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Date

Crime

Daycare Center Shooting

1/24 10PM :30

WSAW reports that John Hall is charged with leaving a firearm in an area accessible to an unsupervised minor, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, and possession of a firearm by a felon after his 8-year old son took it to the "For Kids We Care Center" Daycare in Maryland and accidentally shot a 7-year old girl wounding her in the arm.

Enron Trial

1/31 10PM :30

WSAW reports that former Enron CEO's Ken Lay and Jeffrey Skilling are in court as the Enron fraud and conspiracy trial begin.

Moussaoui Trial

3/13 10PM :30

WSAW reports that attorneys for Zacarias Moussaoui, the man charged in the 911 attacks, are asking for the death penalty to be thrown out because some key witnesses for the prosecution are in violation of the judge's court order prohibiting them from following trial proceedings.

Moussaoui Trial

3/14 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a federal judge eliminates the testimony from four witnesses who are considered key in making the government's case in the Zacarias Moussaoui trial after they received e-mails containing trial summaries and advice on how to shape their testimony from Carla Martin who is a lawyer for the Transportation Security Administration.

Pornography Ring Bust

3/15 10PM :30

WSAW reports that authorities in the United States, Canada, Britain, and Australia arrest 27 people involved in an international child pornography ring.

Saddam Trial

3/15 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the Saddam trial was put on hold due to Hussein's refusal to answer questioned asked of him.

Moussaoui Trial

3/27 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Zacarias Moussaoui confessed he was suppose to fly a fifth plane into the White House but he was arrested by the United States a month before the attacks took place.

Economy

Federal Economic Report

1/18 10PM :30

WSAW reports that in the Federal Reserve's latest Beige Book, retail sales in late November and December continued to rise during the year-end holiday period amid generally stable prices, spending on travel and tourism spending "was generally strong," increases in manufacturing activity "were widely reported," both wholesale and retail prices were widely reported as "rising only moderately or remaining stable," most districts reported "moderate" growth in employment and labor cost pressures, and there were reports of "strong demand for both skilled and unskilled labor in part boosted by storm recovery efforts in many hurricane damaged regions.

Ford

1/23 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Ford, the nation's second largest auto maker, announces it is shutting down 14 factories and slashing 20 percent from its workforce, which is up to 30,000 jobs by 2012.

Interest Rate Hike

3/29 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the Federal Reserve has increased the benchmark interest rate to 4.75%.

Environment

Snowy Owls

1/9 6PM :30

WSAW reports that only two of the seven snowy owls taken in by the Raptor Education Group in Antigo this winter have survived.

CWD Breach

1/13 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the Department of Natural Resources is looking for deer infected with chronic wasting disease that may have escaped from the Buckhorn Flats Hunting Preserve in Almond after the owner discovered a hole in a fence.

Chronic Wasting Disease

1/27 10PM :30

WSAW reports that scientists have found the prion that causes chronic wasting disease in the skeletal muscle of deer, but there is no evidence that the disease can be transferred to humans.

Water Quality

2/1 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the Lac Du Flambeau Chippewa Tribe wants to take charge of water quality on its reservation and is asking the Environmental Protection Agency for power to regulate point sources of pollution.

Deer Hunt

2/10 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the Department of Natural Resources votes unanimously to keep the 2006 deer hunt rules and season options the same as in 2005.

Beetle Quarantine

3/1 6PM :15

WSAW reports that the United States Department of Agriculture is issuing a quarantine on products made from pine trees in hopes of controlling the spread of the destructive pine shoot beetle.

CWD

3/3 10PM :30

WSAW reports that state officials say 60 of 76 deer killed at the Buckhorn Flats Game Farm tested positive for chronic wasting disease.

Turkey Hunting Decoys

3/22 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the DNR has made electronic decoys for turkey hunting illegal in Wisconsin because of the danger to other hunters.

Deer Hunting

3/22 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Wisconsin deer hunters will have to kill an antlerless deer before they can shoot a buck to help reduce the deer population.

Education

IQ Academies

2/17 10PM :15

WSAW reports that as an alternative to traditional high school, more than 500 students are enrolled in "IQ" Academies, a virtual high school run by the Waukesha School District.

Cartoon Controversy

2/17 10PM :30

WSAW reports that political cartoons depicting the prophet Muhammed as a terrorist and published in the UW-Oshkosh and UW-Madison newspapers spark violence in the Muslim world.

Tuition Increase

3/30 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Wisconsin Technical College System votes to increase tuition 8 percent for the 2006-2007 school year.

Health

Transplant Program

1/9 6PM :30

WSAW reports that UW-Madison Hospital celebrates a milestone with their Heart and Lung Transplant Program performing its one-thousandth heart and lung transplant.

Tobacco Compliance

1/10 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the American Lung Association releases its "State of Tobacco Control" report giving Wisconsin an "F" grade in smoke-free air and tobacco prevention and control spending and a "D" grade in cigarette taxes and youth access to tobacco products.

Insulin Tool

1/20 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the FDA approves an inhalable form of insulin called Exubera for people 18 years and older.

Bird Flu

1/13 12P :30

WSAW reports that Turkey confirms 18 cases of people contracting the H5N1 bird flu virus, and the World Health Organization has not confirmed all the cases, but says the victims apparently caught the virus from infected chickens with no indication of human-to-human transmission.

Mad Cow Disease

1/23 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Canadian officials say they have found "Mad Cow" disease in a six-year old cross-bred cow in Alberta, and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency says the animal has been euthanized.

Rotavirus Vaccine

2/24 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a Federal Immunization Committee is recommending infants should get a three-dose vaccine called Rotateq for rotavirus by the time they are six months of age.

Program Extended

2/24 10PM :15

WSAW reports that a drug prescription program that allows Wisconsin residents to use a state web site to order their drugs from three approved Canadian pharmacies is extended for two more years.

Blastomycosis

3/3 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the Lincoln County Health Department says there have been 12 reported cases of blastomycosis this year including a 16-year old who died last month.

Blastomycosis

3/16 6PM :30

WSAW reports that health officials are holding a meeting in Merrill to discuss the 18 confirmed cases of blastomycosis.

Local

Farm Fresh Atlas

1/2 6PM :30

WSAW reports that seven counties including Marathon, Portage, and Wood are among seven counties taking part in a new program known as the "Farm Fresh Atlas."

School Board

1/4 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Wausau School Board President Jeffrey Lamont says he will not seek a third term.

Teacher Award

1/4 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Connie Miller, a sixth-grade teacher at Antigo Middle School, is being recognized for her creativity and success in the classroom as a Disney Teacher Award nominee.

Governor Visit

1/4 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Governor Doyle holds a state of the state town meeting at the TB Scott Library in Merrill.

Company Expansion

1/4 10PM :30

WSAW reports that A&B Process Systems in Stratford, which makes ethanol equipment, is expanding and adding 60 new jobs.

Tax Website

1/5 6PM :15

WSAW reports that the Department of Revenue's "Website of Shame" lists Waupaca County Sheriff Steve Liebe and his business Liebe Auction Service as owing more than \$145,000 dollars in back taxes.

Ambulance Service

1/5 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Village of Kronnenwetter officials nix their ambulance service contract with the City of Mosinee and have now turned to the City of Schofield for their service.

Marine Journalist

1/5 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Marine Lance Corporal Stephen Holt from Marshfield is headed to Iraq as a combat correspondent for a television station at Camp Pendelton in California.

Hospital Wing

1/6 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Aspirus Wausau Hospital's 51- room wing addition with state-of-the-art technology is the first step in their renovation.

Food Tampering

1/6 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Zachariah Barrett of Wausau turns himself into the Everest Metro Police and charged with food tampering after police say he put mercury into a pepper shaker at the Wendy's Restaurant in Weston.

Sentencing

1/6 10PM :16

WSAW reports that Rob Collins of Vesper is sentenced to ten years in prison after pleading guilty last November to five counts of recklessly endangering safety and fleeing an officer.

Sentencing

1/11 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Richard and Jimmy Klenz of Green County are sentenced each to one in jail with work release privileges and ordered to pay \$1,000 dollars a month to the co-op members along with paying fines and community service for selling watered down milk in 2004.

Teacher Disciplined

1/11 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Wausau West High School teacher, Jeff Murray, faces disciplinary action after being accused of making sexually harassing comments to two female students regarding their clothing.

New Restaurant

1/11 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Wausau City Council approves the re-zoning of the Wright House so it can house both a restaurant and residence.

Inmate in Custody

1/11 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Cory Borgwardt who escaped from Lincoln Hills School last summer surrenders to authorities and is now in the Lincoln County Jail.

Registered Kegs

1/16 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Liquor Store owners in Stevens Point are now required by law to keep track of who is buying kegs.

State Grant

1/19 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the Clark County Board votes down a comprehensive land and zoning project that includes a \$200,000 dollar Department of Administration state grant pending a final referendum vote in April 2006.

Ramm Case

1/20 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Rebecca Ramm, the Wausau woman who murdered her husband, David Ramm, and hid his body in their home for months, strikes a plea deal and will not be going to trial.

Municipal Center

1/25 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Village of Kronenwetter Administrator Henry Luxem says the new Municipal Center will cost \$3.5 million dollars, which is a boost of \$40 dollars on a \$100,000 dollar home spread over 20 years.

Sentencing

1/25 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Keith Chaffey, who escaped from Lincoln Hills in 2005 and later surrendered to authorities, is sentenced to six years in prison and three years extended supervision.

K-Mart Closing

1/25 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Wausau K-Mart announces it will not relocate when its closed down for the Highway 51-29 expansion in April 2006.

Smoking Ban

1/26 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Public Health and Safety Committee decides that the Wausau Mine Company and Hiawatha should be exempt from the smoking ban.

Coyote Hunters

1/27 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Francis Stockheimer and Ronald Wells of Stratford and Charles Regele and Daniel Frey of Marshfield plead guilty to criminal trespass in North Dakota after game wardens seized 37 coyotes that they hunted and killed using pickup trucks.

Sentencing

1/27 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a Marathon County judge sentences Alice Detrie to seven years in prison, pay \$44,000 dollars in restitution, and five years extended supervision after pleading guilty to 41 counts of burglary in Marathon, Shawano, Oconto, Lincoln, Marinette, and Brown Counties.

Burglary

1/20 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the El Tapatio in Rib Mountain is burglarized and approximately \$500 dollars is stolen.

Plant Closing

2/1 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Land O'Lakes announces the company is closing its cheese manufacturing plant in Greenwood.

Pedophile Arrest

2/7 10PM :30

WSAW reports that 37-year old Mark Krieg of Schofield is arrested in an internet pedophile sting.

Company Training

2/14 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a state grant allows employees from Regal-Beloit and Marathon Electric to receive additional training to help improve productivity.

Asphalt Plant

2/15 10PM :30

WSAW reports that RC Pavers decides not to build an asphalt plant in the Town of Weston after residents raise issues regarding property values and air pollution.

Sentencing

2/15 10PM :60

WSAW reports that Rebecca Ramm, the Wausau woman convicted of killing her abusive husband and hiding his body for five months, is sentenced to eight years in prison and twenty-two years extended supervision.

Attorney Reprimanded

2/17 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Rhinelander Attorney Frederick Voss is reprimanded by the State Supreme Court for setting up an illegal meeting between his client and two witnesses about to testify against him.

Fleetguard

2/17 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Fleetguard Nelson announces closing of the company's west plant in Neillsville affecting 200 employees.

Lawton Visit

2/20 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Lieutenant Governor Barbara Lawton is in Wausau as part of a tour designed to highlight practices that recruit and retain female employees and recognizing Aspirus Hospital for their women-g geared methods.

Sentencing

2/21 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Todd Matson, one of five people responsible for killing Scott Schader of Rhinelander, is sentenced in a Oneida County courtroom to 35 years in prison with an additional 20 years on extended supervision.

Election Results

2/22 6PM :15

WSAW reports that winners from the primary election results for the Portage County Executive position are Daryl Bo DeDeker and Mark Maslowski who will proceed to the general election.

Election Results

2/22 6PM :15

WSAW reports that winners from the primary election results for the Wisconsin Rapids mayoral race are incumbent Jerry Bach and Mary Jo Carson who will proceed to the general election.

Election Results

2/22 6PM :15

WSAW reports that winners from the primary election results for the Phillips mayoral race are Jeff Fall and Ted Kempkes who will proceed to the general election.

School Referendum

2/22 6PM :15

WSAW reports that the school referendum in Boulder Junction is rejected by voters, but the Minocqua, Nekoosa, and Tomorrow River School District referendums are approved.

Mosinee Vote

2/22 6PM :15

WSAW reports that the Mosinee District School Board votes 5-to-4 in favor of keeping the school's Indian nickname.

School Referendum

2/22 10PM :30

WSAW reports that voters in the Colby School District reject a \$2.5 million dollar referendum.

School Referendum

2/22 10PM :30

WSAW reports that voters in Rhinelander reject a \$23.5 million dollar referendum for Nicolet Area Technical College.

Security Camera

2/22 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the City of Stevens Point installs a security camera in its downtown area.

Wausau Tower

2/23 6PM :15

WSAW reports that officials hold a groundbreaking ceremony for the \$20 million dollar Wausau Tower project.

Drug Bust

2/23 10PM :30

WSAW reports that sheriff's deputies arrest four men after they executed a search warrant at an Auburndale home and confiscate four pounds of marijuana worth \$30,000 dollars.

Animal Neglect Case

2/23 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Barbara Calkins, the Lincoln County woman facing 38 charges of animal neglect, enters a not guilty plea by reason of mental disease or defect.

Election Re-count

2/28 10PM :60

WSAW reports that after a re-count in the Stevens Point School Board primary, new results show Bob Larsen moving from number seven to five, Linda Laszewski-Louis moving from number five to six, and Joe Tylka moving from number six to seven taking him out of the race pending an appeals process in circuit court.

Wood County

2/28 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the Wood County Board votes 29-to-1 in favor of combing their county's Aging and Disability Resource Center with Marathon County.

United Way

2/28 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Marathon County United Way expands its "First Call" service changing its dial to 211 available 24 hours a day.

Marshfield Fire

3/2 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Jeremy Van Ert pleads guilty in a Wood County courtroom to two counts of arson and one count of recklessly endangering safety stemming from the Marshfield fire in 2005 that destroyed two businesses.

Rudy Case

3/3 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Shaun Rudy from Thorp faces three felony charges of first-degree intentional homicide, first-degree intentional homicide of an unborn child, and of mutilating a corpse in the death of his wife, Christine, and their unborn child in November 2005.

Rudy Case

3/3 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Heather Teschler is charged with harboring a felon and obstructing an officer in the Shaun Rudy case involving the death of Rudy's wife, Christine, and their unborn child in November 2005.

Asphalt Plant

3/7 10PM :30

WSAW reports that at a Town of Ringle meeting, RC Pavers is asking permission to turn a 10-acre family owned farm into a storage and rock crushing facility.

Drug Bust

3/7 10PM :30

WSAW reports that three people are in custody after a suspected drug dealer sells an undercover officer cocaine, and deputies find more than eight ounces of cocaine and hundreds of dollars in cash inside a home and hotel room on Wausau's west side.

Rudy Case

3/7 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a Clark County judge grants Attorney William Poss's request to be taken off the Shaun Rudy case because of an ethical concern.

Police Employee Investigation

3/9 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the Wausau Police Dept. is investigating an employee after cash was logged as paid, then stolen before it reached City Hall.

9/11 Memorial

3/16 6PM :30

WSAW reports that a state-wide memorial is on display at Mosinee High School which was funded by student councils across the state to honor local firemen and police.

Expanding Globally

3/21 10PM :15

WSAW reports that American International Group has purchased Travel Guard International and expects the company's size to double in the next three years. Travel Guard sells insurance plans and provides help to world travelers.

Bankruptcy

3/22 6PM :15

WSAW reports that Smart Papers, which owns a mill in Park Falls, has filed for chapter eleven bankruptcy protection. Smart Papers is also being investigated by the State for possibly violating a law that says employee must be given a 60-day notice before a mass lay-off.

Rudy Case

3/23 6PM :15

WSAW reports that Shaun Rudy, who appeared in Clark County Circuit Court, has been formally charged with the death of his wife and unborn child.

Park Falls Mill

3/23 6PM :30

WSAW reports that a Park Falls radio station is holding a job fair to help workers find jobs after the Smart Paper mill closes.

Desimone Charged

3/27 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Robert Desimone was formally charged of first degree reckless homicide in the death of Aiyana Gennrich.

Wausau City Council

3/28 10PM :60

WSAW reports that the Wausau City Council voted ten to zero to allow Compass Properties to tear down the vacant Plaza Mall and build a complex containing retail stores and condos.

Oldenburg Honored

3/28 10PM :15

WSAW reported that Charles Oldenburg received a metal from the city council for serving the emergency police for more than 55 years.

State Grant

3/29 10PM :15

WSAW reported that a 100-thousand-dollar state grant will be given to Park Falls to help the employment program for those left jobless after the Smart Papers Mill closes.

Rudy Case

3/29 10PM :30

WSAW reports that remains found along the Chippewa River could be those of Christine Rudy, a young pregnant women murdered in November. Investigators are waiting for results from the State Crime Lab.

Child is Missing Program

3/30 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the program "A Child is Missing" is now implemented in Oneida County.

Police Chief

3/30 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the City of Wausau Police Chief candidates are narrowed down to Jeff Hardel, Wausau's acting Chief of Police, Appleton Police Department's Lieutenant Erik Messelt, and Onalaska Chief of Police Randy Williams.

Harassment Investigation

3/30 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the harassment investigation filed by Kristy Matti against Kronenwetter's Police Chief Dan Joling and officer Andrew Zortman results in no wrong doing on the part of the officers involved.

State

Campaign Donations

1/3 10PM :15

WSAW reports that campaign donations to Governor Doyle from utility interests, a company that won a state travel contract, and a fundraiser held by a State Department of Transportation official are under investigation.

Campaign Donation

1/4 6PM :15

WSAW reports that republican Representative Paul Ryan says he is giving a campaign donation of \$949 dollars that he received from Jack Abramoff to the USO, a fundraiser to fight heart disease.

Mob Beating

1/4 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a seventh teenager is now charged in the mob beating of 50-year old Samuel McClain last month in Milwaukee.

Walmart Settlement

1/5 6PM :15

WSAW reports that Walmart agrees to pay \$25,000 dollars to settle aggregations by State Consumer Protection Specialists who say they overcharged customers for bulk items at five Wisconsin stores.

DNR Hearings

1/5 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a bi-partisan senate committee is holding hearings around the state to hear testimony on encounters with the Department of Natural Resources.

Campaign Donations

1/6 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Senator Russ Feingold's campaign is returning contributions associated with lobbyist Jack Abramoff who pleaded guilty to corruption and tax evasion.

Barnhart Case

1/6 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Thomas Barnhart, the man who started the wildfire in Adams County in May 2005, is sentenced to two years probation, and ordered to write a letter of apology to have published in area newspapers, along with staying away from alcohol, paying \$150 dollars a month in restitution, and performing 100 hours community service.

State Economics

1/6 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a study by the nonpartisan Wisconsin Taxpayers Alliance finds the state lost \$4.7 billion dollars in household net worth over a five-year period as more highly paid and well-educated residents moved out of the state in addition to college graduates and seniors leaving.

Loans

1/6 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the United States Small Business Administration announces it will offer loans up to \$200,000 dollars to cover home repairs, up to \$40,000 dollars to replace personal property, and for damaged businesses up to \$1.5 million dollars for victims of the tornadoes that hit south-central Wisconsin in the summer of 2005.

Settlement

1/9 6PM :15

WSAW reports that the widows of three workers killed in the Miller Park crane collapse will be awarded millions of dollars more in addition to the \$27 million dollars they split in 2000 in an out of court settlement.

Pipe Bombs

1/9 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a statewide search is on for the man suspected of leaving pipe bombs in a parking ramp in Madison.

Bomb Investigation

1/11 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Madison police are investigating suspicious objects found in the sewer system around the State Capitol.

Campaign Donations

1/11 6PM :15

WSAW reports that Governor Doyle returns campaign contributions connected to Washington D.C. lobbyist, Jack Abramoff.

Bomb Arrest

1/13 12P :30

WSAW reports that Steven Mundt is in police custody in Madison for planting a fake bomb in a mailbox.

Oil Study

1/13 6PM :30

WSAW reports that according to a State Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection report that stems from Governor Doyle's hearings with oil company executives, Wisconsin needs more power from renewable sources and the federal government should look into oil company mergers.

Foti Plea

1/13 6PM :30

WSAW reports that former state assembly majority leader, Steven Foti, pleads guilty to a misdemeanor ethics violation as part of a plea deal to avoid a more serious campaign finance charge.

State Aid

1/13 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Governor Doyle says the state will help more than 110,000 Wisconsin seniors and disabled people who have been left without prescription drug coverage because confusion over the Federal Medicare Program.

Dr. King Honored

1/16 6PM :15

WSAW reports that hundreds of people gathered at the capitol to pay tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King honoring his life and legacy.

Concealed Weapon

1/17 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the state senate passes a concealed carry bill by a margin large enough to override an expected veto from Governor Doyle.

Doyle Speech

1/17 10PM :60

WSAW reports that Governor Doyle delivers his State of the State Address promising to work on making Wisconsin life more affordable including healthcare, heating assistance, and college tuition costs, in addition to stem cell research.

Vang Restitution

1/19 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a Hayward judge says Chai Vang, the man serving life in prison for murdering six deer hunters and wounding two others in 2004, must pay approximately \$52,000 dollars in restitution to the survivors and victims' families.

Halbach Case

1/19 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Calumet County Sheriff says the FBI tests confirm remains found at the Avery Family Auto Salvage Yard are identified as 25-year old Teresa Halbach.

Concealed Carry Bill

1/20 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Governor Doyle vetoes the latest version of the Concealed Carry Bill.

Ameriquet Settlement

1/23 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Attorney Peg Lautenschlager says almost \$2 million dollars in restitution will be paid to Wisconsin residents involved in a \$325 million dollar settlement after Ameriquet faces charges of predatory lending.

Settlement

1/24 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Roundy's Supermarkets pays a settlement of \$45,000 dollars to the state for overcharging at the checkout scanner.

Concealed Carry Bill

1/26 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the state senate votes 23-to-10 and overrides Governor Doyle's veto of the Concealed Carry Bill.

Travel Contract

1/30 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the state terminates a contract with Adelman Travel who is at the center of a federal criminal case against a state official accused of steering the contract to Adelman.

Congressional Seat

1/30 10PM :30

WSAW reports that republican Dave Robinson from the Saint Croix Falls area announces his candidacy for the 7th District congressional seat.

Concealed Carry Bill

1/31 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the state assembly's vote falls two votes short of the sixty-six votes needed to override Governor Doyle's veto of the Concealed Carry Bill.

Potowatomi Compact

2/1 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Forest County Potowatomi Tribe makes a \$43 million dollar payment to the state under a revised version of a gaming compact.

Amber Alert

2/13 10PM :30

WSAW reports that an amber alert for Angela, Emily, and Alyssa Jensen is cancelled after convicted felon Stacey Roger Willhelm turns himself in and one of the girls is found at a home in Milwaukee and the other two in Belgium.

Doyle Donations

2/13 6PM :30

WSAW reports that an Associated Press review shows employees of at least seven companies donated to Governor Doyle's campaign around the time their firms won no-bid contracts.

Heating Assistance

2/14 6PM :30

WSAW reports that both legislative houses convened in a special session, but quickly adjourned without taking action on Governor Doyle's Energy Assistance proposal.

Avery Case

2/14 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Steven Avery agrees to a \$400,000 dollar settlement in the \$36 million dollar federal lawsuit against Manitowoc County for the wrongful conviction of rape where he spent 18 years in prison, and now wants to use the money for bail where he is being held in the Calumet County jail on homicide charges in the death of Teresa Halbach.

Pornography Charges

2/14 10PM :30

WSAW reports that former Illinois police officer, Newton Tench, now working at a Kenosha school for the past two years as a computer tech, is facing felony charges accused of downloading a million images of child pornography onto his computer.

Funeral Bill

2/20 6PM :30

WSAW reports that Governor Doyle signs a bill into law making it illegal to protest at funerals in Wisconsin.

Bush Visit

2/20 6PM :30

WSAW reports that President Bush stops in Milwaukee to promote his energy program including promoting technologies designed to reduce America's dependence on imported oil.

Troops Return

2/21 10PM :15

WSAW reports that members of the Army Reserve 890th Transportation Company out of Ashwaubenon return from serving in Iraq.

Hughs Indictment

2/22 6PM :30

WSAW reports that an Arizona man, Denys Hughes, was arrested in July 2005 in Kansas for possessing bomb making materials while in Vilas County investigators seized 42 biological and chemical samples and dozens of guns from his cabin in Manitowish Waters which now leads to a grand jury indictment for possession of those items and for attempting to make a deadly biological toxin for use as a weapon.

Jensen Trial

2/22 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the trial for State Representative Scott Jensen continues where he faces three felony counts of misconduct in office.

Sex Offenders

2/23 6PM :30

WSAW reports that just after five months, Governor Doyle credits the "Safe Program" saying more than 400 sex offenders who eluded the state's registration law have now been found.

Soldier Killed

2/27 6PM :15

WSAW reports that Marine Adam Vanalstine from Superior is killed by a roadside bomb in Iraq.

Same-Sex Marriage

2/28 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the state assembly votes to put a proposed amendment defining marriage as just between a man and a woman on the ballot in November 2006.

School Air

3/1 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the state senate passes a bill requiring air quality to be monitored at schools around the state.

Halbach Case

3/1 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Calumet County sheriff says Steven Avery's 16-year old relative is now in custody and expected to be charged along with Avery after admitting his involvement in the murder of Theresa Halbach.

Halbach Case

3/3 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Steven Avery's relative, 16-year old Brenden Dassey, enters a not guilty plea in a Manitowoc court and is held on a \$250,000 dollar bond while his attorney withdraws from the case saying he is a distant relative of murder victim, Theresa Halbach.

Halbach Case

3/6 10PM :30

WSAW reports that after prosecutors say Avery's nephew, Brenden Dassey, admitted his involvement in the Theresa Halbach murder case, new search warrants are issued and authorities seize more than 40 items including hair, mattresses, and various knives during a search of Avery's property.

Death Penalty

3/6 10PM :15

WSAW reports that a senate committee passes a resolution that puts the death penalty issue on ballots across the state as early as September 2006.

State of the Tribes

3/7 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Chairman Gerald Danforth addresses a joint session of the legislature in the Second Annual "State of the Tribes" speech where he addresses improving health care, education, and housing.

Safe Program

3/7 10PM :30

WSAW reports that through Governor Doyle's "Safe" Initiative, dangerous sex offenders who have completed their prison time and treatment will wear GPS monitors.

Heating Assistance

3/8 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Governor Doyle signs legislation giving eligible low-income families about \$200 dollars in aid toward paying their heating bills.

Kohl Campaign

3/8 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Senator Herb Kohl seeks his fourth term in office.

US Cellular

3/8 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection investigates customer complaints against US Cellular regarding a letter sent to their customers.

Halbach Case

3/8 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Steven Avery faces more charges including sexual assault, kidnapping, and false imprisonment in addition to murder, mutilating a corpse, and illegally possessing firearm in the Theresa Halbach case.

Dassey Deal

3/9 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Brendan Dassey is trying to work out a plea deal; he, along with his uncle, are charged with sexually assaulting and murdering Teresa Halbach.

Teschler Deal

3/9 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Heather Teschler is trying to reach a deal in which she would get immunity for testifying against Shaun Rudy who is accused of murdering his wife and unborn child.

Avery Case

3/10 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Steven Avery's lawyers are trying to get statements made by his nephew, Dassey dismissed because the documents were released to the public.

Medicare Scams

3/13 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Dept. of Justice along with the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups to aid against scams and coverage problems with the Federal government's new prescription plan.

Jensen Convicted

3/13 10PM :15

WSAW reports State Representative Scott Jensen will resign next week after being convicted of felony misconduct for using state employees as secret campaign operatives.

Marine Killed

3/14 10PM :15

WSAW reports that 21-year-old Lance Corporal Nicholas Anderson of Sauk Ciry was killed in Afghanistan while on patrol.

Leyendecker Enters Race

3/14 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Libertarian Roy Leyendecker has filed papers to run for Governor this fall.

Voter Registration

3/20 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Wisconsin has passed a new law which requires citizens statewide to register to vote.

Doyle's New Power Approach

3/22 6PM :15

WSAW reports that Governor Jim Doyle is launching a new power initiative and grant which will help Wisconsin businesses and residents to take advantage of renewable energy technologies.

Heating Help

3/24 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the federal government is giving more than 26 million dollars to help assist low-income residents pay their bill so they don't get disconnected on April 15 when the Winter Moratorium ends.

Medicare D Help

3/24 10PM :30

WSAW reports that there is less than two months before those eligible have to choose which "Part D" program is best suited for their prescription needs. Secretary of Health and Human Services Mike Leavitt provided answers and information to help those make an informed decision.

Walker Drops Out

3/24 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker is withdrawing from the campaign for governor because of the lack of funds.

Voter ID Change

3/27 6PM :15

WSAW reports that the State Elections Board states that first time voters do not have to produce a drivers' license but the last four digits of their social security number.

Nursing Home Funding

3/27 10PM :15

WSAW reports that an additional 27-million-dollars of state and federal money will be given to nursing homes that accept Medicaid patients.

Wilcox Retires

3/28 10PM :15

WSAW reports that State Supreme Court Justice Jon Wilcox is going to retire after 15 years on the high court.

Offender Tracking

3/30 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a legislative committee approves a bill that would require lifetime global positioning tracking of sex offenders convicted of first-degree sexual assault of a child.

Sentencing

3/31 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the former executive director of the Wisconsin Professional Police Association, Stanley Kluss, is sentenced to one year and three months in federal prison for defrauding a police officers union.

National

Mine Explosion

1/2 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a rescue attempt is underway where 13 people are trapped after an explosion in a coal mine in Tallmansville, West Virginia.

Texas Fires

1/2 10PM :30

WSAW reports that victims access damage where 50 homes and 40,000 acres are destroyed by grass fires in central Texas.

California Emergency

1/2 10PM :15

WSAW reports that California's governor declares seven counties are in an official state of emergency after flooding causes an estimated \$100 million dollars in damage in addition to three deaths.

Mine Explosion

1/3 10PM :30

WSAW reports that searchers find one of thirteen missing miners dead after an explosion at a West Virginia mine.

Texas Fires

1/3 10PM :15

WSAW reports that officials in Texas say a fire covering 40,000 acres is now contained and the second covering 90,000 acres is about 70 percent contained.

Abromoff Case

1/3 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Washington D.C. lobbyist, Jack Abromoff, pleads guilty to federal charges of conspiracy, tax evasion, and mail fraud as part of a plea deal to agree to cooperate in a corruption probe of lawmakers at the nation's capital.

Violence Act

1/5 10PM :30

WSAW reports that President Bush signs a bill extending the Violence Against Women Act.

Mine Explosion

1/5 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Randy McCloy is the sole survivor of the mine explosion in West Virginia that killed 12 of his co-workers.

Church Fire

1/6 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Pilgrim Baptist Church, a landmark built in 1890 in Chicago, is destroyed by fire.

Cheney Hospitalized

1/9 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Vice President Dick Cheney is hospitalized for nearly four hours after suffering from shortness of breath.

Bush Meeting

1/13 12P :15

WSAW reports that President Bush meets with German Chancellor Angela Merkel at the White House to try to put an end to Iran's nuclear ambitions.

Chopper Down

1/13 12P :15

WSAW reports that the United States military confirms the deaths of two Army pilots whose helicopter went down in Iraq.

Bush Tribute

1/16 10PM :15

WSAW reports that President Bush urges the renewal of the expiring portions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act at a ceremony at the Kennedy Center honoring the late Dr. Martin Luther King.

Court Ruling

1/17 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the United States Supreme Court rules in a 6-to-3 vote to uphold Oregon's doctor assisted suicide law.

Mayor Apology

1/17 10PM :30

WSAW reports that New Orleans's Mayor Ray Nagin apologizes after he said New Orleans will be a "chocolate city" again during a speech at a Martin Luther King holiday event.

Missing Victims

1/18 10PM :30

WSAW reports that nearly five months after Hurricane Katrina, more than 3,200 people are still officially unaccounted for by the National Call Center.

CIA Tape

1/19 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the CIA believes the voice on a newly released audio tape aired on an Arabic language network is that of Osama Bin Laden saying that attacks like those in London and Madrid are planned for America.

Hostage Demands

1/19 10PM :30

WSAW reports that abductors of American journalist, Jill Carroll, who was kidnapped in Baghdad January 7, 2006, say they will kill her unless the United States meets their demand of releasing all female Iraqi prisoners.

Nomination

1/24 6PM :30

WSAW reports that the Senate Judiciary Committee approves the nomination of Samuel Alito to the United States Supreme Court in a 10-to-8 vote.

Bush Visit

1/23 10PM :30

WSAW reports that President Bush speaks about terrorism and the situation in Iraq on a visit to Kansas State University.

Hostage

1/23 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Iraqi officials say joint United States and Iraqi operations were carried out to free kidnapped American journalist, Jill Carroll, but provided no details.

Mine Safety

1/23 10PM :30

WSAW reports that officials from the Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration and Sago Mine Operators among others are questioned at a United States Senate Hearing on Mining Safety following two deadly mining accidents in West Virginia.

Military Reports

1/25 10PM :30

WSAW reports that a report commissioned by the United States Pentagon argues the Army is overstretched and undersized and a second report released by democrats on Capitol Hill note every available army combat brigade has served in Iraq or Afghanistan for at least a one-year tour and many are on their second or third deployments.

Google Lawsuit

1/25 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the United States Justice Department files a lawsuit in a U.S. District Court in California demanding the world's biggest search engine, Google, turn over data it says will help the government ultimately keep children from accessing web pornography.

Bush Conference

1/26 10PM :15

WSAW reports that in a press conference, President Bush gives a warning to the newly elected majority of the Palestinian Parliament, Hamas, insisting the prospect of Mideast peace is not dead if the group renounces violence.

Flight Attendant

1/26 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Federal Transportation Security Administration officers find a real but inactive grenade in a Northwest Airlines flight attendant's luggage at Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Videotape

1/30 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Al Qaeda's number two leader, Ayman Al Zawahiri appears on a videotape airing on an Arabic language network

Anchors Injured

1/30 10PM :30

WSAW reports that anchorman Bob Woodruff and his cameraman, Doug Vogt, lie in a United States Army hospital in Germany after being hit by a roadside bomb in Iraq.

Coretta Scott-King

1/31 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Coretta Scott-King, the widow of civil rights leader, Reverend Martin Luther King Jr., dies at the age of 78.

Supreme Court Justice

1/31 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Judge Samuel Alito is sworn in as the 110th United States Supreme Court Justice.

Bush Speech

1/31 10PM :60

WSAW reports that President Bush delivers his "State of the Union" Address in Washington, D.C.

Mining Explosion

2/1 10PM :30

WSAW reports that West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin calls for an immediate shut down of the state's coal mines until safety checks are conducted after two more miners are killed in two more on the job accidents.

Church Fires

2/3 10PM :30

WSAW reports that authorities are investigating the arson fires of five churches about 25 miles south of Birmingham, Alabama.

Bush Budget

2/6 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the budget plan President Bush sends to congress boosts military and homeland security spending while also trying to rein in the budget deficit.

Domestic Spying

2/6 10PM :30

WSAW reports that at a hearing in Washington, D.C., senators from both political parties are raising doubts about the Bush administration's legal basis for a domestic eavesdropping program.

Coretta Scott King Funeral

2/7 10PM :15

WSAW reports that President Bush along with former Presidents Clinton, Carter, Bush Sr., and 14 United States senators attend the funeral for Coretta Scott King in Atlanta, Georgia.

Terrorist Threat

2/9 10PM :60

WSAW reports that President Bush gives details of a 2002 plan of a terrorist plot to slam a hijacked plane into the US Bank Tower in Los Angeles just weeks after the World Trade Center attack, and the White House releases a fact sheet listing nine additional Al Qaida plots that have been disrupted in the last four years.

Senate Hearing

2/10 10PM :30

WSAW reports that former FEMA Director Michael Brown testifies at a senate hearing regarding the response to Hurricane Katrina.

Hunting Accident

2/13 10PM :30

WSAW reports that White House spokesman Scott McClellan explains the information delay regarding Vice President Dick Cheney's hunting accident.

Senate Hearing

2/13 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Homeland Security Chief Michael Chertoff testifies at a senate hearing regarding the response to Hurricane Katrina.

Hunting Accident

2/14 10PM :30

WSAW reports that doctors for Harry Whittington, the man accidentally shot by his hunting partner Vice President Dick Cheney, say he is back in intensive care after suffering a minor heart attack caused by some of the birdshot moving and lodging into a part of his heart causing the atrial fibrillation.

Katrina Report

2/14 10PM :30

WSAW reports that new details from a congressional report regarding Hurricane Katrina say nobody at the federal, state, or local levels did enough to protect the people of the Gulf Coast despite warnings an unusually powerful hurricane was on its way.

Katrina Hearing

2/15 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff testifies before a congressional committee.

Cheney Interview

2/15 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Vice President Dick Cheney speaks publicly for the first time since the accidental shooting of his hunting partner, Harry Whittington.

Whittington Release

2/17 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Harry Whittington, the man Vice President Dick Cheney accidentally shot while they were hunting, is released from a Corpus Christi, Texas, hospital.

Cheney Appearance

2/17 10PM :15

WSAW reports Vice President Dick Cheney makes his first public appearance since the accidental shooting of his hunting partner, Harry Whittington, addressing a joint session of the legislature in Wyoming.

Mexico Mine

2/20 10PM :15

WSAW reports that rescuers are digging through debris trying to reach 65 miners trapped underground by a gas explosion at a coal mine in northern Mexico.

Port Security

2/20 10PM :60

WSAW reports that the White House getting resistance from both democrats and republicans including the republican chairman of the House Homeland Security Panel over a deal that would allow a Middle East based company to manage several large United States ports.

Port Security

2/22 10PM :15

WSAW reports that federal lawmakers from both parties are threatening a bill to block the running of six American ports to the United Arab Emirates.

Port Security

2/23 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the sale of six American ports will be delayed because of growing concern over the security if the United Arab Emirates takes over.

Medicare Part D

2/24 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid are proposing a limitation on the number of prescription plans that a company can offer to lessen confusion among citizens.

S.D. Abortion

2/24 10PM :30

WSAW reports that South Dakota is just one signature away from banning abortions after the state's legislature gave its final approval for the bill. The Governor has indicated he will sign the bill.

Port Protests

2/24 10PM :15

WSAW reports that citizens across the county are protesting and rallying against the sale of six American ports to the United Arab Emirates.

Feingold Filibuster

3/1 6PM :15

WSAW reports that the US Senate, has ended Russ Feingold's filibuster against the renewal of the patriot act. Feingold says today's actions assure the final passage of the reauthorization bill.

Bush Tape

3/1 10PM :30

WSAW reports that there are new questions concerning hurricane Katrina and what the White House knew ahead of time after the release of some videotapes showing Bush and his Homeland Security Chief being briefed before the storm hit.

Patriot Act

3/2 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the Patriot Act is another stop closer to be renewed after the senate voted to extend the anti-terror law.

Northwest Deal

3/3 10PM :15

WSAW reports that Northwest Airlines has a tentative pay-cut deal with its pilots which is a major step in ending another problem that threatened the future of the bankrupt airline.

Bush in India

3/3 10PM :15

WSAW reports that president Bush is continuing his trip to South Asia and has now arrived in Pakistan to talk about US relations.

S.D. Abortion

3/6 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Governor Mike Rounds signed a bill banning nearly all abortions, except when it would save the mother's life. The bill is scheduled to go into effect on July first of this year.

Moussaoui Trial

3/6 10PM :15

WSAW reports that 17 jurors will decide whether Zacarias Moussaoui will spend life in prison or be executed for conspiring with Al Qaeda; they will hear from over 200 witnesses including Moussaoui.

Patriot Act

3/7 10PM :15

WSAW reports that the House of Representatives has approved the renewal of the Patriot Act and President Bush says that he looks forward to signing the bill into law.

Ports Deal Off

3/9 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the deal to sell six American ports fell apart after huge controversy in Washington when both parties opposed the deal to United Arab Emirates.

Bush & Ireland

3/17 10PM :15

WSAW reports that President Bush and Ireland's leaders are vowing to keep the Emerald Island peaceful after decades of Protestant-Catholic strife.

Immigration

3/27 10PM :30

WSAW reports that the Senate Judiciary Committee approves a bill that would strengthen the Border Patrol and let millions of undocumented workers seek United States citizenship without first having to leave the country.

Resignation

3/28 10PM :15

WSAW reports that President Bush's White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card announces his resignation.

Jill Carroll

3/30 10PM :30

WSAW reports that American hostage, Jill Carroll is free after being held in Iraq for three months.

World

Israel

1/4 10PM :30

WSAW reports that Israel's Prime Minister Ariel Sharon undergoes emergency surgery at a Jerusalem hospital after suffering a significant stroke with massive bleeding.

Iraq

1/5 10PM :30

WSAW reports that police say 63 people die after an attacker strikes at a shrine 50 miles south of Baghdad, and in central Iraq a suicide bomber attacks a line of about 1,000 police recruits with 56 people dying and another 60 injured.

Israel

1/9 10PM :30

WSAW reports that doctors say Israel's Prime Minister Ariel Sharon is breathing on his own and slightly moving his right arm and leg after suffering a massive stroke.

Israel

1/9 10PM :30

WSAW reports that after Israel's Prime Minister Ariel Sharon suffered a massive stroke, temporary governmental control is in the hands of his deputy, Ehud Olmert.

Pakistan

1/13 10PM :60

WSAW reports that Osama Bin Laden's number two man in the Al Qaeda terrorist network, Al Zawahiri, is targeted in a CIA strike on a remote village in Pakistan near the Afghan border and may have been killed according to United States sources.

Iraq

1/13 10PM :30

WSAW reports that with insurgents in Iraq planting roadside bombs that are bigger and harder to detect, United States troops are not waiting for the government and are making their own modifications to their vehicles for better protection.

Iraq

1/16 10PM :30

WSAW reports that two American pilots are dead after a helicopter crash in Iraq where two extremist groups are claiming responsibility.

Pakistan

1/18 10PM :30 WSAW reports that Pakistan officials say a United States air strike kills three senior Al Qaeda operators including a chemical and biological specialist, chief of operations for Afghanistan and Pakistan, and chief of operations for Afghanistan's Konor Province.

Iraq

1/18 10PM :30 WSAW reports that kidnapped American journalist, Jill Carroll's captors release a video tape of her and threaten to kill her in two days if the United States military does not release all female Iraqi prisoners.

Egypt

2/3 10PM :15 WSAW reports that almost 140 survivors are brought to shore at an Egyptian Red Sea port after an Egyptian ferry carrying 1,400 people sinks in the Red Sea.

Iraq

2/9 10PM :30 WSAW reports that another video tape surfaces of kidnapped American journalist, Jill Carroll, asking for United States cooperation along with a letter written by Carroll.

Guantanamo Bay

2/16 10PM :30 WSAW reports that the United Nations wants the United States to close Guantanamo Bay releasing a report that calls it a torture camp.

Libya

2/17 10PM :15 WSAW reports that nine people are killed and many wounded in protests that include setting fire to the Italian Consulate.

Phillipines

2/17 10PM :30 WSAW reports that the death toll could reach as high as 2,000 from a mudslide in the Phillipines.

Iraq

2/22 10PM :15 WSAW reports that a bomb destroys the Golden Dome on one of Shiite Islam's holiest shrines in Baghdad

Iran

3/31 10PM :30 WSAW reports that an earthquake in Iran registers a 5.1 on the Richter Scale and the death toll is now at 70.

Israel Vote

3/28 10PM :15 WSAW reports that acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert is declaring victory for his Kadima Centrist party in Israel's elections.

Other

Singer Dies

1/6 10PM :15

age of 72 from lung cancer.

WSAW reports that singer, Low Rawls, dies at the

Dana Reeve

3/7 10PM :30

Christopher Reeves, dies at the age of 44 of lung cancer.

WSAW reports that Dana Reeves, widow of actor

Educational News

Civil Rights Lesson

1/16 10PM :15

WSAW reports that fifth grade students at Wausau's Newman Catholic Elementary School present a readers theater depicting the life of civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King.

WW II Lesson

1/27 10PM :30

WSAW reports that seventh grade students at Wausau Horace Mann Middle School learn World War II lessons from five veterans sharing their experiences with the class.

Women in Science

3/3 10PM :30

WSAW reports that seventh and eighth grade girls from all over Wisconsin attend the Annual "Women and Science Day" at UW-Stevens Point.

**QUARTERLY REPORT FOR
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Station Tours

DATE	NAME	NUMBER OF STUDENTS
January 18, 2006	Washington Service Learning Point Center-Stevens Point, WI	25 students-Elementary
January 25, 2006	Washington Service Learning Point Center-Stevens Point, WI	25 students-Elementary
January 26, 2006	Washington Service Learning Point Center-Stevens Point, WI	25 students-Elementary
January 30, 2006	Washington Service Learning Point Center-Stevens Point, WI	25 students-Elementary
February 20, 2006	Girlscout Troop-Minocqua	12 scouts
March 1, 2006	Stevens Point Spash-Special Needs Class	20 students
March 6, 2006	Horace Mann Middle School-Wausau CD Program	11 students
March 14, 2006	Red Hat Society-Merrill	10 members
March 30, 2006	Washington Elementary-Stevens Point	25 students

**QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM REPORT FOR
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SUMMARY**

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Al Lancaster, General Manager

4-7-06
Date

Crime

- John Hall is charged with leaving a firearm in an area accessible to an unsupervised minor, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, and possession of a firearm by a felon after his 8-year old son took it to the "For Kids We Care Center" Daycare in Maryland and accidentally shot a 7-year old girl wounding her in the arm.
- Former Enron CEO's Ken Lay and Jeffrey Skilling are in court as the Enron fraud and conspiracy trial begin.
- Attorneys for Zacarias Moussaoui, the man charged in the 911 attacks, are asking for the death penalty to be thrown out because some key witnesses for the prosecution are in violation of the judge's court order prohibiting them from following trial proceedings.
- A federal judge eliminates the testimony from four witnesses who are considered key in making the government's case in the Zacarias Moussaoui trial after they received e-mails containing trial summaries and advice on how to shape their testimony from Carla Martin who is a lawyer for the Transportation Security Administration.
- Authorities in the United States, Canada, Britain, and Australia arrest 27 people involved in an international child pornography ring.
- The Saddam trial was put on hold due to Hussein's refusal to answer questioned asked of him.
- Zacarias Moussaoui confessed he was suppose to fly a fifth plane into the White House but he was arrested by the United States a month before the attacks took place.

Economy

- In the Federal Reserve's latest Beige Book, retail sales in late November and December continued to rise during the year-end holiday period amid generally stable prices, spending on travel and tourism spending "was generally strong," increases in manufacturing activity "were widely reported," both wholesale and retail prices were widely reported as "rising only moderately or remaining stable," most districts reported "moderate" growth in employment and labor cost pressures, and there were reports of "strong demand for both skilled and unskilled labor in part boosted by storm recovery efforts in many hurricane damaged regions.
- Ford, the nation's second largest auto maker, announces it is shutting down 14 factories and slashing 20 percent from its workforce, which is up to 30,000 jobs by 2012.
- Federal Reserve has increased the benchmark interest rate to 4.75%.

Environment

- Only two of the seven snowy owls taken in by the Raptor Education Group in Antigo this winter have survived.
- The Department of Natural Resources is looking for deer infected with chronic wasting disease that may have escaped from the Buckhorn Flats Hunting Preserve in Almond after the owner discovered a hole in a fence.
- Scientists have found the prion that causes chronic wasting disease in the skeletal muscle of deer, but there is no evidence that the disease can be transferred to humans.
- The Lac Du Flambeau Chippewa Tribe wants to take charge of water quality on its reservation and is asking the Environmental Protection Agency for power to regulate point sources of pollution.
- The Department of Natural Resources votes unanimously to keep the 2006 deer hunt rules and season options the same as in 2005.
- The United States Department of Agriculture is issuing a quarantine on products made from pine trees in hopes of controlling the spread of the destructive pine shoot beetle.
- State officials say 60 of 76 deer killed at the Buckhorn Flats Game Farm tested positive for chronic wasting disease.
- DNR has made electronic decoys for turkey hunting illegal in Wisconsin because of the danger to other hunters.
- Wisconsin deer hunters will have to kill an antlerless deer before they can shoot a buck to help reduce the deer population.

Education

- As an alternative to traditional high school, more than 500 students are enrolled in "IQ" Academies, a virtual high school run by the Waukesha School District.
- Political cartoons depicting the prophet Muhammed as a terrorist and published in the UW-Oshkosh and UW-Madison newspapers spark violence in the Muslim world.
- The Wisconsin Technical College System votes to increase tuition 8 percent for the 2006-2007 school year.

Health

- UW-Madison Hospital celebrates a milestone with their Heart and Lung Transplant Program performing its one-thousandth heart and lung transplant.
- The American Lung Association releases its "State of Tobacco Control" report giving Wisconsin an "F" grade in smoke-free air and tobacco prevention and

control spending and a "D" grade in cigarette taxes and youth access to tobacco products.

- The FDA approves an inhalable form of insulin called Exubera for people 18 years and older.
- Turkey confirms 18 cases of people contracting the H5N1 bird flu virus, and the World Health Organization has not confirmed all the cases, but says the victims apparently caught the virus from infected chickens with no indication of human-to-human transmission.
- Canadian officials say they have found "Mad Cow" disease in a six-year old cross-bred cow in Alberta, and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency says the animal has been euthanized.
- A Federal Immunization Committee is recommending infants should get a three-dose vaccine called Rotateq for rotavirus by the time they are six months of age.
- A drug prescription program that allows Wisconsin residents to use a state web site to order their drugs from three approved Canadian pharmacies is extended for two more years.
- The Lincoln County Health Department says there have been 12 reported cases of blastomycosis this year including a 16-year old who died last month.
- Health officials are holding a meeting in Merrill to discuss the 18 confirmed cases of blastomycosis.

Local

- Seven counties including Marathon, Portage, and Wood are among seven counties taking part in a new program known as the "Farm Fresh Atlas."
- Wausau School Board President Jeffrey Lamont says he will not seek a third term.
- Connie Miller, a sixth-grade teacher at Antigo Middle School, is being recognized for her creativity and success in the classroom as a Disney Teacher Award nominee.
- Governor Doyle holds a state of the state town meeting at the TB Scott Library in Merrill.
- A&B Process Systems in Stratford, which makes ethanol equipment, is expanding and adding 60 new jobs.
- The Department of Revenue's "Website of Shame" lists Waupaca County Sheriff Steve Liebe and his business Liebe Auction Service as owing more than \$145,000 dollars in back taxes.
- The Village of Kronnenwetter officials nix their ambulance service contract with the City of Mosinee and have now turned to the City of Schofield for their service.
- Marine Lance Corporal Stephen Holt from Marshfield is headed to Iraq as a combat correspondent for a television station at Camp Pendleton in California.
- Aspirus Wausau Hospital's 51-room wing addition with state-of-the-art technology is the first step in their renovation.

- Zachariah Barrett of Wausau turns himself into the Everest Metro Police and charged with food tampering after police say he put mercury into a pepper shaker at the Wendy's Restaurant in Weston.
- Rob Collins of Vesper is sentenced to ten years in prison after pleading guilty last November to five counts of recklessly endangering safety and fleeing an officer.
- Richard and Jimmy Klencz of Green County are sentenced each to one in jail with work release privileges and ordered to pay \$1,000 dollars a month to the co-op members along with paying fines and community service for selling watered down milk in 2004.
- Wausau West High School teacher, Jeff Murray, faces disciplinary action after being accused of making sexually harassing comments to two female students regarding their clothing.
- The Wausau City Council approves the re-zoning of the Wright House so it can house both a restaurant and residence.
- Cory Borgwardt who escaped from Lincoln Hills School last summer surrenders to authorities and is now in the Lincoln County Jail.
- Liquor Store owners in Stevens Point are now required by law to keep track of who is buying kegs.
- The Clark County Board votes down a comprehensive land and zoning project that includes a \$200,000 dollar Department of Administration state grant pending a final referendum vote in April 2006.
- Rebecca Ramm, the Wausau woman who murdered her husband, David Ramm, and hid his body in their home for months, strikes a plea deal and will not be going to trial.
- Village of Kronenwetter Administrator Henry Luxem says the new Municipal Center will cost \$3.5 million dollars, which is a boost of \$40 dollars on a \$100,000 dollar home spread over 20 years.
- Keith Chaffey, who escaped from Lincoln Hills in 2005 and later surrendered to authorities, is sentenced to six years in prison and three years extended supervision.
- The Wausau K-Mart announces it will not relocate when its closed down for the Highway 51-29 expansion in April 2006.
- The Public Health and Safety Committee decides that the Wausau Mine Company and Hiawatha should be exempt from the smoking ban.
- Francis Stockheimer and Ronald Wells of Stratford and Charles Regele and Daniel Frey of Marshfield plead guilty to criminal trespass in North Dakota after game wardens seized 37 coyotes that they hunted and killed using pickup trucks.
- A Marathon County judge sentences Alice Detrie to seven years in prison, pay \$44,000 dollars in restitution, and five years extended supervision after pleading guilty to 41 counts of burglary in Marathon, Shawano, Oconto, Lincoln, Marinette, and Brown Counties.
- The El Tapatio in Rib Mountain is burglarized and approximately \$500 dollars is stolen.
- Land O'Lakes announces the company is closing its cheese manufacturing plant in Greenwood.

- Thirty-seven year old Mark Krieg of Schofield is arrested in an internet pedophile sting.
- A state grant allows employees from Regal-Beloit and Marathon Electric to receive additional training to help improve productivity.
- RC Pavers decides not to build an asphalt plant in the Town of Weston after residents raise issues regarding property values and air pollution.
- Rebecca Ramm, the Wausau woman convicted of killing her abusive husband and hiding his body for five months, is sentenced to eight years in prison and twenty-two years extended supervision.
- Rhinelander Attorney Frederick Voss is reprimanded by the State Supreme Court for setting up an illegal meeting between his client and two witnesses about to testify against him.
- Fleetguard Nelson announces closing of the company's west plant in Neillsville affecting 200 employees.
- Lieutenant Governor Barbara Lawton is in Wausau as part of a tour designed to highlight practices that recruit and retain female employees and recognizing Aspirus Hospital for their women-gearred methods.
- Todd Matson, one of five people responsible for killing Scott Schader of Rhinelander, is sentenced in a Oneida County courtroom to 35 years in prison with an additional 20 years on extended supervision.
- Winners from the primary election results for the Portage County Executive position are Daryl Bo DeDeker and Mark Maslowski who will proceed to the general election.
- Winners from the primary election results for the Wisconsin Rapids mayoral race are incumbent Jerry Bach and Mary Jo Carson who will proceed to the general election.
- Winners from the primary election results for the Phillips mayoral race are Jeff Fall and Ted Kempkes who will proceed to the general election.
- The school referendum in Boulder Junction is rejected by voters, but the Minocqua, Nekoosa, and Tomorrow River School District referendums are approved.
- The Mosinee District School Board votes 5-to-4 in favor of keeping the school's Indian nickname.
- Voters in the Colby School District reject a \$2.5 million dollar referendum.
- Voters in Rhinelander reject a \$23.5 million dollar referendum for Nicolet Area Technical College.
- The City of Stevens Point installs a security camera in its downtown area.
- Officials hold a groundbreaking ceremony for the \$20 million dollar Wausau Tower project.
- Sheriff's deputies arrest four men after they executed a search warrant at an Auburndale home and confiscate four pounds of marijuana worth \$30,000 dollars.
- Barbara Calkins, the Lincoln County woman facing 38 charges of animal neglect, enters a not guilty plea by reason of mental disease or defect.
- After a re-count in the Stevens Point School Board primary, new results show Bob Larsen moving from number seven to five, Linda Laszewski-Louis moving

from number five to six, and Joe Tylka moving from number six to seven taking him out of the race pending an appeals process in circuit court.

- The Wood County Board votes 29-to-1 in favor of combining their county's Aging and Disability Resource Center with Marathon County.
- The Marathon County United Way expands its "First Call" service changing its dial to 211 available 24 hours a day.
- Jeremy Van Ert pleads guilty in a Wood County courtroom to two counts of arson and one count of recklessly endangering safety stemming from the Marshfield fire in 2005 that destroyed two businesses.
- Shaun Rudy from Thorp faces three felony charges of first-degree intentional homicide, first-degree intentional homicide of an unborn child, and of mutilating a corpse in the death of his wife, Christine, and their unborn child in November 2005.
- Heather Teschler is charged with harboring a felon and obstructing an officer in the Shaun Rudy case involving the death of Rudy's wife, Christine, and their unborn child in November 2005.
- At a Town of Ringle meeting, RC Pavers is asking permission to turn a 10-acre family owned farm into a storage and rock crushing facility.
- Three people are in custody after a suspected drug dealer sells an undercover officer cocaine, and deputies find more than eight ounces of cocaine and hundreds of dollars in cash inside a home and hotel room on Wausau's west side.
- A Clark County judge grants Attorney William Poss's request to be taken off the Shaun Rudy case because of an ethical concern.
- The Wausau Police Dept. is investigating an employee after cash was logged as paid, then stolen before it reached City Hall.
- A state-wide memorial is on display at Mosinee High School which was funded by student councils across the state to honor local firemen and police.
- American International Group has purchased Travel Guard International and expects the company's size to double in the next three years. Travel Guard sells insurance plans and provides help to world travelers.
- Smart Papers, which owns a mill in Park Falls, has filed for chapter eleven bankruptcy protection. Smart Papers is also being investigated by the State for possibly violating a law that says employee must be given a 60-day notice before a mass lay-off.
- Shaun Rudy, who appeared in Clark County Circuit Court, has been formally charged with the death of his wife and unborn child.
- A Park Falls radio station is holding a job fair to help workers find jobs after the Smart Paper mill closes.
- Robert Desimone was formally charged of first degree reckless homicide in the death of Aiyana Gennrich.
- The Wausau City Council voted ten to zero to allow Compass Properties to tear down the vacant Plaza Mall and build a complex containing retail stores and condos.
- Charles Oldenburg received a medal from the city council for serving the emergency police for more than 55 years.

- A 100-thousand-dollar state grant will be given to Park Falls to help the employment program for those left jobless after the Smart Papers Mill closes.
- Remains found along the Chippewa River could be those of Christine Rudy, a young pregnant women murdered in November. Investigators are waiting for results from the State Crime Lab.
- The program "A Child is Missing" is now implemented in Oneida County.
- The City of Wausau Police Chief candidates are narrowed down to Jeff Hardel, Wausau's acting Chief of Police, Appleton Police Department's Lieutenant Erik Messelt, and Onalaska Chief of Police Randy Williams.
- The harassment investigation filed by Kristy Matti against Kronenwetter's Police Chief Dan Joling and officer Andrew Zortman results in no wrong doing on the part of the officers involved.

State

- Campaign donations to Governor Doyle from utility interests, a company that won a state travel contract, and a fundraiser held by a State Department of Transportation official are under investigation.
- Republican Representative Paul Ryan says he is giving a campaign donation of \$949 dollars that he received from Jack Abramoff to the USO, a fundraiser to fight heart disease.
- A seventh teenager is now charged in the mob beating of 50-year old Samuel McClain last month in Milwaukee.
- Walmart agrees to pay \$25,000 dollars to settle aggregations by State Consumer Protection Specialists who say they overcharged customers for bulk items at five Wisconsin stores.
- A bi-partisan senate committee is holding hearings around the state to hear testimony on encounters with the Department of Natural Resources.
- Senator Russ Feingold's campaign is returning contributions associated with lobbyist Jack Abramoff who pleaded guilty to corruption and tax evasion.
- Thomas Barnhart, the man who started the wildfire in Adams County in May 2005, is sentenced to two years probation, and ordered to write a letter of apology to have published in area newspapers, along with staying away from alcohol, paying \$150 dollars a month in restitution, and performing 100 hours community service.
- A study by the nonpartisan Wisconsin Taxpayers Alliance finds the state lost \$4.7 billion dollars in household net worth over a five-year period as more highly paid and well-educated residents moved out of the state in addition to college graduates and seniors leaving
- The United States Small Business Administration announces it will offer loans up to \$200,000 dollars to cover home repairs, up to \$40,000 dollars to replace personal property, and for damaged businesses up to \$1.5 million dollars for victims of the tornadoes that hit south-central Wisconsin in the summer of 2005.

- The widows of three workers killed in the Miller Park crane collapse will be awarded millions of dollars more in addition to the \$27 million dollars they split in 2000 in an out of court settlement.
- A statewide search is on for the man suspected of leaving pipe bombs in a parking ramp in Madison.
- Madison police are investigating suspicious objects found in the sewer system around the State Capitol.
- Governor Doyle returns campaign contributions connected to Washington D.C. lobbyist, Jack Abramoff.
- Steven Mundt is in police custody in Madison for planting a fake bomb in a mailbox.
- According to a State Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection report that stems from Governor Doyle's hearings with oil company executives, Wisconsin needs more power from renewable sources and the federal government should look into oil company mergers.
- Former state assembly majority leader, Steven Foti, pleads guilty to a misdemeanor ethics violation as part of a plea deal to avoid a more serious campaign finance charge.
- Governor Doyle says the state will help more than 110,000 Wisconsin seniors and disabled people who have been left without prescription drug coverage because confusion over the Federal Medicare Program.
- Hundreds of people gathered at the capitol to pay tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King honoring his life and legacy.
- The state senate passes a concealed carry bill by a margin large enough to override an expected veto from Governor Doyle.
- Governor Doyle delivers his State of the State Address promising to work on making Wisconsin life more affordable including healthcare, heating assistance, and college tuition costs, in addition to stem cell research.
- A Hayward judge says Chai Vang, the man serving life in prison for murdering six deer hunters and wounding two others in 2004, must pay approximately \$52,000 dollars in restitution to the survivors and victims' families.
- The Calumet County Sheriff says the FBI tests confirm remains found at the Avery Family Auto Salvage Yard are identified as 25-year old Teresa Halbach.
- Governor Doyle vetoes the latest version of the Concealed Carry Bill.
- Attorney Peg Lautenschlager says almost \$2 million dollars in restitution will be paid to Wisconsin residents involved in a \$325 million dollar settlement after Ameriquest faces charges of predatory lending.
- Roundy's Supermarkets pays a settlement of \$45,000 dollars to the state for overcharging at the checkout scanner.
- The state senate votes 23-to-10 and overrides Governor Doyle's veto of the Concealed Carry Bill.
- The state terminates a contract with Adelman Travel who is at the center of a federal criminal case against a state official accused of steering the contract to Adelman.

- Republican Dave Robinson from the Saint Croix Falls area announces his candidacy for the 7th District congressional seat.
- The state assembly's vote falls two votes short of the sixty-six votes needed to override Governor Doyle's veto of the Concealed Carry Bill.
- The Forest County Potawatomi Tribe makes a \$43 million dollar payment to the state under a revised version of a gaming compact.
- An amber alert for Angela, Emily, and Alyssa Jensen is cancelled after convicted felon Stacey Roger Willhelm turns himself in and one of the girls is found at a home in Milwaukee and the other two in Belgium.
- An Associated Press review shows employees of at least seven companies donated to Governor Doyle's campaign around the time their firms won no-bid contracts.
- Both legislative houses convened in a special session, but quickly adjourned without taking action on Governor Doyle's Energy Assistance proposal.
- Steven Avery agrees to a \$400,000 dollar settlement in the \$36 million dollar federal lawsuit against Manitowoc County for the wrongful conviction of rape where he spent 18 years in prison, and now wants to use the money for bail where he is being held in the Calumet County jail on homicide charges in the death of Teresa Halbach.
- Former Illinois police officer, Newton Tench, now working at a Kenosha school for the past two years as a computer tech, is facing felony charges accused of downloading a million images of child pornography onto his computer.
- Governor Doyle signs a bill into law making it illegal to protest at funerals in Wisconsin.
- President Bush stops in Milwaukee to promote his energy program including promoting technologies designed to reduce America's dependence on imported oil.
- Members of the Army Reserve 890th Transportation Company out of Ashwaubenon return from serving in Iraq.
- An Arizona man, Denys Hughes, was arrested in July 2005 in Kansas for possessing bomb making materials while in Vilas County investigators seized 42 biological and chemical samples and dozens of guns from his cabin in Manitowish Waters which now leads to a grand jury indictment for possession of those items and for attempting to make a deadly biological toxin for use as a weapon.
- The trial for State Representative Scott Jensen continues where he faces three felony counts of misconduct in office.
- Just after five months, Governor Doyle credits the "Safe Program" saying more than 400 sex offenders who eluded the state's registration law have now been found.
- Marine Adam Vanalstine from Superior is killed by a roadside bomb in Iraq.
- The state assembly votes to put a proposed amendment defining marriage as just between a man and a woman on the ballot in November 2006.
- The state senate passes a bill requiring air quality to be monitored at schools around the state.

- The Calumet County sheriff says Steven Avery's 16-year old relative is now in custody and expected to be charged along with Avery after admitting his involvement in the murder of Theresa Halbach.
- Steven Avery's relative, 16-year old Brenden Dassey, enters a not guilty plea in a Manitowoc court and is held on a \$250,000 dollar bond while his attorney withdraws from the case saying he is a distant relative of murder victim, Theresa Halbach.
- After prosecutors say Avery's nephew, Brenden Dassey, admitted his involvement in the Theresa Halbach murder case, new search warrants are issued and authorities seize more than 40 items including hair, mattresses, and various knives during a search of Avery's property.
- A senate committee passes a resolution that puts the death penalty issue on ballots across the state as early as September 2006.
- Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Chairman Gerald Danforth addresses a joint session of the legislature in the Second Annual "State of the Tribes" speech where he addresses improving health care, education, and housing.
- Through Governor Doyle's "Safe" Initiative, dangerous sex offenders who have completed their prison time and treatment will wear GPS monitors.
- Governor Doyle signs legislation giving eligible low-income families about \$200 dollars in aid toward paying their heating bills.
- Senator Herb Kohl seeks his fourth term in office.
- The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection investigates customer complaints against US Cellular regarding a letter sent to their customers.
- Steven Avery faces more charges including sexual assault, kidnapping, and false imprisonment in addition to murder, mutilating a corpse, and illegally possessing firearm in the Theresa Halbach case.
- Brendan Dassey is trying to work out a plea deal; he, along with his uncle, are charged with sexually assaulting and murdering Teresa Halbach.
- Heather Teschler is trying to reach a deal in which she would get immunity for testifying against Shaun Rudy who is accused of murdering his wife and unborn child.
- Steven Avery's lawyers are trying to get statements made by his nephew, Dassey dismissed because the documents were released to the public.
- The Dept. of Justice along with the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups to aid against scams and coverage problems with the Federal government's new prescription plan.
- State Representative Scott Jensen will resign next week after being convicted of felony misconduct for using state employees as secret campaign operatives.
- 21-year-old Lance Corporal Nicholas Anderson of Sauk Ciry was killed in Afghanistan while on patrol.
- Libertarian Roy Leyendecker has filed papers to run for Governor this fall.
- Wisconsin has passed a new law which requires citizens statewide to register to vote.

- Governor Jim Doyle is launching a new power initiative and grant which will help Wisconsin businesses and residents to take advantage of renewable energy technologies.
- The federal government is giving more than 26 million dollars to help assist low-income residents pay their bill so they don't get disconnected on April 15 when the Winter Moratorium ends.
- There is less than two months before those eligible have to choose which "Part D" program is best suited for their prescription needs. Secretary of Health and Human Services Mike Leavitt provided answers and information to help those make an informed decision.
- Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker is withdrawing from the campaign for governor because of the lack of funds.
- The State Elections Board states that first time voters do not have to produce a drivers' license but the last four digits of their social security number.
- An additional 27-million-dollars of state and federal money will be given to nursing homes that accept Medicaid patients.
- State Supreme Court Justice Jon Wilcox is going to retire after 15 years on the high court.
- A legislative committee approves a bill that would require lifetime global positioning tracking of sex offenders convicted of first-degree sexual assault of a child.
- The former executive director of the Wisconsin Professional Police Association, Stanley Kluss, is sentenced to one year and three months in federal prison for defrauding a police officers union.

National

- A rescue attempt is underway where 13 people are trapped after an explosion in a coal mine in Tallmansville, West Virginia.
- Victims access damage where 50 homes and 40,000 acres are destroyed by grass fires in central Texas.
- California's governor declares seven counties are in an official state of emergency after flooding causes an estimated \$100 million dollars in damage in addition to three deaths.
- Searchers find one of thirteen missing miners dead after an explosion at a West Virginia mine.
- Officials in Texas say a fire covering 40,000 acres is now contained and the second covering 90,000 acres is about 70 percent contained.
- Washington D.C. lobbyist, Jack Abromoff, pleads guilty to federal charges of conspiracy, tax evasion, and mail fraud as part of a plea deal to agree to cooperate in a corruption probe of lawmakers at the nation's capital.
- President Bush signs a bill extending the Violence Against Women Act.
- Randy McCloy is the sole survivor of the mine explosion in West Virginia that killed 12 of his co-workers.
- Pilgrim Baptist Church, a landmark built in 1890 in Chicago, is destroyed by fire.

- Vice President Dick Cheney is hospitalized for nearly four hours after suffering from shortness of breath.
- President Bush meets with German Chancellor Angela Merkel at the White House to try to put an end to Iran's nuclear ambitions.
- The United States military confirms the deaths of two Army pilots whose helicopter went down in Iraq.
- President Bush urges the renewal of the expiring portions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act at a ceremony at the Kennedy Center honoring the late Dr. Martin Luther King.
- The United States Supreme Court rules in a 6-to-3 vote to uphold Oregon's doctor assisted suicide law.
- New Orleans's Mayor Ray Nagin apologizes after he said New Orleans will be a "chocolate city" again during a speech at a Martin Luther King holiday event.
- Nearly five months after Hurricane Katrina, more than 3,200 people are still officially unaccounted for by the National Call Center.
- The CIA believes the voice on a newly released audio tape aired on an Arabic language network is that of Osama Bin Laden saying that attacks like those in London and Madrid are planned for America.
- Abductors of American journalist, Jill Carroll, who was kidnapped in Baghdad January 7, 2006, say they will kill her unless the United States meets their demand of releasing all female Iraqi prisoners.
- The Senate Judiciary Committee approves the nomination of Samuel Alito to the United States Supreme Court in a 10-to-8 vote.
- President Bush speaks about terrorism and the situation in Iraq on a visit to Kansas State University.
- Iraqi officials say joint United States and Iraqi operations were carried out to free kidnapped American journalist, Jill Carroll, but provided no details.
- Officials from the Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration and Sago Mine Operators among others are questioned at a United States Senate Hearing on Mining Safety following two deadly mining accidents in West Virginia.
- A report commissioned by the United States Pentagon argues the Army is overstretched and undersized and a second report released by democrats on Capitol Hill note every available army combat brigade has served in Iraq or Afghanistan for at least a one-year tour and many are on their second or third deployments.
- The United States Justice Department files a lawsuit in a U.S. District Court in California demanding the world's biggest search engine, Google, turn over data it says will help the government ultimately keep children from accessing web pornography.
- In a press conference, President Bush gives a warning to the newly elected majority of the Palestinian Parliament, Hamas, insisting the prospect of Mideast peace is not dead if the group renounces violence.
- Federal Transportation Security Administration officers find a real but inactive grenade in a Northwest Airlines flight attendant's luggage at Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

- Al Qaeda's number two leader, Ayman Al Zawahiri appears on a videotape airing on an Arabic language network
- Anchorman Bob Woodruff and his cameraman, Doug Vogt, lie in a United States Army hospital in Germany after being hit by a roadside bomb in Iraq.
- Coretta Scott-King, the widow of civil rights leader, Reverend Martin Luther King Jr., dies at the age of 78.
- Judge Samuel Alito is sworn in as the 110th United States Supreme Court Justice.
- President Bush delivers his "State of the Union" Address in Washington, D.C.
- West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin calls for an immediate shut down of the state's coal mines until safety checks are conducted after two more miners are killed in two more on the job accidents.
- Authorities are investigating the arson fires of five churches about 25 miles south of Birmingham, Alabama.
- The budget plan President Bush sends to congress boosts military and homeland security spending while also trying to rein in the budget deficit.
- At a hearing in Washington, D.C., senators from both political parties are raising doubts about the Bush administration's legal basis for a domestic eavesdropping program.
- President Bush along with former Presidents Clinton, Carter, Bush Sr., and 14 United States senators attend the funeral for Coretta Scott King in Atlanta, Georgia.
- President Bush gives details of a 2002 plan of a terrorist plot to slam a hijacked plane into the US Bank Tower in Los Angeles just weeks after the World Trade Center attack, and the White House releases a fact sheet listing nine additional Al Qaida plots that have been disrupted in the last four years.
- Former FEMA Director Michael Brown testifies at a senate hearing regarding the response to Hurricane Katrina.
- White House spokesman Scott McClellan explains the information delay regarding Vice President Dick Cheney's hunting accident.
- Homeland Security Chief Michael Chertoff testifies at a senate hearing regarding the response to Hurricane Katrina.
- Doctors for Harry Whittington, the man accidentally shot by his hunting partner Vice President Dick Cheney, say he is back in intensive care after suffering a minor heart attack caused by some of the birdshot moving and lodging into a part of his heart causing the atrial fibrillation.
- New details from a congressional report regarding Hurricane Katina say nobody at the federal, state, or local levels did enough to protect the people of the Gulf Coast despite warnings an unusually powerful hurricane was on its way.
- Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff testifies before a congressional committee.
- Vice President Dick Cheney speaks publicly for the first time since the accidental shooting of his hunting partner, Harry Whittington.
- Harry Whittington, the man Vice President Dick Cheney accidentally shot while they were hunting, is released from a Corpus Christi, Texas, hospital.

- Vice President Dick Cheney makes his first public appearance since the accidental shooting of his hunting partner, Harry Whittington, addressing a joint session of the legislature in Wyoming.
- Rescuers are digging through debris trying to reach 65 miners trapped underground by a gas explosion at a coal mine in northern Mexico.
- The White House getting resistance from both democrats and republicans including the republican chairman of the House Homeland Security Panel over a deal that would allow a Middle East based company to manage several large United States ports.
- Federal lawmakers from both parties are threatening a bill to block the running of six American ports to the United Arab Emirates.
- The sale of six American ports will be delayed because of growing concern over the security if the United Arab Emirates takes over.
- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid are proposing a limitation on the number of prescription plans that a company can offer to lessen confusion among citizens.
- South Dakota is just one signature away from banning abortions after the state's legislature gave its final approval for the bill. The Governor has indicated he will sign the bill.
- Citizens across the county are protesting and rallying against the sale of six American ports to the United Arab Emirates.
- US Senate, has ended Russ Feingold's filibuster against the renewal of the patriot act. Feingold says today's actions assure the final passage of the reauthorization bill.
- There are new questions concerning hurricane Katrina and what the White House knew ahead of time after the release of some videotapes showing Bush and his Homeland Security Chief being briefed before the storm hit.
- The Patriot Act is another stop closer to be renewed after the senate voted to extend the anti-terror law.
- Northwest Airlines has a tentative pay-cut deal with its pilots which is a major step in ending another problem that threatened the future of the bankrupt airline.
- President Bush in continuing his trip to South Asia and has now arrived in Pakistan to talk about US relations.
- Governor Mike Rounds signed a bill banning nearly all abortions, except when it would save the mother's life. The bill is scheduled to go into effect on July first of this year.
- 17 jurors will decide whether Zacarias Moussaoui will spend life in prison or be executed for conspiring with Al Qaeda; they will hear from over 200 witnesses including Moussaoui.
- The House of Representatives has approved the renewal of the Patriot Act and says President Bush looks forward to signing the bill into law.
- The deal to sell six American ports fell apart after huge controversy in Washington when both parties opposed the deal to United Arab Emirates.
- President Bush and Ireland's leaders are vowing to keep the Emerald Island peaceful after decades of Protestant-Catholic strife.

- The Senate Judiciary Committee approves a bill that would strengthen the Border Patrol and let millions of undocumented workers seek United States citizenship without first having to leave the country.
- President Bush's White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card announces his resignation.
- American hostage, Jill Carroll is free after being held in Iraq for three months.

World

- Israel's Prime Minister Ariel Sharon undergoes emergency surgery at a Jerusalem hospital after suffering a significant stroke with massive bleeding.
- Police say 63 people die after an attacker strikes at a shrine 50 miles south of Baghdad, and in central Iraq a suicide bomber attacks a line of about 1,000 police recruits with 56 people dying and another 60 injured.
- Doctors say Israel's Prime Minister Ariel Sharon is breathing on his own and slightly moving his right arm and leg after suffering a massive stroke.
- After Israel's Prime Minister Ariel Sharon suffered a massive stroke, temporary governmental control is in the hands of his deputy, Ehud Olmert.
- Osama Bin Laden's number two man in the Al Qaeda terrorist network, Al Zawahiri, is targeted in a CIA strike on a remote village in Pakistan near the Afghan border and may have been killed according to United States sources.
- With insurgents in Iraq planting roadside bombs that are bigger and harder to detect, United States troops are not waiting for the government and are making their own modifications to their vehicles for better protection.
- Two American pilots are dead after a helicopter crash in Iraq where two extremist groups are claiming responsibility.
- Pakistan officials say a United States air strike kills three senior Al Qaeda operators including a chemical and biological specialist, chief of operations for Afghanistan and Pakistan, and chief of operations for Afghanistan's Konor Province.
- Kidnapped American journalist, Jill Carroll's captors release a video tape of her and threaten to kill her in two days if the United States military does not release all female Iraqi prisoners.
- Almost 140 survivors are brought to shore at an Egyptian Red Sea port after an Egyptian ferry carrying 1,400 people sinks in the Red Sea.
- Another video tape surfaces of kidnapped American journalist, Jill Carroll, asking for United States cooperation along with a letter written by Carroll.
- The United Nations wants the United States to close Guantanamo Bay releasing a report that calls it a torture camp.
- Nine people are killed and many wounded in protests that include setting fire to the Italian Consulate.
- The death toll could reach as high as 2,000 from a mudslide in the Philippines.
- A bomb destroys the Golden Dome on one of Shiite Islam's holiest shrines in Baghdad

- Acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert is declaring victory for his Kadima Centrist party in Israel's elections.
- An earthquake in Iran registers a 5.1 on the Richter Scale and the death toll is now at 70.

