

WTXF (Phila., PA)  
QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

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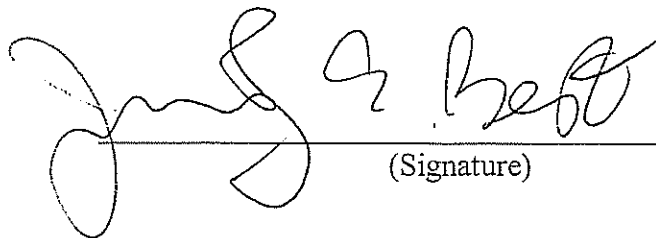
_____ January 1, 2014	through	March 31, 2014
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Attached hereto are descriptions of the treatment of local issues addressed by the station through programming, announcements or outreach during the report period.

The following pages indicate a listing of regularly scheduled programs and a listing of WTXF community outreach activities.

Programming addressing the educational/informational needs of children is listed separately in this file.

Submitted and placed in the public file by Jennifer Best, Community Affairs Director.



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October 10, 2014

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**PROGRAM TYPE & EXPLANATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED PROGRAMS**

**FOX 29 Morning News / News** -- Weekdays, 4:00am – 7am. This live program, produced by WTXF-TV, covers areas of national, regional, and local interests and routinely features in-depth treatment of local issues, including live guests and remote broadcasts throughout the program.

**Good Day Philadelphia / News** -- Weekdays, 7am – 10am. This live program, produced by WTXF-TV, covers areas of national, regional, and local interests and routinely features in-depth treatment of local issues, including live guests and remote broadcasts throughout the program.

**FOX 29 News at Five / News** -- Weekdays, 5-6pm. In addition to coverage of fast-breaking news stories, this program routinely features in-depth, 1- to 2-minute treatment of local issues, produced by WTXF-TV.

**FOX 29 News at Six / News** – Weekdays, 6-6:30pm. In addition to coverage of fast-breaking news stories, this program routinely features in-depth, 1- to 2-minute treatment of local issues, produced by WTXF-TV.

**FOX 29 News at Six / News** – Saturdays and Sunday, 6-7pm. In addition to coverage of fast-breaking news stories, this program routinely features in-depth, 1- to 2-minute treatment of local issues, produced by WTXF-TV.

**FOX 29 News at Ten / News** -- Daily, 10pm to 11pm. In addition to coverage of fast-breaking news stories, this program routinely features in-depth, 1- to 2-minute treatment of local issues, produced by WTXF-TV.

**FOX News Sunday/ News** -- Sundays, 9am - 10am. Produced by the FOX Network, this weekly news program, hosted by Chris Wallace, is broadcast live and covers issues of national interest. In addition to national stories, the program includes live guests and panelists covering a variety of national issues.

**Chasing New Jersey / News** – Weekdays, 12:30am – 1am - This daily news and public affairs program features various segments and stories focusing on headlines and issues affecting the New Jersey area, featuring reports by a group of correspondents known as "chasers".

**WTXF-FOX 29 Community Outreach and Involvement**  
**3rd Quarter, 2014**

**Talent Appearances:**

Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> - Mike Jerrick emceed The Ommegang Hop Chef Competition

Wednesdays, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> - Sue Serio hosted the singing competition "The Vocalist" at the Media Theater in Delaware County, PA

Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup> - Scott Williams spoke at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Career Day for ABC Men Inc.

Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> - Bruce Gordon was a celebrity announcer for the Brandywine Youth Club Cal Ripken Baseball Tournament

Wednesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> - Scott Williams was a guest bellringer for the Salvation Army's "Christmas in July" fundraiser

Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> - Scott Williams was a guest speaker at the Montgomery Child Advocacy Project "Run for the Hill of It"

Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> - Jennifer Joyce was a guest reader for the Children's Defense Fund Harambee program

Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> - Jennifer Joyce was a guest bellringer for the Salvation Army's "Christmas in July" fundraiser

Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> - Sue Serio was host for "The Vocalist" singing competition finals at the Media Theatre in Media, PA

Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> - Jennaphr Frederick played in the annual PAL Night at the Phillies media game before the Phillies game at Citizens Bank Park

Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> - Scott Williams was the emcee and kicked off the "Take Back Your Neighborhood" event at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Northeast Celebration at the Max Meyers Community Center in Northeast Philadelphia

Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> - Jennaphr Frederick was a celebrity bartender for First Book Philadelphia's "Book Bash" event at the Vesper Boat Club on Boathouse Row in Philadelphia.

Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> - Dr. Mike Cirigliano was a judge in the Rosenfeld Cancer Center BBQ event at the VE Club in Warminster, PA.

Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> - Chris Murphy played in the National Kidney Foundation Golf Classic at the Huntingdon Valley Country Club in Huntingdon Valley, PA.

Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> – Mike Jerriek and Alex Holley were the emcees of the Zarwin Baum and Boyd's Fashion Show benefitting Big Brothers Big Sisters at Boyd's in Center City.

Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> – Jennaphr Frederick was a guest model in the Philadelphia Fashion Incubator Fashion Show at Macy's in Center City.

Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> – Joyce Evans and Scott Williams participated in helping bag groceries at ShopRite Partners in Caring Fund's "Help Bag Hunger Day" at the Morrell Plaza ShopRite in Northeast Philadelphia.

Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Chris Murphy was a celebrity golfer in the United Services Organization Celebrity Golf Outing at the Concord Country Club in West Chester, PA.

Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> – Dr. Mike Cirigliano spoke at the ABC Men Inc. "Race to Save Our Youth" Benefit Dinner at Anthony's Restaurant and Banquet Center in Drexel Hill, PA.

Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – Sue Serio was the emcee of the Delaware County Historical Society's History Festival at Rose Tree Park in Media, PA.

Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> – Chris Murphy played in the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America Annual Golf Tournament at the Little Mill Country Club in Marlton, NJ.

### **Station Tours**

Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> - Intern Aaron Mitchell gave a tour to Williamstown High School students.

Wednesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> - Intern Joe Gollotto gave a tour to a family of three.

Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> - Interns Amanda Virgili and Alex Frederick gave a tour to The Creative Kids organization.

Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup> - Intern Gabriella D'Amico gave a tour to The Learning Train organization.

Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup> - Intern Alexis Morrison gave a tour to the Hosanna Christian Family Center.

Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> – Haddon Heights Cub Scout Pack 163

Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> – Medford Cub Scout Pack 300



**QUARTERLY LISTING  
OF ISSUES AND PROGRAMS**

**3rd QUARTER, 2014**

**July - September**

**WTFX-FOX 29  
Philadelphia, PA**

**Summary of Major Issues Treated During the Quarter:**

**Business/Economy/Consumer** – FOX 29 Gets Results for viewers who have been taken advantage of by local businesses or crooks and helps them get their money or products back.

**Public Health/Safety/Welfare** – FOX 29 Gets Results for viewers with unsafe situations in their homes or neighborhoods and helps them clean up or fix the problems.

**Charity** – Every Thursday morning, Good Day Philadelphia airs “FOX Fursday,” a segment featuring local charitable organizations that help rescue abandoned animals, and features animals available for adoption.

**Military** – FOX 29 held its annual “FOX 29 Salutes the Military” event featuring profiles of every branch of the armed services, volunteer and non-profit groups that support the military and local servicemen and women.

**Business/Economy/Consumer Issues**

07/01/14	GD	3:00	A report on Victory Brewing Company, located in Downingtown, PA, announcing three new ice cream flavors.
07/02/14	GD	3:30	A report on a new trend; naked cakes. Cakes without icing on the outside.
07/02/14	GD	2:30	A report on Wawa hoagie day in Philadelphia.
07/08/14	5pm	4:23	A couple that was left with \$15,000 in repair bills because of a sewage problem in their first two floors.
07/08/14	6pm	1:45	A report on a scam where a man threatened a woman over the phone to give him \$4,000 dollars, stating that she would go to jail if she did not comply.
07/08/14	GD	2:30	A report on Independence Mall Café.
07/09/14	5pm	2:38	A report on how to get the best sales by knowing the merchandise markdown before it happens.
07/16/14	6pm	1:40	A report on a separate amusement tax for lap dances at strip clubs in Philadelphia.
07/18/14	GD	2:23	A report on the debut of the Independence Beer Garden at Independence Mall in Philadelphia.
07/21/14	5pm	1:51	A report on the airline fee increase from \$2.50 to \$5.60.
07/21/14	5pm	1:57	A report on virtual yard sales that are saving people thousands of dollars.
07/22/14	GD	3:05	A report on the beginning of peach season in Medford, NJ.
07/23/14	GD	3:05	A report on Atlantic City, NJ concert tickets going on sale first for FOX viewers.
07/24/14	GD	3:00	A report on how to give your kitchen pantry a makeover.
07/24/14	GD	3:00	A report on plant-based milk.
07/29/14	5pm	4:21	A report on a marijuana store in Colorado, and how the same thing could occur if marijuana is legalized in the Philadelphia area.
07/29/14	GD	3:00	A report on the best tips for traveling.
07/31/14	5pm	1:16	A report on a free Blake Shelton concert designed to bring business to Atlantic City, NJ.
08/04/14	10pm	6:40	A report on casino gaming in Philadelphia.
08/05/14	5pm	1:30	A report on a Philadelphia man who camped out for hours to receive the 50th Anniversary Kennedy half dollar gold proof coin.
08/05/14	GD	2:55	A report on certain hotels charging guests if they give a negative review online.
08/07/14	10pm	3:30	A report on pot tourism in Denver, Colorado, and how it could come to the Philadelphia area if marijuana is legalized.
08/07/14	GD	3:30	A report on "seasonal canning," a method of preserving farmer's market foods.
08/08/14	GD	3:00	A report on back-to-school fashion with the help of Forman Mills.
08/12/14	5pm	1:37	A report on the closing of the Atlantic City, NJ, casino Revel.
08/13/14	5pm	1:44	A report on the Democratic National Convention tour through Philadelphia.
08/13/14	GD	3:30	A report on what to do with your seasonal fruit before it goes bad.
08/17/14	6pm	1:36	A report on the removal of the PNB letters on the One South Broad building.
08/22/14	GD	1:53	A report on affordable back-to-school shopping.
08/25/14	GD	2:34	A Ya Gotta Try This report on "Charlie was a sinner" restaurant.
08/29/14	10pm	1:27	A report on preparations for the Made in America concert.
08/30/14	10pm	1:45	A report on the first night of the Made in America concert.
08/31/14	10pm	1:10	A report on the second night of the Made in America concert.

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08/31/14	6pm	1:50	A report on the Quirky Invention company.
08/31/14	6pm	1:25	A report on the closing of the Showboat Casino in Atlantic City, NJ.
09/01/14	6pm	1:00	A report on the closing of Atlantic City casinos, including Revel.
09/05/14	10pm	1:45	A report on the opening of a new beer garden in Philadelphia.
09/08/14	10pm	1:49	A report on a Chestnut Hill, PA, toy store that is closing its doors after 60 years of business.
09/08/14	10pm	1:50	A report on meetings between government leaders and casino officials to decide on sports betting in New Jersey.
09/10/14	5pm	1:38	A report on casino workers looking for jobs following the closure of many Atlantic City, NJ, casinos.
09/15/14	GD	2:33	A Ya Gotta Try This report on Chhaya in South Philadelphia.
09/16/14	5pm	3:03	A report on a smart phone app that gives you your money as you earn it.
09/16/14	5pm	2:02	A report on the closure of Atlantic City, NJ, casino Trump Plaza.
09/17/14	10pm	1:31	A report on an unclaimed million dollar lottery ticket set to expire.
09/30/14	5pm	1:30	A report on a data breach at ACME Supermarkets.



## Charity Issues

07/03/14	5pm	1:46	A report on a six-year-old boy with a rare form of bone cancer who started collecting colorful Band-Aids to give to other sick children in the hospital.
07/10/14	GD	3:00	A FOX Fursday report on pit bulls looking for adoptive homes in the Philadelphia area.
07/19/14	10pm	1:26	A report on a benefit held on Gesner Street in Philadelphia. The benefit is in wake of the horrific fire that occurred on the street.
07/21/14	6pm	1:44	A report on Greendrop, a service that helps make donating easier. Proceeds benefit the Purple Heart.
07/27/14	6pm	3:18	A report on a successful career executive who quit her job to create a children's organization.
07/31/14	GD	3:15	A FOX Fursday report on puppies in need of homes in the Philadelphia area.
08/07/14	GD	4:00	FOX Fursday report on Bree's Animal Hospital that takes in all stray animals and spays and neuters all of them before adoption.
08/08/14	GD	1:30	A report on Good Day Philadelphia 's Backpack-A-Thon to benefit children in local homeless shelters.
08/13/14	10pm	1:36	A report on several motorcycle groups that came together for regular vigils for the victims of last month's deadly carjacking.
08/14/14	6pm	1:26	A follow-up on report about baby who cannot digest formula properly; a stranger gifted the family the formula they could not afford.
08/21/14	10pm	3:14	A report on the Philadelphia Project and its efforts to help out the city's less fortunate.
08/22/14	10pm	1:32	A report of a dog who was hit by a car and the New Hanover woman who found him and took him in.
08/22/14	10pm	2:00	A report on a local dentist diagnosed with ALS and the town of West Berlin's participation in the Ice Bucket Challenge.
08/22/14	6pm	2:31	A report on a man recently diagnosed with ALS taking part in the Ice Bucket Challenge with his friend.
08/23/14	10pm	2:05	A report on On the Wings of Angels pet rescue organization.
08/26/14	5pm	1:40	A report on pet stores switching from selling commercial dogs puppy mills to finding homes for pet shelter rescues.
08/29/14	10pm	1:30	A report on animals being rescued from an abandoned house by the Delaware County SPCA.
08/30/14	6pm	1:22	A report on a free school supply drive in South Philadelphia.
09/04/14	5pm	3:15	A report on the fundraising efforts for a local girl who needs reconstructive and inner ear surgeries.
09/12/14	10pm	1:57	A report on the Susan G. Komen 3-day walk for breast cancer.
09/13/14	10pm	1:32	A report on a fundraiser at Geno's Cheesesteaks for a South Philadelphia man's injury recovery bills.
09/23/14	5pm	3:18	A report on "Miles for Migraine" run and walk fundraiser to help with migraine research and pediatric treatment.
09/26/14	6pm	1:51	A report on Quilts for Kids, a Fairless Hills, PA, organization that makes and distributes quilts to comfort hospitalized kids.
09/28/14	10pm	1:45	A report on a Cherry Hill, NJ, playground named after a young boy who died from a heart-related illness.

**Civic Issues**

07/10/14	6pm	1:56	A report on the unveiling of a mural in Philadelphia that honors two men who were killed in a warehouse fire.
08/14/14	10pm	1:59	A report on a Somerdale, NJ, man looking for the woman who saved him after he was hit by a car.
09/02/14	10pm	1:05	A report on town's disapproval at renaming the Willingboro, NJ, John F. Kennedy Community Center "the Obama Center."

## Crime Issues

07/09/14	GD	1:22	A report on a phone thief at a local bar in Philadelphia.
07/14/14	6pm	1:25	A report on a drug lab producing ecstasy inside a home in Philadelphia.
07/21/14	6pm	1:18	A report on armed robbers who have been stealing delivery men's bikes.
07/23/14	5pm	0:38	A FOX 29 Investigates report on a sex abuse scandal in a boy scout troop.
07/30/14	6pm	1:52	A report on six former members of the police department's Narcotics Field that used extortionate means to get drug dealers' money and property.
08/05/14	10pm	2:20	A FOX 29 Investigates report on a Philadelphia woman charged with using charity's funds as her own.
08/12/14	10pm	1:21	A report on a Folcroft, PA, firefighter who allegedly started fires then responded with fellow volunteers to put out those fires.
08/14/14	10pm	1:20	A report on a fatal shooting following a concert for peace in Huntingdon section of Philadelphia.
08/24/14	10pm	1:49	A report on a Trenton, NJ, man arrested for impersonating a police officer.
08/25/14	5pm	1:04	A report on escalating violence in Darby Borough.
08/28/14	5pm	1:01	A report on a man taking pictures up women's skirts in the Chestnut Hill section of Philadelphia.
08/29/14	5pm	1:30	A report on the arrest of a Radnor man accused of taking pictures up women's skirts.
09/01/14	10pm	1:32	A report on cars being vandalized in a Northeast Philadelphia neighborhood.
09/02/14	5pm	1:29	A report on gaming equipment for students with autism stolen from a Philadelphia school.
09/02/14	5pm	1:28	A report on a credit card scam in Vineland, NJ.
09/09/14	10pm	4:21	A report on the Philadelphia Police Department's use of surveillance equipment.
09/09/14	10pm	1:39	A report on voice mail scammers posing as police officers in Montgomery County, PA.
09/15/14	10pm	1:38	A report on the theft of a cheerleading association's funds by their former commissioner.
09/15/14	5pm	1:24	A report on the attack of a gay couple in Center City, Philadelphia, by a large group.
09/17/14	10pm	1:30	An update on the attack of a gay couple in Center City following social media tips that helped identify the attackers.
09/22/14	6pm	1:19	A report on a fatal shooting involving two motorcycle gangs in Fern Rock section of Philadelphia.
09/23/14	6pm	1:20	A report on a new policy in Falls Township that will fine people who do not pick up after their dogs.
09/24/14	10pm	1:13	An update on charges filed against the group of people who attacked a gay couple in Center City.
08/26/14	6pm	0:55	A report on flags being vandalized at local cemeteries.

## Culture Issues

07/04/14	GD	3:05	A report on how to host the perfect Fourth of July barbeque.
07/11/14	GD	2:01	A report on the remodeling of the Good Day Philadelphia set.
07/15/14	GD	2:30	A report on shark day.
07/16/14	GD	1:00	A report on the best new restaurants in Philadelphia.
07/16/14	GD	1:00	A report on World Snake Day.
07/17/14	GD	3:15	A report on a hot dog cook-off competition in Philadelphia.
07/17/14	GD	2:00	A report on Philadelphia's efforts to raise the city's dining scene.
07/17/14	GD	3:15	A report on the search for Philadelphia's most photogenic baby.
07/21/14	GD	2:29	A report on Restaurant Week in Old City in Center City, Philadelphia.
07/22/14	GD	3:00	A report on various food dishes that are all made with honey.
07/23/14	GD	2:00	A report on the upcoming American Idol auditions in northern New Jersey.
07/30/14	GD	3:30	A report on National Cheesecake Day.
07/31/14	GD	3:15	A report on how to make grilled pizza.
08/01/14	GD	3:00	A report on a new take on a Philadelphia classic - the Donut Cheesesteak Burger.
08/06/14	GD	3:00	A report on how to make sweet corn into a dessert.
08/12/14	10pm	2:17	A report on Everett Theater in Middletown, DE, where Robin Williams filmed Dead Poets Society.
08/12/14	GD	3:15	A report on the winner of the local singing competition, "The Vocalist."
09/04/14	10pm	1:31	A report on two local comedians whose careers were inspired by late comedienne Joan Rivers.
09/24/14	6pm	1:58	A report on a tortoise missing from a Germantown farm in Philadelphia.

### Disabled Issues

07/15/14	5pm	3:35	A report on a former police officer that cannot walk without pain in his back and knees, and how the police department is challenging his disability.
07/17/14	5pm	2:24	A report on a six-year-old Philadelphia boy who cannot see or hear. His disabilities do not stop him from living a "normal" life.
07/19/14	6pm	1:49	A report on a boy from Rockland County, NY who learned to play baseball using only his left hand after a stroke left him partially paralyzed on the right side of his body.
08/26/14	5pm	1:30	A report on a 3-year-old boy who has found a love for golf despite being born with only one hand.
09/09/14	10pm	1:42	A report on a disabled Newark, DE, boy bullied and attacked while in his wheelchair.

## Education Issues

07/28/14	5pm	1:54	A report on a scholarship given to high school freshman, Jared Healey, but he has not received it in 6 weeks as promised.
08/06/14	5pm	1:33	A report on the 265 million dollars in advance payment to the school district authorized by Pennsylvania Governor, Tom Corbett.
08/13/14	GD	3:30	A report on the three most important things teachers want parents to do to get students excited about their return to school.
08/15/14	6pm	1:43	A report on the public's reaction to Philadelphia school superintendent Dr. William Hite's press conference.
08/18/14	10pm	1:32	A report on a Quakertown boy banned from playing on his school's field hockey team.
08/20/14	6pm	1:36	A report on move-in day at local colleges.
08/21/14	5pm	1:19	A report on new security systems in Camden public schools.
08/29/14	5pm	2:08	A report on a teacher using Twitter to talk and complain about her students.
09/01/14	10pm	1:34	A report on back-to-school preparations in the Delaware Valley.
09/03/14	10pm	1:32	A update on the boy not allowed to play on his school's field hockey team. He made the decision to quit the team.
09/19/14	10pm	2:09	A report on a student sit-in at Cheltenham High School (PA) following new rules set forth by the principal.

**Elderly Issues**

08/21/14	10pm	1:30	A report on elderly residents being followed outside of Philadelphia banks and then robbed.
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**Environmental Issues**

07/04/14	GD	1:14	A report on Hurricane Arthur and its impact on the East Coast.
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**Family Issues**

07/15/14	5pm	1:55	A report on how to keep your newborn asleep through the entire night with the help of a new book, "The Newborn Sleep Book."
07/17/14	GD	1:00	A report on how to be an effective parent.

**Government Issues**

07/17/14	GD	2:50	A report on President Obama's visit to Wilmington, DE.
08/04/14	GD	3:00	A report on Philadelphia Mayor Nutter's statement regarding the Cigarette Tax.

## Health & Medical Issues

07/01/14	5pm	2:14	A report on a rare children's disease that causes the skin to quickly blister and fall off.
07/03/14	GD	3:00	A report on how to spot symptoms of heat stroke in your pets.
07/09/14	6pm	1:45	A report on a twin transfusion that happened when one baby was getting fed too much while the other not enough in the womb.
07/10/14	GD	1:59	A report on Pennsylvania having the most cases of Lyme disease.
07/10/14	GD	2:55	A report on the Transplant Games of America.
07/12/14	10pm	1:35	A report on the largely unknown causes of kidney stones.
07/16/14	5pm	1:15	A report on a mother and son who were forced out of the apartment because the son has autism, which results in loud outbursts.
07/17/14	GD	2:00	A report on healthy summer camp snacks.
07/21/14	GD	1:20	A report on "Help Henry See and Hear" event that benefits people with Usher Syndrome, a genetic disorder that causes a steady loss in hearing and vision.
07/22/14	5pm	3:43	A report on pacemakers made from recycled material.
07/23/14	5pm	4:04	A report on a young woman who has melanoma cancer. It came in the form of a lump behind her ear that was actually 14 tumors.
07/24/14	6pm	2:00	A report on a 14-year-old Belgian draft horse that underwent surgery to improve its vision.
07/25/14	5pm	1:32	A report on a six-year-old boy who has an inoperable brain tumor.
07/28/14	5pm	2:02	A report on a bionic suit that allows for paraplegics the chance to walk and use their legs again.
07/28/14	GD	2:50	A report on the health benefits of lemons.
07/29/14	5pm	1:07	A report on the Navy Seals' workout.
07/31/14	5pm	4:11	A report on a young girl using medical marijuana to reduce epileptic seizures.
08/06/14	10pm	2:40	A report on Prune Belly Syndrome and how it can affect all parts of the body.
08/06/14	5pm	2:24	A report on Treatmint boxes that help men and women through cancer with the help of comfort items.
08/11/14	5pm	2:00	A report on a family with an 8-month-old daughter who cannot digest formula properly. Insurance does not cover the special formula she needs.
08/13/14	10pm	3:40	A report on triplets born 12 weeks early that were not able to leave the hospital for months.
08/13/14	5pm	3:45	A report on a woman who has had a level 8 out of 10 migraine for a year and a half with no relief.
08/15/14	10pm	1:20	A report on a Bucks County family raising money to buy their diabetic son a service dog.
08/19/14	10pm	3:35	A report on a local woman suffering from the rare Ehlers-Danlos syndrome.
08/19/14	GD	1:52	A report on a new elliptical trainer that you can keep under your desk to exercise at work.
08/23/14	10pm	2:14	A report on music therapy bringing back memories for dementia and Alzheimer's patients.
08/25/14	10pm	2:03	A report on the effects of marijuana on the teenage brain.
08/27/14	10pm	2:10	A report on a local woman who had a gastric band procedure to save her unborn baby's life.

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08/29/14	5pm	1:49	A report on back-to-school holistic health care.
09/05/14	10pm	1:43	A report on a fundraiser for a young boy with mitochondrial disease.
09/15/14	5pm	4:42	A report on former Philadelphia Flyer Bernie Parent's struggle with gynecomastia.
09/16/14	10pm	1:30	A report on four cases of enterovirus at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.
09/17/14	5pm	2:49	A report on a local woman who received successful chemotherapy treatment while pregnant.
09/22/14	10pm	2:08	A report on a young boy with Prader Willi syndrome learning to play baseball.
09/25/14	5pm	2:54	A report on a medical trial for dogs suffering from osteosarcoma, an aggressive form of bone cancer.
09/26/14	10pm	1:25	A report on a Hamilton Township, NJ, preschooler who died after contracting an unknown respiratory illness.
09/28/14	10pm	1:57	A report on a 14-year-old girl who helped deliver her sister's baby at a Delaware rest stop.
09/30/14	5pm	1:36	A report on the concern that enterovirus is spreading throughout Delaware Valley schools.

## Military Issues

08/07/14	GD	1:21	A report on the body of a 2 star General flown into Dover, DE after being killed in an Afghan "insider attack."
08/12/14	5pm	1:52	A report on military veterans in wheelchairs participating in games.
08/16/14	6pm	1:26	A report on the 2014 National Veterans Wheelchair Games being held in Philadelphia.
08/17/14	10pm	1:51	A report on a NJ man denied access to Six Flags for wearing a pro-military shirt.
09/16/14	5pm	1:20	A report on an experimental jetpack designed to help soldiers run faster.
09/17/14	10pm	4:30	A report on the reunion between a formerly homeless veteran and his dog.
09/22/14	10pm	1:34	A report on a welcome home party at Parx Casino for veterans returning from a Washington, D.C. trip.
09/26/14	GD	3:55	FOX 29 Salutes the Military event: A report on how yoga can help those suffering from PTSD.
09/26/14	GD	3:45	FOX 29 Salutes the Military event: A report on jobs for veterans.
09/26/14	GD	3:30	FOX 29 Salutes the Military event: A report on NJ Air Force.

**Minority/Ethnic Issues**

07/17/14	6pm	1:07	A report on the impact in Philadelphia of the Malaysian plane crash, given the city's large Ukrainian population.
08/21/14	5pm	1:29	A report on the attack of a Jewish student on Temple University's campus.
08/27/14	10pm	2:00	A report on the owner of Kings Liquor Store accused of not serving black customers.
09/12/14	GD	1:28	A report on a kosher deli vandalized with swastikas in Philadelphia.
09/16/14	5pm	2:04	A report on a Honduran orphanage's visit to the Philadelphia area.
09/25/14	5pm	1:48	A report on the public's efforts to add "sexual orientation" to the list of categories covered in hate crime legislation.

**Public Health/Safety/Welfare Issues**

07/01/14	5pm	1:32	A report on hurricane preparedness methods.
07/01/14	GD	1:10	A report on the explosion of a laptop that burned a woman and parts of her home.
07/03/14	6pm	2:03	A report on a Philadelphia firefighter who saved a pit bull puppy.
07/03/14	6pm	1:18	A report on the threat of rip currents in the Atlantic Ocean during Fourth of July weekend.
07/08/14	GD	1:35	A report on a vandal that threw glass into a community pool 4th of July weekend.
07/09/14	6pm	1:59	A report on tick season and the growing concern of Lyme Disease.
07/11/14	6pm	1:38	A report on a weed-choked and trash-strewn vacant lot in the Frankford neighborhood of Philadelphia.
07/14/14	5pm	1:55	A report on a mysterious gas odor in Skippack, PA.
07/17/14	6pm	1:00	A report on an adult bookstore in West Berlin, NJ that is located directly across from a children's water park and an elementary school.
07/17/14	GD	3:00	A FOX Fursday report on five summer pet emergencies and how to avoid them.
07/18/14	6am	1:30	A report on a family dog that saved a young boy from a house fire.
07/19/14	10pm	1:34	A report on an eight-year-old who is working to create bullet proof plates.
07/19/14	6pm	3:35	A report on a Philadelphia police officer who was severely injured in 2006 when a car crashed into his patrol car. This accident ended his career.
07/21/14	GD	3:00	A report on kids in hot cars and how it can be prevented.
07/23/14	6am	1:59	A report on the large amount of geese at the Furnace Dam Park and the mess they are leaving behind.
07/23/14	GD	3:00	A report on child spanking laws. Delaware has outlawed any type of punishment that causes a child pain, including spanking.
07/24/14	5pm	1:35	A report on child predators in South New Jersey.
07/24/14	6pm	1:34	A report on a youth minister from Merchantville, PA, who was involved with child pornography.
07/24/14	GD	3:30	A FOX Fursday report on why summertime is a difficult time for animal shelters.
07/28/14	GD	2:10	A report on "Firestop," a phone application that gives you information on the essential information of a building to make entering and exiting a fire easier.
07/29/14	5pm	1:52	A report on a woman who took a video on a SEPTA train of a couple with a baby that looked either high, tired or very sick. The man had hospital bracelets on.
07/30/14	5pm	2:06	A report on Chelation Therapy which helps removes toxic heavy metals from the body caused by beauty products absorbed through the skin.
08/04/14	5pm	2:25	A report on the rising popularity of "hood pranks" - crimes committed strictly for the purpose of creating a viral video.
08/05/14	10pm	1:31	A report on a kitten that was rushed to a Malvern, PA, hospital because it had been given heroin.
08/05/14	GD	3:00	A report on the growing trend of teenagers setting themselves on fire and posting the video as a social media stunt.
08/08/14	10pm	1:24	A report on a family's home infested with snakes.
08/08/14	10pm	1:17	A report on three children that were rushed to CHOP after being electrocuted in a community pool.
08/12/14	5pm	1:27	A report on a person who is targeting the West Deptford Police. They are on high

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			alert.
08/12/14	5pm	2:51	A report on a bed bug trap.
08/23/14	10pm	2:00	A report on police officers implementing new body camera equipment.
08/25/14	5pm	1:46	Fox 29 Gets Results report on a live-wire next to a house; PECO came out and fixed problem following Fox 29 phone call.
08/26/14	10pm	3:12	A report on a "fat camp" for obese pets.
08/27/14	10pm	3:39	A report on concert dangers.
08/28/14	10pm	1:28	A report on the dangers of rip currents.
08/28/14	5pm	1:53	Fox 29 Gets Results report on neighbors arguing over the junk filling one man's backyard.
08/29/14	10pm	1:33	A report on a dog who saved his owner from a swarm of bees.
08/29/14	5pm	1:21	A report on the reopening of a fire station in the Old City section of Philadelphia.
09/03/14	10pm	1:30	A report on the increase of security and police officers on Temple University's campus.
09/03/14	10pm	1:15	A report on an attempted child luring in Aston, PA.
09/04/14	6pm	1:50	A report on the displaced residents of a closing apartment complex in Abington, PA.
09/08/14	10pm	1:06	A report on the search for a peeping Tom in Upper Darby, PA.
09/10/14	10pm	3:59	A Fox 29 investigates report on ride-sharing service Uber X.
09/12/14	10pm	1:29	A report on the demolition of an apartment complex that will be replaced with town homes in the Germantown section of Philadelphia.
09/12/14	GD	1:30	A report on a meeting of residents trying to reduce crime in the Tacony section of Philadelphia.
09/15/14	5pm	1:45	A Fox 29 Gets Results report on illegal dumping in Germantown section of Philadelphia.
09/16/14	10pm	1:35	A report on an attempted abduction of a seventh grader at Ridley Middle School, PA.
09/18/14	5pm	2:15	A report on the funeral for the state trooper shot at the Blooming Grove police barracks.
09/25/14	10pm	1:15	A report on the noise created by middle-of-the-night construction on the Ben Franklin Bridge that is angering Old City residents.
09/26/14	10pm	1:22	A report on efforts in Chester, PA, to take down drug traffickers.
09/30/14	5pm	1:05	A report on an attempted child luring in Salisbury Township, PA.



## Recreation Issues

07/04/14	GD	3:30	A report on what to do during a rainy Fourth of July.
07/11/14	GD	3:00	A report on paddle boarding at the beach.
07/17/14	GD	3:15	A report on a monster truck show in Reading, PA.
07/18/14	GD	1:30	A report on the Ultimate Frisbee Championship held in Chester, PA.
07/25/14	GD	2:30	A report on a balloon festival in King of Prussia, PA.
07/28/14	GD	2:50	A report on the first open practice of Philadelphia Eagles Training Camp.
07/30/14	GD	3:00	A report on DeSean Jackson's thoughts about Philadelphia Eagles fan and how they can be more negative than Washington fans.
08/01/14	GD	3:30	A report on how to entertain your kids in August while down at the shore.
08/04/14	GD	2:30	A report on tubing and bungee jumping in the Pocono Mountains in Pennsylvania.
08/05/14	GD	2:30	A report on upcoming August events at the Philadelphia Zoo.
08/06/14	10pm	1:32	A report on the organizers of the Mummers Parade asking that the route be reversed.
08/08/14	GD	3:30	A report on Good Day Philadelphia down the shore.
08/13/14	10pm	1:30	A report on the popular boy band, One Direction, at Lincoln Financial Field in Philadelphia.
08/29/14	10pm	1:21	A report on Labor Day weekend at the Jersey Shore.
09/17/14	5pm	1:15	A report on the new Fox television series "Red Band Society."
09/22/14	5pm	1:59	A report on the new Fox television series "Gotham."
08/22/14	6pm	2:40	A report on the LLWS and the Williamsport, PA , residents who volunteer every year for the event.

**Religious Issues**

08/03/14	6pm	1:34	A report on a restaurant that gives a discount to all customers who pray before eating their meal.
09/22/14	10pm	2:12	A report on "Flat Francis," a cardboard cutout of Pope Francis that is being taken around Philadelphia to support the World Meeting of Families.

## Technology Issues

07/02/14	5pm	2:06	A report on a new app called Whisper that could be allowing predators to target kids.
07/14/14	5pm	2:29	A report on a gadget that brings blurry photos into focus.
07/25/14	5pm	1:27	A report on a new "selfie" app.
07/30/14	5pm	1:19	A report on a phone application that sends a picture of a key and it is duplicated and sent to your home.
07/31/14	GD	2:50	A report on a new app that tells you how safe your beauty products are.
08/13/14	GD	4:00	A report on new technology that improves your skin.
08/20/14	10pm	2:52	A report on a South Jersey couple online fundraising from the public to pay for their fertility treatments.
08/28/14	10pm	1:18	A report on students willing to spend money on technology for school over clothes.
08/29/14	10pm	1:49	A report on how LEGOs were used to solve a 1991 homicide.
09/02/14	5pm	1:46	A report on a new app "Wazinit" that tells you what is in the food at grocery stores.
09/09/14	5pm	1:10	A report on the launch of new iPhones and a new operating system from Apple.
09/29/14	10pm	1:33	A report on a new beeping device being used at a Philadelphia 7-11 to keep away loiterers.

### Transportation Issues

08/01/14	GD	1:44	A report on the re-opening of southbound lanes on I-495.
08/02/14	10pm	2:07	A report on the comeback of passenger rail travel.
08/18/14	10pm	4:12	A report on fare jumpers and SEPTA's efforts to reduce this from happening.
09/25/14	10pm	1:25	A report on the threat of a terrorist attack on US and French subway systems and how SEPTA is preparing for any incidents.

**Women's Issues**

09/12/14	10pm	3:29	A report on the challenges women face in today's job market.
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**Youth Issues**

07/08/14	GD	3:00	A report on a fashion camp that teaches young kids how to sew and make their own clothing.
07/30/14	6pm	1:32	A report on the Taney Dragons Little League team from Center City, Philadelphia that will head to regionals to win the state championship.
08/08/14	10pm	2:11	A report on a Philadelphia Little League Baseball team, Taney Dragons, that will move on to the regional semi-finals.
08/14/14	5pm	1:54	A report on the Philadelphia Little League Team, the Taney Dragons, as they arrive for World Series Opening Ceremonies.
08/15/14	6pm	1:30	A report on the Taney Dragons following their first win in the LLWS over South Nashville.
08/17/14	6pm	1:43	A report updating the Taney Dragons' play in the LLWS and the local love for the team.
08/19/14	10pm	1:24	A report on Taney Dragons player Mo'ne Davis including interviews with her mother and brother.
08/24/14	10pm	1:59	A report on the homecoming for the Taney Dragons.
08/27/14	5pm	2:00	A report on the parade for the Taney Dragons.
09/02/14	10pm	1:34	A report on the funeral for the three Council Rock South High School students killed in a car crash.
09/12/14	10pm	2:15	A report on a Marple-Newtown, PA, football game dedicated to a player fighting non-Hodgkins lymphoma.

## WTXF-TV PROGRAM INFORMATION REPORT

**Program Title:**

**Air Date/Time:**

  X   FOX News Sunday

Sundays, 9am

       Chasing New Jersey

       Other:

**Format:**

**Program Type:**

**Origination:**

       Animated  
  X   Live Action  
       Taped

       Public Affairs  
  X   News  
       Other

       WTXF-TV  
       Other Local  
  X   FOX/Network  
       Syndicated

**Length:**     X   60minutes          30minutes          15minutes          2minutes  
                     60seconds          30seconds          20seconds          Other

**Title:**       FOX News Sunday      

**Issue:**       Government      

### **Description of program:**

This weekly news program, hosted by Chris Wallace, is broadcast live and covers issues of national interest. In addition to national stories, the program includes live guests and panelists covering a variety of national issues.

See attached program synopses for topics, guests, panelists, and issues addressed.

### **Guests (if applicable):**

**Name & Title**

See attached

**Organization**

See attached

**City/State**

See attached

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July 6, 2014 - September 28, 2014

## **July 6**

### **Israel**

Amb Ron Dermer, Israel's Ambassador to the U.S.

Sen John Barrasso (R-WY), Senate Foreign Relations Committee

Sen Bob Casey (D-PA), Senate Foreign Relations Committee

### **IRS Scandal**

Rep Darrell Issa (R-CA), Chairman, House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

## **July 13**

### **Obamacare**

Sen. Tim Scott (R-SC)

Sen Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)

### **IRS**

Rep. Sander Levin (D-MI)

Rep. Charles Boustany (R-LA)

## **July 20**

### **Ukraine**

John Kerry

### **Foreign Policy**

Sen. Bob Corker (R-TN)

Sen. Robert Menendez (D-NJ)

### **Immigration**

Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX)

## **July 27**

### **House GOP**

Rep Steve Scalise (R-LA), House Majority Whip-Elect

### **Israel/Gaza**

Benjamin Netanyahu, Israeli Prime Minister

Hanan Ashrawi, PLO Executive Committee Member

## **August 3**

### **Ebola**

Dr. Tom Frieden, CDC Director

### **Immigration / Foreign Policy**

Sen Marco Rubio (R-FL)

### **Lawsuit against President Obama**

Rep Steve King (R-IA)

Rep Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY)



## August 10

### **Iraq/ISIS**

Gen. Jack Keane, Fox News Military Analyst / Four Star General (RET)  
Sen. Ben Cardin (D-MD), Senate Foreign Relations Committee  
Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC), Senate Armed Services Committee

### **Corporate Tax Inversion**

Sen. Chris Coons (D-DE), Senate Budget Committee  
John Engler, Business Roundtable President / Former Michigan Governor (R)

## August 17

### (Shannon Bream Host)

### **Iraq/Ukraine**

Sen. Ron Johnson (R-WI)  
Rep. Eliot Engel (D-NY)

### **Immigration**

Gov. Rick Perry (R-TX)

## August 24

### **ISIS**

Gen. Jack Keane, Fox News Military Analyst / Four Star General (RET)  
Sen. John McCain (R-AZ)

### **Ferguson, MO**

Dr. Ben Carson, Fox News Contributor  
Rev. Jesse Jackson, Founder and President, Rainbow PUSH Coalition

## August 31

### **ISIS/Syria**

Jessica Lewis, Research Director, Institute for the Study of War  
Rep. Mike Rogers (R-MI), Chairman, House Intelligence Committee

### **2014 Midterm Elections**

Mark Mellman, President and CEO, The Mellman Group  
Bill McInturff, Partner and Co-Founder of Public Opinion Strategies

## September 7

### **2014/2016**

Mitt Romney, Former Massachusetts Governor

### **ISIS**

Rep. Michael McCaul (R-TX), Chairman, House Homeland Security Committee  
Sen. Robert Menendez (D-NJ), Chairman, Senate Foreign Relations Committee

## September 14

(John Roberts Host)

### **ISIS**

Denis McDonough, White House Chief of Staff  
Sen Lindsey Grahama (R-SC), Senate Armed Services Committee  
Sen Jack Reed (D-RI), Senate Armed Services Committee  
Gen Michael Hayden, Former CIA and NSA Director

### **NFL & Domestic Violence**

Jim Gray, Sportcaster, Fox News Contributor  
Wendy Murphy, Defense Attorney & Victim's Rights Advocate

## September 21

### **ISIS**

Rep Pete King (R-NY), House Select Intelligence Committee  
Rep Adam Schiff (D-CA), House Select Intelligence Committee

### **Midterm Elections**

Karl Rove, Republican Strategist, Former Bush WH Advisor  
Joe Trippi, Democratic Strategist, Former Howard Dean Campaign Manager

## September 28

### **ISIS**

Gen Jack Keane, Fox News Military Analyst, Four Star General  
Tony Blinken, White House Deputy National Security Advisor  
Sen John Barrasso (R-WY), Senate Committee on Foreign Relations  
Sen Angus King (I-ME), Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

### **Holder Resignation/2016**

Dr Ben Carson, Fox News Contributor

## WTXF-TV PROGRAM INFORMATION REPORT

**Program Title:**

\_\_\_\_ FOX News Sunday

X  Chasing New Jersey

\_\_\_\_ Other:

**Air Date/Time:**

Weekdays, 12:30 – 1am

**Format:**

\_\_\_\_ Animated  
 X  Live Action  
\_\_\_\_ Taped

**Program Type:**

\_\_\_\_ Public Affairs  
 X  News  
\_\_\_\_ Other

**Origination:**

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                     \_\_\_\_ 60seconds      \_\_\_\_ 30seconds      \_\_\_\_ 20seconds       X  Other

**Title:**

Chasing New Jersey

**Issue:** Various

### **Description of program:**

This daily news and public affairs program features various segments and stories focusing on headlines and issues affecting the New Jersey area, featuring reports by a group of correspondents known as "chasers".

See attached program synopses for topics, guests, panelists, and issues addressed.

### **Guests (if applicable):**

**Name & Title**

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**Organization**

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**City/State**

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## **WWOR - TV / JULY – 2014 News Coverage**

Date: July 1, 2014

Time: 2:21

### **ISSUES: Community**

#### **TENT CITY'S CONSTRUCTION TURMOIL**

Getting rid of Lakewood New Jersey's tent city has been a debate for years. However, now that the last tent has officially been removed and the space is empty, a new controversy is brewing over what construction will take place on the property. There have been rumors that the tight-knit Orthodox Jewish community wanted to build a school on the land. However, Mayor Albert Akerman said that is complete propaganda and that the land is designated to be strictly wetlands. Also close-by to the former tent city is a sign for the Cedar Bridge Project. The Cedar Bridge Project is hoping to build a corporate complex which would bring thousands of jobs to Lakewood.

Date: July 1, 2014

Time: 2:27

### **ISSUES: Community**

#### **FUNERAL HELD FOR BRENDAN TELVIN WHILE INVESTIGATION CONTINUES**

The funeral was held for Brendan Tevlin, the 19 year-old college student who was found shot in his parents SUV in an apartment complex in West Orange, New Jersey. The mass was held at St. Philomena's church in Livingston, the town where Tevlin grew up. All of Tevlin's sacraments were made at this church where he also served as a Eucharistic minister. Throughout the ceremony Tevlin's siblings spoke of their brother. His sister even said that Brendan lived everyday as if he were going to die tomorrow.

Date: July 1, 2014

Time: 2:43

### **ISSUES: Education / Children/Youth**

#### **IMAGE ON SOCIAL MEDIA SPARKS RESIGNATION OF CLASS PRESIDENT**

The former student body president at the \$53,000 per-year Lawrenceville School in New Jersey is being called divisive and even racist after posting a picture that she said represents the "typical Lawrenceville boy". Maya Peterson was told to resign her position as class president or face punishment when she posted a picture wearing a Yale sweatshirt, LL Bean duck boots and holding a hockey stick. She hash-tagged the picture on Instagram with: "Romney 2016", "Confederate" and "I Peaked in High School".

Date: July 1, 2014

Time: 1:33

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**VIRAL VIDEO ATTACKER IN CUSTODY**

Latia Harris turned herself in to police custody last night around 7:00 pm. Harris allegedly severely beat-up Catherine Ferreria, she was seen punching her over 20 times in a video that has since gone viral, while the victim's child watched and screamed in protest. The area in which the attack took place is a very popular walking path located in Salem, New Jersey.

Date: July 1, 2014

Time: 1:41

**SPADEA ON THE RADIO**

Chasing New Jersey's ringleader, Bill Spadea, co-hosted the Dennis & Judi Show on New Jersey 101.5 FM radio and he pulled out all the stops. Spadea spent four-hours on-air and did everything from read the weather to discuss some hot-topics going on in the Garden State and around the country. He even had his own take on the taboo topic of texting while driving.

Date: July 1, 2014

Time: 1:16

**ISSUES: Politics/Government**

**CHRISTIE IS READY TO INFLICT SOME PAIN**

Governor Chris Christie used his line-item veto to make changes to the budget that was delivered to him by the democratic legislature. At a town meeting in Caldwell, New Jersey Governor Christie explained why he took some parts of the budget out and said that his proposed changes to the budget and the pension plan going forward are going to inflict some pain.

Date: July 2, 2014

Time: 1:32

**ISSUES: Community**

**DEADLY FIRE IN NEWARK CLAIMS THE LIVES OF SIX PEOPLE**

July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 may see the potential threat of Tropical Storm Arthur. The storm could bring heavy rain to the area and a lot of wind. Saw Mill, a restaurant that was hit hard by the fire at Seaside Heights last year, lost hundreds of thousands of dollars in that fire, and only reopened in late June 2014. Ron Rinaldi, the Saw Mill restaurant manager, is very optimistic about July 4th weekend, and was busy getting everything ready in time.

Date: July 2, 2014

Time: 2:02

**ISSUES: Community**

### **THE WAIT FOR ZUMANJARO**

Six Flags Great Adventure's newest ride, Zumanjaro is 40 stories high with a 90 mph drop. It didn't open at the time it was supposed to. The problem lies not with the ride itself, but with the state of New Jersey, specifically the Department of Community Affairs Carnival Amusement Ride Safety Unit. The department is hammering out last minute inspections of the ride.

Date: July 2, 2014

Time: 3:02

**ISSUES: Politics/Government**

### **LINE ITEM VETO TO BENEFIT NEW JERSEY?**

Governor Chris Christie has used his line item on the budget he received from the Democratic Legislature and he shared that the new budget may inflict some pain. He vetoed taxes on businesses and on millionaires, and after winning a lawsuit, he decided to drastically limit payments on the pension plan. Christie has faced a lot of heat about his use of his line item veto.

Date: July 2, 2014

Time: 2:44

**ISSUES: Children/Youth**

### **FAMILY DESPERATE TO FIND LOVED ONE AFTER 1-MONTH MISSING**

No one has seen or heard from 18-year old Mila Kostadinova since her disappearance from Dumont, New Jersey in June. Her Twitter page went silent June 2, 2014, but prior to that it painted a picture of a sad and angry young woman who wanted out of her family home and ultimately left.

Date: July 2, 2014

Time: 2:25

**ISSUES: Community**

**DEBILITATED BATTLE MONUMENT A SAD SIGHT IN TRENTON**

During the 4th of July week especially you'd think it would be important to honor the symbol of America, the American flag. However, that isn't necessarily the case at the Battle Monument in Trenton where the memorial is a complete wreck, so much so that a Kentucky couple volunteering with the Special Olympics complained to the state about the site. A tattered flag hangs from a dilapidated flag pole, the fence that lines the property is broken and in pieces on the ground, the grass is overgrown and there is a closed sign hanging on the doors of the monument. Councilwoman Caldwell-Wilson took action to get the tattered flag down and even purchased a new one on her own to replace it. She has started collecting donations to fix the debilitated flagpole because both the state and Trenton will not pay for the restoration.

Date: July 2, 2014

Time: 3:40

**ISSUES: Community / Crime/Law Enforcement**

**NJDEP PRIVACY LAWS VIOLATION**

On Memorial Day, Chasing New Jersey's Tamara Laine was enjoying a lovely day in Liberty State Park. When she returned to her vehicle, which was parked in a row of cars, she found a ticket on her windshield and that of the entire row of nearly 20 cars around her. On the ticket were her social security number, her address, her driver's license number, and everything a thief would need to steal someone's identity. Baffled at how this could happen, she went to the City Clerk's office in Jersey City who told her this ticket was issued by the parks police, which is overseen by the NJDEP. NJDEP Press Director Larry Ragonese assured Laine that this was a rookie mistake. She was instead given a different type of violation summons "accidentally" not their normal parking ticket, and only five-tickets had been given out with social security numbers on them.

Date: July 3, 2014

Time: 2:16

**ISSUES: Community**

### **HANGING WITH MR. BRADLEY COOPER**

Ever wished you could take a celebrity and bring them everywhere with you? Well according to New Jersey resident Danielle Davies you can! Davies carries around a life-size cardboard cut-out of Bradley Cooper everywhere she goes. This idea stemmed from a play she did with the cut-out of "Bradley Cooper" at her college, Villanova.

Date: July 3, 2014

Time: 2:33

**ISSUES: Government/Politics / Education / Minority Issues**

### **NJ DEMOCRATS PUSH EDUCATION FOR THE DREAMERS**

Assembly Democrats are not giving up on the Dreamers and their opportunity to not only get a college education in New Jersey, but also be able to fund it. The Dreamers are a movement of undocumented students who want equal opportunities in higher education and citizenship. Governor Christie vetoed an item on the budget to make unauthorized immigrants who attended high school in New Jersey eligible for state-funded tuition aid grants. Immediately after that, Assembly Democrats proposed new legislation to give undocumented students the ability to apply for and receive need based financial aid grants for in-state schools. Gayle Kessler with New Jersey Citizens for Immigration Control fears that if New Jersey invests that money into undocumented students, then they will take that education and leave the country.

Date: July 3, 2014

Time: 1:46

**ISSUES: Community**

### **SUPERSTORM SANDY FUNDRAISER IN A BOTTLE**

There is something that everyone has been wanting to say ever since Superstorm Sandy ravaged the Garden State. In fact, New Jersey Micro-brewery, Flying Fish, did exactly that! They created a beer fundraiser called, "F.U. Sandy". The slogan stands for Forever Unloved Sandy and is on the label of this tasty beer. Forever Unloved is brewed specifically to raise money for this cause and all of the proceeds are going to Hurricane Sandy Relief.



Date: July 3, 2014

Time: 2:39

**ISSUES: Community**

### **HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE KILLED EXECUTION STYLE IN NEWARK**

High school graduate and cheerleader Cheyanne Bond was found shot in the head execution style in Newark, New Jersey. Bond was described as a beautiful and ambitious teen who was planning to attend nursing school. Undre Crosby is a close friend of Bond's family and he hopes the family gets justice.

Date: July 4, 2014

Time: 2:24

**ISSUES: Community / Economy**

### **SANDY HOME BUYOUT BATTLE**

Bay Point, New Jersey has been a ghost town for over 18 months ever since Superstorm Sandy ravaged the small town on the Jersey Shore. Residents of this community are trying to figure out if it makes more sense to rebuild, or just pack it in and sell the entire town to the government as has been proposed. This town is one of the first looking into the government offer to purchase the town at pre-Sandy home values. Mayor Erwin Sheppard said that it's just gotten too hard for residents to get back to the way things were with the increase in insurance costs and rebuilding costs and that many of them simply can't afford to keep the houses.

Date: July 4, 2014

Time: 3:04

**ISSUES: Community**

### **PRISONER RE-ENTRY PROGRAM TAKES A SHOT AT FILM**

New Jersey's incarceration statistics are extremely alarming. Most of the state's prisons are filled with young-African-American men and more than half of these young men will end up back in jail after being released. Three former inmates, Isa Poole, Shahied Brown, and Dashon McGill have taken part in a prisoner reentry program to get back on their feet while working in film. These men are working out of the Ironbound Studios in Newark. This collaboration hopes to bring more jobs to Newark and raise Newark's profile in films.

Date: July 4, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

### **VETERAN RETURNS FROM 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY VISIT TO NORMANDY**

87 year old, WWII Veteran Alfred John Sippel recently returned from his five-day trip back to Normandy for the 70th Anniversary of D-Day. The First Class Seaman from Denville, New Jersey made the trip back with his son and granddaughter and he said while there, he treated like royalty. The family was part of a grand parade where he rode along in a WWII Jeep with an Italian family. He said mothers were running up to the side of the vehicle to get their children to shake his hand and get his autograph.

Date: July 4, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Health**

### **“SOUL CYCLE” YOUR WAY TO A HEALTHY LIFE-STYLE**

Exercise classes aren't for everyone but if you come across the right one you might find it to be fulfilling. There is a new trend in the work-out world that doesn't only give you a great cardio work-out but it can make you healthier overall. Soul Cycle is a 45 minute in-door cycling class that doesn't only change your body.

Date: July 4, 2014

Time: 2:26

**ISSUES: Community**

### **BUTTERFLY DECLINE IN THE GARDEN STATE**

You may have noticed that in the summer of 2014 there was a decrease in monarch butterflies in the Garden State. The Twitter campaign #savethemonarchs has brought even more attention to this potential problem. Flo Rutherford is the head butterfly guide at World of Wings in Teaneck, New Jersey. She said that the absence of these beautiful creatures is serious.

Date: July 4, 2014

Time: 3:12

**ISSUES: Community**

### **THE NEW IMPROVED MOUNTAIN CREEK WATER-PARK**

For Summer 2014, Mountain Creek Park in Vernon, New Jersey has been officially renamed to Action Park. This is mainly because when past visitors hear Mountain Creek they automatically think of the nostalgic, dangerous accounts they experienced in the 80's or 90's.

Date: July 7, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community**

### **A WHALE OF A TALE**

In the summer of 2014 it hasn't been that rare to see sharks off the Jersey Coast, but now there have even been sightings of whales as well! Boaters caught a hump-back whale on video off the coast of Keyport, New Jersey swimming in the Raritan Bay. These whales are endangered species but it isn't that unheard of to see them traveling along the Eastern Seaboard.

Date: July 7, 2014

Time: 2:26

**ISSUES: Community**

### **BOUNCE YOUR WAY TO A NJ TRAMPOLINE PARK**

Everyone growing up has been in or around bouncy-houses, but did you ever think you can still have fun in one as an adult? Well, now a trampoline park is taking bouncy-houses to the next level. Sky Zone in Pine Brook, New Jersey opened up the ultimate indoor trampoline park. This park is a massive warehouse filled with trampolines where the whole family can enjoy high-flying fun and can literally bounce off the walls! It's not only fun but it's a great work-out.

Date: July 7, 2014

Time: 2:41

**ISSUES: Community**

### **A WEEK WITHOUT ANSWERS IN BRENDAN TEVLIN'S MURDER**

A week since 19 year-old Brendan Tevlin was murdered in West Orange, New Jersey, police still have not made any arrests. The reward for any information about the murder is up to \$25,000. Tevlin was returning from a party with friends where he had been playing video games. He texted his mom saying that he was on his way home, but never made it.

Date: July 7, 2014

Time: 3:34

**ISSUES: Community**

**BAGGY PANTS BAN SPREADING ACROSS NJ?**

Point Pleasant Beach Councilman Steven Reed is fed up with seeing young people's underwear. He's so fed up that at a town council meeting he said he's considering joining Wildwood and several other New Jersey towns and introducing a ban on saggy pants. However, the town's Mayor Vincent Borella feels there are much bigger problems happening in the area and he thinks this idea is misguided. If this ban is passed, it wouldn't just apply to the boardwalk, but to the entire town of Point Pleasant.

Date: July 7, 2014

Time: 2:49

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**SUPREME COURT MAKES CONTRACEPTION EXCEPTION FOR RETAILER**

Governor Christie held an event in Keansburg, New Jersey where he opened the room for press questions. One of the topics discussed was the Supreme Court's recent decision regarding Hobby Lobby where they will allow the large retailer to exclude birth control coverage from their employees' health plans. This is a hot-button topic because birth control is something that the Affordable Care Act requires, but based on religious principles the Supreme Court made an exception for the store. Governor Christie says he has not read the decision yet, but does not think it will significantly affect day-to-day life in New Jersey. Many are questioning why Christie isn't taking a bigger stand on this topic if he is trying to move forward with presidential aspirations.

Date: July 8, 2014

Time: 3:03

**ISSUES: Community**

**THE VANISHING HOUSE IN ORTLEY BEACH**

After Superstorm Sandy, many thriving beach towns like Ortley Beach, New Jersey became ghost towns. Almost every house in Ortley Beach was completely destroyed and had to be knocked down. However resident Nick Maria was one of the very few who received news that his house actually survived the storm and remained mostly intact. The house remained standing after the storm hit; it was moved a few feet off the foundation and had just a few holes in the roof. Maria had every intention to fix it up and move back in. However, the New Jersey Department of Transportation beat him to it. The state wrongfully knocked down Maria's home a few days after Sandy, without even notifying him. Maria says he lost all of his possessions when they tore down his house and he's devastated.

Date: July 8, 2014

Time: 3:01

**ISSUES: Community**

**CHASING NEW JERSEY'S ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

Chasing New Jersey has officially been delivering the Garden State news for one-year now and in celebration of this important anniversary some of their most popular guests stopped by the studio to talk about their favorite moments on the show. Ringleader Bill Spadea took the time to thank the man behind the magic, Executive Producer Jerry Burke with whom the chasers credit the show's ongoing success. Burke also thanked the staff for allowing him to pursue his dream to deliver a new form of news. Guests included: Essex County Freeholder Brendan Gill, Assemblyman Declan O'Scanlan, therapist Dr. Chuck Williams, radio personality Dee Dee Benkie and much more! All the guests took the time to praise the show and what many believe to be the future of news!

Date: July 8, 2014

Time: 2:58

### **ISSUES: Community**

#### **IS POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER FROM SANDY REAL?**

The state of New Jersey has announced that over the next two-years, \$4 million will be devoted to training primary care doctors to screen patients for post-Sandy mental trauma. Brick, New Jersey resident Debbie Fortier famously told Governor Christie at a town hall meeting five-months ago that all she wanted to do was go home. Fortier is still living in temporary housing because her house was completely destroyed after the storm hit. She says that she feels like she has a form of post-traumatic stress after dealing with the devastation of Sandy and what her and her family has had to go through over the last 18 months.

Date: July 8, 2014

Time: 3:21

#### **4 YEAR-OLD ATTACKED BY TWO PIT-BULLS**

Four-year-old Harmony Halyer is fighting for her life after being brutally attacked by two pit-bulls and her mother, Quadirah Banks, says she feels like the world needs to know that these dogs are dangerous. Banks said that the dogs lived at the home where her children are babysat and that they belonged to her aunt. When the babysitter opened the door, the dogs immediately and viciously went after four-year-old Halyer while her brother Qua'Mir stood there helpless. Police arrived on the scene quickly and shot and killed the two dogs, but Halyer is just the latest attack victim that has her mother and many across the country arguing that pit-bulls are just too unpredictable to be pets.

Date: July 8, 2014

Time: 2:37

**ISSUES: Community / Minority Issues**

**ARE RINGWOOD'S RECYCLING PLANT PLANS RACIST?**

Many Ringwood residents and members of the Ramapough Lenape Indian Nation are frustrated by the EPA's most recent approved plan to move a recycling plant to a nearby super fund site where tons of soil was contaminated with toxic paint sludge from a former Ford Motor Company factory dating back to the 1950's. The new plan would move a recycling plant from where it is on Peter's Mine Road across the street to the contaminated land. Instead of cleaning up the paint sludge and digging the area out, the area would be capped with an impermeable cap in order to put the recycling plant directly on top. That proposal, which would be significantly cheaper for the township, did not sit well with the Native American community. Chief Wayne Perry of the Ramapough Tribe believes a major part of this issue is racism.

Date: July 9, 2014

Time: 2:45

**ISSUES: Economy / Community**

**PERTH AMBOY WATER BILL WOES**

89 year-old Claire Danielczyk lives in the same Perth Amboy home that her husband built over 60 years ago. She always pays her bills before they are due, so when her water bill jumped from its usual \$67 to over \$700, she was shocked. Both the city and Danielczyk had the house inspected by plumbers. The city says there was an overflow problem in the toilet. However, the plumber Mrs. Danielczyk hired disagrees and even pointed out that the bill dropped back down to \$50 the following quarter. The Perth Amboy Water Department sent a statement saying that they inspected the meters and they are reading properly, they stand by their belief that there was a leak. Mrs. Danielczyk has been offered a payment plan of \$100 per month plus 8% interest, but is very upset by what she thinks is an obvious error.

Date: July 9, 2014

Time: 2:53

**ISSUES: Transportation**

**IS CASUAL CARPOOLING AT THE GWB ILLEGAL?**

Rush hour traffic going over the George Washington Bridge has always been a headache, and it can really hurt your wallet too. But strangers have been helping each other get around and save money at the same time. Normally, the GWB toll is \$13, however, with three people in your car, the toll drops down to \$5. People will wait at the last bus stop before the GWB and hop into cars that pull over. State law says that hitchhiking is illegal. The statute uses language like "begging for rides" and "soliciting a ride" to describe the prohibited behavior, but many people say that's not what is happening here. In these early morning cases, no one has their thumbs up, nobody begs or asks for anything. It's a mutually beneficial situation and everyone knows it, including plenty of cops who are omnipresent at any NYC crossing.

Date: July 9, 2014

Time: 2:54

**ISSUES: Community**

**YOU BE THE JUDGE: IS THIS POLICE BRUTALITY?**

Video has surfaced from June 28, 2014, of Steven Betancourt, the son of West New York, New Jersey Mayoral Candidate Carlos "Chucky" Betancourt, allegedly being beaten and tackled to the ground by local police. However, the young Betancourt claims he doesn't know why he was cuffed in the first place. He says at the time of the incident his friend's car was being towed, and all he did was tell the officer his dad is Chucky Betancourt. Chucky is not only running for mayor, but he's also a former cop who served for decades at the local police department.

Date: July 9, 2014

Time: 2:07

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**FRANKLIN'S ROUGE COUNCILMAN RESIGNS**

David Fanale resigned his position as a Franklin Councilman. According to the Borough Business Administrator Fanale cited the "excessive stress of recent events" as the reason behind his decision. This clearly refers to the backlash he's received from his recent Facebook posts which are strongly anti-police.



Date: July 9, 2014

Time: 4:24

**ISSUES: Community**

## **HUNDREDS RALLY IN PATERSON TO BRING JUSTICE FOR GENESIS**

12 year-old Genesis Rincon was shot in the head by a stray bullet while out riding a scooter in Paterson, New Jersey over the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend. The young girl was pronounced brain dead at the hospital. Her family kept her alive so they could donate her organs and give life to five other individuals. An arrest was made after 19 year-old Jhymiere Moore turned himself into police voluntarily after what many believe to be pressure from the community. On Tuesday night, Genesis' father and mother took to the streets to embark on a journey for justice. Over 500 people gathered on the steps of Paterson's City Hall to hear the Rincon's address the crowd about continued violence in town.

Date: July 10, 2014

Time: 2:08

**ISSUES: Government/Politics / Community**

## **FORMER COUNCILMAN SPEAKS OUT ABOUT BACKLASH AND RESIGNATION**

Former Franklin Borough Councilman David Fanale has received a lot of attention lately after angering law enforcement, their families and members of the community when he posted images on his personal Facebook page that were strongly anti-police. It all started when Fanale and his fiancé were pulled over in Roxbury, New Jersey in what he calls and "unconstitutional stop". The incident took place a while back, but Fanale has been upset about it ever since resulting in the anti-cop cartoon posts on his social media page. Fanale resigned his position as councilman. He said this decision was done solely for the sake of his loved ones, but his choice to step down should not be seen as an apology.

Date: July 10, 2014

Time: 3:18

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

### **WHO'S READING YOUR MAIL?**

Newly released documents from National Security Agency whistleblower, Edward Snowden, revealed a list of email addresses that the government was spying on and among those on the list were Rutgers University Professor, Dr. Hooshang Amirahmadi. What this means is that the NSA has been looking into and monitoring Dr. Amirahmadi's emails. He took offense to this and is outraged anyone would spy on him. Dr. Amirahmadi was running for President of Iran in 2013 and has been involved in U.S. Diplomacy for almost 40 years. He's a dual citizen of the U.S. and Iran.

Date: July 10, 2014

Time: 1:59

**ISSUES: Community**

### **RIDGEWOOD PUBLIC WORKS INSPECTOR SENTENCED FOR STEALING PARKING METER QUARTERS**

They say a quarter can't buy you anything these days, but they eventually add up! Just ask Thomas Rica, Former Ridgewood, New Jersey Public Works Inspector who according to prosecutors, stole about two-million parking meter quarters from a room in Village Hall. The loot totaled around \$460,000 and weighed nearly 23,000 pounds in shiny silver change! He's now been sentenced after pleading guilty.

Date: July 10, 2014

Time: 2:55

**ISSUES: Community**

### **HONEST GUN-OWNING MOM BUSTED IN NJ COULD FACE 3 YEARS IN PRISON**

27 year-old Shaneen Allen from Philadelphia wanted to protect her family. She took a gun safety course, applied for and was granted a concealed carry permit and she purchased a gun. However, while Allen was covered to carry a gun in Pennsylvania, she made the mistake of crossing into New Jersey with the weapon and now she's facing a mandatory minimum of three-years in jail. Allen said that she didn't know her permit didn't apply to New Jersey so when she was stopped for a minor traffic offense she told the police about her gun and her permit to carry. In this case, being honest may have cost her.

Date: July 10, 2014

Time: 2:11

**ISSUES: Health**

**ACTIVE RELEASE CHIROPRACTIC PROCEDURES**

Christina Rampone is a 3-time Olympic soccer gold medalist and four- time women's World Cup competitor and she says that as an athlete, she relies heavily on good chiropractic care. Rampone credits much of her movement to Dr. Criscuolo who she says is a miracle worker. She believes that Criscuolo saved her soccer career by using the active release technique which only takes about five-minutes per visit.

Date: July 10, 2014

Time: 1:45

**ISSUES: Transportation / Government/Politics**

**PORT AUTHORITY BUS TERMINAL IN DESPERATE NEED OF REPAIR**

The Port Authority Bus Terminal in New York City is hot and messy with leaky roofs, late buses and budget problems. Senator Loretta Weinberg and Senate President Steve Sweeney say that something must be done. The Port Authority is one of the busiest commuter hubs in the United States. However, those who use the facilities and ride the buses on a daily basis say that the buildings upkeep is horrendous.

Date: July 10, 2014

Time: 1:09

**ISSUES: Community**

**WANTED MAN CAUGHT IN NJ AFTER DISPUTE OVER A DOG**

32-year-old Corey Pohan had a dispute with another man, Paul Martone and it was all caught on camera. This fight was over the fact that Martone believed Pohan tried stepping over his Chihuahua to get to the curb. The fight started as a verbal argument then Pahan punched Martone in the face, which caused Martone to fall to the ground.

Date: July 11, 2014

Time: 2:29

**ISSUES: Community**

### **ALGAE INVADES BELMAR'S COASTLINE**

There has been an outbreak of algae blobs off the Jersey Coast and while it's not harmful to swimmers, it's so large that you can actually see it from space! Satellites picked up an outburst of phytoplankton along the shore. The sea and winds are constantly changing and this may of caused the plankton to be pushed back into the ocean rather than staying on the coast-line.

Date: July 11, 2014

Time: 2:54

**ISSUES: Community**

### **SUSPECTS CHARGED IN SHOOTING OF 12 YEAR-OLD IN PATERSON**

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Date: July 11, 2014

Time: 1:30

**ISSUES: Community**

### **A NJ AUTHOR'S NAUTICAL THEMED BIOGRAPHY**

New Jersey resident Nicholas Starace is the author of the book, "White Sails Became Me". This nautical themed biography highlights how his life was shaped by the sea. Starace has kept his boat docked at Liberty State Park since the marina opened about 15 years-ago. His book not only touches on terrorism but on his life in the Navy, family loss, divorce, near-death accidents, earthquakes, cancer, a military death in the family, and even what he calls the pleasant trauma of retirement.

Date: July 11, 2014

Time: 2:34

**ISSUES: Community**

### **POLICE SEARCH FOR MASSIVE SNAKE IN LAKE**

There's been a report of a giant, potentially deadly snake swimming in Lake Hopatcong. State police say that they got a call that someone reported seeing a 17 to 20 foot massive boa constrictor swimming around in those waters. Police Officer Trooper Puhlovsky said that law enforcement searched for nearly two hours, but couldn't find the reptile.

Date: July 11, 2014

Time: 2:02

**ISSUES: Community**

### **MANTOLOKING'S STEEL SEA-WALL CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS**

Mantoloking, New Jersey's steel wall is underway. These interlocking plates of steel are literally being vibrated down 30 feet into the sand to form a wall against the ravages of the ocean. Superstorm Sandy damaged the town of Mantoloking pretty badly, almost every home was hit. This \$25 million wall is meant to prevent that from ever happening again.

Date: July 11, 2014

Time: 2:43

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

### **GOVERNOR CHRISTIE'S STAR IS RISING**

Governor Chris Christie spent nearly a week in Idaho for the Allen and Company Sun Valley Conference. Governor Christie was originally just supposed to just attend this conference. However, Secretary of State, John Kerry was called away and this allowed Christie to fill in and address very high-powered executives, political leaders, and philanthropists from across the country including Facebook CEO, Mark Zuckerberg. Overall, on a national scale, Governor Chris Christie is popular across the nation and doing extremely well in all his efforts to improve the state of New Jersey.

Date: July 14, 2014

Time: 2:58

**ISSUES: Religion / Community**

**RELIGIOUS GROUP FLIES SWASTIKA BANNER OVER NJ BEACHES**

People on the beach in New Jersey and New York were outraged after they saw a plane towing a banner that displayed a swastika, a peace sign, and a heart promoting the website proswastika.org. It turns out the religious group partially based on extraterrestrials called the Raelians use the swastika as part of their symbol.

Date: July 14, 2014

Time: 1:26

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**EX-DINER MANAGER PLEADS GUILTY TO MURDER FOR HIRE**

Former manager of the Tick Tock Diner in Clifton, New Jersey, Georgios Spyropoulos, was in Passaic County Court stemming from an incident where he allegedly hired a hit man to kill his uncle for \$20,000. The plan allegedly was to have a hit man torture his uncle for the combination to his safe and then kill him. What Spyropoulos didn't realize was that he was coordinating the hiring of a hit-man with a state police informant. Spyropoulos pleaded guilty to the charges and even accepted the prosecutions plea which could have him face up to ten years in state prison.

Date: July 14, 2014

Time: 3:21

**ISSUES: Community**

**ROOKIE JC COP KILLED BY FAME SEEKING THUG**

Rookie Jersey City Cop Melvin Santiago was gunned down at a Walgreens in town by a man seeking fame. The criminal went into the store, assaulted an armed security officer and took his gun. He then went outside and said to a witness, 'make sure you watch the news tonight, I'm going to be famous'. When Santiago and another officer pulled up in a patrol car, the thug opened fire on the vehicle ultimately killing Officer Santiago. Officer Santiago had just graduated from the academy and was a newly appointed member of the Jersey City police department.

Date: July 14, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**ARE SMART GUNS THE SMART CHOICE IN FIREARMS?**

Smart Guns is a technology based firearm that uses anything distinctive to one person, like fingerprints, hand grip or an eye scan, to prevent unauthorized users from using your personal guns. If the owner of the gun is not using the firearm, Smart Gun will detect a fraud and will not fire. New Jersey Institute of Technology is creating their own version of the gun.

Date: July 14, 2014

Time: 2:59

**ISSUES: Transportation**

**DOCTOR'S OPINION: PORT AUTHORITY BUS TERMINAL IN NEED OF REPAIRS**

My9's Vice President and Station Manager talks about the much needed repairs at the Port Authority Bus Terminal in NYC. She looks into how travelers care more about chronically late buses and filthy, overheated conditions in bus terminals than brief shut-downs on the bridge.

Date: July 15, 2014

Time: 2:55

**ISSUES: Community**

**SUSPECTS CHARGED IN SHOOTING OF 12 YEAR-OLD IN PATERSON**

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Date: July 15, 2014

Time: 3:26

**ISSUES: Community**

### **POLAR VORTEX TAKING ITS TOLL ON SUMMER IN NEW JERSEY**

It looks like you may have to trade in your beach blanket for a scarf over the next few days as a polar vortex heads into our area. The severe storms that started Monday night will bring in a chill with powerful winds, and heavy rains. Joe Miketta is in charge of monitoring the radar at the National Weather Service and he warns New Jersey residents to be cautious if they need to leave their homes for any reason.

Date: July 15, 2014

Time: 1:25

**ISSUES: Government/Politics / Economy**

### **CHRISTIE'S MOVIE TRAILER TAKE AIM AT BUDGET & PENSION CRISIS IN NJ**

Governor Christie released an unexpected movie trailer yesterday called "No Pain, No Gain" and he warns New Jerseyans that this is coming to a shore town near you! Christie's camp says that this trailer is a spoof "created in the spirit and tradition of over-the-top summer blockbusters," but in the clip, the governor has a serious message. This message focuses on the importance of fixing the benefit and pension crisis in the Garden State.

Date: July 15, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

### **OUTRAGE CONTINUES OVER MAKESHIFT MEMORIAL FOR COP KILLER**

The eruption of violence throughout Jersey City recently has really begun to tear a community apart. Over the weekend Jersey City police officer Melvin Santiago, was tragically killed in the line of duty and now there has been a national reaction to a memorial that was put up outside of the shooters home, a memorial that Jersey City Mayor Fulop calls disgusting. Residents in this area of the Jersey City community say that they can feel the tension in the air. Police officers are now on watch scouring the neighborhood. Jersey City Public Safety Director James Shea addressed the rumors about the memorial for the shooter being taken down.



Date: July 15, 2014

Time: 1:45

**ISSUES: Community**

**COMMUNITY REACTS TO LATEST SHOOTING IN JERSEY CITY**

After the murder of Officer Melvin Santiago over the weekend, it seems the tension between the Jersey City police department and people in the community is escalating. Monday night Jersey City police shot a man after he allegedly threw an object at a patrol car. Three officers were injured during this incident, but they are all said to be in stable medical condition. Jersey City resident Tyreek Braxton discussed what is being talked about on the streets.

Date: July 15, 2014

Time: 2:06

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**OBAMA IMPERSONATOR WREAKS HAVOC ON TIME SQUARE**

The Model Pranksters came to the Chasing New Jersey studios to share the video of their latest prank that involved a look-a-like Barack Obama! The group of jokesters hit up Time Square with a hired actor who looks just like President Obama, a slew of secret service security actors and a stretch Cadillac limousine that only a President would ride. The group said that NYPD was aware of the prank and that they weren't necessarily doing anything illegal.

Date: July 16, 2014

Time: 2:20

**ISSUES: Community**

**PROPOSED BOROUGH SYMBOL CHANGE ANGERING LOCAL NATIVE AMERICANS**

The town of Franklin Lakes, New Jersey is considering changing their borough symbol which currently depicts a Native American. The proposed new image will contain the same background, but with the removal of the Indian. Now the Ramapough Lenape Nation is upset over the proposed change of the logo. Borough administrator of Franklin Lakes, Greg Hart, said the plan was to streamline its brand for Franklin Lakes, whose four different logos all depicted Native Americans. A contest was set up at the high school to have someone create new artwork to represent the municipality. Chief Perry, of the Ramapough Lenape Indian Nation, fears the township is trying to change history.

Date: July 16, 2014

Time: 9:45

**ISSUES: Community**

### **POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENCE IN JERSEY CITY ESCALATES AMID COP KILLING**

The murder of rookie cop Melvin Santiago over the weekend has brought a lot of attention to the escalating violence taking place in Jersey City. Controversy ignited when a makeshift memorial was put up by family and friends to honor the cop killer. Mayor Steven Fulop called this display 'disgusting' and later had the memorial taken down. Now, tension between the Jersey City community and the local police is rising. Local law enforcement has received credible threats from Jersey City gangs calling for other gangs across the state to kill more police officers.

Date: July 16, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

### **GOVERNOR CHRISTIE'S MOVIE TRAILER PARODY SPARKS MIXED REACTION**

On Tuesday Governor Christie released a video that was supposed to be a spoof parody of a trailer for an over-the-top summer blockbuster movie. The video featured the legislator, Governor Christie and Dwyane "The Rock" Johnson. The trailer was titled "No Pain, No Gain", and the video warned New Jersey residents of the seriousness of the pension crisis. Without warning, the video was removed until yesterday when the video was posted back online alongside a tweet from Governor Christie saying, "Unfortunately, The Rock is on high demand and won't be able to appear in our summer flick. But #NoPainNoGain lives on."

Date: July 17, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community**

### **BOGOTA PUNCH OUT**

A fight has spilled over from the election campaigns of Bogota Mayor Tito Jackson and his rival Tina Trotta who is running for a seat on the City Council. Trotta's 80 year old father punched Jackson, and both appeared in a court hearing to settle the dispute.

Date: July 17, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community**

**RAUCUS CAUCUS**

Governor Christie's Chief of Staff Regina Egea testified before the Special Legislative Committee investigating Bridge Gate! But before the hearing took place, panel members argued over the amount of resources being dedicated to the hearings while the U.S. Attorney conducts its own investigation!

Date: July 17, 2014

Time: 3:18

**ISSUES: Community / Economy**

**CASINOS FOLDING**

More casinos continue to close in Atlantic City as revenues struggle, resulting in the loss of jobs for the state! Showboat is the latest casino to close its doors!

Date: July 18, 2014

Time: 3:14

**ISSUES: Community**

**COP KILLER'S SISTER SPEAKS OUT**

Shamaniak Nurideen-Walton, the sister of Lawrence Campbell, the man who killed Officer Melvin Santiago in cold blood in Jersey City last week has finally broke her silence. She says that her and her family are seeking a lawyer because they say that some of the details that they are hearing from community members and witnesses just aren't adding up. Nurideen-Walton explained that people are telling her that Campbell was handcuffed and bled out on the sidewalk and that he didn't have to die. She explained that her and her entire family in Jersey City now feels like they are being targeted by the police.

Date: July 18, 2014

Time: 2:06

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**CHRISTIE NOTICEABLY ABSENT DURING CLINTON'S VISIT TO NJ**

On Thursday, Hillary Clinton made her one and only book stop in Ridgewood, New Jersey promoting her memoir, Hard Choices, which details her life as Secretary of State. This one stop ironically was on the same day that Governor Chris Christie was out of town in Iowa on several fundraising stops. Was his absence a coincidence? NJ Now host Jim McQueeney talks about the possibility of a Presidential race between Christie and Clinton and what he believes Clinton is thinking about her competition.

Date: July 18, 2014

Time: 2:49

**ISSUES: Community**

### **BACKGROUND CHECKS BURN OUT LONG-TIME FIREFIGHTERS IN LEONIA, NJ**

What if a firefighter with a criminal record comes to your house to save you and your family from a fire? Does that matter? Well a new rule in Leonia, New Jersey says that as a borough employee, volunteer or not, you cannot serve the community if you have a criminal record. According to the Leonia Fire Department, if you have previous criminal offenses then you are not allowed to serve even if they stem from 20 or 30 years ago. According to Mayor John DeSimone, all borough firefighters must go through a background check every 2 years. They will be barred from serving if they have been convicted of a 4th degree crime or higher, a felony in another state, any fire or sex related offenses, or an offense touching upon a members ability to properly and adequately serve.

Date: July 18, 2014

Time: 2:49

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

### **CHILD FALLS INTO SEPTIC TANK IN TEWKSBURY**

Four year-old Abbie was playing softball at a her great-aunts house in Tewksbury, New Jersey last week when she went chasing after the ball and ended up falling into a septic tank on the property. Owner of property where the septic tank stands, Stan Parman, said that he and the family are grateful that the little girl is okay, but it could have ended in tragedy. Michael Durrant rescued little Abbie from the tank and he described the incident first-hand.

Date: July 18, 2014

Time: 1:28

**ISSUES: Community**

### **FUNERAL HELD FOR FALLEN JERSEY CITY COP**

Last Friday was an extremely emotional day as people paid their final respects to fallen police officer Melvin Santiago, the rookie Jersey City cop who was gunned down in the line of duty. Governor Christie along with thousands of fellow police officers from several different states attended Santiago's funeral.

Date: July 18, 2014

Time: 1:44

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

### **ASSEMBLYMAN PUSHES TO REINSTATE DEATH PENALTY IN NJ**

In the wake of the turmoil in Jersey City and the recent murder of Officer Melvin Santiago, New Jersey Assemblyman Ronald Dancer says that New Jersey needs to reconsider reinstating the death penalty. Dancer believes that the death penalty is the full force of justice. Dancer believes that due to recent events, including the targeted murder of Jersey City police officer Melvin Stantiago, New Jerseyans will see the need for this change. New Jersey repealed the death penalty in 2007 under then-Governor Jon Corzine.

Date: July 21, 2014

Time: 1:18

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

### **CHRISTIE SUPPORTS ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO DEFEND ITSELF**

Governor Christie visited Glory Days Diner in Greenwich, Connecticut on behalf of the Republican's Governor Association to support GOP candidate for Governor Tom Foley. The evening started as expected with the two politicians shaking hands and interacting with patrons. The event took on a more serious tone when Governor Christie was asked his thoughts on the remarks made by Senator Menendez who said that he puts 100% of his support behind Israel's right to defend itself.

Date: July 21, 2014

Time: 2:09

**ISSUES: Community**

### **PRIZED HORSE SHOT ON FAMILY FARM**

Lisa and Richard Cifrese raise rare, valuable and beautiful Egyptian Arabian horses on their farm west of Flemington, New Jersey called Thomewood Farm. In July 2014, one of those horses, a mare named Juno, returned to the barn covered in blood. Mrs. Cifrese explained that when she was waiting for the veterinarian to arrive, she started to clean what she thought was a cut, but it turned out to be a hole. In fact, it was a bullet hole. Juno had been shot. Police looked into it and found evidence of bullets flying through the Cifrese's pasture. Bullets had punctured sheds commonly used by horses for water and shade.

Date: July 21, 2014

Time: 3:13

**ISSUES: Community**

### **SNAKE SITING IN LAKE HOPATCONG**

The lake is called Lake Hopatcong but some would call it Lake "Hopat-conda"! Recently, there was a 15-foot anaconda spotted in the lake by local resident Tony Colantonio. According to Colantonio, the snake was actually harassing him while he was swimming in the lake so he proceeded to sprint out with no harm done.

Date: July 21, 2014

Time: 2:51

**ISSUES: Community**

### **HUNDREDS RALLY IN SUPPORT OF ISRAEL IN NJ**

The crisis in Israel continues to grow as the Israeli's defend themselves against Hamas terrorist groups. A slew of politicians and hundreds of New Jersey residents showed up to a rally in the Garden State to help support Israel as the conflict with Palestinian terror group Hamas gets even worse. Senator Menendez is putting 100% of his support behind Israel, saying that to threaten Israel is to threaten New Jersey.

Date: July 21, 2014

Time: 2:33

**ISSUES: Community / Homeland Security**

### **LOCAL LIFE LOST WHEN MISSILE HIT MALAYSIAN AIRLINES PLANE**

The bloody conflict between Russia and Ukraine has been going on for months and now an American life has been taken after a missile hit a Malaysian Airlines plane carrying New Jersey born Quinn Schansman. Quinn was born in Fort Lee, New Jersey and only 19 years-old. He had dual citizenship both in America and the Netherlands. The Dutch government has tried to get access to his body, but has been unable to do so.

Date: July 21, 2014

Time: 3:42

**ISSUES: Community**

### **COP KILLER'S WIDOW SPEAKS OF WARNING SIGNS**

Jersey City is still mourning the loss of fallen hero Officer Melvin Santiago after he was killed in a fatal shooting in July 2014. More information has come to light about the man responsible for the rookie cop's murder, Lawrence Campbell. Campbell's widow, Angelique Campbell, said there may have been warning signs that her husband was capable of this kind of act and that these signs were actually brought to the attention of the Jersey City Police Department. She said that she had filed three different reports with the police citing her concerns for his drug use and his erratic behavior that she said had become so alarming that she thought he was a threat not only to himself, but to others.

Date: July 22, 2014

Time: 2:39

**ISSUES: Community**

### **CONTROVERSY OVER JERSEY SHORE CAROUSEL UP FOR AUCTION**

The Carousel at Casino Pier in Seaside Heights, New Jersey is a staple of the Jersey Shore, fully equipped with handcrafted animals and a Wurlitzer organ. Many people feel the carousel is a spinning work of art full of history. The carousel has survived the Seaside fire and Superstorm Sandy. Some residents think the carousel should be preserved, but others want to sell it, stemming into a conflict on the boardwalk. After 82 years, the owners of the carousel want to sell it. Selling a privately owned piece of art doesn't seem like that big a deal, but this carousel has made a huge impact on the lives of people down the shore. Residents have started petitions and Facebook pages to save it, and have received thousands of supporters and signatures.

Date: July 22, 2014

Time: 2:21

**ISSUES: Community**

### **ORDER OUT OF CLIFTON, NJ IS ANGERING RESIDENTS**

New Jersey is known for a lot of things, including its smells. In Clifton, New Jersey, people have been complaining of a diesel-like smell coming from the smoke stack of a printing press, Kay Printing, owned by KM Media. Some people believe the smell is making them sick.

Date: July 22, 2014

Time: 2:12

**ISSUES: Community**

**26 YEAR OLD TAKES ON THE TRIPLE CROWN OF SWIMMING**

Charlott  Samuels, 16, from Ridgewood, New Jersey, has planned an epic open water swim this August in California. She will swim 20.2 miles across the Catalina Channel in the Pacific Ocean. The race could take anywhere from 11-13 hours. Samuels isn't only physically fit, she has to be mentally fit to endure the unexpected conditions. The race starts at night, so the water will be pitch black. Samuels is expecting a strong current and is hoping to only come across friendly animals, like dolphins.

Date: July 22, 2014

Time: 2:34

**ISSUES: Transportation**

**MOTORISTS ECSTATIC ABOUT PALISADES PARKWAY  
MAKEOVER**

The Palisades Interstate Parkway is getting a facelift and many drivers say that it's long overdue! It's been over 20 years since the roadway has gotten any cosmetic work and the massive potholes and cracks throughout the road make it a nightmare for commuters. The construction is an \$11.2 million project that is completely state funded. The work of repaving the road began in July 2014 on the northbound lanes on the New Jersey side.

Date: July 22, 2014

Time: 2:54

**ISSUES: Government/Politics / Community**

**CHRISTIE'S "NO PAIN, NO GAIN SUMMER CONVERSATION  
TOUR"**

Governor Christie has recently launched his "No Pain, No Gain summer conversation tour" where he's touring across the Garden State to talk about the need for pension and benefit reform. Christie kicked off his initiative with the release of a movie trailer spoof titled "No Pain, No Gain", but the New Jersey's Working Families Alliance responded by the releasing their own trailer titled: "The Director's Cut". Their trailer takes a lot of jabs at Governor Christie, highlighting some of his television appearances and less-than-friendly interactions with residents during his town halls and speeches.



Date: July 22, 2014

Time: 1:59

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**NEWARK P.D. TARGET OF U.S. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATION**

The findings of a U.S. Justice Department investigation into the Newark police department and their controversial tactics are explosive. New Jersey's U.S. District Attorney Paul Fishman outlined things such as: stopped searches and arrests were in violation of the first and fourth amendments and that 75% of the time documented pedestrian stops weren't justified in accordance with the law. He also stated that there was excessive use of force and that police officers have even been involved in theft of personal property and money in certain departments. At a press conference, Mayor Ras Baraka also spoke of the investigation and how he plans to repair a relationship between the police department and the city's residents.

Date: July 23, 2014

Time: 1:54

**ISSUES: Transportation**

**PORT AUTHORITY'S \$90 MILLION IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

At the latest Port Authority board meeting, Executive Director Patrick Foye announced that there are new plans to spend \$90 million to improve the bus terminal. The much needed renovations will start by cleaning the bathroom lavatories and improving cellphone and Wi-Fi service throughout the terminal. Commuters have been extremely boisterous about their discontent with Port Authority's conditions including bus service in and out of the station. They have even started a Twitter campaign which hasn't gone unnoticed by newly appointed Chairman John Degnan who toured the facility himself and has vowed to make the necessary changes. More than 100,000 New Jersey commuters rely on the bus terminal every day to get to and from work and Degnan understands their frustration.

Date: July 23, 2014

Time: 2:38

**ISSUES: Community**

### **PATERSON PARK'S MURAL MISHAP**

Great Falls National Historical Park in Paterson, New Jersey is filled with waterfalls, trails, and guided walking tours. However, a controversy has popped up on this beautiful sight involving displayed artwork. A local arts group, the Ivanhoe Artist's Mosaic, has commissioned a huge mural to be painted on a wall at Great Falls State Park. No one is quite sure who painted over the mural. The DPW reportedly didn't do it, and the park superintendent, Darron Boch is also confused as to who did it and why. Ken Wall, the secretary of the Ivanhoe Arts Mosaic said that the group is disappointed that the mural was painted over.

Date: July 23, 2014

Time: 2:19

**ISSUES: Government / Politics**

### **CHRISTIE CAMPAIGNING FOR SOME REPUBLICANS, BUT NOT ALL**

In July 2014, Governor Christie worked on behalf of the Republican Governor's Association promoting a GOP primary candidate for the gubernatorial race in Connecticut where he was asked if he will also be campaigning for Rob Astorino who will be the Republican candidate running for Governor of New York against current Governor Andrew Cuomo. Astorino has responded insinuating that if Governor Christie doesn't want to do his job as RGA Chair, which is to support Republican governors and possible candidates across the country, then maybe he should step down. He also alluded to the fact that Christie and Cuomo may be in some sort of cahoots involving Bridge gate.

Date: July 23, 2014

Time: 1:41

**ISSUES: Community**

### **STUBHUB SECURITY BREACH**

StubHub, which is a website that provides services for buyers and sellers for tickets to sporting events, concerts, and other live entertainment events, has been hacked. StubHub is getting a lot of bad press, but the site is really the victim here. The hackers have hacked accounts from other sites, and then used that information to get into the StubHub accounts. In March 2013, more than 1,000 StubHub accounts were hacked and over \$1.6 million was stolen in StubHub tickets.

Date: July 24, 2014

Time: 3:45

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

**DREW'S LAW**

11-year old Drew Cereta was killed by an SUV while leaving a park in Keansburg. A week after his death, signs and speed bumps were put up in the community to prevent further traffic deaths. But his mom Jaclyn is asking why her son had to die in order for action to be taken. The Monmouth County Prosecutor's office is still investigation the incident. State Senator Joe Kyrillos has sponsored a bill called Drew's law that would place speed limits on certain roads and double the amount of fines.

Date: July 24, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**SUBURBAN WARFARE**

A debate over militarizing the Bergen County Sheriff's office! Bergen County Sheriff Michael Saudino wants to obtain military vehicles known as MRAPs for the county, but Bergen County Executive Kathleen Donovan opposes the proposal.

Date: July 24, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**BILLING THE BALLER**

Bergen County Community College student and athlete Britney Meyer was stuck with a \$100,000 medical bill after tearing her ACL during a women's basketball game for the college. She blames the college for not maintaining their insurance policy for women's sports while keeping it for men's sports. But a spokesman for the college said that all teams are covered and that Britney's bills will be paid for. This was simply due to a clerical error.

Date: July 25, 2014

Time: 3:30

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**ONE SICK DEAL**

Former Jersey City Police Chief Robert Cowan retired with a payout of \$440,000, with \$200,000 for unused sick pay! Senate President Stephen Sweeney wants to limit the amount of sick pay and says that a majority of Legislature will vote for a limit! NJTV News Anchor Mike Schneider talks about how Senate President Sweeney is trying to reform the law.

Date: July 25, 2014

Time: 3:20

**ISSUES: Economy**

### **ASTON MARTIN IN NORTH JERSEY**

Chasing NJ's Bill Anderson visits an Aston Martin dealership in Summit, NJ where the price of a new model can run up to \$350,000. The dealer says that having an Aston Martin dealership in North Jersey is a sign that the state economy is improving!

Date: July 25, 2014

Time: 3:10

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

### **TUNNEL TO ARMAGEDDON**

There are currently 2 train tunnels connecting New Jersey to New York, with over 200,000 commuters taking those trains every day to work. Amtrak CEO & President Joseph Boardman says that it will be at least 20 years until one of those tunnels must be shut down. Transportation Chair Assemblyman John Wisniewski said that shutting one of the tunnels will have a major impact. Assemblyman Wisniewski also said that Governor Christie killed the public works project building of the ARC tunnel that would have been another route to New York. Governor Christie's office said that the project would have run billions of dollars over budget and was fundamentally flawed.

Date: July 25, 2014

Time: 3:10

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

### **TUNNELGATE**

Former Jersey City Police Chief Robert Cowan has reported that Jersey City Mayor Steven Fulop allegedly ordered stops at the Holland Tunnel. The Legislature, led by Republican Assemblywoman Amy Handlin, has requested an investigation into the allegations. Mayor Fulop has said that Cowan has said this as a result of being demoted at Chief of Police.

Date: July 28, 2014

Time: 1:28

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ CHEF PREPARES FOR NATIONAL SEAFOOD COMPETITION**

New Jersey isn't called the Garden State for nothing! New Jersey has excellent produce and it doesn't go unnoticed. Summit, New Jersey Chef Wierzbicki makes a famous tasty scallop dish. In fact, he won the Governor's Cup on behalf of New Jersey and Governor Chris Christie for his well-known seafood dishes. According to the New Jersey Department of Agriculture's Secretary Douglas H. Fischer, seafood is one of NJ's specialties.

Date: July 28, 2014

Time: 2:39

**ISSUES: Transportation**

**NJ COMMUTERS AFFECTED BY CRACKDOWN OF JITNEY BUSES**

Some New Jersey residents who work in New York City call jitney buses their "dirty little secret". However, this work-around the New Jersey Transit system is causing some controversy in the Big Apple and now the New York City Police Department is cracking down on this alternate form of transportation. Riders say that jitney buses are very efficient, faster than other buses and the train, and most importantly are cost efficient. However, issues arise because these buses are unregulated. In fact, State Senator Brad Hoylman of New York District 27 addressed a letter to the Commissioner of DOT and the Commissioner of the NYPD to express why he believes the police department should enforce regulations on all jitney buses.

Date: July 28, 2014

Time: 2:54

**ISSUES: Community / Homeland Security**

**ISRAELI/PALESTINE CONFLICT HITS CLOSE TO HOME**

For many, the conflict between Israel and Palestine hits close to home. A rally took place outside of the United Nations building in New York City and people from both sides were on hand to voice their concerns about the ongoing airstrikes. New Jersey's Rabbi Gross discussed the fact that many of his former students, after graduation, decided to join the Israeli Defense Force and are now immersed in the fighting. On the other side of the barricade, Palestinian supporters also displayed signs and chanted "Free Palestine". Tensions were extremely high and it was clear just how divided and hateful this conflict is even on our own streets. Several people in attendance were from New Jersey and talked about how unfortunate this whole situation is.

Date: July 28, 2014

Time: 2:29

**ISSUES: Economy**

**NEW CREDIT CARD ROLLING OUT THE RED CARPET**

Magnises is the newest and coolest credit card strictly geared towards living the good life! Billy McFarland grew up in Short Hills, New Jersey he briefly attended Bucknell University before dropping out to pursue his dream of a life with no limits. The 22 year-old budding mogul discussed the need for a VIP credit card experience. He said the perks of a credit card should be more applicable to the user's day-to-day life.

Date: July 28, 2014

Time: 3:16

**ISSUES: Community / Health**

**BRAIN INJURY ALLIANCE BUDGET**

The Brain Injury Alliance of New Jersey is an organization whose mission is to support and advocate for individuals affected by brain injury and raise public awareness through education and prevention. The association has recently had an issue with a lack of money in their budget from the state. However, Senate President, Stephen Sweeney has been adamant about keeping \$140,000 in the state budget to support the organization. Luckily, the money was set to be removed, but through the Senate's efforts, the money will remain in the budget. The Brain Injury Alliance has received their budget and will remain helping parents and family members cope and spread awareness about the seriousness of brain injuries.

Date: July 28, 2014

Time: 3:26

**ISSUES: Community / Economy**

**NYC DOCTOR REMOVING GANG TATTOOS FOR FREE**

Dr. David Ores of Manhattan, New York is known for helping gang members get rid of their tattoos. Dr. Ores has been serving his community for years, but he faced some tax issues and was hit with a \$27,000 bill. That's when the community came together to help raise the funds for him. Carlos Iansen, a New Jersey native, was deeply involved in the gang life in his younger years, and he found out that having tattoos across his hands and neck was making it nearly impossible for him to get a job. There is a program called the Fresh Start Program that helps former gang members or individuals who have made poor decisions in their youth, who can come to Dr. Ores and other doctors to get their tattoos removed for free.

Date: July 29, 2014

Time: 2:26

**ISSUES: Community**

### **BATTLE OVER BELMAR BOARDWALK**

The Belmar boardwalk, which was completely destroyed during Superstorm Sandy, has been rebuilt. However, there is a conflict going between new Mayor, Matthew Doherty, and former Mayor Kenneth Pringle, who are battling over the boards. The current Mayor Matthew Doherty set up a way to help rebuild the boardwalk called the "Buy-A-Board" campaign. It was a way that people could donate and bring back Belmar's boardwalk by funding actual boards on your favorite block of beach. It is a \$5,000 donation to become a "Big Kahuna" or \$25 to be a "Beach Bum". In all, \$720,000 was donated, but the money has remained unused. Former Mayor Kenneth Pringle is one of the people opposed to this allocation of money, and his law firm is representing some other Belmar residents who are unhappy with this plan.

Date: July 29, 2014

Time: 1:59

**ISSUES: Community / Health**

### **NEW JERSEY'S HAUNTED VA HOSPITAL**

The East Orange Veterans Administration Hospital is huge, dark and foreboding. It looks haunted and there have been reports by a VA cop that that is in fact true. However, the veterans in the hospital have mixed opinions on the hauntings. Matthew Gallmann of West Milford says that he wouldn't be surprised if there were ghosts roaming the halls. However, Steven Brown of Matawan, New Jersey said he never witnessed any haunted activity at the hospital.

Date: July 29, 2014

Time: :45

**ISSUES: Community**

### **ROXBURY IS STRONGER THAN THE SMELL**

A group of residents from Roxbury, New Jersey, who have been dealing with the Fenimore Landfill and toxic fumes coming off the landfill went down to Trenton in front of the New Jersey DEP office where they rioted in front of a new billboard the residents had just purchased. The billboard reads "The new 'common sense' solution to environmental protection". Bob Schultz, president of REACTNJ, explained that they put the billboard up to show that they are not doing what the New Jersey DEP did to Roxbury.

Date: July 29, 2014

Time: 3:24

**ISSUES: Community**

## **SOUND FROM NYC PIER CONCERTS ANGERING NJ RESIDENTS**

Some residents of West New York, New Jersey are happy with their beautiful views of Manhattan, but aren't too happy about the noise that is coming over from the city. Residents who live at the Hudson Club apartment complex at Port Imperial say that the music that reportedly comes from a new concert hall at Pier 97 across the Hudson River in New York City is affecting their quality of life. Pier 97 had a bunch of concerts scheduled for the rest of the summer of 2014, and the spokesperson for Hudson River Park Trust said in a statement that they have been moderating the sound so that it does not affect surrounding communities, but their spokesperson admits New Jersey was an afterthought that they're trying to fix now.

Date: July 29, 2014

Time: 4:08

**ISSUES: Substance Abuse / Health**

## **BATTLE OVER NJ'S NARCAN PROGRAM RAGES ON**

Governor Christie announced a statewide expansion of the Narcan pilot in response to the heroin epidemic across New Jersey back in June. Narcan can be used in the case of a heroin overdose to save someone's life. Danny LaPointe is a former heroin addict who now describes himself as a person in long-term recovery from a substance abuse disorder. He says that heroin doesn't discriminate and while some may be surprised by his story, it is not unique. However, just one month later he tried marijuana for the first time, which eventually led to a 13-year struggle with addiction, near death experiences and the loss of other friends to overdoses. While LaPointe wasn't saved by Narcan himself, he fully supports the use of it and knows it has already saved lives. Joe Schrank is the founder of Rebound Brooklyn and he provides addiction treatment. He not only speaks as an expert, but also as a person who lost a dear friend to a heroin overdose. The battle rages on over who should be footing the bill for this program. Schrank says that it is a lot less expensive than funeral or prison costs.



Date: July 29, 2014

Time: 3:08

**ISSUES: Community**

**HUNDREDS MOURN THE LOSS OF 2 TEENS WHILE INVESTIGATION CONTINUES**

Randolph High School students Jack Timmerman and Calvin Verduga were well liked, fun loving teens and that may be why their tragic death in a car accident has left hundreds in their community grieving and wondering why they're gone so soon. The two boys were killed when a car they were passengers in ran off the road. The driver and another passenger were also injured. Police have been investigating possible causes and even charges related to the accident.

Date: July 30, 2014

Time: 3:13

**ISSUES: Community**

**ARE BERGEN COUNTY STREETS THE PLACE FOR MILITARY VEHICLES?**

The Bergen County Sheriff's Department will get an MRAP, or a mine resistant ambush protected vehicle, for their department in August of 2014. These vehicles have been used in Iraq and Afghanistan and its drawn a lot of controversy in Bergen County recently. The County Executive doesn't want one. She says these are war vehicles and have no place here. However, the sheriff's department says they do not have an armored vehicle right now, they need them for prisoner transfers, and since the government is essentially giving them away it seems like a great deal for taxpayers.

Date: July 30, 2014

Time: 2:56

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**CHRISTIE TALKS PENSION REFORM AMID SINGING PROTESTORS**

Governor Christie was in Belmar for his latest stop on his "No Pain, No Gain summer conversation tour" and rather than talking exclusively about pension reform, the Governor instead opened up talking about bail reform. A very creative group of protestors called the Solidarity Singers of the New Jersey Industrial Union Council gathered outside the meeting, holding signs that said "Our Pain, Christie's Gain" and broke out into song about some of New Jersey's ongoing issues and their feelings about the Governor.

Date: July 30, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Economy**

**ATLANTIC CITY'S STRUGGLING CASINO INDUSTRY**

Atlantic City has been struggling. The Showboat and Trump Plaza Casinos are both scheduled to close in August 2014 and Mayor Don Guardian says that the city needs to figure out a way to change things if it wants to survive, but he said it's not dead yet! The Revel Casino is now set to go to auction as soon as August, 2014 with a starting bid of \$50 million. Approximately 10,000 jobs are at stake if these casinos close.

Date: July 30, 2014

Time: 2:27

**ISSUES: Economy / Community**

**SURFERS FEELING THREATENED IN ASBURY PARK**

A new development company iStar in Asbury Park, New Jersey, is using a surfboard to market their redevelopment project in the town. Surfers are up in arms about the use of their passion being castoff for marketing reasons. Joe Woerner, head of New Jersey Surfriders Alliance, is very outspoken on the situation. He isn't only concerned about the redevelopment plan and the surfboard logo, but also that the people moving into the condos will not want a surfing beach in front of their property.

Date: July 30, 2014

Time: 1:24

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**A NEW VOTE ON BAIL REFORM**

Governor Christie held a press conference in Trenton about a special legislative session that he called for regarding bail reform in New Jersey. Right now, judges in New Jersey are required to offer bail. This often lets violent offenders be released on bail where they can commit other crimes while they are awaiting trial, and nonviolent offenders often have to sit in jail while they await their trials. Governor Christie has the support of Camden Mayor Dana Redd, Trenton Mayor Eric Jackson, the American Civil Liberties Union, and the NAACP, among many others. If the vote passes, the law will be put on the November 2014 ballot to be voted by the citizens of New Jersey for this constitutional amendment.

Date: July 31, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**BAYONNE BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION BATTLE**

Living under the Bayonne Bridge hasn't exactly been picture perfect in recent years. Lately, there have been unexpected damages to local resident's homes due to the ongoing bridge construction. There has been noise, windows vibrating, sewage ruptures, and flooding in basements that have, up until now, been bone dry. Local resident, Kim Hennings explains her home's damages. The Bayonne Bridge elevation project is underway. Right now the bridge is closed through mid-August, which is just the beginning of a four-year ordeal. The purpose of this project is to let container super-ships into Newark. According to the Port Authority, they have acknowledged these troubles and mentioned that they sent cleaners and insurance adjusters to deal with the issue. In fact, one resident received \$60,000 in remediation help, while other residents actually refused their help. Newly sworn in Bayonne Mayor Jeff Meyer is trying everything he can to help out the residents whose homes are damaged.

Date: July 31, 2014

Time: 1:05

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**GOVERNOR CHRISTIE CALLS LEGISLATIVE SESSION ON BAIL REFORM**

Governor Chris Christie recently called for a special legislative session in that State House in Trenton regarding bail reform. Christie made remarks prior to this session, where he noted that the current system is in a crisis. Therefore, the need for bail reform is now! The Senates voted 30-0 to put a constitutional amendment on the ballot. This would give judges the right to deny bail to whom they believe are violent criminals. While the vote passed, Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto explained the Assembly's decision to wait on moving forward with this issue right away. "We are actually doing our due diligence to make sure we move forward with a piece of legislation that it's right because we are going to change our constitution," he said. The final plan after this legislative session was to reconvene with this issue on Monday, August 4, 2014.

Date: July 31, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

### **ANTI-GUN AD MAY ACTUALLY ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO GET A FIREARM**

A new television advertisement released by gun safety advocates "Everytown" is causing quite the stir. The ad depicts a man breaking into a home and kidnapping a child while his mother is defenseless to stop him. The point of the video is supposed to send the message that something needs to be done about illegal guns in order to get them out of the hands of dangerous people. However, many people feel like the ad is doing just the opposite of that and actually may encourage people to go out and get guns in order to protect themselves. The video was partially funded by former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg. Ridgewood, New Jersey Mayor Paul Aronsohn likes the idea of the video and is an active member of "Mayors Against Illegal Guns". On the other side of this battle are people like Anthony Colandro who owns "Gun For Hire" and offers security and proper gun training courses. After seeing the video, he thinks that this advertisement actually helped his cause.

Date: July 31, 2014

Time: 4:05

**ISSUES: Community**

### **NEWARK'S 17-YEAR-OLD KRISTEN-VS-GOVERNOR CHRISTIE**

17 year-old Kristen Towkaniuk has been leading the charge to help change Newark's public schools as Chasing New Jersey has previously reported. She wants the local administration to regain control of their public schools, not the state. This after Governor Christie recently appointed new Superintendent Cami Anderson. Yesterday, Towkaniuk chased the Governor down to Belmar, New Jersey where he was addressing a crowd during the latest stop of his "No Pain, No Gain summer conversation tour". She asked the governor if he would hold a town hall meeting in Newark. The governor responded by pleading his case that he has done a lot for New Jersey's biggest city during his time in office.

Date: July 31, 2014

Time: 2:25

**ISSUES: Community / Health**

**HIGH CANCER RATES AMONG 9/11 FIRST RESPONDERS & WORKERS**

The cancer rate among 9/11 first responders and workers has doubled. 2,500 police officers, firefighters and other workers in the area who were exposed to toxins from the collapse of the World Trade Center have been diagnosed with the deadly disease. This information was released by Mount Sinai Hospital's World Trade Center Health Program, which tracks the health of 37,000 first responders. There is a particular increase in thyroid cancer, prostate cancer, myeloma and leukemia. Emil Rapaport of Manalapan, New Jersey is a union technician with Verizon. He witnessed the attacks on 9/11 and returned two-days later to New York City to help install the frame work for new phone and internet lines downtown. Rapaport was diagnosed with cancer and while he knew he was doing the right thing by helping get the city back up and running, he wishes things were done differently.

Date: July 31, 2014

Time: 3:05

**ISSUES: Community**

**FATHER DIES IN NORTH WILDWOOD RIPTIDE**

A day at the beach turned into tragedy for 54 year-old father of four Brad Smith after he and his daughter were violently sucked into a rip tide at the Hereford Inlet in North Wildwood, New Jersey. Smith and his family were vacationing with Scott Sunderland, his best friend and his family. However, while their wives were soaking up the sun and playing with their children, Smith and Sunderland took off with their daughters down their beach. As they were walking down the beach, the water was only ankle deep. Then unexpectedly the sea-floor fell from under them and they fell 2-feet under water, being sucked into the inlet. The Smith family is filing a lawsuit suing the state of New Jersey and Wildwood. Both the family and lawyers agree there should be a sign clearly saying "Do not go in the water!" The Mayor of North Wildwood, Patrick Rosenello, released a statement saying that the city of North Wildwood takes its beach protection responsibilities quite seriously. In fact, there has never been a drowning incident in a protected beach in the city of North Wildwood in its hundred year existence.

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Date: August 1, 2014

Time: 2:40

### **ISSUES: Community**

#### **HOBOKEN SCHOOL'S LAPTOP PROGRAM FAIL**

In 2011, every Hoboken middle school student was given a school appointed laptop. However, depending on who you ask, either the Hoboken school district spent about a quarter-million-dollars of federal stimulus money on computers that are being thrown out because a program was a failure, or the program was a success and these computers are being moved for use somewhere else. Former board member Maureen Sullivan said that this program to give seventh and eighth grade student's computers failed.

Date: August 1, 2014

Time: 2:30

### **ISSUES: Education**

#### **SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION RESULTS IN NO NOMINATIONS**

What if we had a school board election and nobody ran? Well that seems to be the case in Hunterdon County where there are no candidates for more than a dozen school board seats. The Hunterdon County Clerk Mary Melfi explains why no one is running for the school board at the moment. In fact, Melfi approached the county's youth to see if they are interested in applying. It turns out they are interested in voting and being a part of this political system, but they want different ways to vote such as on their iPads or cell phones. Over the years, Melfi has noticed that school districts with debates over school topics bring out the candidates. On the other hand, in a peaceful county it's hard to find people to run!

Date: August 1, 2014

Time: 2:35

### **ISSUES: Government/Politics**

#### **CHRISTIE RESPONDS TO ALLEGATIONS FROM THE WEST**

Governor Christie continues making stops on his "No Pain, No Gain summer conversation tour" to discuss the need for pension reform, and at his latest stop in Parsippany, New Jersey, the governor talked about some of the allegations that are being thrown his way coming from the west. Former Republican candidate for Colorado Governor Tom Tancredo, who recently withdrew his candidacy, has accused the Republican Governor's Association, of which Chris Christie is the Chair, of funneling money to his opponent into attack ads against him.

Date: August 1, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**RIDGEWOOD'S DETERIORATED GHOST HOUSE ANGERING NEIGHBORS**

Ridgewood, New Jersey is a very affluent neighborhood, but one house on the block has become a huge eyesore for members of the community. Jasmine Aloni-Cohm lives next door to the wrecked house and she says that something has to be done. Aloni-Cohm says the house is dangerous and rat infested. A huge hole in the backyard also adds to the homes freaky appeal. The owners of the home still live in Ridgewood so it's perplexing to the neighbors why they would do this and effectively hurt the streets property values by continuing to let this home sit abandoned. Ridgewood Mayor Paul Aronsohn said that the town has plans for problems like this.

Date: August 1, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE'S NEW SUICIDE PREVENTION**

We hear about the tragedy of people jumping off the George Washington Bridge all too often. But now there's a possible solution to this problem. Just this year, there have been about thirteen suicides, which is rapidly approaching last year's total of sixteen. Jill Harkavy-Friedman, who works with the Foundation for Suicide Prevention, explains why so many people choose to take their own lives. The Port Authority wants to address this problem and plans on spending between \$37 and \$47 million to stop these plunges from happening. This cost goes towards the installation of a 9-foot high fence on the pedestrian walk-way side of the George Washington Bridge.

Date: August 1, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ MAINTENANCE MAN CHARGED WITH BURGLARY & THEFT**

Toms River police have busted a maintenance man whose access to hundreds of apartments allegedly gave him the opportunity to steal over and over again. The suspect is 32 year-old Nicholas Bradley of Manchester, New Jersey and Ralph Stocco with the Toms River Police department explained how this alleged burglar was repeatedly able to take advantage of unsuspecting tenants.

Date: August 4, 2014

Time: 2:38

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

### **9-YEAR-OLD SEPARATED FROM PARENTS IN NYC MAKES HIS OWN ADVENTURE**

Imagine spending the day with your parents in New York City and then getting separated? This would have scared most children, but that wasn't the case for a 9-year-old boy, Chris Villavicencio, from Union City, New Jersey. Chris got separated from his parents at the Central Park Zoo but managed to make it all the way to Times Square on his own! Officers from The Port Authority Police Youth Services Unit found Chris. They took him back with them to the Port Authority and Chris got to see inside the police station for the first time.

Date: August 4, 2014

Time: 2:22

**ISSUES: Community**

### **MYSTERY BEHIND MISSING EGG HARBOR BOATER**

The mystery of Egg Harbor's missing boater almost seems like it would be straight out of a horror film! Andrew Biddle was a competitive boat racer who was coming back from an evening out on his pontoon boat when he allegedly hit a buoy around 11th street. This caused Biddle and another individual to go flying off the boat. The other individual was able to swim shore. However, Biddle hasn't been seen since. The Egg Harbor police were actually already investigating potential shady business deals before the crash even took place.

Date: August 4, 2014

Time: 2:51

**ISSUES: Community**

### **GANG MEMBERS HELP GUARDIANS OF RESCUE SAVE DOGS FROM FIGHTING RING**

The Guardians of Rescue missions often take volunteers into cities like Newark, Trenton, Paterson and Asbury Park where they know dog fighting is taking place. Robert Misseri with the organization explained how they recently sought help from New Jersey members of the Bloods Gang to assist them in their latest rescue mission. Misseri says the organization's goal is to teach these gangs to have more respect for animals if they are abusing them.



Date: August 4, 2014

Time: 2:35

**ISSUES: Community**

**60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAND OF MAKE BELIEVE**

The Land of Make Believe in Hope, New Jersey, recently celebrated their 60th anniversary and in honor of this milestone, the park made some new changes. The park's newest ride, the Pirates Escape, is a huge hit because it goes from zero to very fast when the floor drops out from underneath riders releasing you into a water slide. Manager and owner of The Land of Make Believe, Chris Maier, said he wanted to keep the fun alive.

Date: August 4, 2014

Time: 1:49

**ISSUES: Children/Youth / Education**

**REVISING RACHEL CANNING AND PARENTS ROLES IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

The story of Rachel Canning and her decision to sue her parents for school tuition and room and board gained national attention. The whole ordeal seemed to be extremely emotional for the family, but throughout the hearings many of the underlying issues weren't necessarily addressed. Attorney Tanya Helfand, who represented Canning, has chosen to speak out about this case that gained so much exposure and New Jersey's laws that may need some changing. Helfand believes that the obligation of parents of intact families need to be clarified, as opposed to just divorced families.

Date: August 4, 2014

Time: 1:35

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**ARRESTS WERE MADE IN THE MURDER OF BRENDAN TELVIN**

After a month and half, arrests for the murder of Brendan Telvin have finally been made. On June 25th, Telvin texted his mother saying he was on his way home from a friend's house, and never made it. He was later found dead in a parking lot in East Orange, New Jersey. Authorities arrested three suspects, Ali Muhammad Brown, Eric Williams, and Jeremy Villagran, who they say targeted Telvin for a robbery, before shooting him ten times. After the announcement of the arrest, Telvin's mother, Allison Telvin, addressed the media.

Date: August 5, 2014

Time: 3:35

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

**INSPIRING 2-YEAR-OLD AMPUTEE VISITS EAGLES TRAINING CAMP**

The story of two-year-old Kayden Kinckle immediately became an internet inspiration when a video went viral of the young boy learning to walk after having his leg amputated. Kinckle was born with a rare developmental disease that led to the amputation of his leg and foot, but as the video shows, that isn't stopping him from overcoming some of the obstacles that are in his path. Recently, the organization Bianca's Kids asked Kinckle as well as several other kids to attend the Philadelphia Eagles training camp where they were able to meet the players and play on the football field. Kayden's parents Nikki and Kevin Kinckle said that they aren't surprised by their son's determination and how his story has touched so many people nationwide.

Date: August 5, 2014

Time: 2:29

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**BRENDAN TELVIN'S MURDER SUSPECT HAS A LONG HISTORY OF VIOLENCE**

Ali Muhammad Brown is one of the suspects arrested for the murder of Brendan Tevlin. Brown is actually the man who police believe pulled the trigger ten times killing Tevlin while he waited at a traffic light at an intersection in West Orange, New Jersey. In Seattle, Washington, Brown is labeled as armed and dangerous and is an alleged fugitive wanted for the murder of two men on June 1, 2014. Brown is said to have come to New Jersey and within four days of being in the Garden State, police believe he was also involved in an alleged robbery and carjacking in Point Pleasant, New Jersey. Brown is also a registered sex offender.

Date: August 5, 2014

Time: 1:58

**ISSUES: Community**

**MIDEAST VIOLENCE LOCAL REACTION**

After a month of fighting between Israel and Palestine, the death toll has reached 1,804 Palestinians, most of them civilians, 63 Israeli soldiers and 3 Israeli civilians. As the conflict goes on tensions at home have gotten heated as well. Maysoon Zayid is a Jersey girl and comedian of Palestinian decent and she says she checks her Twitter every morning to make sure her friends in Gaza are alive. Zayid was born in New Jersey, and is often recognized for her comedy and inspirational TED talk which focuses on her life with cerebral palsy. She is highly active in Palestine and for the past few years she has run a school for the disabled.

Date: August 5, 2014

Time: 2:09

**ISSUES: Health**

**MELANOMA SKIN CANCER ON THE RISE IN NJ**

Growing up in New Jersey, the beach, sun and outdoor activities are just a part of everyday life in the summertime. However, all that sun exposure seems to be catching up with us! New Jersey has had one of the highest cancer rates in the nation for decades, gaining the infamous "cancer alley" nickname. Ocean County ranked first in the state for melanoma-related deaths: 302 from 2000 through 2010, the latest year of data available from the New Jersey Cancer Registry. Monmouth County ranked third, with 239 deaths.

Date: August 5, 2014

Time: 1:25

**ISSUES: Community**

**RIPTIDE THREAT AT THE JERSEY SHORE**

Tropical Storm Bertha is coming dangerously near the Jersey coast leaving hazardous riptides in its wake. Riptides are responsible for many deaths, including Brad Smith who died in a riptide in Wildwood, New Jersey. Even though Bertha has been downgraded from a hurricane to a tropical storm, that doesn't mean you won't feel its effects on the Jersey Shore. Lifeguards were on high alert. Many parents were also very worried about the riptides.

Date: August 5, 2014

Time: 1:25

**ISSUES: Community**

**FIVE FOOT LONG SNAKE SITTING IN CAPE MAY COUNTY**

There was an alleged snake sitting in Lake Hopatcong, and now apparently there is one loose at the beach down in Cape May County. Becky Clements found a snake, believed to be a python, in her tree in her backyard, eating a seagull. Unfortunately, that was only the first sitting of the snake, with more encounters to come. Other neighbors are concerned about the snake loose in their community. Snakes are common zoo animals and pets and it's pretty uncommon for it to be slithering wild in Cape May. Kevin Wilson, a Cape May County Park Zoo employee says it's not unusual for snakes to get loose, considering they are common as pets.

Date: August 6, 2014

Time: 2:34

**ISSUES: Community**

**14 PEOPLE INJURED BY DOUBLE DECKER TOUR BUS CRASH**

In August 2014, a double-decker Gray Line Tour Bus crashed into another parked double-decker Gray Line Tour Bus. The driver, William Dalambert from Irvington, New Jersey has since been charged by the NYPD with driving while impaired. Officials say the driver has 20 administrative suspensions, and two license suspensions for having no insurance.

Date: August 6, 2014

Time: 2:26

**ISSUES: Community**

**BROWN PLEADS 'NOT GUILTY' IN BRENDAN TELVIN'S MURDER**

Ali Muhammad Brown went before a judge at the Essex County Veterans Courthouse and pleaded 'not guilty' in the murder of 19 year-old Brendan Tevlin. Police believe that Brown is responsible for shooting the college student ten times at an intersection in West Orange, New Jersey. Assistant Prosecutor Ralph Amirata said that Brown could possibly face the death penalty if he were to be extradited to Washington State for the double homicide.

Date: August 6, 2014

Time: 3:14

**ISSUES: Community**

**HONEST GUN OWNING MOM NOW FACING 11-YEARS BEHIND BARS**

Chasing New Jersey first brought you the story of Shaneen Allen, the single mother from Philadelphia who didn't know it was illegal to bring the gun she was legally licensed to carry in Philly into New Jersey. When she got pulled over for a minor traffic offense she told the police about the gun and was arrested facing a mandatory three-year sentence. After hearing about the case, most people thought there's no way she would do time for an honest mistake. In August 2014, she was in court and she can now face a maximum sentence of 11.5 years in prison. Ten years for possession of a weapon and another 18 months for possession of the bullets. Allen's attorney Evan Nappen said that not only did the judge not dismiss the case, but the prosecutor will not allow her into a pretrial intervention to avoid jail time.

Date: August 6, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ POLICE OFFICER ATTACKED BY CANINE PARTNER**

Ventnor Police Officer Jamie Pirchio has gone on medical leave after being attacked by her canine partner, Niko. She suffered injuries to her legs, arms, and hands and was treated immediately, having same-day surgery. Chief of Police Michael Miller assured residents that the canine will not return to the force, and they would get a replacement. The incident was reported to have occurred while officer Pirchio was feeding her dog. It's believed that the dog became distracted and then attacked her.

Date: August 6, 2014

Time: 2:42

**ISSUES: Law Enforcement**

**IT'S A CASE OF HE SAID, HE SAID IN LATEST**

Bogota, New Jersey's Mayor Tito Jackson was allegedly slapped in the back of the head on August 6, 2014. According to the Mayor and borough administrator, the slap happened at a closed-door borough council meeting at the Town Hall. However, since the meeting wasn't open to the public, there seems to be different accounts of what exactly went down. Mayor Jackson says that councilman Evaristo Burdiaz Jr. showed up with alcohol on his breath and began to berate other councilmembers which is when he says things went downhill.

Date: August 6, 2014

Time: 1:05

**ISSUES: Health**

**PATIENT BEING TREATED IN NJ HOSPITAL FOR EBOLA LIKE SYMPTOMS**

The CentraState Medical Center in Freehold, New Jersey took precautionary measure to assist a patient with flu like symptoms who had recently traveled to West Africa. The patient was quarantined and tests were run to see if the patient had picked up the Ebola virus. The patient seems to be improving, so the doctors do not believe it is Ebola at this time.

Date: August 7, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

**RIDGEWOOD'S RAT PROBLEM?**

Ridgewood, New Jersey is the home of grassy lawns, affluent families, and good schools. However, recently there has been a couple of nasty trespassers, rats! Adam Brown is a local resident who lives on Howard Road and he said that he's encountered these unpleasant rodents. The Brown family has been coping with this issue, but according to Ridgewood Health Supervisor, Dawn Cetrulo, people can help get rid of this problem by removing things that rats like.

Date: August 7, 2014

Time: 1:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**MOM CHARGED IN 1991 MURDER OF SON, TIMOTHY WILTSEY**

The death of Timothy Wiltsey is a 23 year-old cold case that just got hot. Over two decades ago, people across the country were shocked when five-year-old Timmy was found dead in the woods in Edison after his mother, Michelle Lodzinski, reported him missing.

Wednesday would have been Wiltsey's 29th birthday and that's the day that his own mother was arrested for his murder. Lodzinski appeared in a Florida courthouse where a judge ruled that she be held without bail.

Date: August 7, 2014

Time: 3:20

**ISSUES: Community**

**POLICE OFFICER RESIGNS AFTER RANT ABOUT OBAMA  
CAUGHT ON TAPE**

Helmetta, New Jersey police officer Richard Recine has resigned after a rant of him saying that he doesn't have to follow the constitution because Obama doesn't was caught on tape. Steven Wronko is the man who took the video and he said that this whole ordeal started when he adopted a puppy from the local animal shelter in town. The dog started experiencing a lot of health problems and after several expensive vet visits, he became concerned with the shelter, which led him to do his own investigation. Wronko said he was kicked out of the animal shelter so he then went to city hall to drop off an OPRA request and while he was there he started taking video and pictures. The city clerk saw this and became concerned so he called the police and that is when Officer Recine showed up and began his rant resulting in his early resignation.

Date: August 7, 2014

Time: 2:45

**ISSUES: Community**

**DOG OWNER SAYS SOMEONE IS POISONING HER PUPS**

Amanda Von Ahnen has already had one puppy poisoned and now someone has been throwing bones and meat scraps into her yard possibly trying to hurt her new puppy. Bella was a fun loving Rottweiler who got along with everyone and hadn't yet celebrated her first birthday. There were no complaints of aggression and that's what makes her being poisoned so unexplainable. Amanda said that after having a disagreement with a neighbor earlier this year who thought her fence was too low to keep Bella in the yard, the next day Bella was poisoned.

Date: August 7, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

**JAY Z'S MOM BRINGS HEALTHY EATS TO NEWARK NEIGHBORHOOD**

The hottest new restaurant in Newark, New Jersey seems to be Diamondz N Da Ruff Cafe & Lounge, which happens to be co-owned by Jay Z's mother, Gloria Carter. In the kitchen, they cook up tasty food including crab cakes, wings, mac & cheese, and Diamond's "special sauce". The wings are the most popular food item on the menu and they sell out before the end of the night, every night! All the food is locally grown and/or organic, the aim of the restaurant is to be as healthy as possible!

Date: August 7, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**ON-DUTY NANNY FOUND DRUNK, THEN CRASHES CAR IN FRONT OF HOME**

50-year-old Susan Porfido Gibson was hired by a mother in Toms River, New Jersey to watch over her baby boy for a couple hours. However, when the mother got back home, she found the nanny allegedly passed out drunk and her baby crying in his very dirty diaper. Police say after Gibson left the home, she got in her car and crashed into a fire hydrant. Police responded and arrested her for endangerment of a child and drunk driving. They also found three empty vodka bottles in the car.



Date: August 8, 2014

Time: 2:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**EXPERTS PREDICT COLD, SNOWY NEW JERSEY WINTER**

Experts say that the Garden State needs to brace for a rough winter ahead. An article recently published by [Acuweather.com](http://Acuweather.com) predicts a frigid winter full of snow! What that means for New Jerseyans is that the weather will likely get particularly cold early and that there will be very active winter weather patterns as soon as November and December.

Date: August 8, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ TOWN UPSET OVER "KENNEDY CENTER" NAME CHANGE TO "OBAMA CENTER"**

A good portion of Willingboro, New Jersey is dedicated to late President John F. Kennedy. Residents there can take a stroll down John F. Kennedy Way, browse the stores at the John F. Kennedy shopping plaza and even get pampered at the John F. Kennedy Nail Salon and beauty supply store. Suffice it to say, Willingboro thinks highly of the late U.S. President. However, now there are some rumblings from the community about the council's decision to change the recreation center and former school from the "Kennedy Center" to the "President Barack Obama Center". According to published reports, the council and deputy mayor say that President Obama had a major impact on the city and that residents actually want the change. Some residents have expressed their opposition and indifference regarding the change.

Date: August 8, 2014

Time: 3:10

**ISSUES: Children/Youth**

**BUS AIDE DROPS AUTISTIC BOY OFF AT WRONG HOME AND LEAVES HIM ALONE**

Stuart Chaifetz has taken to YouTube to tell a troubled tale of what happened to his autistic son on the school bus. Chaifetz alleges that on July 8, 2014, the Holcomb Bus Service dropped his son off at the wrong home, and then the bus aide allegedly walked him into the wrong home, and left him there, alone. On that day, there was a substitute driver and substitute bus aide, and according to the father, a clerical error gave the company the wrong address. While some might say this was an honest mistake, Chaifetz does not. Chaifetz said he doesn't blame the school at all for this mix-up, but rather the bus company.

Date: August 8, 2014

Time: 1:50

**ISSUES: Community**

**RAZOR BLADES FOUND IN PARKING METERS IN RUTHERFORD**

Police in Rutherford, New Jersey are warning residents and visitors to be cautious when paying their parking meters because there may be razor blades in the coin slot! Chief of Police John R. Russo says a public works officer who collects the change in the town's meters along the Park Avenue main drag, has found eight razors either mixed in with the change or protruding from the coin slot. Police suspect that whoever is doing this wants to break the meters, harm other people or harm the parking attendant. This is a huge concern for the community. Rutherford has put up a warning on their website and police ask anyone who finds a meter with a razor blade in it to call 911 immediately.

Date: August 8, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**THE TIMOTHY WILTSEY CASE 23 YEARS LATER**

It took 23 years but on Timothy Wiltsey's birthday, police finally arrested the person who they believe is responsible for his murder, his mother Michelle Lodzinski. After the 1992 murder of then five-year-old Wiltsey, Lodzinski moved on. She moved to Florida, got remarried and even had more children. Lodzinski originally told police that she last saw her son at a carnival in Sayreville, New Jersey, but the investigation turned up that no one can confirm that they ever saw the little boy at the fair. Wiltsey's body was later found in a wooded area in Edison. This case gained national attention and it even appeared on America's Most Wanted twice. What changed in this case is that a new Middlesex County Prosecutor was instated last year and he went back and reviewed all the cold cases and after re-interviewing key players there was enough evidence to arrest Lodzinski in her son's murder.

Date: August 11, 2014

Time: 2:20

**ISSUES: Community**

## **26 YEAR-OLD MISSING BABY CASE REOPENS WITH NEW LEADS**

Seven-month old Melissa McGuinn disappeared from her Trenton home 26 years-ago. At first her disappearance was viewed as a cold case, but now because of the work of a few cops, bloggers and others who refused to give up, there are new leads and law enforcement is viewing this as an open case worth pursuing. Baby Melissa's mom and husband shared a home with a woman named Wanda Reed. One day Reed, who was 30 but had the mental capacity of a 6 year-old, walked out of the house with baby Melissa and returned alone. Police arrested Reed for kidnapping, but because her stories changed from having thrown the baby into the river to having given the baby to a man on the street. Reed was ruled unfit to stand trial and the McGuinn's never got answers. Now years later, Blogger Anna Canard thinks that Melissa is alive and living her life not necessarily aware of what happened to her years ago.

Date: August 11, 2014

Time: 2:10

**ISSUES: Community**

## **NJ LAW TO BAN PEOPLE FROM TATTOOING AND PIERCING PETS**

Three Hudson County lawmakers are pushing for legislation to ban people from tattooing and piercing their pets. Oddly, there isn't one documented case in New Jersey where a pet owner has subjected their animal to tattoo's or piercings. The SPCA didn't comment and the Humane Society was confused, so why the need for this kind of legislation? Some New Jerseyans think this is just a way to distract from the budget and pension problems plaguing the state, but Franco has another hunch.

Date: August 11, 2014

Time: 1:10

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

### **CHRISTIE SIGNS LEGISLATION FOR AN AMENDMENT ON NJ BAIL REFORM**

Governor Christie signed legislation that would create a constitutional amendment for bail reform. The bill basically says that if you are a violent criminal, a judge would have the right to revoke your bail and keep you behind bars if he sees fit. Richard Blender represents bail bondsmen and he isn't convinced that this is the best thing for New Jersey. This legislation will be on the ballot in November for voters to make the final decision.

Date: August 11, 2014

Time: 3:15

**ISSUES: Community**

### **UNION CITY FOOTBALL SEASON DEDICATED TO FALLEN PLAYER**

The Union City High School football team will dedicate this season to fallen former player Josue Romero. Romero died tragically in a major car crash on Saturday on Route 440 in Jersey City. Head Coach Wil Valdez said that this treacherous strip of roadway is known for late-night drag racing. A makeshift memorial has been put up in Romero's honor alongside the roadway where the crash took place. Candles have been burning for days and friends and family etched messages on a nearby tree where bark is missing from the high impact of the crash.

Date: August 11, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community**

### **13 YEAR-OLD SON OF JC COUPLE KILLED IN TORNADO DIES**

Jersey City couple Lolibeth Ortega and Lord Balatbat were killed when a tornado ripped through their campground while vacationing in Virginia. The couple's three children were hospitalized after the incident and sadly 13 year old Lheandrew Balatbat passed away this weekend from head injuries sustained when a tree toppled onto the tent they were sleeping in at Cherrystone Campground near Cape Charles Virginia. The two girls, ages seven and twelve, were released from the hospital and have been placed with their Aunt on their mother's side.

Date: August 11, 2014

Time: 2:10

**ISSUES: Community**

### **TEVLIN MURDERER LINKED TO EVEN MORE CRIMES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY**

New details have emerged regarding how 19 year-old Brendan Tevlin was killed. According to new police reports, when Tevlin stopped at the traffic light on the corner of Walker Road and Northfield Avenue, in West Orange, New Jersey, he was about to make a left-hand –turn when the three suspects including Ali Muhammad Brown approached him. Allegedly Brown approached Tevlin from the passenger side and shot through the rolled up window ten times. He then pushed Tevlin's body onto the floor of the passenger seat before driving the car up to an apartment complex where another one of the suspects lived with his mom.

Date: August 11, 2014

Time: 2:10

**ISSUES: Community**

### **ROBBINSVILLE HOME TO MAGNIFICENT NEW HINDU TEMPLE**

The awe-inspiring new Hindu Mandir or Temple in Robbinsville, New Jersey is drawing a lot of attention. The magnificent structure is only sixth of its kind in North America. Thousands of Hindu faithful's are already on-hand for this weekend's temple inauguration which will involve age-old rituals, storytelling, food and celebration. The Mandir is buzzing with activities where workers are applying finishing touches and youngsters are practicing their spiritual dances.

Date: August 12, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

### **HONEST GUN OWNING MOM PREPARING FOR PRISON, HOPING FOR JUSTICE**

The entire country is talking about the controversy surrounding Shaneen Allen, the young single mom who didn't know it was illegal to come into New Jersey with her firearm that was licensed in Philadelphia. After being pulled over for a minor traffic accident and telling the cop immediately about the gun in her possession, a preliminary court hearing says that she can now face 11 ½ years in prison. Allen is opening up about how she and her family are coping with the possibility of her going away for more than a decade. She said that she's scared and she doesn't understand why the state of New Jersey is trying to make an example out of her.

Date: August 12, 2014

Time: 2:20

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**NJ POLICE FORCE EQUIPPED WITH BODY MOUNTED CAMERAS**

Evesham Township, New Jersey is the first department in the Garden State to outfit their entire force with body cameras. That's 48 officers! The cameras are buttoned into the officers shirts and the officer can press the center button two-times to begin recording both audio and video. These wireless devices came with a pretty hefty price tag of \$63,000 for the hardware as well as licensing and video storage at an off-site server. However, Chief of Police Christopher Chew said that their return on the investment makes the initial cost worth it. Chief Chew says that these cameras help capture incidents from the beginning to end so that nothing is left out. In fact, the video starts 30 seconds before even hitting start.

Date: August 12, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community**

**STARLING BIRDS CREATING A NUISANCE IN NUTLEY**

European starlings are beautiful birds that often swarm together by the thousands creating elegantly choreographed formations in the evening sky. However, residents of Nutley, New Jersey say these birds may be pretty, but they are driving them crazy! The birds apparently are tweeting and chirping until all hours of the night and residents are having a hard time sleeping because of all the noise. As a result, the city of Nutley has taken several measures to get rid of the nuisance, including having the fire department hose water into the branches. Now they are taking more extreme measures and spraying a chemical fog in the area to scare them away. However, some people are now concerned that the chemical may do more harm than good. Jeff Tittel of the local Sierra Club feels like there are less expensive and more humane options that should be considered to help remove these birds from the town.

Date: August 12, 2014

Time: 2:25

**ISSUES: Economy**

**REVEL CASINO SET TO CLOSE IN SEPTEMBER**

It looks like Atlantic City's Revel Casino is folding. Officials tried to find a buyer in bankruptcy court, but failed. As a result, the company announced it will shut its doors on September 10, 2014. The \$2.4 billion Revel Casino was originally opened to tons of fanfare, and everyone, including Governor Christie, thought this was the answer to Atlantic City's woes. Senator thinks the problem was relying solely on casinos, given the competition from other nearby states. He says the key to having a strong gambling industry in the Garden State is sports betting. Meanwhile thousands of people will be losing their jobs come September.

Date: August 13, 2014

Time: 3:15

**ISSUES: Minority Issues**

**A CASE OF RACIAL PROFILING IN GUTTENBERG?**

Mohamed El MakSoud was born in West New York, New Jersey. He teaches in town and he proudly calls himself a New York Giants fan. To him, New Jersey and the United States are his home. So when he sensed like he was being racially profiled by a Guttenberg cop, he felt like he had to speak out. El MakSoud says he was on the scene of a near-miss accident that turned into road rage by another driver. When police arrived to ask questions, he gave them his license and registration and then things got weird. El MakSoud was allowed to leave the scene and he wasn't charged with anything, but he said the officer's immediate questioning was so off-putting that he felt he was only being asked those things because he's Arab-American. Guttenberg police had no comment while an internal affairs investigation is underway.

Date: August 13, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Minority Issues / Community**  
**NEW JERSEY'S "SKETCH FACTOR"**

SketchFactor is the latest app to hit smartphones that allows users to report "sketchy" moments. The app allows you to identify when and where a situation takes place that makes you feel uncomfortable. Racism seems to be the biggest hot button issue reported on the app. It lets people avoid certain areas where people of similar race and gender have endured unflattering circumstances. According to the app Stephanie Chambliss lives on a reported "sketchy" street in Trenton, New Jersey and she chimed in to help define what "sketchy" really means. Master Ismael Roman with Shun Karate in a suburban neighborhood in Hamilton, New Jersey says that 'sketchy' is there too.

Date: August 13, 2014

Time: 3:30

**ISSUES: Community**  
**TRAINS CARRYING OIL THROUGH BERGEN COUNTY POSE POTENTIAL THREAT**

Some Bergen County residents are concerned with the fact that massive rail convoys of crude oil are being carted southbound through their town to waiting refineries in Philadelphia and Edison. EMS officials like Jim Winters of Closter, New Jersey say that when oil trains roll by the county water supply at Oradell Reservoir, possible accidents are a very real concern. While there haven't been any accidents like this in Bergen County to date, one last year in Quebec killed nearly 50 people and a recent derailment in Virginia resulted in a big oil spill.

Date: August 13, 2014

Time: 1:50

**ISSUES: Community**  
**NJ NATIVE RUNS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO RAISE MONEY FOR CANCER**

24 year-old Garth Watson from Red Bank, New Jersey set out on a cross-country journey to raise money for cancer. Watson didn't drive or bike across the country. Instead, he used his own two legs to complete a 95 day trek from California to the Garden State. Watson said that this has always been a goal of his and now he can say that he achieved it with flying colors! He's been able to raise nearly \$20,000 for the group Stand up To Cancer!



Date: August 13, 2014

Time: 3:05

**ISSUES: Community**

**LEONIA'S TRAFFIC PROBLEM TURNS DEADLY**

The traffic situation in Leonia, New Jersey has gotten so bad, it's deadly. Police Chief Thomas Rowe has been outspoken about the road challenges in his town, specifically the extremely dangerous intersection at Fort Lee Road and Broad Avenue where Thursday, 60-year-old Leyla Kan was killed. Kan was just trying to cross the road when a school bus struck her and dragged her about 70 feet before someone alerted the bus driver, but it was too late. The congestion problem in the area seems to happen when there is a lot of traffic on the nearby George Washington Bridge. Commuters tend to cut through the town of Leonia to go up Fort Lee Road directly to the bridge. Chief Rowe is asking the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey for more money to beef-up their police force, or to deploy Port Authority police officers to the area to help with this ongoing situation.

Date: August 13, 2014

Time: 1:50

**ISSUES: Community**

**MAN PLOWS THROUGH FARMERS MARKET KILLING 1,  
INJURING 2 OTHERS**

On Sunday afternoon a man who has been identified as James Woetzel drove through a police barricade at a farmer's market in Hawthorne, New Jersey, killing 1 person and injuring two others. The victim who did not survive the crash was 58 year-old Donna Wine of Hawthorne. She became pinned under Woetzel's car, was allegedly dragged for half a mile down the streets surrounding the farmer's market and later died. After the victim became unpinned, Woetzel sped off. He was arraigned in court yesterday where he was charged with vehicular manslaughter and leaving the scene of a crime. He entered a plea of 'not guilty'.

Date: August 14, 2014

Time: 4:05

**ISSUES: Community**

**ALS BUCKET CHALLENGE VIDEOS: SUPPORTIVE OR OFFENSIVE?**

The latest craze to hit the internet is the "ice buck challenge" where people upload videos of themselves pouring ice-water over their head to help raise money for ALS. Since this fad had started on July 29th, the ALS organization has already received \$5.5 million. In the United States there are 30,000 people living with ALS and they have a life expectancy of less than 5 years after diagnosis.

Date: August 14, 2014

Time: 3:10

**ISSUES: Community**

**SURVEILLANCE VIDEO SHOWS SECURITY USING EXCESSIVE FORCE AT HARRAH'S CASINO**

A surveillance video is circulating that shows security guards at Harrah's Resort and Casino in Atlantic City roughing up 25 year-old Rob Coney. The video shows Coney being hit in the head repeatedly by members of the security staff and an off-duty police officer. While no one is disputing that this altercation took place, people are questioning the excessive use of force and why Coney is the only person facing charges as a result.

Date: August 14, 2014

Time: 1:20

**ISSUES: Community / Government/Politics**

**CHRISTIE TAKES TO TWITTER TO TALK NJ ISSUES WITH NJ RESIDENTS**

Governor Christie's latest stop on his No Pain, No Gain Summer Conversation Tour was in Ocean City, New Jersey where he was greeted both by adoring fans asking for "selfies" with the Governor, as well as protestors angry over pension reform and the closing of Atlantic City casinos resulting in the loss of thousands of jobs. Christie has now taken to Twitter to respond to constituents complaints.

Date: August 14, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

**NEW JERSEY'S CLEAN WATER ATTRACTING SHARKS,  
WHALES & DOLPHINS**

Experts say that the presence of sharks, whales and dolphins along the Jersey Shore is actually good news for the state! This means that our waters are clean! In fact, New Jersey ranks third for cleanest water out of 30 states that were surveyed by the National Resource Defense Council. Captain Jeff Stuart man's the American Star which is New Jersey's premier whale watching vessel and he says that they have had over a 90% success rate when taking groups out to spot these massive mammals.

Date: August 14, 2014

Time: 3:05

**ISSUES: Community**

**LAWRENCE SEX SCANDAL PROBE**

Some scandalous activity may be taking place in Lawrence, New Jersey. Apparently Police Lieutenant Tom Ritter and Court Administrator Meghan Kane were both suspended for allegedly having an affair on the courthouse grounds. His job is in jeopardy because the Court Administrator is responsible for signing off on affidavits for probable cause so now any case Kane signed off on involving Ritter can potentially be reviewed citing conflict of interest.

Date: August 14, 2014

Time: 2:25

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

**CONTROVERSY OVER AD AIMED AT HAMAS' USE OF  
CHILDREN DURING WAR**

With the ongoing war in the Middle-East between the Israelis and Hamas, New Jersey's Rabbi Shmuley along with his organization "This World the Values Network" has been running a paid print advertising campaign that opposes Hamas' use of child sacrifice. The ad has been run in the New York Times, New York Observer, Washington Post and The Wall Street Journal, but it ran into a hitch when The Times of London refused to use the ad in their publication. The newspaper did however run an ad that is being seen as a pro-Palestinian ad by "Save The Children". Rabbi Shmuley spoke out about this latest controversy, saying how children are being victimized during this ongoing war.

Date: August 15, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

### **NEW NEED FOR MRAPS IN NJ IN WAKE OF FERGUSON SHOOTING?**

The controversy continues in Bergen County over the Sheriff department obtaining a military MRAP or mine resistant ambush protected vehicle. However, with recent riots and protests out of Ferguson, Missouri in the wake of the shooting of an unarmed African American teenager by a Caucasian police officer, the question remains whether or not there is a need for this kind of vehicle on our own streets. Bergen County Prosecutor John Molinelli released a statement expressing his continued concern for having these vehicles on the streets. "These Tiananmen Square like tactics have no place in our society and when improperly deployed such as in Ferguson, cast an unfair light upon law enforcement," he said.

Date: August 15, 2014

Time: 3:15

**ISSUES: Community**

### **VETERAN DENIED ACCESS TO GREAT ADVENTURE OVER MILITARY INSPIRED SHIRT**

Marine Corp veteran Mario Alejandro was recently denied entrance into Six Flags Great Adventure because of the shirt he was wearing that showed a rifle colored like the American Flag with the phrase "Keep Calm and Return Fire." The security guard at the gate told him that his tee-shirt was offensive and that according to the park's dress code they would not let him inside. Alejandro tried explaining to the security guard that he is an Iraq veteran.

Date: August 15, 2014

Time: 3:05

**ISSUES: Community**

### **LOCALS MISTAKE MUSLIM FLAG ON HOME AS REPRESENTATION OF ISIS MILITARY GROUP**

An unfamiliar flag displaying Islamic writing, hung outside the home of a Garwood, New Jersey resident became the talk of the town last week after some locals were concerned that this flag represented some kind of Jihadist organization. There was speculation that the NJ resident was associating himself with the radical Islamic group ISIS- which has been labeled by many countries as a terrorist organization. However, that is not the case. The flag belongs to 44 year-old Mark Dunaway who is a practicing Muslim. He said he is proud to fly the Muslim flag and is surprised by all the attention he has received as a result of that.

Date: August 15, 2014

Time: 1:20

**ISSUES: Government/Politics / Economy**

**CHRISTIE HEADING TO MEXICO TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC INCENTIVES FOR NJ**

Governor Christie was asked about his upcoming trip scheduled for Mexico at a recent shore town hall. Christie has been very vocal about the current border crisis where he has blamed most of the struggles on President Obama's lack of leadership. Christie is heading south of the border to talk about the economic incentives that exist for NJ to be dealing even more closely with Mexico.

Date: August 18, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community / Health**

**INCREASE IN SUICIDE HOTLINE CALLS SINCE ROBIN WILLIAMS' DEATH**

Robin Williams' suicide was front page news around the world. It led to a massive outpouring of sympathy and grief from friends and fans. Since his death, Westfield based suicide prevention hotline calls have spiked. Eleanor Letcher is the head of CONTACT We Care-Mercer County and she spoke about suicide in general and how it helps to seek counseling.

Date: August 18, 2014

Time: 4:00

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

**MOM DESPERATE FOR HER KIDS AFTER EX TAKES THEM TO INDIA & DOESN'T RETURN**

Last week President Obama signed into law the Sean & David Goldman Act which authorizes the State Department to take forceful measures against a country that doesn't help to return an American child held there. Often, these cases of international child abduction occur when parents are divorced and one parent is holding a child or children from the other parent in a different country. Bindu Philips of Plainsboro and her now ex-husband, Sunil Jacob, lived in a beautiful house where her beautiful 13 year- old twin boys, Albert and Alfred, were born, making them US Citizens. Philips and her ex-husband are also US citizens. However, in 2008 her husband was laid off from CitiGroup and he decided to take a family vacation to India. Jacobs enrolled the boys in a school and gave strict orders to not allow Philips to see them. Philips alleges that her ex is brainwashing the kids and telling them that she's abandoned them. The State of New Jersey has granted Philips full-custody and has even sent letters to the government in India to tell them to bring the children back.

Date: August 18, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**HOBOKEN REVERSE ANGLE PARKING POSING PROBLEMS FOR RESIDENTS**

Some of the folks on Willow Avenue in Hoboken, New Jersey are bent out of shape over new parking rules on the city's street. The new reverse angle parking spots designated on Willow's busy two-way street has both drivers and residents up in arms. City Hall says there were 64 vehicle collisions on that two block stretch from 2008 to 2013 and they say that adding these improvements address that. Reverse angle parking may take some getting used to, but city officials call it easier than parallel parking. They add that many cities report fewer parking-related accidents after switching to reverse-angle parking.

Date: August 18, 2014

Time: 3:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**MAN ARRESTED FOR CARVING SWASTIKA IN NEIGHBORS YARD**

Leisure Village is a quiet adult community in Lakewood, New Jersey. It's the last place that you would expect to see a swastika carved in front of someone's home, but sadly Fred Blumberg and his partner said that is exactly what happened to them. Blumberg explained that as an older gay couple they've dealt with harassment for years. When they moved to Leisure Village from Florida they just wanted to relax, but almost immediately they say a neighbor began targeting them. Things took a turn for the worse when the neighbor was seen carving swastikas in the yard in front of their home. The neighbor Scott Cooney was arrested and charged with bias intimidation, harassment and criminal mischief. Blumberg and his partner are now concerned because they don't feel like village management and the police are taking the harassment seriously.

Date: August 19, 2014

Time: 3:45

**ISSUES: Community**

**WASHINGTON REDSKINS' NAME-CHANGE DEBATE HITS HOME**

The debate over whether or not to change the NFL Washington Redskins' name rages on. Some believe its offensive and politically incorrect to refer to Native Americans as "redskins". The controversy has become local news in New Jersey and New York after legendary New York Giants quarterback and current announcer Phil Simms said he's going to try to avoid offending people during broadcasts this year and will not use the Redskins name while calling games. Football fans on the other hand have mixed opinions on the name-change, saying that people are being too sensitive and there is history in the name. The Ramapough Lenape Native American's in New Jersey have said in the past that it's not so much about the name, but about the symbols and characters used to illustrate Native American's that can be offensive.

Date: August 19, 2014

Time: 1:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**FIRE DIRECTOR GETS OFF WITH \$206 FINE FOR HITTING 3 KIDS WITH CAR**

New Brunswick Fire Director Robert Rawls pleaded guilty yesterday to reckless driving after running over and injuring three young kids back in May. The fire director walked away with a minor fine of just \$206. Jocelyn Pelaez was the victim who broke her leg and had to get screws and tubes put in in order to walk again. Her father, Romeo Pelaez, was very outspoken after the verdict and he said that the reason Rawls is getting away so easily is because the victims were poor. The family still plans to sue the city of New Brunswick and Rawls for the injuries endured during the accident.

Date: August 19, 2014

Time: 2:10

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ BACON FEST OFFERS CRAZY, TASTY TREATS!**

Jersey City's Zeppelin Hall is home to this year's bacon fest taking place at the Biergarten through August 24th. Over 2000 people are expected to make their way to the festival to try some of the craziest and tastiest bacon creations ever made. On the menu hungry patrons can enjoy things like: the bacon lobster taco thermador, the bacon word tour monster sandwich, 50 shades of bacon BLT, bacon sausage trio, bacon osso bucco, bacon encrusted pork rib-eye steak and the bacon bacon burger.

Date: August 19, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community**

### **NJ BODYBUILDING CHAMPIONSHIPS DRAW FIRM & FIT PHYSIQUES**

Michael Freeman won the first bodybuilding contest he ever entered on Saturday at the state championships at Kean University in Union, New Jersey. The win brought him to his knees and he says he's paid the price for this victory. The championships brought scores of men and women out to the competition.

Date: August 19, 2014

Time: 3:20

**ISSUES: Community**

### **HOSPITAL WORKER ARRESTED FOR STEALING PATIENTS PERSONAL ID INFORMATION**

Police have arrested 38 year-old Latoya Sapp of Wayne, New Jersey for identity theft. Sapp worked as a coordinator of medical records at the Hackensack University Medical Center and it's believed that she was trafficking personal identification information that belonged to hospital patients with whom she worked. Law enforcement says that she used patient's information to assist in an elaborate credit card scheme involving at least nine other suspects who have also been arrested. Sapp is a single mother of two sons and neighbors are stunned over these latest allegations.

Date: August 20, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Children/Youth**

### **ROBBERY DOESN'T STOP FAMILY FROM FIGHTING FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH**

4 year-old Natalie Grace Gorsegrner of Middletown, New Jersey has been battling cancer for years. She and her family, Andrea, Dan and Hannah, have decided to take Natalie's cancer diagnosis as inspiration to help raise money for childhood cancer research on Facebook. People responded overwhelmingly to their "will you send us a dollar" campaign and they raised over \$100,000 in just a few months for cancer research. Sadly, when they went on vacation and made the mistake of posting a picture from their destination, someone who police believe may have been watching their Facebook page broke into their house. The thief stole personal information, birth certificates as well as Andrea's engagement ring. Following the theft the Gorsegrner family wants people to be cautious of personal information on social media, but the family wants to continue their campaign to raise money for childhood cancer research.



Date: August 20, 2014

Time: 2:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**VICTIMS IDENTIFIED IN FATAL FREEHOLD CRASH**

Yesterday a press conference was held to address the tragic car accident that killed three people in Freehold earlier in the week. Police say that a Volkswagen Jetta traveling south on Kozloski Road crossed over the yellow line and crashed into an SUV sending that vehicle airborne which then landed on a third car. The three victims in the crash have been identified as 50 year-old Thomas Koller who was in the SUV. 19 year-old Nicholas Devan and 20 year-old Noelle Deluccio who were in the Jetta. The prosecutor said that this is still an open investigation, but they are considering things like speed and distracted driving as the initial cause of the crash.

Date: August 20, 2014

Time: 3:05

**ISSUES: Community**

**ACLU DEMANDS STOP TO NJDEP PUTTING SSN ON TICKETS**

Recently, Chasing New Jersey uncovered a privacy violation by the NJDEP and Parks Police at Liberty State Park. There, police were putting social security numbers on parking tickets and citations that were being left on vehicles for anyone to see. The ACLU has sent a letter to the NJDEP telling them to stop with this practice because it's against people's constitutional rights. NJDEP Press Director Larry Ragonese sent a letter to Chasing New Jersey stating that they only found five cases where social security numbers were put on tickets and they have resolved the problem and retrained the officer responsible for that mistake. The NJDEP is open to talking to the ACLU to resolve this problem.

Date: August 20, 2014

Time: 2:20

**ISSUES: Community**

**INTERFACE TALENT CLOSES DOORS & LEAVES EMPLOYEES WITH BOUNCED CHECKS**

Some people may be familiar with Interface Talent. They're the ones in the mall who tell you or your kid that you are a star in the making. The idea is to sell star-stuck dreamers hundreds even thousands of dollars in photo portfolios and modeling classes. However, dozens of employees are now stuck holding bounced checks worth thousands in unpaid wages after the East Brunswick agency decided to shut their doors. The State Department of Labor is currently looking into this latest matter.

Date: August 21, 2014

Time: 2:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ SHELTER HELPING SAVE PUPPIES ONE PAW AT A TIME**

Over 30 dogs were recently rescued from high kill shelters down south in Georgia and South Carolina and brought to the Home For Good Dogs shelter in Berkeley Heights, New Jersey to be fostered and cared for. Once rescued, dogs will stay in their southern foster homes until they are transported to New Jersey. The unique part of this operation is that no dogs will stay in kennels until they are adopted. Rather, they stay with foster parents until they find their forever home.

Date: August 21, 2014

Time: 2:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**THE "KNOCKOUT GAME" TROUBLING NJ NEIGHBORHOOD**

The knockout game where young people randomly punch innocent bystanders to see if they can knock them unconscious has been relatively rare in New Jersey, until now. After three attacks in less than half an hour in a safe Hackensack neighborhood, some residents are concerned that this trend will pose potential problems for more New Jerseyans. The knockout game has gotten such national exposure that New Jersey legislators are trying to crack down on it before it becomes a trend. There's a bill pending in the state house that would make the knockout game a second-degree offense punishable by up to 10 years in prison and a \$150,000 fine.

Date: August 21, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

**SWIMMING WITH SHARKS AT CAMDEN'S ADVENTURE  
AQUARIUM**

Chaser Hank had the chance to get into the shark tank at the Adventure Aquarium in Camden, New Jersey. Biologist Nicole Gioia supervised Hanks turn in the tank and told him that sharks are oftentimes misunderstood. 75 shark attacks are reported ever year worldwide and back in 1916 there were five incidents of shark attacks in New Jersey alone.

Date: August 21, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community / Minority Issues**

**ACTIVISTS RALLY IN NEWARK TO SUPPORT FERGUSON, MO. PROTESTERS**

The shooting of unarmed African American Michael Brown by a Caucasian police officer on August 9, 2014 has led to ongoing daily violent protests in Ferguson, Missouri. Wednesday, Newark activists held a rally to protest police brutality and marched through the city in support of the Ferguson protestors. These protests are using the situation in Ferguson as a catalyst to talk about their own problems with police in Newark. Justice department did a three year investigation of the Newark Police Department and found that police officers routinely violated resident's constitutional rights. They found troubling patterns of excessive use of force, abuse of stop and frisk tactics and other misconduct.

Date: August 21, 2014

Time: 3:10

**ISSUES: Community / Homeland Security**

**MURDERER CALLS SHOOTING OF NJ TEEN "RETRIBUTION" FOR AMERICA'S ACTIONS**

19 year-old Brendan Tevlin was a college student just driving home from a friend's house in Livingston, New Jersey when he stopped at a traffic light in West Orange and was shot ten times by Ali Muhammad Brown who is allegedly believed to be a radical Jihadist. Essex County law enforcement originally thought this was a robbery turned violent, but it turns out Brown has told prosecutors that the murder was in fact an act of "retribution" for the United States military action in the Middle East.

Date: August 22, 2014

Time: 3:15

**ISSUES: Community**

**CONTROVERSY OVER SIDEWALK REPAIR COSTS IN  
HIGHLAND PARK**

Two years ago a local ordinance in Highland Park, New Jersey was passed allowing the borough to request homeowners to fix the sidewalks in front of their houses. Now "X" marks the spot on slabs of concrete in the town that need to be replaced with the cost burden being on the homeowner whose home is adjacent to the sidewalk. Hundreds of residents have complied with the borough and immediately fixed the sidewalks they were told needed to be fixed, but dozens more have resisted. As a result, the city is taking these homeowners to municipal court and following up on summonses that had been sent.

Date: August 22, 2014

Time: 3:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ FARM HONORS JETER'S LAST YEAR WITH  
COMMEMORATIVE CORN MAZE**

Von Thun Farm in Monmouth Junction has erected a massive Derek Jeter commemoration maze to recognize the Yankee captain's final year in Major League Baseball. The maze will remain up until October.

Date: August 22, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**MOM PICKETS AGAINST NUTLEY DAY CAMP FOR  
DISCRIMINATION**

Ana Gutierrez enrolled her 5-year-old son Jake Berardinelli in the Nutley Recreation Center Day Camp. Unfortunately now after a disagreement, Gutierrez feels insulted and discriminated against. She said she made a complaint to recreation director Frank DeMaio when Jake came home from camp with scratches and blood on his shirt that he said came from kids twice his age. She says not only was DeMaio dismissive of her concerns, but he was also insulting. "He goes 'you people should learn how to raise your kids' that just stayed in my head," Gutierrez recalled. Jake returned to the camp only to be expelled for what the camp says was bullying other kids. Gutierrez picketed at the camp to expose what she says is a lack of oversight. Director Frank DeMaio was "too busy" to speak on this matter, but the department maintains that Jake was the bully and they had to protect the other kids.

Date: August 22, 2014

Time: 2:20

**ISSUES: Community**

**PETA WARNS THAT HERMIT CRABS ARE COMPLEX ANIMALS**

One of the most popular souvenirs to take away from the Jersey Shore is the hermit crab! Walking down the boardwalk you see hundreds of colorful shells just hanging out in cages and they seem like the best choice for a first time pet. PETA recently came out to say that it's a much better idea to take home a commemorative t-shirt instead of a hermit crab! PETA spokesperson Laura Cascada says that hermit crabs are much more complex creatures than people think. PETA doesn't want to detour people from buying the pet, but they just urge you to do your homework. If taken care of properly hermit crabs could live up to 30 years.

Date: August 22, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**NEW RIDGEWOOD ORDINANCE LISTS UNINHABITABLE HOMES IN NEWSPAPER**

Recently, the town of Ridgewood has received complaints about eyesores and abandoned homes, some of which are so dilapidated that neighbors are extremely concerned. In order to help combat these issues, the town adopted an ordinance regarding abandon properties. In it, it says that properties deemed to be abandoned or unfit for human habitation will be put on a list and published in the newspaper. It's important to note that not all abandon homes are on this list. Homes are only on this list if they are not working with the city to fix the property.

Date: August 25, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Economy / Community**

**"WEED SCHOOL" COMES TO ATLANTIC CITY**

California based Oaksterdam University believes marijuana is the next big industry and this weekend they brought their classes to the Bally's Casino in Atlantic City to teach people the techniques and laws behind growing marijuana. Since 2007 Oaksterdam has taught over 20,000 students how to grow marijuana and their dean, Dr. Aseem Sappal, believes that legalization is inevitable so it makes sense to be prepared. Hundreds of people paid \$1,000 for the four-day seminar and it was like being back in school.

Date: August 25, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ TRANSIT BUSES ON-SCHEDULE ONLY 68% OF THE TIME**

New Jersey Transit bus commuters have consistently been complaining about late buses, and only recently NJT has really begun working to fix the problem. NJT has been using new data that shows that buses only show up on-schedule 68% of the time. New Jersey Transit hopes to improve their performance from 68% to 71% and will be starting this progression by first focusing on improving 33 current bus routes.

Date: August 25, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

**WAREHOUSE OFFERS BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING AT HUGE DISCOUNT IN TOMS RIVER**

It's back to school season and with that comes both anxiety and excitement for kids and parents. The Ocean County Hunger Relief organization's warehouse and thrift store in Toms River has recently been stocked with new fashions from top brands at affordable prices! Executive director Carol Latif was once a struggling, single mother and says this shopping experience is great for parents on a budget. Latif said that they did this because they want the parents to be able to give their kids what they want, and that they want the kids to feel good about themselves heading into the school year.

Date: August 25, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community / Crime/Law Enforcement**

**TECHNOLOGY ALLOWING SCAMMERS TO BE EVEN MORE DECEPTIVE**

A Montclair man was recently swindled out of \$5,500 dollars after a scammer called his phone impersonating the police. While phone scams are an age-old con, modern technology gives these scammers a leg-up. Many thieves are now using technology that allows them to disguise their phone number so it looks like they are calling from your utilities company, local police station and more. Lt. David O'Dowd with the Montclair police department warns that this issue isn't just happening in Montclair, and that residents everywhere need to be aware of these scams.

Date: August 25, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

### **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB HOSTS MASSIVE WATER BALLOON FIGHT**

Hundreds of people from all over Jersey City turned up for a massive water balloon fight hosted by the local Boys & Girls Club. This event was sponsored by the Keystone Club who is working to raise money to help children with mental health problems. They hope the money raised will pay for them to attend a leadership conference and promote their proposed bill that would allow students to get the mental health help they need without parents' consent.

Date: August 26, 2014

Time: 2:00

**ISSUES: Community**

### **COMMUNITY RALLIES TO HELP FIND MISSING PUPPY**

Jeter the pit bull puppy is missing. While dogs go missing all the time, there are two specific things that distinguish this story from others. The community has rallied in a huge way to help find the loveable pup. Owner Danielle Digiovanni of Toms River said that Jeter ran out of the back yard during a gathering and when they went out to look for him moments later, the puppy was gone and witnesses had conflicting stories. She believes more and more that Jeter was in fact taken because the dog is micro-chipped, so anyone who takes him to a shelter, vet or even the police could easily identify his owners, but that hasn't happened in a month.

Date: August 26, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community**

### **AC EMINENT DOMAIN STILL THREATENING HOMES AMID CASINO CLOSINGS**

Empty spaces are popping up all over Atlantic City with the closing of three major casinos: Revel, Trump Plaza, and Showboat. The city is still trying to use eminent domain to take away the home of an Atlantic City local legend, Piano Man Charlie Birnbaum. Birnbaum has tuned pianos for icons like Frank Sinatra, Liza Minnelli, and John Legend. He's been a resident of Atlantic City in the same home for over 50 years. Now that the Revel announced that it will be closing its doors, the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority is trying to get Birnbaum's home through eminent domain.

Date: August 26, 2014

Time: 2:35

**ISSUES: Community / Government/Politics**

### **LAKEWOOD RESIDENT STILL MISSING AFTER FIVE DAYS IN JERUSALEM**

It's now been 5 days since 23-year-old American Yeshiva student Aaron Sofer went missing in the Jerusalem Forest. Less than 48 hours after his disappearance, helicopters, canines and hundreds of police officers and volunteers were out scouring the area to search for Sofer. According to police, Sofer, who is Haredi and from Lakewood, New Jersey, is in Jerusalem for school and that day he had been hiking in the Beit Zayit area of the woods with a friend when they reportedly became separated while navigating a steep incline. At a press conference held yesterday in Lakewood, Congressman Chris Smith commented on the suggestion that the Torah Academy student's disappearance may be terrorist related.

Date: August 26, 2014

Time: 2:05

**ISSUES: Community**

### **MOM COMPLETES 9-DAY KAYAKING JOURNEY TO RAISE WATER POLLUTION AWARENESS**

Yesterday, Margo Pellegrino set out to complete her 9-day kayaking journey around the Garden State as she made her way into the Newark Harbor. The stay-at-home mother of two began her journey in her outrigger canoe from Trenton's public boat launch on August 14th with the intention of raising awareness about the state's waterways. Pellegrino said she hopes her journey will make people consider how their daily activities lead to pollution of the waterways and ocean, negatively impacting the environment.

Date: August 26, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community**

### **WIDOW OF BOSTON BOMBER NOW LIVING IN NORTH BERGEN, NJ**

The widow of Tamerlan Tsarnaev, the alleged mastermind behind the Boston Marathon bombings, is now living in North Bergen. Katherine Russell was married to Tsarnaev and living with him in Cambridge at the time of the Boston bombings which killed three people and injured 260 more back in April of 2013. The widow has apparently since moved to New Jersey to be near family. Because of her close connection with the alleged killer, many North Bergen residents like Kayla Scibelli aren't welcoming her to town with open arms.



Date: August 27, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

**WOMAN, 98, FIGHTING TO CLEAR NAME 60 YEARS AFTER  
SOVIET SPY ALLEGATIONS**

Years ago, 98-year-old Miriam Moscovitz was accused of associating with people giving secrets to the Soviet Union. Now after two-years in jail and 60 years of living with the stigma, she's fighting in court to have her name cleared. Moscovitz admits that she was associated with two men who were likely passing along information to the Soviet Union. Now, Moscovitz is back in court because newly unsealed documents allegedly show that one of the witnesses that testified against her repeatedly said she knew nothing, but then changed his story.

Date: August 27, 2014

Time: 2:55

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

**PROJECT CHILD SUPPORT'S MOBILE UNIT HELPING FAMILIES  
IN THE TRI-STATE**

Project Child Support provides an array of different services to help assist both custodial and non-custodial parents throughout the tri-state area with child support related issues in order to help a child get the support they deserve. Yesterday, their new mobile assistance center was set up outside of the family court building in Elizabeth, New Jersey to help spread the word about what they do and help those families engrossed in a child support battle. Kai Patterson started this initiative because he said his mother never received the child support she deserved to help raise him and as a result he's working to help other families in the same situation in honor of her memory. Patterson's goal with the mobile assistance vehicle is to help over 200 families a month. He travels across New Jersey and New York trying to help those in need.

Date: August 27, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**ORTLEY BEACH POWER PROBLEM COSTING COUPLE \$20K**

Doug and Liz Uhlig's home in Ortley Beach, New Jersey was completely destroyed after Superstorm Sandy. They have spent the last year-and-a-half rebuilding the home and raising it five-feet in order to meet the new FEMA flood standards. Unfortunately, the couple is still without power. After the Uhlig's rebuilt, they sent in all the necessary paperwork to the township for approval. However, the utility company, JCP&L, told the couple that they would not run electricity to the home unless they pay over \$20,000 for a new, higher utility pole in their backyard. A spokesperson for JCP&L said that the company must adhere to national, electrical and safety codes both in the state and federally.

Date: August 27, 2014

Time: 2:35

**ISSUES: Community**

**KID STUMBLES UPON TEN THOUSAND YEAR-OLD  
ARROWHEAD IN LBI**

There are countless treasures to be found along the Long Beach Island shoreline. Sand dollars, conch shells and even ten thousand year-old arrowheads! That's exactly what happened last week to 10-year old Noah Cordle who was walking along the beach and stumbled over the ancient artifact. After showing the item to his father, Cordles contacted Greg Lattanzi at the State Museum in Trenton. He said such artifacts are incredibly rare to find, adding that things like this can give great insight into our ancient Garden State ancestors.

Date: August 28, 2014

Time: 2:25

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

### **BACKLASH OVER 9-YEAR-OLD UZI ACCIDENT THAT KILLED A SHOOTING INSTRUCTOR**

The tragic accident of a 9-year-old New Jersey Girl who shot and killed a Las Vegas shooting instructor while shooting a fully automatic Uzi has gained national attention. The young girl was learning to shoot when the gun recoiled hitting the instructor in the head and killing him. This story has once again opened the debate about appropriate use of guns among children. President of New Jersey Million Moms March, Carole Stiller, said that some accidents are avoidable, but a child should never have access to an Uzi.

Date: August 28, 2014

Time: 1:50

**ISSUES: Community**

### **ATLANTIC CITY RESIDENT HEADS TO COURT TO FIGHT EMINENT DOMAIN**

Charlie Birnbaum's home in Atlantic City is in the shadow of the Revel Casino and he was in court yesterday to fight the seizure of his property for public use. Even though the Revel Casino will be shutting its doors, the city still wants to take over his property and Birnbaum isn't going out without a fight. The Casino Redevelopment Authority's lawyer says that his home is actually an investment property, not a primary residence. Birnbaum's lawyer, Bob McNamara, says this is just a ploy to take advantage of this family and their longtime home.

Date: August 28, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community / Government/Politics**

### **HOBOKEN CRACKING DOWN ON UBER CAR SERVICES**

The town of Hoboken, New Jersey is cracking down on Uber cars driving in and picking up passengers in the city. Uber is an app that you can use to request a car service to pick you up, but city officials say they are not licensed to operate in town. According to Hoboken's municipal code regarding taxis, it is unlawful for a non-licensed taxicab to pick up passengers inside of Hoboken and fines can be as high as \$1,000 or more. Hoboken Mayor Dawn Zimmer issued a statement on this debate saying: "Uber and similar companies offer a valuable transportation option that we want to make available to Hoboken residents and visitors." She is also endorsing a bill that is currently before the State Senate and Assembly which she says will ensure that all drivers have safe driving and background records and proper levels of insurance in case of accidents.

Date: August 28, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community / Government/Politics**

**TOWN PASSES RECORDING ORDINANCE AFTER COP CAUGHT DISSING OBAMA**

Steven Wronko is a Helmetta, New Jersey resident who recently taped local police officer, Richard Recine, saying that he doesn't have to follow the U.S. Constitution because President Obama doesn't. The Helmetta town council met last night to discuss an ordinance that would ban the unauthorized taping of a public official in a public municipal building, such as the recording Wronko uncovered of officer Recine. After attending last night's meeting, Wronko is questioning whether this new ordinance that passed is also unconstitutional.

Date: August 28, 2014

Time: 2:35

**ISSUES: Community**

**AT LEAST TEN DOGS DEAD FROM FIERY PET DAYCARE BLAZE**

A pet sitting service in Clifton, New Jersey called Your Family Pet Sitters on Mountainview Drive went up in flames. The bodies of 10 dogs were found; one dog and three cats remain missing, but are presumed dead. The fire was so bad that some firefighters even had to be taken to the hospital. Deputy Fire Chief Michael Sauer says that he and his men made the animals their top priority since no one else was home. Unfortunately, they weren't able to get them all out alive. City officials say this business did not have a license to operate a pet sitting service in their residential neighborhood, but the owner says that is not the case.

Date: August 29, 2014

Time: 2:20

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ COUPLE COMBATING THE STRAY CAT PROBLEM IN UNION CITY**

Union City has a major stray cat problem. Hundreds of cats are overtaking the city streets and Mercy Garcia and her husband Miguel Fernandez, founders of TLC Rescue, have been doing an unbelievable job of getting the situation under control, but they need help. So far, the couple has been able to round up over 200 felines, but they say there are hundreds more that need help. They decided to take action into their own hands because they are tired of the ignorance of some cat owners that abandon their animals in Union City.

Date: August 29, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**IS THE BOSTON BOMBER'S FAMILY IN NORTH BERGEN A  
THREAT?**

The widow of the alleged Boston Marathon bomber Katherine Russell has been living in North Bergen with the sisters of her former husband, Bella and Aliana Tsarnaev as Chasing New Jersey previously reported. Neighbors in the area have just recently been made aware of her presence in town, but not all of them are happy about it.

## **WWOR - TV / SEPTEMBER – 2014 News Coverage**

Date: September 1, 2014

Time: 3:30

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

### **SEXTING RING UNCOVERED INVOLVING SIX TEENS & FOUR NJ TOWNS**

One girl's threat to post another girl's nude photos on Instagram led to an investigation that uncovered a teen sexting ring involving six juveniles and four New Jersey towns. Little Falls Detective Sergeant James Briggs said that the two girls that initiated the investigation allegedly dated the same boy at separate times. The boy then passed on nude photos that he received from one of the girls onto the other. The girls later had a disagreement which resulted in one of them threatening to put the nude photos of the other on social media. These teens face various charges ranging from: possession and distribution of child pornography, invasion of privacy, cyber harassment, unlawful access of a computer and computer theft.

Date: September 1, 2014

Time: 3:10

**ISSUES: Healthcare / Government/Politics**

### **NJ DOCTOR OFFERING ALTERNATIVE TO OBAMACARE?**

Doctor Alieta Eck is running for U.S. Congress in the 12th district as a Republican. She's recently made headlines due to a free clinic that she created back in 2003 with her husband called the Zarephath Health Center. The clinic is a 501C3 run by volunteers and funded through donations. The average cost per patient that Dr. Eck sees is about \$13. Some people are referring to this center as an alternative to Obamacare. Dr. Eck said that Obamacare isn't working because we need to solve problems, not just add government programs. She said that it's no surprise that a Republican would create a free clinic.

Date: September 1, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

### **NJ BROTHER'S BASKETBALL BLOG GETTING A LOT OF ATTENTION**

Two Hillsdale, New Jersey brothers, 9-year-old Christian and 13-year-old Michael Vargas started their own NBA basketball blog and they've had the chance to interview some big NBA heavyweights like former Miami Heat star Anthony Mason Jr.! Their mom, Joanna Vargas, said that they live in a basketball household. The sport is on the TV all the time and they even discuss the game over dinner every night. She said that basketball is just in the boy's blood!

Date: September 1, 2014

Time: 3:10

**ISSUES: Education**

**MONTCLAIR UNIVERSITY MAKES SAT SCORES OPTIONAL**

Montclair University has made the decision to now make SAT and ACT scores optional to put on applications for college admission. Dr. Karen Pennington was in charge of this decision and she said the university has been gradually wading SAT scores less compared to other areas of the application like: GPA, school activities and involvement. Dr. DeAnthony has been tutoring kids for the SAT's for years and she said that it's mostly the parents who push for high scores in order to help with tuition fees. Montclair's decision to do away with SAT scores is adding momentum to an even bigger movement to do away with standardized testing that is often just a money maker for test creators.

Date: September 1, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**SANDY AID BEING USED TO FUND TUNNEL TO NOWHERE**

There's currently a tunnel to nowhere sitting in Manhattan that originally cost \$185 million in Sandy aid. If they are able to get the proper funding, this tunnel box is part of a greater gateway project that would double the capacity of trains from New York to New Jersey. While this project seems like it will help New Jerseyans with their commute in and out of New York City, there are still people like Marty and Gloria Garland who are still displaced from Superstorm Sandy and feel that Sandy aid money should be going to help residents get on with their lives.

Date: September 2, 2014

Time: 2:55

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

**10-YEAR-OLD HIT IN FACE WITH FOUL BALL AT BLUE CLAWS GAME**

10-year-old Alexis Pavlinec, struck in the face with a foul ball while in line for food at a Lakewood Blue Claws minor league baseball game. Pavlinec sustained a concussion and two facial fractures. The Blue Claws offered to send their mascot to the Pavlinec home. The Pavlinec family will not sue the Blue Claws, but ask that they improve safety at the ballpark.

Date: September 2, 2014

Time: 2:18

**ISSUES: Community / Crime/Law Enforcement**  
**CONSTRUCTION NOISE BURDENING HACKENSACK**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD**

Bergen County residents are upset with the amount of noise created by construction of a brand new \$150 million criminal justice complex. The construction is shaking Hackensack homes. Only one person has made a formal complaint *via* phone about the construction.

Date: September 2, 2014

Time: 3:39

**ISSUES: Community / Education**  
**PRINCETON EMPLOYEE FIGHTING UNIVERSITY OVER**  
**MEDICAL MARIJUANA USE**

Veteran Don DeZard, 18-year employee of Princeton University and military veteran, feels his rights are being violated. DeZard has a medical marijuana license and is prescribed medical marijuana to cope with PTSD and bowel disease. Princeton wants to maintain a drug-free campus and gave DeZard an ultimatum between his medicine and his job. Princeton offered DeZard two options: participate in NJ's medical marijuana program and stay home, or work at Princeton.

Date: September 2, 2014

Time: 3:12

**ISSUES: Community**  
**11 DOGS RESCUED FROM HORRIBLE CONDITIONS AT WEST**  
**NEW YORK PET STORE**

Puppy Haven pet store and groomer Monica Giraldo-Opsina is charged with 9 counts of animal cruelty. West NY police found medical syringes, tranquilizers, cockroaches, and dogs lying in their own feces. Bergen County Humane Enforcement has placed 5 out of 11 rescued animals in shelters in Bergen County and West New York. Some animals were sent to veterinarians for treatment and others are ready for adoption.



Date: September 2, 2014

Time: 3:20

**ISSUES: Community**

**PROTESTORS CALL NORTH BERGEN MAYOR RACIST & SAY TOWN RECYCLING PLANT IS TOXIC**

Tensions rise in North Bergen between Mayor Sacco and North Bergen's residents over the Lincoln Recycling Plant. The public is protesting, claiming the facility is poisoning the community with asbestos. The Mayor is keeping the plant open. The plant used to be operated by Eagle Recycling and they were fined extensively by the town because of their incessant health and environmental code violations. These issues may still be at play, even with new ownership. Additionally, the people of North Bergen have accused Italian Mayor Sacco of being racist and have said that he does not care about the 80% Hispanic population in North Bergen because of the lack of ethnic diversity on Sacco's staff.

Date: September 3, 2014

Time: 3:15

**ISSUES: Community**

**TRUCKS CONSTANTLY GETTING CAUGHT AT LOW CLEARANCE BRIDGE IN METUCHEN**

The railroad span over Main Street in Metuchen, New Jersey is low. At just 11'-2" tall, big trucks keep finding out the hard way that they can't make it through the clearance. Metuchen police say they get called out on a near weekly basis to clean up accidents or even just to back up trucks that realize too late that they are too big to make it through. The tracks above the busy road are used by New Jersey Transit and Amtrak, but the Department of Transportation is supposedly in charge of signage. The DOT has tried putting up blinking yellow lights and a sign marking the measurements to help warn drivers of the low clearance, but trucks still seem to get caught up.

Date: September 3, 2014

Time: 1:05

**ISSUES: Community**

### **FINANCIAL WOES WON'T STOP ATLANTIC CITY FROM HOSTING MISS AMERICA PAGEANT**

Yesterday, the 53 Miss America contestants arrived in Atlantic City to gear up for the big pageant. Miss New Jersey Cierra Kaler-Jones, discussed her strategy for taking home the crown. Even though Atlantic City is facing some hard financial times with the closing of four major casinos, these ladies hope to bring back the glamour that the city is known for.

Date: September 3, 2014

Time: 2:35

**ISSUES: Community**

### **NJ STUDENTS DEVELOP FLOOD PROOF HOME TO COMBAT STORM DAMAGE**

Superstorm Sandy caused over \$68 billion in damage, killed 280 people and damaged or destroyed 350,000 homes. There could be a possible solution to better prevent damage to our homes and shore communities and it's called Sure House. Students from Stevens Institute of Technology presented new methods for building safe secure homes by creating a flood resistant house model for vulnerable shore communities. There were two requirements for their project. The house had to be run on solar power and it had to cost about \$300,000 so that middle-class families would be able to afford it.

Date: September 3, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

### **\$1 MILLION WINNING LOTTERY TICKET SOLD IN NORTH BERGEN STILL UNCLAIMED**

When you go to the convenience store you often check the expiration date on items such as milk, bread and eggs, but what about a \$1,000,000 winning NJ Powerball Lottery Ticket! It turns out that someone purchased a winning Powerball ticket from the Convenience Express in North Bergen, New Jersey back in September, 2013, but no one has stepped forward to claim it.

Date: September 3, 2014

Time: 1:35

**ISSUES: Community**

### **HOME DEPOT: POSSIBLY THE LATEST VICTIM OF HUGE DATA SECURITY BREACH**

There could possibly another major data security breach at Home Depot. The major U.S. chain said that it was investigating whether or not costumer's credit card data has been hacked and put on the black market.

Date: September 3, 2014

Time: 3:35

**ISSUES: Community / Children/Youth**

### **911 TAPES RELEASED IN ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING OF INSTRUCTOR BY 9-YEAR-OLD GIRL**

Information continues to come out about the tragic shooting death of a Las Vegas shooting instructor by a 9-year-old New Jersey girl. The 911 tapes have now been released and they tell an emotional story of a frantic scene with people doing their best to try and save the life of the instructor. Dan Roberts has a unique perspective on this case. He's a certified firearms instructor and the father of New Jersey's now 10-year-old competitive shooter Shyanne. Roberts said that much is being made of the age of the young shooter, but in this case, the age isn't the key factor.

Date: September 4, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

### **POLL SAYS NJ IS HOME TO FOUR OF THE BEST PIZZERIAS NATIONWIDE**

The Dailymeal.com put out a list of the 101 best pizzas in America and New Jersey is home to four of the best pizzeria restaurants nationwide! Nick Azzaro says that his PaPa's Pizza in Robbinsville, New Jersey makes the list every year because his food is consistently tasty right down to the water he has shipped in from Trenton. The bricks Azzaro uses in his oven date back to 1912 from the same pizzeria his grandfather started in Trenton.

Date: September 4, 2014

Time: 3:10

**ISSUES: Economy / Government/Politics**

### **CHRISTIE WORKING TO FIX STRUGGLING ATLANTIC CITY ECONOMY**

Back in March 2012 Governor Chris Christie was very optimistic that plans for the new Revel Casino would save Atlantic City and the struggling casino industry there. Now with four casino's closing their doors for good, Governor Christie is saying that these closures are not necessarily a failure, but reality. Now Governor Christie plans to host a bi-partisan summit to discuss the future of Atlantic City.

Date: September 4, 2014

Time: 2:35

**ISSUES: Transportation**

### **SOLAR POWERED TRANSPORTATION PODS COMING TO SECAUCUS**

There is a new mode of transportation on its way to Secaucus, New Jersey. JPODS transportation is going to be an alternative solar powered way for people to get from point A to point B. The pod system was created by two West Point graduates and is currently in the prototype testing stages. JPODS will eventually run from the Frank Lautenberg Train Station in Secaucus to MetLife Stadium In East Rutherford by using a rail suspended in the air with multiple JPODS that seat up to five people running at all times of the day and night. Secaucus Mayor Michael Gonnelli is excited for this new transportation to be tested in his town.

Date: September 4, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community /Crime/Law Enforcement**

### **BAGEL STORE BANDIT CAUGHT ON CAMERA STEALING TIP JARS**

Nail down your tip jars! A serial tip stealer is sweeping through Budd Lake, New Jersey targeting bagel stores in the area. Mt. Olive Bagels in Budd Lake caught the thief on camera stealing an estimated \$30 in tips. The store manager, John, posted the video on Facebook and got a huge response on social media. After over 1,500 shares, a woman who witnessed the crime came forward and helped identify the thief as Jennifer Flaherty. Flaherty has been charged with theft of removable property from multiple stores and is awaiting a court date.

Date: September 4, 2014

Time: 5:15

**ISSUES: Education**

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL PLAGUED WITH CONTROVERSY IN SOME NJ SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

As of last week, the school district in Paterson, New Jersey had over 130 teaching vacancies. Through aggressive hiring's they managed to lower that number to 80, but with the school year now in full swing the community is asking the question, why weren't schools more prepared? In Newark, parents are protesting the controversial One Newark Plan which is being put in place by Newark Public Schools Superintendent Cami Anderson and consists of closing failing schools, changing bus schedules, and enacting performance based pay for teachers. Angry parents are opposing this plan by keeping their children out of school. In some schools, attendance reportedly was only around 50% on the first day back. The community is outraged over the plan because they say they didn't have any say in the matter.

Date: September 5, 2014

Time: 3:14

**ISSUES: Homeland Security / Community**

**NEW JERSEY GAS STATIONS ILL PREPARED FOR THIS HURRICANE SEASON**

New Jersey's Office of Emergency Management is getting 52 generators to keep gas stations up and running in case of another storm. However, the select gas stations won't receive generators until November. The purpose of this federally funded program. The hope is that this federally funded program will reduce the long lines for gas that plagued the Garden State after Hurricane Sandy.

Date: September 5, 2014

Time: 3:01

**ISSUES: Community / Education**

**BRICK'S AWARD WINNING MARCHING BAND IS SHUT DOWN BY COPS OVER NOISE COMPLAINT**

Police shut down the Brick Memorial High School Marching Band's practice because of noise complaints from neighbors. The band practices in the school parking lot, 6 days a week, sometimes until 10 pm. Brick Township has a noise ordinance that the neighbors feel is being violated by the band practicing so close to their homes.

Date: September 5, 2014

Time: 2:54

**ISSUES: Education / Community**

**#1 COLLEGE FOOTBALL RECRUIT BEAT ACCUSATIONS OF WRONGDOING AFTER SWITCHING SCHOOLS**

Rashan Gary, an all-star Football player at Paramus Catholic in Bergen County, was accused of switching schools from Scotch Plains Fanwood High School to Paramus Catholic because he was recruited by Paramus. The case went to the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association Eligibility Appeals Committee. Gary is a top recruit with offers from over 30 colleges and Paramus Catholic is a 2-time defending champion team. Gary was cleared of any wrongdoing.

Date: September 5, 2014

Time: 2:38

**ISSUES: Education / Community**

**PARENTS PROTEST SAFETY CONCERNS IN WEST NEW YORK AMID SCHOOL-YEAR STARTING**

Parents are concerned about how safe it is for their children to go to and from school. Students as young as 5 have to walk more than 15 blocks to get to classes. They're hoping that this protest will help to make bussing available for school children.

Date: September 8, 2014

Time: 2:39

**ISSUES: Community / Health Care**

**DEP WARNS CONTAMINATED NJ WATER MAKING SEAFOOD TOXIC**

The Newark River off of Bayonne in Hudson County is contaminated with Chromium and other cancer producing agents. The DEP has ruled that all shell fish from the river is inedible. Striped bass is legal though and people are eating it.

Date: September 8, 2014

Time: 2:04

**ISSUES: Community**

**CAESARS CASINO PROMOTES DINNER WITH MANNY PACQUIAO**

New Jersey natives Gino Colao and Tracy Parker got to have dinner with Manny Pacquiao, boxing's only eight-division world champion, at Ecco restaurant in New York. Caesars in Atlantic City has been working to boost its online gambling promotions in lieu of the casino closings in Atlantic City.

Date: September 8, 2014

Time: 4:58

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**TMZ'S HARVEY LEVIN TALKS RAY RICE AFTER NFL  
SUSPENDS PLAYER INDEFINITELY**

Ray Rice, former NFL player for the Baltimore Ravens, was caught on video punching his wife, Janay Rice. Rice is now suspended indefinitely from the NFL.

Date: September 8, 2014

Time: 2:21

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN WOODS NEAR OLD TENT CITY**

Yolanda Kelly, 38, was found dead near tent city in Lakewood, New Jersey. There are rumors that neighbors heard a gunshot on Saturday night and talk of a possible overdose. The one-year tent city contract is up soon and winter is approaching and there is no option in place for the current residents of tent city.

Date: September 8, 2014

Time: 3:29

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**DEMOCRATS REMIND NEW JERSEYANS OF BRIDGEGATE  
SCANDAL ONE-YEAR LATER**

Governor Christie might be running for president. Democratic National Chairman Debbie Wasserman-Schulz waged war on Christie trying to remind people about the infamous Bridgegate scandal. The committee launched a radio attack ad against the Governor one-year after Bridgegate and accused him of wrecking New Jersey economy and losing people's trust.

Date: September 9, 2014

Time: 1:33

**ISSUES: Government/Politics / Children/Youth / Community**  
**CHRISTIE ON DEFENSE**

Governor Christie got defensive at a meeting at the Catto Community Family School in Camden, New Jersey while he was discussing the future of schools in the city. Christie was asked about the Ray Rice controversy and said, "I do not get involved in critiquing the work of prosecutors in criminal cases when those criminal cases are still ongoing."

Date: September 9, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**JANAY RICE STANDS BY HER MAN AFTER VIDEO SURFACES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENT**

Janay Rice, wife of former NFL star Ray Rice stands by her man after a surveillance video surfaced of Ray Rice punching his now wife, Janay. The issue of Ray Rice being involved in domestic violence led to his indefinite suspension from the NFL.

Date: September 9, 2014

Time: 2:45

**ISSUES: Community / Economy**

**IS NJ'S FOOD STAMP PROGRAM ENOUGH FOR PEOPLE TO SURVIVE?**

This week, members of the NJ community including some politicians will participate in the SNAP or food stamp challenge to help raise awareness. The average person living in NJ receives \$30 a week in food stamps and some say it's not enough to survive.

Date: September 9, 2014

Time: 2:35

**ISSUES: Community / Economy**

**SPORTS BETTING IS ON ITS WAY TO NJ CASINOS AND RACETRACKS**

Governor Chris Christie is supporting a bill legalizing sports betting in New Jersey to jumpstart the economy. Five casinos have closed in Atlantic City. Monmouth Park Racetrack Chairman Dennis Drazin says, "The racetrack is ready to hit the ground running once betting is legalized." They are currently accepting simulated bets.

Date: September 9, 2014

Time: 1:43

**ISSUES: Community**

**MISS AMERICA SHOE PARADE STOMPING THE STREETS OF AC**

Miss America contestants will be parading around New Jersey's Atlantic City in custom-made shoes that reflect each girl's individual personality. The parade began in 1920 after fans starting asking contestants in the pageant if they could see their shoes. The Miss America Pageant is set to air on September 14.



Date: September 9, 2014

Time: 2:21

**ISSUES: Community / Health Care**

**BALD EAGLE FOUND DEAD IN NEWARK APARTMENT COMPLEX**

A bald eagle was found dead in the parking lot of Wakeman Square, a residential apartment complex in Newark, New Jersey. The super of the complex, Junior Castillo said the bird was "almost like four or five feet." Since the bald eagle is the national bird of America, there are fines up to \$100,000 for killing them. The cause of the bird's death is unknown.

Date: September 10, 2014

Time: 2:25

**ISSUES: Community**

**'LONG ROAD HOME AMERICA' HELPING WOUNDED VETERANS GET BACK IN THEIR HOMES**

Richard King is a Vietnam Veteran from Ridgewood, New Jersey who road across the country, over 10,000 miles, to support the "Long Road Home America". King created this organization to help raise money for disabled vets to get back into their homes when they return from service. King says that making the necessary charges are extremely costly and he hopes his organization can help take the burden off of military families.

Date: September 10, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**VICE PRINCIPAL RESCUES KITTEN FROM HOOD OF TEACHER'S CAR**

The Vice Principal of Thomas Jefferson Middle School in Fair Lawn, New Jersey, Dominick Tarquinio, is being deemed a hero after rescuing a small kitten from under the hood of a car. The black kitten with bright green eyes was stuck inside the hood of teacher Pamela Burke-Haug's vehicle. The duo originally planned to call animal control, but Mrs. Haug ultimately decided that she was going to adopt the kitten and she already named it Midnight.

Date: September 10, 2014

Time: 3:05

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ'S PRE-TRIAL INTERVENTION BEING QUESTIONED IN WAKE OF RAY RICE VIDEO**

The video showing former NFL star Ray Rice punching his now wife Janay has really struck a chord across the country. Since TMZ released the video earlier in the week Rice's contract with the Baltimore Ravens has been terminated as well as his involvement with the NFL all together. Because this was Rice's first offense, he was granted the opportunity to enter an intervention program rather than facing jail time or criminal charges. As a result, a lot of people are questioning the process of pre-trial intervention, most notably Senate President Steve Sweeney.

Date: September 10, 2014

Time: 3:25

**ISSUES: Community / Education**

**NEARLY 300 NEWARK STUDENTS WALK OUT OF CLASS, PROTEST SCHOOL SYSTEM**

Newark's student union, which consists of a large group of students from all over New Jersey's biggest city, walked out of school in order to make a dramatic point to Governor Christie about their discontent with Newark's public school system. The students referred to this demonstration as a "school shutdown" and they are asking the governor for a couple things including: getting-rid of Superintendent Cami Anderson and hosting a town hall meeting in Newark.

Date: September 10, 2014

Time: 3:15

**ISSUES: Community**

**PORT AUTHORITY POLICE DISCUSS SUICIDE PREVENTION ON NJ BRIDGES**

Yesterday was suicide prevention day and sadly Port Authority police officers all-too often have to deal with the reality of people trying to take their lives by jumping off some of New York and New Jersey's highest bridges. Officer Shpresa Liharevic said that her and her team helped save a man's life earlier this week and she explained how there really is no greater feeling than making a difference in someone's life.

Date: September 11, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community / Government/Politics**

**NEW SAYREVILLE LAW WILL PROHIBIT PERSONS UNDER 21 FROM BUYING CIGARETTES**

A new law in Sayreville, New Jersey will now limit the sale of cigarettes only to people 21 years-of-age or older. While this law was passed with the intention to help reduce the number of teenage smokers, all its really done is anger convenience store owners and drive away customers. The ordinance was introduced by Councilman David McGill as a way to limit access to cigarettes for young people. However, gas station and convenience store owners think all it does is force customers to shop elsewhere. Retailers who are caught selling cigarettes to people under the age of 21 will be fined up to \$1,000.

Date: September 11, 2014

Time: 2:20

**ISSUES: Community**

**METEOROLOGISTS PREDICT A COLD, SNOWY WINTER FOR NJ**

It may be time to dust off those winter coats, cold weather could be coming our way much quicker than you think. As early as next week areas all across New Jersey should start to see temperatures drop drastically with the northern part of the state getting down into the upper 40's. Senior Meteorologist at AccuWeather.com Brett Anderson said snowfall could come as early as the end of October or early November.

Date: September 11, 2014

Time: 2:50

**ISSUES: Community**

**LATEST VICTIM IN ALLEGED HARRAH'S SECURITY ASSAULT JOINS ONGOING LAWSUIT**

Amy Walsh, a registered nurse from Metuchen, New Jersey, was excited to celebrate her cousin's bachelorette party at Harrah's Pool After Dark in Atlantic City. They made a VIP reservation for six and were enjoying their night until they were told that their table only held five, and that's when Walsh says all hell broke loose. Walsh says she was the latest in a series of people allegedly assaulted by Harrah's security and has since filed a lawsuit. She said that Harrah's security along with Atlantic City police have a pattern of being overly aggressive.

Date: September 11, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**NEW JERSEYAN'S REMEMBER 9/11 13-YEARS AFTER THE TRAGIC EVENT**

Yesterday marked the 13th anniversary of the tragic events that took place on September 11th. The nation continues to remember and mourn the loss of Americans on that day which affected so many people in the Garden State. At the Passaic City Hall a touching ceremony was led by former Councilman Kenneth Lucianin who personally looks at his survival as a gift.

Date: September 11, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community / Crime/Law Enforcement**

**EMT INDICTED FOR STEALING VICTIMS CREDIT CARD DURING EMERGENCY CALL**

Monmouth County Prosecutors say that an EMT responding to an emergency call in Howell, New Jersey helped the victim and then helped herself to the victim's credit card. It's alleged that Lori Wegner of Toms River, New Jersey even tried using the card later in the day. The ambulance service she worked for MONOC says she's since been fired. The indictment was handed down by a Monmouth County grand jury.

Date: September 12, 2014

Time: 2:19

**ISSUES: Community**

**PHOTOGRAPHER CAPTURES SURFERS PARADISE ON JERSEY SHORE**

Photographer David Nilson gets some of his best surfing photos from Seaside Park in New Jersey. Nilson has travelled the world swimming, surfing, and photographing the ocean, but not much compares to swells in his native New Jersey. Nilson has successfully found a way to combine two of his favorite passions, photography and surfing.

Date: September 12, 2014

Time: 2:42

**ISSUES: Community**

**HALLOWEEN FEVER COMING TO NJ EARLY THIS YEAR**

Stores are getting into the Halloween spirit a little earlier than usual this year. Cliff Witmyer, Owner of 'Fun Ghoul' Halloween store in Rutherford, New Jersey says, "Halloween has become the second biggest retail holiday in the country." Witmyer's shop is open all year to serve the film, theatre, and television industry as a full-time costume and make-up resource.

Date: September 12, 2014

Time: 3:33

**ISSUES: Community**

**BACKSTAGE AT THE MISS AMERICA PAGEANT**

The 2015 Miss America Pageant took place this Sunday and Miss New York Kira Kazantsev walked away with this year's crown.

Date: September 12, 2014

Time: 2:18

**ISSUES: Children/Youth / Community**

**KIDS OF MAN KILLED IN UZI ACCIDENT MAKE TOUCHING VIDEO FOR GIRL INVOLVED IN TRAGEDY**

The 9-year-old New Jersey girl who accidentally killed her firearms instructor, Charles Vacca, received a heartfelt and emotional video from the Charles' children wishing her peace.

Date: September 12, 2014

Time: 3:42

**ISSUES: Community / Economy**

**ONE-YEAR AFTER SEASIDE BOARDWALK FIRE**

Reflecting on the flames that engulfed parts of the Seaside Boardwalk damaging much of what was just recently restored from Sandy. Some residents fear that the necessary construction needed to improve the area will actually make it impossible, even dangerous to continue to live there. Seaside Heights is a step ahead of Seaside Park. They are still in the process of putting in new pipes and trying to upgrade the infrastructure.

Date: September 15, 2014

Time: 4:07

**ISSUES: Community**

**CHRISTMAS CRAZE COMING TO NJ EARLY THIS YEAR**

Big box stores are already putting Christmas trees and apparel out on the shelves, but some people think it's too early for that. The Hallmark store in Holmdel, New Jersey has had their Christmas ornaments on shelves since July.

Date: September 15, 2014

Time: 2:27

**ISSUES: Community / Government/Politics**

**VIDEO SURFACES OF IRATE JERSEY CITY STAFFER  
CONFRONTING RESIDENTS ABOUT LITTER**

City Hall employee Brooke Hansson went on a vulgar rant about litter on the streets. In the video Hansson tells people to clean up their mess. Hansson reportedly works on Mayor Fulop's "Stop the Drop" anti-litter campaign. Some feel her passion is needed to clean up New Jersey streets.

Date: September 15, 2014

Time: 3:25

**ISSUES: Education**

**EXCHANGE STUDENT REJECTED BY PUBLIC H.S. OFFERED  
SPOT AT TOP NJ PRIVATE SCHOOL**

17-year-old Netherlands resident Thomas Van Uggelen traveled over 4,600 miles by air to attend school in NJ, only to get rejected by the school he was supposed to attend. Top preparatory school Don Bosco heard about the ordeal and offered him a year's scholarship.

Date: September 15, 2014

Time: 1:35

**ISSUES: Homeland Security / Government/Politics**

**CHRISTIE, CUOMO & DE BLASIO COLLABORTE ON SAFETY &  
SECURITY MEASURES**

Governor Christie alongside New York Governor Andrew Cuomo and Mayor Bill de Blasio held a press conference to announce a bi-state review of current safety and security procedures to prepare the two states for any threats.

Date: September 15, 2014

Time: 2:25

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**RAY RICE OFFERED NJ'S PRE-TRIAL INTERVENTION DESPITE VIOLENT NATURE OF VIDEO**

Less than 1% of people involved in domestic violence cases in New Jersey are offered an option to participate in the pre-trial intervention program (PTI). Ray Rice has been accepted and the community is outraged because the same prosecutor refused to allow nonviolent offender, Shanteen Allen into PTI. Now she's facing 12 years in prison.

Date: September 16, 2014

Time: 2:31

**ISSUES: Economy**

**ONGOING CONSTRUCTION NIGHTMARE AFFECTING BUSINESS OWNERS**

Residents of Byram Township, New Jersey are concerned about the construction on Route 206 because it has negatively affected their businesses. In some cases, business has dipped by a third. Some business owners are asking for money for advertising so they can draw customers back into the region. People are avoiding this stretch of road because of the construction and people want to know why the construction is taking so long.

Date: September 16, 2014

Time: 1:23

**ISSUES: Transportation**

**LARGE SPEED BUMPS IN JERSEY CITY ARE DAMAGING CARS**

Jersey City speed bumps are causing a lot of controversy among residents. The speed bumps are so large that they're messing with the suspension or cars scrape them. Jersey City released a statement outlining plans to make some changes to the speed bumps including lowering them.

Date: September 16, 2014

Time: 3:17

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**JERSEY CITY RESIDENTS SUPPORT TRASH-TALKING CITY STAFFER**

New Jersey residents are commenting on Brooke Hansson's video from yesterday. Hansson, an employee working on Mayor Fulop's "Stop the Drop" anti-litter campaign, scolded a group of citizens about littering. Lots of people are supportive of Hansson for drawing attention to an issue that needs to be addressed. Apparently, the roads where Hansson went on her rant look clean, so maybe the video worked?

Date: September 16, 2014

Time: 1:45

**ISSUES: Crime/Law Enforcement**

**PROSECUTORS NOW BUILDING CASE AGAINST MOTHER IN 23 YEAR OLD WILTSEY MURDER**

23 years ago, 5 year-old Timothy Wiltsey was found dead. His mother was the lead suspect, but there was not enough evidence for a conviction. New evidence has emerged and in the meantime Lodzinski is being held on \$2,000,000 bail.

Date: September 16, 2014

Time: 1:22

**ISSUES: Economy**

**CONSTRUCTION STARTS AGAIN ON EAST RUTHERFORD'S AMERICAN DREAM PROJECT**

Meadowlands Xanadu, an entertainment retail complex in East Rutherford, New Jersey is under construction. The project will employ 10,000 construction workers and 15,000-20,000 full-time employees once it opens for business. The American Dream project aka Meadowlands Xanadu is in the process of getting the necessary paperwork approved to open by fall 2016.



Date: September 17, 2014

Time: 2:00

**ISSUES: Children/Youth / Community**

**NAME MIX-UP RESULTS IN GRANDPARENT TAKING HOME  
WRONG KID FROM SCHOOL**

When parents bring their kids to school they expect them to be in safe hands. Well a nightmare situation at Dale Avenue School in Patterson, New Jersey took place earlier this week when a 3-year-old child went home with the wrong grandma! Nina Mills is the real grandmother and she described the feeling she had when she went to pick up her grandchild and she were already gone. According to police, the grandmother who took the child had no notice and no signed note; she just said to the teacher "I'm here for Madison." Well in this case there are two Madison's in the classroom, so after one of them stepped forward, the teacher sent the child off with that grandmother. Police say that this mix-up took place because the grandmother who took the wrong Madison had not seen her granddaughter in 9 months.

Date: September 17, 2014

Time: 2:45

**ISSUES: Community**

**NEW POLL SHOWS INCREASE IN DEMAND AT NJ FOOD  
PANTRIES**

More than one-third of New Jersey households, 38%, are not getting by financially according to a recent report from the United Way and Rutgers University. As a result, a lot of people are sacrificing food as a way to get by. The report also says that one-third of a million Garden State households are living in poverty and that 900,000 households simply aren't getting by. The report adds that the problem represents a cross-section of New Jersey residents which includes all races and ages in every county across the state.

Date: September 17, 2014

Time: 3:15

**ISSUES: Community**

**BILLBOARD ADVERTISES JUSTICE FOR HONEST GUN-OWNING MOM**

Chasing New Jersey first brought you the story of Shaneen Allen, the single mother of two who didn't know it was illegal to enter New Jersey with her firearm that was licensed in Philadelphia. After being pulled over for a minor traffic accident and telling the cop immediately about the gun in her possession, Allen can now face up to 11 ½ years in prison. The New Jersey Second Amendment Society along with several other groups has raised funds to launch a billboard campaign to essentially "Free Shaneen". They erected four huge billboards with Allen's picture on it in the Garden State to help bring to light how ridiculous this ruling is and help put pressure on the prosecutor and other individuals to take a second look at this case and do the right thing. For now, the prosecutor has put the case on hold while he reviews everything.

Date: September 17, 2014

Time: 3:30

**ISSUES: Homeland Security**

**THE CONTINUING THREAT OF HOMEGROWN TERRORISM IN THE UNITED STATES**

Brendan Tevlin's brutal murder caused a lot pain in the community where he grew up in West Orange and Livingston, New Jersey, but it's now become a story every American should pay close attention to. Tevlin was reportedly killed by an alleged Jihadist, Ali Muhammad Brown, who shot the teen 10 times and allegedly claimed that the murder of the 19 year-old was an act of revenge against the U.S. and a "just kill" for Iraq and Syria. Brown is not the only homegrown terrorist among us. New York City Police Commissioner Bill Bratton issued a warning that there could be a Jihadist attack in NYC.

Date: September 17, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Health**

**CDC CONFIRMS FIRST CASE OF ENTEROVIRUS IN NJ**

The Center for Disease Control has confirmed New Jersey's first case of the enterovirus (EVD68). This virus has flu like symptoms and severely impacts the respiratory system. The New Jersey child who came in contact with the virus is being treated at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia along with four other confirmed cases. At this time, 13 states have confirmed additional incidents where people have come in contact with EVD68. The CDC expects this virus to spread to other states. Dr. Steve Weisholtz from Englewood Hospital and Medical Center discussed ways to help prevent the spread of this virus.

Date: September 18, 2014

Time: 1:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**CITY CHALLENGE PREVIEW**

There are not many things that can get me out of bed and out to work out in the rain, but learning tips on how to compete in one of the toughest races in New Jersey is one of them. Elvi Guzman is the founder of City Challenge obstacle race. The race is coming to Hoboken and it promises to make you sweat and have fun while you're doing it.

Date: September 18, 2014

Time: 2:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**PARENTS OF TEEN KILLED IN JIHAD SPEAK OUT**

The parents of murdered Seton Hall Prep student Brendan Tevlin have decided to speak out in an interview with Fox News' Greta Van Susteren. Tevlin's parents spoke about Ali Muhammad Brown, who police said killed Tevlin and called it an act of Jihad against the United States. But to Tevlin's parents, he's just a killer, not a terrorist. Brendan's parents set up a memorial fund for Seton Hall Prep to have the lacrosse field renamed in Brendan's honor.

Date: September 18, 2014

Time: 1:30

**ISSUES: Community**

**\$90 MILLION IN PORT AUTHORITY IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED**

The Port Authority says it will spend \$90 million on a program it calls "Quality of Service" which will improve service for New Jersey commuters who use the Port Authority Bus Terminal on Manhattan's West Side. Despite the promise of improvements, commuters are not happy with the state of Port Authority. Besides buses being late, Port Authority Terminal has a lot of problems with leaking ceilings and bathrooms being out of order. But the terminal has made some improvements by adding more charging stations and improving the WiFi.

Date: September 19, 2014

Time: 2:40

**ISSUES: Community**

**COAST GUARD'S PROPOSAL TO REBUILD REJECTED BY SANDY HOOK RESIDENTS**

After nearly being wiped out by Hurricane Sandy two years ago, the Coast Guard station in Sandy Hook wants to rebuild certain buildings to make them storm resistant. However, this proposal is getting a lot of push back from residents and historians in the area who say this proposal will negatively affect local tourism. The Coast Guard plans to demolish and replace three different centers with storm resistant structures, after these buildings were flooded with over five-feet of water and damaged almost beyond repair.

Date: September 19, 2014

Time: 2:20

**ISSUES: Community**

**NEW JERSEY'S CRAFT BEER KINGS**

The Cloverleaf Tavern in Caldwell, New Jersey knows beer! It is rated the #1 craft beer bar in the Northeast for the second year in a row by CraftBeer.com, and it's also one of the top spots in the nation. The team at Cloverleaf are beer experts and beer lovers, who say they just want to provide you with something you'll enjoy. Their ever changing menu and featuring of Garden State Breweries are just some of the reasons customers keep coming back.

Date: September 19, 2014

Time: 3:00

**ISSUES: Community**

**BRENDAN TEVLIN'S PARENTS SPEAK OUT ABOUT SON'S TRAGIC MURDER**

The murder of 19-year-old Brendan Tevlin by an alleged jihadist as revenge on Americans for killing Muslims overseas has struck a nerve in this country. Now Tevlin's parents, Allison and Michael, admit they have been comforted by the huge out-pour of support from people across the country, but that they are still heartbroken by the whole ordeal. A memorial fund has also been set up in Tevlin's honor to help raise funds to change the name of the lacrosse field in which he often played. Anyone interested in donating can [click here](#) for more information.

Date: September 19, 2014

Time: 4:10

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**REPORT CLAIMS GOVERNOR CHRISTIE IS CLEARED OF BRIDGEGATE, U.S. ATTORNEY SAYS NOT SO FAST**

NBC reported last week that federal investigators have uncovered no information linking Governor Chris Christie to the lane closures in Fort Lee over a year ago that caused massive back-ups on the George Washington Bridge, also known as Bridgegate. NBC News is citing an unconfirmed source and they are the only media outlet reporting this at this time. However, a spokesperson for U.S. Attorney Paul Fishman, who is heading this ongoing investigation said that this nine-month probe is still "very much ongoing", but declined to comment further on any conclusions that prosecutors have drawn thus far. Senator Loretta Weinberg is one of the co-chairs of the legislative committee responsible for looking into Bridgegate. She said that she isn't cheering and hoping that the Governor of New Jersey is guilty of a crime, but confirmed that regardless the committee has already uncovered inappropriate behavior within the administration. Assemblyman John Wisniewski, the other co-chair, added that their investigation is not over and the headlines clearing Governor Christie are premature.

Date: September 19, 2014

Time: 1:35

**ISSUES: Community**

**JUDGE RULES SSN BE TAKEN OFF NJDEP PARKING TICKET FORM**

Since Memorial Day, Chasing New Jersey has been looking closely at a privacy violation by the NJDEP at Liberty State Park after chaser Tamara Laine had a parking ticket left out in the open on her vehicle that showed her social security number, address, driver's license number, and everything a thief would need to steal someone's identity. Laine investigated the situation further and was told by an NJDEP spokesman that this was a mistake done by a rookie officer which has since been fixed. After arriving in court for her scheduled court date Laine told the judge about the privacy violation and the judge immediately recommended that the prosecutor's office contact the NJDEP and park's police and tell them that protocol should change. This ruling is similar to what the American's Civil Liberties Union has accomplished by demanding that the box on the ticket that asks for a social security number be taken off the form completely.

Date: September 22, 2014

Time: 3:45

**ISSUES: Health Care / Community**

**BEDBUG PROBLEM IN TRENTON APARTMENT BUILDING HAS RESIDENTS ITCHING FOR HELP**

Luther Towers, a 205 unit apartment building in Trenton, New Jersey has a bed bug problem. Most residents are on public assistance and the cost to exterminate is extremely high. Residents paid for extermination last year for a job that was apparently unfinished. Residents weren't supposed to foot the extermination bill. Alma Realty of Long Island City bought the apartment complex in 2008. Buggin Out now has a monthly pest control contract in the building.

Date: September 22, 2014

Time: 2:36

**ISSUES: Health Care / Community**

**VIRUS KILLING OFF DOGS IN WEST TRENTON**

Parvovirus is killing dogs in West Trenton. The virus spreads dog-to-dog, mainly through dog feces. The ASPCA national chapter paid for over 400 vaccinations and gave out tips to keep your dog safe and healthy.

Date: September 22, 2014

Time: 2:49

**ISSUES: Substance Abuse**

**PROSECUTORS INVESTIGATING TRAGIC DEATH OF RUTGERS STUDENT**

Rutgers University sophomore Caitlyn Kovacs died tragically on Saturday night. She was rushed from a fraternity party at 3 AM by friends, but died shortly after. People are speculating that the cause of death is alcohol-related. The prosecutor's office said they are still doing an investigation and that they will not get autopsy toxicology results back for several days.

Date: September 22, 2014

Time: 3:05

**ISSUES: Economy**

**OUTLET STORE SHOPPING UNCOVERED: YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR**

Some speculate that outlet store shopping may be giving you exactly what you pay for, something that may cost less, but is also of lower quality. J Crew admitted to having different clothing in their factory outlet stores compared to their retail stores. The Inside Edition team also investigated the quality of products sold at outlet stores and they discovered that people are likely to get a lower quality product from the items specifically made for the outlets.

Date: September 22, 2014

Time: 4:11

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

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Time: 2:41

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Date: September 23, 2014

Time: 2:33

**ISSUES: Transportation / Economy**

**NEW JERSEY'S CHEAP GAS STICKING AROUND FOR A WHILE**

Gas prices are under \$3 a gallon in Union, New Jersey, the lowest they've been in 4 years. Sal Risalvato, Executive Director of New Jersey Gasoline, C-Store, and Automotive Association, says we can thank a decline in demand for gas for the drop in price. Fewer people travel in the fall than in the summer. The gas is also less expensive because of the recipe which is better for fall and winter seasons.

Date: September 23, 2014

Time: 3:13

**ISSUES: Health**

**ULTRA SHAPE PROCEDURE USING ULTRA SOUND TO ZAP AWAY BELLY FAT**

Dr. Joel Kopelman is one of two Doctors in New Jersey offering a new procedure called Ultra Shape, which uses ultra sound to burn the stomach fat away. This procedure costs a couple thousand dollars. Ideal candidates for Ultra Shape are people with a little extra tummy fat that they can't seem to get rid of. Mothers can experience this problem after having a child and the Ultra Shape can fix it.

Date: September 23, 2014

Time: 2:37

**ISSUES: Community**

**NJ BEAR ATTACK ENDS IN DEATH OF RUTGERS STUDENT**

22-year-old Rutgers student Darh Patel was attacked and killed by a bear while hiking in the woods in the Apshawa Reserve in West Milford Township, New Jersey. At the time, Patel was hiking with a few friends. Patel's friends say they were being followed by a bear, and began to run when Patel was separated from the group. The group called authorities because they couldn't find Patel. Police euthanized the bear on scene after finding it nearby the body of Patel. The last bear attack in NJ that resulted in death happened in 1852.

Date: September 23, 2014

Time: 2:51

**ISSUES: Community**

**ANOTHER SHOOTING IN PATERSON KILLS INNOCENT 14-YEAR-OLD GIRL**

14-year-old Nazerah Coleman was shot in the back while walking with her best friend, Nigel Smith, on Saturday night in Paterson, New Jersey. There are turf wars happening in Paterson right now between "uphill" and "downhill."



Date: September 23, 2014

Time: 2:49

**ISSUES: Community**

**MICRO-HOMES SWEEPING THE NATION**

Micro-homes are growing in popularity. These tiny houses are a total of 144 square feet and cost roughly \$10,000 to build, not including plumbing and electricity. First, legislation would need to be changed in New Jersey to allow the construction of micro-homes. Micro-homes are sustainable and can be built quickly, so they are ideal in emergency housing situations and they can last for up to 50 years.

Date: September 23, 2014

Time: 1:36

**ISSUES: Community**

**THE PRINCETON PROFESSOR CAUGHT STEALING LAWN SIGNS HEADS TO COURT**

Princeton University Professor John Mulvey was accused of stealing 21 lawn signs that advertised Computer Engineer Ted Horodynsky's business. The professor claims he was just cleaning up litter, but the police say the signs were all found in Mulvey's garage. The case is heading toward settlement, but Mulvey needs to complete 100 hours of community service and apologize to Horodynsky. The whole ordeal is said to stem back from an incident back in July when Mulvey claims that Horodynsky cut him off in traffic and did not apologize. Horodynsky then received a phone call where the caller threatened to take down his road signs until he received an apology. Horodynsky has video of Mulvey stealing his signs.

Date: September 24, 2014

Time: 2:26

**ISSUES: Economy**

**ATTACK OF THE NJ GAS TAX**

New Jersey is enjoying the lowest gas prices across the state, meanwhile two NJ legislators, Assemblyman Wisniewski and Assembly Speaker Prieto, are leading a charge to possibly raise the gas tax. They will hold 4 separate hearings to consider reasons for raising the gas tax because the state's transportation trust fund is completely depleted.

Date: September 24, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Community**

**HONEST GUN OWNING MOM GRANTED PRE-TRIAL INTERVENTION**

Shaneen Allen has been accepted into the pre-trial intervention program which allows first-time offenders to avoid criminal charges and jail time.

Date: September 24, 2014

Time: 2:49

**ISSUES: Homeland Security**

**CHRISTIE & CUOMO TALK INCREASED TERROR THREATS & SECURITY INITIATIVES**

NJ Governor Chris Christie and NY Governor Andrew Cuomo met to make announcements about increasing security at the border and transportation stations between NY and NJ. Increasing border security is a dual action to increase homeland security.

Date: September 24, 2014

Time: 2:15

**ISSUES: Transportation / Community**

**HO HO KUS ROAD WARRIOR FIGHTING TO STOP TRAFFIC ON RESIDENTIAL STREET**

Donna Cioffi is taking on the government over what she says is dangerous traffic on her residential street. Powderhorn Road in Ho Ho Kus has become a shortcut for commercial drivers to avoid traffic on Route 502. There are an estimated 3,600 cars travelling on Powderhorn Road per day and Cioffi believes this is not safe.

Date: September 24, 2014

Time: 1:57

**ISSUES: Health / Community**

**POSSIBLE OUTBREAK OF ENTEROVIRUS IN NJ?**

The Jersey Shore University Medical Center in Neptune, New Jersey reported that they have about 30 kids they are watching closely who may possibly have the D68 enterovirus. At this time, the CDC is only confirming one case of enterovirus in the Garden State.

Date: September 24, 2014

Time: 2:47

**ISSUES: Community**

**ZOMBIE PRANKSTER HELPS KICK OFF “THE WALKING DEAD” ON MY9**

“Zombie Prankster,” Nick Santonastasso came to the My9 studio to talk about his vine videos that have gone viral. Producers of the Walking Dead were so enamored with his videos that they contacted him and flew him out to Japan to meet some cast members of the show and even partake in a little prank.

Date: September 25, 2014

Time: 3:08

**ISSUES: Community / Education**

**NJ AIRPORT HOUSES LEGENDARY B-17 BOMBER AIRCRAFT**

The B-17 Bomber aircraft, known as Aluminum Overcast is one of a very few airworthy Flying Fortresses left in the world. You can ride it, but it'll cost \$450 per person. The war bird is over 70 years old. The B-17's were built for WWII, but never saw battle, so the government actually sold them for \$750 each.

Date: September 25, 2014

Time: 3:01

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**MERCER COUNTY SHERIFF RACE HEATING UP**

Mercer County Sheriff Republican candidate David Jones is accusing current Sheriff John Kemler of being a double dipper. Kemler collects an annual pension from the Police and Firemen's Retirement System Fund on top of his compensation as sheriff, which nets him over \$230,000 per year from the state. Jones is vowing to surrender his \$91,000 pension from serving as a major in the state police if he is elected.

Date: September 25, 2014

Time: 2:46

**ISSUES: Children/Youth / Community**

**TRAGEDY STRIKES AGAIN OVER NJ'S VICTORY BRIDGE**

NJ's Victory Bridge is now being called the “suicide bridge.” With two deaths just last week, friends of the most recent victim 16-year-old Giancarlos Taveras, are organizing a walk to raise awareness. People have been pleading with the NJ Department of Transportation (NJDOT) to build barriers on the bridge that has claimed the lives of over 70 people since 2005.

Date: September 25, 2014

Time: 3:23

**ISSUES: Community**

### **HONEST GUN OWNING MOM IS READY TO MOVE ON WITH HER LIFE**

Shaneen Allen has been accepted into the pre-trial intervention program. She was preparing for nearly 12 years behind bars for bringing the gun she legally purchased and was licensed to carry in Philadelphia across the bridge into New Jersey. The program allows Allen to walk away from this incident with no criminal charges or jail time.

Date: September 25, 2014

Time: 2:53

**ISSUES: Community**

### **NEW JERSEY SEXTING LAWS IN NEED OF A CHANGE?**

Allyson Pereira, is on a mission to change New Jersey's sexting laws. Her ex-boyfriend took a nude picture of her and shared it with his contact list making it go viral. Many people don't realize the legal implications associated with distributing lewd content.

Date: September 26, 2014

Time: 3:43

**ISSUES: substance abuse**

### **RECOVERING ADDICT SHARES HER STRUGGLES & PATH TO SOBRIETY**

Heroin use has become a huge epidemic in New Jersey. Fortunately, for those struggling with addiction there are places like Crawford House in Skillman, New Jersey that provide traditional housing and treatment to women in early stages of recovery. One woman shares the intimate details of her struggle with addiction.

Date: September 26, 2014

Time: 2:21

**ISSUES: Education / Community**

### **MOTHER OF RUTGERS STUDENT WHO DIED AFTER A FRAT APRTY SPEAKS OUT**

Last week, Rutgers University Sophomore Caitlyn Kovacs was at a fraternity party on campus before friends rushed her to the hospital at 3:00 AM. She died shortly after. There is no official cause of death; people continue to speculate that alcohol may have played a role. People say she was very sweet, athletic, and not really a big partier. People say they were talking and interacting with Kovacs before she fell ill and they decided to take her to the hospital. Kovacs' mother is not ready to accuse anyone of wrongdoing.

Date: September 26, 2014

Time: 2:37

**ISSUES: Government/Politics / Homeland Security**

### **NJ CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE TALKS PLANS FOR THE GARDEN STATE**

Clifton Mayor Janice Kovach discussed her political platform and what she hopes to do for the people of New Jersey. Kovach explained that New Jerseyans need to make sure they elect officials in Washington who want to see change and are willing to fight for change. Kovach says that homegrown terrorism and security are also a big concern for New Jerseyans.

Date: September 26, 2014

Time: 2:32

**ISSUES: Transportation / Community**

### **DOUBLE PARKING ANNOYS NJ MOTORISTS**

New Jersey motorists have two words for people who take up multiple parking spots, "you're obnoxious." The owner of a white corvette double parked. Kyle DeMattia parked his jeep up on the curb to make a point and filmed the reaction of the corvette owner as he discovered the jeep and inspected his car for damage. The video and photo went viral.

Date: September 26, 2014

Time: 2:34

**ISSUES: Community / Economy**

### **NEW JERSEY NEIGHBORHOOD IS WEALTHIEST ZIP CODE IN THE NATION**

Alpine, New Jersey is home to the wealthiest zip code in the United States. With houses well over \$2.5 Million, and celebrity residents, this area of NJ is shaping up to be the place to live for people with money.

Date: September 26, 2014

Time: 1:46

**ISSUES: Health Care / Community**

### **TWO SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS WORK TOGETHER TO SAVE LIVES**

Frank Grauso of Hot Bagels Abroad and Dr. Mike Credico of Bloomfield Total Health Care Center have been working with the American Red Cross to collect more than 495 pints of blood over the past 7 years. According to the Red Cross, over 38,000 blood donations are needed every day. NJ falls below the national average for the number of people that donate.

Date: September 29, 2014

Time: 2:21

**ISSUES: Children/Youth / Community**

**MOTHER OF RUTGERS STUDENT WHO DIED AFTER FRAT PARTY SPEAKS OUT**

Rutgers University Sophomore Caitlyn Kovacs was at a fraternity party on campus before friends rushed her to the hospital. She died shortly after. There is still no official cause of death. People continue to speculate that alcohol may have played a role. Kovacs' mother spoke out and said people will continue to speculate the cause of death and she isn't ready to accuse anybody of wrongdoing and is not ready to pursue legal action. She wants to allow the investigation to play out.

Date: September 29, 2014

Time: 3:24

**ISSUES: Government/Politics**

**CHRISTIE CALLS JOURNALIST LOOKING INTO NJ PENSION SYSTEM A 'HACK'**

David Sirota, writer and investigative reporter for the International Business Times, recently put out an article titled, "Governor Chris Christie Economic Numbers Don't Add Up," regarding his ongoing investigation about the NJ pension system. Christie responded by calling Sirota a "hack."

Date: September 29, 2014

Time: 2:39

**ISSUES: Economy / Community / Government/Politics**

**NJ SENATOR PROPOSES OPEN CONTAINER POLICY FOR A.C. BOARDWALK**

As Atlantic City continues to struggle with the recent closings of multiple casinos and thousands of people losing their jobs, State Senator Tom Kean suggested to Governor Chris Christie that people be allowed to have open containers of alcohol on the boardwalk and the beach. Experts agree this can improve tourism.

Date: September 29, 2014

Time: 3:42

**ISSUES: Community**

**NEWARK'S 'STREET COUNSELOR' VOWS TO STOP NEIGHBORHOOD VIOLENCE**

Newark, New Jersey continues to be an incredibly violent community. Tyrone Barnes is taking a stand and trying to do what he can to reach the city's youth before it's too late. A previous offender, Barnes is hoping to help youth avoid making the same mistakes he did by taking time to walk the streets of Newark and talk to members of the community.

Date: September 29, 2014

Time: 3:04

**ISSUES: Economy / Community**

**TOLL EVASION A HUGE PROBLEM IN NJ**

Pavel Kosovan was recently arrested and charged with having altered license plates which allowed him to avoid paying \$53,000 in tolls. Kosovan operated a huge tractor trailer and failed to display a license plate on the front of his truck, and smeared grease on his back license plate so the EZ pass cameras were unable to charge his account. Toll evasion is a serious and ongoing problem.

Date: September 29, 2014

Time: 2:16

**ISSUES: Community**

**PROSECUTORS REOPEN INVESTIGATION FIVE YEARS AFTER MURDER TOOK PLACE**

David Granskie Junior was in court on allegations that he was one of three men that killed and brutally raped Carolyn Stone in 2009. Gary Wilson, currently serving a 45-year sentence testified that he acted alone and that Granskie Jr. was asleep in the house when the murder took place. The prosecution is trying to prove that other men were involved in the murder, the trial will continue this week.

Date: September 30, 2014

Time: 2:38

**ISSUES: Children/Youth / Crime & Law Enforcement**

**VIDEOTAPE ALLEGEDLY SHOWS NJ TEACHER PERFORMING SEXUAL ACTS ON STUDENTS**

A teacher at Columbia High School in Maplewood, New Jersey allegedly sexually assaulted five of her 15-year-old students. She's facing multiple charges of aggravated sexual assault and endangering the welfare of a child. There is possibly a video tape that depicts her performing oral sex on a 15-year-old student.

Date: September 30, 2014

Time: 3:15

**ISSUES: Education / Health**

**PARENTS AT TRENTON SCHOOL DEMAND ANSWERS AFTER SUDDEN DEATH OF 4-YEAR-OLD**

A 4-year-old preschooler at Yardville Elementary School in Trenton, New Jersey died from what people are suggesting may be Enterovirus D-68. The school has been sanitized, parents are taking precautions, but they're still looking for answers. The cause of death is still undetermined at this time.

Date: September 30, 2014

Time: 2:31

**ISSUES: Community / Crime/Law Enforcement**

**MYSTERY STILL SURROUNDS THE DEATH OF HEALTH CARE EXECUTIVE AND HIS WIFE**

John and Joyce Sheridan were found dead in their home after a fire on Sunday morning. People are suspecting arson. The damage is contained to the couple's bedroom. John Sheridan was the President and CEO of Cooper University Health System and also spent the last 40 years working in NJ politics.

Date: September 30, 2014

Time: 3:33

**ISSUES: Community**

**THE URBAN COWBOY OF PELHAM PARKWAY**

Buster Marengo, one of the last known urban cowboys is being evicted from his home in Bronx, New York, so an apartment complex can be built in its place. Marengo's horse stable is one of the last remaining in the Bronx. Developers say the stable is an eyesore and think an apartment complex would greatly benefit the community of the Bronx and supply them with affordable housing.

Date: September 30, 2014

Time: 2:31

**ISSUES: Education**

**AUTHOR STIRS UP CONTROVERSY WITH ARTICLE CRITICIZING IVY LEAGUE SCHOOLS**

Author Bill Deresiewicz wrote an article titled, "Don't Send Your Kids to the Ivy League" Schools. It's gone viral and its raising questions about the kind of education Ivy League schools are providing saying "Ivy League students are superb at being students, but not as being thinkers." People have jumped to the defense of the Ivy League schools and Princeton has commented on the matter.