL OF 36 CHECKPOINTS IN THE COUNTY. BUT THE NEW E-U AGREEMENT CALLS FOR BOTH SIDES TO RETURN TROOPS TO THE LOCATIONS THEY WERE IN--- BEFORE FIGHTING BROKE OUT.
7-Oct	11 p.m. news	11:04 p.m./ :20	Economy	CONSUMER BORROWING IS AT IT'S LOWEST LEVEL IN A DECADE-- AS HOUSING COSTS, JOB LAYOFFS AND THE WORSENTING ECONOMY TAKE A MAJOR TOLL ON CITIZENS. TODAY THE FEDERAL RESERVE SAID CONSUMER BORROWING FELL AT AN ANNUAL RATE OF 3-POINT-78 PERCENT IN AUGUST. THE FIRST TIME BORROWING HAS DROPPED---- SINCE A 4-POINT-3 PERCENT DECLINE BACK IN JANUARY 1998.
9-Oct	Noon news	12:13 p.m./ :28	Education	A 20-YEAR OLD STUDENT AT AN ADULT EDUCATION SCHOOL IN FERNDALE HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH ASSAULT AND BATTERY-- AFTER HE TRIED TO SET HIS TEACHER ON FIRE AND ACCUSED OF HER OF BEING A WITCH. POLICE SAY THE CLASS HAD BEEN READING A BOOK BASED ON THE SALEM WITCH TRIALS-- AND WHEN THE TEACHER SAID SHE DIDN'T BELIEVE IN WITCHCRAFT THE STUDENT THREW SOME SORT OF LIQUID ON HER AND TRIED TO LIT HER ON FIRE. THE TEACHER RAN FROM THE ROOM AND CALLED POLICE. THE STUDENT IS NOW UNDER GOING MENTAL EVALUATIONS.

9-Oct	11 p.m. news	11:05 p.m./ 1:12	Economy	THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WORKS FEVERISHLY TO SOLVE WHAT HAS BECOME A NATIONWIDE CRISIS-- BUT IN THE FORECAST OF THIS FINANCIAL STORM---OFFICIALS PREDICT A DISASTER HERE ON THE HOMEFRONT. MITCHELL BEAN--WHO CRUNCHES NUMBERS FOR THE STATE OF MICHIGAN---SAYS THAT COULD MEAN BIG CUTS IN NEXT YEARS BUDGET.
10-Oct	6 p.m. news	6:05 p.m./ 1:13	Crime	LEONI TOWNSHIP OFFICER JERRY MASSEY FINDS HIMSELF IN COURT, IN TROUBLE WITH THE LAW. HE'S CHARGED WITH MISCONDUCT WHILE ON DUTY AND FALSIFYING A POLICE REPORT. MASSEY SAYS HE CONFRONTED A JACKSON COUNTY RESIDENT BACK IN AUGUST. WHEN HE TRIED TO ARREST THE MAN FOR DRUG POSSESSION, THE MAN RAN AWAY. SOON AFTER, MASSEY'S GUN DISCHARGED. NO ONE WAS HURT. BUT DETECTIVES SAY INFORMATION IN MASSEY FILED IN HIS POLICE REPORT JUST DIDN'T ADD UP. AND THAT COULD BE A CRIME. THE OFFICER AND HIS LAWYER SAY HE'S INNOCENT.
11-Oct	11 p.m. news	11:10 p.m./ :28	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	THE UNITED STATES IS REMOVING NORTH KOREA FROM ITS TERRORISM BLACKLIST. THE MOVE COMES AFTER NORTH KOREA AGREED TO NUCLEAR INSPECTION DEMANDS. THE ACTION IS AIMED AT SALVAGING A FALTERING DISARMAMENT TREATY BEFORE PRESIDENT BUSH LEAVES OFFICE. BUT SOME CONSERVATIVES SAY IT REWARDS BAD BEHAVIOR BY NORTH KOREA.
12-Oct	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Race Relations/ Economy	Interview with Senator Lindsey Graham, Governor Bill Ritter, Mayor Doug Wilder, and Representative Adam Putnam. Topics include: Senator Barack Obama's double-digit lead in the national polls / the third and final debate scheduled for 10/15/08; reaction to comments made by Georgia Representative John Lewis, claiming that the negative tone of the Republican presidential campaign reminds him of the hateful atmosphere that segregationist Governor George Wallace fostered in Alabama in the 1960's / recent Senator John McCain political rally where he stood up for Senator Obama against one of his own supporters / opinions regarding the general tone of the McCain campaign; the effect of the economy on both campaigns; Senator McCain's poll standings in Florida and Colorado / Senator McCain's new economic proposals; whether or not Americans are misrepresenting their opinions in polls because of race.
12-Oct	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Crime/ Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	An interview with Joaquin "Jack" Garcia, the Cuban-American FBI agent who infiltrated the Gambino crime family as Jack Falcone, an Italian gangster character he created in 2002 to take down one of the most powerful mobsters in America. Extremely successful, he gained the trust of Gambino capo Greg DePalma, who offered to make Falcone a "made member" of the Mafia -- a proposal which would have made him the first law enforcement agent in history to ever achieve that position. Recently retired after 26 years, he is the author of "Making Jack Falcone". "The Battle Of Sadr City" - a report on the advanced weaponry used during the spring 2008 battle in Sadr City, Iraq -- home to two million Shia. Part of Baghdad, the area had been under the control of cleric Muqtada al-Sadr and his Shiite militia, who had used the location to launch rockets into the green zone. Utilizing two types of UAV's (unmanned aerial vehicles) -- the "Shadow" drone and the "Predator" -- U.S. forces were able secure the area and negotiate a cease-fire. Includes comments by General Ray Odierno and Colonel John Hort.

13-Oct	Noon news	12:04 p.m./ :27	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Crime	PROTESTORS TOOK OVER THE STREETS IN SOUTH KOREA TODAY. THEY'RE ANGRY ABOUT A U-S DECISION TO REMOVE NORTH KOREA FROM A TERROR BLACKLIST. NEARLY 70 ACTIVISTS CALLED ON THE U-S TO CHANGE ITS DECISION. THE PROTESTORS BURNED PHOTOS OF NORTH KOREA'S LEADER. THE U-S MADE THE DECISION TO REMOVE NORTH KOREA FROM A LIST OF NATIONS THAT SPONSOR TERRORISM ON SATURDAY. IN RESPONSE-- NORTH KOREA WILL CONTINUE TO DISABLE ITS MAIN NUCLEAR FACILITIES AND WILL ALLOW INTERNATIONAL INSPECTIONS.
13-Oct	11 p.m. news	11:04 p.m./ :22	Health/ Health Care	SUPPORTERS OF CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH ATTENDED AN ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN LANSING THE CONFERENCE GIVES PARENTS AND KIDS A CHANCE TO SPEAK ABOUT THEIR CHALLENGES AND EXPERIENCES WITH MENTAL HEALTH. IT FOCUSED ON PARENTS HELPING CHILDREN, BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH SCHOOL, AND EQUALITY RIGHTS FOR MENTAL HEALTH CHILDREN.
14-Oct	8:25 a.m. cut in	8:25 a.m./ :29	Education	TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES AND DECLINING ENROLLMENT ARE FORCING THE LANSING SCHOOL DISTRICT TO RE-EVALUATE HOW THEY DO BUSINESS. THE RIGHT SIZE TASK FORCE IS TAKING ON THAT JOB-- AND TAKING A LOOK AT EACH AND EVERY BUILDING IN THE DISTRICT...TO SEE WHAT SHAPE THEY'RE IN.THE TASK FORCE IS MADE UP OF THREE DIFFERENT COMMITTEES--- FACILITIES--- EDUCATION--- AND FINANCE. THE THREE GROUPS WILL MEET INDIVIDUALLY TO ADDRESS THEIR AREAS OF EXPERTISE-- AND THEN THEY WILL ISSUE THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SCHOOL BOARD.
15-Oct	5 p.m. news	5:20 p.m./ :26	Crime/ Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	A NEW SECURITY PACT COULD GIVE IRAQ A FIRST CRACK AT PROSECUTING U-S TROOPS ACCUSED OF MAJOR CRIMES. IRAQ OFFICIALS SAY THE AGREEMENT IS CURRENTLY IN DRAFT FORM... BUT WOULD APPLY TO AMERICAN FORCES AND PENTAGON CONTRACTORS FOR CRIMES COMMITTED OFF OF U-S BASES WHEN A MISSION IS NOT IN PLAY. THE DRAFT MUST BE APPROVED BY IRAQ'S PARLIAMENT.
16-Oct	5 p.m. news	5:02 p.m./ :48	Economy/ Health/ Health Care	SOCIAL SECURITY BENFITS ARE RISING... BUT SO IS THE COST OF FOOD... ENERGY... AND JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING ELSE. AND WHILE SOME SENIOR CITIZENS SAY THEY ARE EXCITED TO GET AN FEW EXTRA DOLLARS EACH MONTH OTHERS LIKE JACKIE DAY ARE FINDING LITTLE COMFORT IN THE BIGGER CHECKS.
17-Oct	11 p.m. news	11:04 p.m./ :21	Race Relations	THE LANSING BRANCH OF THE N--DOUBLE--A--C-P HOSTED IT'S 43RD ANNUAL FREEDOM FUND DINNER THIS EVENING. THE DINNER'S GOAL IS TO BRING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER IN SUPPORT OF THE N--DOUBLE--A-C-P AND ITS MISSION TO ENSURE THE POLITICAL, EDUCATIONAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC EQUALITY OF RIGHTS OF ALL PEOPLE. TONIGHT'S SPECIAL GUEST WAS THE HONORABLE CONGRESSMAN JAMES E CLYBURN.

19-Oct	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy	Interview with Governor Tim Kaine, Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Governor Matt Blunt, and former Representative Rob Portman. Topics include: reaction to General Colin Powell's endorsement of Senator Barack Obama for president / recent poll results indicating a close race in Ohio for the presidency between Senator Obama and Senator John McCain / announcement that the Obama campaign raised $150 million in September / current conditions in Florida with regards to poll results and the new voting system / how Governor Sarah Palin has been received as a vice presidential candidate in Missouri, Florida, and Ohio / tax plans of Senator McCain and Senator Obama and how each will impact the middle class and small business owners
19-Oct	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Economy	"Combat in Afghanistan" - a report on soldiers from the 101st Airborne Division, who are stationed at a small forward operating base in eastern Afghanistan, not far from the Pakistani border, called "Wilderness". American casualties are highest in this region, where they're fighting an Afghan warlord, Jalauddin Haqqani and his son, who are closely allied to al-Qaeda. Includes comments from Major General Jeffrey Schlosser, the Deputy U.S. Commander in Afghanistan. "Bank of America" - a profile of the largest U.S. financial institution, Bank of America, headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina. Now partly owned by the United States of America due to the recent crisis in the American financial system, it recently acquired one of Wall Street's emblematic companies - Merrill Lynch. Includes interviews with current Bank of America CEO Ken Lewis; and former CEO Hugh McColl.
20-Oct	6-7 a.m. news	6:11 a.m./ :26	Health/ Health Care	ACCORDING TO A NEW REPORT-- ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE FOR SOME PEOPLE COULD BE THREATENED. THE ECONOMY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO HANDLE INCREASED MEDICARE SPENDING OVER THE NEXT TEN YEARS. BENEFIT COSTS ARE EXPECTED TO RISE NEARLY 8-PERCENT A YEAR-- WHILE THE ECONOMY IS PROJECTED TO GROW LESS THAN 5-PERCENT EACH YEAR.
20-Oct	6-7 a.m. news	6:50 a.m./ :23	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	THE CASE OF FIVE MEN ACCUSED OF PLOTTING TO KILL SOLDIERS AT A NEW JERSEY ARMY BASE...HEADS TO COURT TODAY. PROSECUTORS SAY THE MEN PLANNED TO SNEAK INTO FORT DIX...AND ATTACK THE SOLDIERS. IT'S CONSIDERED ONE OF THE MOST FRIGHTENING EXAMPLES OF HOMEGROWN TERRORISM SINCE NINE-ELEVEN. ALL OF THE MEN HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER...CONSPIRACY...AND WEAPONS OFFENSES. IF CONVICTED...THEY FACE LIFE IN PRISON.
20-Oct	5 p.m. news	5:03 p.m./ :23	Environment	ADVOCATES PAID A VISIT TO DOWNTOWN LANSING TODAY... IN A PUSH FOR ENERGY INDEPENDENCE. THE AMERICAN COALITION FOR CLEAN COAL ELECTRICITY DISCUSSED ENERGY... THE ECONOMY... AND THE ENVIRONMENT DURING A CAMPAIGN STOP IN THE CAPITOL CITY. THE GROUP SAYS CLEAN COAL COULD WORK TO OFFSET MICHIGAN'S STAGGERING UNEMPLOYMENT RATE.
21-Oct	11 p.m. news	11:28 p.m./ :30	Economy	TREASURY SECRETARY HENRY PAULSON IS PREDICTING SUCCESS AFTER THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CRISIS. SPEAKING IN NEW YORK--PAULSON SAYS THE RECOVERY WILL OCCUR BECAUSE THE ADMINSTRATION AND THE FEDERAL RESERVE--ARE COMMITTED TO TAKING THE NECESSARY STEPS TO PUT THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM BACK IN CHECK. HE SAYS THE CURRENT SITUATION WILL PERSIST FOR A FEW MONTHS--BUT AFTER THAT ---THE ECONOMY WILL REBOUND.

26-Oct	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy/ Environmen t	1) Interview with Robert Rubin. Topics include: the current financial crisis / opinion regarding the impact of the bailout bill on the economic predicament / the need for a stimulus package to stem the current situation within a reasonable amount of time / Senator Barack Obama's proposals for fixing the economy / speculation as to how long this crisis will last / the current unemployment rate and Senator Obama's commitment to curb its proliferation / the current and critical state of the auto industry and its importance to the economy 2) Interview with Doug Holtz-Eakin. Topics include: Senator John McCain's commitment to build facilities for next-generation automobiles / Senator McCain's belief in putting the money back into the housing market / Senator McCain's view on stimulus packages / belief that the unemployment rate will continue to rise / the need to generate jobs / criticism of Senator Obama's desire to enforce the Clean Air Act / opinion regarding the progress of the steps the U.S. government has taken so far to help the economy and speculation as to how long this crisis will last
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1-Nov	48 Hrs. Mystery	10-11 p.m.	Crime	"Blood and Money On Horseshoe Bay" - a report on the November 2005 murder of Charlie White, a larger-than-life Texas millionaire who lived a lavish lifestyle in Horseshoe Bay, Texas. When police were called to White's lakeside mansion, they found his body, which had been brutally beaten, with an extension cord wrapped around his neck several times. By first impression, White was a very likeable person, but as police investigated his murder, a darker image of White emerged -- one of a cruel man with a dangerous mean streak sharpened by arrogance, alcohol, and women.
2-Nov	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy/ Crime	Campaign Quick Check: poll results indicating a favorable outcome in the Senate for Democrats / belief held by many Republicans that the Democratic candidates, if elected, will take the United States to the far left / how President George Bush's unpopularity has affected the Republican candidates for the Senate; clarification regarding Senator Ensign's supposed negative remarks about Governor Palin / opinion regarding the role of Alaskan Senator Ted Stevens and his recent conviction

2-Nov	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Economy/ Crime	"Coming Home" - Citizen soldiers returning from active military duty are entitled by a law called USERRA to get their old civilian jobs back or be taken back by their employers at the same salaries. With the Pentagon relying so heavily on the National Guard and Reserve to fight in Iraq and Afghanistan, many veterans are coming home to find themselves demoted or penalized or out of a job completely, despite the law. Now, many employers say the law is putting an excessive financial burden on their businesses. Includes comments from Assistant Secretary of Defense Thomas Hall. (C: Lesley Stahl - P: Karen M. Sughrue) "Sergeant Bill" - an interview/profile of Bill Jakob who, with a badge purchased on the Internet, managed to fool the people of Gerald, Missouri into believing that he was an undercover federal agent and member of the "Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Task Force" and had been sent to clean up the town in a county with one of the highest number of methamphetamine labs in the country.
3-Nov	Noon news	12:02 p.m./ 1:45	Education/ Education	BOTH PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES ARE PUSHING TO REVAMP NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND LAW. COULD YOU START BY EXPLAINING THE BASICS OF THIS PROGRAM AND ITS GOAL? OBAMA SAYS THE LAW IS INADEQUATELY FUNDED... WHICH HE BELIEVES HAS MADE IT INEFFECTIVE. HE'S PUSHING FOR HIGH-QUALITY TEACHERS THROUGH BETTER EDUCATION... AND OFFERING BETTER PAY. IS THIS PROGRAM LACKING THE FUNDING IT NEEDS? AND IF SO WHAT GAPS HAVE EXISTED DUE TO A LACK OF FUNDING?
7-Nov	5 p.m. news	5:03 p.m./ 1:19	Crime/ Education	CELL PHONES... THEY'RE LIKE MINI-COMPUTERS... ALLOWING KIDS TO SEND MESSAGES...AND PICTURES... WITH THE PUSH OF A BUTTON. IN JUST THE PAST TWO MONTHS... THREE SEXTING CASES HAVE TURNED UP IN MID-MICHIGAN. AT PINCKNEY HIGH SCHOOL... AT OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL. AND EVEN AT FOWLERVILLE JUNIOR HIGH... IN EACH CASE...TEENS SENT A REVEALING PICTURE USING A CELL PHONE. CHOICES THAT CAN HAVE MAJOR CONSEQUENCES. BECAUSE THOSE PICTURES COULD BE CONSIDERED CHILD PORNOGRAPHY. IN ALL OF THE LOCAL CASES...THE SCHOOL DISTRICT PUNISHED THE STUDENTS INVOLVED. BUT SO FAR...NO ONE HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH A CRIME. POLICE SAY...EVERY CASE IS DIFFERENT.
8-Nov	48 Hrs. Mystery	10-11 p.m.	Crime	A report on the December 14, 2005 discovery of the charred corpse of a young woman, found in a burned-out car on a Las Vegas, Nevada desert road. The car was registered to Kelly Ryan, a fitness champion who is married to Craig Titus, a Mr. Olympia competitor. Both were stars of the body building world and also hard partiers, known for using illegal drugs and pain killers. The unrecognizable body was initially thought to be Ryan, but authorities were stunned when they arrived at the couple's house only to be greeted by her at the door. When asked about the car, Craig and Kelly claimed that it had been taken the day before by Melissa James, their 31-year-old live-in assistant and a dancer, who was headed to New Jersey to spend Christmas with her mother. Melissa never made it to New Jersey and when pressed, Craig and Kelly accused her of theft -- that she stole the Jaguar and used Kelly's debit card to steal from them.

9-Nov	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy	Topics include: anticipation of an announcement of President-elect Barack Obama's economic team / speculation regarding President-elect Obama's upcoming plans: to return to Washington as a Senator and participate in the lame-duck session of Congress, or to remain in Chicago and set up his Cabinet and focus on his transition / the proposed bailout plan for the auto industry / permanent tax cuts for the middle class and how the current economic crisis could impact tax increases on the upper class / the current economic crisis and its effect on President-elect Obama's campaign promises
9-Nov	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Crime/ Economy	"The Wasteland" - a report on the black market dismantling of electronic waste, or "e-waste", focusing on Hong Kong and the toxic dumps of Guiyu, China -- a city so polluted, it has the highest levels of cancer-causing dioxins in the world. Though it is illegal to import toxic e-waste, it is a lucrative business, where junked computers, televisions, and other old electronic products are mined for valuable components, including gold. Includes comments from Allen Hershkowitz of the Natural Resources Defense Council; and Jim Puckett, founder of the Basel Action Network.
10-Nov	6-7 a.m. news	6:34 a.m./ :29	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	A FINAL SECURITY AGREEMENT IS NEEDED BETWEEN THE U-S AND IRAQ-- AND TIME IS RUNNING OUT. THE TWO COUNTRIES HAVE TO AGREE ON LEGAL JURISDICTION OVER TROOPS AND CONTRACTORS IN IRAQ-- AND A TIME-LINE FOR THE UNITED STATES TO WITHDRAW. THE DEAL MUST APPROVED BY IRAQ'S PARLIAMENT BY THE END OF THE YEAR.
11-Nov	6 p.m. news	6:09 p.m./ :38	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	A SERIES OF ATTACKS LEFT MORE THAN 20-DEAD IN IRAQ. FOURTEEN PEOPLE DIED... WHEN A MINI-BUS WAS BLOWN UP IN BAGHDAD. ANOTHER SEVEN WERE KILLED BY A FEMALE SUICIDE BOMBER NEAR THE CAPITOL. MEANWHILE--- IRAQI LAWMAKERS ARE NOW PREPARING FOR A VOTE ON A SECURITY PACT WITH THE U-S. IT WOULD ALLOW AMERICAN FORCES TO STAY IN IRAQ FOR THREE MORE YEARS UNDER STRICT IRAQI OVER-SIGHT.
14-Nov	Noon news	12:04 p.m./ :31	Crime	TWO LOCAL MEN HAVE PLEAD GUILTY... IN SEPREATE MURDER CASES. 20-YEAR OLD QUINTON LASHAR HOLMES IS CHARGED WITH OPEN MURDER--IN THE DEATH OF MAY-CEO BUCHANAN. PROSECUTORS BELIEVE HOLMES BEAT BUCHANAN TO DEATH ON MAY FIRST--AT THE STONECREST TOWNHOMES. MONDAY HE PLEAD GUILTY TO THAT CRIME... HE WILL GET NO LESS THAN A 20-YEAR MINIMUM SENTENCE.
15-Nov	48 Hrs. Mystery	10-11 p.m.	Crime	An update of "Sex, Lies And The Doctor's Wife" (OAD: 11/12/05; rebroadcast on 06/06/06). Karen Tipton, a mother of two and the wife of prominent psychiatrist Dr. David Tipton, was found stabbed to death in her Decatur, Alabama home in March 1999. Police quickly ruled out the husband as a suspect, and a month later arrested 24-year-old Daniel Wade Moore, who worked for the alarm company that had installed a security system in the Tipton home. Moore, a drug user, had initially confessed to his uncle to being present at the scene of the murder, but later retracted his statement. Despite the lack of physical evidence, Moore was tried, convicted and sentenced to death row. Eight months following the conviction, Moore's defense attorneys discovered that prosecutors had withheld potentially conclusive information in the case including an FBI report suggesting that Karen was having multiple affairs, and may have known her killer.

16-Nov	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy	Topics include: the proposed auto industry bailout for the big three automakers: Ford, Chrysler, and General Motors (GM) / the pros and cons of the three plans / reasons behind the opposition to a government bailout / argument for and against allowing the auto industry to enter Chapter 11 bankruptcy / support for certain preconditions to be placed on the three auto makers who receive government bailout / how this crisis will impact the rest of the economy and its current condition
16-Nov	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy	In his first post-election interview, President-elect Barack Obama discusses the economy, the ailing automobile industry, and the government's $700 billion bailout program.
20-Nov	5 p.m. news	5:15 p.m./ :23	Economy	COMING UP TONIGHT...IN TWO-PART SPECIAL REPORT... ANN EMMERICH TAKES YOU *ON-SET* AND SHOWS YOU HOW MICHIGAN'S FILM INCENTIVES ARE STIMULATING LOCAL ECONOMIES...CREATING JOBS...AND GETTING PEOPLE EXCITED ABOUT CAREERS IN THE MOVIES. THEN...AT ELEVEN... SHE FOLLOWS THE MONEY...TO SHOW YOU IF MICHIGAN COULD SOON BECOME THE HOLLYWOOD OF THE MIDWEST. DON'T MISS MICHIGAN'S MOVIE MONEY...TONIGHT ON 6 NEWS AT 6...AND ELEVEN.
22-Nov	48 Hrs. Mystery	10-11 p.m.	Crime	For nearly a year, twenty-year-old Renee Ohlemacher was suspected in the murder of her parents, Bernadette and Greg, who were shot in their Albuquerque, New Mexico home on the early morning of August 2, 2005. Renee says that, upon hearing the gunshots, she hid in a closet and called the police. Certain that the killer knew the couple, investigators began questioning her every move. Her family also had their doubts about her innocence -- she was set to inherit nearly $1 million from a life insurance policy purchased by her mother. However, no physical evidence linked Renee to the crime. Then, nearly a year later, it was discovered that Ron Santiago, the murdered couple's mortgage broker, had once owned a 9-millimeter Ruger handgun, the same type of gun that had killed the Ohlemachers.
23-Nov	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy	Topics include: the recent announcement by President-elect Barack Obama, asking Congress to pass an enormous stimulus package designed to create more than 2.5 million jobs, middle and lower income tax cuts, and a range of public works projects / the current Bush tax cuts and the decision to either let them expire in 2010 or end them as soon as possible / President-elect Obama's economic team / reaction to the suggestion that President-elect Obama join forces with incumbent President George Bush to develop a strategy to deal with the economic crisis / the predicament facing the auto industry / assertion that the big three automakers should not be allowed to go into bankruptcy 2) Topics include: the current crisis facing the American auto industry / disappointment in the heads of the big three automakers - Chrysler, General Motors, and Ford - on their lack of accountability / disagreement with the view held by many that Congress should allow these companies to go into bankruptcy; the $700 billion financial bailout plan that passed the Congress / response to the concern that the $250 billion already used by the Treasury has n

23-Nov	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Race Relations/ Crime	A report on the still unsolved November 7, 2007 attack on Pelindaba, a heavily guarded nuclear plant located in South Africa. In the 1990's South Africa chose to disarm, but the highly enriched uranium (HUE), the fuel for bombs, still remains on site. Even though it was the boldest attempt ever made on a site holding bomb-grade uranium, South African officials continue to insist that it was a random act. Among those interviewed include: Pelindaba employees Ria Meiring and Anton Gerber; Matthew Bunn of Harvard's Kennedy School of Government; Ambassador Abdul Minty; Ari Van Der Bijl, general manager at Pelindaba; and Rob Adam, CEO of the Nuclear Energy Corporation of South Africa. "For Better or For Worse" - a report on the current plan of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service to deport several hundred widows and a few widowers -- foreigners who'd been married to American citizens when the American died. A foreigner who marries a United States citizen is entitled to become a U.S. resident, but Immigration claims that a widow is not a wife and that if the widow did not complete the process while the husband was a
24-Nov	6 p.m. news	6:04 p.m./ :18	Economy	THE PRESIDENT-ELECT TOOK ANOTHER MILD SHOT AT THE BIG THREE TODAY--- SAYING HE WAS---SUPRISED---THAT THEY SHOWED UP WITHOUT A BETTER PLAN LAST WEEK IN CONGRESS, WHATEVER PLAN THEY DO COME UP WITH--- IT'S BECOMING MORE APPARENT-- IT WILL BE ON PRESIDENT ELECT OBAMA PLATE-- WHEN HIS WATCH--- OFFICIALY BEGINS--IN JANUARY.
27-Nov	6-7 a.m. news	6:10 a.m./ :29	Race Relations	OBAMA HAS NAMED A DETROIT NATIVE TO JOIN HIS STAFF. CECILIA MULNOZ HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS THE WHITE HOUSE DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS. SHE CURRENTLY SUPERVISES LEGISLATIVE AND ADVOCACY WORK AS A SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AT THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF LA RAZA--- WHICH IS AN ADVOCACY GROUP FOR HISPANIC AMERICANS.
29-Nov	48 Hrs. Mystery	10-11 p.m.	Crime	A report on the February 1987 murder of 37-year-old Peggy Hettrick in Fort Collins, Colorado. Her mutilated, half naked body was discovered in a field near the home of Tim Masters, a 15-year-old who lived near the crime scene. He said he had seen the body on his way to school but, thinking it was a mannequin, he did not report it to the police. He then became a suspect when police searched his home and found his collection of knives and his drawings of graphic images of murder and mutilation. Under interrogation, he adamantly denied any knowledge of the murder -- and since police had no actual evidence linking him to the crime, he was not arrested. Ten years later, prompted by the opinions of Dr. Reid Meloy, an expert on sexual homicide, the police did arrest Masters for the murder.

30-Nov	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security/ Race Relations/ Economy	Topics for panel discussion: the terrorist attack in Mumbai, India, which began on November 26, 2008 and lasted for three days; President-elect Barack Obama / reaction to the expected nomination of Senator Hillary (D-NY) as Secretary of State and retired Marine General James Jones as White House National Security Advisor / how current Vice President Dick Cheney amassed unprecedented power in his role as vice president / what to expect from Vice President-elect Joe Biden / the civil rights movement and the role it played in this election / the impact of America having its first African-American president -- on white and black America, as well as on the rest of the world / the problems and expectations facing President-elect Obama / the current economic crisis / the situation in Iraq and what needs to accomplished / the hopes for an Obama presidency
30-Nov	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Crime/ Health/ Health Care/ Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	"The Cheaters" - a joint investigation by 60 MINUTES and The Washington Post on cheating in the popular and lucrative -- though illegal in the United States -- world of Internet poker. When online poker players suspected cheating on two popular Internet sites -- Absolute Poker and Ultimate Bet -- the managers of the mostly unregulated $18 billion Internet gambling industry failed to respond to their complaints, forcing the online poker community to undertake its own investigation. "The Silver Star" - a profile of Private Monica Brown -- an army medic who was temporarily attached to a paratrooper unit in Paktika Province, Afghanistan and who risked her own life to save two 82nd Airborne Division paratroopers after they were critically wounded when their unit was ambushed as it headed back to base. Awarded a Silver Star for exceptional valor, she is only the second woman to receive the nation's third-highest combat medal since World War II.
30-Nov	11 p.m. news	11:04 p.m./ :23	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	MAKING NEWS AROUND THE WORLD TONIGHT... INDIA'S PRIME MINISTER SAYS AUTHORITIES ARE STRENGTHENING SECURITY ON THE SEA AND IN THE AIR...IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE MUMBAI TERROR ATTACKS.
30-Nov	11 p.m. news	11:30 p.m./ :25	Crime	YOU MAY RECALL--- GOOD WAS ARRESTED IN LATE MARCH IN CONNECTION WITH A STATE-WIDE CRIME SPREE... HE WAS CHARGED IN MECOSTA COUNTY ON 31-COUNTS...INCLUDING CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MURDER... ARMED ROBBERY... AND BREAKING AND ENTERING. FOUR CHARLOTTE TEENS WERE ALSO ARRESTED--- ALL ARE SUSPECTED TO BE BEHIND A SERIES OF BURGLARIES.
1-Dec	11 p.m. news	11:02 p.m./ :27	Health/ Health Care/ Economy	THE CURRENT ECONOMY IS ALSO AFFECTING MEDICARE'S FUTURE. FEDERAL HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE NOW ESTIMATING THAT THE ECONOMY IS SPEEDING UP THE EXHAUSTION OF THE MEDICARE TRUST FUND--- BY ONE TO THREE YEARS. THE FUND COVERS HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOME CARE. IN MARCH--TRUSTEES FOR BOTH SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE PROGRAMS-- WARNED THAT THE TRUST FUND FOR MEDICARE PART A-- WOULD BECOME INSOLVENT BY THE YEAR 2019. NOW-- WITH LESS REVENUE COMING IN-- THEY SAY IT COULD BE EVEN SOONER.
2-Dec	5 p.m. news	5:04 p.m./ :24	Education/ Health/ Health Care	THE ECONOMIC DOWNTURN HAS SCHOOL LEADERS ACROSS THE STATE LOOKING FOR WAYS TO SAVE MONEY. TODAY... DOZENS OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS GATHERED FOR A SPECIAL CONFERENCE... CALLED THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY AND SCHOOLS. AN AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY ECONOMIST... AND STATE LAWMAKERS WERE AMONG THOSE WHO ADDRESSED MORE THAN 100 SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICERS. ALL OF WHOM ARE TRYING TO DO MORE WITH LESS MONEY.

3-Dec	Noon news	12:03 p.m./ :38	Education	AN INDEPENDENT REPORT ON AMERICAN HIGHER EDUCATION SAYS THAT ONLY ONE STATE MAKES THE GRADE-- WHEN IT COMES TO AFFORDABLE COLLEGE. THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR PUBLIC POLICY AND HIGHER EDUCATION HANDED OUT FAILING GRADES FOR AFFORDABILITY TO 49 STATES-- THAT'S UP FROM 43 STATES JUST TWO YEARS AGO. ONLY CALIFORNIA RECEIVED A PASSING GRADE OF C, THANKS TO ITS RELATIVELY INEXPENSIVE COMMUNITY COLLEGES. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT-- RISING COLLEGE COSTS HAVE HIT LOW-INCOME FAMILIES THE HARDEST. ENROLLMENT AT A LOCAL PUBLIC COLLEGE COSTS FAMILIES IN THE TOP FIFTH OF INCOME---JUST 9 PERCENT OF THEIR EARNINGS. BUT FAMILIES FROM THE BOTTOM FIFTH--- PAY 55 PERCENT OF THEIRS.
3-Dec	5 p.m. news	5:06 p.m./ :23	Race Relations	THE PRESIDENT-ELECT CONTINUES TO MAKE MORE CABINET PICKS. TODAY HE SELECTED NEW MEXICO GOVERNOR BILL RICHARDSON AS HIS SECRETARY OF COMMERCE. RICHARDSON ADDS TO AN ALREADY DIVERSE ADMINISTRATION... BECOMING THE FIRST HISPANIC TO JOIN OBAMA'S CABINET, WHICH INCLUDES TWO WOMEN. RICHARDSON SERVED AS THE SECRETARY OF ENERGY AND THE U-N AMBASSADOR IN THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION.
4-Dec	6 p.m. news	6:07 p.m./ :23	Health/ Health Care	A LOCAL RETIREMENT COMMUNITY WILL BE FEATURED IN A NATIONWIDE STUDY. RESEARCHERS WILL EXAMINE THE BURCHAM HILLS RETIREMENT COMMUNITY IN EAST LANSING THE STUDY IS DESIGNED TO IDENTIFY FACTORS THAT CAUSE HOSPITAL READMISSIONS-- AND TO IMPROVE THE COORDINATION OF HEALTHCARE BETWEEN HOSPITALS AND LONG-TERM CARE SETTINGS. BURCHAM HILLS OFFICIALS SAY THE STUDY WILL ALSO HELP THEM IMPROVE INDIVIDUALLY.
7-Dec	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Economy	Topics include: talks between Democratic Congressional leaders and the White House to give automakers $15 billion in emergency loans to stave off collapse / Chapter 11 bankruptcy as an option to save the industry / the creation of a "car czar" - a government official in the Commerce Department, who would have the authority to force the automakers to reorganize / support for and opposition against the creation of a "car czar" / how the current economic crisis is affecting the automobile industry / the $700 billion bailout and opinions concerning Secretary of the Treasury Henry Paulson's handling of the crisis and the bailout money / whether or not the current management of the "Big Three" automakers should be allowed to stay on should their companies receive a governmental bailout -- specifically Rick Wagoner, Chairman of General Motors
7-Dec	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Economy	A report on the oil industry in Saudi Arabia, the world's largest supplier of oil. Despite the pledge of President-elect Barack Obama and others to lessen America's use of foreign oil, Saudi Arabia isn't worried and is gearing up to produce more. With the development of horizontal drilling, they are able to access oil that was discovered thirty years ago -- enough to keep the United States as their number one customer.

8-Dec	5-6 a.m. news	5:09 a.m./ :26	Crime/ Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	FIVE INDICTED BLACKWATER SECURITY GUARDS ARE EXPECTED TO TURN THEMSELVES IN TODAY IN SALT LAKE CITY UTAH. THE MEN WERE INDICTED THURSDAY. ALL WERE INVOLVED IN A 2007 SHOOTING IN BAGHDAD THAT LEFT 17 IRAQI CIVILIANS DEAD. DEFENSE LAWYERS MAY TRY TO KEEP THE CASE IN UTAH-- BUT IT WILL BE UP TO A FEDERAL JUDGE TO DECIDE WHERE IT GOES TO TRIAL. PROSECUTORS ARE EXPECTED TO ARGUE THAT CRIMES COMMITTED OVERSEAS... ARE NORMALLY PROSECUTED IN WASHINGTON D-C.
8-Dec	5 p.m. news	5:06 p.m./ :21	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	AN ALLEGED MASTERMIND OF THE MUMBAI, INDIA ATTACKS IS IN CUSTODY IN PAKISTAN THIS AFTERNOON. PAKISTANI OFFICIALS SAY..THE SUSPECTED MILITANT WAS CAUGHT DURING A RAID ON A MILITANT CAMP. HE'S AMONG AT LEAST A DOZEN OTHER PEOPLE DETAINED. THE GROUP IS ALSO BLAMED FOR TERRORISM IN CHECHNYA, BOSNIA, AND SOUTHEAST ASIA. THE MUMBAI SIEGE LEFT 171 PEOPLE DEAD LAST MONTH.
11-Dec	Noon news	12:07 p.m./ :24	Economy/ Health/ Health Care/ Education	A GROWING NUMBER OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE PROVIDING MORE FREE LUNCHES TO STUDENTS IN NEED. A NEW REPORT FROM THE NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM SHOWS THE FAILING ECONOMY IS HITTING FAMILIES HARD-- AS THEY STRUGGLE TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR CHILDREN. THAT MEANS MANY FAMILIES ARE TURNING TO SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE FREE LUNCHES FOR THEIR KIDS. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT-- 80 PERCENT OF SCHOOLS ACROSS THE COUNTRY HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR THE FREE LUNCH PROGRAM.
14-Dec	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Crime	Topics include: the scandal involving Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich, who's been accused of trying to sell the appointment to President-elect Barack Obama's former Senate seat / the lawsuit filed with the Illinois Supreme Court, asking them to remove Governor Blagojevich from office due to questions of legitimacy and his inability to serve / belief that a special election should be held to fill the vacant Senate seat
16-Dec	6-7 a.m. news	6:12 a.m./ :23	Education	ANOTHER CABINET POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT IS EXPECTED TODAY FROM PRESIDENT ELECT BARACK OBAMA. OBAMA IS EXPECTED TO NAME ARNE DUNCAN TO SERVE AS EDUCATION SECRETARY. DUNCAN HAS RUN THE CHICAGO SCHOOL DISTRICT-- OVER THE LAST SEVEN YEARS. A CLOSE SOURCE TO OBAMA SAYS DUNCAN IS FOCUSED ON IMPROVING STRUGGLING SCHOOLS-- CLOSING THOSE THAT FAIL-- AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF TEACHERS ACROSS THE NATION.
18-Dec	11 p.m. news	11:02 p.m./ :27	Crime	A TYRONE TOWNSHIP RESIDENT HAS TURNED HIMSELF IN TO AUTHORITIES ON FELONY CHARGES RELATED TO CHILD PORNOGRAPHY. 38-YEAR OLD BRETT LOPUCKI WAS CHARGED WITH SEVERAL COUNTS OF POSSESSING AND DISTRIBUTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY.. AND FOR USING A COMPUTER TO COMMIT A CRIME. LOPUCKI WORKS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HOSPITAL IN THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT. HE'S FREE TONIGHT AFTER POSTING A 25-THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND. HIS NEXT COURT HEARING IS JANUARY 13TH.

21-Dec	60 Minutes	7-8 p.m.	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	"Screening The TSA" - A report on the safety measures passengers must endure at airport security checkpoints since 9/11 and whether or not they are keeping travelers protected. The Transportation Security Administration says they are, but with screeners enforcing rules viewed by most travelers as annoying and arbitrary, the TSA has launched an image makeover. Includes comments from: Bruce Schneier, a security expert who has advised the TSA and who likens the procedures to "security theater"; and Kip Hawley, outgoing head of the TSA, who believes America is under attack from terrorists.
22-Dec	5 p.m. news	5:17 p.m./ 1:16	Economy	IT'S THE FINAL WEEK FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING-- AND HOLIDAY SALES AT MODERN SKATE AND SURF-- IN LANSING AREN'T LOOKING SO JOLLY. STEVE DARLING-- MANAGER FOR THE SKATE SHOP... SAY'S BUSINESS IS USUALLY GOOD THIS TIME OF YEAR-- BUT THE COUNTRY'S CURRENT FINANCIAL PROBLEMS-- AND THIS WEEKEND'S WEATHER - PUT A DAMPER ON THEIR SALES. AND THAT AFFECTS HIS BOTTOM LINE.
22-Dec	6 p.m. news	6:03 p.m./ :29	Health/ Health Care/ Crime	THE STATE IS USING A NEW HEALTH CARE COMPANY FOR IT'S PRISONERS-- BUT IT'S ANGERING CRITICS. TENNESEE-BASED - PRISON HEALTH SERVICES - IS SET TO MANAGE CARE FOR MICHIGAN'S 49 THOUSAND INMATES. THE 3-YEAR PLAN WILL COST 326 MILLION DOLLARS IF APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD. HOWEVER--CRITICS AREN'T HAPPY. THE AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION SAYS USING NATIONAL COMPANIES FOR PRISON CARE - HAS LED TO DEADLY MISTAKES. HOWEVER A PRISON HEALTH SPOKESMAN SAYS THE COMPANY SUBMITTED THE BEST PROPOSAL FOR THE LOWEST COST.
25-Dec	6 p.m. news	6:26 p.m./ :24	Environmen t	A CITY IN JAPAN-- IS CRACKING DOWN ON CLEANING UP THE ENVIRONMENT. IN KA-WA-SOCK-E --DRIVERS IDLING AT RED LIGHTS ARE CUTTING THEIR ENGINES OFF WHILE THEY WAIT FOR THE LIGHT TO CHANGE-- AND.. MANY CITY BUSES HAVE SPECIAL CLUTCH SENSORS THAT AUTOMATICALLY SHUT OFF-- AND RESTART AT TRAFFIC LIGHTS. OFFICIALS FROM THE CITY SAY-- TURNING THE CAR OFF WILL HELP REDUCE POLLUTION-- AND WILL IMPROVE FUEL ECONOMY BY TEN PERCENT OR MORE.
27-Dec	6 p.m. news	6:10 p.m./ :31	Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	IT'S BEEN EXACTLY A YEAR... SINCE THE ASSASSINATION OF BENAZIR BHUTTO. UP TO 200-THOUSAND MOURNERS GATHERED IN PAKISTAN TODAY...TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE FORMER PRIME MINISTER. SOME...WALKED HUNDREDS OF MILES...TO PASS BY BHUTTO'S GRAVE. SEVERAL BURST INTO TEARS. DURING TODAY'S ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY...PAKISTAN'S PRESIDENT AND BHUTTO'S WIDOWER... ACKNOWLEDGED U-S EFFORTS TO STOP TERRORISM.
28-Dec	Face the Nation	10:30-11 a.m.	Race Relations/ Crime	Topics include: the Israeli-Hamas conflict: the Obama administration and the U.S. relationship with Israel / the factor of a possible land invasion of Gaza by Israel / Obama's current discussions with Secretary Rice and with his own national security team; the status and aspects of the economic recovery plan; the situation with Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich / the question of the release of transcripts of phone conversations which Obama aide Rahm Emanuel had with Blagojevich's office 2) Topics include: the probability of the impeachment of Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich and his removal from office

30-Dec	11 p.m. news	11:05 p.m./ :18	Economy/ Terrorism/ Nat'l Security	THE VIOLENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IS FUELING CONCERN OVER OIL PRICES. THE PRICE OF CRUDE INCHED UPWARD OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS. THIS...AS INVESTORS WORRY THE CONFLICT COULD WORSEN TENSIONS IN THE OIL-RICH REGION. TODAY...THE WORLD'S STRUGGLING ECONOMY SURPASSED THOSE FEARS AND ACTUALLY FORCED OIL PRICES DOWN - AGAIN.
31-Dec	5-6 a.m. news	5:25 a.m./ :23	Race Relations/ Crime	OFFICIALS AT THE U-S EMBASSY IN MEXICO SAYS THEY HAVE SET NEW RECORDS WITH THE U-S FOR EXTRADITIONS OF SUSPECTED CRIMINALS. AMBASSADOR TONY GARZA SAYS MEXICO SENT 85 SUSPECTS TO THE UNITED STATES THIS YEAR-- TWO MORE THAN THE PREVIOUS HIGH IN 2007. MOST WERE WANTED ON MURDER OR DRUG CHARGES. GARZA CREDITS THE RISE IN EXTRADITIONS TO EXCELLENT COLLABORATION* BETWEEN U-S AND MEXICAN AUTHORITIES.