

WTTG-TV/Channel 5  
Program Information Report  
Fourth Quarter 2015

Short-Form Programming

The following contains information on locally produced public service announcements as well as a list of community organizations and government agencies that addressed local issues through public service announcements.

Public service announcements that aired included but were not limited to the following issues:

Community  
Crime  
Education  
Environment  
Government  
Health  
Substance Abuse  
Youth

Public service announcements provided by the following organizations:

Act against AIDS PSA  
Alcoholics Anonymous  
American Heart Association  
Arbor Day Foundation  
Best Friends Animal Society  
Coalition to Salute America's Heroes  
Doctors without Borders  
FCC PSA for Children's Programming  
Flu + You Onstage  
Hospice Support Fund  
Medicare PSA  
Mothers Against Drunk Driving  
Montgomery County Vietnam Vets  
Music Education in Schools  
National Allegiance on Mental Illness  
National Crime Prevention Council  
Paralyzed Veterans of America  
St. Jude Hospitals  
Today's Military

PSAs produced by WTTG/WDCA: **LLS "Light the Night with Fox 5"**  
**Children's Miracle Network—Hospital Heroes with Shawn Yancy**

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### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT**

Tisha Lewis- October 7, 2015- Serve as guest speaker to youth at the Gilead Baptist Church 1625 13<sup>th</sup> St., NW D.C.

Kevin McCarthy- October 18, 2015- Emcee the Montgomery County Family Justice Center Foundation and the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council's reception, "Out of the Darkness, Into the Light" Reception at the Hilton on Rockville Pike at 5pm.

Laura Evans – October 22, 2015- Emcee the Power of Pink Working out to End Breast Cancer at the Bethesda Equinox Redwood Restaurant

Will Thomas – October 24, 2015- Host Fashion Fights Poverty 10th Year Anniversary, Saturday, October 24, 2015 at the Halcyon House in Georgetown.

Terri Tolliver– October 25, 2015- Serve on Panel at the 2015 Annual Communications Job & Internship Fair at Howard University, 1030a-12p in the Blackburn University Center.

Tony Perkins & Sue Palka – October 30, 2015- Participate in the Silent Auction of the Salvation Army's Fundraising event. Serve as Masters of Ceremonies for the Women's Auxiliary of Washington's 66 Annual Fashion Show and Auction at the Ritz Carlton 11am.

Laura Evans –November 5, 2015- Emcee the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Great Expectations Gala for the National Council for Adoption at the Mayflower Hotel.

Sue Palka- November 6, 2015- Emcee the Supporting Our Aging Religious (SOAR) at the Italian Embassy 630p.

Sue Palka- November 20, 2015- Emcee the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Catholic Business Network Gala. The mission awards school scholarships for students.

Melanie Alnwick- December 4-6, 11-13 (time TBA) - brief walk on role for the Montgomery County's Metropolitan Ballet Theatre "Nutcracker" performance.

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*Fox 5 Morning News at 4:25am* – A Monday through Friday news program that airs from 4:25-5:00am and covers local, national and international stories; weather, traffic and sports updates; interviews with local and political leaders.

*Fox 5 Morning News* – A Monday through Friday news program that airs from 4:30-10:00am and covers local, national and international stories; weather, traffic and sports updates; interviews with local and political leaders.

*Fox 5 News at Five* – A Monday through Friday news program that airs from 5:00-6:00pm and covers news headlines, provides sports and weather information and gives updates on local news stories.

*Fox 5 News Edge at Six* – A Monday through Friday news program that airs from 6:00-6:30pm and covers news headlines, sports, weather and local news.

*Fox 5 News at Ten* – A daily one hour news program that airs from 10:00-11:00pm featuring local, national and international news headlines as well as in depth local stories, investigative reports, sports and weather information.

*Fox 5 News Edge at Eleven* – A Monday through Friday news program that airs from 11:00-11:30pm featuring local news, weather and sports.

Origination: Local

Issues addressed:

1. Crime
2. Local politics
3. National politics
4. Health
5. Education
6. Community
7. Housing
8. Transportation
9. Environment
10. Children

*Fox News Sunday* – A one hour weekly program, airing Sundays from 9:00-10:00am that looks at the most pressing issues of the week from the White House, Congress and Capitol Hill, the Supreme Court and various government agencies and conducts interviews with political newsmakers.

Origination: Network



## BUZZR E/I Programming Descriptions

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### Animal Rescue

Each episode of *Animal Rescue* shows real life, in-the-field experiences of professional and ordinary people taking care of, treating, and helping various animals, as well as exhibiting good social responsibility and promoting strong personal and community values.

### Dog Tales

Each episode of *Dog Tales* includes dog safety and care tips, as well as lessons for teenagers on the responsibility of owning a dog. The show also provides informative segments on various dog breeds and showcases various veterinary experts explaining different issues affecting canines.

### Stanley on the Go

*Stanley on the Go* is a weekly educational program that showcases the importance of learning about various historical places around the world. The series visits museums, castles, monuments and other interesting places across the United States and throughout Asia and Europe.

# 4th Quarter 2015 FOX News Sunday Quarterly Report

October 4, 2015-December 27, 2015

## October 4

### **GOP/House Speaker/Secret Service**

Rep Jason Chaffetz (R-UT), Chair, House Oversight Committee

### **ISIS/Russia**

General Jack Keane, Fox News Military Analyst

Ryan Crocker, Former U-S Ambassador to Iraq and Syria/Dean, Texas A&M University 's  
George Bush School of Government and Public Service

## October 11

### **GOP/House Speaker**

Rep Jim Jordan (R-OH), Freedom Caucus Chair

### **GOP/House Speaker**

Newt Gingrich, Former House Speaker/Fox News Contributor

### **Syria**

Stephen Hadley, Former National Security Advisor

Ambassador Dennis Ross, Fox News Contributor/Former Mideast Negotiator/The  
Washington Institute

## October 18

### **2016**

Donald Trump (R), Presidential Candidate

## October 25

### **2016**

Dr Ben Carson (R), Presidential Candidate

### **GOP/Benghazi**

Rep Jim Jordan (R-OH), Freedom Caucus Chair/Select Committee on Benghazi

## November 1

### (John Roberts Host)

### **2016/Syria/Troops**

Sen Linsey Graham (R-SC), Presidential Candidate/Armed Services Committee

### **New House Leadership**

Rep Paul Ryan (R-WI), House Speaker

**2016**

Carly Fiorina (R), Presidential Candidate

## November 8

**Russian Plane/Terrorism/ISIS**

Rep Michael McCaul (R-TX), Chair, Homeland Security Committee

**2016**

Gov Chris Christie (R-NJ), Presidential Candidate

## November 15

**Paris/Terrorism**

Ben Rhodes, Deputy National Security Advisor

**Paris/Terrorism**

Rep Peter King (R-NY), Select Intelligence Committee/Homeland Security Committee

**Paris**

Ginnie Watson, Bataclan Eyewitness

**Paris/Terrorism**

General Jack Keane, Fox News Military Analyst

**2016/Paris/Terrorism**

Dr Ben Carson (R), Presidential Candidate

## November 22

**2016**

Sen Marco Rubio (R-FL), Presidential Candidate

**2016/Obama/Terrorism**

Rush Limbaugh, Host, "The Rush Limbaugh Show"

## November 29

**2016**

Carly Fiorina (R), Presidential Candidate

**Terrorism**

Sen Richard Burr (R-NC), Chair, Intelligence Committee

## December 6

**Homegrown Terror**

Rep Michael McCaul (R-TX), Chair, Homeland Security Committee

**2016**

Dr Ben Carson (R), Presidential Candidate

## December 13

**2016**

Donald Trump (R), Presidential Candidate

**Climate Change**

Secretary of State

## December 20

**2016**

Carly Fiorina (R), Presidential Candidate

**Terrorism/ISIS**

Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA), Ranking Member, Intel Committee

## December 27

(Doug McKelway Host)

**2016**

Mike Huckabee (R), Presidential Candidate

**Terrorism**

Rep. Pete King (R-NY), Homeland Security Committee

# SAMPLE OF ISSUE RESPONSIVE NEWS PROGRAMMING

4Q 2015

*NATIONAL POLITICS*

*December 2015*

## **Campaign Roundup**

PACKAGE SCRIPT

STRAIGHT DUB

(PACKAGE SCRIPT

GOVERNOR CHRIS CHRISTIE HAS PICKED UP ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ENDORSEMENTS OF THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY SEASON.

THE PUBLISHER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE UNION LEADER SAYS - QUOTE:

"WE DON'T NEED ANOTHER FAST-TALKING, WELL-MEANING FRESHMAN U.S. SENATOR TRYING TO RUN THE GOVERNMENT. ... GOVERNOR CHRISTIE IS RIGHT FOR THESE DANGEROUS TIMES."

THE QUESTION NOW IS WILL THIS GIVE HIM THE MOMENTUM HE NEEDS TO BREAK INTO THE REALM OF A TOP-TIER CANDIDATE.

ONE CANDIDATE WHO'S ALREADY THERE... BUT SLIPPING IN THE POLLS... IS BEN CARSON.

TODAY -- HE'S WRAPPING UP A QUICK TRIP TO JORDAN WHERE HE MET WITH SYRIAN REFUGEES.

HE SAYS HE STILL BELIEVES THOSE REFUGEES SHOULD NOT BE BROUGHT TO THE U.S.

INSTEAD -- HE THINKS THE U.S. SHOULD DO MORE - FINANCIALLY AND POLITICALLY - TO HELP.

(Take sot)

CARSON says: "The Syrians want to be in Syria. They want to be repatriated in their own country. They are looking for mechanism to get there. But in meantime, the facilities offered to them here in Jordan are very satisfactory."

THE OTHER BIG ISSUE DRIVING THE SUNDAY SHOWS WAS THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD SHOOTING IN COLORADO.

WHILE AN EXACT MOTIVE IS STLL UNCLEAR, PLANNED PARENTHOOD SAYS HATEFUL LANGUAGE FROM ANTI-ABORTION ADVOCATES MAY BE TO BLAME.



BUT CARLY FIORINA FIRED BACK ON FOX NEWS SUNDAY.

(Take sot)

FIORINA says: "What I would say to anyone who tries to link this terrible tragedy to anyone who opposes abortion or opposes the sale of body parts is this is typical left wing tactics."

(On-cam tag)

AS FOR THE DEMOCRATS... CLINTON, SANDERS, AND O'MALLEY HAVE ALL ISSUED STRONG STATEMENTS OF SUPPORT FOR PLANNED

PARENTHOOD.

TONIGHT -- ALL THREE ARE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE STATE'S ANNUAL JEFFERSON JACKSON DINNER.

IN WASHINGTON, KRISTIN FISHER, FOX NEWS.

## *CHILDREN*

*November 2015*

### **Make a Wish Tree House**

TAKE PKG

RUNS=

OQ=...

(TAKE PKG)

NATS RIBBON CUTTING 3301 cut / clapping yay!!!

EIGHT YEAR OLD BEN -- EXCITEDLY EXPLORED EVERY NOOK AND CRANNY

OF HIS NEW TREE HOUSE

CLIMBED STAIRS TO THE BUNK BED

AND CHECKED OUT HIS NEW DESK AND GAMES

THIS TREE HOUSE WOULD BE A DREAM FOR ANY LITTLE BOY.

BUT FOR BEN IT REALLY WAS A WISH COME TRUE... THANKS TO MAKE A WISH MID ATLANTIC.

NATS 3322 I'm going down the....I'm going down the slide!!

THE PAST YEAR AND HALF HAS BEEN QUITE A RIDE FOR THE WILSONS.

nats (slide vid) 39:22 whoa!!!

IN MAY OF 2014 BEN'S PARENTS SPOTTED A LUMP ON HIS BACK...

SHORTLY AFTER THEY GOT THE NEWS. THEIR SON HAD EWING SARCOMA.

A RARE AND AGGRESSIVE BONE CANCER

JENNIFER WILSON / MOM

17:06 He's amazing. He had 17 rounds of chemotherapy. Some of the rounds were 2 days some were 5 days. So adding up it was over 64 days of chemo. He had radiation to his lungs. he had a surgery a major surgery where they removed the tumor and three of his ribs. Cause the tumor was on his rib and he just was a superstar.

SHAWN WILSON / DAD 19:15 his courage and strength have given us the hope to get up each morning and smile and push on.

ALEXANDRA LIMON STAND UP 24:34 Ben and his family are celebrating this amazing tree house, with features like a slide and a climbing rope. But more importantly they're celebrating the fact that Ben's now been cancer free for eight months.

MAKE A WISH MID ATLANTIC PARTNERED WITH SAXTON COLLABORATIVE CONSTRUCTION AND TOBIAS SULLIVAN ARCHITECTS.

THE RESULT... EVEN BETTER THAN THE EXTENSIVE WISH LIST DREAMED UP BY BEN!

JACKIE WELLS / VOLUNTEER, MAKE A WISH MID ATLANTIC

22:46 ben is a really creative and imaginative little kid. He had ideas of what he wanted, he had drawings, and he had a list of things that he wanted in it

BEN WILSON / WISH RECIPIENT

12:35 well I thought that if you go on a trip you can only do it once and you only have pictures. if you have a tree house you can stay in there forever

JENNIFER WILSON / MOM

13:35 they had to pour concrete and big footers to hold this massive structure.

BILLIE HUNTLEY / VOLUNTEER, MAKE A WISH MID ATLANTIC

22:12 from day one he said, I want elements of my tree house to be about the family.

SHAWN WILSON / DAD

1858 learning deal with a new way of life. and ben has gone through the whole thing with a smile on his face.

NOW THE FAMILY SAYS THEY WILL HAVE A HAPPY MEMORY OF THESE INCREDIBLY TRYING TIMES.

IN ANNAPOLIS ALEXANDRA LIMON FOX 5 LOCAL NEWS.

## *TRANSPORTATION*

*December 2015*

### **DC ATV Gangs**

From: Washington, Emily Miller-Fox Five Local News

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TAKE SOT-----

(SOT) Emily in field on cam taped --Despite seeing these dirt bikes and ATVs all over the place on a warm weekend, keep in mind it's illegal to ride them anywhere in DC. But that doesn't stop them.

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TAKE VO-----

(VO) THIS CORNER OF NORTH CAPITAL AND M STREET SEEMS NORMAL ON MONDAY. BUT LESS THAN 24 HOURS AGO, PETER DECAROLIS WAS AT HOME A FEW FLOORS ABOVE THIS STREET CORNER WHEN HE HEARD THE DISTINCTIVE SOUNDS OF DIRT BIKES AND ATVS. HE GRABBED HIS PHONE AND WENT TO THE WINDOW. THIS IS HIS VIDEO.

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TAKE SOT----- OVER HIS cell VIDEO 18-12

(SOT) Sot PETER DeCarolis -- [covered by video so not chyron] So yesterday was about 4 o'clock in the afternoon Sunday afternoon right after Christmas and I heard the noise which is fairly common every weekend every other weekend especially when it's warm so I looked out and there were 40 or 50 ATVs people on dirt bikes going back-and-forth at the street on the sidewalk middle the road doing wheelies just kind of to circle around you hear the cars behind them kind honking not really knowing what to do there's a lot of noise so it gets your attention on the lookout me started to video and after about a minute of them just going back-and-forth up m street they decided to go and then all those bikes and ATVs just kind of. The intersection doing wheelies revving their engines a bunch on the machine to go up north capital of the little side here and then every 10 or 15 minutes to her three more times all come around again kind of do the same thing and then after a while it just goes away

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TAKE VO-----

(VO)

THE POLICE UNION SAYS THAT THEY ARE MAKING ABOUT 10 ARRESTS A MONTH FOR THE ILLEGAL BIKES. THEY BLAME THE CONTINUING PROBLEM ON THE PROSECTORS AND COURTS WHO DON'T PUNISH THE GUILTY.

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TAKE SOT----- 09-40

(SOT) SGT. DELROY BURTON, CHAIRMAN DC POLICE UNION they need to have some serious consequences if you get caught doing this more than once. . Suspend a license, maybe you have to do one weekend day in jail. Enforce the fine. But what will stop this behavior is if people know when they get caught, they will get punished for it.

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TAKE VO-----

(VO)

THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR OPERATING THE BIKES IS A \$250 FINE AND 30 DAYS IN JAIL.

W7 44] C2.5 G 0 [

TAKE SOT-----

(SOT) Emily in field on cam taped -We asked Peter if he called the police when he saw the gang of bikes he didn't call because he doesn't know what the police can do about it. But you should know there is a 250 reward for tip that leads to arrest of bike and the driver.

## *COMMUNITY*

*December 2015*

### **FOX 5 viewers reach out to help boy who found \$300 in Walmart**

By: fox5dc.com staff and Lauren DeMarco

**MANASSAS, Va.** - An 11-year-old boy who found \$300 in cash at a Virginia Walmart store last month and decided to turn the money in instead of keeping it is winning the hearts of those who heard his story. William Garrison's family has received an outpouring of support from those who think he deserves to be rewarded for doing the right thing.

After William gave the money to a Walmart employee, they called police. The store said police refused to accept the money since it wasn't reported stolen. The money was never claimed, and it was eventually donated to charity.

"It made me feel nice and good because some people wouldn't have said anything," the 11-year-old told FOX 5.

William, who has special needs, shared his story of what happened during his memorable trip to the store in Manassas with his classmates at Mayfield Intermediate School. He even has the picture to prove it – showing him with the Walmart employees. The school posted the photo and a YouTube video to highlight William's good deed.

William's mom, Natalie Pitkin, is a disabled, single mom of four who told FOX 5 she's trying to make ends meet. She says she encourages her kids to do the right thing—and William did just that. She admitted her family could have used the money, but it was the lesson for her son that mattered most.

"The lesson is do the right thing -- even if it hurts, and it hurt," Pitkins said laughingly.

William said he was tempted to keep the cash, but he thought about the person who dropped the money.

"I felt like what if this is someone's money for something really important," William said.

Walmart donated the \$300 to Children's Miracle Network and gave William a \$40 Walmart gift card. After FOX 5's story aired, we received calls from several FOX 5 viewers who wanted to help reward William for doing the right thing.

One viewer even set up a GoFundMe account called "Reward William Garrison's Honesty." The account has a goal of raising \$1,000. As of 7 p.m. Friday, over \$2,000 has been raised.

"We can't help everyone, but we can certainly make William's family's holidays a little bit brighter and, as a bonus we can show him that doing the right thing, really does pay-off in the end," a message on the GoFundMe page reads.

"I truly felt love today ... and the things they are sending, it was just showing me that people care," said a teary-eyed Pipkin, who was overwhelmed by the generosity of strangers.

Regina Johnson from Waldorf, Maryland was one of several people who contacted us asking where to send a check. She wants to give the family a \$300 gift.

Another viewer has ordered four rather generous tech gifts with all the accessories -- one for each of Pipkin's children to open on Christmas. They are all gifts that William's mother really wanted to get for her children.

*EDUCATION*  
*December 2015*

**Vote to accommodate Muslim holiday could cause earlier start date for MCPS**

By: Tom Fitzgerald

ROCKVILLE, Md. - Muslim families in Montgomery County have been lobbying for years to have the Muslim holy day of Eid al-Adha as a holiday off for students.

On Tuesday, the Montgomery County school board voted that instead of creating a new holiday on the school calendar, they would use one of their in-service days -- which are days when students don't attend classes -- to fall on September 12, the same day Eid al-Adha is observed in 2016.

But this has also created a problem. The school system has only five in-service days to work with, so the school board considered moving the first day of school three days earlier to August 24.

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That proposal drew sharp and negative reaction from parents, and now the school board president has told FOX 5 that they will need more time to discuss this proposed plan before finalizing the school calendar for 2016-2017.

"Have we had enough conversation and discussion over that? And I think we just needed to kind of hit the pause button and get that together," Montgomery County Board of Education president Michael Durso said.

While Muslim supporters were happy about the holiday decision, not everyone else is. Some parents said the board is going back on its policy of not recognizing religious holiday.

"They said that they cannot and will not close schools to honor a religious holiday, and yet they are looking at moving a professional day to close schools for students for a religious holiday," said parent Ellen Paul.

"I think it's a great thing," said Saqib Ali, a supporter for the observed Muslim holiday. "I'm super happy. My daughters are now going to be more equal to everybody else in our neighborhood and their little playmates. It's really hard to argue against equality."

Other religious groups such as Hindus are also coming forward asking for their holiday of Diwali to be added to the school calendar as a day off for students.

The school board has not come up with a decision on what to do and they still do not have an official calendar approved for the 2016-2017 school year.

The board president told us they will get back to work and hope to have a solution before Christmas break.

## LOCAL POLITICS

December 2015

### FIRST ON FOX: Vincent Gray breaks silence after federal probe ends

By: Matt Ackland and fox5dc.com staff

WASHINGTON (FOX 5 DC) - Former D.C. mayor Vincent Gray is speaking publicly for the first time since a nearly five-year federal investigation of him ended last Wednesday with no charges filed.

It was a victory for the longtime public servant who maintained he was unaware his aides were breaking the law to help get him elected.

In his first television interview since the announcement, Gray told FOX 5's Matt Ackland he is "doing absolutely fine" and "feeling even better now."

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"I've spent my entire life in service to the city," Gray said. "It was so inconsistent with who I am to think that I would do something like that."

The long-running probe exposed an illegal, \$660,000 slush fund set up by an influential Washington businessman to help Gray defeat then-mayor Adrian Fenty in 2010. The businessman and five others pleaded guilty to felonies. But federal prosecutors couldn't establish that Gray committed a crime or knowingly conspired with his advisers.

"I've said from the very beginning that I did nothing," Gray said. "It's regrettable that things were done, and I wish it hadn't happened."

The investigation started shortly after Gray took office in 2011 and came to define his only term. It was a major factor in his loss to Muriel Bowser in last year's Democratic primary. Three weeks before the primary, prosecutors said in court that Gray knew about the illicit funds pouring into his campaign, a move that Gray's supporters called unethical meddling in an election.

The slush fund, which prosecutors called a "shadow campaign," helped bridge the fundraising gap between Gray, who raised \$1.7 million ahead of the 2010 Democratic primary, and Fenty, who raised \$4.9 million. Gray's victory was fueled in part by high turnout and huge margins in poor, predominantly black neighborhoods east of the Anacostia River, where the shadow campaign was based. Then-U.S. Attorney Ronald Machen suggested that Gray's victory was tainted, although pollsters said Gray almost certainly would have won without the shadow campaign.

Gray told FOX 5 that he believes Machen, who stepped down in March, owes him an apology.

"That press conference that he conducted -- one week before early voting started -- really undid our campaign," Gray said.

Machen said in a statement that the case was about more than Gray and the timing would have been criticized regardless.

Gray also said some unnamed members of the media were "grossly unfair."

With the prospect of federal charges no longer looming, Gray, 73, could mount a political comeback. He said he is considering a bid for the D.C. Council.

"I haven't made any decisions yet," Gray said. "If there's a possibility of an at-large position on the council, there's the possibility of the Ward 7 seat, and of course, there's the possibility of nothing."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

## *HEALTH*

*December 2015*

### **Sickweather app scans social media to track where illnesses are spreading**

By: Ronica Cleary

**WASHINGTON** - Some of us on our staff here at FOX 5 have unfortunately gotten sick this week just as Christmas is approaching. Our own Tony Perkins checked in with his Facebook followers earlier this week updating how he has been doing after missing work this week (get better Tony!).

We have also seen the posts on social media from people talking about being sick. There is an app that can actually help you make sense of all of these posts.

Sickweather scans public posts on social media about being sick, and can help you know just how sick an area is – from where you live or where you plan to travel.

Sickweather app scans social media to track where illnesses are spreading

You can look for instances for all types of illnesses in an area, from the common cold and chicken pox to pink eye and strep throat.

The app not only scans public social media posts, but it also allows members to self-report symptoms and illnesses. It also shows trends and outbreaks in an area all the way down to the street level.

"SickWeather provides the earliest outbreak warning available to the public," said Graham Dodge, president and CEO of Sickweather. "For example, the CDC usually takes two to six weeks, sometimes longer, to get information about illness outbreaks to the public. Whereas with Sickweather, we're processing all of this information in real-time so we can let you know as soon as possible when the flu is trending in your area."

Dodge founded the app to empower people to be better informed about their health and well-being. And hopefully keep others from getting sick.

The Sickweather app is free for iOS and Android and they now have an app for your Apple Watch as well.



## *ENVIRONMENT*

*October 2015*

### **Fuel spills from Reagan National Airport into Potomac River**

By: fox5dc.com staff

WASHINGTON - Airport officials say as much as 7,500 to 9,000 gallons of jet fuel from Reagan National Airport has spilled into the Potomac River.

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority says the source of the spill was secured Friday morning and the fuel has been contained from the source of spill extending to Four Mile run and the southern boundary of the airport.

An environmental cleanup team and the fuel contractor for the airlines at the airport will conduct the cleanup efforts.

The Coast Guard says after consulting with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, it is believed that the environmental impact of the spill is limited. The fuel spill has also not impacted airport operations.

The airports authority says personnel responded to reports of a fuel odor Thursday at around 9:15 p.m. and over an hour later, they found a spill on the southern area of the airport that was believed to have occurred since the morning.

Personnel believed they contained and cleaned this spill, but officials are unsure how this second fuel spill occurred.

## *CRIME*

*December 2015*

### **6 months later: A deeper look into the DC mansion murders investigation**

By: Marina Marraco

WASHINGTON - It has been six months since a wealthy Washington D.C. family and their housekeeper were brutally murdered inside their Northwest D.C. mansion.

Investigators have not revealed much in the case, and even over a half a year later, there are still only a few clues about what really happened.

Daron Wint has been arrested for the killings, but there is still no motive on why Savvas Savopoulos, his wife, Amy, their 10-year-old son, Philip, and their housekeeper, Vera Figueroa, were all tortured, killed and burned inside their multi-million-dollar home.

On May 14 at 1:24 p.m., firefighters responded to Woodland Drive just blocks away from Washington National Cathedral and the vice president's house. Flames and smoke were shooting out a second-floor window of the brick mansion that sits nestled between other million dollar homes and embassies.

In one bedroom, they found three unconscious adults -- Savvas, Amy and Vera.

In the room next door was where the fire was believed to have started. Inside was 10-year-old Philip -- his body so badly charred on the bed's mattress that it was initially unrecognizable.

Ron Hosko has spent 30 years working for the FBI and retired as the bureau's assistant director. He discussed his thoughts on this murder case with FOX 5.

"What is more leverage for a killer or an extortionist than to torture your child in front of you to meet the demands of your assassin, of your kidnapper," he said. "There is no better leverage than your child."

Police believe for nearly 20 hours before the fire, the family was held against their will inside their home.

"A little bit of surprise with him aggressively coming into the house, subduing them very quickly, and then you lure Mr. Savopoulos into a trap," said Hosko.

Court documents show among the evidence was a baseball bat, which appeared to be covered in blood and was discovered in the room where Amy Savopoulos and Vera Figueroa had been tied up.

Savvas Savopoulos left a voicemail that evening for another housekeeper who was not working that night.

"It's Savvas. I hope you get this message. Amy is in bed sick tonight and she was sick this afternoon and Vera offered to stay and help her out, so she's going to stay the night here," said Savopoulos in the phone message.

The adults were killed by blunt and sharp force trauma. The child was burned and stabbed to death.

"It was very cold-blooded, callous, without guilt, without remorse for what they do," said Mary Ellen O'Toole, a former FBI agent and profiler.

She believes Daron Wint could not have acted alone.

"It's hard to imagine that a person could be inside a home for 20 hours going between rooms, probably going up and down steps, setting a fire, interacting with four victims and not leave really a significant amount of forensic evidence," said O'Toole.

ATF assisted D.C. police in scouring the burned remains of the home for evidence. But before a lab could turn around results, Amy Savopoulos' blue Porsche was found miles from the house set ablaze.

Inside the car was a neon lime green construction vest -- like several other vests recovered in the mansion's garage.

Witnesses told police they saw a black man with short well-groomed hair wearing the vest driving the Porsche erratically towards Maryland.

Minutes after the car was found burning, surveillance video from a nearby banquet hall showed a man in a dark hoodie carrying what appears to be a white bucket.

And among the evidence found at the home was a boot print on a side French door. It is inconsistent with that of any of the first responders' prints.

Was it a sign of forced entry? And who got inside?

Amy Savopoulos called a nearby Domino's Pizza restaurant that night nearly three hours after being held hostage. She paid over the phone with a credit card and said she was nursing her sick child. Her order was to leave the pizzas on the front porch, ring the doorbell and leave.

The next morning, she made sure another person would never make it inside -- a second housekeeper. She sent a text message telling her not to come into work at the home that day.

At about the same time, 28-year-old Jordan Wallace, an assistant to Savvas Savopoulos, was en route to drop \$40,000 his boss had asked him to place in a manila envelope and then drop inside a car parked in the home's garage. Wallace told detectives several different versions of events.

"I think by now the police would have great confidence in his story and why his story was what it was, and if he was involved, he'd be locked up," said Hosko.

Two days after the fire, police turned to results on the crust left behind from one of the pizzas. Saliva on a half-eaten pepperoni pizza crust linked investigators to Savvas Savopoulos' former employee, Daron Wint.

We asked O'Toole what kind of person decides to eat pizza in that situation.

"Just that contrast in behavior I think really underscores what a callous behavior that they're able to do that," she told us. "That suggests to me behavior that is almost psychopathic."

But could Wint have killed four people, held them hostage for as many hours as he did, go all the way to Prince George's County to burn a car, then flee the state -- all by himself? According to Hosko, he told us it was possible.

But Wint's former defense and immigration attorney, Sean Hanover, who for nearly a month represented the Guyana citizen, told FOX 5, "There were definitely other people there."

Savvas Savopoulos owned American Iron Works, and he was gearing up to open a martial arts gym in Chantilly, Virginia the night before the murders occurred. He was a wealthy business man who Hanover believes had powerful enemies likely behind the brutal deaths.

"The police don't want to foreclose the rest of their investigation because they're still investigating that too, and they're afraid that if they do that, they're going to jump too fast, too soon and close it down on people that might otherwise lead them back to the bigger fish," said Hanover.

Wint was wanted and he fled the D.C. area after the murders. He had an already extensive criminal record. He had a conviction for assaulting a girlfriend and a guilty plea for destruction of property after threatening to kill a woman and her child. He was arrested back in 2010 outside American Iron Works for carrying a machete and BB gun.

"I don't know that he's a stupid criminal, but I don't think he's a complex criminal," said Hosko. "Daron Wint acted by himself. This was his plan for the simplest of reasons -- he knew they had money."

After a two-day manhunt that spanned the eastern seaboard to New York City and then back to a Prince George's County motel in Maryland, Wint and others were riding in a rental car and box truck that were intercepted crossing into Washington D.C. by U.S. Marshals.

Stacks of hundred dollar bills along with money orders that totaled \$10,000 were found in the vehicles. Every one that night was arrested and then let go with the exception of Wint, who was charged with the murders.

"Unless it's in his best interest, unless it's something that will benefit him like a plea agreement that will benefit him, he won't talk," said O'Toole.

The Savopoulos left behind two daughters, who were both away at boarding school when their family was murdered.

"I see so many pieces coming back to just one person -- it's Daron Wint," said Hosko. "He's a former employee. He's a person with anger and violence in his past. He's a person that has touches on Mr. Savopoulos and the company since his termination. He's a person that ends up with just under the money that was delivered here. His DNA is in two places related to this crime, so the evidence circles Daron Wint.

"To me the remaining question is: Did he have help? And if so, how much?"