

WTTG-TV/Channel 5
Program Information Report
First Quarter 2010

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.

PSA's Produced by WTTG Fox 5:

Produced four (4) psa's for the Children's Miracle Network

Produced :20 psa with Fox 5 anchors for the Haiti Relief Fund.

The total time donated for public service announcements during the quarter was more than nine hours, including, but not limited to the following issues: community, economy, education, environment, government, health, substance abuse and youth

Public service announcements provided by the following organizations:

2010 Explora vision Awards	Guide Dog Foundation	Safeo
Air Force Reserve	Habitat for Humanity	Scruggs Final
Alanon Family Groups	Help Hospitalized Veterans	Senator Cardin – 2010 Census
American Association of Orthodontists	Iams Home for the Holidays.com	Share Our Strength
American Dental Association	Icelandic Tourist Board	Show your Helping Hand.com
American Health Assistance Foundation	Internal Revenue Service	Social Security Administration
American Heart Association	Library of Congress/literacy.gov	Society for Adolescent Medicine
American Red Cross	LIFE Foundation/lifehappens.org	Stand Up to Cancer
American Urological Association	Maryknoll	Susan G. Komen for the Cure
American Veterinary Medical Association	National Assoc of Letter Carriers	Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine
Arbor day Foundation	National Credit Counseling Foundation	Foundation/American Academy of Ophthalmology
ASPCA	Nat'l Endowment Financial Education	The Williamsburg Foundation
Banyan Tree Project/Asian & Pacific	National Fair Housing alliance (HUD)	U.S. Coast Guard
Black Eyed Peas Peapod Foundation	National Foundation for Credit Counseling	U.S. Marines
Boys Town	National Guard	Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund
Capital Breast Care Center	Nat'l Inventors Hall of Fame Found	United NFL Players/Serve.gov
Care International	National Meningitis Association	US Dept of Energy
Center on Addiction & Substance Abuse	National Nurses United, CA Nurses	US Forest Service
Children Affected By AIDS Foundation	NFL Players Association	USAid
Combined Federal Campaign	Paralyzed Veterans of America	USO
Dept Health & Human Services	Partnership for Drug-Free America	Victim Information & Notification Everyday
Dept. HHS/SAMHSA	Peace Corps Partnership	Welcome Back Veterans.org
Entertainment Industry Foundation	PETA	WHY Hunger
Entertainment Software Rating Board	Produced by Fox	Women Heart.org
Environmental Protection Agency	PTA	World Wildlife Fund
Families Fighting Flu Inc.	Rotary International	

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Fox 5 Morning News – A Monday through Friday news program that airs from 5:00am-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 5:00pm-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 6:00pm-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 10:00pm-11:00pm, the program features 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 11:00pm to 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
11. Economy

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Fox News Sunday – A one-hour weekly program, airing Sundays from 9am-10am, 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

Issues Addressed:

1. Economy
2. Healthcare Reform
3. Politics
4. Haiti Disaster
5. Iran
6. Counterterrorism

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America's Most Wanted – Working with the FBI and various state and local law enforcement agencies, this weekly one hour program (Saturdays, 9pm-10pm) gives descriptions of crimes, its victims and the people wanted for these crimes with the ultimate goal of helping to capture America's most wanted criminals by exposing them to the public and getting citizens to report information to the proper authorities.

Origination: Local

Issues Addressed:

1. Crime Prevention
2. Citizenship
3. Public Safety, Health & Welfare

America's Most Wanted

The airdates are listed on the subject line of the attached descriptions.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT

FEBRUARY

- 22 Allison Seymour, Anchor – Participated in the Arlington Public Schools African-American Read-In event.

MARCH

- 1 Will Thomas, Reporter/Anchor – Panelist to judge the United States Army annual competition to recognize the best journalism products and community relations.
- 11 Allison Seymour, Anchor – Honorary Co-Chair for the 8th Annual Art & Soul Charity Auction to benefit the National Center for Children and Families
- 11 Allison Seymour, Anchor – Mistress of Ceremonies for a benefit for “Suited for Change” to support women and employment.
- 11 Sue Palka, Weather Anchor – Participated as host committee member for “Critters for the Cure” fashion show and gala event to support the fight against Women’s Cancer.
- 12 Sue Palka, Weather Anchor – Emcee for the William Syndrome Association’s “Ruby Gala” fundraiser.
- 17 Jeff Andrew, VP Engineering & Phil Metlin, VP News – provided a station tour for a local Girl Scout troop.
- 18 Gwen Tolbart, Weather Anchor – Mistress of Ceremonies for the Annual Finer Womanhood Celebration awards ceremony for Beta Zeta Chapter, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
- 19 Tony Perkins, Weather Anchor/Anchor – Provided a tour for 4th, 5th & 6th graders from Forestville Elementary School in Fairfax County Virginia.

DATE FOX

Fox News Sunday

1/03/10 **TOPIC:**

Counterterrorism

GUESTS:

John Brennan, Sen. Kit Bond (R-MO).

1/10/10 **TOPIC:**

Politics, Health Care

GUESTS:

Gov. Tim Kaine (D-VA), RNC Chair Michael Steele, Sen. Jon Kyl (R-AZ), Sen. Jack Reed (D-RI), Gilbert Arenas.

1/17/10 **TOPIC:**

Haiti, Politics

GUESTS:

Rajiv Shah, M.D., Lt. Gen. Ken Keen, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush, Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY)

1/24/10 **TOPIC:**

Haiti, Politics

GUESTS:

WH Press Secretary Robert Gibbs, Sen. John Cornyn.

1/31/10 **TOPIC:**

Economy

GUESTS:

Sen. Evan Bayh (D-IN), Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN), Rep. Paul Ryan (R-WI), Rep. Chris Van Hollen (D-MD), Daniel Lippman.

2/7/10 **TOPIC:**

Politics

GUESTS:

Sarah Palin

2/14/10 **TOPIC:**

Iran

GUESTS:

Gen. Jim Jones, Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC), Art Smith

2/21/10 **TOPIC:**

Politics

GUESTS:

Gov. Jennifer Granholm (D-MI), Gov. Haley Barbour (R-MS), Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY)

2/28/10 **TOPIC:**

Health Care Reform

GUESTS:

Sen. Jon Kyl (R-AZ), Sen. Robert Menendez (D-NJ), Rep. Paul Ryan (R-WI), Dale Earnhardt, Jr.

3/7/10 **TOPIC:**

New Book, Health Care Reform

GUESTS:

Mitt Romney, Rep. Jason Altmire (D-PA), Rep. John Adler (D-NJ).

3/14/10 **TOPIC:**

New Book, Health Care Reform

GUESTS:

Robert Gibbs, Rep. Eric Cantor (R-VA), Rep. Chris Van Hollen (D-MD), Karl Rove.

3/21/10 TOPIC:

Health Care Reform

GUESTS:

Rep. Paul Ryan (R-WI), Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL), Sen. John Cornyn (R-TX).

3/28/10 TOPIC:

Florida GOP Senate Debate

GUESTS:

Marco Rubio, Gov. Charlie Crist (R-FL)

This SATURDAY, January 9, 2010 AMERICA'S MOST WANTED will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request clips, please contact Geri West at 240-482-1198 or gwest@amw.com.

Jupiter, Florida ...PAUL MICHAEL MERHIGE CAPTURE... One of the country's most wanted fugitives was taken down last week after AMW went after him. Paul Merhige, who killed four family members including a 6-year-old girl, was quickly spotted and brought to justice after our program aired. AMW highlights the interview with John Walsh and the parents of little Makayla Sitton, as well as the AMW tipster who helped bring down this alleged murderer.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69579>

Polk City, Florida ...GLEN CHAMBERS ...Glen Chambers who beat his girlfriend to death is on the loose after escaping from the Polk Correctional Facility in Florida. Corrections officials say while on work detail, Chambers managed to hide inside a box destined for Indiana.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=64811>

Boca Raton, Florida ...UNKNOWN NANCY AND JOEY BOCHICCHIO KILLER ...Authorities in Boca Raton, Fla. are searching for a man responsible for the murder of Nancy Bochicchio and her 7-year-old daughter Joey. Police need your help putting the pieces together to unravel the mystery of two violent attacks before this killer strikes again.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51704>

Olive Branch, Mississippi ...UNKNOWN STANEK AND AYERS SHOOTER ... The community of Olive Branch has stepped forward to help Police capture a cop killer. The town has helped raise a reward for information leading to the arrest of the person responsible for gunning down Officers Doug Stanek and Mark Ayers.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45168>

Phoenix, Arizona...JASON DEREK BROWN ... As one of the FBI's Ten Most Wanted fugitives and a member of John Walsh's Dirty Dozen, Jason Derek Brown is topping the charts as one of the country's most elusive bad boys. The former toy salesman, from Salt Lake City, Utah, is wanted for robbing and killing an armored car driver outside a Phoenix, Ariz. movie theater in November 2004. Cops say Brown fled the scene on a bicycle with more than \$50,000 in cash.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=29538>

****FIFTEEN SECONDS OF SHAME SEGMENTS****

Peru, Indiana ...VALERIE SUE CASTELLANO... Cops say that after knocking over a bank in Bunker Hill, Indiana, Valerie Castellano left the country with her three young sons, her next-door neighbor, and possibly, an unknown male accomplice. Once there, Castellano allegedly stole her neighbor's identity and abandoned her at a Mexico City gas station. Cops have since caught up with the neighbor and charged her -- but Castellano and her children are still nowhere to be found.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=67558>

Chicago, Illinois ...ALICIA BANUELOS ...Cops say Alicia Banuelos did the unthinkable. She gave birth to her baby alone in a bathroom. Her family says no one knew she was pregnant, not even the father. But, police in Chicago claim the new mother had plans of her own... killing her baby.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=40287>

Chicago, Illinois ...EVELYN C. GUZMAN ...Evelyn Guzman was only spotted once by FBI agents, but what they saw was enough to convince them that she was part of a large drug conspiracy that been operating for months in Chicago. Now, it's time to help them find this "bad girl" once again.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=44452>

La Grange, Illinois ...SHERRY DENISE HALLIGAN ... In late January 2003, Sherry Halligan allegedly murdered her former boyfriend and then apparentl felt remorse. After driving around in her car all night, cops say she drove straight to the police station, where they say she confessed all the details of her crime. After being let out on bail, Halligan apparently changed her mind about coming clean, and we need your help to catch her.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=36019>

This SATURDAY, January 16, 2010 AMERICA'S MOST WANTED will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request clips, please contact Geri West at 240-482-1198 or gwest@amw.com.

Sacramento, California ...SACRAMENTO BABY KILLER...The lives of a father and his seven-month-old son were violently taken in what may have been a robbery gone bad in Sacramento, California. Authorities still need your help in bringing down two killers responsible for their senseless deaths. <http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=50583>

Las Vegas, Nevada ...ROBERT JACKSON... A fight between rival gangs at a popular watering hole erupts in gunfire on the Las Vegas strip. Bullets hit four innocent bystanders seriously wounding a Californian woman celebrating her bachelorette party. Cops say alleged gang member Robert Jackson is responsible for the barrage of bullets and they want him behind bars before he strikes again.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=64741>

Northern California ...NOR CAL RAPIST... For the past two decades, citizens of Northern California have been haunted by a man police call the Nor Cal Rapist. Law enforcement officials have linked this predator to assaults on 10 women in six counties since 1991. Police are asking for the public's assistance in tracking him down.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=43323>

New Albany, Mississippi ...JANET AND RAMON BARRETO... When cops searched Janet and Ramon Barreto's home to investigate a child death, they never dreamed they would unlock the doors to such horror. Roaches fell from the ceiling. Food and feces festered on the floor. The worst was yet to come...eight starving Guatemalan children were also inside the home. Some of them had been beaten and tortured.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69657>

Geneva, New York ...ALFONSO WHITFIELD... Alfonso Whitfield, who is wanted for violently stabbing his pregnant girlfriend over 20 times, is still on the run. Police think Whitfield's rage is far from over and they need your help to bring him down before any more brutality takes place.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/case.cfm?id=68493>

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Fort Wayne, Indiana ...JAMIE GARCIA... After 22 years, this sex offender is still on the run. Jamie Garcia pled guilty to seven counts of child molestation in 1986 and after getting out on bond he disappeared. Cops are hoping that viewer tips will lead to his whereabouts before any more innocent children are hurt.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=66661>

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada ...CHRISTOPHER MEER... Cops say Canadian Christopher Meer played a major role in organizing multiple crimes, including arson, extortion, obstruction of justice as well as several other charges. Christopher Meer has successfully eluded authorities but cops say he is in the United States and they are hopeful that someone will recognize this dangerous man.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69631&refresh=1>

Chicago, Illinois ...MIGUEL MARTINEZ... Cops say Miguel "Fat Mike" Martinez has evaded the long arm of the law for long enough. He is wanted for conspiracy to commit multiple shootings, homicides and other firearms-related violent crimes – all stemming from an alleged gang war with rival gangs. Cops believe Martinez is armed and dangerous and when he's found, he will face life imprisonment for his violent, hedonistic, gangster lifestyle.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/case.cfm?id=64718>

Cambridge, Massachusetts...ARNOLD GABBIDON... Detectives say that Gabbidon, upon his release from prison after serving over a decade for previous violent crimes, turned his sights on an old girlfriend. He stalked his victim until he finally cornered her. Cops say Gabbidon stabbed her repeatedly, even slashing her throat and then left her for dead. She survived the brutal attack but lives in fear knowing that Gabbidon is on the run. He's now on the Massachusetts State Police's Most Wanted List and it's time to take him down.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/case.cfm?id=43119>

This SATURDAY, January 23, 2010, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request clips, please contact Geri West at 240-482-1198 or gwest@amw.com.

Rye Brook, New York/ Miami, Florida ...BEN NOVACK KILLER... A huge murder mystery surrounds the small town of Rye Brook in upstate New York. Detectives say South Florida millionaire Ben Novack Jr. was beaten to death as he slept in his hotel bed. Ben, the son of the former owner of Miami's famed Fontainebleau Hotel, was the second-largest Batman collector worldwide. Rye Brook police are hoping that the author of a mysterious letter will lead them to the killers.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70749>

Houston, Texas ...HAPPY TRAN PHAM... Houston police have been searching for 24-year-old Happy Tran Pham for more than two years. They say Pham was unhappy because the girl he was dating got back together with her ex. Houston detectives believe Pham's jealousy led to the murder of 29-year-old Pierre Mai, and they have surveillance video of the crime.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=56807>

Boulder, Colorado ...BOULDER JANE DOE UPDATE/ UNKNOWN DOROTHY "DOT" GAY HOWARD KILLER ... A 55-year-old mystery may finally be solved in the mountains of Colorado. In 1954 the body of a brutally beaten woman was found along the banks of Boulder Creek. New DNA tests are putting police closer to identifying the woman and cracking the case.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=39636>

New Baltimore, Michigan...JABALEE MURDERS CAPTURE... The murders of an affluent and well respected couple remained unsolved for three years. But now Michigan police say they know who did it and why. You'll never believe where the clues led them – to one of the victims' own children. AMW highlights his capture.

<http://www.amw.com/captures/brief.cfm?id=47320>

Irving, Texas...YASER SAID... John Walsh is on the hunt for one of his "Dirty Dozen". The murder of two teenage sisters shocked their hometown of Lewisville, Texas. But when police revealed the identity of the suspected killer, it shocked the nation. Police have charged the girls' father -- Yaser Said -- with the murders and now they need your help to bring him to justice.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51983>

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Boyton Beach, Florida ... MARGARITO ANDRES... Two young girls came to Florida police and bravely identified the man who they say repeatedly raped them. But when police tried to reach him for questioning -- he took off. Now, cops need your help to arrest him, as they fear he may hurt another child.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69533>

Green River, Wyoming ... STEPHEN CRAIG CAMPBELL ... We've all heard the saying that "love can make you do crazy things". US Marshals say in the case of Stephen Campbell, attempted murder was one of those things. Over 20 years later, they still need your tips to help bring their man back behind bars.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69793>

Olmsted County, Minnesota ... ABDIRASHID SHARIF MOHAMED ... Cops in Rochester, Minnesota need your help to find an alleged rapist, who has been running from justice for more than a decade. They say it's high time he atones for his alleged sins, and they need your help to make that happen.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69222>

Hempstead, New York ... JULIO ALMONTE ... "If I can't have her, no one can"...chilling words from a jealous boyfriend. But police say Julio Almonte meant it. In 1996 Almonte allegedly slashed his girlfriend with a carving knife when she tried to break it off with him. Now, the courageous survivor is working with the U.S. Marshals, who have vowed to hunt Almonte down.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70006>

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West Covina, California ...JESUS DE LA HERRAN...A family driving home one night from a friend's house found themselves struggling for their lives after being hit by a drunk driver. As the parents and children lay bleeding on the highway, the driver of a red corvette fled the scene. Both the husband and wife are now amputees living an extremely difficult life. They are hoping that AMW will help them finally get justice for that terrible night.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53886>

Rosenburg, Texas ...ALBERT JAMES TURNER...A prison guard may soon find himself on the other side of the bars. When his wife tried to leave him, Albert James Turner allegedly stabbed her to death and then turned his rage on his mother-in-law. The murders played-out in front of the couple's four children. Turner is on the run and perhaps hiding in Georgia where his car was spotted in a flooded river. Now cops are turning to the public for help in locating this alleged cold-blooded killer.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70341>

Albuquerque, New Mexico ...LEAH PEEBLES...John Peebles spends his time searching some of Albuquerque's toughest neighborhoods and streets, collecting any clues he can. He will not give up until he knows what has become of his daughter, Leah, who vanished from Albuquerque in May of 2006. It's been nearly impossible to live without the answers John has been searching so desperately for. He hopes AMW will bring an end to this painful journey.
http://www.amw.com/missing_persons/brief.cfm?id=69195

Portageville, Missouri; Dyersburg, Tennessee; and Greenville, South Carolina ...UNKNOWN SCHERER FAMILY AND GENEVIEVE ZITRICKI KILLER...A 1990 brutal rape and murder of a woman in South Carolina, the 1998 violent murders of a mother and daughter in Missouri, and a 1998 vicious attack on a woman in Tennessee are now all linked to the same serial killer through DNA matches. Authorities need your help to in bringing down him down before any more brutality takes place.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=66564>

Mishawaka, Indiana ...RUFINO CASTANEDA...Rufino Castaneda -- the rapist whose victim's story touched everyone who saw it -- has been sentenced for his brutal crimes. After being arrested by Mexican authorities in October 2007, U.S. Marshals hauled him back to Indiana for his trial. In April 2009, the courts sentenced Castaneda to more than a half-century in prison.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=26628>

This SATURDAY, February 13, 2010 AMERICA'S MOST WANTED will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request clips, please contact Geri West at 240-482-1198 or gwest@amw.com.

North Miami, Florida ...UNKNOWN PAULA SLADEWSKI KILLER...The horrific murder of aspiring model Paula Sladewski in Miami made headlines nationwide when her burned body was found in a dumpster. More than a month later, authorities still have no suspects in the case. Cops have released a sketch of a man seen leaving a local bar with Paula the night she disappeared. They want everyone to take a good look and to help to identify this person of interest.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70593>

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania ...UNKNOWN PETER LYDE KILLER...Peter Lyde, the step-grandson of boxing legend Joe Frasier, was working security at a Philadelphia bar when he ushered out two arguing men. Once outside, the ejected patrons pulled guns and began firing...Peter was caught in the crossfire. Police have apprehended one of the suspects but need the public's assistance in identifying the other man responsible for Peter's senseless murder.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=68102>

Aynor, South Carolina ...ANTONIO GILBERT... An alleged gang member is on the run after an attempted robbery of a South Carolina convenience store. The store owner was repeatedly stabbed and had his eye gouged out during a fierce fight. Police say the suspect, Antonio Gilbert, is affiliated with the Def Row-Blood Clique and is armed and dangerous. A Justice Department task force wants him brought-in before anyone else falls victim to his violence.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69219>

Bahamas and South Florida ...JAMES TRINDADE – MISSING... "Jimmy T" Trindade was a seasoned sportsman and an avid boater who hasn't been seen since leaving the Bahamas in 2006. His boat was found abandoned about 50 miles from the Florida coast. Federal authorities and Jimmy's family and friends are hoping someone comes forward who knows anything about his mysterious disappearance.
http://www.amw.com/missing_persons/brief.cfm?id=41321

Prince Frederick, Maryland ...LARRY DEFFENBAUGH... As the owner of one of Maryland's largest cemeteries, investigators say Larry Deffenbaugh committed massive fraud by ripping-off more than 500 grieving families. He missed a court date in May 2009 and two days later vanished from a fishing boat on the Chesapeake Bay. Cops say Deffenbaugh tried to fake his own death and need your help to bring this con-man to justice.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=67188>

The Bahamas ...DEVON RUSSELL... Drugs aren't the only commodity smuggled into the United States. There is smuggling ring in Florida that specializes in human cargo. Federal, state, and local authorities are on the lookout for one man who allegedly headed an operation that drowned several Haitian passengers. His name is Devon Russell and he is believed still to be in business.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=55506>

Dallas, Texas ...MICHAEL CHAVES... With Michael Chaves in custody, Connecticut authorities sprang into action -- formally charging him with the brutal murder of Dale Anderson. Cops arrested Chaves on December 28, 2009, just two days after he was profiled on America's Most Wanted. With our cameras on him, Chaves teared up -- but as it turns out he may have actually wanted to get caught.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=66660>

This SATURDAY, February 20, 2010 AMERICA'S MOST WANTED will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request clips, please contact Geri West at 240-482-1198 or gwest@amw.com.

San Diego, California ...LOS PALILLOS (THE TOOTHPICKS)... The horror stories from south of the border are moving north. "The Toothpicks" gang, known as Los Palillos in Spanish, is associated with a Mexican Drug cartel and is now operating in the suburbs of San Diego. The Los Palillos gang is violent and ruthless and linked to home invasions, kidnappings, and murders. Victims who have survived dangerous encounters with "The Toothpicks" are now providing clues to help authorities take down these thugs.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=71114>

Albuquerque, New Mexico ...UNKNOWN BRITTANI MARCELL ATTACKER... It was unknown whether Brittani Marcell would survive after receiving serious injuries from a brutal attack in 2008. She beat the odds and is well on her way to a full recovery. Unfortunately, her aggressor is still out there. Brittani's mother helped police develop a rough sketch of the male attacker; now, they need your help to find him.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/case.cfm?id=71171>

Coquille, Oregon... GABRIEL MORRIS... Gabriel Morris's mother was a loving woman who opened up her Oregon home to her son and his family. But police say her generosity was repaid with a bullet. Robin Anstey and her boyfriend Robert Kennelly were both shot to death late last week and police say Morris is the one who pulled the trigger. He's on the run with his wife Jessica and four-year-old daughter Kalea. Police are unsure whether wife and child are aware of the crime. They were last seen in Mesa, Arizona.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=71248>

Milwaukee, Wisconsin ...UNKNOWN YOLANDA "LA LA" BROWN AND JETANNUE "KOOL AID" CLAYBORN KILLER... "La La" Brown was an aspiring R&B singer and "Kool Aid" Clayborn was known as the hottest producer in Milwaukee. The couple's dreams of making it to the big time were cut short in October 2007. Clayborn's brother found their bodies decomposing above "Kool Aid's" production studio. There is not enough evidence to place any charges, so police are asking for your help in bringing the young artists' murderer to justice.
http://www.amw.com/features/feature_story_detail.cfm?id=3738&mid=0

****FIFTEEN SECONDS OF SHAME SEGMENTS****

Camdenton, Missouri ...LARRY ANTHONY ARBUCKLE... Cops in Camden County, Missouri tell AMW that Larry Anthony Arbuckle is now their number 1 fugitive. The 50-year-old is accused of preying on a mentally-handicapped woman and her 2-year-old son. Now, they need your help to bring this accused child rapist to justice.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=71006>

Chicago, Illinois ...GILBERTO VARGAS... Cops say a dangerous street gang member shot an innocent man to death during a city festival in Chicago. Gilberto Vargas allegedly mistook the victim for a rival gang member, which cost the man his life. Now, police need your help to find Vargas. They are hoping someone can provide the information they need to track down the accused killer.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69245>

Phoenix, Arizona ...CAMERON TAYLOR... A stray bullet took an innocent man's life during a rival gang feud in Phoenix. The victim, a 17-year-old Air Force veteran, was killed instantly. Police were able to round up three suspects involved in the shooting but the man who allegedly fired the fatal shot is still on the loose. His name is Cameron Taylor.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70880>

Blooming Prairie, Minnesota...DALE BATT... After being convicted of abusing his wife, Dale Batt was sentenced to five years in prison, but granted a stay of imposition as long as he successfully completed probation and treatment. Batt, however, did not like his options and skipped town. Authorities are still on the hunt for Batt ten years later. His current location could be anywhere in the upper Mid-West.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70659>

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Belize City, Belize ...ROBERT SNYDER CAPTURE... A child molester thought he escaped justice by fleeing to a Caribbean paradise in August of 2008. But we tracked him down and now he's back in a Colorado jail. Robert Snyder used chess to lure his small victims. When captured in Belize City, he had started another chess club. Police were finally able to nab him this past December using tips from the AMW hotline! Snyder currently awaits sentencing now scheduled for March 2010.

<http://www.amw.com/captures/brief.cfm?id=68580>

Bland County, Virginia ...WALLACE THRASHER... After a short stint in the U.S. Navy, Wallace (Wally) "The Squirrel" Thrasher entered the dangerous, fast-paced world of international drug smuggling. He'd fly cocaine and marijuana from the Caribbean into Virginia and walk away with suitcases of cash. Local and federal agents were tracking his illegal trade in Virginia when he suddenly disappeared. Thrasher reportedly died in a plane crash in Jamaica in 1984 and then was said to have been killed in another crash in Belize. Authorities say he's still alive and on the run. The last tip placed him at a resort in Belize.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=71022>

Washington, D.C. ...TOBECHI ONWUHARA... Tobechi "Tobe" Onwuhara came to the U.S. from Nigeria on a student visa; however, Onwuhara wasn't putting his energy towards a college degree. Instead he devoted his time to researching and developing schemes, which made him millions of dollars. According to police, Onwuhara is now running his biggest operation yet... using internet databases to access victims' identities. Over the past three years, this scheme has netted him and his accomplices over \$40 million. Onwuhara remains on the move and investigators say he could be hiding out in Dallas, Miami, Atlanta, New Jersey, or Canada.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59947>

Alexandria, VA ...JOHN HAMILTON... John Hamilton was a respected member of the community and a popular little league baseball coach. That all changed when a 24 year-old man told police as a child he was molested by Hamilton. In the past year several other victims stepped forward. Hamilton was to be sentenced last fall, but he cleaned out his bank account and headed to Germany. Police say his possible current locations include Denmark or areas close to U.S. military bases in Germany.

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AMW SPECIAL EDITION: FROM THE WHITE HOUSE

PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA JOINS JOHN WALSH FOR "AMERICA'S MOST WANTED'S" MILESTONE 1000TH EPISODE SATURDAY, MARCH 6, ON FOX

March 3, 2010, Washington, D.C. – President Barack Obama will make a special appearance on AMERICA'S MOST WANTED's milestone 1000th episode, airing this Saturday, March 6 (9:00-10:00 PM ET/PT) on FOX.

John Walsh, host of AMW since the show's inception 22 years ago, sits down with President Obama to discuss some of the administration's crime-fighting initiatives and the impact that the show has had on thousands of victims and millions of people in its 22 years and 1000 episodes on the air. The President also discusses his administration's support of state and local law enforcement, including the Recovery Act's \$4 billion that was allocated for state and local agencies. Additionally, President Obama talks to Walsh about his administration's initiatives to go after and prosecute "white collar" criminals – crimes that John Walsh and AMW have also focused on recently.

As a long-time advocate for America's children – since his 6-year-old son Adam was abducted and murdered in 1981 – Walsh has fought hard for countless pieces of victim and child protection legislation, and most recently, the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act, which was signed into law in 2006 on the anniversary of Adam Walsh's abduction and murder. Walsh tells President Obama about the need for Congress to fund this act that created a national sex-offender registry to go after the estimated 100,000 convicted sex offenders who are in non-compliance and have disappeared. President Obama tells John Walsh that his administration will work to have the act funded.

To date, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED has helped capture more than 1100 fugitives, including 17 from the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted" list. The series has also reunited 43 missing children with their families, which Walsh says is his "proudest achievement."

Tune in for the entire interview Saturday, March 6 (9:00-10:00 PM ET/PT) on FOX.

The series is produced by STF Productions, Inc. John Walsh is host and executive producer and Steve Katz is co-executive producer.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: For episodic photos and more information on AMERICA'S MOST WANTED, please visit <http://foxflash.com/div.php/main/page?aID=1z2z2z26>.]

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This SATURDAY, March 6, 2010 AMERICA'S MOST WANTED will be celebrating its 1000th episode...a milestone in television history. The achievement is being honored by President Barak Obama who granted host John Walsh an exclusive interview from the White House.

From the White House ...PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA ... In an in-depth interview President Obama and John Walsh discuss the impact the show has had on thousands of victims and millions of Americans over the past 22 years. The Administration's crime fighting initiatives are discussed along with the White House's intention to target and prosecute "White Collar" criminals, which also have been a recent focus of AMW. Additionally, John Walsh tells the President about the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act and the need for Congressional funding. President Obama assured John Walsh that his administration will work towards supporting this Act. Tune in on Saturday to view the complete interview.

AMW is also airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request clips, please contact Geri West at 240-482-1198 or gwest@amw.com.

Newark, New Jersey ...MYFIT DIKA & KUJTIM LIKA... "Mike" Dika and "Timmy" Lika are identified as leaders of the Albanian mob and both have quite a rap sheet. Dika spent 10 years in the pen for refusing to talk about drug dealing associates. While his partner was in prison, Lika allegedly continued to deal in every illegal item imaginable- from drugs and steroids to firearms and bootleg sneakers. Their latest operation, "Operation Black Eagle," was busted in March 2009, but somehow, the pair got away. Cops recently tracked Dika down in Canada, but his buddy is still out there. AMW needs your help to track down Timmy Lika.

<http://www.amw.com/captures/brief.cfm?id=69371>

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Rosenberg, Texas ...ALBERT JAMES TURNER... Turner served as a corrections officer for 18 years in Texas; now, he is on the other side of the law. He went on the run December 2009 after he allegedly slashed to death his wife and mother-in-law in front of the couple's four children. The murders happened the day after his wife Keitha and kids moved out their house to escape his physical and mental abuse. Authorities found his partially submerged car in the Chattahoochee River near Atlanta just three days after the crime, but he could be anywhere. Authorities are asking the public to help catch this cold-blooded killer.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70341>

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania ...ALEXIS FLORES... On July 29, 2000, five-year-old Iriana DeJesus disappeared. A few days later, her body was found in a trash bag in a deserted building...raped and murdered. After six years cops got a break when DNA from the crime scene match a man arrested for forgery in Arizona. Unfortunately, when they went to investigate they found that Alexis Flores already had served his time and had been deported back to his native Honduras. Flores could be back in America now and officials need your help to bring this man to justice.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=44983>

****MISSING ROUNDUP SEGMENTS****

Geronimo, Oklahoma ...AJA JOHNSON... 8-year-old Aja Johnson is missing and Oklahoma cops believe she was abducted by her stepfather, Lester Hobbs. Hobbs is who is wanted in connection with the murder of the missing girl's mother whom he was married too. Tonya's body was found in Hobbs' RV, but her daughter Aja and Hobbs were nowhere to be found. Hobbs' had threatened to hurt Aja in the past and there is deep concern for her safety. The pair could be anywhere in the country and authorities are asking the public for help.

http://www.amw.com/missing_children/brief.cfm?id=70942

Collier County, Florida ...ADJI DESIR... Six-year-old Adji Desir has been missing since January 10, 2009. While visiting his grandmother for the day, Adji (Ji Ji) went outside to play with some friends, but never returned. Police say it's important to note that Adji is developmentally disabled. He understands Creole, but cannot speak it. He is only able to speak about five words in English. At first police were hoping that Adji simply wandered off and was lost, but they now think he was abducted. Officials need your help finding the young boy and bringing him home to his worried family.

http://www.amw.com/missing_children/brief.cfm?id=62497

****INTERVIEWS****

Seattle, Washington ...NICK SULLIVAN (Recovered Missing Child)... John Walsh reconnected with one of the many children AMW has helped to recover. Nick Sullivan, now 22 years old, was kidnapped in 1996 by someone who was considered a family friend and was his part-time babysitter. Sullivan was taken from Seattle, Washington, all the way to New York. Thanks to a tip from an AMW viewer, Sullivan was recovered just three days after his disappearance and only two hours after the AMW broadcast. Now, Sullivan is encouraging viewers to keep up the good work and help recover the missing children of today.

****SPECIAL PARTNERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT****

CISCO / AMW PARTNERSHIP... AMW will reveal a new police technology that for first time ever is being given to a non law enforcement agency. This technology will allow AMW to connect with police agencies in real time as tips pour into the show's Crime Center on Saturday nights. The technology is being provided by one of our newest partners, CISCO. We will introduce our first case we hope to solve with this technology: William Greer (see synopsis below).

Houston, Texas ...WILLIAM GREER... For three years, America's Most Wanted has been on the hunt for William Greer - who admitted to killing 28-year-old Tammy Myers when cops found him, naked and drunk, in a Texas field. Law enforcement have been close to finding him, several times barely missing him -- and they are not giving up. AMW and Cisco's technology are teaming up to finally bring William Greer to justice.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=43686>

This SATURDAY, March 13, 2010 AMERICA'S MOST WANTED will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request clips, please contact Geri West at 240-482-1198 or gwest@amw.com.

Bronx, New York ...JOSEPH ROMAN... After a murder on the streets of Bronx, New York...Joseph Roman vanished. Roman went on the run after the fatal shooting of a rival neighborhood tough guy. But a 9-1-1 call from Pennsylvania gave police new leads. Police say he's been living under the alias, "Jason Mendez" and now they are back on his trail. The latest break in the case has provided authorities, and now viewers, with photos of what our suspect looks like today. Police are searching for him mainly in the Philadelphia area and are asking for your help.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59600>

Whitestown, New York ...KIMBERLY SIMON KILLER... Sixteen-year-old Kimberly Simon was found within less than 24 hours after she disappeared, but unfortunately, it was too late. Vehicle and physical descriptions led police to pin down Steven Barnes as the murderer. Barnes spent 20 years behind bars, but now he's back out on the streets after being exonerated by new DNA forensics. Police are back where they initially started in the investigation and need your help. Any witnesses or persons with information are encouraged to come forward and help bring the right man to justice.

****FIFTEEN SECONDS OF SHAME SEGMENTS****

Denver, Colorado...AUDLEY "EARL" ANGLIN... Audley Anglin and Percy Sierra easily became Bingo buddies and started traveling to casinos together. In 2008, an argument erupted between the friends when Percy refused to share \$500 in winnings with Anglin. A couple days later, Percy was found stabbed to death in her own home. Police say Anglin attacked her and then took off. Now, authorities need your help tracking down this cold-blooded killer.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=63084>

Riverview, Florida ...LUIS RAMON ZERTUCHE... "Westside" is a violent, unorganized gang terrorizing neighborhoods in Tampa, Florida. Luis Zertuche is said to be one of the gang's leaders. He is wanted for shooting a man in front of a convenience store. Police believe he could be hiding in Florida or Southeast Texas.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=68279>

Riverview, Florida ...ARUTURO ZERTUCHE... Luis may be hiding with his cousin and co-leader of "Westside," Arturo Zertuche. Arturo is wanted for his alleged attempt to kill a man in a local mobile-home park. Witnesses to these crimes and residents of nearby neighborhoods fear they will be the next victims of the Zertuche duo's random acts of violence. Authorities are asking viewers to help take these dangerous men off the streets.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=67418>

Langlade County, Wisconsin ...VINCENT BOYD... Registering as a sex offender and spending time in jail has done nothing to deter Vincent Boyd from terrorizing young children; he even assaulted his own cousin. Boyd has been on the run since a warrant for his arrest was issued in 2008. Now, police need your help to put this sick individual behind bars. He may be hiding in Tennessee, Wisconsin or Ontario, Canada.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/case.cfm?id=63080>

This SATURDAY, March 20, 2010 AMERICA'S MOST WANTED will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request clips, please contact Geri West at 240-482-1198 or gwest@amw.com.

Brenham, Texas ...BERNY MAYEL FIGUEROA ... For Sandra Lopez, March 11, 2008, a day that started like any other... ended tragically. Police say Sandra's 2-year-old daughter, Alexia Lopez, died after being beaten by day care provider Berny Figueroa. Two years later, cops and Sandra continue to search for Alexia's accused killer and are hoping that AMW viewers will join them.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=64350>

Bronx, New York ... MUAMMER ALDAILAM ... In a moment of passion, cops say Muammer "Mike" Aldailam shot and killed his girlfriend after she tried to break off their relationship. Authorities believe Aldailam may be desperate to get back to his native country of Yemen, but they need your help in finding him before he gets that far.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51985>

Duncanville , Texas ... PEDRO FAJARDO ... Bernardina Garcia was trying to get away from her possessive common-law husband. But before she could break free, police say that Pedro Fajardo shot her to death as their two children watch. Now, Fajardo is on the run and police are hot on his trail, but could use your help tracking him down. He's a know human smuggler.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=61451>

San Diego, California ...TOMMY NGUYEN ... Cops in San Diego, California are on the lookout for diminutive bad boy Tommy Nguyen. Authorities say that in Oct. 2008, the 5'2" Nguyen invaded the home of a Vietnamese couple and sexually assaulted the woman who lived there. While Nguyen's two alleged cohorts were arrested at the scene, Nguyen escaped. Police hope AMW viewers can help catch the pint-sized suspect.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=62887>

Las Cruces, New Mexico ... UNKNOWN LAS CRUCES MURDERERS... The murders took place more almost 20 years ago, but in Las Cruces, the crime is still just as shocking as it was in 1990. Seven people were shot during a robbery at a local bowling alley. Four of the victims died, three of whom were children. The surviving victims and the police need your help bringing these fugitives to justice.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/case.cfm?id=28822>
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=28857>

Union County, New Jersey ... LUQMAN "SHEEK" ABDULLAH ... New leads indicate that Luqman Abdullah has cut off his dreads to evade capture. He was an honor student and track star at his New Jersey high school, but police say instead of using those talents to escape his crime-ridden neighborhood, he used them to run it -- outsmarting and outlasting rival drug dealers and making everyone accountable to him.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69042>

Syracuse, New York ... GARY LATRAY CAPTURE... Gary LaTray's run from justice ended on the evening of Feb. 17, 2010, when courageous tipsters led police to his doorstep. In fact, it now appears Gary LaTray staged his latest alleged crime spree from Sago, West Virginia. It's the end of a long saga, involving a record-breaking armored car heist, a long prison term and a failed chance at redemption.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=69722>

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Bonita Springs, Florida ...LUIS GONZALEZ... On August 8, 2008 police found Tia Poklemba motionless on a rural road in Fort Meyers, Florida. Detectives quickly realized it was a hit and run. When they started piecing together evidence and interviewing witnesses, the clues led them to Luis Gonzales. When the search for Gonzalez hit the local news, he made a run for it. Police believe Gonzalez is hiding out in Mexico in the town of Leon, Guanajuato. Now, authorities need your help tracking down this hit-and-run killer.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=68706>

Lancaster, Pennsylvania ...UNKNOWN JUAN DEJESUS LOPEZ KILLER... On December 5, 2007 Juan Dejesus Lopez was preparing to close-up his business for the night when two masked men with handguns stormed in. Lopez grabbed one of the men's guns hoping to disarm the burglar, but instead was fatally shot. The burglars then fled the scene with a large amount of money. Authorities are asking viewers to take a good look at the surveillance tapes. They can use any tips that will lead them to Lopez's killer.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=71054>

Louisville, Kentucky ...JOHNNY BOONE... Despite serving time behind bars, Johnny Boone has not changed his ways. Police say he's back to growing and distributing marijuana. He's known as the leader of the "Cornbread Mafia" a group of pot growers in Kentucky. Officials have found it difficult to gain information from locals because they have all taken a vow not to rat on Boone. The U.S. Marshals need your help to put this drug lord behind bars for the rest of his days.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59229>

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands ...ALBION DEE FRETT... On January 10, 2003, security guard Richard Baptiste was not scheduled to work, but agreed to cover a shift for a colleague at a movie theater. He was escorting his manager across the parking lot with the nightly deposits when a robber struck. Police say Albion Dee Frett shot and killed Baptiste from behind before stealing \$15,000 from the manager. Frett has not been seen since. Police believe that he could be in Florida, Georgia, Texas or New Jersey. They need your help finding this cold-blooded killer.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=64417>

North Miami, Florida ...YOUNG SOO DO KILLER... Young Soo Do was the "Bruce Lee" of Miami. He was a Tae Kwon Do Champion and a mentor to many young people. One afternoon in November 2007, Soo Do and his friend Leclerc Prosper were in the back lot of Do's academy when a gunman appeared out of nowhere. Before the men could react, the gunman shot Soo Do and Leclerc multiple times. Soo Do died from his wounds; Prosper survived, but suffered serious injuries. Police say the gunman was not alone and was with one other person. Officials need your help to find the deadly duo.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51592>

****MISSING CHILD ALERT****

Brooklyn, New York ...PATRICK ALFORD... Seven-year-old Patrick Alford disappeared from his Brooklyn, N.Y., home on January 22, 2010. He had previously told his new foster parents he planned on running away in order to reunite with his biological mother. He was last seen wearing a red T-shirt, blue jeans and black sneakers. Cops still haven't located Patrick and believe he may have come into harm's way.

http://www.amw.com/missing_children/brief.cfm?id=71486

****FIFTEEN SECONDS OF SHAME SEGMENTS****

Ocean City, Maryland ...JOSE ROMERO... Eduardo Masoller's parents insisted that police search their son's condo after he went missing in February 2005. During their investigation, police found blood stains and immediately declared the condo a crime scene. Jose Romero worked for Masoller and has been labeled a person of interest in his murder. Romero has also been charged for multiple counts of felony theft. Police need your help to locate Romero and solve the Masoller murder.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70955>

Henderson, North Carolina ...DEVON BOST... On November 9, 2007, when Devon Bost was released from jail on bond he fled the state. Police found Bost 20 days later and arrested him for breaking and entering, larceny and resisting arrest. Bost was released on bond again and once again fled. Police and U.S. Marshals are asking for your help to track down this chronic criminal.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=70723>

Henrico County, Virginia ...GUSTAV SCHILLING... Gustav Schilling served time for abduction and attempted rape. Upon his release from prison, Schilling was ordered to register as a sex offender and wear a GPS monitor. He failed to register and then his GPS monitor quit working. Police say Schilling is likely to attack again and they need your help bringing him to justice.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=71652>

Hartford, Connecticut ...CARLOS LOPEZ-MARQUEZ... Since 1997 police say Carlos Andres Lopez-Marquez, an illegal immigrant from Mexico, has sexually assaulted several children. Lopez-Marquez disappeared after a run-in with the cops in New York, but was later found to be living in Connecticut. When police came to apprehend him, Lopez-Marquez vanished again. Police are hoping your tips will finally put him behind bars.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=68014>

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1/29 8 Dead street Racing

The man whose car plowed into a crowd of spectators watching an illegal street race in Accokeek in 2008 has accepted a plea agreement with a 15-year prison sentence. Darren Jamar Bullock, 22, was facing a prison sentence of at least 80 years, had he been convicted of eight counts of vehicular manslaughter plus serious traffic offenses. Under the terms of the plea deal, Bullock got 30 years with 15 of them suspended. The accident happened on Indian Head Highway on February 16, 2008. After a pair of cars peeled out in one street race, spectators walked onto the roadway to get a better view. At that point, another pair of cars came over a slight rise. A white Crown Victoria plunged into the crowd of spectators, killing eight people. Bullock was the driver of that car.

1/28/2010 Barnaby st. homicide

The teenage son of a legendary community activist has been shot and killed in what police are calling a robbery gone bad. It happened on Wednesday night in the 800 block of Barnaby Street in Southeast Washington. D.C. Police say 18-year-old Calvin Woodland was standing in the parking lot of the apartment building where he lived when at least two people approached and announced a robbery. The teen is the son of community activist Calvin Woodland, Sr., who passed away in 2000.

1/27/2010 Mogo College Arrest

A college student was raped on campus Tuesday and the suspect was arrested after an hours-long manhunt. Now, disturbing new details are emerging about the crime. The events unfolded at Montgomery College's Takoma Park campus late Tuesday. Police say 34-year-old Nathaniel Hart raped the woman repeatedly. Hart appeared in court briefly on closed circuit TV but his bond hearing was continued until next week. So he will remain in jail. In a statement of charges, detectives say Hart crawled under a bathroom stall and told the 19-year-old woman, "Be quiet, I'll hurt you. I have a gun and I will use it." Over a one-hour period, police say Hart raped the woman once, then hugged and apologized and raped her again.

1/27/2010 NBA Arenas Meeting

NBA commissioner David Stern has suspended Washington Wizards guards Gilbert Arenas and Javaris Crittenton for the remainder of the season for having guns in the locker room. Saying possession of guns in the workplace "will not be tolerated," Stern delivered the punishment Wednesday after meeting with Arenas earlier in the day, turning his indefinite suspension into a suspension without pay. Crittenton met with Stern on Tuesday and also was suspended without pay. Arenas pleaded guilty Jan. 15 to a felony gun charge after an alleged confrontation with Crittenton in the Wizards' locker room at Verizon Center in Washington. Arenas is scheduled to be sentenced March 26. He's in the second season of a six-year, \$111 million contract.

1/21/2010 - SIDWELL TEACHER FIRED

A 7th and 8th grade teacher from Silver Spring Maryland has been charged with second degree assault, fourth degree sex offense and sex abuse of a minor. Sixty five year old Robert A Peterson taught Social studies at the Exclusive Sidwell Friends School and was the school's former director of the school's camp corsica in Queen Anne County. According to Montgomery County charging documents, he repeatedly invited one of his male students to his home, showed him pornography and touched him inappropriately. A neighbor finds the allegations hard to believe as she says Peterson is a married man with children and a grand child. The investigation on the allegations began last September.

1/20/2010 - APPOMATTOX SHOOTING

The man suspected of gunning down eight people is finally behind bars after a twenty hour manhunt. One hundred officers from multiple agencies had set up a perimeter to catch him, but Christopher Speight walked up to the patrol car just after 7 am and turned himself in. State police said he was a calm and cooperative.

1/19/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

A Maryland man accused of trying to kill President Obama is going to prison. Collin McKenzie was sentenced to 5 years for possession of a destructive device. In court, McKenzie's father admitted to buying his son handguns, assault rifles and shotguns because Colin was a bright student at St. Johns Collegem training for a career in law enforcement. What he did not know is that his son was planning to kill another teen and then-presidential candidate Barack Obama.

1/18/2010 - ARL CUSTODY DEATH

Arlington County Police found a shoplifting suspect in Pentagon city. Knowing the suspect would try to flee using the metro, an officer found William Bumbrey the third in the metro with the stolen goods on him. A taser was used on Bumbrey to immobilize him but failed. After a second officer arrived, he was handcuffed and they soon realized he was having trouble breathing. The medics were called but Bumbrey died shortly after. The results of an autopsy and toxicology tests are still pending.

1/15/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

Two people were building explosives that they were planning to use to assassinate President Obama. One of them, Patrick Yevsukov, has admitted to this charge, and his attorney said the plans were real. Yevsukov said the other person, Collins Mackenzie-Gude was the mastermind of the plan. Yevsukov said he realized the gravity of the plan and wanted nothing to do with it. Mackenzie-Gude could face up to 10 years in prison.

1/14/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

The prosecutor in the trial against Collins Mackenzie-Gude, who had been plotting to build explosives to assassinate President Obama, played a video that demonstrated the kind of explosives that could be produced in Gude's home. The defense attorney disputed the science of the demonstration. Bottles of acid and other chemicals were found in Gude's home. The FBI called the ingredients in Gude's home very sensitive high-explosives. Patrick Yevsukov, who had been working with Mackenzie-Gude to build the bombs but who informed authorities of his and Mackenzie-Gude's activities, has been granted immunity.

1/12/2010 - BROOKVILLE RD BODY

The body of a teen was found on Brookville Road. The people who found the body were questioned by police. Police said the teen suffered trauma to the body, although it's ultimately unclear how he was killed. Police say they're investigating some leads, and that they had some report of drug activity in the area, although they're not sure if it is necessarily related to this case. Residents of the rural neighborhood were shocked at the tragedy.

1/8/2010 - CHRISTMAS TERROR PLOT

Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, who is accused of trying to blow up a Northwest Flight from Amsterdam to Detroit on Christmas Day, was arraigned on six charges. Michigan's U.S. Attorney, Barbara McQuade, said prosecutors are working to prepare for the case. U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano said that if Abdulmutallab were to try and say before a jury that he was not the person that tried to explode the plane, "such a defense would be ludicrous." Muslim-American protesters gathered outside the courthouse to speak out against Abdulmutallab. President Obama said the U.S. Intelligence Community needs to do a better job of accounting for warnings about potential terror threats.

1/6 Arenas Latest

Before he was suspended by the NBA, Washington Wizards star Gilbert Arenas took heat for a photograph that was taken Tuesday night in Philadelphia on the court. Arenas has been under investigation after admittedly bringing guns in to the team's locker room at the Verizon Center in Washington. During pre-game on Tuesday, Arenas is seen on the court encircled by his teammates while smiling and pointing his index fingers at them as if they were guns. Later, Arenas tweeted about the photo, saying, "I know everybody seen the pre game pics..my teammate thought to break the tention we should do that..but this is gettn way to much." "I wanna say sorry if I pissed any body off by us havin fun...I'm sorry for anything u need to blame for for right now.." Arenas added in a second tweet on Tuesday night after the game. NBA Commissioner David Stern has suspended Arenas indefinitely from play without pay. Stern released a statement saying Arenas was "not currently fit to take the court."

1/5 Pregnant Woman Attacked

The Suitland woman accused of cutting open a pregnant woman's stomach to get her baby was in court Tuesday in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. The judge has found probable cause to send the case of Veronica Deramous to trial for allegedly slashing Teka Adams early last month, after holding her hostage several days in her apartment. A police detective testified during a preliminary hearing that Deramous had help from her teenage son in using duct tape to bind Adams. He says she later used a knife to cut her open, with no attempt to sterilize the knife or medicate her victim. Deramous is charged with first and second-degree attempted murder, first and second-degree assault and false imprisonment.

1/5/2010 Metro Lot Convention

There has been a significant upswing in the thefts of catalytic converters from commuters' cars left at Metro parking lots. Anthony Teolis found that out the hard way on December 22nd, when the catalytic converter

on his car was cut off at a parking lot at the Vienna Metro station while he was at work. It cost the Virginia man \$1,300 to replace the air-cleaning unit. The converters are expensive, in part, because they use precious metals such as platinum. Thieves cut off three other converters from cars at the Vienna station lot that same day, according to Fairfax County Police. Metro Transit Police had noticed an upswing in the thefts in the closing months of 2009. There was only one catalytic converter theft from a Metro parking lot in June. Another theft occurred in August. But between September and December, 43 cars were hit, mostly at Metro stations in Maryland. The auto theft unit of the transit system's police department bore down on the cases, and, according to Deputy Chief Jeri Lee, detectives determined most of the thefts were coming from a small group of individuals. Arrest warrants have now been issued for two men. Chief Lee says more warrants are likely.

1/4/2010 Wizards Guns

An NBA star who says he used "bad judgment" for bringing guns to his team's locker room is to meet with authorities Monday. Wizards guard Gilbert Arenas is being investigated by both federal and local authorities about an incident that took place late last month. Various reports say he and a teammate brandished guns at each other in a dispute over a gambling debt. Arenas says the incident isn't as bad as it is being made out to be in the news reports.

Arenas says there are misconceptions about the dispute between him and teammate Javaris Crittenton.

1/4/2010 Bethesda Shooting

A former International Monetary Fund economist is being sought on charges including attempted murder in the October shooting of one of his supervisors at the IMF, police in Montgomery County, Maryland, said today. Police obtained an arrest warrant for 36-year-old Mohau Mercy Mathibe, a South African who worked at the IMF between October 2005 and January 2008, Montgomery County Police Captain Paul Starks said in an interview. Ashoka Mody, the victim, had briefly been Mathibe's boss as part of a two-year program, he said.

1/4/2010 TSA Changes

All United States-bound travellers will face increased random screening, and all passengers from at least 14 terrorism-prone nations will be patted down and have their carry-on bags searched, under new rules the US implemented on Monday. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA), the US agency responsible for air security measures, said it had issued a directive to airlines on Sunday of the changes for all flights entering the US - with an emphasis on a 'full body pat-down and physical inspection of property' for all people who are citizens of, or are flying through or from, countries with significant terrorist activity. The move comes after the attempted Christmas Day bombing of a flight from Amsterdam to Detroit.

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2/26 Mogo Sex Assault

An 11-year-old girl was sexually assaulted by two Hispanic persons in Montgomery County, Maryland. She was abducted and taken to their apartment, then pushed out of the apartment. She told her mother and provided police with a good description of the location of the apartment and objects inside it.

2/24 Colorado School Shooting

David Benke, a math teacher at Deer Creek Middle School just three miles from the infamous Columbine High School in Colorado, tackled a man firing a weapon in a crowded school yard at his school. Benke jumped the alleged gunman, Bruco Strong Eagle Eastwood, when he was reloading his bolt action rifle. Police said Eastwood shot two students before Benke and two other staff persons restrained him. The students are expected to survive.

2/24 Rhee Teacher Arrest

DC Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee, in a letter to City Council Chairman Vincent Gray, said that the teacher who had been arrested for having sex with a developmentally disabled 18-year-old student was one of the teachers let go in October's rift. Rhee said that she informed the Metropolitan Police Department when the case came to her attention, and that the MPD said the act did not warrant criminal investigation, leading it not to prosecute. Nathan Saunders, general vice president of the Washington Teachers Union, said there needs to be laws that can protect people with special needs in these situations.

2/23 Marion Barry Contracts

DC City Councilman and former DC Mayor Marion Barry, in response to a report claiming he broke the law, apologized. The report alleged he helped funnel a city contract to his former girlfriend. The team of lawyers that issued the initial report has a week to come back with a final report.

2/19 Austin Plane Crash

Joe Stack deliberately flew his single engine plane into a federal building in Austin, Texas, which houses nearly 200 IRS workers. His family is expressing sorrows and regrets for the incident. His motive was retaliating against the federal government, and specifically the IRS. Stack burned his home down and left an online note before the incident in which he condemned big brother, corporate business, and government bailouts, and said violence was the only way to take action against these entities.

2/19 Teacher Arrest

Kevin Ricks, a teacher at Osbourne High School in Manassas, is under arrest for alleged sex crimes against a 16-year-old boy. The charge is inappropriate sexual conduct. Many students were stunned to learn he had been arrested. The Virginia State Police do background checks of people who are hired at the school.

2/19 Calvert Child Deaths

A mother in Calvert County was charged with killing her two daughters. Renee Bowman was the adoptive mother of Minett and Jasmine Bowman. Autopsy photos shown to the jury depict the girls as severely beaten. Dr. Donna Vicente said they died of asphyxia; the prosecution says the girls were smothered. One of the daughters got away.

2/18 Austin Plane Crash

A man flew his plane into an IRS office building off a major highway in North Austin, Texas. The man may have also set fire to his home and put an anti-government manifesto online before the crash. Flames shot out of several floors as firefighters rushed to the scene. The pilot, Joseph Andrew Stack, is dead. Federal officials don't yet know if the crash was an intentional one.

2/18 Cheltenham Body Found

In Prince Georges County, a woman was found dead outside the Cheltenham Youth Facility, which is a detention center. Maryland State Police said the woman is affiliated with that facility. State police said the woman was assaulted. The side of the building where she was found is rather secluded.

2/18 Calvert Child Deaths

A former cell mate of Renee Bowman testified in court today that Bowman made confessions to her related to accusations that Bowman killed two of her daughters and placed their bodies in a freezer. [Audiences to the story were warned of its graphic nature]. Bowman has never admitted to killing the two girls. Bowman has

admitted putting their bodies in the freezer after the two had already died, although her stories of their deaths do not place Bowman as the culprit. Prosecutors maintain that the girls were smothered. The former cell mate said Bowman told her she killed the girls in part because she was depressed.

2/18 Marion Barry Contracts

Former D.C. Mayor and current Ward 8 Councilman Marion Barry is facing censure over allegedly helping a former girlfriend get a personal services contract so he could take a cut of her government check. He has never before been accused of public corruption, although he has had criminal problems related to drugs and taxes. People close to him allegedly say Barry is worried about this.

2/17 Calvert Child Deaths

The surviving one of three daughters testified in court today that her adoptive mother, Renee Bowman, of the horrors she and her sisters faced living with Bowman. Bowman is facing two counts of first degree child murder for allegedly murdering her other two daughters. Prosecutors have a confession and finger print evidence against Bowman. The little girl who escaped was just seven. She said that she had bruises all over her body when she lived with Bowman. The little girl said she saw Bowman choke her sisters, Minnet and Jasmine. Autopsy suggested they had been suffocated.

2/17 Marion Barry Contracts

DC Councilman and former Mayor Marion Barry is accused of possible criminal activity according to a report, which claims he violated conflict of interest laws by giving a former girlfriend a contract and steering public funds to other friends and supporters. The 107-page report, (also known as the Bennett Report), is being read by council members. Donna Watts-Brighthaupt is Barry's ex-girlfriend who allegedly benefited from the circumstances. The Bennett Report suggests Barry helped her get a contract to look into reducing poverty in Ward 8, and then insisted that she give some of the proceeds from that contract to him.

2/16 Va Gun Bills

The Virginia Senate voted 22-18 to repeal a law that bans people from carrying concealed weapons into a bar or restaurant. The House had already passed that measure. Governor Bob McDonnell is expected to sign the bill. It was just one of 60 weapons bills now being considered by state lawmakers in Richmond. One bill under consideration would repeal the 17-year-old law preventing purchases of more than one gun a month.

2/3 Riggs Rd Double Fatal

A Beltsville woman, who police say hit and killed two men on Riggs Road in Prince Georges County Monday night, has a string of run-ins with the law. She was charged in November for driving on a revoked license. Law enforcement sources say the woman had a blood alcohol content of more than twice the legal limit when she struck the men as they stood by the side of the road. But as of Wednesday night no charges had been filed. Court records show the woman, who Fox 5 is not identifying until charges are filed, has two prior arrests for driving under the influence. In one case she pled guilty, the other case was dismissed.

2/2 Hanover Court Bodies

A family tragedy in Prince William County, where a father found his wife and little boy murdered. He discovered the bodies inside their home on Hanover Court in Dale City. Police say there does not appear to be any forced entry and they are interviewing possible suspects.

2/1 8 dead st race

Nearly 2 years after a deadly street race in Prince George's County, a man accused of taking part in the race is going on trial. 8 people died when a car crashed into a crowd in Accokeek. Prosecutors say Tavon Taylor was racing the car that plowed into the spectators.

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3/29 Amy Baker 21 years

It's been 21 years since an 18-year-old girl from Fairfax County was murdered. For two decades, her parents have been living with the pain and the mystery of their daughter's death. Investigators say Amy Baker was driving southbound on I-95 when she ran out of gas. They say she walked up the exit ramp. Baker's car had already been found by police right along Interstate 95 in Fairfax County. Two days later, her worried mother decided to search the area herself. That's where she saw what no parent should ever see. Investigators think her attacker dragged her into the woods. Investigators think Amy was sexually assaulted and strangled. There is solid evidence in the case-- even some DNA taken from the scene, but detectives need more. They're hoping someone will come forward with more clues.

3/26 Wizards Guns

A judge sentenced Wizards guard Gilbert Arenas to 400 hours of community service, a fine and 30 days in a halfway house for carrying a gun into the team's locker room. Prosecutors had asked for 4 months in jail.

3/26 Naked Coffee

The man arrested for walking around his own house drinking a cup of coffee nude was back in court today. Erick Williams never intended to expose himself to anybody. He and his lawyers went to court for a motions hearing hoping to get the whole case thrown out. The judge rejected that motion and one to suppress his statements to police. The Circuit Court trial is set to begin April 7th.

3/25 Political Violence

For the last several days Republican and Democratic leaders have been denouncing the acts and threats of violence. Virginia Congressman Eric Cantor says his Richmond campaign office shot at this week and accused Democratic Chairman Tim Kaine and Maryland Congressman Chris Van Hollen of exploiting incident against Democrats for political gain. Van Hollen issued a statement saying he chose to use his press conference to level false accusations.

3/25 Stolen Car Baby

A thief took off in a woman's SUV with her 1-year old inside this morning. She had left the baby inside the car while she ran back inside her home. DC police found the SUV with the baby still inside a short time later. The baby wasn't hurt. Investigators are still looking for the thief.

3/23 VA Doctor Steroids

A northern Virginia chiropractor was arrested on drug charges Tuesday after a co-defendant accused him of supplying steroids to members of two Washington-area professional sports teams. Douglas O. Nagel, 50, of Reston, was arrested Tuesday morning in Virginia and charged by Florida authorities with seven counts of conspiring to deliver a controlled substance, specifically steroids. According to the Polk County Sheriff's Office, Nagel received regular shipments of steroids, including testosterone and nandrolone, from a Florida man, Richard "Andy" Thomas. Thomas has since pleaded guilty in federal court to possessing steroids with intent to sell. He awaits sentencing.

3/22 Calvert Child Deaths

A Maryland woman convicted of killing two adopted daughters and storing their bodies in a home freezer was sentenced to life without parole Monday. Judge Michael J. Algeo handed down 44-year-old Renee Bowman's sentence. She had been convicted of two counts of first-degree murder and three counts of first-degree child abuse. Bowman kept the bodies of the two young girls on ice for months while she continued to collect subsidies paid to parents who adopt special-needs children in the District of Columbia, receiving a total of about \$150,000 after adopting the girls.

3/18 Cheltenham Body

One month ago Thursday, a 65-year-old teacher was found murdered just off campus at a Maryland juvenile facility. She was a 65-year-old woman and a longtime teacher dedicated to her students. Hannah Wheeling was murdered. There have been no arrests, but state leaders are now making changes at the juvenile facility where she worked. Hannah Wheeling's body was found behind Murphy Cottage on February 18.

3/18 Group Rape Arrests

Investigators with the Charles County Sheriff's Office are still trying to determine the identities of two to three more men suspected of taking part in the rape of an Alexandria woman. Six other men have already been

charged, and they've all been ordered held without bond. The victim told investigators she was raped repeatedly early Tuesday morning by at least four men in the basement of a Waldorf rooming house. The six men in custody all went before a judge in La Plata, Maryland on Thursday. None of them will be getting out anytime soon. Investigators said Thursday they aren't even certain they know the men's true identities. All of them are suspected of being here illegally. The victim says as many as nine men surrounded her, taunted her and threatened to kill her if she didn't do what they wanted.

3/18 Virginia Execution

Virginia is set to execute a man who killed a teen girl then bragged about it to prosecutors once he thought he could not face the death penalty. Thirty-one-year-old Paul Warner Powell is scheduled to die at 9 p.m. at Greensville Correctional Center in Jarratt. He chose to die by electrocution rather than lethal injection. Powell was convicted in 2000 and sentenced to death for fatally stabbing 16-year-old Stacie Reed of Manassas. He also raped and attempted to kill her 14-year-old sister. The Virginia Supreme Court overturned that verdict, and Powell wrote a taunting letter to prosecutors detailing the crime. He was convicted again in 2003. Gov. Bob McDonnell refused to stop the execution, and Powell's court challenges have been rejected.

3/17 Group Rape Arrests

Six men are under arrest after being charged with the gang rape of a 30-year-old Alexandria woman. Police say she was held against her will in the basement of a house in Charles County, Maryland early Tuesday. Sheriff's deputies say the woman was repeatedly assaulted early Tuesday morning before she was able to escape. Investigators are looking for two to three more men in connection to the case.

3/16 Female Serial Bank Robber

Fairfax County Police say they're fairly confident they have captured a woman who is allegedly responsible for a series of bank robberies. She is suspected of holding up five northern Virginia banks since late February, and officers say they caught her in the act on Tuesday. Officers conducting surveillance in the Chantilly area of Fairfax caught the woman red-handed as she left a credit union with a wad of cash, and they say a getaway driver was also taken into custody. The undercover officers were watching as many as four banks in the area when they noticed a woman matching the bandit's description go into an Apple Federal Credit Union. As they waited for her to leave the bank, her wheelman took off. The disguise tipped them off. Everything fit, from the scarf to the sunglasses. They say she had the same general description of the woman suspected of pulling a number of jobs in the area.

3/16 Roosevelt HS Shots

Eleanor Roosevelt High School had a scare on Tuesday, following calls to Greenbelt Police that gun shots had been fired near the school. Roosevelt was placed on lockdown as police searched a wooded area nearby and checked out cars parked at nearby apartment complexes. Students at the high school and some people who live nearby told FOX 5 they heard multiple shots, as many as 12. Police say they believe the shots were fired into the air. Students say they felt afraid when school officials kept them closed up in the school, with no explanation about what was going on. No one was hurt. No one was arrested, and police never found a gun.

3/15 N Pershing Dr Homicide

Arlington County Police say they've made an arrest in the murder of an Arlington man on North Pershing Drive over the weekend. Investigators say they were called to the 2800 block of North Pershing Drive on Sunday around 11:15 p.m., and when they arrived they found a man suffering from upper body trauma. They say the man, who was identified as Cain Guevara-Estrada, 20, of Arlington, died a short time later. Detectives said late Monday that they had charged a local man - 20-year-old Anner Rouben Hernandez-Estrada-with murder in the case. He is being held without bond at the Arlington County Detention Center.

3/12 Patuxent River State Park Body Found

The latest information in murder of Tanessa Taylor is that police confirm that the last time the victim was seen alive was December 31, 2009. At this point, the date and location of her death is still under investigation. Investigators say she died from blunt force trauma to the body, but they can't specify any more than that. On Saturday, a hunter found the body of 19-year-old Tanessa Taylor in a shallow grave in Patuxent River State Park. Investigators don't know how long Taylor's body had been in the woods, but they say it could have been placed there as late as fall 2009. Because the body was partially decomposed, they used finger prints to identify the woman.

3/11 SE Escaped Prisoner

D.C. Police say they've caught an escaped inmate who fled from custody while being transported to the United Medical Center-- formerly Greater Southeast Hospital-- for medical treatment on Thursday. Officials say Terrance Moore managed to escape shortly before 9:00 a.m. in Southeast Washington, D.C. They say he was in full restraints while he was being transported, but was not in his restraints at the time of his escape. They say they are investigating how he was able to remove his restraints. Just after 7 p.m., Moore was apprehended by officers in the vicinity of Wheeler Road and 10th Place SE, where he was arrested without incident.

3/11 Md Criminal Negligence

There's a call to crack down on dangerous drivers and give prosecutors more ammunition to convict them. The families of some victims and AAA Mid-Atlantic are demanding that Maryland lawmakers tighten the state's Vehicular Manslaughter laws.

3/10 Female Serial Bank Robber

A female bank bandit is striking banks throughout Fairfax County. The most recent crime happened on Tuesday. Fairfax Police believe the woman is behind three bank robberies in the area, all that have happened in recent weeks. The woman, seen on surveillance tape in one bank and then leaving another bank, is believed to be behind three bank robberies in Fairfax in less than two weeks.

3/10 Jihad Jane

She's an American convert to Islam, who allegedly called herself JihadJane online. And authorities say a Pennsylvania woman expressed a willingness to become a martyr on behalf of Muslims. A federal indictment says Colleen LaRose used the Internet to recruit jihadist fighters and help terrorists overseas -- and that she even agreed to move to Europe to try to kill a Swede. An official says she had targeted a Swedish cartoonist who depicted Mohammed with the body of a dog.

3/10 PG Officer dies

A Prince Georges County police officer has died in the line of duty, 10 days after he was injured in an accident. Officer Thomas Jensen, 27, was responding to an emergency call on the morning of February 27 when his cruiser hit a patch of ice and slid out of control. The vehicle hit a pole on the northbound side of Route One just south of Route 193. The friends and family of the five-year veteran had hopes he would pull through. In fact, there were positive reports along the way, but on Tuesday night at 9:30 p.m., Officer Jensen passed away.

3/9 VA Serial Bank Robbery

Police in Northern Virginia are looking for 2 men accused of holding up 9 banks in the last 4 months. All the hold ups happened in Prince William and Fairfax Counties.

3/5 Pentagon Shooting

The gunman who shot two Pentagon police officers was heavily armed and spent weeks driving to the Capital area from the West Coast, authorities said Friday. Resentment of the U.S. government and suspicions over the 9/11 attacks have surfaced in writings by the Californian identified as the man fatally wounded in a hail of return fire. John Patrick Bedell, 36, of Hollister, Calif., was identified as the shooter and authorities said he'd had previous run-ins with the law.

3/5 Pentagon Victims

The two officers injured in the Pentagon shooting last night have been released from the hospital. The two injured officers have been identified as Jeffrey Amos and Marvin Carraway. One suffered a thigh wound and the other was hit in the shoulder.

3/5 Richard Montgomery Shooting Investigation

There was chaos Friday at a Rockville, Maryland high school after there was a report of a man inside the school with a gun. Officials at Richard Montgomery High School immediately shut down the school as police searched the grounds and lockers. It was a fairly scary drama that unfolded. The school was on lockdown. Police reacted to the worse possible scenario, but at the end of the day, there was no gun. It was an emotional end of the day as students raced out of the building. Parents were relieved that reports of a gunman had no basis in fact.

3/5 School Embezzlement

A Fairfax County School employee at the elite Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology has been arrested and charged with embezzlement. The 20 year employee oversaw finances at the school and is now charged with stealing more than \$250,000. Prosecutors say she had a gambling habit and

she took money to support that habit.

3/3 Mogo School Hacking

A month after news of a grade-hacking scandal at Churchill High School first broke, Montgomery County Police are conducting a criminal investigation. In a letter to parents, school officials say they discovered 54 students had unauthorized grade changes. Eight of those students are accused of snagging teachers' user IDs and passwords, and then using the information to get into the school's computers to alter grades. The question now for investigators is, did the other 46 know their grades had been changed, and if so, they could be in trouble too.

3/3 Georgetown Assault

Police have issued a warning for residents in the Georgetown area after a man allegedly sexually assaulted a resident. It happened early Sunday morning in the 3500 block of T Street NW. Police say the man was able to get into a house along T Street overnight, and they say he sexually assaulted the occupant, and then fled. News of the assault along the quiet row of homes in northwest D.C. near upper Georgetown and Glover Park has shocked and startled many residents. Police say the suspect was able to get into the house, sexually assault the resident, and leave.

3/2 Mogo Human Trafficking

For the last few weeks, Montgomery County Police targeted three suspects they say were running three different human trafficking operations. In one case, police say Arash Abbas ran an organization using women he would book into high-end hotel rooms across the county for prostitution. Police say another suspect Rodney Hubert recruited minors for prostitutes using Craigslist to advertise for clients from his New York City home. According to charging documents filed in the case, Rodney Hubert, ran a sophisticated operation out of Brooklyn using a web hosting business as a front. In a Silver Spring hotel last April, police say Hubert set up a one day business advertising an underage girl on the internet.

3/2 8 Dead Street Race

Two men accused in a deadly street race appeared in court today. One was taken to prison. The other is now facing a retrial. Eight people died in the accident two years ago on Indian Head Highway. Prosecutors say Tavon Taylor and Darren Bullock were racing at more than 100 miles per hour, when Bullocks car ran down a group of spectators from an earlier street race. Tavon Taylor appeared first. The judge set an October 18, 2010 date for his retrial on vehicular manslaughter charges. The jury deadlocked on the charges Monday night. Bullock came next. He had pleaded guilty to the manslaughter charges in January. Today he was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

3/1 Roundtree Drive Homicide

Police have identified the two adults killed in an apparent murder-suicide at Dale City home day care. Officers responded to the home in the 5600 block of Roundtree Road about 7 a.m. Monday after the homeowner's 12-year-old daughter called to report a shooting. The girl was caring for seven children in a before-school program in the homeowner's basement. She quickly herded the children into a basement bathroom as shots were fired upstairs. Responding officers found the body of the homeowner, 39-year-old Tonitha White, and the body of 49-year-old Richard Anthony Nichols. Both had been shot to death.

3/1 Arlington Marine Arrested

Marine Jorge Torrez is behind bars for the attempted abduction of an Arlington woman on February 10th. Now police are trying to connect him to the abduction of two women in Ballston this past Saturday. On February 10th, police say a man allegedly tried to force a woman into a car at gunpoint on Quincy Street before stealing her purse instead. Police say that man is Jorge Torrez, a Marine who lives at the Marine Corps Henderson Hall at Fort Myer. After being stationed in Japan, he recently has been working at the Pentagon. Torrez is being held without bond and charged with robbery and attempted abduction in the Quincy Street crime.

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1/27 DC Parks Contracts

Wednesday was the second time Sinclair Skinner was scheduled to appear before a special D.C. Council Committee investigating unethical contracting practices.

This time, council members say he ignored a subpoena. Skinner is a friend and fraternity brother of D.C. Mayor Adrian Fenty, who was also a paid campaign worker. The council members were so outraged they showed a video of a server going to his home to serve him the subpoena. Skinner's lawyer says he was not properly served. The council says Skinner has ties to several companies, and they think he has connections to Banneker Ventures-- the company owned by a Fenty friend, whose contract to work on parks projects was revoked.

Despite that, Banneker received a \$2.5 million payment on Christmas Eve. The lawmakers say the D.C. auditor is examining invoices to make sure all they work they charged for was done. D.C. Attorney General Peter Nickles says the council members are micromanaging contracts, leaving a chaotic situation for him, his lawyers and accountants to deal with.

1/22/2010 - US JOBS UPDATE

President Obama visits Ohio factory workers who due to the economy have seen half their co-workers laid off this past year. Obama is committed to help Americans gain employment and is calling on congress to pass a jobs bill. Although committed in decreasing unemployment rates, healthcare has been the President's priority, but with Republican Scott Brown winning the late Ted Kennedy's Senate seat, things could change. Analysts say that the Massachusetts race was a hint to Democrats that they could face some difficult competition in November's mid term elections if unemployment is still high.

1/22/2010 - CELLPHONE METERS

Montgomery county has made parking much easier. No longer will you have to pay with coins, but you can now use your cellphone as a payment option. It will begin as a 90 day trial run which will allow users to pre register online by providing their cell phone number as well as credit card information. After registration, all that is required is to call the number on the meter with your cell phone, enter the meter location, time required, and you are set. As convenient as it sounds, many people still prefer the old fashioned way. If the program proves to be successful, it will become permanent.

1/19/2010 - O'MALLEY MD BUDGET

Governor Martin O'Malley avoided many layoffs but will still have to cut funding to make up a 2 billion dollar shortfall. Malley has unveiled a budget plan that includes cuts to almost all state agencies, cuts in localities, more employee layoffs, and using bonds for building projects rather than paying now.

1/13/2010 - MD LEGISLATURE OPENS

Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley said that to come out of the recession stronger than before it began, Maryland has to create jobs. The \$2 billion deficit facing the state is going to make proposed programs more difficult to pass the state legislature. County executives from across Maryland came to Annapolis to plead for continued funding. One county delegate wants to raise taxes on some alcoholic beverages to help fund the proposed program, and says public opinion is behind the proposal to raise these taxes by a dime a drink.

1/13/2010 - VA LEGISLATURE OPENS

Virginia is facing back to back years of declining revenue for the first time in its history. The budget left behind by outgoing Gov. Tim Kaine (D) has some significant problems. The state faces a \$3.5 billion shortfall over the next two years. The 2010 session of the Virginia house of delegates and the senate began, and the speaker of the house of delegates told members they must be mindful of tough economic times.

1/12/2010 - LOCAL BUDGET IMPACTS

Local communities in Virginia are facing difficult situations due to budget shortfalls. In Loudoun County, the sheriff's department is facing nearly \$6 million in cuts from the state over two years, making the opening of a new part of the county's detention center possibly jeopardized for the near future. Fairfax County's Board of Supervisors is facing a \$316 million budget shortfall. The Board passed a resolution urging the state to not defer a new funding formula that would give the county more money.

1/11/2010 - ROAD LAW REPORT

Maryland and Washington, D.C., according to a new report card by Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, have most of the model laws the organization feels is necessary for safer teenage driving. Virginia was added to the list

of the worst states this year for its lack of laws on things like seatbelt enforcement, graduated driver licensing programs, and text messaging. Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety have 15 model laws by which they rate the states, which include drunk driving laws.

1/8/2010 - FFX SCHOOL BUDGET

Next year's school budget proposal for Fairfax County would cut foreign language instruction from 32 of the county's 44 schools. 44 of the 139 elementary schools in the county currently have some kind of program for teaching foreign language to young students. The budget plan for next year could charge high school students participating in sports \$100 per team with which they participate, and Freshman sports would be eliminated.

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2/23 FFX Exec 2011 Budget

Fairfax County's chief of police is being asked to cut more than 60 jobs for savings of \$11 million, which will cut school resource officers from middle schools. School resource officers help provide campus safety, build trusting relationships with students and work to quell gang activity. The office of the sheriff is being asked to save more than \$4 million; fire and rescue is being asked to save close to \$11 million in savings.

2/18 Snow Federal Aid

D.C., Maryland, and Virginia want the federal government to help them pay for clearing snow accumulations. Some estimates put the bill in the millions. D.C. congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton said shes been in constant contact with FEMA, and wants to make sure the federal government approves the requests from the three local governments.

2/18 Marion Barry Contracts

Former D.C. Mayor and current Ward 8 Councilman Marion Barry is facing censure over allegedly helping a former girlfriend get a personal services contract so he could take a cut of her government check. He has never before been accused of public corruption, although he has had criminal problems related to drugs and taxes. People close to him allegedly say Barry is worried about this.

2/17 More Metro Fare Hikes

While there is a Metro fare hike set to take place March 1, there may be yet another one that will take place this summer. The March 1 fare hike will be a 10-cents-a-trip surcharge to help close the gap in the current fiscal year. That charge will be eliminated June 30. Outgoing General Manager John Catoe said he recommends a basic rail fare increase from \$1.65 to \$1.90 per trip during off-peak hours, and \$1.35 to \$1.55 per trip during rush hour. WMATA Board Member Jim Graham said he is worried about increasing bus fares because Metros own analysis has shown that increases in bus fares fall disproportionately hard on those least able to pay.

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DC Councilman and former Mayor Marion Barry is accused of possible criminal activity according to a report, which claims he violated conflict of interest laws by giving a former girlfriend a contract and steering public funds to other friends and supporters. The 107-page report, (also known as the Bennett Report), is being read by council members. Donna Watts-Brighthaupt is Barrys ex-girlfriend who allegedly benefited from the circumstances. The Bennett Report suggests Barry helped her get a contract to look into reducing poverty in Ward 8, and then insisted that she give some of the proceeds from that contract to him.

2/16 Va Gun Bills

The Virginia Senate voted 22-18 to repeal a law that bans people from carrying concealed weapons into a bar or restaurant. The House had already passed that measure. Governor Bob McDonnell is expected to sign the bill. It was just one of 60 weapons bills now being considered by state lawmakers in Richmond. One bill under consideration would repeal the 17-year-old law preventing purchases of more than one gun a month.

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3/22 Rhee School Budgets

D.C. Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee is facing council members again to answer questions about a number of controversial issues. Dozens of parents and teachers turned out for the oversight hearing Monday morning. But unlike previous meetings where the budget was the focus, the hearing touched on a number of issues-- from the replacement of a popular Hardy Middle School principal, Patrick Pope and the delayed reopening of several schools to Rhee's hiring of an image consultant. Councilmember Marion Barry questioned the logic behind hiring the public relations firm. He told Rhee, "Your image is what you are." Barry wanted to know where the money for the firm was coming from. Rhee says former White House communications director and veteran Democratic media consultant Anita Dunn is working pro bono. She said a future contract would be paid for with private funds.

3/16 Frederick Succession

County Commissioner Lennie Thompson was serious when he proposed withdrawing from the state of Maryland. He says he is concerned about the financial direction of the state. The Republican lawmaker introduced a resolution at a work session today asking his fellow commissioners to study the benefits of statehood. He envisioned the state of Shangri La, but some envisioned it as no more than a media stunt that made the county look like a joke. Thompson's measure failed. His was the only yes vote. But seceding wasn't the point. This was a message to Annapolis.

3/15 Leggett Mogo Budget

How do you make up \$779 million? That's the budget shortfall in Montgomery County. That's a lot of ground to make up, and the County Executive says it's going to be painful. Ike Leggett says they've already made many cuts. Superintendent Jerry Weast promises to try to protect programs-- despite a budget \$137 million less than what the Board of Education requested. He says the school system will work to avoid furloughs. Other non-emergency county employees will likely be forced to take 10 days off without pay. Leggett says that'll start at the top. Leggett says he'll be the first county employee furloughed. In addition to the 10 furlough days, the County Executive wants to cut 452 positions. About half of those positions are currently vacant. Plus, county employees will get no pay increases in fiscal year 2011. That starts this coming July.

3/11 Md Criminal Negligence

There's a call to crack down on dangerous drivers and give prosecutors more ammunition to convict them. The families of some victims and AAA Mid-Atlantic are demanding that Maryland lawmakers tighten the state's Vehicular Manslaughter laws.

3/9 Same Sex Marriage

The Rev. Darlene Garner, 61, and the Rev. Candy Holmes, 53, were among the first same-sex couples to marry in Washington on Tuesday, when the district became the sixth place in the country to conduct the unions. The district joins Connecticut, Iowa, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont as places that issue same-sex couples marriage licenses.

3/9 Wasa Simmer Boats

Starting New Year's Day, DC has been charging 5 cents per bag to reduce trash on the Anacostia River. Wasa crews that skim the water for trash are hoping that will work but they haven't really seen the results yet.

3/3 DC Same sex Marriage

A Congressional review period expired at midnight opening the door for same sex couples to apply for marriage licenses in the district. Dozens of couples lined up to get their licenses. They can start marrying in a week.

3/2 Barry Censured

The DC Council unanimously voted to censure Marion Barry and strip him of his committee chairmanship. Barry could also face prosecution. The report said Barry, now a council member, violated conflict-of-interest laws by helping award a \$15,000 city contract to a woman he had a sexual relationship with. The council voted Tuesday to adopt the findings of the report and strip Barry of his chairmanship of the Committee on Housing and Workforce Development. The council voted unanimously, except for Barry, who did not vote. Before the council

voted Barry told his colleagues that the report was "flawed" and that he was being "singled out unfairly." He said he violated no law, except "the law of common sense." He said stripping him of the committee chairmanship was a "great injustice."

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The Salahi's took advantage of their fifth amendment right not to answer any questions but some committee members still hammered them about their alleged actions. After much antagonizing by the members, the Salahi's attorney declared their innocence when speaking to reporters.

1/18/2010 - MASSACHUSETTS ELECTION

The fight over healthcare may depend on the special election for the senate seat in Massachusetts. Democrat Martha Coakley got some high powered support from President Obama as she is up against Republican Scott Brown. Obama's healthcare plan could be in danger if Brown wins and the GOP picks up a 41st vote to block the President's agenda.

1/17/2010 - MA SENATE RACE

The special election to fill former Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-Mass.)'s seat is heating up. President Obama said the stakes are high, and a Republican victory would mean the country is going "backwards." Obama spent Sunday afternoon drumming up support for Mass. Attorney General Martha Coakley (D). Many polls show State Senator Scott Brown (R) is leading Coakley. Some feel the outcome of this election will reflect how Americans feel about the health care bill.

1/15/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

Two people were building explosives that they were planning to use to assassinate President Obama. One of them, Patrick Yevsukov, has admitted to this charge, and his attorney said the plans were real. Yevsukov said the other person, Collins Mackenzie-Gude was the mastermind of the plan. Yevsukov said he realized the gravity of the plan and wanted nothing to do with it. Mackenzie-Gude could face up to 10 years in prison.

1/14/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

The prosecutor in the trial against Collins Mackenzie-Gude, who had been plotting to build explosives to assassinate President Obama, played a video that demonstrated the kind of explosives that could be produced in Gude's home. The defense attorney disputed the science of the demonstration. Bottles of acid and other chemicals were found in Gude's home. The FBI called the ingredients in Gude's home very sensitive high-explosives. Patrick Yevsukov, who had been working with Mackenzie-Gude to build the bombs but who informed authorities of his and Mackenzie-Gude's activities, has been granted immunity.

1/12/2010 - HEALTH CARE DEBATE

Some union leaders traveled to the White House to express that they feel the Senate version of the health care bill is inadequate. They feel the bill's 40-percent tax on some health plans is not favorable. Richard Trumka, president of the AFL-CIO, said those of have negotiated good benefits in exchange for less pay will be hurt, calling the measure one that's "designed to benefit elites." The Unions prefer the House health care bill, which has a 5 percent sur-tax on individuals making more than \$500,000 and households that earn more than \$1 million.

1/11/2010 - THE GAME CHANGERS

Game Change, a new book, is offering revelations on the 2008 presidential campaign. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid was called out as having said then-candidate Barack Obama was a "light-skinned" African American, "with no negro dialect ... unless he wanted to have one." The White House has said Obama has accepted Reid's apology. Washington, D.C. Delegate to Congress Eleanor Holmes Norton (D) said the black community at large will likely accept Reid's apology because Reid has "earned it." Some Republicans are calling for Reid to resign as majority leader. Republican Party Chairman Michael Steele said the comments should be recognized as racism.

1/8/2010 - CHRISTMAS TERROR PLOT

Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, who is accused of trying to blow up a Northwest Flight from Amsterdam to Detroit on Christmas Day, was arraigned on six charges. Michigan's U.S. Attorney, Barbara McQuade, said prosecutors are working to prepare for the case. U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano said that if Abdulmutallab were to try and say before a jury that he was not the person that tried to explode the plane, "such a defense would be ludicrous." Muslim-American protesters gathered outside the courthouse to speak out against Abdulmutallab. President Obama said the U.S. Intelligence Community needs to do a better job of accounting for warnings about potential terror threats.

1/8/2010 - STATE DINNER CRASHERS

Tareq and Michael Salahi, who made an uninvited appearance at a state dinner, did not appear in Frederick County court today with regards to an unpaid debt. Tareq Salahi claimed he was snowed in, but the plaintiffs maid their way to the court in the suit for more than \$500 for an unpaid generator bill. The judge ruled in their favor. The cost with the court fees is now more than \$1,000.

1/6 State Dinner 3rd Crasher

A third man alleged to have crashed the White House State Dinner in November now says he was invited to the party -- days after repeatedly denying that he was ever there. Unidentified man arrives ahead of other Indian guests at WH State Dinner. Carlos Allen is the third suspect under investigation by the U.S. Secret Service for attending the Nov. 24 gala without an invitation. But Allen's attorney, A. Scott Bolden, says his client received "what he believed to be an official invitation," adding the Secret Service "probably ought to be investigating themselves and the process and what occurred here."

1/5 Obama Security Meeting

President Obama spent the afternoon in the Situation Room meeting with his national security team, the first face-to-face meeting with some two dozen advisers since the attempted Christmas Day bombing of a Northwest Airlines flight from Amsterdam to Detroit. Following the meeting, the president acknowledged that the government knew of other red flags in the failed underwear bombing plot. "This was not a failure to collect intelligence, it was a failure to integrate and understand the intelligence that we already had," the President said at the White House. He added that the system had failed in a major way.

1/4/2010 TSA Changes

All United States-bound travellers will face increased random screening, and all passengers from at least 14 terrorism-prone nations will be patted down and have their carry-on bags searched, under new rules the US implemented on Monday. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA), the US agency responsible for air security measures, said it had issued a directive to airlines on Sunday of the changes for all flights entering the US - with an emphasis on a 'full body pat-down and physical inspection of property' for all people who are citizens of, or are flying through or from, countries with significant terrorist activity. The move comes after the attempted Christmas Day bombing of a flight from Amsterdam to Detroit.

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2/24 Toyota CEO on Hill

Toyotas CEO, Akio Toyota, traveled from Japan to apologize in front of Congress for safety problems that have led to the recall of 8.5 million Toyota cars. Safety issues have resulted in accidents and deaths due to reports of sudden acceleration. Akio Toyota insisted the sudden acceleration problem is the result of sticky gas pedals and floor mats, and not issues with electronic throttle computers. You can check the U.S. Department of Transportations website to see if your car is on the list of cars being recalled.

2/23 Toyota Hearing

David Lentz, Toyotas U.S. President, said the recall of 8.5 million of its vehicles may not totally solve the safety issues the companys still investigating. CEO Akio Toyota will testify about the problem tomorrow on Capitol Hill. The companys blaming the safety issues on floormats and sticky gas pedals. At least one expert says a different cause might be responsible; Professor David Gilbert of the Southern University of Illinois says the problem may be one based in a computer failure related to the throttle control system.

2/23 Afghanistan NATO

General Stanley McChrystal, the NATO and U.S. commander of forces in Afghanistan, apologized on Afghan airwaves today because of the accidental deaths of more than 24 Afghan civilians after an airstrike. McChrystal went to the airwaves because he is trying to repair and build trust among the Afghan people for NATO and U.S. operations against the Taliban. This is the second time in nine days that NATO apologized for killing civilians.

2/22 Obama Health reform

President Obama today released a new \$950 billion health care plan to overhaul the nations health care system. It is unknown if the new plan will help or hurt Obama when he meets with Republicans later this week with regards to health care. New items in this plan include federal oversight of insurance company rate hikes, and new taxes on high-cost health plans. The new White House gives up Obamas bid to have a publicly-funded health care option.

2/19 Austin Plane Crash

Joe Stack deliberately flew his single engine plane into a federal building in Austin, Texas, which houses nearly 200 IRS workers. His family is expressing sorrows and regrets for the incident. His motive was retaliating against the federal government, and specifically the IRS. Stack burned his home down and left an online note before the incident in which he condemned big brother, corporate business, and government bailouts, and said violence was the only way to take action against these entities.

2/19 New Credit Card Rules

New regulations on what credit card companies can charge went into effect Monday, with the goal of consumer protection. For some, there have been sudden interest rate spikes on money theyve already borrowed. People under 21 must now have a co-signer for credit card applications, and the liability the co-signer incurs is equal to the person who has the card. There are now only three reasons that interest rates for existing balances can go up: if payment is late by 60 or more days, if you had a promotional rate and that promotions expiring, or if you have a variable rate.

2/19 Political Purse

President Obama attended a rally for Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., who is up for reelection this November. Reid has been trailing in recent polls and Nevada has a 13-percent unemployment rate with one of the highest foreclosure rates in the country. The Conservative Political Action Committee met in Washington, D.C., and some considered to be to Republican presidential contenders in 2012 spoke.

2/18 Austin Plane Crash

A man flew his plane into an IRS office building off a major highway in North Austin, Texas. The man may have also set fire to his home and put an anti-government manifesto online before the crash. Flames shot out of several floors as firefighters rushed to the scene. The pilot, Joseph Andrew Stack, is dead. Federal officials dont yet know if the crash was an intentional one.

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2/18 Obama spending & Taxes

President Obama today used an executive order to create an 18-member commission to tackle the increasing federal debt. This comes after Congress rejected creation of the commission earlier this month. Obama is asking the commission to produce recommendations on how to cover the costs of all federal programs by 2015. The bipartisan panel is headed by former Republican senator Alan Simpson and former Clinton chief of staff Erskine Bowles.

2/17 Toyota Recalls

Toyota's recent recalls, due to what the company has said were floormat and braking issues, are being compounded by new complaints regarding power steering in the Corolla model. This has prompted talk of another possible recall. Toyota has said that if the issue at hand is one of safety, it will conduct another recall, but that if it is not one of safety the complaints will be handled in a normal way. Company president Akio Toyoda said he will not be attending a congressional hearing on the automakers safety problems, and that U.S. Toyota President Yoshi Inaba would be better suited to answer U.S. lawmakers questions.

2/17 Stimulus Anniversary

President Obama and his administration are going across the country to defend the \$787 billion American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 on the first anniversary of its launch. Obama credits the ARRA with creating jobs and business opportunities. He said the ARRA has saved or created as many as two million jobs, and that it has kept the country from plunging into a second great depression. Polls show Americans are skeptical of how effective the stimulus funds have been, however. Republicans point out that unemployment rolls have still risen over the last year despite the ARRA.

2/16 Haiti Rebuilding

Haitian President Rene Preval said it will take 3 years to clear the rubble and to truly begin the process of rebuilding. Preval said this will likely lead to fewer people living in the capital of Port-Au-Prince. Getting food and other aid to people in the devastated area remains a monumental task. There have been more than 50 aftershocks that have made some afraid to go inside.

2/15 Senate Shakeup

Sen. Evan Bayh, D-Ind., today became the 11th U.S. senator to announce hes not running for reelection. This comes at a time when Republican prospects for victories in the November midterm elections seem favorable. Bayh said he loves helping our citizens make the most of their lives, but that he does not love Congress. Bayh is the fifth Democrat to announce hes leaving the Senate. Former Republican Congressman JD Hayworth is challenging Sen. John McCain, (R-Ariz.), in a primary battle Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid faces a tough reelection contest.

Toyota Recall - 2/15/2010

Toyota is recalling millions of cars for concerns of faulty brakes. More than 15 thousand U.S. auto dealers are meeting in Florida for the National Automobiles Dealers Association Convention. Bankruptcies and bailouts of GM and Chrysler have made this past year a hard one already. Toyota will have a new marketing push in March, the details of which have not yet been announced.

2/15 Afghan Offensive

The biggest combat offensive since the U.S. began its war in Afghanistan is being met with heavy insurgent resistance. Several firefights broke out in the Taliban stronghold of Majah today, with sniper teams attacking U.S. marines and allied Afghan forces. This is the third day of the offensive. More than 30 Taliban militants have been killed. The operation is involving 15,000 U.S., Afghan, and British troops.

2/3 Toyota Latest

Toyota troubles just keep getting bigger. The US Transportation Secretary alarmed drivers telling them to stop driving their Toyotas only to retract the statement a short time later. Now, Toyota is investigating possible problems with the Prius. First it was the sliding floor mats then sticky gas pedals, now the US National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says it's received abotu 100 complaints about brakes on the Prius not working, including 2 serious crashes.

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3/29 Obama Afghanistan

Progress in Afghanistan has been "too slow," U.S. President Barack Obama said following his surprise visit to the war-torn nation. After a secret weekend trip to Afghanistan, the President is back at the White House. While he praised the troops, he also delivered blunt warnings to Afghan leaders about cleaning up government corruption.

3/25 Political Violence

For the last several days Republican and Democratic leaders have been denouncing the acts and threats of violence. Virginia Congressman Eric Cantor says his Richmond campaign office shot at this week and accused Democratic Chairman Tim Kaine and Maryland Congressman Chris Van Hollen of exploiting incident against Democrats for political gain. Van Hollen issued a statement saying he chose to use his press conference to level false accusations.

3/25 Don't Ask Don't Tell

Defense Secretary Robert Gates, and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs Admiral Mike Mullen, talking about new guidelines that will make it harder to throw out members of the military for being gay. Third party "outing" members will now have to testify under oath. There will also be tighter rules on evidence like revising what constitutes credible information to being an inquiry or separation proceeding.

3/25 Calorie Count

Within a couple of years everyone who walks into familiar chains will see the calorie counts. The new labeling rule was tucked into the Health Care Reform Law, in an effort to get consumers to make healthier choices. Most major chains put the information online but this will force restaurants to make the calorie details more obvious.

3/23 Health Care Bill Signing

beaming President Barack Obama on Tuesday signed a historic \$938 billion health care overhaul that guarantees coverage for 32 million uninsured Americans and will touch nearly every citizen's life, presiding over the biggest shift in U.S. domestic policy since the 1960s and capping a divisive, yearlong debate that could define the November elections. Celebrating "a new season in America" -- the signature accomplishment of his White House so far and one denied to a line of presidents before him -- Obama made the massive bill law with an East Room signing ceremony.

3/23 Haiti Former Presidents

Former Presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton are checking out the destruction in Haiti after the devastating earthquake more than two months ago. They met with Haiti's president who says the nation needs some 3.4 billion dollars to reconstruct over the next decade. President Obama asked the former presidents to head up US fundraising efforts for Haiti.

3/23 Student Loan Rally

When the House passed the healthcare bill it also rescued a major source of funding for low income students - the Federal Pell Grant. Under the act, the Pell Grant Program is getting a cash infusion from big student lenders. Sallie Mae and other private lenders got federal money to provide low-cost student loans. The plan cancels that 60 billion dollar subsidy, and makes the government the direct lender. The change is expected to save \$61 billion dollars.

3/22 Health Care Passed

An historic vote on Capitol Hill. Late last night, the House passed the Health Care Reform Bill. Tonight, President Obama is just hours away from putting his signature on the main issue of his Presidency. Even as he's poised to take action, the political fights appear far from over. The GOP is prepared to use the bill to attack Democrats for this November's election.

3/19 President GMU Rally

Today the President took his case for Health Care Reform to George Mason University in Virginia. He and Democratic leaders lobbied intensely for historic health care legislation, gaining momentum and another precious "yes" 48 hours ahead of a climactic vote. With a showdown set for Sunday on the House floor, Democratic leaders still didn't command the 216 votes they needed, so every undecided lawmaker was the focus of personal attention

from House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and the White House, and every "no"-to-"yes" conversion was trumpeted by party leaders.

3/18 Don't Ask, Don't Tell

There was a call for change in the District on Thursday. It's all part of the battle to end the military's don't ask, don't tell policy toward gays. Comedian Kathy Griffin, who is known to push the envelope, used her star power to lobby for the cause. Griffin led a rally at Freedom Plaza to get the policy repealed now. The star of "My Life on the D-List" is speaking out on an issue that can get someone who is gay kicked out. Her jokes were laced with daggers, starting with Senator Saxby Chambliss, (R-GA). "He's really super crazy," she said. Griffin didn't hide her opinion of him during a Senate Armed Services hearing. "I sort of stood up in the front row and said 'peace out you cookoo puffs' and walked out," Griffin said. At the rally, many were gay and lesbian military veterans from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. They waved American flags and held up signs saying "repeal don't ask, don't tell."

3/18 National Guard Returns

About 140 members of the D.C. National Guard are in the process of returning from a one-year deployment in Iraq. A total of 108 of them arrived Thursday at the D.C. Armory to the cheers of friends, families, and colleagues. Danielle Norris gave her husband, Lt. Connor Norris, a huge hug and a kiss as they greeted each other.

3/16 Health Care Bill

Republicans are crying foul over news that House Speaker Nancy Pelosi may try to pass the health care bill without a direct vote on it. The move is one that Democrats say Republicans have used themselves when they controlled Congress. But the GOP claims it's unconstitutional.

3/16 Broadband for Everyone

Using \$7 billion set aside in the stimulus bill, the Federal Communications Commission plans to upgrade our broadband infrastructure, and bring high-speed internet to those remaining 100 million Americans without it. It's an ambitious goal. It will require convincing internet service providers to lay fiber lines in rural communities which haven't been profitable for them in the past, and getting broadcasters to part with a portion of their airwaves in another auction. Cable companies may also be asked to share some of their existing lines. Parts of this plan will need to be approved by Congress, and there will be some opposition. Expect there to be a lot of questions about the proposal to shift money from the Universal Service Fund, which was set up to subsidize telephone access to all Americans, to subsidize internet access instead.

3/12 Reid Family Accident

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's wife underwent surgery Friday to stabilize serious injuries suffered when a tractor-trailer rear-ended the minivan she and their daughter were riding in on an interstate highway. The surgery successfully stabilized 69-year-old Landra Reid's broken neck, said intensive care physician Elizabeth Franco, one of the doctors at Inova Fairfax Hospital who is treating Mrs. Reid, who also suffered a broken back and broken nose

3/12 Health care Deadline

President Barack Obama on Friday delayed for three days his trip to Indonesia and Australia, an announcement meant to give frantic House Democratic leaders more breathing room for what could be the final, make-or-break push to pass comprehensive health care reform. Senior White House staff told House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) late Thursday that Obama would bow to their wishes and remain in Washington for face-to-face time with restive, fence-sitting House Democrats. Obama had promised to the work the phones from overseas, but top Democratic aides in Congress said the leadership felt it need Obama's personal touch in Washington to have any realistic chance of pushing his signature domestic initiative across the finish line.

3/11 Health Care Latest

President Obama's deadline for the health care vote is just a week away. Today every House Democrat met behind closed doors to map out their next strategy. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi says members are closer to a vote on reform but won't necessarily make the White House imposed deadline.

3/9 Health Care Protest

A health care protest in Downtown DC today. Demonstrators marched from Dupont Circle to a Foggy Bottom hotel, targeting insurance company executives attending a policy conference at the hotel.

3/3 Obama Health care

President Barack Obama urged Congress Wednesday to vote "up or down" on sweeping health care legislation in the next few weeks, endorsing a plan that denies Senate Republicans the right to kill the bill by stalling with a filibuster. "I don't see how another year of negotiations would help. Moreover, the insurance companies aren't starting over," Obama said, rejecting Republican calls to begin anew on an effort to remake the health care system. The president made his appeal as Democratic leaders in Congress surveyed their rank and file for the votes needed to pass legislation by majority vote -- invoking rules that deny Senate Republicans the right to block it through endless stalling debate. Obama specifically endorsed that approach.

3/1 Transportation furloughs

The Transportation Department put 2,000 employees on furlough after Congress failed to enact legislation that included a short-term extension of the Highway Trust Fund. Agencies affected by the furlough include the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and the Research and Innovative Technology Administration. The law that authorizes the Highway Trust Fund to reimburse states for highway projects expired at midnight on Sunday. Sen. Jim Bunning, R-Ky., last week blocked an interim extension to keep the projects funded while Congress debates a permanent bill. Bunning said the legislation, which also would have continued unemployment insurance and COBRA health benefits for the unemployed, would add \$10 billion to the federal deficit.

3/1 Health care latest

President Obama is preparing to move forward with health care with or without the GOP. The president is expected to layout his plan this week to get health care reform passed. Democratic leaders are increasingly optimistic that they can pass the healthcare overhaul by Spring.

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Democrats are in shock as Scott Brown wins the first republican senate seat in nearly forty years in Massachusetts. The unexpected victory has put a damper on President Obama's push for healthcare reform and he doesn't want a vote on a reconciled bill untill brown is seated.

1/19/2010 - ORPHANS ARRIVE

Over fifty Haitian orphans have arrived in Pennsylvania ready to start a new life. Once they landed, they were immediately take to the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. Some of the children were granted a two year Humanitarion parole policy which would enter them into the adoption process but most are already adopted and will be placed in their new homes very soon.

1/18/2010 - MASSACHUSETTS ELECTION

The fight over healthcare may depend on the special election for the senate seat in Massachusetts. Democrat Martha Coakley got some high powered support from President Obama as she is up against Republican Scott Brown. Obama's healthcare plan could be in danger if Brown wins and the GOP picks up a 41st vote to block the President's agenda.

1/18/2010 - KIDS MIGRAINES

Adults are not the only ones getting migraines, so are kids. In fact, 5 percent of all sufferers get their first migraine before they are 15 years old.

Joshua Cohen, a neurologist at the Headache Institue at Saint Luke's Roosevelt Hospital opened up the first adolescent headache center in the tri-state area, treating children aged 12 to 17.

1/17/2010 - HAITI EARTHQUAKE

People are trying to get out of Haiti after the earthquake. Aid is not getting to those who need it in a timely manner. The elderly and orphan babies are not getting the supplies they need. There are many cases of septicemia and much amputation has to be done. Some are turning to faith to help them through these troubled times.

1/17/2010 - HAITI EMBASSY

Supplies and donations have been coming to the Haitian embassy in Washington, D.C. all day long. Organizers say more help will be needed to assist Haiti. More doctors are needed in Haiti. Massachusetts Avenue was backed up at times because of the traffic of donations coming in to the Haitian embassy.

1/17/2010 - SURVIVAL KIT DRIVE

Embassy Row has a traffic jam because of the volume of people lining up to give to the Haitian Embassy to assist in relief efforts from the recent earthquake. One man drove from Virginia to drop off 40 bags of donated goods. Some people used Facebook to organize galvanize participation in the supply drive. The Haitian ambassador asked the Greater Washington Haitian Relief Committee to collect a list of vital items, including baby wipes, batteries, flash lights, hand sanitizer, soap, and tooth paste.

1/17/2010 - MA SENATE RACE

The special election to fill former Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-Mass.)'s seat is heating up. President Obama said the stakes are high, and a Republican victory would mean the country is going "backwards." Obama spent Sunday afternoon drumming up support for Mass. Attorney General Martha Coakley (D). Many polls show State Senator Scott Brown (R) is leading Coakley. Some feel the outcome of this election will reflect how Americans feel about the health care bill.

1/15/2010 - HAITI MEDICAL CRISIS

The Haitian capital city's main hospital collapsed in the recent earthquake. The number of injured people coming for aid is so overwhelming that doctors, nurses, and volunteers are trying to prioritize patients. Those at the top of the priorities list are suffering from major trauma, head injuries, and fractures. Doctors worry diarrhea and measles may spread under current conditions. The health problems are accentuated since a high rate of the Haitian population is un-vaccinated and/or malnourished.

1/14/2010 - VA HOSPITAL WEDDING

A couple who started dating 28 years ago and who have a daughter together finally got married. The groom was diagnosed with lung cancer this past summer, and at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Washington, D.C., doctors told the groom in December that the Chemotherapy was not helping his condition. The groom asked his long-time girlfriend to marry him as he slid into hospice care, and she said yes. They used the chapel in the V.A. hospital to wed.

1/12/2010 - HEALTH CARE DEBATE

Some union leaders traveled to the White House to express that they feel the Senate version of the health care bill is inadequate. They feel the bill's 40-percent tax on some health plans is not favorable. Richard Trumka, president of the AFL-CIO, said those of have negotiated good benefits in exchange for less pay will be hurt, calling the measure one that's "designed to benefit elites." The Unions prefer the House health care bill, which has a 5 percent sur-tax on individuals making more than \$500,000 and households that earn more than \$1 million.

1/12/2010 - DC AIDS PROGRESS

At least 3 percent of Washington, D.C. residents have HIV or AIDS. One infected man says myths about AIDS transmission, including who has it and how it's spread, make many people hesitant to get tested. The District and the National Institutes of Health are trying to identify populations at high risk. Even though the District's AIDS programs have previously come under fire for misusing funding, NIH Infectious Disease Expert Anthony Fauci said that didn't concern him, since the NIH will monitor the federal money very carefully.

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2/22 Local Yaz Lawsuits

The contraceptives Yaz and Yasmin, produced by Bayer, have been linked as possible sources of blot clotting. Andrew Bederman is an attorney representing 38 women in the DC area who have recently filed suit against Bayer for alleged side effects of using Yaz and Yasmin, such as blood clots, gastrointestinal problems, organ failure and stroke. Bayer says the side effects are minimal and are adequately disclosed in their labeling.

2/22 Obama Health reform

President Obama today released a new \$950 billion health care plan to overhaul the nations health care system. It is unknown if the new plan will help or hurt Obama when he meets with Republicans later this week with regards to health care. New items in this plan include federal oversight of insurance company rate hikes, and new taxes on high-cost health plans. The new White House gives up Obamas bid to have a publicly-funded health care option.

2/15 highway illnesses

According to new statistics, the chances of getting heart disease could double if you live next to a freeway. Some feel the sound walls next to some stretches of freeway will keep dust and grime from the freeway from coming through. Researchers at USC and UC Berkeley, among others, made the findings through studying people who live 100 meters away from a freeway in Los Angeles.

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3/25 Calorie Count

Within a couple of years everyone who walks into familiar chains will see the calorie counts. The new labeling rule was tucked into the Health Care Reform Law, in an effort to get consumers to make healthier choices. Most major chains put the information online but this will force restaurants to make the calorie details more obvious.

3/23 Health Care Bill Signing

beaming President Barack Obama on Tuesday signed a historic \$938 billion health care overhaul that guarantees coverage for 32 million uninsured Americans and will touch nearly every citizen's life, presiding over the biggest shift in U.S. domestic policy since the 1960s and capping a divisive, yearlong debate that could define the November elections. Celebrating "a new season in America" -- the signature accomplishment of his White House so far and one denied to a line of presidents before him -- Obama made the massive bill law with an East Room signing ceremony.

3/23 VA Doctor Steroids

A northern Virginia chiropractor was arrested on drug charges Tuesday after a co-defendant accused him of supplying steroids to members of two Washington-area professional sports teams. Douglas O. Nagel, 50, of Reston, was arrested Tuesday morning in Virginia and charged by Florida authorities with seven counts of conspiring to deliver a controlled substance, specifically steroids. According to the Polk County Sheriff's Office, Nagel received regular shipments of steroids, including testosterone and nandrolone, from a Florida man, Richard "Andy" Thomas. Thomas has since pleaded guilty in federal court to possessing steroids with intent to sell. He awaits sentencing.

3/22 Health Care Passed

An historic vote on Capitol Hill. Late last night, the House passed the Health Care Reform Bill. Tonight, President Obama is just hours away from putting his signature on the main issue of his Presidency. Even as he's poised to take action, the political fights appear far from over. The GOP is prepared to use the bill to attack Democrats for this November's election.

3/22 Tainted School Milk

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3/19 USNS Comfort

U.S. Naval Ship Comfort pulled into the Port of Baltimore, Friday, to the cheers of hundreds of family members, friends, and students from two Catholic elementary schools. For more than two months the Comfort has been at sea providing assistance to earthquake victims in Haiti. Most of the 200 remaining personnel disembarked from the ship around lunchtime.

3/19 iPod Deaths

Local officials are seeing a rise in the number of pedestrians and bicyclists who are being killed or seriously injured while wearing earphones. Transportation officials say several people have been killed in the Washington, DC area. Recently, a 51-year-old jogger was killed by a tractor-trailer truck while crossing Constitution Avenue. DC police say the woman was wearing headphones. AAA officials say across the United States the number of pedestrian injuries and deaths are increasing because people wearing earphones are not aware of their surroundings.

3/16 Health Care Bill

Republicans are crying foul over news that House Speaker Nancy Pelosi may try to pass the health care bill without a direct vote on it. The move is one that Democrats say Republicans have used themselves when they controlled Congress. But the GOP claims it's unconstitutional.

3/12 Health care Deadline

President Barack Obama on Friday delayed for three days his trip to Indonesia and Australia, an announcement meant to give frantic House Democratic leaders more breathing room for what could be the final, make-or-break push to pass comprehensive health care reform. Senior White House staff told House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) late Thursday that Obama would bow to their wishes and remain in Washington for face-to-face time with restive, fence-sitting House Democrats. Obama had promised to do the work the phones from overseas, but top Democratic aides in Congress said the leadership felt it need Obama's personal touch in Washington to have any realistic chance of pushing his signature domestic initiative across the finish line.

3/11 Child Death Transport

A senior paramedic with D.C. Fire and EMS is now under criminal investigation for allegedly refusing to transport a little girl to the hospital. Two-year-old Stephanie Stephens died last month, hours after her parents called 911 for help. The case has been under internal review, however on Thursday it was handed over to the Metropolitan Police Department. FOX 5 News has learned new information about how long the ambulance crew was inside the home. Sources say the paramedic under investigation was previously demoted from her job as a paramedic supervisor because of past problems.

3/11 Health Care Latest

President Obama's deadline for the health care vote is just a week away. Today every House Democrat met behind closed doors to map out their next strategy. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi says members are closer to a vote on reform but won't necessarily make the White House imposed deadline.

3/10 DC Female Condom

D.C. has one of the highest HIV/AIDS rates in the country, with 3 percent of all adults and adolescents affected. So, health officials are now pushing the female condom as a new weapon in the fight against the AIDS epidemic. The MAC Cosmetics company has given the city a \$500,000 grant to fund the distribution of a half-million free female condoms. The city's HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD and TB Administration is handing them out at barber shops, beauty salons, nail salons and carry-outs in Wards 7 and 8, where the rates of HIV are the highest.

3/9 Health Care Protest

A health care protest in Downtown DC today. Demonstrators marched from Dupont Circle to a Foggy Bottom hotel, targeting insurance company executives attending a policy conference at the hotel.

3/3 Obama Health care

President Barack Obama urged Congress Wednesday to vote "up or down" on sweeping health care legislation in the next few weeks, endorsing a plan that denies Senate Republicans the right to kill the bill by stalling with a filibuster. "I don't see how another year of negotiations would help. Moreover, the insurance companies aren't starting over," Obama said, rejecting Republican calls to begin anew on an effort to remake the health care system. The president made his appeal as Democratic leaders in Congress surveyed their rank and file for the votes needed to pass legislation by majority vote -- invoking rules that deny Senate Republicans the right to block it through endless stalling debate. Obama specifically endorsed that approach.

3/1 Health care latest

President Obama is preparing to move forward with health care with or without the GOP. The president is expected to layout his plan this week to get health care reform passed. Democratic leaders are increasingly optimistic that they can pass the healthcare overhaul by Spring.

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1/29/2010 Mogo school hacked

Montgomery County's Churchill High School is one of the best in the country. But its blue ribbon reputation may be tarnished by scandal. School officials are investigating whether students hacked into the school's computer system and changed grades. A schools spokesman says so far, they're talking to five or six students who may have hacked in with user IDs and passwords of three of Churchill's teachers. They want to find out if more students were involved and how many grades were changed. The school system is vowing serious consequences for anyone found guilty.

1/27/2010 Rhee Teacher Allegations

More backlash against DC Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee's accusations. In an interview, Rhee said some of the teachers she fired last fall sexually and physically assaulted students. Today, some of the fired teachers and their supporters protested outside teh Administration building.

1/27/2010 Mogo College Arrest

A college student was raped on campus Tuesday and the suspect was arrested after an hours-long manhunt. Now, disturbing new details are emerging about the crime. The events unfolded at Montgomery College's Takoma Park campus late Tuesday. Police say 34-year-old Nathaniel Hart raped the woman repeatedly. Hart appeared in court briefly on closed circuit TV but his bond hearing was continued until next week. So he will remain in jail. In a statement of charges, detectives say Hart crawled under a bathroom stall and told the 19-year-old woman, "Be quiet, I'll hurt you. I have a gun and I will use it." Over a one-hour period, police say Hart raped the woman once, then hugged and apologized and raped her again.

1/27/2010 State of the Union

Declaring "I don't quit," an embattled President Barack Obama vowed in his first State of the Union address Wednesday night to make job growth his topmost priority and urged a divided Congress to boost the still-ailing economy with a new burst of stimulus spending. Despite stinging setbacks, he said he would not abandon ambitious plans for longer-term fixes to health care, energy, education and more.

1/25/2010 Quarters for Haiti

Sometimes spare change can bring change. Students at Washington Mill Elementary School in Fairfax County are collecting money to help earthquake victims in Haiti. "They don't have clothes since the earthquake hit and their houses, some of the houses are broke down, and some of them died," said 6-year-old Maha Raja. So, the school started collecting quarters. The idea was for the students to earn the money. The kids vacuum, make beds, even clean the bathroom at home to earn extra change. The principal wants to make sure the kids can handle academics, but also learn to have a heart.

1/21/2010 - SIDWELL TEACHER FIRED

A 7th and 8th grade teacher from Silver Spring Maryland has been charged with second degree assault, fourth degree sex offense and sex abuse of a minor. Sixty five year old Robert A Peterson taught Social studies at the Exclusive Sidwell Friends School and was the school's former director of the school's camp corsica in Queen Anne County. According to Montgomery County charging documents, he repeatedly invited one of his male students to his home, showed him pornogoraphy and touched him inappropriately. A neighbor finds the allegations hard to believe as she says Peterson is a married man with children and a grand child. The investigation on the allegations began last September.

1/14/2010 - HAITI: QUAKE CATHOLIC U

More than 100 students, faculty, and staff prayed at Caldwel Chapel on the campus of Catholic University for the thousands of Haitians who suffered the effects of the recent earthquake. One student whose parents are in Haiti but who he knows are alright said he won't feel safe until they're home. Some students' relatives were stuck under the rubble.

1/8/2010 - FFX SCHOOL BUDGET

Next year's school budget proposal for Fairfax County would cut foreign language instruction from 32 of the county's 44 schools. 44 of the 139 elementary schoools in the county currently have some kind of program for teaching foreign language to young students. The budget plan for next year could charge high school students participating in sports \$100 per team with which they participate, and Freshman sports would be eliminated.

1/8/2010 - MENTORING MONDAY: ASHLEY & CYNTHIA

The Space of Her Own program in Alexandria matches non-parent adults with pre-teen girls for an arts and community service-based learning initiative designed to help the pre-teen girls recognize they can empower themselves to make beneficial changes in their lives. The year-long program ends in the renovation of the girls' bedroom, which SOHO Director Linda Ordell says shows the little girls that they have the power to make a difference in their own lives, and in the lives of others too. Ashley, who participated in the program with mentor Cynthia Chin, now talks about hopes and dreams for the future that once didn't seem possible, and with Cynthia's help, she's doing well in school.

1/7/2010 - MENTORING MONDAY: JOEL AMATO

Capital Partners for Education helped pair 15-year-old Joel Munoz with education consultant Amato Marshall to expand Munoz's educational and growth opportunities through Marshall's mentoring. Munoz goes to Arch Bishop Carroll High School in Northeast D.C. CPE offers low income youth support, especially through helping them get into private schools and prepare for college.

1/7/2010 - FUTURE CHEFS PKG

High school students from all over Frederick County, Maryland, are studying the culinary arts at the Frederick County Career and Technology Center for half of each school day. Some say the program helped soar in popularity because a finalist contestant on Top Chef, Bryan Voltaggio, attended CTC when he was in high school. There are twice as many students enrolled in the program as there were seven years ago. Some plan to enter the restaurant industry when they are older.

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2/24 Colorado School Shooting

David Benke, a math teacher at Deer Creek Middle School just three miles from the infamous Columbine High School in Colorado, tackled a man firing a weapon in a crowded school yard at his school. Benke jumped the alleged gunman, Bruco Strong Eagle Eastwood, when he was reloading his bolt action rifle. Police said Eastwood shot two students before Benke and two other staff persons restrained him. The students are expected to survive.

2/24 Rhee Teacher Arrest

DC Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee, in a letter to City Council Chairman Vincent Gray, said that the teacher who had been arrested for having sex with a developmentally disabled 18-year-old student was one of the teachers let go in Octobers rif. Rhee said that she informed the Metropolitan Police Department when the case came to her attention, and that the MPD said the act did not warrant criminal investigation, leading it not to prosecute. Nathan Saunders, general vice president of the Washington Teachers Union, said there needs to be laws that can protect people with special needs in these situations.

2/23 Facebook Suspension

High School Honors Student Justin Bird was suspended from Oak Forest High School for five days because he created a Facebook group called I Hate Big Daddy V, referring to a teacher at his school named Valiska. Although his parents didnt like what he did, they said the school was out of line. His mother believes Justins right to free speech was violated. The districts superintendent, Bill Kendal, said the suspension was justified because Justins action was disruptive to the educational environment, however upon further investigation he says the suspension may be removed from Justin's record.

2/23 FFX Exec 2011 Budget

Fairfax County's chief of police is being asked to cut more than 60 jobs for savings of \$11 million, which will cut school resource officers from middle schools. School resource officers help provide campus safety, build trusting relationships with students and work to quell gang activity. The office of the sheriff is being asked to save more than \$4 million; fire and rescue is being asked to save close to \$11 million in savings.

2/19 Teacher Arrest

Kevin Ricks, a teacher at Osbourne High School in Manassas, is under arrest for alleged sex crimes against a 16-year-old boy. The charge is inappropriate sexual conduct. Many students were stunned to learn hed been arrested. The Virginia State Police do background checks of people who are hired at the school.

2/18 Cheltenham Body Found

In Prince Georges County, a woman was found dead outside the Cheltenham Youth Facility, which is a detention center. Maryland State Police said the woman is affiliated with that facility. State police said the woman was assaulted. The side of the building where she was found is rather secluded.

2/17 PG School Extra Cops

Students in Prince Georges County went back to class today, to the complaint of some parents, and some roads were not as smooth as they should have been. At Oakcrest Elementary School in Landover, parents were extra careful when escorting their children to school. School staff helped parents and their children get inside. Prince Georges County police dispatched officers to all 196 schools in the district to make sure students safely made it to class.

2/16 DC Back to School

Volunteers and crews from places as far away as Illinois are still helping the city dig out for school. Some sidewalks are still untouched by property owners, forcing some students to walk in the streets to school. Some walkways were cleared but were then covered again by snow plows. Mounds of snow also accumulated at crosswalks near J.C. Nalle Elementary School in Southeast.

2/16 FFX Back to School

Fairfax County Schools opened two hours late today. Many sidewalks around the schools were clear and the buses rolled on time. Some parents were concerned that the process of getting to the schools was still dangerous, even though school grounds had become safer. Some students walked in the road because the sidewalk was impassible. The Virgina Department of Transportation said that given the large amount of snow, it was inevitable that much of it would be pushed onto sidewalks in an effort to clear the roads, although it is making

efforts to haul some of the snow away.

2/15 FFX Schools Digging Out

Fairfax County school districts asked community volunteers to help them shovel out the school grounds from snow. Parents and their children helped dig Cardinal Forest Elementary out of the snow. All the walkways were shoveled. About 60 volunteers helped out after the back-to-back blizzards. It took a pick axe to clear a seven-foot mound blocking the sidewalk at one of the entrances.

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3/23 Student Loan Rally

When the House passed the healthcare bill it also rescued a major source of funding for low income students - the Federal Pell Grant. Under the act, the Pell Grant Program is getting a cash infusion from big student lenders. Sallie Mae and other private lenders got federal money to provide low-cost student loans. The plan cancels that 60 billion dollar subsidy, and makes the government the direct lender. The change is expected to save \$61 billion dollars.

3/23 Easter Egg Roll

35 schools in the DC area will receive tickets to the White House Easter Egg Roll. The President and Education Secretary Arne Duncan have decided to give 1,200 tickets away to students in the area. Schools are using the tickets to motivate students to raise test scores.

3/22 Rhee School Budgets

D.C. Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee is facing council members again to answer questions about a number of controversial issues. Dozens of parents and teachers turned out for the oversight hearing Monday morning. But unlike previous meetings where the budget was the focus, the hearing touched on a number of issues-- from the replacement of a popular Hardy Middle School principal, Patrick Pope and the delayed reopening of several schools to Rhee's hiring of an image consultant. Councilmember Marion Barry questioned the logic behind hiring the public relations firm. He told Rhee, "Your image is what you are." Barry wanted to know where the money for the firm was coming from. Rhee says former White House communications director and veteran Democratic media consultant Anita Dunn is working pro bono. She said a future contract would be paid for with private funds.

3/22 Tainted School Milk

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3/19 President GMU Rally

Today the President took his case for Health Care Reform to George Mason University in Virginia. He and Democratic leaders lobbied intensely for historic health care legislation, gaining momentum and another precious "yes" 48 hours ahead of a climactic vote. With a showdown set for Sunday on the House floor, Democratic leaders still didn't command the 216 votes they needed, so every undecided lawmaker was the focus of personal attention from House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and the White House, and every "no"-to-"yes" conversion was trumpeted by party leaders.

3/16 Roosevelt HS Shots

Eleanor Roosevelt High School had a scare on Tuesday, following calls to Greenbelt Police that gun shots had been fired near the school. Roosevelt was placed on lockdown as police searched a wooded area nearby and checked out cars parked at nearby apartment complexes. Students at the high school and some people who live nearby told FOX 5 they heard multiple shots, as many as 12. Police say they believe the shots were fired into the air. Students say they felt afraid when school officials kept them closed up in the school, with no explanation about what was going on. No one was hurt. No one was arrested, and police never found a gun.

3/15 Leggett Mogo Budget

How do you make up \$779 million? That's the budget shortfall in Montgomery County. That's a lot of ground to make up, and the County Executive says it's going to be painful. Ike Leggett says they've already made many cuts. Superintendent Jerry Weast promises to try to protect programs-- despite a budget \$137 million less than what the Board of Education requested. He says the school system will work to avoid furloughs. Other non-emergency county employees will likely be forced to take 10 days off without pay. Leggett says that'll start at the top. Leggett says he'll be the first county employee furloughed. In addition to the 10 furlough days, the County Executive wants to cut 452 positions. About half of those positions

are currently vacant. Plus, county employees will get no pay increases in fiscal year 2011. That starts this coming July.

3/5 Richard Montgomery Shooting Investigation

There was chaos Friday at a Rockville, Maryland high school after there was a report of a man inside the school with a gun. Officials at Richard Montgomery High School immediately shut down the school as police searched the grounds and lockers. It was a fairly scary drama that unfolded. The school was on lockdown. Police reacted to the worse possible scenario, but at the end of the day, there was no gun. It was an emotional end of the day as students raced out of the building. Parents were relieved that reports of a gunman had no basis in fact.

3/5 School Embezzlement

A Fairfax County School employee at the elite Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology has been arrested and charged with embezzlement. The 20 year employee oversaw finances at the school and is now charged with stealing more than \$250,000. Prosecutors say she had a gambling habit and she took money to support that habit.

3/3 Mogo School Hacking

A month after news of a grade-hacking scandal at Churchill High School first broke, Montgomery County Police are conducting a criminal investigation. In a letter to parents, school officials say they discovered 54 students had unauthorized grade changes. Eight of those students are accused of snagging teachers' user IDs and passwords, and then using the information to get into the school's computers to alter grades. The question now for investigators is, did the other 46 know their grades had been changed, and if so, they could be in trouble too.

3/2 Rhee Hardy

If you look at the test scores, Rose Hardy Middle School--located in upper Georgetown-- is one of the top-performing public schools in the District of Columbia. And it isn't just wealthy, white kids who go there. In fact, about 80 percent of the student body is African American. Parents credit the intensive arts and music program developed by principal Patrick Pope. That program requires an admission application to Hardy and a commitment from the student and the family to that program. D.C. Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee wants to change the admission process at Hardy, and she is transferring the principal to another job in the school system.

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1/12/2010 - CALVERT ENDANGERED HOMES

The cliffs along the Chesapeake Bay are naturally eroding, which is endangering some homes along the cliffs. While homeowners want to reinforce the base and tops of the cliffs, federal regulations protect the cliff-dwelling, making the reinforcements difficult to implement. About 300 Puritain Tiger Beetles live on the cliffs, and the federal regulations are in place in part because of them. Residents feel the state should consider moving the beetles to a safer area, and that safety should come first, as ambulance response time has been slowed for much of the community, and a nine-year-old girl was killed, as a result of the erosion.

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2/1 Newton St Fire

Smoke and flames forced dozens of people out of their homes and into the cold this morning. The fire broke out in an apartment on Newton Street Northwest while many residents were still sleeping. No one was hurt, but it's unclear when residents may be back in their homes. The cause appears to be a power surge in an electrical meter in the basement.

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1/29 Puppy Saves man

A tiny Chihuahua is being credited with saving the life of his owner from a burning tractor trailer truck. While the owner is recovering from second degree burns at Baltimore Burn Center, the dog named Coco is fighting for his life at a Hagerstown vet clinic. Four-month-old Coco is clinging to life in this oxygen tent, hooked up to a humidifier, and IVS. The tiny Chihuahua suffered severe smoke inhalation after rescuing his owner from a burning semi-truck at a rest stop off I-70. Truck driver Tim Harris, had just pulled over at a rest stop off I-70 to sleep Wednesday night when something went wrong. Harris spoke to us on the phone from Baltimore Burn Center where he is recovering from second degree burns to his arms and face. He says he had just fallen asleep when Coco started nudging him. Little did he know that the entire cab was on fire. He grabbed Coco and got out.

1/29/2010 Mogo school hacked

Montgomery County's Churchill High School is one of the best in the country. But its blue ribbon reputation may be tarnished by scandal. School officials are investigating whether students hacked into the school's computer system and changed grades. A schools spokesman says so far, they're talking to five or six students who may have hacked in with user IDs and passwords of three of Churchill's teachers. They want to find out if more students were involved and how many grades were changed. The school system is vowing serious consequences for anyone found guilty.

1/29 8 Dead street Racing

The man whose car plowed into a crowd of spectators watching an illegal street race in Accokeek in 2008 has accepted a plea agreement with a 15-year prison sentence. Darren Jamar Bullock, 22, was facing a prison sentence of at least 80 years, had he been convicted of eight counts of vehicular manslaughter plus serious traffic offenses. Under the terms of the plea deal, Bullock got 30 years with 15 of them suspended. The accident happened on Indian Head Highway on February 16, 2008. After a pair of cars peeled out in one street race, spectators walked onto the roadway to get a better view. At that point, another pair of cars came over a slight rise. A white Crown Victoria plunged into the crowd of spectators, killing eight people. Bullock was the driver of that car.

1/28 Metro fare Hike

Riding on MetroRail or MetroBus will soon cost 10 cents more per trip. The board overseeing the transit agency voted unanimously in favor of the fare hikes. The new fares will go into effect on or about March 1. Metro has been facing a projected budget deficit of \$40 million between now and the end of the fiscal year on June 30. Managers had recommended broad cuts in rail and bus service, but members of the riding public bombarded the agency with suggestions that a fare hike be considered instead. The board went along. But hold onto your wallet -- more fare hikes are quite likely. Because of softened ridership from the recession, Metro is now projecting a deficit of approximately \$190 million for next fiscal year. The board is likely to again examine possible service cuts and more fare increases for FY 2011.

1/28/2010 Barnaby st. homicide

The teenage son of a legendary community activist has been shot and killed in what police are calling a robbery gone bad. It happened on Wednesday night in the 800 block of Barnaby Street in Southeast Washington. D.C. Police say 18-year-old Calvin Woodland was standing in the parking lot of the apartment building where he lived when at least two people approached and announced a robbery. The teen is the son of community activist Calvin Woodland, Sr., who passed away in 2000.

1/27/2010 Metro Workers Killed

The Metro maintenance vehicle which killed two rail workers, Tuesday morning, was equipped with an audible alarm for driving in reverse. But that alarm was deliberately disabled by design. The Hi-Rail Maintenance Of Way Vehicle is capable of driving on tires or on rails. NTSB officials say the vehicle was travelling in reverse when it struck the two workers around 1:45 a.m. Tuesday. The vehicles are equipped with back-up audible alarms. Part of the device measures ambient noise around the vehicle, and adjusts the volume of the alarm accordingly. But a technical specifications manual for the vehicles indicates the alarms are automatically turned off when the trucks are running on rails. Page 33 of the manual states plainly, Alarm function must shut off when on rail. Presumably, the alarms are automatically defeated so Metro crews are not subject to the noise during long rail journeys in reverse. Officials at Metro would not directly answer questions on the issue, referring inquiries to the National Transportation Safety Board. Spokesmen there were not answering questions either.

1/27/2010 NBA Arenas Meeting

NBA commissioner David Stern has suspended Washington Wizards guards Gilbert Arenas and Javaris Crittenton for the remainder of the season for having guns in the locker room. Saying possession of guns in the workplace "will not be tolerated," Stern delivered the punishment Wednesday after meeting with Arenas earlier in the day, turning his indefinite suspension into a suspension without pay. Crittenton met with Stern on Tuesday and also was suspended without pay. Arenas pleaded guilty Jan. 15 to a felony gun charge after an alleged confrontation with Crittenton in the Wizards' locker room at Verizon Center in Washington. Arenas is scheduled to be sentenced March 26. He's in the second season of a six-year, \$111 million contract.

1/27 Rhee Teacher Allegations

More backlash against DC Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee's accusations. In an interview, Rhee said some of the teachers she fired last fall sexually and physically assaulted students. Today, some of the fired teachers and their supporters protested outside the Administration building.

1/25/2010 Quarters for Haiti

Sometimes spare change can bring change. Students at Washington Mill Elementary School in Fairfax County are collecting money to help earthquake victims in Haiti. "They don't have clothes since the earthquake hit and their houses, some of the houses are broke down, and some of them died," said 6-year-old Maha Raja. So, the school started collecting quarters. The idea was for the students to earn the money. The kids vacuum, make beds, even clean the bathroom at home to earn extra change. The principal wants to make sure the kids can handle academics, but also learn to have a heart.

1/22/2010 - CELLPHONE METERS

Montgomery county has made parking much easier. No longer will you have to pay with coins, but you can now use your cellphone as a payment option. It will begin as a 90 day trial run which will allow users to pre register online by providing their cell phone number as well as credit card information. After registration, all that is required is to call the number on the meter with your cell phone, enter the meter location, time required, and you are set. As convenient as it sounds, many people still prefer the old fashioned way. If the program proves to be successful, it will become permanent.

1/21/2010 - SIDWELL TEACHER FIRED

A 7th and 8th grade teacher from Silver Spring Maryland has been charged with second degree assault, fourth degree sex offense and sex abuse of a minor. Sixty five year old Robert A Peterson taught Social studies at the Exclusive Sidwell Friends School and was the school's former director of the school's camp corsica in Queen Anne County. According to Montgomery County charging documents, he repeatedly invited one of his male students to his home, showed him pornography and touched him inappropriately. A neighbor finds the allegations hard to believe as she says Peterson is a married man with children and a grand child. The investigation on the allegations began last September.

1/21/2010 - HAITI KID CARDS

A Ten year old boy from Silver Spring has been working to help kids in Haiti. Matthew Millstein has started making greeting cards called cards of joy after he heard about the earthquake. All the proceeds go to a non-profit called beyond borders that helps the poor people in Haiti. The cards can be purchased on Matthew's website.

1/19/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

A Maryland man accused of trying to kill President Obama is going to prison. Collin McKenzie was sentenced to 5 years for possession of a destructive device. In court, McKenzie's father admitted to buying his son handguns, assault rifles and shotguns because Colin was a bright student at St. Johns Collegem training for a career in law enforcement. What he did not know is that his son was planning to kill another teen and then-presidential candidate Barack Obama.

1/18/2010 - MLK DAY CELEBRATION

Martin Luther King Day was made an even more special day with dozens of volunteers helping the hungry by giving out meals. President Obama, First Lady Michelle and their daughters also lent a helping hand. Obama has called for Martin Luther King day to be a day of service.

1/17/2010 - HAITI EMBASSY

Supplies and donations have been coming to the Haitian embassy in Washington, D.C. all day long. Organizers say more help will be needed to assist Haiti. More doctors are needed in Haiti. Massachusetts Avenue was backed up

at times because of the traffic of donations coming in to the Haitian embassy.

1/17/2010 - SURVIVAL KIT DRIVE

Embassy Row has a traffic jam because of the volume of people lining up to give to the Haitian Embassy to assist in relief efforts from the recent earthquake. One man drove from Virginia to drop off 40 bags of donated goods. Some people used Facebook to organize galvanize participation in the supply drive. The Haitian ambassador asked the Greater Washington Haitian Relief Committee to collect a list of vital items, including baby wipes, batteries, flash lights, hand sanitizer, soap, and tooth paste.

1/17/2010 - LOCAL REALITY SHOW

Washington resident David Von Stork is trying to launch his own reality television show. He's already put in more than \$100,000 of his own money to make it. He wants to inspire people to have more self-confidence in themselves. 40 of his employees were brought together for a casting call.

1/15/2010 - HAITI LOCAL VICTIMS

Coworkers from a Maryland non-profit who were in Haiti at the time of the recent earthquake became trapped under rubble and built stronger bonds with each other. They were trapped for 50 hours, and shared the one lollipop they had with them. A local woman visited the Haitian embassy and is trying to find out what happened to her sister in Haiti. She is trying to stay strong as the search for her sister continues.

1/15/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

Two people were building explosives that they were planning to use to assassinate President Obama. One of them, Patrick Yevsukov, has admitted to this charge, and his attorney said the plans were real. Yevsukov said the other person, Collins Mackenzie-Gude was the mastermind of the plan. Yevsukov said he realized the gravity of the plan and wanted nothing to do with it. Mackenzie-Gude could face up to 10 years in prison.

1/14/2010 - HAITI EMBASSY PKG

People are constantly calling the Haitian Embassy in Northwest Washington, D.C., trying to find relatives. People are having a hard time reaching people on the island. Haitian ambassador to the United States Raymond Joseph is urging Americans to funnel donations through the Red Cross. Haitians are appreciative of the support the U.S. is giving.

1/14/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

The prosecutor in the trial against Collins Mackenzie-Gude, who had been plotting to build explosives to assassinate President Obama, played a video that demonstrated the kind of explosives that could be produced in Gude's home. The defense attorney disputed the science of the demonstration. Bottles of acid and other chemicals were found in Gude's home. The FBI called the ingredients in Gude's home very sensitive high-explosives. Patrick Yevsukov, who had been working with Mackenzie-Gude to build the bombs but who informed authorities of his and Mackenzie-Gude's activities, has been granted immunity.

1/14/2010 - HAITI: QUAKE CATHOLIC U

More than 100 students, faculty, and staff prayed at Caldwell Chapel on the campus of Catholic University for the thousands of Haitians who suffered the effects of the recent earthquake. One student whose parents are in Haiti but who he knows are alright said he won't feel safe until they're home. Some students' relatives were stuck under the rubble.

1/14/2010 - VA HOSPITAL WEDDING

A couple who started dating 28 years ago and who have a daughter together finally got married. The groom was diagnosed with lung cancer this past summer, and at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Washington, D.C., doctors told the groom in December that the Chemotherapy was not helping his condition. The groom asked his long-time girlfriend to marry him as he slid into hospice care, and she said yes. They used the chapel in the V.A. hospital to wed.

1/13/2010 - HAITI QUAKE LOCALS

A student at Howard University has lost many friends and family as a result of the earthquake in Haiti. She has not been able to track down her parents. As president of Howard University's Haitian Student Association, she's trying to comfort others even in the midst of her own distress. Students lit candles at Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel on campus and prayed. Coming together to fix Haiti will be a challenge.

1/12/2010 - BROOKVILLE RD BODY

The body of a teen was found on Brookville Road. The people who found the body were questioned by police. Police said the teen suffered trauma to the body, although it's ultimately unclear how he was killed. Police say they're investigating some leads, and that they had some report of drug activity in the area, although they're not sure if it is necessarily related to this case. Residents of the rural neighborhood were shocked at the tragedy.

1/12/2010 - LOCAL BUDGET IMPACTS

Local communities in Virginia are facing difficult situations due to budget shortfalls. In Loudoun County, the sheriff's department is facing nearly \$6 million in cuts from the state over two years, making the opening of a new part of the county's detention center possibly jeopardized for the near future. Fairfax County's Board of Supervisors is facing a \$316 million budget shortfall. The Board passed a resolution urging the state to not defer a new funding formula that would give the county more money.

1/11/2010 - 20 INCH WATER MAIN BREAK

A 20-inch water main broke, and water continued bubbling up from the ground and burst into the streets. The resulting geyser is at the intersection 17th and P streets, submerging up to a block away. The water pressure dropped so low that many nearby businesses and apartment buildings didn't have any water. The water main that broke is older than much of the other infrastructure in that part of the city.

1/8/2010 - STATE DINNER CRASHERS

Tareq and Michael Salahi, who made an uninvited appearance at a state dinner, did not appear in Frederick County court today with regards to an unpaid debt. Tareq Salahi claimed he was snowed in, but the plaintiffs made their way to the court in the suit for more than \$500 for an unpaid generator bill. The judge ruled in their favor. The cost with the court fees is now more than \$1,000.

1/8/2010 - MENTORING MONDAY: ASHLEY & CYNTHIA

The Space of Her Own program in Alexandria matches non-parent adults with pre-teen girls for an arts and community service-based learning initiative designed to help the pre-teen girls recognize they can empower themselves to make beneficial changes in their lives. The year-long program ends in the renovation of the girls' bedroom, which SOHO Director Linda Ordell says shows the little girls that they have the power to make a difference in their own lives, and in the lives of others too. Ashley, who participated in the program with mentor Cynthia Chin, now talks about hopes and dreams for the future that once didn't seem possible, and with Cynthia's help, she's doing well in school.

1/7/2010 - MENTORING MONDAY: JOEL AMATO

Capital Partners for Education helped pair 15-year-old Joel Munoz with education consultant Amato Marshall to expand Munoz's educational and growth opportunities through Marshall's mentoring. Munoz goes to Arch Bishop Carroll High School in Northeast D.C. CPE offers low income youth support, especially through helping them get into private schools and prepare for college.

1/7/2010 - METRO SERVICE CUTS

At the recent Metro Board meeting, members did not like the proposed cuts in rail and bus service designed to solve the transit system's looming deficit in the current fiscal year. One member expressed that reducing train sizes from eight to six cars would make crowding worse, customer service worse, and would potentially lead to less use, which could reduce revenue and hurt Metro more. The Board considered the possibility of a temporary fare increase of no more than 10 cents per trip.

1/7/2010 - ROCK CREEK FIRE

D.C. Firefighters were called to the Pennsylvania Avenue Bridge in Georgetown to respond to a call of smoke rising from the bridge itself. They discovered that a low-voltage cable caught fire. They also discovered a body of a man just north of the site, and said the body of the man is not related to the incident they were called for. Traffic was temporarily backed up as a result of the incident.

1/6 Arenas Latest

Before he was suspended by the NBA, Washington Wizards star Gilbert Arenas took heat for a photograph that was taken Tuesday night in Philadelphia on the court. Arenas has been under investigation after admittedly bringing guns in to the team's locker room at the Verizon Center in Washington. During pre-game on Tuesday, Arenas is seen on the court encircled by his teammates while smiling and pointing his index fingers at them as if they were guns. Later, Arenas tweeted about the photo, saying, "I know everybody seen the pre game pics..my teammate thought to break the tention we should do that..but this is gettn way to much." "I wanna say sorry if I

pissed any body off by us havin fun...I'm sorry for anything u need to blame for for right now.." Arenas added in a second tweet on Tuesday night after the game. NBA Commissioner David Stern has suspended Arenas indefinitely from play without pay. Stern released a statement saying Arenas was "not currently fit to take the court."

1/5/2010 Girl Hit by Train

Amtrak and MARC traffic along the Northeast Corridor was disrupted Tuesday after a 14-year-old girl was killed on railroad tracks near Middle River. The victim, identified by Baltimore County police as Ann Marie Stickel of the 700 block of Maple Crest Drive in Middle River, was struck by a southbound train as she walked south near Old Orams Road and Middle River Road. She was with another teenage girl, who jumped clear of the train and called 911 on her cell phone, according to Cpl. Mike Hill, a police spokesman.

1/5 Pregnant Woman Attacked

The Suitland woman accused of cutting open a pregnant woman's stomach to get her baby was in court Tuesday in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. The judge has found probable cause to send the case of Veronica Deramous to trial for allegedly slashing Teka Adams early last month, after holding her hostage several days in her apartment. A police detective testified during a preliminary hearing that Deramous had help from her teenage son in using duct tape to bind Adams. He says she later used a knife to cut her open, with no attempt to sterilize the knife or medicate her victim. Deramous is charged with first and second-degree attempted murder, first and second-degree assault and false imprisonment.

1/4 Zorn Fired

In a news conference Monday Redskins GM Bruce Allen said "Last place is no place for Redskins football." Allen said he and Jim Zorn agreed of there was going to be a change to do it soon. Allen fired Zorn in the middle of the night after the team returned from a loss in San Diego. Allen said, "Today we can start building the foundation" for the new season. The future of the assistant coaches will be decide by whoever is hired as the new coach of the Redskins. Allen said he has "no timetable" on that hire, but he is lookig for someone to lead.

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2/26 Mogo Sex Assault

An 11-year-old girl was sexually assaulted by two Hispanic persons in Montgomery County, Maryland. She was abducted and taken to their apartment, then pushed out of the apartment. She told her mother and provided police with a good description of the location of the apartment and objects inside it.

2/25 Metro NTSB

WMATA is still investigating the cause of the metrorail crash in June. A definitive cause has not yet been established, although the investigation is focusing on the possibility of a partial failure of communications devices. Metro had allegedly been warned in 2004 not to mix equipment from different manufacturers. Many family members of the crash victims attended the hearings, and some expressed anger over Metro not responding sooner to the alleged warnings of mixing equipment.

2/24 Snow Plow Damage

As snow is beginning to reveal grass and parts of streets that had been covered for a prolonged period by record snowfall, damage from plowing has become more apparent. Some lawns are covered with chunks of curbs; there are mailboxes knocked askew. Local transportation departments said that if it could be proved that if damage to personal property was caused by the plowing, they would compensate. For compensation, photos, and other documentation with the date, time, and cause of damage, and estimate of repair cost are needed.

2/24 Rhee Teacher Arrest

DC Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee, in a letter to City Council Chairman Vincent Gray, said that the teacher who had been arrested for having sex with a developmentally disabled 18-year-old student was one of the teachers let go in October's rift. Rhee said that she informed the Metropolitan Police Department when the case came to her attention, and that the MPD said the act did not warrant criminal investigation, leading it not to prosecute. Nathan Saunders, general vice president of the Washington Teachers Union, said there needs to be laws that can protect people with special needs in these situations.

2/23 Marion Barry Contracts

DC City Councilman and former DC Mayor Marion Barry, in response to a report claiming he broke the law, apologized. The report alleged he helped funnel a city contract to his former girlfriend. The team of lawyers that issued the initial report has a week to come back with a final report.

2/23 Metro Trains Collide

The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating four serious accidents the metrorail system has had in the past year. Metro said replacing its oldest rail cars would cost \$1 billion. Metro said that 245-250 corrective actions had been recommended back in 2006, and that since the arrival of John B. Catoe, Jr. more than 180 of those items had been closed out.

2/23 FFX Exec 2011 Budget

Fairfax County's chief of police is being asked to cut more than 60 jobs for savings of \$11 million, which will cut school resource officers from middle schools. School resource officers help provide campus safety, build trusting relationships with students and work to quell gang activity. The office of the sheriff is being asked to save more than \$4 million; fire and rescue is being asked to save close to \$11 million in savings.

2/19 Calvert Child Deaths

A mother in Calvert County was charged with killing her two daughters. Renee Bowman was the adoptive mother of Minett and Jasmine Bowman. Autopsy photos shown to the jury depict the girls as severely beaten. Dr. Donna Vicente said they died of asphyxia; the prosecution says the girls were smothered. One of the daughters got away.

2/18 Pothole Patrol

Crews are busy filling pot holes, many of which were caused by the heavy snowfall. Some of the potholes are big enough to bring traffic to a halt. Some are as deep as three and a half feet. The back to back blizzards brought an outbreak of potholes not usually seen until Spring. Auto repair for car damage can run from under \$100 to thousands of dollars.

2/18 Snow Federal Aid

D.C., Maryland, and Virginia want the federal government to help them pay for clearing snow

accumulations. Some estimates put the bill in the millions. D.C. congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton said she's been in constant contact with FEMA, and wants to make sure the federal government approves the requests from the three local governments.

2/18 Calvert Child Deaths

A former cell mate of Renee Bowman testified in court today that Bowman made confessions to her related to accusations that Bowman killed two of her daughters and placed their bodies in a freezer. [Audiences to the story were warned of its graphic nature]. Bowman has never admitted to killing the two girls. Bowman has admitted putting their bodies in the freezer after the two had already died, although her stories of their deaths do not place Bowman as the culprit. Prosecutors maintain that the girls were smothered. The former cell mate said Bowman told her she killed the girls in part because she was depressed.

2/18 Marion Barry Contracts

Former D.C. Mayor and current Ward 8 Councilman Marion Barry is facing censure over allegedly helping a former girlfriend get a personal services contract so he could take a cut of her government check. He has never before been accused of public corruption, although he has had criminal problems related to drugs and taxes. People close to him allegedly say Barry is worried about this.

2/17 More Metro Fare Hikes

While there is a Metro fare hike set to take place March 1, there may be yet another one that will take place this summer. The March 1 fare hike will be a 10-cents-a-trip surcharge to help close the gap in the current fiscal year. That charge will be eliminated June 30. Outgoing General Manager John Catoe said he recommends a basic rail fare increase from \$1.65 to \$1.90 per trip during off-peak hours, and \$1.35 to \$1.55 per trip during rush hour. WMATA Board Member Jim Graham said he is worried about increasing bus fares because Metros own analysis has shown that increases in bus fares fall disproportionately hard on those least able to pay.

2/17 PG School Extra Cops

Students in Prince Georges County went back to class today, to the complaint of some parents, and some roads were not as smooth as they should have been. At Oakcrest Elementary School in Landover, parents were extra careful when escorting their children to school. School staff helped parents and their children get inside. Prince Georges County police dispatched officers to all 196 schools in the district to make sure students safely made it to class.

2/17 East Cap St Fire

An 88-year-old man did not survive a fire that broke out in the basement of a home in the 5200 block of East Capitol Street Southeast. Other family members heard the smoke alarm and dogs barking, and tried to rescue the elderly man, who was bedridden, but could not reach him because the flames were too intense. Two family dogs also unfortunately did not survive.

2/17 Marion Barry Contracts

DC Councilman and former Mayor Marion Barry is accused of possible criminal activity according to a report, which claims he violated conflict of interest laws by giving a former girlfriend a contract and steering public funds to other friends and supporters. The 107-page report, (also known as the Bennett Report), is being read by council members. Donna Watts-Brighthaupt is Barry's ex-girlfriend who allegedly benefited from the circumstances. The Bennett Report suggests Barry helped her get a contract to look into reducing poverty in Ward 8, and then insisted that she give some of the proceeds from that contract to him.

2/16 DC Commute

The evening rush hour is not looking much better than this mornings even though DC said it is focusing on clearing outbound lanes. By the time some people got to work today, it was almost time to turn around and head back home. One lane of the 14th Street Bridge disappeared in the snow. Thomas Circle narrowed from three lanes to two. Some of the handicap access on sidewalks are blocked. An overturned tractor trailer at the Beltway and I-95 near College Park shut down lanes.

2/16 DC Back to School

Volunteers and crews from places as far away as Illinois are still helping the city dig out for school. Some sidewalks are still untouched by property owners, forcing some students to walk in the streets to school. Some walkways were cleared but were then covered again by snow plows. Mounds of snow also accumulated at crosswalks near J.C. Nalle Elementary School in Southeast.

2/16 Va Gun Bills

The Virginia Senate voted 22-18 to repeal a law that bans people from carrying concealed weapons into a bar or restaurant. The House had already passed that measure. Governor Bob McDonnell is expected to sign the bill. It was just one of 60 weapons bills now being considered by state lawmakers in Richmond. One bill under consideration would repeal the 17-year-old law preventing purchases of more than one gun a month.

2/16 UPS & Mail Delivery

Package delivery companies are still struggling to catch up with work that was hindered by the back-to-back blizzards, and blocked roads, delayed cargo flights and sidewalks that haven't been shoveled are contributing to the problem. UPS and Fedex are two of the companies that were slowed down by the snow. The U.S. Postal Service says its operations are back to normal, but that customers can help by digging out mailboxes. All three service providers have said that customers who haven't received their packages by their original expected due dates should contact the providers to determine when the new delivery dates will be.

2/16 FX Back to School

Fairfax County Schools opened two hours late today. Many sidewalks around the schools were clear and the buses rolled on time. Some parents were concerned that the process of getting to the schools was still dangerous, even though school grounds had become safer. Some students walked in the road because the sidewalk was impassible. The Virginia Department of Transportation said that given the large amount of snow, it was inevitable that much of it would be pushed onto sidewalks in an effort to clear the roads, although it is making efforts to haul some of the snow away.

2/15 Toyota Recall

Toyota is recalling millions of cars for concerns of faulty brakes. More than 15 thousand U.S. auto dealers are meeting in Florida for the National Automobile Dealers Association Convention. Bankruptcies and bailouts of GM and Chrysler have made this past year a hard one already. Toyota will have a new marketing push in March, the details of which have not yet been announced.

2/15 Digging Out

The snow is falling again, even as digging out from the back-to-back blizzards continues. In Bethesda, Maryland, Elsie Hegedus and her granddaughter Tiffany were trying to remove shovel out their car and driveway for the second time. A snow plow came though and deposited a snow bank that made them have to shovel out again. Narrowed lanes from the snowfall created bottlenecks on some roads that held up traffic for hours.

2/15 FFX Schools Digging Out

Fairfax County school districts asked community volunteers to help them shovel out the school grounds from snow. Parents and their children helped dig Cardinal Forest Elementary out of the snow. All the walkways were shoveled. About 60 volunteers helped out after the back-to-back blizzards. It took a pick axe to clear a seven-foot mound blocking the sidewalk at one of the entrances.

2/4 Snow Road Preps

Virginia and Maryland have already announced their plans for dealing with the snow that's coming in tomorrow. Both jurisdictions began pretreating the roads today, focusing on the trouble spots, bridges, roads and overpasses that freeze first. DC is preparing to announce its plans tonight.

2/4 Snow Shopping

The snow in the forecast is triggering a run on grocery stores. With this significant storm on the way, stores are packed with people and low on some supplies. If you're going to stock up, prepare for heavy traffic and long lines.

2/3 Riggs Rd Double Fatal

A Beltsville woman, who police say hit and killed two men on Riggs Road in Prince Georges County Monday night, has a string of run-ins with the law. She was charged in November for driving on a revoked license. Law enforcement sources say the woman had a blood alcohol content of more than twice the legal limit when she struck the men as they stood by the side of the road. But as of Wednesday night no charges had been filed. Court records show the woman, who Fox 5 is not identifying until charges are filed, has two prior arrests for driving under the influence. In one case she pled guilty, the other case was dismissed.

2/2 Area Snow Preps

Road crews are hard at work tonight salting the roads to prepare for the snow that's coming in. Vdot officials say they're prepared to work all night if necessary.

2/2 Hanover Court Bodies

A family tragedy in Prince William County, where a father found his wife and little boy murdered. He discovered the bodies inside their home on Hanover Court in Dale City. Police say there does not appear to be any forced entry and they are interviewing possible suspects.

2/1 Newton St Fire

Smoke and flames forced dozens of people out of their homes and into the cold this morning. The fire broke out in an apartment on Newton Street Northwest while many residents were still sleeping. No one was hurt, but it's unclear when residents may be back in their homes. The cause appears to be a power surge in an electrical meter in the basement.

2/1 8 dead st race

Nearly 2 years after a deadly street race in Prince George's County, a man accused of taking part in the race is going on trial. 8 people died when a car crashed into a crowd in Accokeek. Prosecutors say Tavon Taylor was racing the car that plowed into the spectators.

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3/29 Amy Baker 21 years

It's been 21 years since an 18-year-old girl from Fairfax County was murdered. For two decades, her parents have been living with the pain and the mystery of their daughter's death. Investigators say Amy Baker was driving southbound on I-95 when she ran out of gas. They say she walked up the exit ramp. Baker's car had already been found by police right along Interstate 95 in Fairfax County. Two days later, her worried mother decided to search the area herself. That's where she saw what no parent should ever see. Investigators think her attacker dragged her into the woods. Investigators think Amy was sexually assaulted and strangled. There is solid evidence in the case-- even some DNA taken from the scene, but detectives need more. They're hoping someone will come forward with more clues.

3/29 Vincent Gray for Mayor

D.C. Council Chairman, Vincent Gray is expected to announce Tuesday afternoon he will run for mayor. Sources tell FOX 5 that Gray will make the official announcement after filing the required paperwork at the Office of Campaign Finance at the Reeves Center on U Street at 1:45 p.m. Gray's bid to challenge Mayor Adrian Fenty for the Democratic nomination for mayor would end months of speculation and set the stage for what promises to be a heated battle.

3/26 Wizards Guns

A judge sentenced Wizards guard Gilbert Arenas to 400 hours of community service, a fine and 30 days in a halfway house for carrying a gun into the team's locker room. Prosecutors had asked for 4 months in jail.

3/26 Cherry Blossom Festival

The National Cherry Blossom festival kicks off tomorrow in an annual celebration that brings hundreds of thousands of people to the District. The Festival lasts until April 11th. The National Park Service expects the peak bloom days to last from April 1st to April 4th.

3/25 Stolen Car Baby

A thief took off in a woman's SUV with her 1-year old inside this morning. She had left the baby inside the car while she ran back inside her home. DC police found the SUV with the baby still inside a short time later. The baby wasn't hurt. Investigators are still looking for the thief.

3/25 Cherry Blossom Festival

The National Cherry Blossom Festival starts this weekend and will draw hundreds of thousands of visitors to the District. The National Park Service expects the blooms around the Tidal Basin to peak from April 1st to the 4th. There are events planned everyday, including guided nighttime tours.

3/23 VA Doctor Steroids

A northern Virginia chiropractor was arrested on drug charges Tuesday after a co-defendant accused him of supplying steroids to members of two Washington-area professional sports teams. Douglas O. Nagel, 50, of Reston, was arrested Tuesday morning in Virginia and charged by Florida authorities with seven counts of conspiring to deliver a controlled substance, specifically steroids. According to the Polk County Sheriff's Office, Nagel received regular shipments of steroids, including testosterone and nandrolone, from a Florida man, Richard "Andy" Thomas. Thomas has since pleaded guilty in federal court to possessing steroids with intent to sell. He awaits sentencing.

3/23 Dirty Snow

After all the snow that got dumped on the DC area some is still melting. RFK stadium parking lots were used to dump excess snow but now that snow needs to be moved to repave the lot for the soccer season. There is also snow piles along the banks of the Potomac River.

3/23 Student Loan Rally

When the House passed the healthcare bill it also rescued a major source of funding for low income students - the Federal Pell Grant. Under the act, the Pell Grant Program is getting a cash infusion from big student lenders. Sallie Mae and other private lenders got federal money to provide low-cost student loans. The plan cancels that 60 billion dollar subsidy, and makes the government the direct lender. The change is expected to save \$61 billion dollars.

3/23 Easter Egg Roll

35 schools in the DC area will receive tickets to the White House Easter Egg Roll. The President and Education Secretary Arne Duncan have decided to give 1,200 tickets away to students in the area. Schools are using the tickets to motivate students to raise test scores.

3/23 Snow Power Out

State regulators are investigating the massive power outages that left people in the dark during the blizzards last month. Pepco says 80% of its outages were caused by trees falling onto power lines and the only way to fix that is to trim or cut down more trees.

3/22 Calvert Child Deaths

A Maryland woman convicted of killing two adopted daughters and storing their bodies in a home freezer was sentenced to life without parole Monday. Judge Michael J. Algeo handed down 44-year-old Renee Bowman's sentence. She had been convicted of two counts of first-degree murder and three counts of first-degree child abuse. Bowman kept the bodies of the two young girls on ice for months while she continued to collect subsidies paid to parents who adopt special-needs children in the District of Columbia, receiving a total of about \$150,000 after adopting the girls.

3/22 Rhee School Budgets

D.C. Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee is facing council members again to answer questions about a number of controversial issues. Dozens of parents and teachers turned out for the oversight hearing Monday morning. But unlike previous meetings where the budget was the focus, the hearing touched on a number of issues-- from the replacement of a popular Hardy Middle School principal, Patrick Pope and the delayed reopening of several schools to Rhee's hiring of an image consultant. Councilmember Marion Barry questioned the logic behind hiring the public relations firm. He told Rhee, "Your image is what you are." Barry wanted to know where the money for the firm was coming from. Rhee says former White House communications director and veteran Democratic media consultant Anita Dunn is working pro bono. She said a future contract would be paid for with private funds.

3/22 Tainted School Milk

Kids will be the first to tell you when they don't like the way something tastes. It happened Friday at West Frederick Middle School. Several of them complained Friday that the milk didn't smell right. Before the end of lunch Friday, the school had stopped selling milk altogether. Principal Lippy says two kids had already consumed small cartons of the milk. The principal says the kids felt sick and uncomfortable, but did not vomit. County food services employees contacted the seller, Dairy Maid. A spokesman says the company investigated and found that what the kids were drinking was more than milk. They were drinking part of the fluid used to clean the milk containers when switching flavors. A spokesman for Dairy Maid says what the kids consumed is drinkable. However, he says they'll change their labeling process to ensure something similar does not happen in the future. In all, the school ended up with six crates of the tainted milk.

3/19 Metro Escalators

Broken escalators and elevators are starting to feel more like the norm than the exception on Metro these days. In 2007, nearly 94 per cent of the escalators were working. In 2008, only 93 per cent worked. Now it's down to just 90 per cent. At the Van Ness Station, three of its escalators are out of service, one of them getting a complete rehab. Metro is so sensitive about the chronic problem, only Metro Board member Jim Graham would talk to Fox-5 on camera about the problem. Graham explained weather has been a factor, especially the recent snow storms, that's causing water intrusion problems. He says canopies built over the escalators in recent years have helped. He also says the system is aging, and many of the companies who built the escalators have gone out of business, so it's difficult to get parts.

3/19 iPod Deaths

Local officials are seeing a rise in the number of pedestrians and bicyclists who are being killed or seriously injured while wearing earphones. Transportation officials say several people have been killed in the Washington, DC area. Recently, a 51-year-old jogger was killed by a tractor-trailer truck while crossing Constitution Avenue. DC police say the woman was wearing headphones. AAA officials say across the United States the number of pedestrian injuries and deaths are increasing because people wearing earphones are not aware of their surroundings.

3/18 Cheltenham Body

One month ago Thursday, a 65-year-old teacher was found murdered just off campus at a Maryland

juvenile facility. She was a 65-year-old woman and a longtime teacher dedicated to her students. Hannah Wheeling was murdered. There have been no arrests, but state leaders are now making changes at the juvenile facility where she worked. Hannah Wheeling's body was found behind Murphy Cottage on February 18.

3/18 Don't Ask, Don't Tell

There was a call for change in the District on Thursday. It's all part of the battle to end the military's don't ask, don't tell policy toward gays. Comedian Kathy Griffin, who is known to push the envelope, used her star power to lobby for the cause. Griffin led a rally at Freedom Plaza to get the policy repealed now. The star of "My Life on the D-List" is speaking out on an issue that can get someone who is gay kicked out. Her jokes were laced with daggers, starting with Senator Saxby Chambliss, (R-GA). "He's really super crazy," she said. Griffin didn't hide her opinion of him during a Senate Armed Services hearing. "I sort of stood up in the front row and said 'peace out you cookoo puffs' and walked out," Griffin said. At the rally, many were gay and lesbian military veterans from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. They waved American flags and held up signs saying "repeal don't ask, don't tell."

3/18 Group Rape Arrests

Investigators with the Charles County Sheriff's Office are still trying to determine the identities of two to three more men suspected of taking part in the rape of an Alexandria woman. Six other men have already been charged, and they've all been ordered held without bond. The victim told investigators she was raped repeatedly early Tuesday morning by at least four men in the basement of a Waldorf rooming house. The six men in custody all went before a judge in La Plata, Maryland on Thursday. None of them will be getting out anytime soon. Investigators said Thursday they aren't even certain they know the men's true identities. All of them are suspected of being here illegally. The victim says as many as nine men surrounded her, taunted her and threatened to kill her if she didn't do what they wanted.

3/17 Plane Crash training

What if a plane leaving Reagan National Airport were to crash into the Potomac River? It's happened before, in a snowstorm in January of 1982. On Wednesday, the FBI and D.C. area police along with fire and sheriff's departments conducted an exercise in the Washington Channel on how to respond. They had several teams and patrol boats on the southwest waterfront with divers, who retrieved aircraft pieces and dummies, to simulate people.

3/16 Female Serial Bank Robber

Fairfax County Police say they're fairly confident they have captured a woman who is allegedly responsible for a series of bank robberies. She is suspected of holding up five northern Virginia banks since late February, and officers say they caught her in the act on Tuesday. Officers conducting surveillance in the Chantilly area of Fairfax caught the woman red-handed as she left a credit union with a wad of cash, and they say a getaway driver was also taken into custody. The undercover officers were watching as many as four banks in the area when they noticed a woman matching the bandit's description go into an Apple Federal Credit Union. As they waited for her to leave the bank, her wheelman took off. The disguise tipped them off. Everything fit, from the scarf to the sunglasses. They say she had the same general description of the woman suspected of pulling a number of jobs in the area.

3/16 Roosevelt HS Shots

Eleanor Roosevelt High School had a scare on Tuesday, following calls to Greenbelt Police that gun shots had been fired near the school. Roosevelt was placed on lockdown as police searched a wooded area nearby and checked out cars parked at nearby apartment complexes. Students at the high school and some people who live nearby told FOX 5 they heard multiple shots, as many as 12. Police say they believe the shots were fired into the air. Students say they felt afraid when school officials kept them closed up in the school, with no explanation about what was going on. No one was hurt. No one was arrested, and police never found a gun.

3/16 Broadband for Everyone

Using \$7 billion set aside in the stimulus bill, the Federal Communications Commission plans to upgrade our broadband infrastructure, and bring high-speed internet to those remaining 100 million Americans without it. It's an ambitious goal. It will require convincing internet service providers to lay fiber lines in rural communities which haven't been profitable for them in the past, and getting broadcasters to part with a portion of their airwaves in another auction. Cable companies may also be asked to share some of their existing lines. Parts of this plan will need to be approved by Congress, and there will be some opposition. Expect there to be a lot of questions

about the proposal to shift money from the Universal Service Fund, which was set up to subsidize telephone access to all Americans, to subsidize internet access instead.

3/15 Leggett Mogo Budget

How do you make up \$779 million? That's the budget shortfall in Montgomery County. That's a lot of ground to make up, and the County Executive says it's going to be painful. Ike Leggett says they've already made many cuts. Superintendent Jerry Weast promises to try to protect programs-- despite a budget \$137 million less than what the Board of Education requested. He says the school system will work to avoid furloughs. Other non-emergency county employees will likely be forced to take 10 days off without pay. Leggett says that'll start at the top. Leggett says he'll be the first county employee furloughed. In addition to the 10 furlough days, the County Executive wants to cut 452 positions. About half of those positions are currently vacant. Plus, county employees will get no pay increases in fiscal year 2011. That starts this coming July.

3/12 Patuxent River State Park Body Found

The latest information in murder of Tanessa Taylor is that police confirm that the last time the victim was seen alive was December 31, 2009. At this point, the date and location of her death is still under investigation. Investigators say she died from blunt force trauma to the body, but they can't specify any more than that. On Saturday, a hunter found the body of 19-year-old Tanessa Taylor in a shallow grave in Patuxent River State Park. Investigators don't know how long Taylor's body had been in the woods, but they say it could have been placed there as late as fall 2009. Because the body was partially decomposed, they used finger prints to identify the woman.

3/12 EMS Transport Investigation

D.C. Fire Chief Dennis Rubin was on the hot seat Friday before the Council Judiciary Committee. Chairman Phil Mendelson had lots of questions about the death of 2-year-old Stephanie Stephens. She died last month after her parents called 911 from their apartment on Southern Avenue. The hearing focused on why an ambulance failed to transport her immediately to the hospital. The panel also had questions about Kimberly Kelsey, who says medics refused to take her to a hospital last December. She says had to call twice and wound up in an intensive care unit for a week. Chief Rubin said he took responsibility for the actions of his people and has taken steps to revise department policy to prevent such incidents in the future.

3/11 SE Escaped Prisoner

D.C. Police say they've caught an escaped inmate who fled from custody while being transported to the United Medical Center-- formerly Greater Southeast Hospital-- for medical treatment on Thursday. Officials say Terrance Moore managed to escape shortly before 9:00 a.m. in Southeast Washington, D.C. They say he was in full restraints while he was being transported, but was not in his restraints at the time of his escape. They say they are investigating how he was able to remove his restraints. Just after 7 p.m., Moore was apprehended by officers in the vicinity of Wheeler Road and 10th Place SE, where he was arrested without incident.

3/11 Child Death Transport

A senior paramedic with D.C. Fire and EMS is now under criminal investigation for allegedly refusing to transport a little girl to the hospital. Two-year-old Stephanie Stephens died last month, hours after her parents called 911 for help. The case has been under internal review, however on Thursday it was handed over to the Metropolitan Police Department. FOX 5 News has learned new information about how long the ambulance crew was inside the home. Sources say the paramedic under investigation was previously demoted from her job as a paramedic supervisor because of past problems.

3/10 Female Bank Bandit

A female bank bandit is striking banks throughout Fairfax County. The most recent crime happened on Tuesday. Fairfax Police believe the woman is behind three bank robberies in the area, all that have happened in recent weeks. The woman, seen on surveillance tape in one bank and then leaving another bank, is believed to be behind three bank robberies in Fairfax in less than two weeks.

3/10 PG Officer dies

A Prince Georges County police officer has died in the line of duty, 10 days after he was injured in an accident. Officer Thomas Jensen, 27, was responding to an emergency call on the morning of February 27 when his cruiser hit a patch of ice and slid out of control. The vehicle hit a pole on the northbound side of Route One just south of Route 193. The friends and family of the five-year veteran had hopes he would pull through. In fact, there were positive reports along the way, but on Tuesday night at 9:30 p.m., Officer Jensen passed away.

3/10 DC Female Condom

D.C. has one of the highest HIV/AIDS rates in the country, with 3 percent of all adults and adolescents affected. So, health officials are now pushing the female condom as a new weapon in the fight against the AIDS epidemic. The MAC Cosmetics company has given the city a \$500,000 grant to fund the distribution of a half-million free female condoms. The city's HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD and TB Administration is handing them out at barber shops, beauty salons, nail salons and carry-outs in Wards 7 and 8, where the rates of HIV are the highest.

3/9 Same Sex Marriage

The Rev. Darlene Garner, 61, and the Rev. Candy Holmes, 53, were among the first same-sex couples to marry in Washington on Tuesday, when the district became the sixth place in the country to conduct the unions. The district joins Connecticut, Iowa, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont as places that issue same-sex couples marriage licenses.

3/9 VA Serial Bank Robbery

Police in Northern Virginia are looking for 2 men accused of holding up 9 banks in the last 4 months. All the hold ups happened in Prince William and Fairfax Counties.

3/9 Wasa Simmer Boats

Starting New Year's Day, DC has been charging 5 cents per bag to reduce trash on the Anacostia River. Wasa crews that skim the water for trash are hoping that will work but they haven't really seen the results yet.

3/5 Richard Montgomery Shooting Investigation

There was chaos Friday at a Rockville, Maryland high school after there was a report of a man inside the school with a gun. Officials at Richard Montgomery High School immediately shut down the school as police searched the grounds and lockers. It was a fairly scary drama that unfolded. The school was on lockdown. Police reacted to the worse possible scenario, but at the end of the day, there was no gun. It was an emotional end of the day as students raced out of the building. Parents were relieved that reports of a gunman had no basis in fact.

3/5 School Embezzlement

A Fairfax County School employee at the elite Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology has been arrested and charged with embezzlement. The 20 year employee oversaw finances at the school and is now charged with stealing more than \$250,000. Prosecutors say she had a gambling habit and she took money to support that habit.

3/3 Mogo School Hacking

A month after news of a grade-hacking scandal at Churchill High School first broke, Montgomery County Police are conducting a criminal investigation. In a letter to parents, school officials say they discovered 54 students had unauthorized grade changes. Eight of those students are accused of snagging teachers' user IDs and passwords, and then using the information to get into the school's computers to alter grades. The question now for investigators is, did the other 46 know their grades had been changed, and if so, they could be in trouble too.

3/3 Georgetown Assault

Police have issued a warning for residents in the Georgetown area after a man allegedly sexually assaulted a resident. It happened early Sunday morning in the 3500 block of T Street NW. Police say the man was able to get into a house along T Street overnight, and they say he sexually assaulted the occupant, and then fled. News of the assault along the quiet row of homes in northwest D.C. near upper Georgetown and Glover Park has shocked and startled many residents. Police say the suspect was able to get into the house, sexually assault the resident, and leave.

3/2 Barry Censured

The DC Council unanimously voted to censure Marion Barry and strip him of his committee chairmanship. Barry could also face prosecution. The report said Barry, now a council member, violated conflict-of-interest laws by helping award a \$15,000 city contract to a woman he had a sexual relationship with. The council voted Tuesday to adopt the findings of the report and strip Barry of his chairmanship of the Committee on Housing and Workforce Development. The council voted unanimously, except for Barry, who did not vote. Before the council voted Barry told his colleagues that the report was "flawed" and that he was being "singled out unfairly." He said he violated no law, except "the law of common sense." He said stripping him of the committee chairmanship was a

"great injustice."

3/2 Rhee Hardy

If you look at the test scores, Rose Hardy Middle School--located in upper Georgetown-- is one of the top-performing public schools in the District of Columbia. And it isn't just wealthy, white kids who go there. In fact, about 80 percent of the student body is African American. Parents credit the intensive arts and music program developed by principal Patrick Pope. That program requires an admission application to Hardy and a commitment from the student and the family to that program. D.C. Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee wants to change the admission process at Hardy, and she is transferring the principal to another job in the school system.

3/1 Roundtree Drive Homicide

Police have identified the two adults killed in an apparent murder-suicide at Dale City home day care. Officers responded to the home in the 5600 block of Roundtree Road about 7 a.m. Monday after the homeowner's 12-year-old daughter called to report a shooting. The girl was caring for seven children in a before-school program in the homeowner's basement. She quickly herded the children into a basement bathroom as shots were fired upstairs. Responding officers found the body of the homeowner, 39-year-old Tonitha White, and the body of 49-year-old Richard Anthony Nichols. Both had been shot to death.

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1/29 8 Dead street Racing

The man whose car plowed into a crowd of spectators watching an illegal street race in Accokeek in 2008 has accepted a plea agreement with a 15-year prison sentence. Darren Jamar Bullock, 22, was facing a prison sentence of at least 80 years, had he been convicted of eight counts of vehicular manslaughter plus serious traffic offenses. Under the terms of the plea deal, Bullock got 30 years with 15 of them suspended. The accident happened on Indian Head Highway on February 16, 2008. After a pair of cars peeled out in one street race, spectators walked onto the roadway to get a better view. At that point, another pair of cars came over a slight rise. A white Crown Victoria plunged into the crowd of spectators, killing eight people. Bullock was the driver of that car.

1/28 Dulles Access

Traffic on the Dulles toll road can be a nightmare, not to mention the hefty toll. So, many drivers take an illegal detour through the airport to get on the access road for free. Now, those drivers may be saying "cheese" if the airport wins approval to put in cameras. One of the common ploys is the gas station detour at the airport Exxon station. But if you don't have airport business, you have no business on the access road. It's a not-so-well-kept secret to take a short cut through the airport. Drivers avoid the traffic on the toll road and the dollar fee. It's ingenious perhaps, but illegal. The access road is clearly marked: airport business only. Now, airport police are looking to put cameras and vehicle scanners on the access road to catch those skirting the law.

1/28 Metro fare Hike

Riding on MetroRail or MetroBus will soon cost 10 cents more per trip. The board overseeing the transit agency voted unanimously in favor of the fare hikes. The new fares will go into effect on or about March 1. Metro has been facing a projected budget deficit of \$40 million between now and the end of the fiscal year on June 30. Managers had recommended broad cuts in rail and bus service, but members of the riding public bombarded the agency with suggestions that a fare hike be considered instead. The board went along. But hold onto your wallet -- more fare hikes are quite likely. Because of softened ridership from the recession, Metro is now projecting a deficit of approximately \$190 million for next fiscal year. The board is likely to again examine possible service cuts and more fare increases for FY 2011.

1/27/2010 Toyota Recall

The faulty gas pedals that prompted Toyota to suspend U.S. sales of eight of its most popular models - including the Camry, America's best-selling car - are also in its vehicles sold in Europe, an official with the automaker said Wednesday. Toyota Motor Corp. announced late Tuesday the unprecedented sales suspension to fix gas pedals that could stick and cause acceleration without warning. Last week, Toyota issued a recall for the same eight models involving 2.3 million vehicles. Toyota is also halting production at six North American car-assembly plants, beginning the week of Feb. 1, and gave no date on when production could restart.

1/27/2010 Metro Workers Killed

The Metro maintenance vehicle which killed two rail workers, Tuesday morning, was equipped with an audible alarm for driving in reverse. But that alarm was deliberately disabled by design. The Hi-Rail Maintenance Of Way Vehicle is capable of driving on tires or on rails. NTSB officials say the vehicle was travelling in reverse when it struck the two workers around 1:45 a.m. Tuesday. The vehicles are equipped with back-up audible alarms. Part of the device measures ambient noise around the vehicle, and adjusts the volume of the alarm accordingly. But a technical specifications manual for the vehicles indicates the alarms are automatically turned off when the trucks are running on rails. Page 33 of the manual states plainly, Alarm function must shut off when on rail. Presumably, the alarms are automatically defeated so Metro crews are not subject to the noise during long rail journeys in reverse. Officials at Metro would not directly answer questions on the issue, referring inquiries to the National Transportation Safety Board. Spokesmen there were not answering questions either.

1/22/2010 - CELLPHONE METERS

Montgomery county has made parking much easier. No longer will you have to pay with coins, but you can now use your cellphone as a payment option. It will begin as a 90 day trial run which will allow users to pre register online by providing their cell phone number as well as credit card information. After registration, all that is required is to call the number on the meter with your cell phone, enter the meter location, time required, and you are set. As convenient as it sounds, many people still prefer the old fashioned way. If the program proves to be successful, it will become permanent.

1/20/2010 - METRO FARE HIKE

Riding the metro can become costly. Today a metro board member estimated that riders may be paying as much as 30 cents more per trip. For the first time in years, ridership has decreased most likely due to the national recession, which is negatively affecting travel among locals and tourists. The metro system is facing a 40 million dollar deficit between now and the end of June which is a contributing factor in the price increase.

1/11/2010 - ROAD LAW REPORT

Maryland and Washington, D.C., according to a new report card by Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, have most of the model laws the organization feels is necessary for safer teenage driving. Virginia was added to the list of the worst states this year for its lack of laws on things like seatbelt enforcement, graduated driver licensing programs, and text messaging. Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety have 15 model laws by which they rate the states, which include drunk driving laws.

1/7/2010 - METRO SERVICE CUTS

At the recent Metro Board meeting, members did not like the proposed cuts in rail and bus service designed to solve the transit system's looming deficit in the current fiscal year. One member expressed that reducing train sizes from eight to six cars would make crowding worse, customer service worse, and would potentially lead to less use, which could reduce revenue and hurt Metro more. The Board considered the possibility of a temporary fare increase of no more than 10 cents per trip.

1/7/2010 - ROCK CREEK FIRE

D.C. Firefighters were called to the Pennsylvania Avenue Bridge in Georgetown to respond to a call of smoke rising from the bridge itself. They discovered that a low-voltage cable caught fire. They also discovered a body of a man just north of the site, and said the body of the man is not related to the incident they were called for. Traffic was temporarily backed up as a result of the incident.

1/5 Obama Security Meeting

President Obama spent the afternoon in the Situation Room meeting with his national security team, the first face-to-face meeting with some two dozen advisers since the attempted Christmas Day bombing of a Northwest Airlines flight from Amsterdam to Detroit. Following the meeting, the president acknowledged that the government knew of other red flags in the failed underwear bombing plot. "This was not a failure to collect intelligence, it was a failure to integrate and understand the intelligence that we already had," the President said at the White House. He added that the system had failed in a major way.

1/5/2010 Girl Hit by Train

Amtrak and MARC traffic along the Northeast Corridor was disrupted Tuesday after a 14-year-old girl was killed on railroad tracks near Middle River. The victim, identified by Baltimore County police as Ann Marie Stickel of the 700 block of Maple Crest Drive in Middle River, was struck by a southbound train as she walked south near Old Orems Road and Middle River Road. She was with another teenage girl, who jumped clear of the train and called 911 on her cell phone, according to Cpl. Mike Hill, a police spokesman.

1/5/2010 Metro Lot Convention

There has been a significant upswing in the thefts of catalytic converters from commuters' cars left at Metro parking lots. Anthony Teolis found that out the hard way on December 22nd, when the catalytic converter on his car was cut off at a parking lot at the Vienna Metro station while he was at work. It cost the Virginia man \$1,300 to replace the air-cleaning unit. The converters are expensive, in part, because they use precious metals such as platinum. Thieves cut off three other converters from cars at the Vienna station lot that same day, according to Fairfax County Police. Metro Transit Police had noticed an upswing in the thefts in the closing months of 2009. There was only one catalytic converter theft from a Metro parking lot in June. Another theft occurred in August. But between September and December, 43 cars were hit, mostly at Metro stations in Maryland. The auto theft unit of the transit system's police department bore down on the cases, and, according to Deputy Chief Jeri Lee, detectives determined most of the thefts were coming from a small group of individuals. Arrest warrants have now been issued for two men. Chief Lee says more warrants are likely.

1/4/2010 TSA Changes

All United States-bound travellers will face increased random screening, and all passengers from at least 14 terrorism-prone nations will be patted down and have their carry-on bags searched, under new rules the US implemented on Monday. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA), the US agency responsible for air security measures, said it had issued a directive to airlines on Sunday of the changes for all flights entering the US - with an emphasis on a 'full body pat-down and physical inspection of property' for all people who are citizens of, or are flying through or from, countries with significant terrorist activity. The move comes after the attempted

Christmas Day bombing of a flight from Amsterdam to Detroit.

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2/25 Metro NTSB

WMATA is still investigating the cause of the metrorail crash in June. A definitive cause has not yet been established, although the investigation is focusing on the possibility of a partial failure of communications devices. Metro had allegedly been warned in 2004 not to mix equipment from different manufacturers. Many family members of the crash victims attended the hearings, and some expressed anger over Metro not responding sooner to the alleged warnings of mixing equipment.

2/24 Airport Scanners

Passengers reflected on news that more than 100 new body scanning machines are being rolled out at airports across the country. Some said it helps improve safety. Some expressed concern that the measures may be too invasive of privacy. Others said that the body scans were worthwhile because they would help to combat terrorism.

2/24 Snow Plow Damage

As snow is beginning to reveal grass and parts of streets that had been covered for a prolonged period by record snowfall, damage from plowing has become more apparent. Some lawns are covered with chunks of curbs; there are mailboxes knocked askew. Local transportation departments said that if it could be proved that damage to personal property was caused by the plowing, they would compensate. For compensation, photos, and other documentation with the date, time, and cause of damage, and estimate of repair cost are needed.

2/24 Toyota CEO on Hill

Toyotas CEO, Akio Toyota, traveled from Japan to apologize in front of Congress for safety problems that have led to the recall of 8.5 million Toyota cars. Safety issues have resulted in accidents and deaths due to reports of sudden acceleration. Akio Toyota insisted the sudden acceleration problem is the result of sticky gas pedals and floor mats, and not issues with electronic throttle computers. You can check the U.S. Department of Transportation's website to see if your car is on the list of cars being recalled.

2/23 Toyota Hearing

David Lentz, Toyotas U.S. President, said the recall of 8.5 million of its vehicles may not totally solve the safety issues the company's still investigating. CEO Akio Toyota will testify about the problem tomorrow on Capitol Hill. The company's blaming the safety issues on floor mats and sticky gas pedals. At least one expert says a different cause might be responsible; Professor David Gilbert of the Southern University of Illinois says the problem may be one based in a computer failure related to the throttle control system.

2/23 Metro Trains Collide

The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating four serious accidents the metrorail system has had in the past year. Metro said replacing its oldest rail cars would cost \$1 billion. Metro said that 245-250 corrective actions had been recommended back in 2006, and that since the arrival of John B. Catoe, Jr. more than 180 of those items had been closed out.

2/18 Pothole Patrol

Crews are busy filling potholes, many of which were caused by the heavy snowfall. Some of the potholes are big enough to bring traffic to a halt. Some are as deep as three and a half feet. The back to back blizzards brought an outbreak of potholes not usually seen until Spring. Auto repair for car damage can run from under \$100 to thousands of dollars.

2/17 More Metro Fare Hikes

While there is a Metro fare hike set to take place March 1, there may be yet another one that will take place this summer. The March 1 fare hike will be a 10-cents-a-trip surcharge to help close the gap in the current fiscal year. That charge will be eliminated June 30. Outgoing General Manager John Catoe said he recommends a basic rail fare increase from \$1.65 to \$1.90 per trip during off-peak hours, and \$1.35 to \$1.55 per trip during rush hour. WMATA Board Member Jim Graham said he is worried about increasing bus fares because Metro's own analysis has shown that increases in bus fares fall disproportionately hard on those least able to pay.

2/17 PG School Extra Cops

Students in Prince Georges County went back to class today, to the complaint of some parents, and some roads were not as smooth as they should have been. At Oakcrest Elementary School in Landover, parents were extra careful when escorting their children to school. School staff helped parents and their children get inside.

Prince Georges County police dispatched officers to all 196 schools in the district to make sure students safely made it to class.

2/17 Toyota Recalls

Toyota's recent recalls, due to what the company has said were floorpan and braking issues, are being compounded by new complaints regarding power steering in the Corolla model. This has prompted talk of another possible recall. Toyota has said that if the issue at hand is one of safety, it will conduct another recall, but that if it is not one of safety the complaints will be handled in a normal way. Company president Akio Toyoda said he will not be attending a congressional hearing on the automakers safety problems, and that U.S. Toyota President Yoshi Inaba would be better suited to answer U.S. lawmakers questions.

2/16 DC Commute

The evening rush hour is not looking much better than this mornings even though DC said it is focusing on clearing outbound lanes. By the time some people got to work today, it was almost time to turn around and head back home. One lane of the 14th Street Bridge disappeared in the snow. Thomas Circle narrowed from three lanes to two. Some of the handicap access on sidewalks are blocked. An overturned tractor trailer at the Beltway and I-95 near College Park shut down lanes.

2/16 UPS & Mail Delivery

Package delivery companies are still struggling to catch up with work that was hindered by the back-to-back blizzards, and blocked roads, delayed cargo flights and sidewalks that havent been shoveled are contributing to the problem. UPS and Fedex are two of the companies that were slowed down by the snow. The U.S. Postal Service says its operations are back to normal, but that customers can help by digging out mailboxes. All three service providers have said that customers who havent received their packages by their original expected due dates should contact the providers to determine when the new delivery dates will be.

2/15 highway Illnesses

According to new statistics, the chances of getting heart disease could double if you live next to a freeway. Some feel the sound walls next to some stretches of freeway will keep dust and grime from the freeway from coming through. Researchers at USC and UC Berkeley, among others, made the findings through studying people who live 100 meters away from a freeway in Los Angeles.

2/15 Toyota Recall

Toyota is recalling millions of cars for concerns of faulty brakes. More than 15 thousand U.S. auto dealers are meeting in Florida for the National Automobiles Dealers Association Convention. Bankruptcies and bailouts of GM and Chrysler have made this past year a hard one already. Toyota will have a new marketing push in March, the details of which have not yet been announced.

2/15 Digging Out

The snow is falling again, even as digging out from the back-to-back blizzards continues. In Bethesda, Maryland, Elsie Hegedus and her granddaughter Tiffany were trying to remove shovel out their car and driveway for the second time. A snow plow came though and deposited a snow bank that made them have to shovel out again. Narrowed lanes from the snowfall created bottlenecks on some roads that held up traffic for hours.

2/4 Snow Road Preps

Virginia and Maryland have already announced their plans for dealing with the snow that's coming in tomorrow. Both jurisdictions began pretreating the roads today, focusing on the trouble spots, bridges, roads and overpasses that freeze first. DC is preparing to announce its plans tonight.

2/3 Riggs Rd Double Fatal

A Beltsville woman, who police say hit and killed two men on Riggs Road in Prince Georges County Monday night, has a string of run-ins with the law. She was charged in November for driving on a revoked license. Law enforcement sources say the woman had a blood alcohol content of more than twice the legal limit when she struck the men as they stood by the side of the road. But as of Wednesday night no charges had been filed. Court records show the woman, who Fox 5 is not identifying until charges are filed, has two prior arrests for driving under the influence. In one case she pled guilty, the other case was dismissed.

2/3 Toyota Latest

Toyota troubles just keep getting bigger. The US Transportation Secretary alarmed drivers telling them to stop driving their Toyotas only to retract the statement a short time later. Now, Toyota is investigating possible

problems with the Prius. First it was the sliding floor mats then sticky gas pedals, now the US National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says it's received about 100 complaints about brakes on the Prius not working, including 2 serious crashes.

2/2 Area Snow Preps

Road crews are hard at work tonight salting the roads to prepare for the snow that's coming in. Vdot officials say they're prepared to work all night if necessary.

2/1 Toyota Recall

Toyota claims it has the fix for the sticky pedal recall. The company says parts are on their way to dealership and they'll begin alerting customers on how to get their cars repaired. More than 2 million cars are affected by the recall.

2/1 8 dead st race

Nearly 2 years after a deadly street race in Prince George's County, a man accused of taking part in the race is going on trial. 8 people died when a car crashed into a crowd in Accokeek. Prosecutors say Tavon Taylor was racing the car that plowed into the spectators.

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3/29 Metro Explosion Security

Metro police are conducting random inspections of stations and rail yards as part of heightened security after a terrorist attack on two Moscow subway stations killed more than 37 people. Metro Transit Police's acting head, Jeri Lee, said Monday that the agency will "do what we can to be as secure as possible." Metro had previously planned a drill Monday simulating a bus explosion in the parking lot of RFK Stadium. The drill, which had been planned since December, will continue. This past weekend Metro conducted an overnight drill that simulated a below-ground train explosion.

3/25 Toyota Accelerator

Toyota's acceleration problem turned into an 8 million car recall. One of the possibilities under investigation isn't something in the cars. Some investigators believe that heavy power lines may hold the key. They generate powerful fields of energy that can create voltages in other devices, like the computerized accelerator. The suspected deaths caused by sudden acceleration appear to be loosely clustered around the heaviest parts of the electrical grid.

3/23 Dirty Snow

After all the snow that got dumped on the DC area some is still melting. RFK stadium parking lots were used to dump access snow but now that snow needs to be moved to repave the lot for the soccer season. There is also snow piles along the banks of the Potomac River.

3/19 Metro Escalators

Broken escalators and elevators are starting to feel more like the norm than the exception on Metro these days. In 2007, nearly 94 per cent of the escalators were working. In 2008, only 93 per cent worked. Now it's down to just 90 per cent. At the Van Ness Station, three of its escalators are out of service, one of them getting a complete rehab. Metro is so sensitive about the chronic problem, only Metro Board member Jim Graham would talk to Fox-5 on camera about the problem. Graham explained weather has been a factor, especially the recent snow storms, that's causing water intrusion problems. He says canopies built over the escalators in recent years have helped. He also says the system is aging, and many of the companies who built the escalators have gone out of business, so it's difficult to get parts.

3/19 iPod Deaths

Local officials are seeing a rise in the number of pedestrians and bicyclists who are being killed or seriously injured while wearing earphones. Transportation officials say several people have been killed in the Washington, DC area. Recently, a 51-year-old jogger was killed by a tractor-trailer truck while crossing Constitution Avenue. DC police say the woman was wearing headphones. AAA officials say across the United States the number of pedestrian injuries and deaths are increasing because people wearing earphones are not aware of their surroundings.

3/17 Plane Crash training

What if a plane leaving Reagan National Airport were to crash into the Potomac River? It's happened before, in a snowstorm in January of 1982. On Wednesday, the FBI and D.C. area police along with fire and sheriff's departments conducted an exercise in the Washington Channel on how to respond. They had several teams and patrol boats on the southwest waterfront with divers, who retrieved aircraft pieces and dummies, to simulate people.

3/15 Prius Investigation

An investigation into reports of a runaway Toyota Prius in San Diego, Calif., revealed significant inconsistencies with the drivers account of the incident, the automakers representatives said in a press conference Monday. Mike Michels, Toyotas Vice President of Communications, also disputed media reports that the car was forced to a stop by a police patrol car in the March 8 incident, saying the vehicle came to a stop on its own. The press conference came after questions were raised over James Sikes version of the incident. Sikes, 61, called 911, telling the operator that he was driving on the Interstate 8 freeway outside San Diego when he was unable to stop his blue 2008 Toyota Prius after it sped up to more than 90 mph. Michels said testers could not replicate the incident during a methodical examination of Sikes car.

3/11 Md Criminal Negligence

There's a call to crack down on dangerous drivers and give prosecutors more ammunition to convict them. The families of some victims and AAA Mid-Atlantic are demanding that Maryland lawmakers tighten the state's

Vehicular Manslaughter laws.

3/2 8 Dead Street Race

Two men accused in a deadly street race appeared in court today. One was taken to prison. The other is now facing a retrial. Eight people died in the accident two years ago on Indian Head Highway. Prosecutors say Tavon Taylor and Darren Bullock were racing at more than 100 miles per hour, when Bullocks car ran down a group of spectators from an earlier street race. Tavon Taylor appeared first. The judge set an October 18, 2010 date for his retrial on vehicular manslaughter charges. The jury deadlocked on the charges Monday night. Bullock came next. He had pleaded guilty to the manslaughter charges in January. Today he was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

3/1 Transportation furloughs

The Transportation Department put 2,000 employees on furlough after Congress failed to enact legislation that included a short-term extension of the Highway Trust Fund. Agencies affected by the furlough include the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and the Research and Innovative Technology Administration. The law that authorizes the Highway Trust Fund to reimburse states for highway projects expired at midnight on Sunday. Sen. Jim Bunning, R-Ky., last week blocked an interim extension to keep the projects funded while Congress debates a permanent bill. Bunning said the legislation, which also would have continued unemployment insurance and COBRA health benefits for the unemployed, would add \$10 billion to the federal deficit.

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3/9 Wasa Simmer Boats

Starting New Year's Day, DC has been charging 5 cents per bag to reduce trash on the Anacostia River. Wasa crews that skim the water for trash are hoping that will work but they haven't really seen the results yet.

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1/29/2010 Mogo school hacked

Montgomery County's Churchill High School is one of the best in the country. But its blue ribbon reputation may be tarnished by scandal. School officials are investigating whether students hacked into the school's computer system and changed grades. A schools spokesman says so far, they're talking to five or six students who may have hacked in with user IDs and passwords of three of Churchill's teachers. They want to find out if more students were involved and how many grades were changed. The school system is vowing serious consequences for anyone found guilty.

1/28/2010 Barnaby st. homicide

The teenage son of a legendary community activist has been shot and killed in what police are calling a robbery gone bad. It happened on Wednesday night in the 800 block of Barnaby Street in Southeast Washington, D.C. Police say 18-year-old Calvin Woodland was standing in the parking lot of the apartment building where he lived when at least two people approached and announced a robbery. The teen is the son of community activist Calvin Woodland, Sr., who passed away in 2000.

1/27/2010 State of the Union

Declaring "I don't quit," an embattled President Barack Obama vowed in his first State of the Union address Wednesday night to make job growth his topmost priority and urged a divided Congress to boost the still-ailing economy with a new burst of stimulus spending. Despite stinging setbacks, he said he would not abandon ambitious plans for longer-term fixes to health care, energy, education and more.

1/27/2010 Rhee Teacher Allegations

More backlash against DC Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee's accusations. In an interview, Rhee said some of the teachers she fired last fall sexually and physically assaulted students. Today, some of the fired teachers and their supporters protested outside teh Administration building.

1/27/2010 Mogo College Arrest

A college student was raped on campus Tuesday and the suspect was arrested after an hours-long manhunt. Now, disturbing new details are emerging about the crime. The events unfolded at Montgomery College's Takoma Park campus late Tuesday. Police say 34-year-old Nathaniel Hart raped the woman repeatedly. Hart appeared in court briefly on closed circuit TV but his bond hearing was continued until next week. So he will remain in jail. In a statement of charges, detectives say Hart crawled under a bathroom stall and told the 19-year-old woman, "Be quiet, I'll hurt you. I have a gun and I will use it." Over a one-hour period, police say Hart raped the woman once, then hugged and apologized and raped her again.

1/25/2010 Quarters for Haiti

Sometimes spare change can bring change. Students at Washington Mill Elementary School in Fairfax County are collecting money to help earthquake victims in Haiti. "They don't have clothes since the earthquake hit and their houses, some of the houses are broke down, and some of them died," said 6-year-old Maha Raja. So, the school started collecting quarters. The idea was for the students to earn the money. The kids vacuum, make beds, even clean the bathroom at home to earn extra change. The principal wants to make sure the kids can handle academics, but also learn to have a heart.

1/22/2010 - MARCH FOR LIFE 2010

Thousands of marchers arrived on the National Mall to mark the day the US Supreme Court legalized abortion. The March takes place every year since the Roe decision, and while pro life marchers held their rally, a smaller group in favor of abortion from the National Organization for Women protested outside the Supreme Court itself. The one thing both sides agree on is the sensitivity of how they media covers both sides. A pro choice rally on the National mall is scheduled for later this year.

1/21/2010 - SIDWELL TEACHER FIRED

A 7th and 8th grade teacher from Silver Spring Maryland has been charged with second degree assault, fourth degree sex offense and sex abuse of a minor. Sixty five year old Robert A Peterson taught Social studies at the Exclusive Sidwell Friends School and was the school's former director of the school's camp corsica in Queen Anne County. According to Montgomery County charging documents, he repeatedly invited one of his male

students to his home, showed him pornography and touched him inappropriately. A neighbor finds the allegations hard to believe as she says Peterson is a married man with children and a grand child. The investigation on the allegations began last September.

1/21/2010 - HAITI KID CARDS

A Ten year old boy from Silver Spring has been working to help kids in Haiti. Matthew Millstein has started making greeting cards called cards of joy after he heard about the earthquake. All the proceeds go to a non-profit called beyond borders that helps the poor people in Haiti. The cards can be purchased on Matthew's website.

1/19/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

A Maryland man accused of trying to kill President Obama is going to prison. Collin Mckenzie was sentenced to 5 years for possession of a destructive device. In court, Mckenzie's father admitted to buying his son handguns, assault rifles and shotguns because Colin was a bright student at St. Johns Collegem training for a career in law enforcement. What he did not know is that is son was planning to kill another teen and then-presidential candidate Barack Obama.

1/19/2010 - ORPHANS ARRIVE

Over fifty Haitian orphans have arrived in Pennsylvania ready to start a new life. Once they landed, they were immediately take to the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. Some of the children were granted a two year Humanitarian parole policy which would enter them into the adoption process but most are already adopted and will be placed in their new homes very soon.

1/18/2010 - KIDS MIGRAINES

Adults are not the only ones getting migraines, so are kids. In fact, 5 percent of all sufferers get their first migraine before they are 15 years old.

Joshua Cohen, a neurologist at the Headache Institue at Saint Luke's Roosevelt Hospital opened up the first adolescent headache center in the tri-state area, treating children aged 12 to 17.

1/15/2010 - CHILD FOUND IN ROADWAY

A man found a three-year-old boy wandering by himself along Connecticut Avenue, and called the Montgomery County police. His grandmother eventually called in after police released a photo of the boy to the public. The grandmother does not know where his mother is. 911 was called for a "non responsive woman" in a parking lot near the location the boy was found the night he was found, although it was not known at the time if that woman is his mother.

1/15/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

Two people were building explosives that they were planning to use to assassinate President Obama. One of them, Patrick Yevsukov, has admitted to this charge, and his attorney said the plans were real. Yevsukov said the other person, 18 year old Collins Mackenzie-Gude was the mastermind of the plan. Yevsukov said he realized the gravity of the plan and wanted nothing to do with it. Mackenzie-Gude could face up to 10 years in prison.

1/14/2010 - ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

The prosecutor in the trial against Collins Mackenzie-Gude, who had been plotting to build explosives to assassinate President Obama, played a video that demonstrated the kind of explosives that could be produced in Gude's home. The defense attorney disputed the science of the demonstration. Bottles of acid and other chemicals were found in Gude's home. The FBI called the ingredients in Gude's home very sensitive high-explosives. Patrick Yevsukov, who had been working with Mackenzie-Gude to build the bombs but who informed authorities of his and Mackenzie-Gude's activities, has been granted immunity.

1/12/2010 - BROOKVILLE RD BODY

The body of a teen was found on Brookville Road. The people who found the body were questioned by police. Police said the teen suffered trauma to the body, although it's ultimately unclear how he was killed. Police say they're investigating some leads, and that they had some report of drug activity in the area, although they're not sure if it is necessarily related to this case. Residents of the rural neighborhood were shocked at the tragedy.

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safer area, and that safety should come first, as ambulance response time has been slowed for much of the community, and a nine-year-old girl was killed, as a result of the erosion.

1/8/2010 - FFX SCHOOL BUDGET

Next year's school budget proposal for Fairfax County would cut foreign language instruction from 32 of the county's 44 schools. 44 of the 139 elementary schools in the county currently have some kind of program for teaching foreign language to young students. The budget plan for next year could charge high school students participating in sports \$100 per team with which they participate, and Freshman sports would be eliminated.

1/8/2010 - MENTORING MONDAY: ASHLEY & CYNTHIA

The Space of Her Own program in Alexandria matches non-parent adults with pre-teen girls for an arts and community service-based learning initiative designed to help the pre-teen girls recognize they can empower themselves to make beneficial changes in their lives. The year-long program ends in the renovation of the girls' bedroom, which SOHO Director Linda Ordell says shows the little girls that they have the power to make a difference in their own lives, and in the lives of others too. Ashley, who participated in the program with mentor Cynthia Chin, now talks about hopes and dreams for the future that once didn't seem possible, and with Cynthia's help, she's doing well in school.

1/7/2010 - MENTORING MONDAY: JOEL AMATO

Capital Partners for Education helped pair 15-year-old Joel Munoz with education consultant Amato Marshall to expand Munoz's educational and growth opportunities through Marshall's mentoring. Munoz goes to Arch Bishop Carroll High School in Northeast D.C. CPE offers low income youth support, especially through helping them get into private schools and prepare for college.

1/7/2010 - FUTURE CHEFS PKG

High school students from all over Frederick County, Maryland, are studying the culinary arts at the Frederick County Career and Technology Center for half of each school day. Some say the program helped soar in popularity because a finalist contestant on Top Chef, Bryan Voltaggio, attended CTC when he was in high school. There are twice as many students enrolled in the program as there were seven years ago. Some plan to enter the restaurant industry when they are older.

1/5/2010 Girl Hit by Train

Amtrak and MARC traffic along the Northeast Corridor was disrupted Tuesday after a 14-year-old girl was killed on railroad tracks near Middle River. The victim, identified by Baltimore County police as Ann Marie Stickel of the 700 block of Maple Crest Drive in Middle River, was struck by a southbound train as she walked south near Old Orems Road and Middle River Road. She was with another teenage girl, who jumped clear of the train and called 911 on her cell phone, according to Cpl. Mike Hill, a police spokesman.

1/5 Pregnant Woman Attacked

The Suitland woman accused of cutting open a pregnant woman's stomach to get her baby was in court Tuesday in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. The judge has found probable cause to send the case of Veronica Deramous to trial for allegedly slashing Teka Adams early last month, after holding her hostage several days in her apartment. A police detective testified during a preliminary hearing that Deramous had help from her teenage son in using duct tape to bind Adams. He says she later used a knife to cut her open, with no attempt to sterilize the knife or medicate her victim. Deramous is charged with first and second-degree attempted murder, first and second-degree assault and false imprisonment.

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2/26 Mogo Sex Assault

An 11-year-old girl was sexually assaulted by two Hispanic persons in Montgomery County, Maryland. She was abducted and taken to their apartment, then pushed out of the apartment. She told her mother and provided police with a good description of the location of the apartment and objects inside it.

2/24 Colorado School Shooting

David Benke, a math teacher at Deer Creek Middle School just three miles from the infamous Columbine High School in Colorado, tackled a man firing a weapon in a crowded school yard at his school. Benke jumped the alleged gunman, Bruco Strong Eagle Eastwood, when he was reloading his bolt action rifle. Police said Eastwood shot two students before Benke and two other staff persons restrained him. The students are expected to survive.

2/24 Rhee Teacher Arrest

DC Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee, in a letter to City Council Chairman Vincent Gray, said that the teacher who had been arrested for having sex with a developmentally disabled 18-year-old student was one of the teachers let go in Octobers rif. Rhee said that she informed the Metropolitan Police Department when the case came to her attention, and that the MPD said the act did not warrant criminal investigation, leading it not to prosecute. Nathan Saunders, general vice president of the Washington Teachers Union, said there needs to be laws that can protect people with special needs in these situations.

2/23 Facebook Suspension

High School Honors Student Justin Bird was suspended from Oak Forest High School for five days because he created a Facebook group called I Hate Big Daddy V, referring to a teacher at his school named Valiska. Although his parents didnt like what he did, they said the school was out of line. His mother believes Justins right to free speech was violated. The districts superintendent, Bill Kendal, said the suspension was justified because Justins action was disruptive to the educational environment, however upon further investigation he says the suspension may be removed from Justin's record.

2/23 FFX Exec 2011 Budget

Fairfax County's chief of police is being asked to cut more than 60 jobs for savings of \$11 million, which will cut school resource officers from middle schools. School resource officers help provide campus safety, build trusting relationships with students and work to quell gang activity. The office of the sheriff is being asked to save more than \$4 million; fire and rescue is being asked to save close to \$11 million in savings.

2/19 Teacher Arrest

Kevin Ricks, a teacher at Osbourne High School in Manassas, is under arrest for alleged sex crimes against a 16-year-old boy. The charge is inappropriate sexual conduct. Many students were stunned to learn hed been arrested. The Virginia State Police do background checks of people who are hired at the school.

2/19 Calvert Child Deaths

A mother in Calvert County was charged with killing her two daughters. Renee Bowman was the adoptive mother of Minett and Jasmine Bowman. Autopsy photos shown to the jury depict the girls as severely beaten. Dr. Donna Vicente said they died of asphyxia; the prosecution says the girls were smoothered. One of the daughters got away.

2/18 Cheltenham Body Found

In Prince Georges County, a woman was found dead outside the Cheltenham Youth Facility, which is a detention center. Maryland State Police said the woman is affiliated with that facility. State police said the woman was assaulted. The side of the building where she was found is rather secluded.

2/18 Calvert Child Deaths

A former cell mate of Renee Bowman testified in court today that Bowman made confessions to her related to accusations that Bowman killed two of her daughters and placed their bodies in a freezer. [Audiences to the story were warned of its graphic nature]. Bowman has never admitted to killing the two girls. Bowman has admitted putting their bodies in the freezer after the two had already died, although her stories of their deaths do not place Bowman as the culprit. Prosecutors maintain that the girls were smothered. The former cell mate said

Bowman told her she killed the girls in part because she was depressed.

2/17 PG School Extra Cops

Students in Prince Georges County went back to class today, to the complaint of some parents, and some roads were not as smooth as they should have been. At Oakcrest Elementary School in Landover, parents were extra careful when escorting their children to school. School staff helped parents and their children get inside. Prince Georges County police dispatched officers to all 196 schools in the district to make sure students safely made it to class.

2/16 DC Back to School

Volunteers and crews from places as far away as Illinois are still helping the city dig out for school. Some sidewalks are still untouched by property owners, forcing some students to walk in the streets to school. Some walkways were cleared but were then covered again by snow plows. Mounds of snow also accumulated at crosswalks near J.C. Nalle Elementary School in Southeast.

2/16 FFX Back to School

Fairfax County Schools opened two hours late today. Many sidewalks around the schools were clear and the buses rolled on time. Some parents were concerned that the process of getting to the schools was still dangerous, even though school grounds had become safer. Some students walked in the road because the sidewalk was impassible. The Virginia Department of Transportation said that given the large amount of snow, it was inevitable that much of it would be pushed onto sidewalks in an effort to clear the roads, although it is making efforts to haul some of the snow away.

2/15 FFX Schools Digging Out

Fairfax County school districts asked community volunteers to help them shovel out the school grounds from snow. Parents and their children helped dig Cardinal Forest Elementary out of the snow. All the walkways were shoveled. About 60 volunteers helped out after the back-to-back blizzards. It took a pick axe to clear a seven-foot mound blocking the sidewalk at one of the entrances.

2/2 Hanover Court Bodies

A family tragedy in Prince William County, where a father found his wife and little boy murdered. He discovered the bodies inside their home on Hanover Court in Dale City. Police say there does not appear to be any forced entry and they are interviewing possible suspects.

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3/29 Amy Baker 21 years

It's been 21 years since an 18-year-old girl from Fairfax County was murdered. For two decades, her parents have been living with the pain and the mystery of their daughter's death. Investigators say Amy Baker was driving southbound on I-95 when she ran out of gas. They say she walked up the exit ramp. Baker's car had already been found by police right along Interstate 95 in Fairfax County. Two days later, her worried mother decided to search the area herself. That's where she saw what no parent should ever see. Investigators think her attacker dragged her into the woods. Investigators think Amy was sexually assaulted and strangled. There is solid evidence in the case-- even some DNA taken from the scene, but detectives need more. They're hoping someone will come forward with more clues.

3/25 Stolen Car Baby

A thief took off in a woman's SUV with her 1-year old inside this morning. She had left the baby inside the car while she ran back inside her home. DC police found the SUV with the baby still inside a short time later. The baby wasn't hurt. Inesitigators are still looking for the thief.

3/23 Student Loan Rally

When the House passed the healthcare bill it also rescued a major source of funding for low income students - the Federal Pell Grant. Under the act, the Pell Grant Program is getting a cash infusion from big student lenders. Sallie Mae and other private lenders got federal money to provide low-cost student loans. The plan cancels that 60 billion dollar subsidy, and makes the government the direct lender. The change is expected to save \$61 billion dollars.

3/23 Easter Egg Roll

35 schools in the DC area will receive tickets to the White House Easter Egg Roll. The President and Education Secretary Arne Duncan have decided to give 1,200 tickets tickets away to students in the area. Schools are using the tickets to motivate students to raise test scores.

3/22 Calvert Child Deaths

A Maryland woman convicted of killing two adopted daughters and storing their bodies in a home freezer was sentenced to life without parole Monday. Judge Michael J. Algeo handed down 44-year-old Renee Bowman's sentence. She had been convicted of two counts of first-degree murder and three counts of first-degree child abuse. Bowman kept the bodies of the two young girls on ice for months while she continued to collect subsidies paid to parents who adopt special-needs children in the District of Columbia, receiving a total of about \$150,000 after adopting the girls.

3/22 Tainted School Milk

Kids will be the first to tell you when they don't like the way something tastes. It happened Friday at West Frederick Middle School. Several of them complained Friday that the milk didn't smell right. Before the end of lunch Friday, the school had stopped selling milk altogether. Principal Lippy says two kids had already consumed small cartons of the milk. The principal says the kids felt sick and uncomfortable, but did not vomit. County food services employees contacted the seller, Dairy Maid. A spokesman says the company investigated and found that what the kids were drinking was more than milk. They were drinking part of the fluid used to clean the milk containers when switching flavors. A spokesman for Dairy Maid says what the kids consumed is drinkable. However, he says they'll change their labeling process to ensure something similar does not happen in the future. In all, the school ended up with six crates of the tainted milk.

3/18 Cheltenham Body

One month ago Thursday, a 65-year-old teacher was found murdered just off campus at a Maryland juvenile facility. She was a 65-year-old woman and a longtime teacher dedicated to her students. Hannah Wheeling was murdered. There have been no arrests, but state leaders are now making changes at the juvenile facility where she worked. Hannah Wheeling's body was found behind Murphy Cottage on February 18.

3/16 Roosevelt HS Shots

Eleanor Roosevelt High School had a scare on Tuesday, following calls to Greenbelt Police that gun shots had been fired near the school. Roosevelt was placed on lockdown as police searched a wooded area nearby and checked out cars parked at nearby apartment complexes. Students at the high school and some people who live nearby told FOX 5 they heard multiple shots, as many as 12. Police say they believe the shots were fired into the

air. Students say they felt afraid when school officials kept them closed up in the school, with no explanation about what was going on. No one was hurt. No one was arrested, and police never found a gun.

3/12 EMS Transport Investigation

D.C. Fire Chief Dennis Rubin was on the hot seat Friday before the Council Judiciary Committee. Chairman Phil Mendelson had lots of questions about the death of 2-year-old Stephanie Stephens. She died last month after her parents called 911 from their apartment on Southern Avenue. The hearing focused on why an ambulance failed to transport her immediately to the hospital. The panel also had questions about Kimberly Kelsey, who says medics refused to take her to a hospital last December. She says had to call twice and wound up in an intensive care unit for a week. Chief Rubin said he took responsibility for the actions of his people and has taken steps to revise department policy to prevent such incidents in the future.

3/11 Child Death Transport

A senior paramedic with D.C. Fire and EMS is now under criminal investigation for allegedly refusing to transport a little girl to the hospital. Two-year-old Stephanie Stephens died last month, hours after her parents called 911 for help. The case has been under internal review, however on Thursday it was handed over to the Metropolitan Police Department. FOX 5 News has learned new information about how long the ambulance crew was inside the home. Sources say the paramedic under investigation was previously demoted from her job as a paramedic supervisor because of past problems.

3/5 Richard Montgomery Shooting Investigation

There was chaos Friday at a Rockville, Maryland high school after there was a report of a man inside the school with a gun. Officials at Richard Montgomery High School immediately shut down the school as police searched the grounds and lockers. It was a fairly scary drama that unfolded. The school was on lockdown. Police reacted to the worse possible scenario, but at the end of the day, there was no gun. It was an emotional end of the day as students raced out of the building. Parents were relieved that reports of a gunman had no basis in fact.

3/5 School Embezzlement

A Fairfax County School employee at the elite Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology has been arrested and charged with embezzlement. The 20 year employee oversaw finances at the school and is now charged with stealing more than \$250,000. Prosecutors say she had a gambling habit and she took money to support that habit.

3/3 Mogo School Hacking

A month after news of a grade-hacking scandal at Churchill High School first broke, Montgomery County Police are conducting a criminal investigation. In a letter to parents, school officials say they discovered 54 students had unauthorized grade changes. Eight of those students are accused of snagging teachers' user IDs and passwords, and then using the information to get into the school's computers to alter grades. The question now for investigators is, did the other 46 know their grades had been changed, and if so, they could be in trouble too.

3/2 Mogo Human Trafficking

For the last few weeks, Montgomery County Police targeted three suspects they say were running three different human trafficking operations. In one case, police say Arash Abbas ran an organization using women he would book into high-end hotel rooms across the county for prostitution. Police say another suspect Rodney Hubert recruited minors for prostitutes using Craigslist to advertise for clients from his New York City home. According to charging documents filed in the case, Rodney Hubert, ran a sophisticated operation out of Brooklyn using a web hosting business as a front. In a Silver Spring hotel last April, police say Hubert set up a one day business advertising an underage girl on the internet.

3/2 Rhee Hardy

If you look at the test scores, Rose Hardy Middle School--located in upper Georgetown-- is one of the top-performing public schools in the District of Columbia. And it isn't just wealthy, white kids who go there. In fact, about 80 percent of the student body is African American. Parents credit the intensive arts and music program developed by principal Patrick Pope. That program requires an admission application to Hardy and a commitment from the student and the family to that program. D.C. Schools Chancellor Michelle Rhee wants to change the admission process at Hardy, and she is transferring the principal to another job in the school system.

3/1 Roundtree Drive Homicide

Police have identified the two adults killed in an apparent murder-suicide at Dale City home day care. Officers responded to the home in the 5600 block of Roundtree Road about 7 a.m. Monday after the homeowner's 12-year-old daughter called to report a shooting. The girl was caring for seven children in a before-school program in the homeowner's basement. She quickly herded the children into a basement bathroom as shots were fired upstairs. Responding officers found the body of the homeowner, 39-year-old Tonitha White, and the body of 49-year-old Richard Anthony Nichols. Both had been shot to death.