

WTTG-TV/Channel 5  
Program Information Report  
Fourth Quarter 2008

*Fox 5 Morning News* – A Monday through Friday news program that airs from 5:30am-9am and covers local, national and international stories; weather, traffic and sports updates; interviews with local and political leaders.

*Fox 5 Midday News* – A Monday through Friday news program that airs from 11:00am to noon and covers news headlines, provides sports and weather information and gives updates on local news stories.

*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 10pm-11pm, 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

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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. Presidential Campaign 2008
2. Financial Crises
3. Auto Industry Bailout
4. GOP Politics
5. Exit Interviews of Current Administration
6. Obama White House
7. Blagojevich Scandal

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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**

### **OCTOBER**

- 14 Maureen Umeh, Anchor - Host for Friends of the Library, Montgomery County, "Read, Eat & Give" event, highlighting best-selling authors.
- 15 Laura Evans, Anchor – Honorary Chair at "Key to the Cure" fundraiser for research, treatment and education of women's cancers.
- 15 Will Thomas, Anchor – Keynote Speaker at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center's Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration.
- 16 Gwen Tolbart, Weather Anchor – Emcee for Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation "Spin To Win" fundraising event.
- 24 Sue Palka, Weather Anchor – Host for the Joan Hisaoka "Make A Difference" Gala for the Smith Farm Center for Healing and the Arts, (assisting those living with cancer).
- 31 Shawn Yancy, Anchor – Emcee for the Montgomery County Department of Economic Development's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Workforce and Economic Development Awards Breakfast.

### **NOVEMBER**

- 6 Laura Evans, Anchor – Mistress of Ceremonies for the National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty Awards Dinner honoring leaders that have helped advance solutions to homelessness and poverty.
- 8 Shawn Yancy, Anchor – Emcee for the Autism Walkathon 2008
- 18 Sherri Ly, Reporter – Mistress of Ceremonies for the Conference on Asian Pacific American Leadership Fundraiser Annual Gala.
- 20 Gwen Tolbart, Weather Anchor – Emcee for the New Endeavors by Women 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of helping women move out of homelessness.
- 21 Sue Palka, Weather Anchor – Emcee for the Catholic Business Network Foundation of Montgomery County 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala.

## **DECEMBER**

- 7 Allison Seymour, Anchor – Guest Speaker at the Awards Banquet for the Kettering-Largo-Mitchellville Boys and Girls Club Cheerleaders
- 9 Laura Evans, Anchor – Mistress of Ceremonies for Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid-Atlantic 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event.

### **PSA's Produced:**

- Two :30 & :10 psa's for the 7<sup>h</sup> Annual "Stuff-A-Truck" Food Drive for the Capital Area Food Bank..

### **Other**

Fox Midday News had various animal shelters come on the show from October 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008 to find good homes for homeless dogs and cats.

## **FOX NEWS SUNDAY – 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER 2008**

### DATE FOX

Fox News Sunday

10/5/2008 TOPIC:

Presidential politics

GUESTS:

Sen. Joe Lieberman (I-CT), Sen. Claire McCaskill (D-MO), Karl Rove

10/12/2008 TOPIC:

Financial Crisis and the election

GUESTS:

David Axelrod, Rick Davis, Gov. Ed Rendell (D-PA), Gov. Tim Pawlenty (R-MN)

10/19/2008 TOPIC:

Campaign 2008

GUESTS:

Sen. John McCain (R-AZ)

10/26/2008 TOPIC:

Campaign 2008

GUESTS:

Gov. Tim Kaine (D-VA), Karl Rove

11/2/2008 TOPIC:

Campaign 2008

GUESTS:

Rick Davis – McCain Campaign Manager, David Plouffe-Obama Campaign Manager, Karl Rove

11/9/2008 TOPIC:

Future of the House Republicans, Obama White House

GUESTS:

John Podesta, Rep. Eric Cantor (R-VA), Rep. Mike Pence (R-IN)

11/16/2008 TOPIC:

Economy, GOP politics

GUESTS:

Sen. Byron Dorgan (D-SD), Sen. Jon Kyl (R-AZ), Gov. Tim Pawlenty (R-MN), Michael Steele

11/23/2008 TOPIC:

Auto industry bailout, Obama Administration

GUESTS:

David Axelrod, Rep. Steny Hoyer (D-MD), Rep. John Boehner (R-OH)

11/30/2008 TOPIC:

GUESTS:

Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC), Sen. Claire McCaskill (D-MO), Sen. Saxby Chambliss (R-GA)

12/7/2008 TOPIC:

GUESTS:

Sec. of State Condoleezza Rice, Sen. Richard Shelby (R-AL), Sen. Carl Levin (D-MI)

12/14/2008 TOPIC:

Auto industry bailout, Blagojevich Scandal

GUESTS:

Sen. Bob Corker (R-TN), Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), Judge Abner Mikva, IL Rep. Tom Cross (R)

12/21/2008 TOPIC:

Exit Interview

GUESTS:

Vice President Dick Cheney

12/28/2008 TOPIC:

Exit Interview

GUESTS:

First Lady Laura Bush

This Saturday, October 4, 2008, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request video, please contact Rebecca Jungel at 240-482-1197.

**Sacramento, California...UNKNOWN SHAWN AQUITANIA KILLERS...**In September 2007, 7-month-old Sean Aquitania Jr. died after being injured during a home invasion robbery that also claimed his father's life. Now, the community and police both want to identify and capture the men responsible for these two heinous murders that have torn a family apart.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=50583>

**Felton, Delaware...DELBERT SAMPSON...**Delaware State Police are seeking information on the whereabouts of a convicted child molester, Delbert Duane Sampson, who they say bolted from the state after failing to register as a sex offender.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53010>

**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania...DANE BROOKS...**Cops in Pennsylvania are reaching out to the public for information on the whereabouts of a Pittsburgh bouncer who they say shot a man to death in a crowded bar. Cops say Dane Brooks, a convicted felon, was working the front door at Mac Can Do's Bar on March 30, 2008 when he produced a gun and shot 22-year-old John Allen in the neck. Police say after the shooting, Brooks pushed his way out of the bar and hasn't been seen since.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=57706>

**Watsonville, California...MARIO LOZANO...**Cops say gang member Mario Lozano thought his girlfriend's cousin was too meddlesome. For weeks, tension between Lozano and 17-year-old Isaac Guzman escalated until, cops say, Lozano stabbed his nemesis 37 times in broad daylight in the middle of a busy civic center. Outraged witnesses chased Lozano and provided key photos to police.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53147>

**Cape Girardeau, Missouri...TAMBRA TURNER...**When a relationship goes south, some people cry, some people fight and some couples break up. But when Tandra Turner's husband started spending time with another woman, police say she didn't just get angry: she got homicidal.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58329>

**Davis, California...JULIO GUEVERA-MEJIA...**Cops in Davis, California say 35-year-old Julio Guevara-Mejia was so rife with misery following the break-up with his girlfriend, who was 17 years younger, that he devised an elaborate plot to exact his revenge. Authorities say Mejia enlisted a 15-year-old to be his accomplice; however, the murderous plot didn't turn out as planned.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52257>



**Northern California...THE NORCAL RAPIST...** Since 1991, police believe that one man has been responsible for a series of sexual assaults on women across Northern California. He's been dubbed 'The NorCal Rapist' and since his last attack in October 2006, cops have intensified the search for this serial predator.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=43323>

**Madison, Wisconsin...LEO BURT...** Thirty-seven years ago, the sky lit up in Madison, Wisconsin. Buildings shook and people 30 miles away could hear the explosion at Sterling Hall. It was the worst case of domestic terrorism until Oklahoma City in 1995. Of the four accused terrorists, three were caught, convicted, and served their time in prison. But one -- Leo Burt -- hasn't been seen or heard from since he fled the scene after the bombing.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=47481>

This Saturday, October 11, 2008, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request video, please contact Rebecca Jungel at 240-482-1197.

**Montreal, Quebec...**HARINDER CHEEMA...Canadian homicide detective Denis Hogg is determined to track down a man he calls a "cold-blooded" killer. Harinder Singh Cheema is wanted for stabbing his wife to death and abandoning his two young children. Cheema could be hiding in the U.S., and Hogg needs your help to track him down.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=55135>

**Tampa, Florida...**KAREEM HACK...Police say Kareem Hack met a woman in a chat room – and tried to convince her to let him have sex with her young children. They say he was caught red handed in a sting, but the night before his trial Hack cut off his tracking bracelet and fled.

**St. Petersburg, Florida...**LEO CISNEROS...The rest of the gang has been rounded up, but Florida cops are trying to track down the accused mastermind of a cold-blooded murder plot.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=23844>

**Vero Beach, Florida...**JOSE HERNANDEZ...Cops in Florida are looking for a man who they say stabbed his roommate to death. The two went out with friends on a typical Saturday night in July, but an argument over a cell phone cut their fun short. Now, cops need your help to catch a dangerous killer.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58171>

**Evansville, Indiana...**BRADLEY AND LUANN CHASE...Cops say Bradley and Luann Chase are wanted for a horrific case of sexual abuse involving their own children. These parents posted bond and fled...but not before their confessions were caught on tape.

**Bronx, New York...**ERIK SALGUERO...June 10, 1997, New York cops say Jessica Zapata and her infant son were walking in the Bronx, when they were plowed down on the street -- by a driver with an agenda to kill.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58239>

**Ft. Myers, Florida...**UNKNOWN "FORT MYERS EIGHT" KILLER...Detectives recovered a cache of bones from eight men in a wooded area of Fort Myers, Florida in 2007. Now, skeleton "C" has been identified as that of Jonathan Tihay, a Fort Myers man who disappeared in 1995, just short of his 26th birthday. Cops are working to identify the five other victims, and whether or not a serial killer is behind the gruesome mystery.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51867>

**Newport Beach, California...**TIMOTHY MARINO...Police say rape suspect Timothy Marino videotaped himself raping an acquaintance before fleeing the state. Now, he is

believed to be living in Acapulco, Mexico, where he's thought to be running a pornographic website.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=27236>

**Hillsboro, Oregon...**PAUL JACKSON...Police believe that siblings Paul Jackson and Vance Roberts lured teenage girls to a homemade sex-torture chamber they built in the residence they once shared. While Roberts turned himself in and was sentenced to 108 years in prison, Jackson's still wanted, and cops hope AMW viewers can help put him behind bars.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=41948>

**Portland, Oregon...**DAVID WAYNE FRENCH CAPTURE...Less than two weeks after notorious transgendered murder suspect David Wayne French was profiled on AMW, he was caught in Rapid City, South Dakota after a bus station employee recognized French from a flyer that local law enforcement had passed around the city. French, also known by the alias Zalia Crizta, is expected to be back in court in December 2008 on murder charges.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45259>

This Saturday, November 1, 2008, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request video, please contact Rebecca Jungel at 240-482-1197.

**MONGOL MOTORCYCLE GANG RAID – A.T.F. FEATURE...**Agents from the ATF and other law enforcement agencies swept into 88 locations in several states in a pre-dawn raid Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2008. The raid was part of a mission against the Mongols motorcycle gang, which has been called a "criminal syndicate on wheels" by one ATF agent. Over 100 warrants were served for a range of alleged illegalities including murder, attempted murder, and RICO crimes. Several arrests were made, including some for shooting, stabbing, kidnapping, prostitution, torture, and hate crimes. But several Mongols avoided the dragnet, and are on the run.

[http://www.amw.com/features/feature\\_story\\_detail.cfm?id=2994&mid=0](http://www.amw.com/features/feature_story_detail.cfm?id=2994&mid=0)

**Moreno Valley, California...**CINTHYA RODRIGUEZ...Kidnap. Ransom. Murder. They're three crimes linked to the disappearance and death of 45-year-old District Court deputy clerk Orlando Duarte, and cops say his much-younger girlfriend, Cinthya Rodriguez, is responsible.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=55071>

**Los Angeles, California...**UNKNOWN JOHN MCGRAHAM KILLER...It's a murder mystery on the streets of Los Angeles. The LAPD is trying to find out who doused a homeless man named John McGraham in gasoline, set him on fire, and left him for dead in front of a community who loved and adored him.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=60345>

**South Los Angeles, California...**LOS ANGELES SERIAL KILLER...The year was 1985 and the streets of South Central Los Angeles were the battleground for the ongoing war on drugs that catapulted gang warfare and crack cocaine into the headlines. However, in the midst of these urban killing fields, a serial killer, The Grim Sleeper, was on the hunt. He vanished for 13 years – then resurfaced and began killing again. AMW is joining forces with the LAPD in hopes of putting a mass murderer behind bars.

**Hennepin County, Minnesota...**ABDIHAKIM MOHAMED ISSE...Cops say bus driver Abdihakim Mohamed Isse is on the run after sexually assaulting a developmentally disabled teenage girl, the last student to be dropped off on his school bus route.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=54302>

**Walker County, Texas...**BENNY HORTON...Cops say Benny Dwayne Horton is responsible for killing two people in a fatal car crash on August 26, 2005. They say he lied to investigators -- making them believe he wasn't the one driving -- and before he could be arrested, he fled.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58389>

**Kannapolis, North Carolina...**JOAQUIN ALVAREZ RIOS...Kannapolis, North Carolina police say Joaquin Alvarez Rios killed his wife in front of their three children as they begged him to stop shooting their mother.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=60326>

**Sunrise, Florida...**JERMAINE GRAY...After a verbal altercation earlier in the night, police say Jermaine Gray hid outside a local nightclub and fatally shot two men as they walked to their car.

**Little Rock, Arkansas...**UNKNOWN ANNE PRESSLY KILLER...An Arkansas television anchorwoman found beaten at her home has died from her injuries. Hospital officials say Anne Pressly, 26, died Saturday, October 25, 2008 at St. Vincent Infirmiry Medical Center. Now, cops are looking for her killer.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=60349>

This Saturday, November 8, 2008, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request video, please contact Rebecca Jungel at 240-482-1197.

**Covington, Louisiana and Little Rock, Arkansas...ROY "BUBBA" MASSEY, JR. CAPTURE...**Cops say notorious bad boy Roy "Bubba" Massey led Arkansas State Police on a high speed chase that ended in a fiery crash before he was taken into custody.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=25457>

**Nashville, Tennessee...RUSSELL MCCOLLUM...**Police say Russell Victor McCollum appears to be a responsible, straight-laced guy; however cops in Tennessee say he's anything but.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59561>

**Bronx, New York...JOSEPH ROMAN...**New York City Detective Kenny Kearns had mixed feelings about pursuing his latest fugitive, Joseph Roman, because Roman once worked in his family's restaurant in the Bronx. "The streets got him," Kearns says, and in turn, cops say Roman got involved in a murder.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59600>

**Ontario, California...CANDIDO PERAZA...**Cops in Ontario, California are determined to bring Candido Renteria Peraza to justice for the fatal hit-and-run of 7-year-old Nathan Sitompul. Cops say a drunken Peraza struck Nathan, who was riding his bike at the time. Peraza stopped, but when he saw Nathan struggling to get to his feet, Peraza took off, running over Nathan again.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53433>

**Raleigh, North Carolina...JAMES PERRY...**Cops want accused North Carolina drug slinger James Perry off the streets and back behind bars. They say Perry has been dealing since the 1980s, and not even a stint in the slammer could change his ways.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58821>

**Fordyce, Arkansas...HUMBERTO FORTANELLI & DAVID SHANNON RAY...**Police say Humberto Fontanelli and his cellmate David Shannon Ray escaped from a Fordyce, Arkansas prison on New Year's Eve 2007. Cops picked up David Shannon Ray four days later, but say that Fortanelli is still on the run. AMW sat down with Ray and got a first-hand look at exactly how the escape went down, and where his co-partner in crime, Humberto Fortanelli, could be hiding out.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51966>

**Fort Smith, Arkansas...UNKNOWN MELISSA WITT KILLER...**On January 13, 1995, cops in Arkansas made a gruesome discovery in the Ozark Mountains: the body of beloved Fort Smith teenager, Melissa "Missy" Witt, brutally murdered. Now, John Walsh and the AMW team are working to hunt down a killer.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59549>

**Little Rock, Arkansas...UNKNOWN ANNE PRESSLY KILLER...**An Arkansas television anchorwoman found beaten at her home has died from her injuries. Hospital officials say Anne Pressly, 26, died Saturday, October 25, 2008 at St. Vincent Infirmiry Medical Center. Now, cops are looking for her killer.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=60349>

This Saturday, November 22, 2008, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request video, please contact Rebecca Jungel at 240-482-1197.

**Ft. Lauderdale, Florida and Bahamas...DEVON RUSSELL...**Smuggling of drugs, weapons and illegal aliens is big business along the U.S. shores. In South Florida, federal, state and local law enforcement are taking on smugglers, and their fight is serious business. Since 2005, more than 30 innocent men and women have died at sea near Florida's coastline as a result of smuggling. Cops are searching for a key player in the ring, Devon Russell.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=55506>

**Palm Beach, Florida and Bimini, Bahamas...HENRY PIERRE CAPTURE...**Just days after an AMW tipster led the Royal Bahamian Police to suspected smuggler Henry Pierre, reports from the Bahamas say that the accused killer and alien smuggler was set free, but rearrested a short time later. The fugitive's initial release came as a complete surprise to cops in Florida, as U.S. officials were working vigorously to extradite Pierre to face charges on American soil.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=55595>

**Irving, Texas...YASER SAID...**On January 1, 2008, someone brutally murdered teenage sisters Sarah and Amina Said, shooting the girls to death in the back of a taxi cab. When police revealed the identity of the suspected killer, it shocked the nation.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=519833>

**Miami, Florida...GUSTAVO FALCON...**Two Miami masterminds built a drug empire worth two billion dollars and smuggled a total of 78 tons of cocaine from the Bahamas to Miami over a period of 13 years. They were dubbed the "Cocaine Cowboys." Thirty-seven people associated with this drug ring have been arrested and convicted, but cops are still searching for the last one – Gustavo Falcon.

**Queens, New York...CRUZ GARCIA...**Andriana Valderradoma was a 23-year-old single mother, struggling to earn her way in a community of Mexican immigrants in Queens, New York. By contrast, police describe Cruz Garcia as a thug. Cops say Garcia had been deported to Mexico and already snuck back into the U.S. when he fired a .44 outside a crowded nightclub, and ended Andriana's life.

<http://lb1.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=57012>

**Washington, DC...ERIC TOTH...**The FBI is looking for a man they think is a monster. Eric Toth told parents he was a tutor who could help their children get into some of the most distinguished private schools in the country. But agents say Eric Toth is a child pornographer who took disgusting photos of the children he was supposed to be helping.



**Delray Beach, Florida...UNKNOWN RANDI GORENBERG KILLER...**Florida Sheriff's Deputies say murdered mom Randi Gorenberg's credit card may have been used nearly a year and a half after she was shot to death in a carjacking gone wrong near a ritzy Palm Beach County mall. Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office detectives say Randi's credit card number was used to buy several items on August 12, 2008 in Massachusetts and Connecticut. Police released still images showing two men who they believe made the purchases. Investigators are hoping the public can help ID the suspects and possibly bring some closure to this case.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=44363>

This Saturday, November 29, 2008, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request video, please contact Rebecca Jungel at 240-482-1197.

**Seattle, Washington and Ft. Lauderdale, Florida...ROGER MCCRAY CAPTURE...**Less than 48 hours after we told you about accused killer-arsonist Roger McCray, your tips led cops right to him in Seattle, Washington. McCray was wanted for setting his roommate on fire and leaving him to burn to death.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=38744>

**Baltimore, Maryland...UNKNOWN KENNETH HARRIS, SR. KILLER #3...**After nearly two months, Baltimore City police caught up with 19-year-old Charles McGaney and 20-year-old Gary Collins -- two men they say murdered beloved former Baltimore city councilman Kenneth Harris, Sr. But no one in the police department is celebrating yet -- a third suspect is still out there, and the manhunt is far from finished. Cops need help identifying the third man responsible for Ken's senseless murder.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59453>

**Chicago, Illinois...EDDIE HICKS...**Former Chicago cop Sgt. Eddie C. Hicks swore to uphold the law throughout his 30 years on the force. But for nearly ten of those years, police say Hicks was part of a racketeering scheme in which he and his crew stole drugs from area dealers, only to sell the loot back to a local peddler. Now this disgraced ex-cop is on the run, and police need your help to bring him down.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52270>

**Lancaster, Pennsylvania...JOHN TRITES...**For 10 years, investigators in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and the FBI have been on the hunt for alleged child predator John Trites who coached female swimmers as young as 13 years old. Cops say the young women had no idea that as they changed their clothes in the locker room, Trites was videotaping them.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=25158>

**Granada Hills, California...GEORGE NAVARRO...**Melesio Martinez was known simply as "Daddy" to his two small children. His wife describes him as a hard-working construction worker that worked ten hour days and still had time to play and entertain his kids. That all changed on September 8, 2001, when the Martinez family went into a Granada Hills, California liquor store and ran into George Navarro. Witnesses say that Martinez was shot and killed in front of his family. Cops are still on the lookout for Navarro.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=40740>

**Hernando, Mississippi...EDWARD HARPER...**A Mississippi man cops say molested a child back in 1994 is still on the run. Edward Harper was arrested and charged, but fled after he was released on bail. Now the authorities need your help to track him down.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=35263>

**Tucson, Arizona...RONALD YOUNG CAPTURE & PAMELA PHILLIPS**

WANTED...Pamela Phillips, the ex-wife of the late Gary Triano, is wanted for Murder and Conspiracy to Commit Murder in the First Degree. Police say Phillips and her accomplice Ronald Young -- who has been apprehended with the help of AMW viewers -- worked together to orchestrate Gary's murder.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=61102>

**National...MONGOL RAID UPDATE...**Agents from the ATF and other law enforcement agencies swept into 88 locations in several states in a pre-dawn raid Tuesday, October 21, 2008. The raid was part of a mission against the Mongols motorcycle gang, which has been called a "criminal syndicate on wheels" by one ATF agent. Over 100 warrants were served for a range of alleged illegalities including murder, attempted murder, and RICO crimes. Several arrests were made, including some for shooting, stabbing, kidnapping, prostitution, torture, and hate crimes. But several Mongols avoided the dragnet, and went on the run. Since AMW profiled these fugitives November 1st, viewer tips have brought down several more. Now we need you to help round up the last ones still on the lam.

[http://www.amw.com/features/feature\\_story\\_detail.cfm?id=2994](http://www.amw.com/features/feature_story_detail.cfm?id=2994)

**Toledo, Ohio...ROBERT BOWMAN CAPTURE...**Since 1967, Ohio cops say Robert Bowman has literally gotten away with murder. But science -- and now the police -- finally caught up to the accused killer. Cops say DNA irrefutably ties him to the abduction, rape and murder of 14-year-old Eileen Adams in Toledo, Ohio some 40 years ago, and his time on the run has come to an end, thousands of miles from the scene of the crime.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=44921>

This Saturday, December 6, 2008, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request video, please contact Rebecca Jungel at 240-482-1197.

**Clovis, New Mexico...NOE TORRES...**On the night of September 15, 2005, 10-year-old Carlos Perez went to bed knowing that he had a big day ahead of him: it was to be his 11th birthday. That night, in his sleep, Carlos was killed in a hail of gunfire in his bed. The accused shooter, Noe Torres, is still at large, and an accomplice who has already been convicted of the crime -- Edward Salas -- has escaped from a New Mexico jail. Torres recently phoned AMW, claiming he wanted to turn himself in...but never did. Now, we need your help to bring him down.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=56475>

**Baltimore, Maryland...GEORGE PEREZ...**Cops in Baltimore say a bookkeeper there was not only cooking his employer's books, he was placing bets with his employer's money. Police say 32-year-old George Michael Perez embezzled more than \$1 million from the company he worked for in order to fund his luxury lifestyle, but when his plan to beat the charges went up in smoke, he hit the road.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58154>

**Worcester, Massachusetts...OMAR NUNES...**Police say that when accused father-and-son drug dealing team Calvin and Omar Nunes went to buy crack from their supplier, things didn't go as smoothly as planned. Cops tell us the trio began arguing over money, and all three pulled guns -- but only two of them left the room alive.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59855>

**Washington, DC...TOBECHI ENYINNA ONWUHARA...**The FBI says Nigerian Tobechi Enyinna Onwuhara worked to defraud banks and individuals, including Sen. Strom Thurmond's former chief of staff, stealing tens of millions of dollars. Now, the feds need your help to catch him.

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

**Myrtle Beach, South Carolina...MICHAEL WILSON...**Police in South Carolina are looking for a sex offender who they say is likely to strike again. He's been convicted of sexually assaulting one woman, and cops now want him for the rape of a 15-year-old girl.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=54434>

**Chicago, Illinois...UNKNOWN MARLAINA "CHICAGO JANE DOE" REED KILLER...**A little more than a month after AMW ran the story of Chicago Jane Doe, the young woman has been identified. With the help of a local dentist, Chicago Police identified Jane Doe as teenager Marlaina Reed. Windy City detectives are now one step closer to solving Marlaina's case, but they still need your help to find her killer.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=49245>

**Fargo, North Dakota...CURI CABERI TAPIA-MARTINEZ...**A few short years ago, authorities in North Dakota and Minnesota thought they'd all but solved their methamphetamine crisis, shutting down most of the region's clandestine labs. What no one realized was that Mexican drug cartels were prepared to bring their laboratory-grade product to the market.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=55195&refresh=1>

**Clearwater, Florida...COURTENAY SAVAGE CAPTURE...**On nights when the moon was full, a Florida family was awakened by the sound of gunshots blasting their home and their cars, the shooter sometimes firing into bedrooms where children were sleeping. Now, police say an AMW tipster helped take the woman responsible down.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58827>

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**Post Falls, Idaho and Tucson, Arizona...TINA LOESCH AND SKY HANSON CAPTURE...**After years on the run, the saga of Tina Loesch and her lover, Sky Hanson, ended hours after AMW aired their story on November 15, 2008. While the couple took their own lives in what cops are calling a suicide pact, the investigation is far from over as authorities in three states search for Tina Loesch's son, Kristopher.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59857>

**Sykesville, Pennsylvania...JOEY OFFUTT MISSING...**When Pennsylvania State Police arrived at the scene of a house fire in Sykesville in the early morning hours of July 12, 2007, they weren't prepared for everything they were about to find. Once the fire was extinguished, some shocking details were revealed, and authorities are still struggling to answer all the questions left over from that day. AMW first aired Joey's story November 15, 2008. That night, viewers flooded our hotline with interesting new clues.  
[http://www.amw.com/missing\\_persons/brief.cfm?id=48408](http://www.amw.com/missing_persons/brief.cfm?id=48408)

**Oklahoma City, Oklahoma...LIZA GONZALES...**Liza Monica Gonzales, also known as Liza Campos, is wanted for drug trafficking, as well as murder. She may be in Oklahoma or California, and police consider her extremely dangerous.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=60389>

**Atlanta, Georgia...FRANK BROWN...**College freshmen are always making new friends, but when a student at Georgia State University started hanging out with fellow freshman Frank Brown, cops say it nearly cost him his life.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=61630>

**La Grange, Illinois...SHERRY HALLIGAN...**In late January 2003, Sherry Halligan allegedly murdered her former boyfriend. 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. Unfortunately, after being let out on bail, Halligan apparently changed her mind about coming clean.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=36019>

**Laredo, Texas...JOSEPH ALLEN GARCIA...**Joseph Allen Garcia, a man wanted on charges of murder, manslaughter, aggravated sexual assault with a deadly weapon and failure to appear has been named to the U.S. Marshals' 15 Most Wanted list. Cops believe Garcia is involved with the enforcers of the Mexican Gulf Cartel, the Zetas. The Marshals have been looking for Garcia since 2005 and hope that upgrading his status will finally lead to his capture. Watch how America's Most Wanted joined them in their manhunt.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52331>

**Tempe, Arizona...TEMPE BANK ROBBERS...**It was October 17, 2007, when a Chandler, Arizona family gathered to watch a DVD. Nothing could have prepared them

for what happened next: a home invasion. The FBI says the men responsible tried the same thing the next night in Tempe. Both times, the suspects had one thing on their minds: using the victims to gain entry to the banks in which they worked. In the Tempe incident, the plan paid off and the cash-rich culprits got away with nearly \$400,000 -- the biggest robbery payday in Arizona history. Now, the FBI has just released a sketch to help AMW viewers bust one of the bank-robbing bandits.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51837>

**Bronx, New York...**AHMET GASHI...Kemal Kolenovic was a New York welterweight champion who took one hit from which he'd never recover on New Year's Eve 2006. Cops say a vicious foe, Ahmet Gashi, came at Kemal with some heavy armor, and he's been on the run ever since.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45323>

**Brockton, Massachusetts...**UNKNOWN JOSE GURLEY KILLERS...Seventeen year old Jose Gurley was a high school superstar in West Bridgewater, Massachusetts, but when he returned home to Brockton, he was just another kid on the street, fighting for his life. At a party in the summer of 2007, he lost that battle to a group of gang members shooting blindly into the night. Police locked up a man they say drove the getaway car, but even with close to 75 eyewitnesses to the crime, cops are still searching for the gunman.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=46966>

**Brooklyn, New York...**JEAN SERAPHIN...Police say the search for accused killer Jean Seraphin has brought in tips from Miami and Jacksonville, Florida. Now, police want to turn up the heat on Seraphin for what he is accused of doing to two brothers back in April 2002. In fact, detectives want people in New York and Florida to be on high alert for this dangerous fugitive.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=30460>

**Yakima, Washington...**AARON GARCIA...Aaron Lopez Garcia is no stranger to law enforcement in the state of Washington. As a Norteno gang member, he racked up multiple charges ranging from rape to assault; when he was sentenced to 10 years in prison, it seemed like the last anyone would hear from him for a while. But Garcia orchestrated a prison break and on November 29, 2006, he enlisted the help of fellow inmates to break out of the big house. While his cronies have all been captured, Garcia remains on the loose.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45509>

**Rockingham County, North Carolina...**JAMES "TOBY" ROBERTS...Police say Toby Roberts had a mission, and he wasn't going to stop until the job was done. Cops say he tried to kill his girlfriend, and he was so determined, he used three different tools to finish the job.  
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51170>

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**\*This week John Walsh counts down his Top Ten fugitives of 2008\***

**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>

**Fresno, California...**JEFFREY MARSHALL...When the short courtship of Elizabeth "Lynne" Waterson and Jeffrey Marshall ended, the ambitious, beautiful Lynne continued to deflect Marshall's unwanted advances. For months, cops say an obsessed Marshall stalked his former girlfriend and refused to take no for an answer until one day in April 2007, when he took his twisted infatuation to a deadly breaking point.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51389>

**Moreno Valley, California...**CINTHYA RODRIGUEZ...Cops in California say that Cinthya Rodriguez masterminded a kidnapping and ransom plot that ended in the brutal murder of her 45-year-old boyfriend, Orlando Duarte. Police tell AMW that Orlando's slaying was a family affair, because she's on the run with her accomplice and brother-in-law, Arturo De Oca.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=55071>

**Houston, Texas...**TIMOTEO RIOS...When 39-year-old Tina Davila went to a Cricket store in Houston, Texas to pay her cell phone bill, she never imagined such a routine errand would have a tragic ending. Police in Texas are now looking for Timoteo Rios, the man they say stole a young mother's life.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=56339>

**Harlem, New York...**CARLOS THOMPSON...New York cops say Carlos Thompson handed a .38-caliber revolver to a 13-year-old boy and ordered him to murder another teen. Police say they need your help to get him off the street before anyone else gets hurt.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=55482>

**Rockville, Indiana...**SARAH PENDER...Since her expertly-executed prison escape on August 4, 2008, officials have been hot on the trail of Sarah Pender. Now they say she has changed her appearance. Ex-offenders who have seen Pender say she has shoulder length amber hair with red stripes. She also has piercings above her right eye and lower lip.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58000>



**Tinley Park, Illinois...UNKNOWN TINLEY PARK KILLER...** Almost a year has passed since the silence of a cold winter morning was shattered by gun shots in Tinley Park, Illinois. As the investigation continues, Illinois State Police are digging deeper into the lives of the six victims trying to determine what could have caused a man to shoot six women, killing five of them.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52877>

**Clovis, New Mexico...EDWARD SALAS UPDATE...**On August 23, 2008, eight men escaped from a New Mexico jail. Since then, police have arrested all of the escapees except the most dangerous of them all -- Edward Salas. Before escaping, Salas was set to do life behind bars for the murder of a 10-year-old boy.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58504>

**Enfield, Connecticut...DARRYL CRENSHAW UPDATE...**Reverend William Baskerville tells AMW that he has found the strength to forgive the man accused of killing his stepdaughter, Ashley Peoples, before going on the run. Just days after her murder, William says he received a phone call from Darryl Crenshaw, where he apologized for beating and strangling Ashley. William accepted the apology, because as he told his church, "the God Almighty says that vengeance is mine."

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58213>

**Irving, Texas...YASER SAID UPDATE...**On January 1, 2008, someone brutally murdered teenage sisters Sarah and Amina Said, shooting the girls to death in the back of a taxi cab. When police revealed the identity of the suspected killer, it shocked the nation.

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

This Saturday, December 27, 2008, AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK will be airing the following cases. If you have any questions or would like to request video, please contact Rebecca Jungel at 240-482-1197.

**Atlanta, Georgia and Miami, Florida...VICKI RAGINS – HERO...**It was the Sunday morning after Thanksgiving; one of the busiest days of the year to be on the road. Vicki Ragins had left her home early that morning. So early in fact, she still had her pajamas on. But when she came upon a car carrying five children submerged in a canal, how she was dressed was the last thing on her mind.

[http://www.amw.com/call\\_to\\_action/detail.cfm?id=185&detail=yes](http://www.amw.com/call_to_action/detail.cfm?id=185&detail=yes)

**Miami, Florida...MICHEL BARRERA...**Seven years of investigation have turned up very little on Michel Barrera. He seems to have disappeared without a trace -- and with no new leads to go on, cops are hoping someone will recognize him.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=24456>

**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania...ALEXIS FLORES...**In 2000, using DNA evidence, the FBI linked Alexis Flores to a heinous crime: the rape and murder of 5-year-old Iriana DeJesus. On the 8<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tragic murder, AMW traveled to Philadelphia to help keep Iriana's memory alive and the search for justice in the spotlight.

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

**Steelton, Pennsylvania...RAUL SALINAS...**Cops say Raul Salinas had everybody fooled with his charm, his laughter and his crooked smile. But in the end, police say, despite Salinas' threats, he couldn't silence the two young girls he raped.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58660>

**Williamsburg County, South Carolina...EDMOND "DEWIE" GOODMAN...**Cops say the man accused of shooting his own cousin, in front of several others, is on the run and extremely dangerous. He was last seen in South Carolina, but his car was found Maryland. Cops say he could be anywhere, and they need your help to track him down.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=59575>

**Nashville, Tennessee...MARISOL ALVARADO...**Police say Marisol Alvarado violently shook her nephew before hurling the baby into the air. The injuries sustained from the assault required the infant be placed on life support. The infant succumbed to his injuries nearly a week later and now cops are trying to bring his killer down.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=60696>

**Gautier, Mississippi...RODNEY LASSEIGNE...**Police say lifelong NASCAR fan Rodney Lasseigne lived with his mother, Juanita, in their Gautier, Mississippi trailer park until, cops tell AMW, this mama's boy beat his mother to death. Now, he may be following NASCAR races around the country, and cops need your tips to catch him

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=58101>

**Oakland, California...OAKLAND TOP COP – JAMES GANTT...** Officer James Gantt was on a stakeout when he saw a van pull up next to him and his gut instinct told him something was not right. Little did he know the driver of the van had kidnapped a woman and her life now lay in his hands.

**Peoria, Arizona...LYLE BAADE - HERO...** Lyle Baade helped to rescue 40 people from a 66-year-old man's assault on a retirement community in Peoria, Arizona. Although Lyle was also 66 years old and a heart transplant recipient, he heroically ran and tackled the gunman as he reached for his assault rifle.

**Phoenix, Arizona...JASON BROWN UPDATE...** 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, Arizona 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>

**National...AMW FACES FEATURE...** In a very special segment; we take a look back at the faces that have changed AMERICA'S MOST WANTED. From our most memorable tipsters to a detective and victim who found true love in the midst of crisis. Viewers will get a rare look into the stories behind the stories.

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#### 10/30 395 chase

Police say a man driving a stolen truck with a suspended license is in custody after causing several accidents and stealing another vehicle during a wild, rush-hour chase.

Det. Crystal Nosal says the 25-year-old Maryland man was spotted Thursday morning by state troopers at an HOV entrance ramp on Interstate 395. She says he tried to back up the ramp, but couldn't go anywhere. Nosal says the man drove away after being asked to come with the troopers. He pulled off I-395 at Shirlington, collided with a trooper's car, another vehicle and a Metro bus. No one on the bus was hurt. Nosal says the man then fled on foot and attempted to carjack a woman, but she fought him off. He then stole another vehicle, and drove back onto I-395, according to police. The chase ended at Reagan National Airport, where he got into another accident with a trooper.

#### 10/30 Road Rage Shooting

Police in Hagerstown say a frightening road rage shooting could have been much worse. A family riding in a car last night says a driver was tailgating them. When they stopped at a light, the dad got out and confronted them. The suspect took off, then waited under a railroad underpass for the victims' car. He fired two shots, hitting the side of the car and ripping a seat, just a few inches away from a 17 month old in his car seat. Police are still looking for a suspect.

#### 10/29 Frederick Police Funeral

A Frederick City police officer is being remember as a father, a friend and a hero. More than 2000 people crowded into a hilltop sanctuary to remember Officer Mark Bremer. He was killed last week in an accident while trying to pull a driver over for a traffic stop.

#### 10/28 Halloween Safety

Parents have reasons to be worried about letting their kids out for Halloween. Children are four times more likely to be hit by a car on Halloween than any other night of the year. That's not the only danger. Halloween decorations, usually involving candles, account for 900 house fires in the country every year. Local officials are warning parents to do everything they can to help their kids stay safe, from making sure the decorations are fire-proof to getting kids costumes that are easy to see on a dark night.

#### 10/28 Hudson Family Murders

Records show the convicted felon suspected in the Chicago slayings of Jennifer Hudson's three relatives apparently had continuing problems with drugs and anger management. The records show that William Balfour was arrested on a drug charge in June, and could have been sent to jail for violating his parole. But officials declined to do so. No one has yet been charged in the shooting deaths of Hudson's mother, brother and 7-year-old nephew. The adults were found shot to death last Friday. The child's body was found in an abandoned SUV yesterday. Hudson today helped identify the body of her nephew, just days after identifying her mother and brother.

#### 10/21 5 year old boy missing

An explosive day in Judge Robinson's courtroom as new details emerged about Fallah Joe's criminal and mental history. It turns out Joe was let out of jail just days ago after completing a 30 day sentence for failure to get mental treatment, which was a condition of her parole from a previous charge. As the prosecution began bringing up these ugly details, Joe lost control at the defense table and was dragged away by US Marshals. She's accused of leading 5 year old Kamron Wells from the Landmark Plaza Shoppers Food Warehouse on Sunday, triggering a search and an Amber Alert for the boy.

#### 10/20 Seven Locks Road

Charging documents reveal incredible details of the arrest of 33 year old Jose Garcia-Perlera. He's the man charged in a series of Montgomery County burglaries targeting senior citizens and in the murder of 63 year old Mary Havenstein. The key to unraveling the case was apparently a pawn shop in Hyattsville. This where police say Garcia-Perlera pawned a laptop stolen from a home on Seven Locks Road, the same street where Havenstein lived. Police say they used evidence on that laptop to link Garcia-Perlera to the murder and the other home invasions.

**10/17 Suitland Pkwy Body**

A Maryland family is looking for answers tonight on why it took so long for police to find the body of 50 year old Jean Kearney. She'd been missing since last Monday. Her body was found in the woods along Suitland Parkway yesterday more than a week after her car crashed into a tree. Police say they had found no signs of Kearney after the crash and ran the tags. Her family had reported her missing the day after Park Police found her car. Prince George's County police knew she was missing and Park Police knew about the accident but somehow days passed before her body was discovered.

**10/17 Shaquita Bell**

There is new information tonight in the case of Shaquita Bell, an Alexandria woman who's been missing and presumed dead for more than 12 years. Fox 5 has learned that Bell's boyfriend at the time, Michael Dickerson, has agreed to help police recover her body as a part of a plea deal. In return, Dickerson will receive a maximum of 15 years in prison. A second degree murder charge against him will be dropped. DC Police has long been a suspect in Bell's disappearance, believing he killed her because she knew too much about a prior murder he committed.

**10/17 Seven Locks Death**

Montgomery County police have arrested a suspect in the slaying of a Bethesda woman and other home invasion robberies targeting the elderly. Police charged 33-year-old Jose Juan Garcia-Perlera, of Hyattsville, on Friday with first-degree murder, four counts of robbery and one count of armed robbery. He's being held without bond. Authorities say Garcia-Perlera was arrested Wednesday after investigators searched his home. Police have said DNA evidence officially connected two home invasions with the death of 63-year-old Mary Havenstein, who was killed in her home Sept. 4. In six different incidents, victims were bound and range in age from 63 and 92. Besides Bethesda, the crimes have occurred in Chevy Chase, Potomac and the Foxhall area of northwest Washington.

**10/16 FFX Threat Arrest**

Police arrested a man in Fairfax County for threatening to carry out a massacre, even threatening the President and Microsoft head Bill Gates. Charn-Chen Dai was living inside a hotel when police arrested him. Court documents show he's been writing threats and sending them for years. He demanded 20 million dollars from Gates to avoid a massacre. Along with the letters, police say they found an assault rifle in his room.

**10/16 Avanti Place Cabbie Death**

A cab driver is dead in what law enforcement sources are describing as an execution style murder. The man was shot in the back of the head and dumped out of his cab on a side street in Landover. Police found the cab a few miles away in Suitland where they also arrested a suspect. The suspect was already wanted by police in another recent shooting. Police are not releasing the victim's name until his family is notified.

**10/15 DC Beating Death**

DC police have arrested a teenager in connection with the beating death of Tony Hunter, a Maryland man who was attacked in Northwest as he walked with a companion to a gay bar. 18 year old Robert Hanna, who police say had been on the run for the last 3 weeks, has been charged with involuntary manslaughter. Investigators originally downplayed the case as a hate crime. Now they say this not only isn't a hate crime, it's not a robbery either. Investigators believe Hunter got into a fight with Robert Hannah when Hunter embarrassed the teen, picked him out of a crowd and grabbed him below the belt.

**10/14 Wheeler Terrace**

Going green and fighting crime are going hand in hand in Southeast Washington. A long neglected housing complex is getting a makeover and residents hope they'll finally get some peace from the violence and drug wars. The new property owner is using grants to put up a fence and do security checks to keep people safe. 116 units are getting \$33 million makeover that will also make the apartments environmentally sound. A geothermal drill is in use to create a heating system to use the warmth from the earth. There will also be a green roof, a community garden and all energy star appliances.

**10/14 ANC Commissioner Arrested**

An ANC Commissioner who says she was just doing her job was arrested in Adams Morgan Sunday and

charged with assault on a police officer. Nancy Shia says she was simply taking pictures documenting all the activity on 18th Street when an officer suddenly took her into custody claiming she was impeding an investigation. Police say she walked into a crime scene, refused a police command to stop taking pictures and was arrested. Shia says she hopes a crime camera nearby captured the incident to prove her story.

#### 10/13 Abandoned Baby

Prince George's County police say a baby girl, believed to be only a few hours old, died after she was found abandoned in a plastic trash bag in Takoma Park. Police spokesman Cpl. Clinton Copeland says the baby was found about noon Sunday in the 6300 block of New Hampshire Avenue. She died after she was taken to a hospital. Police say the girl was found by workers in some brush or trees in a residential and commercial area. Authorities are searching for the mother and father.

#### 10/13 14th Street Double Shooting

DC police have issued an arrest warrant for a man wanted in connection with a double shooting Saturday night in Northwest. Police say the two men were shot when robbers came after them during a robbery inside an illegal gambling house. One of the robbers was armed with a machete.

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#### 10/9 Mogo Asian Robberies

Police in Montgomery County are warning Asian women to be on alert following a series of robberies, the latest coming just last night. Two victims were attacked in the 800 block of Stratform Manor Terrace in Silver Spring as they were about to enter a house. Three other similar attacks against Asian American women are already being investigated by police in Montgomery County. Investigators are also working with police in DC where 10 other attacks were reported. They all bear striking resemblances. The victims are Asian American women and the suspects are believed to be following them home.

#### 10/9 Calvert Child Death

Two little girls found dead in a freezer in Calvert County have been tentatively identified as two sisters adopted by Renee Bowman. She remains in jail accused of killing them. Now, a community effort is underway to make sure the girls get a proper burial. A woman with no connection to the family is planning the funeral. She works for a child abuse and neglect prevention non-profit group and frequently arranges funerals when no one claims the bodies of homeless people and young victims of violent crimes. A local mortuary and funeral home are helping to bury the girls at no cost.

#### 10/9 DC Beating Death

DC police are asking for help finding a teenager accused in a highly publicized murder case. The victim, Tony Hunter, was on his way to a gay bar in September when he was attacked and beaten to death. 18 year old Robert Hannah is charged with voluntary manslaughter but no one has seen him for two weeks. Police hope someone will recognize him from wanted posters and turn him in.

#### 10/8 Missing Babysitter

A frantic mother is pleading for the safe return of her baby tonight. He's been missing with his 15 year old babysitter for more than a day. The babysitter left a Rockville apartment building yesterday morning without the mother's permission. Police say the babysitter and the baby were spotted in Landover yesterday afternoon but there has been no contact since then. The babysitter, Regina Abraham, was only supposed to watch the 18 month old until his father could arrive. She's a cousin of the baby's mother. The family doesn't know why the girl took off with the baby.

#### 10/8 DC Hate Crime

The two men charged with attacking a Georgetown medical student went before a judge for the first time today. The pair are accused of a hate crime, targeting, taunting and assaulting a man because he is gay. At the end of the court appearance, the alleged ring leader Saad Elorch jumped up and begged the judge to let him go. The judge refused. Both suspects have prior convictions for things like drug possession and assault. Elorch was even on probation in Virginia at the time of the assault. A judge denied Elorch and Abdulgader Ruddad bond.

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#### 11/26 Locker Room Assault

Police arrested an Alexandria teacher who is now charged with taking indecent liberties with a child. 39-year old Dan Hegert is accused of exposing himself and inappropriately touching an 8 year old boy at the Spring Hill Recreation Center. Police identified him after circulating a composite sketch. Hegert is a teacher at an exclusive private academy in Alexandria. Police are concerned that he had contact with so many kids as a teacher and a youth ice hockey coach.

#### 11/26 Belt Road Double Homicide

D.C. police have arrested a man in the killings of a couple found dead in their home in an upper northwest Washington neighborhood. Twenty-seven-year-old Peiro Emanuel Fuentes Hernandez of Capital Heights, Md., has been charged with felony murder in the deaths of 68-year-old psychiatrist Michael Spevak and his 67-year-old wife Virginia.

#### 11/25 K St. Bank Robbery

A bank robbery in broad daylight in one of the busiest intersections in Downtown DC. A man tried to rob the PNC bank at 14th & K, but a cab driver helped crack this case. The robber jumped into a cab as his getaway car, then paid with a wad of stolen cash. The money was covered in ink so the cabbie knew something was wrong and contacted police. He was able to show police where he dropped the man off and give them a description. Officers arrested a suspect soon after.

#### 11/25 Belt Road Double Homicide

DC police say they're making progress in the murders of Michael and Virginia Spevak, a couple found beaten and stabbed inside their Northwest home last weekend. Investigators are now examining evidence connected to the crime. They found the couple's car torched in an alley in Petworth, then found several items belonging to the Spevaks in the backyard of a nearby home. Fox 5 has learned two men taken in for questioning have been arrested on outstanding warrants but are not connected to the murder.

#### 11/25 Hornsby sentence

Former Prince George's County schools superintendent Andre Hornsby has been sentenced to six years in prison for his convictions on wire fraud, witness and evidence tampering and obstruction of justice. His convictions arose from an alleged scheme to cause the county school system to award contracts that benefited close associates and himself.

#### 11/24 Belt Road Double Homicide

There are new developments tonight in the weekend murders of a psychiatrist and his wife Michael and Virginia Spevak were found viciously beaten and stabbed inside their Chevy Chase home. Investigators now believe burglary or robbery may have been the motive. The focus of the investigation has now turned to a row house on Ingraham Street where police say they found evidence from the murder. Police spent much of the day searching the back yard of the home where the Spevaks' car was found burned Sunday morning.

#### 11/21 Castle Blvd Body

Montgomery County police say they know the identify of a young woman found murdered in the stairwell of a Silver Spring apartment building Tuesday. Her name is Davonn Dupree, a 14 year old runaway from Fairfax County. She'd been missing since October 29th. Police released pictures of her clothing and jewelry to try to identify her. A family member saw them and called police.

#### 11/21 Clarksville Bank Robbery

Federal authorities say a Silver Spring man has admitted shooting a teller in the hand during a robbery at a Howard County bank. Forty-two-year-old Anirudh Sukhu was charged Friday with armed bank robbery and ordered held until a detention hearing on Tuesday. Court documents say Sukhu shot the Bank of America teller in the hand as Sukhu and two other men robbed the Clarksville branch on Thursday. The trio led police on a chase into the Burtonsville area of Montgomery County, where they bailed out. Police say as officers tried to arrest 24-year-old Omar Burnett of Burtonsville, he fired at them and was fatally shot when they returned fire. Sukhu was

arrested later in Silver Spring and, according to court documents, told police he participated in the robbery and fired at the teller. A third person is still being sought.

#### 11/20 Swann Street

Three men are now indicted in the murder of lawyer Robert Wone. He was found stabbed to death inside the Dupont Circle home of a friend in August 2006. Joseph Price, Victor Zaborsky and Dylan Ward have all been charged with obstruction of justice. Investigators believe one of them killed Wone and the other three worked together to cover it up.

#### 11/20 Clarksville Bank Robbery

Montgomery County police say a bank robbery suspect was killed in a shootout with officers after a chase through at least three counties. Police say they are interviewing a second suspect, and a third is still being sought, but police do not believe he is still in the area. Howard County police say the men robbed the Bank of America on Ten Oaks Road in Clarksville around 9:15 a.m. Thursday. A bank employee was shot in the hand during the robbery. The men fled in a pickup truck, and police say they chased them through Anne Arundel County to the Burtonsville area of Montgomery County, where the men bailed out. Montgomery County Police say one suspect was shot during an exchange of gunfire with state troopers and police officers from Howard and Prince George's counties. But it is not clear which agency's round struck the man.

#### 11/20 Bank Robbery Neighborhood

Neighborhoods and schools operated on lockdown as police searched for two of the bank robbery suspects. Officers with guns looked through malls and businesses and blocked off homes. No one was allowed to leave six local schools. The schools assured parents their children were safe. At the end of the school day, students who lived outside the search area could be bused home but others who lived in the area had to be picked up by their parents.

#### 11/19 Marc Gun

Baltimore police say they arrested a man at a commuter rail station after a cabbie told them he had been acting suspiciously, had a gun and mentioned The White House. Police Commissioner Frederick Bealefeld says 25-year-old Asa Seeley was arrested after a foot chase at the station at Franklin and Mulberry streets about 7 a.m. According to Bealefeld, the cab driver told them Seeley wanted a ride to his home in Washington, D.C., and mentioned The White House. When the driver saw the butt of a rifle sticking out from a towel Seeley was carrying, he dropped him at the station and flagged down police. Bealefeld says Seeley had boarded a MARC train, but got off as officers arrived -- leaving behind the rifle. Seeley broke his ankle jumping from the platform trying to flee from police.

#### 11/19 Anacostia HS Stabbing

District of Columbia authorities say three teenagers have been stabbed at Anacostia Senior High School in southeast Washington. D.C. police spokesman Josh Aldiva says a group had been in a fight at the school Wednesday afternoon, when officers found three boys with stab wounds and another boy who had an asthma attack. All were taken to a hospital.

Aldiva says one of the boys has been arrested and other charges are pending. D.C. fire department spokesman Alan Etter says about the same time as the incident, firefighters responded to a small fire set in a hallway at the school.

#### 11/17 Cold Case

DC Police are hoping new technology will help investigators solve a baffling cold case. In 1990, the body of a young woman, stabbed and beaten, was found in a Northeast dumpster. The case is still unsolved in part because detectives don't know who she is. Now, police are releasing a computer generated photo of her face. It looks like a professional portrait but was created from an autopsy photo. Police hope someone will recognize her and come forward with her name.

#### 11/17 I-66 Double Fatal

Police say a teenager traveling the wrong way on Interstate 66 crashed head-on into another car, killing two



women. Virginia State Police say charges are pending against the 17-year-old driver from Fairfax County. Authorities believe alcohol was a factor in the crash. Police say the teen was traveling westbound in the eastbound lanes of I-66 near Washington Boulevard about 2:15 a.m. when his vehicle hit a Toyota Corolla. Police say two female passengers in the Corolla were killed. The male driver is hospitalized with non-life-threatening injuries. The teen driver and his passenger, also a 17-year-old male, are hospitalized with non-life-threatening injuries.

#### 11/14 4th Street Double Shooting

A gunman with an assault rifle shot and killed a 15 year old boy last night and wounded a 40 year old man. The teen was a Freshman at Ballou Senior High. The boy, Cinquan Tinker, was locked out of his apartment and waiting for his dad to come home with the key. He was sitting on a fence when someone with an assault rifle came into the parking lot and opened fire. Police say the motive is still unclear.

#### 11/3 Swann St

More than two years after a DC lawyer was found stabbed to death inside a Dupont Circle townhouse, there are disturbing revelations coming to light about what happened there. The three men who lived there claim an intruder killed Robert Wone, but newly released documents from the government say the men colluded with one another in a cover up. Investigators aren't saying who carried out the murder but one of the townhouse residents, Dylan Ward, has been charged with obstruction of justice. In an affidavit, the government claims the men moved the body, cleaned up the blood, planted evidence, lied to police, then waited more than an hour to call 911.

#### 11/1 14 yr old Fatal Shooting

Montgomery County Police are looking for help finding out the identity of the man who fled into a Ride On bus Saturday night. The shooting killed a 14 year old boy and wounded two of his friends. It happened on Piney Branch Road as the bus came to a stop at Arliss Street. Police say there were more than 20 witnesses on the bus but none of the surveillance cameras in the area captured anything.

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**12/30 Bank robbery hostage**

Police are still searching for the third suspect in a dramatic kidnapping and attempted bank robbery from this weekend. Two of the suspects were in court today. Police say they carried a gun and knife and wore masks on their faces while holding a mother, father and two kids in their Clinton, Maryland home overnight Friday. The kidnapers then attempted to take the family to a bank where the mother worked so they could steal money but the father drove erratically and was pulled over by police.

**12/29 Bank robbery Hostage**

A terrifying night for a Clinton Maryland family. Two strangers followed a woman home from work, forced their way into her home, and held her family at gunpoint. After 12 hours, the gunmen tried to take the family to the bank where she works, to steal money. When her husband, James Spruill, noticed a State Trooper, he began driving erratically to get his attention. He got pulled over and managed to let the Trooper know the man had a gun. The Trooper arrested the suspect. One more man is on the run.

**12/26 Church Parking Attack.**

Police are warning the man who brutally attacked a senior citizen on the way to Midnight Mass to turn himself in. Wayne Williams was parking his car at church Christmas Eve when he was attacked by a man with a baseball bat outside Holy Redeemer Church in College Park.

**12/26 11th Place Child Fatal**

DC Police are investigating an early morning fire that led to the discovery of a murdered child. Police were called to the home in Southeast after a naked woman ran down the street to flag down police. Police then found the body of the little girl in her bed, stabbed to death. Police believe the mother, high on PCP, stabbed the child then set the fire and ran down the street.

**12/24 Bethesda Robbery**

Montgomery Police are searching for a robber who was so desperate for cash that he held a gun to the head of a four year old boy. It happened Friday night at the Delicias Carryout in Bethesda. The robber held the gun to the little boy's head and ordered his mother to give him money. She did. No one was hurt but the mother is still extremely shaken.

**12/22 Dale City 2 Dead**

Police say they've found their suspect in the murder of a mother and her 19 year old son, killed in their home in Dale City, VA. A 17 year old is charged with killing Jean and Jim Smith. Investigators say the teen went to the house to steal and didn't expect that anyone would be home. He discovered Jim lying on the sofa and shot him, then killed Jean when she arrived home.

**12/19 Caylee Anthony**

DNA tests confirmed that the body inside a bag in a Florida neighborhood is the remains of Caylee Anthony. The body was found less than half a mile from the house where Caylee lived with her mother and grandparents. Her mother Casey is in jail charged with the 2 year old's murder.

**12/18 11th Street Homicide**

There's a \$50,000 reward tonight for information in the vicious killing of a waiter walking home near Logan Circle. Durval Martins was shot to death during what police believe is a robbery. This afternoon, his tight knit family visited the crime scene and asked for help to find his killer.

**12/17 Infant Car Death**

A judge in Fairfax County cleared a father of leaving his 2 year old son in a hot car this summer. The judge says Miles Harrison made a mistake but wasn't criminally negligent in the case. Miles and Carol Harrison adopted Chase from a Russian orphanage. Miles was dropping him off at daycare last July and forgot, leaving him in the hot car.

**12/16 Rockville Stabbing**

For the first time, a Rockville postal carrier is talking publicly about the attack against her. 8 days ago, she was on her normal route when a man came out of nowhere and stabbed her. She's recovered physically but isn't sure she wants to return to the route.

#### 12/15 Obama Environment

President-elect Barack Obama has named an environment team that signals his determination to tackle global warming quickly and develop alternative forms of energy. Obama selected Nobel-prize winning physicist Steven Chu as energy secretary Monday and Carol Browner, a confidant of former vice president Al Gore, to lead a White House council on energy and climate. Browner headed the Environmental Protection Agency in the Clinton administration. Chu is director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and is an leading advocate of reducing greenhouse gases by developing new energy sources. Obama also has announced his choice of Lisa Jackson, former head of New Jersey's environmental agency, as EPA administrator.

#### 12/15 12 year old driver

A 12 year old boy was arrested for speeding and carrying two handguns on the seat next to him in Spotsylvania County. Investigators say he took the Jeep from his parents house in North Carolina and drove more than 200 miles. He's still in juvenile custody. It's not clear whether he'll be extradited back to North Carolina.

#### 12/15 Wall Street Arrest

The list of investors who say they were duped in one of Wall Street's biggest Ponzi schemes is growing, snaring some of the world's biggest banking institutions and hedge funds, the super rich and the famous, pensioners and charities. The alleged victims who sunk cash into veteran Wall Street money manager Bernard Madoff's investment pool include a trust tied to real estate magnate Mortimer Zuckerman and a charity of movie director Steven Spielberg. The Wall Street Journal reported that the foundation of Nobel laureate Elie Wiesel also took a hit. The 70-year-old Madoff well respected in the investment community after serving as chairman of the Nasdaq Stock Market, was arrested Thursday in what prosecutors say was a \$50 billion scheme to defraud investors.

#### 12/15 DC Tax Scandal

The 48 million dollar embezzlement scheme inside the DC Office of Tax and Revenue was fraud of monumental proportions. Now, the DC Council has released a new report on the forensic audit from an outside accounting firm. The audit says the scheme went on for more than 20 years, spearheaded by longtime employee Harriet Walters. She learned from a coworker in the 80s how to process fake refunds, waive penalties and interest charges in exchange for cash. She also learned how to cash refund checks when the payee has died. The auditors say it went on so long because of a dysfunctional work environment and a culture of apathy and silence.

#### 12/15 Blair Road Homicide

A resident of a Northeast group home has been arrested and charged with killing one of her housemates. It happened Sunday on Blair Road in what city officials describe as a halfway house for the mentally ill. 48year old Donna Gardner is charged in the case. City officials say she has a long history of mental illness.

#### 12/11 McLean Bank Robbery

We've learned the identity of a bank robbery suspect shot and killed by police in Virginia yesterday. He was a 19-year-old junior at a local high school.

#### 12/11 Kenyon Street Shooting

Two masked gunmen walked into a DC rowhouse and opened fire today. The home was full of children. One man was killed, and a 5-year-old injured. Police believe the gunmen were targeting the man they killed. The suspects got away.

#### 12/11 Caylee Anthony Search

Police in Florida have recovered the skeletal remains of a child near the family's home. Not sure if it is the 3-year-old. Investigators will use DNA to identify the remains. Caylee's mother, Casey, is still facing murder charges in her daughter's death.

#### 12/10 McLean Bank Robbery

Fairfax County Police shot and killed a bank robbery suspect outside a school today. The school went on lockdown, but no one at the school was hurt. Police say the suspect pulled a gun on them as he was running away after crashing his car.

**12/10 Mogo Fatal Ax**

An 18-year-old girl is killed in a freak car accident. We talked to friends. Police are looking for a car that may have contributed to the crash.

**12/10 Illinois Governor Arrested**

IL Gov. Rod Blagojevich returned to work today, one day after being arrested on federal corruption charges. President-Elect Barack Obama is calling for the Governor to resign. Meanwhile, Rep. Jesse Jackson, Jr., who is thought to be "Candidate 5" in the FBI affidavit, makes an emotional statement, declaring he's done nothing wrong or illegal.

**12/9 Pit Bull Attacks Woman**

An elderly woman was attacked by a pit bull while taking out her trash in Southeast DC last night. Today we talked to neighbors. The dog that attacked was shot by police and put down by the humane society. The woman is still in critical condition.

**12/9 Rockville Stabbing**

The condition of the letter carrier who was stabbed on her Rockville route yesterday is improving. Meanwhile, police are searching for 2 suspects. They took off in a Dodge Neon. Police believe robbery was motive.

**12/9 Illinois Governor Arrested**

Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich was roused from bed and arrested Tuesday after prosecutors said he was caught on wiretaps audaciously scheming to sell Barack Obama's vacant Senate seat for cash or a plum job for himself in the new administration. Prosecutors did not accuse Obama himself of any wrongdoing or even knowing about the matter. Federal investigators bugged the governor's campaign offices and tapped his home phone, capturing conversations laced with profanity and tough-guy talk from the governor.

**12/9 Vienna 3 Dead**

Police say three people have been found dead in a Vienna home near the Wolf Trap Farm Park for the Performing Arts. Detectives believe 81-year-old Thomas K. Appleberry shot his 81-year-old wife, Rachel Appleberry, and his 53-year-old son Thomas K. Appleberry Jr., and then shot himself. Police say they had gunshot wounds to their upper bodies. Officer Don Gotthardt says preliminary evidence indicates there was a domestic conflict in the home.

**12/9 Tractor Trailer Chase**

Police chased a tractor-trailer through two states in busy highway traffic. Officers arrested the driver after he crashed the vehicle in Tysons Corner. Maryland State Police said they began pursuit Tuesday afternoon after the truck took off from a weigh station off I-270 in Montgomery County, Md. The chase continued from I-270 south to the Capital Beltway into Virginia. Police cleared traffic from the highway as the pursuit continued. The driver took an exit in McLean and continued driving until crashing on a sidewalk at an intersection not far from Tysons Corner Center, the largest shopping mall in Virginia.

**12/8 Priest Chases Thief**

A thief sent a Washington priest sprinting through the streets to recover stolen church collection money. The Rev. Bill Hegedusich says he ran after a man who took two bags of money Sunday from an unlocked safe at St. Peter's church on Capitol Hill. The 48-year-old marathon runner, clad in his black shirt and white clerical collar, says he chased the man for about two blocks and yelled at him to return the money. The man threw one bag on the ground and kept running. He estimates the thief took about \$125 and that he recovered about \$60.

**12/8 Stanton Rd SE 3 Shot**

A woman shot and killed outside her SE DC apartment Friday night was an innocent bystander. She was leaving for work when she got caught in the crossfire of two rival groups that live in the complex.

**12/8 Rockville Stabbing**

Letter Carrier stabbed while on her Rockville route. She was taken to the hospital. She was able to call 911 for help. Police looking for whoever did it. No known motive right now.

**12/5 DC Cop Homicide Rate**

The District is about to mark a milestone in the war on crime. For five straight years, the city has recorded less than 200 murders. What's more eye-opening, though, is the rate in which detectives are solving them well above the national average. Police say there's been a change in cooperation over the past few years and people

who may have information about a crime are now more willing to come forward.

#### 12/5 Inauguration Crowds

Record crowds are expected for the Inauguration and DC officials say they are ready. The mayor had his top security chiefs today released the District's annual report on the State of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The report promises DC's first responders are trained and prepared to handle anything from a huge crowd at an the inaugural parade to a terrorist attack.

#### 12/5 Drunk Driving Demo

For the first time in 2 years, the number of alcohol related crashes in DC have declined, according to the Washington Regional Alcohol Program. The holiday season is when drunk driving cases often peak. "WRAP" today offered a front seat view of how drinking really affects one's driving. With special goggles, you can see how a blood alcohol level of 1.7 really looks. It's hard to drive, stay on the road, or avoid traffic cones in this simulation. There were 116 drug and alcohol deaths in our area in 2007.

#### 12/3 7 shot in Trinidad

DC police say they've solved the July 19th murder of 13 year old Alonzo Robinson, an innocent bystander caught in the crossfire of a neighborhood feud. Police say four of the five men are now in custody, charged with carrying out a string of robberies and shootings designed to terrorize the Northeast community of Trinidad.

#### 12/3 Armored Car Robbery

Robbers armed with military style assault rifles and an armored car guard engaged in a morning shootout in Laurel, right in the middle of a busy shopping center. Police say the robbery was well thoughtout. The suspects robbed the armored car driver, jumped into the SUV parked next to it, then swapped it for another SUV a few blocks away.

#### 12/02 India VA Victims

The Virginia woman who lost her husband and 13 year old daughter in the attacks in Mumbai is talking today about her double loss. Kia Scherr says her strength right now comes from her faith and a worldwide outpouring of support. Her husband Alan and daughter Naomi were eating at a restaurant inside a luxury hotel when the terrorists attacks. They were traveling as part of a pilgrimage from a Blue Ridge Meditation Center.

#### 12/02 Mogo Suspicious Death

65 year old Billy Joe Ray was found dead inside his apartment in Damascus, Maryland last night. Investigators say he died from trauma to his upper body and was probably killed sometime Monday. Neighbors say Ray was known as a kind and generous man who helped his neighbors whenever they needed him. Police have no suspects and no motive in the murder.

#### 12/01 Mumbai Survivor

A Richmond, Virginia couple is home after surviving the terrorist attacks in Mumbai. Mac and Jan Taylor were on an 18 day trip and staying at the Taj Mahal hotel when the violence erupted. The couple stayed inside their hotel room for 44 hours, living on orange juice and nuts until they made their way out of the hotel. They had to step over the bodies of three terrorists in the stairwell and dodge bullets in the lobby to get out alive.

#### 12/01 Inaugural Security

The inauguration of President-Elect Barack Obama is shaping up to be one of the most challenging in history. Huge crowds are expected on the mall as well as the parade route. The crush of people is sure to tax city services, Metrorail as well as security designed to keep everyone safe. Fox 5 has learned that the security plan will not be much different than the last inauguration. That featured the tightest security in history.

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## 10/31 Campaign U

All through this race for the White House, we've given you a front row seat in an Honors Political Science class at American University. This week, after all the campaigning, debating and talk, students finally sat down to reveal their predictions for Election Day. They're predicting that Obama will defeat McCain.

## 10/28 Loudoun Meal Tax

Virginia's general 5% sales tax applies to restaurant meals. In addition, many cities and towns in the Commonwealth also charge an additional meals tax. There's now a proposal to add a similar restaurant tax to establishments in Loudoun County. The county needs the money because of sharp declines in property taxes, while the county schools continue to grow with more families moving in. Restaurant owners are fighting the plan, claiming that with the economy in such a mess, paying even more could drive customers away.

## 10/28 NAACP sues Virginia Governor

Governor Tim Kaine says Virginia has enough poll workers and voting machines to handle next Tuesday's historic presidential election. On his monthly call-in show on Washington's WTOP radio, Kaine responded today to a Virginia NAACP court claim that the state has failed to prepare for an unprecedented Election Day turnout. Kaine said the state has 4,600 more voting machines than during the 2004 presidential election and 30,000 poll workers, 10,000 more than four years ago. While there will be lines at polling places, he said the State Board of Elections is committed to counting every ballot. In its filing Monday in U.S. District Court, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People said the state has failed to provide enough polling places.

## 10/15 MD Budget Cuts

Huge budget cuts are taking effect immediately in Maryland. Over the protests of demonstrators, the Board of Public Works unanimously approved the cuts just a few hours ago. Overall, the budget for the state will be cut by about 348 million dollars. Nearly every agency will be cut, including police, corrections, higher education and health. The biggest problem contributing to the deficit is that state tax collections are down significantly.

## 10/14 MD Voter Deadline

Maryland voters who want to have their say in the presidential election and on a slots referendum face a Tuesday deadline to register. State elections officials say local boards have been flooded with calls and registration applications in recent weeks. They say that's typical in a presidential election year. Last month, the state saw more than 67,000 new registrations. And elections officials project more than 120,000 people will register this month. Offices will remain open until 9 tonight. For voters mailing in their registrations, they must be postmarked today.

## 10/14 ANC Commissioner Arrested

An ANC Commissioner who says she was just doing her job was arrested in Adams Morgan Sunday and charged with assault on a police officer. Nancy Shia says she was simply taking pictures documenting all the activity on 18th Street when an officer suddenly took her into custody claiming she was impeding an investigation. Police say she walked into a crime scene, refused a police command to stop taking pictures and was arrested. Shia says she hopes a crime camera nearby captured the incident to prove her story.

## 10/13 McCain Obama Polls

With only 22 days before the election, the latest polls show Barack Obama continuing to build his lead. The margin is expanding so much that some analysts believe it is clear that Obama will win, barring some extraordinary mistake or a serious international crisis. The nation's financial crisis has played a major role in lengthening Obama's lead. More important than his lead in national polls is his lead in key battleground states like Virginia.

## 10/13 McCain Drive

A road in Frederick County, Maryland has a special tie to this election. McCain Drive has local residents

talking about the election. Some people who live along the road or do business there say they are staunch Obama supporters, no matter what the road sign says. Others say McCain Drive is the perfect complement to their political beliefs. Ironically, not a single campaign sign is standing along that road.

#### 10/9 Kaine Budget Cuts

Gov. Timothy M. Kaine has ordered 570 layoffs of state employees, cut college funding by at least 5 percent, ordered some older prisons closed and postponed state employee raises to deal with a \$2.5 billion government fiscal crisis. The governor will also ask the General Assembly to approve about \$250 million in debt for capital outlay projects now paid with cash and to withdraw about \$400 million from the state "rainy day" cash reserves just to make ends meet in the current fiscal year. The austere round of cuts is the third imposed since last October and deepest in at least five years.

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#### 11/26 Inauguration Preps

Details of the Inaugural events are starting to take shape. The Presidential Inaugural Committee is looking for ways to accommodate the millions of people expected to come to the capital. They say they're trying to make sure there are low-cost or free options so everyone can afford access to the events.

#### 11/20 Metro Inauguration

The Washington area transit chief says passengers should expect packed Metro rail cars, packed buses and long lines on Inauguration Day. Authorities say people will probably have to wait an hour or more just to get into Washington's downtown metro stations after the new U.S. president is sworn in.

#### 11/19 Purple Line Update

New debate over expanding Metro between Bethesda and New Carrollton. State officials in Maryland want to know your opinion on the proposed Purple Line. The state is deciding whether it should be part of the light rail system or whether to save hundreds of millions of dollars and build express bus lanes instead. A meeting tonight in College Park will give the public input into the decision. The light rail option will be so expensive that there's virtually no possibility to secure crucial federal funding.

#### 11/18 Obama Unity

There is a Newsweek report tonight that the District of Columbia's former prosecutor, Eric Holder, has been chosen to be the nation's top law enforcement officer... Attorney General. Holder's name has been at the top of the list of likely candidates. The transition team says the decision has not been finalized.

#### 11/17 Inauguration Preps

Tomorrow is the deadline for a shot at being part of the Inaugural Parade. The committee that's taking applications for the parade extended the deadline on Friday. They've received hundreds of applications from across the country and the requests are still pouring in. Locally, students in the Ballou High School Band are hoping to be chosen for a spot. The school band marched in the parade for the 2005 inauguration.

#### 11/14 Inauguration Crowds.

DC Mayor Adrian Fenty estimates that anywhere from 3 to 5 million people could show up to watch the Presidential Inauguration, perhaps the largest crowd to ever witness a swearing in. DC Police and Park Police say they'll have a lot to worry about, providing security for the National Mall as well as the parade route from the Capitol to the White House.

#### 11/6 Inauguration Preps

The demand for a seat at the Presidential Inauguration is high, with people scrambling to get tickets, even though they're not even out yet. Tickets don't even exist but web sites are still offering them for thousands of dollars. The best tickets are free, you just have to call your congressperson or Senator in order to get one.

#### 11/5 Obama Newspapers

Barack Obama's win sent people scrambling for momentos today, most notably a copy of the Washington Post. By 10am, all papers were gone, every copy sold. That surprise sent Post officials scrambling to print more. That's still not enough. The Post printed out a commemorative edition late this afternoon and sold those out. The company is now promising to print even more copies tomorrow.

#### 11/5 Md Slots Future

In Maryland, voters are putting their money on slots. The referendum to allow slot machines at some locations passed in the state, allowing up to 15,000 machines in five locations. Laurel Park is one of the first spots that could get the machines. The slot profits will go to education.

#### 11/5 Warner Available

Virginia will still have a "Warner" in the Senate but today it's Mark Warner preparing to replace retiring Republican veteran John Warner. For the first time in nearly 40 years, the Commonwealth will have two Democratic Senators.

#### 11/5 U Street History



For four days, 40 years ago, Washington burned in race riots. The 1968 riots in the District started on U street, the center of the African American community here. Now, decades later, the same streets are filled with celebration with news that a black man has been elected President of the United States.

#### 11/4 Md Voting

Polls in Maryland have been overflowing with voters all day, with the biggest rushes coming early in the morning. Lines have been manageable, but busy, for much of the day. There's a lot for voters to decide. There's not just the Presidential election but also a huge referendum at stake on slot machines.

#### 11/4 VA Voting Fairfax

A steady stream of people have moved through polling places in Virginia, but so far, they've had no serious problems. There were worries that Virginia's status as a battleground state, and expected huge turnout, could cause long lines and problems at the polls. Election officials say the large number of absentee ballots already cast could be cutting down the number of people in line.

#### 11/4 DC Voting Midday

With today's historic election, voters want to make sure they get to cast their ballot. One woman actually slept in front of a DC polling station to make sure she was there when it opened. Before the polls opened at the MLK Library downtown, the line stretched down the block and around the corner. When it opened, everyone made it through in under an hour. There are no major problems reported at the polls in DC.

#### 11/4 DC at large Race

The intense interest in the presidential race has overshadowed local races. DC's City Council will have two at large seats up for grabs Tuesday. A long-time incumbent, Carol Schwartz, is not on the ballot because she lost the primary to newcomer Patrick Mara. Now her only change to hold her seat is if voters write her in.

#### 11/3 Va Election Preps

All eyes will be on Virginia tomorrow where voter turnout is expected to be around 90%. That huge number could bring big problems. On the eve of this historic election, officials are hoping they are ready.

#### 11/3 Obama in Manassas

Virginia is a battleground state and both candidates are desperately hoping to carry the Commonwealth. Today Sen. Barack Obama campaigned in Manassas hoping to woo voters here. It's one of many recent appearances by both he and Sen. John McCain. This is the final campaign stop for Obama before getting ready for Election Day.

#### 11/1 Election Getting Ready

In our area, the rush to vote could result in unprecedented lines at the polling places. Already today, there were long lines in DC where in-person absentee voting was going on all day. Elections officials around the region have been busy and say they're all hoping to be ready no matter how many voters show up tomorrow.

#### 11/1 Free Stuff

Those little stickers you get that read "I voted" are more than just a nice Election Day souvenir. They could also get you free stuff tomorrow. Several businesses are offering prizes if you show your sticker. Starbucks is giving away free coffee, California Tortilla is giving away winning burritos for the lunch crowd. Krispy Kreme is also in the action, handing out free election themed donuts. Even the swanky salon Christophe is in the swing of things, cutting 1/2 off their prices for haircuts and services on Election Day.

#### 11/1 PW Co. Battleground

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#### 12/17 Kaine Cigarette Tax

Among the 50 states and DC, Virginia ranks 47th in taxes on tobacco. The Commonwealth could be moving up on the list soon because of the budget woes. Cigarette taxes in Virginia are 30 cents a pack, way below the national average of \$1.19 per pack. Governor Tim Kaine has alerted state legislators that if the recession continues to hurt revenues, he wants to double the cigarette tax.

#### 12/16 Inauguration Phones

With an estimated 2 to 4 million people expected to attend the Inauguration, the highways and Metro trains aren't the only places that will be congested. You may have trouble using your cellphone. Carriers are trying to increase capacity to accommodate the increase in traffic but say customers have to be realistic. They're comparing it to everyone getting in their cars and heading to the beach at the same time.

#### 12/15 Inauguration Getting Around

January 20th might be a good day to leave town. If 2 to 4 million people crowd into DC for the Presidential Inauguration, there's concern the crowd could paralyze the city. Transportation officials are working daily to come up with a plan to keep the city moving. Metro says it can move 120-thousand people an hour but Metro says even that's not fast enough if 2-4 million people show up.

#### 12/11 Inaugural Security

The inauguration has been designated as a National Special Security Event. When an event is designated an NSSE, the United States Secret Service assumes its role as the lead federal agency for the design and implementation of the operational security plan. The Metropolitan Police Department, the U.S. Capitol Police and the U.S. Park Police as well as a number of other federal and local agencies will play an active role in securing this event and resources will be deployed to maintain the level of security needed for the designated events.

#### 12/10 Inauguration Bar Hours

Two U.S. Senators are asking DC's council to reverse a decision to let bars, nightclubs and restaurants stay open 24 hours during inauguration week. They fear it will cause security problems.

#### 12/10 Inaugural Papers

All the excitement over the upcoming inauguration prompted the National Archives to pull out pieces of Presidential history rarely seen by the public. We take a look at some of the historical documents that helped form the office of the President, including George Washington's thoughts on the oath of office.

#### 12/9 Inauguration Food

Come inauguration week - there may be a shortage of food. Not only will there be more demand, but delivery trucks may have a hard time getting to stores and restaurants in all the traffic. Also - there could be a shortage of cell phone service.

#### 12/9 Inaugural Parade Picks

Several local bands have been selected to perform in the Inaugural Parade. We were live with one of them while they practiced today.

#### 12/8 Inaugural Street Vendors

D.C.'s street vendors say the city is preventing them from making money on Inauguration Day. The city anticipates up to 5,000 applications for about 500 temporary vending licenses. D.C.'s Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs officials say that prized locations on streets around the National Mall will be selected by lottery. Local vendors say they're being treated like out-of-towners and don't want to relinquish lucrative assigned spots in downtown D.C. They say they want to be close to customers waiting to get into the parade and swearing-in, areas that are controlled by the city.

#### 12/8 Free Inaugural Stay

While some are charging hundreds, even thousands of dollars to rent their homes, a Virginia couple is offering up the basement of their house for free to someone coming to DC for the inauguration. Applicants have to write an essay describing why they deserve the free stay. The couple will pick a winner.

#### 12/5 Inauguration Crowds

Record crowds are expected for the Inauguration and DC officials say they are ready. The mayor had his top security chiefs today released the District's annual report on the State of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The report promises DC's first responders are trained and prepared to handle anything from a huge crowd at an the inaugural parade to a terrorist attack.

#### 12/03 DC Bar Laws

The D.C. Council has approved emergency legislation allowing the city's bars, nightclubs and restaurants to stay open around the clock for four days around President-elect Barack Obama's inauguration. The bill allows any establishment with a liquor license to serve alcohol until 5 a.m. and serve food at any hour from Jan. 17 until the morning of Jan. 21.

The council approved the measure in a 9-4 vote Tuesday and was pushed by the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington. The organization says the inauguration is a rare event that is worthy of special rules. Councilman Phil Mendelson was among those voting against it, saying the relaxed regulations could cause more crime, violence and drunken driving.

#### 12/01 Inaugural Security

The inauguration of President-Elect Barack Obama is shaping up to be one of the most challenging in history. Huge crowds are expected on the mall as well as the parade route. The crush of people is sure to tax city services, Metrorail as well as security designed to keep everyone safe. Fox 5 has learned that the security plan will not be much different than the last inauguration. That featured the tightest security in history.

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#### 10/31 Obama V. McCain

The polls have been fluctuating in recent weeks, with a new Fox poll showing the lead at just 3%. The average of polls puts his lead at just over 6%, roughly where it has been for some time. The latest dose of bad economic news is unlikely to hurt him. Obama campaigned today in Florida, a place hit hard by the housing and financial crisis. Obama is also linking John McCain to President Bush and attacking his economic ideas. At a campaign stop in Defiance, Ohio, McCain sought to separate himself from both Obama and the President.

#### 10/31 Campaign U

All through this race for the White House, we've given you a front row seat in an Honors Political Science class at American University. This week, after all the campaigning, debating and talk, students finally sat down to reveal their predictions for Election Day. They're predicting that Obama will defeat McCain.

#### 10/29 Fannie Mae Protest

About 100 activists from a Boston-based housing advocacy group managed to force a meeting with the chief executive of mortgage finance company Fannie Mae Wednesday.

The protesters from the Neighborhood Assistance Corporation of America sat on the steps of the company's expansive brick headquarters and demanded that the government-controlled company modify loans to lower interest rates. After demonstrating for several hours they met with company CEO Herbert Allison and other top managers this afternoon.

Allison was hired seven weeks ago after the government assumed control of Fannie Mae and McLean, Va.-based sibling company Freddie Mac. Together the two companies own or guarantee about \$5 trillion of the nation's outstanding mortgages -- nearly half of the home loans the U.S. After the meeting, which included Allison and other top managers, company spokeswoman Amy Bonitatibus said "we agreed to continue to meet with them and work together on foreclosure prevention."

#### 10/29 Money: Interest Rate Cut

The Federal Reserve slashed a key interest rate by half a percentage point Wednesday, driving it to a level seen only once before in the last half-century, and the government finally began distributing funds from the billions in the financial rescue package. Those efforts and others were part of a concerted drive by officials, just days before a national election, to demonstrate they are moving as quickly as possible to deal with the most serious financial crisis to hit the country since the 1930s.

#### 10/29 Obama McCain

With only six days until the Presidential Election, Republican candidate John McCain is claiming the Democrat Barack Obama is not up to the job of protecting the country. But unless there is some unexpected foreign policy in the last six days, John McCain's attack on Barack Obama's national security readiness will become a backburner issue. His campaign has acknowledged that it will have to spend the remaining time focusing on economic issues. Polls show voters think Obama is better able to deal with the financial crisis.

#### 10/28 Obama McCain

One new poll gives Barack Obama a 16-point lead over John McCain with a week left before the election. The Pew Research Center poll of registered voters finds Obama with the support of 52 percent of those surveyed. McCain has the backing of 36 percent.

By a margin of 48-to-31 percent, more independent voters support Obama over McCain. Whites are split between the two, while blacks overwhelmingly support Obama. Another poll finds the gap smaller. The latest Gallup Poll daily tracking update gives Obama a lead of 7 percentage points -- 50 percent to 43 percent.

#### 10/28 NAACP sues Virginia Governor

Governor Tim Kaine says Virginia has enough poll workers and voting machines to handle next Tuesday's historic presidential election. On his monthly call-in show on Washington's WTOP radio, Kaine responded today to a Virginia NAACP court claim that the state has failed to prepare for an unprecedented Election Day turnout. Kaine said the state has 4,600 more voting machines than during the 2004 presidential election and 30,000 poll workers, 10,000 more than four years ago. While there will be lines at polling places, he said the State Board of Elections is committed to counting every ballot. In its filing Monday in U.S. District Court, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People said the state has failed to provide enough polling places.

#### 10/28 Money: Consumer Confidence

Consumer confidence plunged to its lowest on record in October, a private research group said Tuesday, as stock markets dropped sharply and companies laid off workers. The Conference Board said the consumer confidence index fell to 38, down from a revised 61.4 in September and significantly below analysts' expectations of 52. That's the lowest level for the index since the Conference Board began tracking consumer sentiment in 1967, and the third-steepest drop. A year ago, the index stood at 95.2.

#### 10/21 Obama McCain Polls

With only 14 days until voters hit the polls, the latest survey shows Senator Barack Obama gaining ground in his lead over Senator John McCain. A Reuters polls shows the Democrat ahead 8 points, up from 6 points on Monday.

#### 10/21 Money: Stimulus Package

Democrats in Congress are pushing ahead with efforts to assemble a second economic stimulus program. That effort got a timely endorsement on Monday from Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke. The White House said Monday that President Bush was at least willing to consider a second stimulus measure to follow a \$168 billion program passed in February and a \$700 billion financial system rescue plan passed on Oct. 3. Democrats say any stimulus bill would include items previously rejected by Bush such as road and bridge construction money and help for state budgets. Another round of tax rebates is possible, too, to make the measure big enough to jolt the economy, which many economists think has already slipped into recession.

#### 10/20 Obama McCain

The clock is ticking to Election Day. With just 15 days until we pick the next president, Democratic Presidential Nominee Barack Obama is still leading in the latest nationwide polls. Rasmussen still has him ahead by 4 points with 50% compared to 46% for John McCain.

#### 10/20 Stores Closing

In this economy, some big companies are fighting for survival. Circuit City, the nation's number 2 electronics retailer is in a fight for survival. It's barely hanging on, trying to avoid bankruptcy before the critical holiday shopping season. Tight credit conditions have made it difficult for the company to secure financing. The Wall Street Journal reports the company is considering a plan to close 150 stores and lay off thousands of employees.

#### 10/17 Obama McCain Polls

Just 18 days away from the election, Barack Obama is doing well in the polls in many important battleground states including Virginia. He campaigned in the Commonwealth today. Today he targeted senior citizens, a group he's had trouble swaying, claiming that John McCain's health care plan would reduce their medicare benefits. McCain's latest ads continue to feature Joe the Plumber's encounter with Obama.

#### 10/16 Obama McCain

The Presidential debates are over and many thought it was John McCain's strongest performance. It may be remembered as the Joe the Plumber debate because his name was invoked so often it has already spawned countless jokes. But much of the debate was very serious and McCain was aggressive in going after Barack Obama. But there wasn't the kind of game changing moment McCain supporters were hoping for.

#### 10/16 Campaign U

Each week of this race for the White House, we've been giving you a front seat for a political science honors class at American University, with Campaign U. Today, students went over the give and take from the debate last night. Many said McCain's time on the offensive reinforced Obama's cool demeanor. But other students claimed the Democratic nominee tried to play it too safe.

#### 10/16 Credit Debt

Foreclosed homes were the first sign of our troubled economic times and many believe a rising tide of credit card defaults will be next. The Federal Reserve reports that we owe \$969 billion dollars on credit cards. Market researchers believe \$41 billion of that debt will go bad this year. \$96 billion next year as consumers get in

over their heads.

#### 10/15 Powell Interview

Barack Obama made history by becoming the first black person to become a presidential candidate of a major political party. Several years ago, the GOP had its eye on another prominent black American, General Colin Powell. Though Powell has been quiet about current presidential politics, his wife Alma is speaking out. She says the possibility of a black president is exciting and illustrates the evolution of our country. Mrs. Powell says she didn't want her husband to run after he received death threats and hate mail after his name was mentioned as a possible candidate in 1995.

#### 10/15 Presidential Debate

Tonight is John McCain's last chance to sit side by side with Barack Obama and speak to a national television audiences of tens of millions of people. McCain needs to be the clear winner if he hopes to stop Obama's momentum with less than three weeks before Election Day. There will be no audience participation in this final debate, just the candidates sitting at a desk with the moderator. The debate will be limited to domestic policy and the current financial crisis.

#### 10/15 Money: Recession

The economy shows more signs of deep trouble as retail sales slump and credit stays tight. Wall Street turns volatile again, with the Dow Jones industrials falling more than 400 points and dipping back under 9,000. The U.S. has not endured a deep and prolonged recession in more than a quarter century -- enough time for many Americans to forget what one feels like. But unlike the last two relatively short recessions, this one could be much longer and more severe, potentially bringing with it anxiety and job losses not seen in many years.

#### 10/14 Politics

If the election were held today and the latest polls in battleground states are correct, Barack Obama would win the election by a comfortable college. His recent surge is propelled by the perception that he would do a better job of dealing with the current financial crisis. John McCain is hoping to change that idea with some fresh economic ideas. He is proposing that people forced to sell assets at a loss in this troubled financial climate would receive accelerated tax deductions under a proposal put forth today.

#### 10/14 Money: Bank Bailout

President Bush announced a \$250 billion plan for the government to buy shares in the nation's leading banks. Nine banks will take part initially, with potentially thousands of others to follow. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson wanted healthy institutions to go first, to remove any stigma associated with such bailouts. The first bank to take advantage of the program was Bank of New York Mellon, which said it would sell \$3 billion in preferred shares to the Treasury. Stocks suffered modest losses as investors mulled the government's plans and decided to cash in some profits from the previous day's explosive gains.

#### 10/13 McCain Obama Polls

With only 22 days before the election, the latest polls show Barack Obama continuing to build his lead. The margin is expanding so much that some analysts believe it is clear that Obama will win, barring some extraordinary mistake or a serious international crisis. The nation's financial crisis has played a major role in lengthening Obama's lead. More important than his lead in national polls is his lead in key battleground states like Virginia.

#### 10/13 Money: The Dow Surge

An explosive rally sent the Dow Jones industrial average rocketing up more than 900 points on plans by the U.S. and other nations to back the global banking system, including taking ownership stakes in some banks. The Bush administration rushed to rework the largest bailout plan in history to try to buck up the financial markets and get badly needed credit flowing. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson summoned executives of the nation's largest banks to help shape the plan.

#### 10/10 Obama McCain Poll

The nation's financial crisis continues to help Democrat Barack Obama and hurt Republican John McCain

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in the polls. Today the candidates put forth new ideas. McCain's strategy focuses on helping investors while Obama is focusing on aiding small businesses with fixed rate loans.

#### 10/9 Campaign U

In less than four weeks, we'll know which man will occupy the White House. As the campaign winds down, it also heats up. In today's Campaign U segment, we visited a class at American University where students talked about the change in campaigns as they get nearer election day. Students pointed out that McCain is the candidate behind in the polls and he's the one going on the offensive. Obama is also using negative ads to criticize McCain.

#### 10/9 Money

Stocks had another brutal day on Wall Street, with the Dow closing down 679 points, closing below 9,000 for the first time in 5 years. The Dow actually opened in positive territory for the first time all week but couldn't shake the continuing economic jitters. GM was the biggest loser, diving 20% amid fears of how the credit crisis and weak economy will affect sales.

#### 10/8 McCain/Obama Debate

John McCain dismissively called rival Barack Obama "that one," Obama mocked McCain's "Straight Talk Express," and both left the debate stage to return to the campaign trail Wednesday. Most analysts agreed that neither candidate delivered a knockout punch which should benefit Obama. McCain needed to do something to sway more voters since Obama pulled away a bit in recent weeks.

#### 10/8 The Markets

Wall Street has tried but failed to find some stability from an interest rate cut by the Federal Reserve and other big central banks. Stocks wavered throughout the day, moving in and out of positive territory and finally closing with another loss. The Dow Jones industrials fell nearly 200 points, a sizable amount but less than the massive losses seen the first two days of this week. The other major indexes also had big drops. The half-point rate cut by the Fed was intended to help ease the stymied credit markets. Investors were clearly pleased by the cut, but wary because it won't necessarily spur banks to resume a more normal lending pace to businesses and individuals. Global markets also cut interest rates trying to head off a recession around the world.

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#### 11/26 Inauguration Preps

Details of the Inaugural events are starting to take shape. The Presidential Inaugural Committee is looking for ways to accommodate the millions of people expected to come to the capital. They say they're trying to make sure there are low-cost or free options so everyone can afford access to the events.

#### 11/25 Obama Economic Plan

Today President Elect Barack Obama outlined more of his plan to boost the economy. He announced the key leaders of his economic team. The man with the toughest job will be his nominee for Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner. In the number two spot, former Clinton Treasury Secretary Larry Summers will head the National Economic Council. Both men will have to shepherd through Congress some of the most aggressive economic plans since the Great Depression.

#### 11/24 Citigroup Bailout

Rushing to rescue Citigroup, the government agreed to shoulder hundreds of billions of dollars in possible losses at the stricken bank and to plow a fresh \$20 billion into the company. Regulators hope the dramatic action will bolster badly shaken confidence in the once-mighty banking giant as well as the nation's financial system, a goal that so far has been elusive despite a flurry of government interventions to battle the worst global crisis since the 1930s. Wall Street investors reacted enthusiastically. The Dow Jones industrials shot up about 300 points in morning trading. Stock markets in Britain and Germany also gained ground. Citigroup shares themselves climbed 61.3 percent to \$6.08 in morning trading.

#### 11/21 Obama's Picks

Barack Obama has said dealing with the economic crisis is his administration's top priority, and it looks like the man who's going to head up those efforts is Timothy Geithner.

A senior Democratic official says Obama is likely to name Geithner as Treasury secretary. Geithner currently serves as president of the New York Federal Reserve. He earlier held posts in the Treasury Department under three administrations. If he's nominated and confirmed, he'd take on chief responsibility for tackling an economic slowdown and a credit

crunch that threaten to create the deepest recession in more than a generation. Officials also say New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson has emerged as a likely pick as Commerce secretary. And Hillary Clinton is saying through a spokesman that discussions are "very much on track" for her appointment as secretary of State, but no final arrangement has been made. Obama also has selected Eric Holder, a top Justice Department aide in the Clinton administration, as his attorney general.

#### 11/20 Metro Inauguration

The Washington area transit chief says passengers should expect packed Metro rail cars, packed buses and long lines on Inauguration Day. Authorities say people will probably have to wait an hour or more just to get into Washington's downtown metro stations after the new U.S. president is sworn in.

#### 11/18 Obama Unity

There is a Newsweek report tonight that the District of Columbia's former prosecutor, Eric Holder, has been chosen to be the nation's top law enforcement officer... Attorney General. Holder's name has been at the top of the list of likely candidates. The transition team says the decision has not been finalized.

#### 11/18 Automakers Bailout

Detroit's Big Three automakers pleaded with Congress on Tuesday for a \$25 billion lifeline to save their teetering industrial titans from collapse, warning of economic catastrophe for the nation as well as their once-proud companies if they are denied. Millions of layoffs would follow, they said. Even national security would be at risk. But the new rescue plan appeared stalled on Capitol Hill, opposed by Republicans and the Bush administration who don't want to dip into the Treasury Department's \$700 billion financial bailout program to come up with the \$25 billion in loans.

#### 11/17 Automaker Bailout



The Bush White House stressed Monday that it supports help for the struggling auto industry, but believes it should not be taken from the \$700 billion financial system rescue program. As lawmakers were returning to a lame duck session to focus on the troubled industry, President Bush's chief spokeswoman issued a statement saying the administration "does not want U.S. automakers to fail." She complained that reporting on the White House's on this issue has involved "attempts to shorthand the administration's position." Democrats want to use part of the \$700 billion Wall Street bailout for emergency loans to help prop up the Big Three carmakers. General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler LLC are seeking an infusion of \$25 billion, a figure that several Senate Democrats embraced Sunday. Senate Democrats plan to introduce legislation Monday attaching an auto bailout to a House-passed bill extending unemployment benefits. A vote was expected as early as Wednesday.

#### 11/17 Inauguration Preps

Tomorrow is the deadline for a shot at being part of the Inaugural Parade. The committee that's taking applications for the parade extended the deadline on Friday. They've received hundreds of applications from across the country and the requests are still pouring in. Locally, students in the Ballou High School Band are hoping to be chosen for a spot. The school band marched in the parade for the 2005 inauguration.

#### 11/17 Obama Today

President-elect Barack Obama and former Republican rival John McCain pledged Monday to work together on ways to change Washington's "bad habits," though aides to both men said it was unlikely McCain would serve in an Obama Cabinet. The two men met in Obama's transition headquarters in Chicago for the first time since the Illinois senator defeated McCain in the presidential election Nov. 4. Obama said they wanted to talk about how they could work together, and he added that he would offer his own thanks to McCain for all his service so far. Obama has said he is likely to invite at least one Republican to join his Cabinet, but McCain was not expected to be a candidate.

#### 11/14 Inauguration Crowds.

DC Mayor Adrian Fenty estimates that anywhere from 3 to 5 million people could show up to watch the Presidential Inauguration, perhaps the largest crowd to ever witness a swearing in. DC Police and Park Police say they'll have a lot to worry about, providing security for the National Mall as well as the parade route from the Capitol to the White House.

#### 11/6 Campaign U

All through the Presidential election, we've given you a unique perspective through Campaign U, an honors Political Science class at American University. Last week, the students said the electoral map would end up with Obama 326 & McCain 212. They were very close, with the final numbers so far at Obama 349 & McCain at 163. They also missed Florida and Indiana, both of which went to Obama.

#### 11/6 Inauguration Preps

The demand for a seat at the Presidential Inauguration is high, with people scrambling to get tickets, even though they're not even out yet. Tickets don't even exist but web sites are still offering them for thousands of dollars. The best tickets are free, you just have to call your congressperson or Senator in order to get one.

#### 11/6 Obama Transition

It's official, Illinois Rep. Rahm Emanuel will be the White House Chief of Staff in the Obama administration. He confirmed today what sources were telling us yesterday. The new President Elect has a lot more spaces to fill but beyond this position, there is very little hard information about who Obama will choose for the top jobs.

#### 11/5 Obama Newspapers

Barack Obama's win sent people scrambling for momentos today, most notably a copy of the Washington Post. By 10am, all papers were gone, every copy sold. That surprise sent Post officials scrambling to print more. That's still not enough. The Post printed out a commemorative edition late this afternoon and sold those out. The company is now promising to print even more copies tomorrow.

#### 11/5 Warner Available

Virginia will still have a "Warner" in the Senate but today it's Mark Warner preparing to replace retiring Republican veteran John Warner. For the first time in nearly 40 years, the Commonwealth will have two

Democratic Senators.

#### 11/5 Election Market

The stock market didn't respond to the election exuberance evident in some circles. Yesterday was the biggest Election Day rally in 24 years but the markets could not sustain the gains. The market dropped significantly today after the Institute of Supply Management announced the worst contraction in manufacturing in 26 years.

#### 11/5 Balance of Power

The Democrats expanded their control of Congress last night, but still fell short of the 60 votes needed for a filibuster-proof majority. That hurdle has locked up legislation in the Senate many times in the past year but with the new Democratic president backing the Democratic majority in the Senate, experts say that should change.

#### 11/5 Obama Transition

There's no time for President-Elect Barack Obama to sit back and celebrate. He's got big decisions to make naming the people who will lead his administration. Reports say he has already selected Illinois Representative Rahm Emanuel as Chief of Staff. Campaign officials say that won't be formally announced for at least a day.

#### 11/5 U Street History

For four days, 40 years ago, Washington burned in race riots. The 1968 riots in the District started on U street, the center of the African American community here. Now, decades later, the same streets are filled with celebration with news that a black man has been elected President of the United States.

#### 11/4 DC Voting Midday

With today's historic election, voters want to make sure they get to cast their ballot. One woman actually slept in front of a DC polling station to make sure she was there when it opened. Before the polls opened at the MLK Library downtown, the line stretched down the block and around the corner. When it opened, everyone made it through in under an hour. There are no major problems reported at the polls in DC.

#### 11/3 Va Election Preps

All eyes will be on Virginia tomorrow where voter turnout is expected to be around 90%. That huge number could bring big problems. On the eve of this historic election, officials are hoping they are ready.

#### 11/3 Obama in Manassas

Virginia is a battleground state and both candidates are desperately hoping to carry the Commonwealth. Today Sen. Barack Obama campaigned in Manassas hoping to woo voters here. It's one of many recent appearances by both he and Sen. John McCain. This is the final campaign stop for Obama before getting ready for Election Day.

#### 11/3 Election Getting Ready

In our area, the rush to vote could result in unprecedented lines at the polling places. Already today, there were long lines in DC where in-person absentee voting was going on all day. Elections officials around the region have been busy and say they're all hoping to be ready no matter how many voters show up tomorrow.

#### 11/1 Obama v. McCain

The presidential candidates are capping a history-making campaign with a dash from Florida through a half-dozen other crucial states as John McCain tries for an upset over Barack Obama. With little sleep, McCain was darting through seven swing states Monday, arguing that victory was virtually at hand despite national polls showing otherwise. "My friends, it's official: There's just one day left until we take America in a new direction," the Republican Party's choice to succeed President Bush told a raucous, heavily Hispanic rally in Miami just after midnight.

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#### 12/31 Middle East Gaza

The Israeli government today rejected calls for a 48 hour cease fire in its aerial attacks on Hamas targets in Gaza. Instead, the Israeli military is building up its troops strength and tanks along its border with Gaza raising concerns that a ground assault may be imminent. A White House spokesman is blaming the Hamas government which continues to launch missiles against Israeli cities

#### 12/30 Money Holiday Retail

The grim outlook for the economy was affirmed Tuesday by separate reports showing consumer confidence and housing prices have plummeted to all-time lows. Illustrating the depths of the recession, consumer confidence hit a more than 40-year low in December in the face of rising layoffs, while home prices in 10 major U.S. cities dropped in October by the sharpest amount in 21 years. Consumers have been nervous about spending for months -- putting off big-ticket purchases, forgoing new clothes and choosing store brands at the grocery store -- all of which may make this the worst holiday season for retailers in decades.

#### 12/30 Blagojevich Announcement

A defiant Gov. Rod Blagojevich on Tuesday named a black political trailblazer to Barack Obama's Senate seat, a surprise move that put the governor's opponents in the uncomfortable position of trying to block his choice from becoming the Senate's only black member. Blagojevich's appointment of former state Attorney General Roland Burris injected race into the drama surrounding the embattled governor, who repeatedly sought to distance his selection from charges that he tried to sell the seat to the highest bidder. Blagojevich was arrested Dec. 9 after federal prosecutors allegedly recorded conversations in which he discussed appointing someone Obama favored in exchange for a position in the new president's Cabinet or naming someone favored by a union if he got a high-level union job. The governor has faced a flood of calls for his resignation, and the Illinois House has begun impeachment proceedings.

#### 12/29 Midesast Conflict

For a third day, Israel pounded Palestinian targets through airstrikes, claiming this is a mission to stop Hamas from firing rockets at Israel. More than 300 airstrikes have killed dozens of Hamas forces. Last week, Hamas substantially increased its rocket and mortar attacks against Israel. The White House is blaming Hamas for the crisis.

#### 12/23 Obama Lincoln Bible

President Elect Obama will be sworn in at his inauguration using the same bible as Abraham Lincoln. The Bible is kept in safekeeping by the Library of Congress and shown off to the media today.

#### 12/19 Auto Rescue Plan

President Bush is bailing out the auto industry with a \$17 billion dollar cash infusion. The plan will keep Chrysler and GM afloat in the short term and requires the companies to restructure and show they can turn a profit in three months. Experts aren't optimistic that they can do it. President elect Barack Obama warned the companies not to squander this opportunity.

#### 12/18 Metro Inauguration

As Inauguration Day approaches, Metro is tweaking its plans. The agency plans to run rush hour trains from 4am to 9pm and charge rush hour prices for the rides. You'll also need cash to park at Metro parking lots. They're not accepting Smarttrip cards. Metro is making the changes to deal with what it believes will be an unprecedented number of riders on Inauguration Day.

#### 12/18 Congressional Raises

In tough economic times, US lawmakers will soon have extra cash in their pockets. A Congressional pay raise is kicking in at the end of the year, an extra \$4700 a year. The cost of living increase rolls around every year. Lawmakers could have voted to stop it but chose to take the money. The average lawmaker earns \$169,000. Constituents are upset that they're taking the money when so many Americans are struggling. The group "Taxpayers for the Common Cause" says it sends a message that they're not seeing how difficult things are for the rest of the country.

#### 12/17 Shoes for Bush

Protesters in front of the White House tossed shoes at a puppet of President Bush, inspired by the now infamous shoe throwing incident in Iraq. The anti-war group Code Pink held the event. They say it's an effort to show solidarity with the Iraqi people and call for an immediate end of the war.

#### 12/16 Inauguration Phones

With an estimated 2 to 4 million people expected to attend the Inauguration, the highways and Metro trains aren't the only places that will be congested. You may have trouble using your cellphone. Carriers are trying to increase capacity to accommodate the increase in traffic but say customers have to be realistic. They're comparing it to everyone getting in their cars and heading to the beach at the same time.

#### 12/15 Obama Environment

President-elect Barack Obama has named an environment team that signals his determination to tackle global warming quickly and develop alternative forms of energy. Obama selected Nobel-prize winning physicist Steven Chu as energy secretary Monday and Carol Browner, a confidant of former vice president Al Gore, to lead a White House council on energy and climate. Browner headed the Environmental Protection Agency in the Clinton administration. Chu is director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and is an leading advocate of reducing greenhouse gases by developing new energy sources. Obama also has announced his choice of Lisa Jackson, former head of New Jersey's environmental agency, as EPA administrator.

#### 12/15 Inauguratoon Getting Around

January 20th might be a good day to leave town. If 2 to 4 million people crowd into DC for the Presidential Inauguration, there's concern the crowd could paralyze the city. Transportation officials are working daily to come up with a plan to keep the city moving. Metro says it can move 120-thousand people an hour but Metro says even that's not fast enough if 2-4 million people show up.

#### 12/11 Inaugural Security

The inauguration has been designated as a National Special Security Event. When an event is designated an NSSE, the United States Secret Service assumes its role as the lead federal agency for the design and implementation of the operational security plan. The Metropolitan Police Department, the U.S. Capitol Police and the U.S. Park Police as well as a number of other federal and local agencies will play an active role in securing this event and resources will be deployed to maintain the level of security needed for the designated events.

#### 12/10 Auto Bailout House Vote

Senate Republicans are still holding out on the bill. President Bush sent his chief of staff to Capitol Hill today to talk with them.

#### 12/10 Inauguration Bar Hours

Two U.S. Senators are asking DC's council to reverse a decision to let bars, nightclubs and restaurants stay open 24 hours during inauguration week. They fear it will cause security problems.

#### 12/10 Inaugural Papers

All the excitement over the upcoming inauguration prompted the National Archives to pull out pieces of Presidential history rarely seen by the public. We take a look at some of the historical documents that helped form the office of the President, including George Washington's thoughts on the oath of office.

#### 12/10 Illinois Governor Arrested

IL Gov. Rod Blagojevich returned to work today, one day after being arrested on federal corruption charges. President-Elect Barack Obama is calling for the Governor to resign. Meanwhile, Rep. Jesse Jackson, Jr., who is thought to be "Candidate 5" in the FBI affidavit, makes an emotional statement, declaring he's done nothing wrong or illegal.

#### 12/9 Inauguration Food

Come inauguration week - there may be a shortage of food. Not only will there be more demand, but delivery trucks may have a hard time getting to stores and restaurants in all the traffic. Also - there could be a shortage of cell phone service.

#### 12/9 Inaugural Parade Picks

Several local bands have been selected to perform in the Inaugural Parade. We were live with one of them

while they practiced today.

#### 12/9 Auto Bailout

Lawmakers and the White House are still hammering out a multi-billion dollar bailout for the auto industry. Legislation may be headed for a vote tomorrow.

#### 12/9 Illinois Governor Arrested

Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich was roused from bed and arrested Tuesday after prosecutors said he was caught on wiretaps audaciously scheming to sell Barack Obama's vacant Senate seat for cash or a plum job for himself in the new administration. Prosecutors did not accuse Obama himself of any wrongdoing or even knowing about the matter. Federal investigators bugged the governor's campaign offices and tapped his home phone, capturing conversations laced with profanity and tough-guy talk from the governor.

#### 12/8 Inaugural Street Vendors

D.C.'s street vendors say the city is preventing them from making money on Inauguration Day. The city anticipates up to 5,000 applications for about 500 temporary vending licenses. D.C.'s Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs officials say that prized locations on streets around the National Mall will be selected by lottery. Local vendors say they're being treated like out-of-towners and don't want to relinquish lucrative assigned spots in downtown D.C. They say they want to be close to customers waiting to get into the parade and swearing-in, areas that are controlled by the city.

#### 12/8 Auto Bailout

Congressional negotiators sent a proposal to the white house today. But the white house is looking for more cuts to show proof of a viable industry. House speaker Nancy Pelosi said the automakers have until March 31 to show that, or the money could be revoked. The bill would give automakers \$15 billion in loans by next week. An inspector general, appointed by the president... Would oversee the downsizing of the companies. Today, union members said -- they shouldn't have to give up more... To keep their jobs.

#### 12/8 Free Inaugural Stay

While some are charging hundreds, even thousands of dollars to rent their homes, a Virginia couple is offering up the basement of their house for free to someone coming to DC for the inauguration. Applicants have to write an essay describing why they deserve the free stay. The couple will pick a winner.

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#### 12/03 Gov. Richardson

President elect Barack Obama continues to move quickly to name his Cabinet, today naming New Mexico Governor Bill Ricahrdsn as Secretary of Commerce. Richardson is the first Latino appointed to the Cabinet and yet another to have served in the Clinton administration. This is prompting some Republicans to suggest Obama is not fulfilling his promise of change.

#### 12/03 DC Bar Laws

The D.C. Council has approved emergency legislation allowing the city's bars, nightclubs and restaurants to stay open around the clock for four days around President-elect Barack Obama's inauguration. The bill allows any establishment with a liquor license to serve alcohol until 5 a.m. and serve food at any hour from Jan. 17 until the morning of Jan. 21.

The council approved the measure in a 9-4 vote Tuesday and was pushed by the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington. The organization says the inauguration is a rare event that is worthy of special rules. Councilman Phil Mendelson was among those voting against it,

saying the relaxed regulations could cause more crime, violence and drunken driving.

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#### 12/2 Obama meets governors

President-elect Barack Obama has promised the nation's governors equal friendship and cooperation in rebuilding the economy, regardless of party labels. He says he wants the governors' advice in designing a recovery plan, and he's pledging to work quickly on tax cuts and increased federal spending. Obama says the tax cuts will be geared toward "hard-pressed middle class families" and that the recovery plan will include "down payments on the investments we need to build a strong economy for years to come." Most of the governors face deficits in their own states because of the economic downturn. The recession and the accompanying increase in joblessness translate into higher health care costs for the poor, greater use of food stamps and added strain on welfare programs. The governors want help with all that.

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#### 12/2 Auto Loan Plans

The big 3 automakers are returning to Capitol Hill asking for a bailout. The latest sales figures show how deep their problem is. US light vehicle sales at GM and Chrysler plunged more than 40% in November, while Ford's sales dropped 31%. Consumer demand for new vehicles is at a low not seen in decades.

#### 12/01 Obama Security Cabinet

President-elect Barack Obama picked a national security team headed by former campaign rival Hillary Rodham Clinton and Bush administration holdover Robert Gates on Monday, and said he wants to consult with military commanders before settling on a firm timetable to withdraw U.S. combat troops from Iraq. Obama said a newly completed agreement between Iraq and the Bush administration covering U.S. troop presence signals "a transition period in which our mission is changing" after a long war. The president-elect campaigned on a call to pull out most combat troops within 16 months of taking office, a period he said he still believes "is the right time frame." Obama named Clinton, a New York senator, as secretary of state and said Gates would remain as defense secretary, a post he has held for the past two years.

#### 12/01 Inaugural Security

The inauguration of President-Elect Barack Obama is shaping up to be one of the most challenging in history. Huge crowds are expected on the mall as well as the parade route. The crush of people is sure to tax city services, Metrorail as well as security designed to keep everyone safe. Fox 5 has learned that the security plan will not be much different than the last inauguration. That featured the tightest security in history.

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#### 10/28 Halloween Safety

Parents have reasons to be worried about letting their kids out for Halloween. Children are four times more likely to be hit by a car on Halloween than any other night of the year. That's not the only danger. Halloween decorations, usually involving candles, account for 900 house fires in the country every year. Local officials are warning parents to do everything they can to help their kids stay safe, from making sure the decorations are fire-proof to getting kids costumes that are easy to see on a dark night.

#### 10/21 Alzheimer's Awareness

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#### 10/15 Bottled Water Study

Many Americans buy bottled water because they think it's purer than tap water, but a new study may surprise them. An environmental advocacy group says tests on leading brands of bottled water have turned up a variety of contaminants often found in tap water. However, the study says all the brands met federal health standards for drinking water, and only two violated a California state standard. An industry group branded the findings "alarmist." It says the study is based on the faulty premise that a contaminant is a health concern even if it's within regulatory limits. The two-year study was done by the Washington-based Environmental Working Group, an organization founded by scientists that advocating stricter regulation.

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#### 10/13 Robot does surgery

If you need surgery, your doctor may be getting some high tech help. Robots working with a high definition screen are helping doctors perform some procedures at George Washington University Hospital. They can work with every surgery but the robots are helpful when the doctor has to maneuver in a very small area. Over the last 2 years, robot surgery at GW has jumped by 128%. The robots are most helpful in prostate, lung, heart and kidney procedures.



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#### 11/24 TSA Family Lines

The TSA is introducing new family lines just in time for Thanksgiving. The lines let parents move through airport security at their own pace without holding up the lines behind them. The lines are also for people who need to carry more than 3 ounces of medicine on board. It allows them to get the extra screening to allow the liquid on board.

#### 11/19 Gas Outage

Washington Gas Light officials say about 400 homes in northwest Washington are without gas service. The outage is affecting homes in the Shaw area from U Street to Rhode Island Avenue and from 8th Street to Vermont Avenue. Officials say the outage resulted from a damaged line, and that they expect to have power restored within 24 hours. The utility company says they are notifying customers about the outage. The District is setting up shelters to help residents through the cold night.

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#### 10/28 Campaign U

All through this race for the White House, we've given you a front row seat in an Honors Political Science class at American University. This week, after all the campaigning, debating and talk, students finally sat down to reveal their predictions for Election Day. They're predicting that Obama will defeat McCain.

#### 10/28 Loudoun Meal Tax

Virginia's general 5% sales tax applies to restaurant meals. In addition, many cities and towns in the Commonwealth also charge an additional meals tax. There's now a proposal to add a similar restaurant tax to establishments in Loudoun County. The county needs the money because of sharp declines in property taxes, while the county schools continue to grow with more families moving in. Restaurant owners are fighting the plan, claiming that with the economy in such a mess, paying even more could drive customers away.

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Each week of this race for the White House, we've been giving you a front seat for a political science honors class at American University, with Campaign U. Today, students went over the give and take from the debate last night. Many said McCain's time on the offensive reinforced Obama's cool demeanor. But other students claimed the Democratic nominee tried to play it too safe.

#### 10/15 Whale exhibit

Maori warriors from New Zealand are marking the opening of a large whale exhibit at the National Geographic Museum in Washington. The exhibit "Whales Tohora" opens Wednesday, making its first stop on a North American tour. It features a nearly 60-foot sperm whale skeleton and a model of a blue whale's heart that visitors can crawl through.

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#### 10/9 Campaign U

In less than four weeks, we'll know which man will occupy the White House. As the campaign winds down, it also heats up. In today's Campaign U segment, we visited a class at American University where students talked about the change in campaigns as they get nearer election day. Students pointed out that McCain is the candidate behind in the polls and he's the one going on the offensive. Obama is also using negative ads to criticize McCain.

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## 11/25 Hornsby sentence

Former Prince George's County schools superintendent Andre Hornsby has been sentenced to six years in prison for his convictions on wire fraud, witness and evidence tampering and obstruction of justice. His convictions arose from an alleged scheme to cause the county school system to award contracts that benefited close associates and himself.

## 11/20 Bank Robbery Neighborhood

Neighborhoods and schools operated on lockdown as police searched for two of the bank robbery suspects. Officers with guns looked through malls and businesses and blocked off homes. No one was allowed to leave six local schools. The schools assured parents their children were safe. At the end of the school day, students who lived outside the search area could be bused home but others who lived in the area had to be picked up by their parents.

## 11/19 Anacostia HS Stabbing

District of Columbia authorities say three teenagers have been stabbed at Anacostia Senior High School in southeast Washington. D.C. police spokesman Josh Aldiva says a group had been in a fight at the school Wednesday afternoon, when officers found three boys with stab wounds and another boy who had an asthma attack. All were taken to a hospital.

Aldiva says one of the boys has been arrested and other charges are pending. D.C. fire department spokesman Alan Etter says about the same time as the incident, firefighters responded to a small fire set in a hallway at the school.

## 11/18 Obama at Sidwell

Future first lady Michelle Obama visited more DC area schools today in an effort to choose one for her daughters. She toured Sidwell Friends for the second time and is expected to make a follow-up visit to other schools.

## 11/17 Inauguration Preps

Tomorrow is the deadline for a shot at being part of the Inaugural Parade. The committee that's taking applications for the parade extended the deadline on Friday. They've received hundreds of applications from across the country and the requests are still pouring in. Locally, students in the Ballou High School Band are hoping to be chosen for a spot. The school band marched in the parade for the 2005 inauguration.

## 11/14 FFX Board School Cuts

The economic turmoil is hitting one Virginia School District hard. In Fairfax County, schools are looking at more than \$200 million dollars in cuts to make up for a shortfall. In the worst case scenario, Fairfax County Schools will have to make cuts across the board, laying off teachers, increasing class sizes and eliminating programs. It could take Fairfax County schools decades to recover from such drastic cuts.

## 11/6 Campaign U

All through the Presidential election, we've given you a unique perspective through Campaign U, an honors Political Science class at American University. Last week, the students said the electoral map would end up with Obama 326 & McCain 212. They were very close, with the final numbers so far at Obama 349 & McCain at 163. They also missed Florida and Indiana, both of which went to Obama.

## 11/5 Md Slots Future

In Maryland, voters are putting their money on slots. The referendum to allow slot machines at some locations passed in the state, allowing up to 15,000 machines in five locations. Laurel Park is one of the first spots that could get the machines. The slot profits will go to education.

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## 12/31 Suitland Coach dies

Authorities say Suitland High School's football coach has been killed in a two-car crash in Prince George's County. Maryland State Police Trooper Wesley Brown says Nick Lynch was attempting to turn left onto Brandywine Road from Branch Avenue when his 2008 Dodge Magnum was struck Wednesday by a car traveling north on Branch Avenue. The 43-year-old was taken to a hospital where he later died. The driver of the other car suffered a broken leg. Lynch, who also was Suitland's athletic director, had coached the school's football team since 1996. He guided the Rams to state championships in 2004 and 2006. Suitland also made it to the state finals in 1997 and 1998. Lynch graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High in Greenbelt and played wide receiver at East Tennessee State.

## 12/29 Premarital Sex

A new study says teens promising to be abstinent aren't living up to that pledge. Those who take a virginity pledge are having premarital sex just as much as teens who don't. Even more concerning, they're less likely to use birth control.

## 12/23 Neighborhood Water

The water main break on River Road caused big problems for people living in nearby neighborhoods. While they were busy getting ready for Christmas, the water was shut off in their homes for hours. Residents on Accord Drive had little more than a drip coming out of their faucets. Bottled water was hard to find since so many people were having the same problems, stores sold out. Montgomery County Schools dismissed early since they didn't have water.

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## 12/02 AU Professor Killed

An American University professor well-loved by his students was killed while riding his bicycle in India. 38-year old Brent Hurt was a documentary filmmaker. His students say he was one of the best teachers in the Journalism department at AU. He was teaching in Bangalore, India as a visiting professor when he was hit by a bus.

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#### 10/29 Fannie Mae Protest

About 100 activists from a Boston-based housing advocacy group managed to force a meeting with the chief executive of mortgage finance company Fannie Mae Wednesday.

The protesters from the Neighborhood Assistance Corporation of America sat on the steps of the company's expansive brick headquarters and demanded that the government-controlled company modify loans to lower interest rates. After demonstrating for several hours they met with company CEO Herbert Allison and other top managers this afternoon.

Allison was hired seven weeks ago after the government assumed control of Fannie Mae and McLean, Va.-based sibling company Freddie Mac. Together the two companies own or guarantee about \$5 trillion of the nation's outstanding mortgages -- nearly half of the home loans the U.S. After the meeting, which included Allison and other top managers, company spokeswoman Amy Bonitatibus said "we agreed to continue to meet with them and work together on foreclosure prevention."

#### 10/17 FHA Gifting

Couples looking to jump into the real estate market are having to dig much deeper for the down payment money now that lending rules have tightened. Some newlyweds are turning to their wedding gift registry for help. Instead of asking for traditional gifts, their guests will be able to contribute cash gifts specifically earmarked for the couple's downpayment on a ne whome. The downpayment registries can only be opened with HUD or FHA approved lenders.

#### 10/14 Wheeler Terrace

Going green and fighting crime are going hand in hand in Southeast Washington. A long neglected housing complex is getting a makeover and residents hope they'll finally get some peace from the violence and drug wars. The new property owner is using grants to put up a fence and do security checks to keep people safe. 116 units are getting \$33 million makeover that will also make the apartments environmentally sound. A geothermal drill is in use to create a heating system to use the warmth from the earth. There will also be a green roof, a community garden and all energy star appliances.

#### 10/14 Politics

If the election were held today and the latest polls in battleground states are correct, Barack Obama would win the election by a comfortable college. His recent surge is propelled by the perception that he would do a better job of dealing with the current financial crisis. John McCain is hoping to change that idea with some fresh economic ideas. He is proposing that people forced to sell assets, like houses, at a loss in this troubled financial climate would receive accelerated tax deductions under a proposal put forth today.

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## 11/26 Refinancing

Mortgage brokers are pinning their economic hopes on a stunning drop in interest rates overnight. That's spurring a rush for homeowners to refinance. The rates for 30 year fixed mortgages are down from 6 1/4 to 5/14 today. Tuesday, the Federal Reserve injected 600 billion dollars into the system and that brought the rates down dramatically. Many local mortgage brokers say the phones are buzzing and they could work through the weekend to keep up with requests.

## 11/14 FDIC Mortgages

The FDIC is clashing with the Treasury Department over how to fix the mortgage crisis. The Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has submitted a new proposal which requires part of the government bailout money to go more directly to people at risk of losing their homes. The Treasury Department is against the idea.

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## 12/19 Mercury &amp; Sushi

A big name actor is sick and his doctor says its because of something he ate. Jeremy Piven, the star of the HBO Entourage, may be suffering from mercury poisoning. His doctor is blaming sushi. He says Piven's mercury leves are at 6 times the accepted level. Experts say eating sushi in moderation is safe but you should check with your doctor is you have concerns.

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## 10/30 395 chase

Police say a man driving a stolen truck with a suspended license is in custody after causing several accidents and stealing another vehicle during a wild, rush-hour chase.

Det. Crystal Nosal says the 25-year-old Maryland man was spotted Thursday morning by state troopers at an HOV entrance ramp on Interstate 395. She says he tried to back up the ramp, but couldn't go anywhere. Nosal says the man drove away after being asked to come with the troopers. He pulled off I-395 at Shirlington, collided with a trooper's car, another vehicle and a Metro bus. No one on the bus was hurt. Nosal says the man then fled on foot and attempted to carjack a woman, but she fought him off. He then stole another vehicle, and drove back onto I-395, according to police. The chase ended at Reagan National Airport, where he got into another accident with a trooper.

## 10/30 Road Rage Shooting

Police in Hagerstown say a frightening road rage shooting could have been much worse. A family riding in a car last night says a driver was tailgating them. When they stopped at a light, the dad got out and confronted them. The suspect took off, then waited under a railroad underpass for the victims' car. He fired two shots, hitting the side of the car and ripping a seat, just a few inches away from a 17 month old in his car seat. Police are still looking for a suspect.

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A Frederick City police officer is being remember as a father, a friend and a hero. More than 2000 people crowded into a hilltop sanctuary to remember Officer Mark Bremer. He was killed last week in an accident while trying to pull a driver over for a traffic stop.

## 10/28 Loudoun Meal Tax

Virginia's general 5% sales tax applies to restaurant meals. In addition, many cities and towns in the Commonwealth also charge an additional meals tax. There's now a proposal to add a similar restaurant tax to establishments in Loudoun County. The county needs the money because of sharp declines in property taxes, while the county schools continue to grow with more families moving in. Restaurant owners are fighting the plan, claiming that with the economy in such a mess, paying even more could drive customers away.

## 10/28 NAACP sues Virginia Governor

Governor Tim Kaine says Virginia has enough poll workers and voting machines to handle next Tuesday's historic presidential election. On his monthly call-in show on Washington's WTOP radio, Kaine responded today to a Virginia NAACP court claim that the state has failed to prepare for an unprecedented Election Day turnout. Kaine said the state has 4,600 more voting machines than during the 2004 presidential election and 30,000 poll workers, 10,000 more than four years ago. While there will be lines at polling places, he said the State Board of Elections is committed to counting every ballot. In its filing Monday in U.S. District Court, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People said the state has failed to provide enough polling places.

## 10/28 Halloween Safety

Parents have reasons to be worried about letting their kids out for Halloween. Children are four times more likely to be hit by a car on Halloween than any other night of the year. That's not the only danger. Halloween decorations, usually involving candles, account for 900 house fires in the country every year. Local officials are warning parents to do everything they can to help their kids stay safe, from making sure the decorations are fire-proof to getting kids costumes that are easy to see on a dark night.

## 10/21 5 year old boy missing

An explosive day in Judge Robinson's courtroom as new details emerged about Fallah Joe's criminal and mental history. It turns out Joe was let out of jail just days ago after completing a 30 day sentence for failure to get mental treatment, which was a condition of her parole from a previous charge. As the prosecution began bringing up these ugly details, Joe lost control at the defense table and was dragged away by US Marshals. She's accused of leading 5 year old Kamron Wells from the Landmark Plaza Shoppers Food Warehouse on Sunday, triggering a search and an Amber Alert for the boy.

#### 10/20 Stores Closing

In this economy, some big companies are fighting for survival. Circuit City, the nation's number 2 electronics retailer is in a fight for survival. It's barely hanging on, trying to avoid bankruptcy before the critical holiday shopping season. Tight credit conditions have made it difficult for the company to secure financing. The Wall Street Journal reports the company is considering a plan to close 150 stores and lay off thousands of employees.

#### 10/20 Seven Locks Road

Charging documents reveal incredible details of the arrest of 33 year old Jose Garcia-Perlera. He's the man charged in a series of Montgomery County burglaries targeting senior citizens and in the murder of 63 year old Mary Havenstein. The key to unraveling the case was apparently a pawn shop in Hyattsville. This where police say Garcia-Perlera pawned a laptop stolen from a home on Seven Locks Road, the same street where Havenstein lived. Police say they used evidence on that laptop to link Garcia-Perlera to the murder and the other home invasions.

#### 10/20 Georgetown Fire

A D.C. fire official says a two-alarm fire at a Georgetown restaurant caused about \$1 million in damage, but the cause is still under investigation. Spokesman Alan Etter says investigators believe the fire started around 5:15 a.m. Monday in the basement kitchen of Ristorante Piccolo, an Italian eatery in the 1000 block of 31st Street northwest. But Etter says investigators are still looking into what caused the fire. About 110 firefighters were called to the scene to combat the flames. No injuries have been reported.

#### 10/17 Seven Locks Death

Montgomery County police have arrested a suspect in the slaying of a Bethesda woman and other home invasion robberies targeting the elderly. Police charged 33-year-old Jose Juan Garcia-Perlera, of Hyattsville, on Friday with first-degree murder, four counts of robbery and one count of armed robbery. He's being held without bond. Authorities say Garcia-Perlera was arrested Wednesday after investigators searched his home. Police have said DNA evidence officially connected two home invasions with the death of 63-year-old Mary Havenstein, who was killed in her home Sept. 4. In six different incidents, victims were bound and range in age from 63 and 92. Besides Bethesda, the crimes have occurred in Chevy Chase, Potomac and the Foxhall area of northwest Washington.

#### 10/16 Credit Debt

Foreclosed homes were the first sign of our troubled economic times and many believe a rising tide of credit card defaults will be next. The Federal Reserve reports that we owe \$969 billion dollars on credit cards. Market researchers believe \$41 billion of that debt will go bad this year. \$96 billion next year as consumers get in over their heads.

#### 10/15 MD Budget Cuts

Huge budget cuts are taking effect immediately in Maryland. Over the protests of demonstrators, the Board of Public Works unanimously approved the cuts just a few hours ago. Overall, the budget for the state will be cut by about 348 million dollars. Nearly every agency will be cut, including police, corrections, higher education and health. The biggest problem contributing to the deficit is that state tax collections are down significantly.

#### 10/15 DC Beating Death

DC police have arrested a teenager in connection with the beating death of Tony Hunter, a Maryland man who was attacked in Northwest as he walked with a companion to a gay bar. 18 year old Robert Hanna, who police say had been on the run for the last 3 weeks, has been charged with involuntary manslaughter. Investigators originally downplayed the case as a hate crime. Now they say this not only isn't a hate crime, it's not a robbery either. Investigators believe Hunter got into a fight with Robert Hannah when Hunter embarrassed the teen, picked him out of a crowd and grabbed him below the belt.

#### 10/14 Wheeler Terrace

Going green and fighting crime are going hand in hand in Southeast Washington. A long neglected housing complex is getting a makeover and residents hope they'll finally get some peace from the violence and drug wars. The new property owner is using grants to put up a fence and do security checks to keep people safe. 116 units are getting \$33 million makeover that will also make the apartments environmentally sound. A geothermal drill is in use to create a heating system to use the warmth from the earth. There will also be a green roof, a community garden and all energy star appliances.

#### 10/14 MD Voter Deadline

Maryland voters who want to have their say in the presidential election and on a slots referendum face a Tuesday deadline to register. State elections officials say local boards have been flooded with calls and registration applications in recent weeks. They say that's typical in a presidential election year. Last month, the state saw more than 67,000 new registrations. And elections officials project more than 120,000 people will register this month. Offices will remain open until 9 tonight. For voters mailing in their registrations, they must be postmarked today.

#### 10/14 ANC Commissioner Arrested

An ANC Commissioner who says she was just doing her job was arrested in Adams Morgan Sunday and charged with assault on a police officer. Nancy Shia says she was simply taking pictures documenting all the activity on 18th Street when an officer suddenly took her into custody claiming she was impeding an investigation. Police say she walked into a crime scene, refused a police command to stop taking pictures and was arrested. Shia says she hopes a crime camera nearby captured the incident to prove her story.

#### 10/13 McCain Drive

A road in Frederick County, Maryland has a special tie to this election. McCain Drive has local residents talking about the election. Some people who live along the road or do business there say they are staunch Obama supporters, no matter what the road sign says. Others say McCain Drive is the perfect complement to their political beliefs. Ironically, not a single campaign signs is standing along that road.

#### 10/13 Abandoned Baby

Prince George's County police say a baby girl, believed to be only a few hours old, died after she was found abandoned in a plastic trash bag in Takoma Park. Police spokesman Cpl. Clinton Copeland says the baby was found about noon Sunday in the 6300 block of New Hampshire Avenue. She died after she was taken to a hospital. Police say the girl was found by workers in some brush or trees in a residential and commercial area. Authorities are searching for the mother and father.

#### 10/13 Patuxent River Missing Boater

Hope are fading tonight of finding a missing boater alive. Today rescuers resumed their search in the Patuxent River off Solomon's Island. A racing boat flipped over late yesterday. Rescuers pulled three survivors from the water but have not yet managed to find a fourth.

#### 10/10 Factory Closing

A sad weekend furniture sale is scheduled to begin tomorrow in Hagerstown. The Statton Furniture Factory has been in business for 84 years. Now the owners want to sell off as much inventory as possible before going out of business. The company specializes in handmade furniture and has been losing money for years. Rather than slide into bankruptcy, the family that owns Statton has decided on an orderly shut down. After this weekend sales, workers will fill orders from the internet then auction off the machinery and the factory early next year.

#### 10/9 Mogo Asian Robberies

Police in Montgomery County are warning Asian women to be on alert following a series of robberies, the latest coming just last night. Two victims were attacked in the 800 block of Stratform Manor Terrace in Silver Spring as they were about to enter a house. Three other similar attacks against Asian American women are already being investigated by police in Montgomery County. Investigators are also working with police in DC where 10 other attacks were reported. They all bear striking resemblances. The victims are Asian American women and the suspects are believed to be following them home.

#### 10/9 Calvert Child Death

Two little girls found dead in a freezer in Calvert County have been tentatively identified as two sisters adopted by Renee Bowman. She remains in jail accused of killing them. Now, a community effort is underway to make sure the girls get a proper burial. A woman with no connection to the family is planning the funeral. She works for a child abuse and neglect prevention non-profit group and frequently arranges funerals when no one claims the bodies of homeless people and young victims of violent crimes. A local mortuary and funeral home are helping to bury the girls at no cost.

#### 10/8 Great Streets

A big honor for an Arlington, Virginia neighborhood. The American Planning Association says one of the country's great streets is at the intersection of Wilson and Clarendon Boulevards. Along with a community feeling, the APA also credits the area with using public transportation.

#### 10/8 Missing Babysitter

A frantic mother is pleading for the safe return of her baby tonight. He's been missing with his 15 year old babysitter for more than a day. The babysitter left a Rockville apartment building yesterday morning without the mother's permission. Police say the babysitter and the baby were spotted in Landover yesterday afternoon but there has been no contact since then. The babysitter, Regina Abraham, was only supposed to watch the 18 month old until his father could arrive. She's a cousin of the baby's mother. The family doesn't know why the girl took off with the baby.

#### 10/8 DC Hate Crime

The two men charged with attacking a Georgetown medical student went before a judge for the first time today. The pair are accused of a hate crime, targeting, taunting and assaulting a man because he is gay. At the end of the court appearance, the alleged ring leader Saad Elorch jumped up and begged the judge to let him go. The judge refused. Both suspects have prior convictions for things like drug possession and assault. Elorch was even on probation in Virginia at the time of the assault. A judge denied Elorch and Abdulgader Ruddad bond.

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#### 11/25 K St. Bank Robbery

A bank robbery in broad daylight in one of the busiest intersections in Downtown DC. A man tried to rob the PNC bank at 14th & K, but a cab driver helped crack this case. The robber jumped into a cab as his getaway car, then paid with a wad of stolen cash. The money was covered in ink so the cabbie knew something was wrong and contacted police. He was able to show police where he dropped the man off and give them a description. Officers arrested a suspect soon after.

#### 11/25 Belt Road Double Homicide

DC police say they're making progress in the murders of Michael and Virginia Spevak, a couple found beaten and stabbed inside their Northwest home last weekend. Investigators are now examining evidence connected to the crime. They found the couple's car torched in an alley in Petworth, then found several items belonging to the Spevaks in the backyard of a nearby home. Fox 5 has learned two men taken in for questioning have been arrested on outstanding warrants but are not connected to the murder.

#### 11/24 Belt Road Double Homicide

There are new developments tonight in the weekend murders of a psychiatrist and his wife Michael and Virginia Spevak were found viciously beaten and stabbed inside their Chevy Chase home. Investigators now believe burglary or robbery may have been the motive. The focus of the investigation has now turned to a row house on Ingraham Street where police say they found evidence from the murder. Police spent much of the day searching the back yard of the home where the Spevaks' car was found burned Sunday morning.

#### 11/21 Museum reopened

The National Museum of American History has reopened after a two-year, \$85 million renovation. Former Secretary of State Colin Powell read President Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address on Friday morning to a crowd of at least 200 people who had gathered on the museum's steps before the doors opened. Costumed historic characters portraying George and Martha Washington, among others, are on hand for a three-day festival to celebrate the reopening. Inside, visitors found favorite exhibits such as Kermit the Frog and a gallery devoted to the American presidency. A line quickly formed outside the Star-Spangled Banner gallery. The museum opened with the firing of a cannon from that era.

#### 11/21 Castle Blvd Body

Montgomery County police say they know the identify of a young woman found murdered in the stairwell of a Silver Spring apartment building Tuesday. Her name is Davonn Dupree, a 14 year old runaway from Fairfax County. She'd been missing since October 29th. Police released pictures of her clothing and jewelry to try to identify her. A family member saw them and called police.

#### 11/21 DC Central Kitchen

A surprising number of families are unable to afford food in this economy and area foodbanks are worried that Thanksgiving dinner will be the first of many missed meals unless they get more donations. The DC Central Kitchen delivers meals to the homeless every day and say they're having a tough time keeping up with the demand from people who need food.

#### 11/21 Clarksville Bank Robbery

Federal authorities say a Silver Spring man has admitted shooting a teller in the hand during a robbery at a Howard County bank. Forty-two-year-old Anirudh Sukhu was charged Friday with armed bank robbery and ordered held until a detention hearing on Tuesday. Court documents say Sukhu shot the Bank of America teller in the hand as Sukhu and two other men robbed the Clarksville branch on Thursday. The trio led police on a chase into the Burtonsville area of Montgomery County, where they bailed out. Police say as officers tried to arrest 24-year-old Omar Burnett of Burtonsville, he fired at them and was fatally shot when they returned fire. Sukhu was arrested later in Silver Spring and, according to court documents, told police he participated in the robbery and fired at the teller. A third person is still being sought.

#### 11/20 Metro Inauguration

The Washington area transit chief says passengers should expect packed Metro rail cars, packed buses and long lines on Inauguration Day. Authorities say people will probably have to wait an hour or more just to get into Washington's downtown metro stations after the new U.S. president is sworn in.

**11/20 Swann Street**

Three men are now indicted in the murder of lawyer Robert Wone. He was found stabbed to death inside the Dupont Circle home of a friend in August 2006. Joseph Price, Victor Zaborsky and Dylan Ward have all been charged with obstruction of justice. Investigators believe one of them killed Wone and the other three worked together to cover it up.

**11/20 Clarksville Bank Robbery**

Montgomery County police say a bank robbery suspect was killed in a shootout with officers after a chase through at least three counties. Police say they are interviewing a second suspect, and a third is still being sought, but police do not believe he is still in the area. Howard County police say the men robbed the Bank of America on Ten Oaks Road in Clarksville around 9:15 a.m. Thursday. A bank employee was shot in the hand during the robbery. The men fled in a pickup truck, and police say they chased them through Anne Arundel County to the Burtonsville area of Montgomery County, where the men bailed out. Montgomery County Police say one suspect was shot during an exchange of gunfire with state troopers and police officers from Howard and Prince George's counties. But it is not clear which agency's round struck the man.

**11/19 American History Museum Reopening**

President George W. Bush is helping to re-open the National Museum of American History after an \$85 million facelift that took two years. Speaking at the dedication ceremony Wednesday for the renovated museum, Bush urged all Americans to come to Washington to visit this "fantastic place of learning." The nearly 200-year-old Star Spangled Banner is the centerpiece of a dramatic new gallery. Architects also have reorganized the central core of the museum to make it easier to navigate and to help visitors find the history they're looking for. Popular exhibits like Dorothy's ruby slippers from "The Wizard of Oz" will again be on view. Doors to the overhauled museum will be open to the public starting Friday.

**11/19 Gas Outage**

Washington Gas Light officials say about 400 homes in northwest Washington are without gas service. The outage is affecting homes in the Shaw area from U Street to Rhode Island Avenue and from 8th Street to Vermont Avenue. Officials say the outage resulted from a damaged line, and that they expect to have power restored within 24 hours. The utility company says they are notifying customers about the outage. The District is setting up shelters to help residents through the cold night.

**11/19 Anacostia HS Stabbing**

District of Columbia authorities say three teenagers have been stabbed at Anacostia Senior High School in southeast Washington. D.C. police spokesman Josh Aldiva says a group had been in a fight at the school Wednesday afternoon, when officers found three boys with stab wounds and another boy who had an asthma attack. All were taken to a hospital.

Aldiva says one of the boys has been arrested and other charges are pending. D.C. fire department spokesman Alan Etter says about the same time as the incident, firefighters responded to a small fire set in a hallway at the school.

**11/18 Quebec Place Fire**

Fire officials say they recovered the body of an unidentified adult after a rowhouse fire in northwest Washington. Fire department spokesman Alan Etter says the body was found on the second floor of the home on Quebec Place. He says the fire destroyed the home and damaged at least two others. Firefighters rescued a dog, which was being treated for severe burns. The dog later died. Officials say the cause of the fire is under investigation.

**11/18 I-66 Mattress Accident**

A freak accident on Interstate 66 killed a driver. She swerved to miss a mattress that fell off a truck, then lost control and her SUV flipped over. She was thrown from the vehicle. Police have not found the driver of the truck that lost the mattress. They're urging the driver to come forward. The driver was not wearing her seatbelt.

#### 11/17 Cold Case

DC Police are hoping new technology will help investigators solve a baffling cold case. In 1990, the body of a young woman, stabbed and beaten, was found in a Northeast dumpster. The case is still unsolved in part because detectives don't know who she is. Now, police are releasing a computer generated photo of her face. It looks like a professional portrait but was created from an autopsy photo. Police hope someone will recognize her and come forward with her name.

#### 11/17 Inauguration Preps

Tomorrow is the deadline for a shot at being part of the Inaugural Parade. The committee that's taking applications for the parade extended the deadline on Friday. They've received hundreds of applications from across the country and the requests are still pouring in. Locally, students in the Ballou High School Band are hoping to be chosen for a spot. The school band marched in the parade for the 2005 inauguration.

#### 11/14 First Female Four Star General

Ann Dunwoody, after 33 years in the Army, ascended Friday to a peak never before reached by a woman in the U.S. military: four-star general. At an emotional promotion ceremony, Dunwoody looked back on her years in uniform and said it was a credit to the Army - and a great surprise to her - that she would make history in a male-dominated military. Dunwoody comes from a military family and was born at Fort Belvoir, VA.

#### 11/14 4th Street Double Shooting

A gunman with an assault rifle shot and killed a 15 year old boy last night and wounded a 40 year old man. The teen was a Freshman at Ballou Senior High. The boy, Cinquan Tinker, was locked out of his apartment and waiting for his dad to come home with the key. He was sitting on a fence when someone with an assault rifle came into the parking lot and opened fire. Police say the motive is still unclear.

#### 11/14 FFX Board School Cuts

The economic turmoil is hitting one Virginia School District hard. In Fairfax County, schools are looking at more than \$200 million dollars in cuts to make up for a shortfall. In the worst case scenario, Fairfax County Schools will have to make cuts across the board, laying off teachers, increasing class sizes and eliminating programs. It could take Fairfax County schools decades to recover from such drastic cuts.

#### 11/6 Inauguration Preps

The demand for a seat at the Presidential Inauguration is high, with people scrambling to get tickets, even though they're not even out yet. Tickets don't even exist but web sites are still offering them for thousands of dollars. The best tickets are free, you just have to call your congressperson or Senator in order to get one.

#### 11/5 Obama Newspapers

Barack Obama's win sent people scrambling for momentos today, most notably a copy of the Washington Post. By 10am, all papers were gone, every copy sold. That surprise sent Post officials scrambling to print more. That's still not enough. The Post printed out a commemorative edition late this afternoon and sold those out. The company is now promising to print even more copies tomorrow.

#### 11/5 U Street History

For four days, 40 years ago, Washington burned in race riots. The 1968 riots in the District started on U street, the center of the African American community here. Now, decades later, the same streets are filled with celebration with news that a black man has been elected President of the United States.

#### 11/4 Election Getting Ready

In our area, the rush to vote could result in unprecedented lines at the polling places. Already today, there were long lines in DC where in-person absentee voting was going on all day. Elections officials around the region have been busy and say they're all hoping to be ready no matter how many voters show up tomorrow.

#### 11/4 PW Co. Battleground

Prince William County is traditionally a Republican leaning county but it's not a sure thing for the GOP this time around. Prince William is a battleground county in a battleground state. The Northern Virginia Regional Commission just released a study showing that the county is the most ethnically and racially diverse in the region. Once dedicated Republicans are now wavering in their support while Democrats are hoping to pick up the votes in an area they once had little chance of winning.

11/3 Swann St

More than two years after a DC lawyer was found stabbed to death inside a Dupont Circle townhouse, there are disturbing revelations coming to light about what happened there. The three men who lived there claim an intruder killed Robert Wone, but newly released documents from the government say the men colluded with one another in a cover up. Investigators aren't saying who carried out the murder but one of the townhouse residents, Dylan Ward, has been charged with obstruction of justice. In an affidavit, the government claims the men moved the body, cleaned up the blood, planted evidence, lied to police, then waited more than an hour to call 911.

11/1 Free Stuff

Those little stickers you get that read "I voted" are more than just a nice Election Day souvenir. They could also get you free stuff tomorrow. Several businesses are offering prizes if you show your sticker. Starbucks is giving away free coffee, California Tortilla is giving away winning burritos for the lunch crowd. Krispy Kreme is also in the action, handing out free election themed donuts. Even the swanky salon Christophe is in the swing of things, cutting 1/2 off their prices for haircuts and services on Election Day.



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#### 12/31 Suitland Coach dies

Authorities say Suitland High School's football coach has been killed in a two-car crash in Prince George's County. Maryland State Police Trooper Wesley Brown says Nick Lynch was attempting to turn left onto Brandywine Road from Branch Avenue when his 2008 Dodge Magnum was struck Wednesday by a car traveling north on Branch Avenue. The 43-year-old was taken to a hospital where he later died. The driver of the other car suffered a broken leg. Lynch, who also was Suitland's athletic director, had coached the school's football team since 1996. He guided the Rams to state championships in 2004 and 2006. Suitland also made it to the state finals in 1997 and 1998. Lynch graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High in Greenbelt and played wide receiver at East Tennessee State.

#### 12/31 Wind Injuries

Winds gusting up to 50 miles per hour sent trees crashing to the ground. One killed a priest in Loudoun County who stopped to move another tree out of the road. A two year old boy is fighting for his life after a falling tree limb hit him in the head in Kensington. Tens of thousands of customers are without power.

#### 12/30 Money Holiday Retail

The grim outlook for the economy was affirmed Tuesday by separate reports showing consumer confidence and housing prices have plummeted to all-time lows. Illustrating the depths of the recession, consumer confidence hit a more than 40-year low in December in the face of rising layoffs, while home prices in 10 major U.S. cities dropped in October by the sharpest amount in 21 years. Consumers have been nervous about spending for months -- putting off big-ticket purchases, forgoing new clothes and choosing store brands at the grocery store -- all of which may make this the worst holiday season for retailers in decades.

#### 12/29 Backlick Road Gas Leak

A gas leak forced the closure of a major Northern Virginia commuter route. Backlick Road closed around 8:30 this morning after a 12 inch high gas main ruptured just south of Edsall Road. There are no service disruptions but some businesses had to be evacuated.

#### 12/29 Bank robbery Hostage

A terrifying night for a Clinton Maryland family. Two strangers followed a woman home from work, forced their way into her home, and held her family at gunpoint. After 12 hours, the gunmen tried to take the family to the bank where she works, to steal money. When her husband, James Spruill, noticed a State Trooper, he began driving erratically to get his attention. He got pulled over and managed to let the Trooper know the man had a gun. The Trooper arrested the suspect. One more man is on the run.

#### 12/26 11th Place Child Fatal

DC Police are investigating an early morning fire that led to the discovery of a murdered child. Police were called to the home in Southeast after a naked woman ran down the street to flag down police. Police then found the body of the little girl in her bed, stabbed to death. Police believe the mother, high on PCP, stabbed the child then set the fire and ran down the street.

#### 12/26 DC Speed Cameras

Starting today, a ticket from a DC speed camera will cost you money. They've been set up all over the city for weeks, snapping violators and sending out warning tickets. Effective today, the warnings are over and you'll have to pay a fine if a camera catches you speeding.

#### 12/26 Church Parking Attack.

Police are warning the man who brutally attacked a senior citizen on the way to Midnight Mass to turn himself in. Wayne Williams was parking his car at church Christmas Eve when he was attacked by a man with a baseball bat outside Holy Redeemer Church in College Park.

#### 12/24 Water Main Break

WSSC has not even started repairs on the broken pipe that sent deep water gushing down River Road. The water washed away so much dirt that it exposed part of an underground gas line. There's fear that the work could damage the gas line and cause more problems. The County Executive hopes to have the road opened by the weekend.

#### 12/24 Park Police Rescue

Park Police rescuers responded to the River Road break, pulling people from their cars while water gushed down the road. Police Sgt. Kevin Chittick says it was a particularly tricky rescue for a woman who was afraid to get out of her car. If she slipped and fell, she was in danger of being washed down the hill and into a creek that flows into the Potomac. A rescuer on the ground helped her to safety.

#### 12/23 Neighborhood Water

The water main break on River Road caused big problems for people living in nearby neighborhoods. While they were busy getting ready for Christmas, the water was shut off in their homes for hours. Residents on Accord Drive had little more than a drip coming out of their faucets. Bottled water was hard to find since so many people were having the same problems, stores sold out. Montgomery County Schools dismissed early since they didn't have water.

#### 12/22 Salvation Army Gold Coin

A mysterious tradition continues for the Salvation Army in Frederick, Maryland. Someone dropped a gold coin inside the donation kettle. It's valued at about \$900. The tradition started about five years ago. The week before Christmas, an anonymous donor drops a gold coin into one of the kettles in Frederick. It goes a long way toward the Salvation's Army's efforts to help people in need.

#### 12/22 Cold Weather

Today's extreme cold has city officials worried about the people who aren't sheltered from the weather. Cold weather shelters opened up around the District today. Crews also went out to help people get to the shelters if they need it.

#### 12/15 Inauguratoon Getting Around

January 20th might be a good day to leave town. If 2 to 4 million people crowd into DC for the Presidential Inauguration, there's concern the crowd could paralyze the city. Transportation officials are working daily to come up with a plan to keep the city moving. Metro says it can move 120-thousand people an hour but Metro says even that's not fast enough if 2-4 million people show up.

#### 12/15 Blair Road Homicide

A resident of a Northeast group home has been arrested and charged with killing one of her housemates. It happened Sunday on Blair Road in what city officials describe as a halfway house for the mentally ill. 48year old Donna Gardner is charged in the case. City officials say she has a long history of mental illness.

#### 12/11 Inaugural Security

The inauguration has been designated as a National Special Security Event. When an event is designated an NSSE, the United States Secret Service assumes its role as the lead federal agency for the design and implementation of the operational security plan. The Metropolitan Police Department, the U.S. Capitol Police and the U.S. Park Police as well as a number of other federal and local agencies will play an active role in securing this event and resources will be deployed to maintain the level of security needed for the designated events.

#### 12/11 Canteen Returned

A World War 2 veteran who had his battlefield equipment stolen from him as he returned to the US in 1945 was reunited with his things. The etchings he made on his drinking cup that went along with his canteen helped the person who eventually ended up with the stuff track him down after all this time.

#### 12/10 Winchester Shop Prizes

Businesses in downtown Winchester are teaming up to offer prizes to people who shop in their stores. The prizes range from hotel stays, to saving bonds to a Waterford crystal lamp.

#### 12/10 Inauguration Bar Hours

Two U.S. Senators are asking DC's council to reverse a decision to let bars, nightclubs and restaurants stay open 24 hours during inauguration week. They fear it will cause security problems.

#### 12/10 Inaugural Papers

All the excitement over the upcoming inauguration prompted the National Archives to pull out pieces of

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Presidential history rarely seen by the public. We take a look at some of the historical documents that helped form the office of the President, including George Washington's thoughts on the oath of office.

#### 12/10 DTV Converter Hook Up

We took viewers through the step-by-step process, on how to hook up a converter box for the DTV switch.

#### 12/10 Robbery Prosky Obit

An actor who made it big in Hollywood, but never forgot his roots in DC, died. We did an obit piece on him.

#### 12/9 Inauguration Food

Come inauguration week - there may be a shortage of food. Not only will there be more demand, but delivery trucks may have a hard time getting to stores and restaurants in all the traffic. Also - there could be a shortage of cell phone service.

#### 12/9 Metro Fabric Seats

Metro is rolling out new features on rail cars to get the public's feedback. They are testing new floors and fabric seats that will be on future cars.

#### 12/9 Stuff a Truck - Kids Cafe

Stuff a Truck is our annual food drive for the Capital Area Food Bank. We profiled one of the organizations that depends on the food bank - The Kids Cafe.

#### 12/9 Pit Bull Attacks Woman

An elderly woman was attacked by a pit bull while taking out her trash in Southeast DC last night. Today we talked to neighbors. The dog that attacked was shot by police and put down by the humane society. The woman is still in critical condition.

#### 12/9 Inaugural Parade Picks

Several local bands have been selected to perform in the Inaugural Parade. We were live with one of them while they practiced today.

#### 12/8 Stuff a Truck - Changing Face

Stuff a Truck is our annual food drive for the Capital Area Food Bank. Damien Ministries is one of the many agencies that counts on the food bank. It provides groceries to people every month. We talked to Damien Ministries about their organization, and the changing face of the people who use their services. They are noticing more and more people ask for emergency help because of the hard economic times.

#### 12/8 Inaugural Street Vendors

D.C.'s street vendors say the city is preventing them from making money on Inauguration Day. The city anticipates up to 5,000 applications for about 500 temporary vending licenses. D.C.'s Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs officials say that prized locations on streets around the National Mall will be selected by lottery. Local vendors say they're being treated like out-of-towners and don't want to relinquish lucrative assigned spots in downtown D.C. They say they want to be close to customers waiting to get into the parade and swearing-in, areas that are controlled by the city.

#### 12/8 Great Depression

Think the economy is bad now? We talked with a local 90-year-old man who lived through the Great Depression. He shared his stories with us.

#### 12/8 Free Inaugural Stay

While some are charging hundreds, even thousands of dollars to rent their homes, a Virginia couple is offering up the basement of their house for free to someone coming to DC for the inauguration. Applicants have to write an essay describing why they deserve the free stay. The couple will pick a winner.

#### 12/5 DC Cop Homicide Rate

The District is about to mark a milestone in the war on crime. For five straight years, the city has recorded less than 200 murders. What's more eye-opening, though, is the rate in which detectives are solving them well above the national average. Police say there's been a change in cooperation over the past few years and people who may have information about a crime are now more willing to come forward.

#### 12/5 Inauguration Crowds

Record crowds are expected for the Inauguration and DC officials say they are ready. The mayor had his top security chiefs today released the District's annual report on the State of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The report promises DC's first responders are trained and prepared to handle anything from a huge crowd at an the inaugural parade to a terrorist attack.

#### 12/03 DC Bar Laws

The D.C. Council has approved emergency legislation allowing the city's bars, nightclubs and restaurants to stay open around the clock for four days around President-elect Barack Obama's inauguration. The bill allows any establishment with a liquor license to serve alcohol until 5 a.m. and serve food at any hour from Jan. 17 until the morning of Jan. 21.

The council approved the measure in a 9-4 vote Tuesday and was pushed by the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington. The organization says the inauguration is a rare event that is worthy of special rules. Councilman Phil Mendelson was among those voting against it, saying the relaxed regulations could cause more crime, violence and drunken driving.

#### 12/3 7 shot in Trinidad

DC police say they've solved the July 19th murder of 13 year old Alonzo Robinson, an innocent bystander caught in the crossfire of a neighborhood feud. Police say four of the five men are now in custody, charged with carrying out a string of robberies and shootings designed to terrorize the Northeast community of Trinidad.

#### 12/3 Bethesda Fire

Montgomery County fire officials say 2 1/2-year-old triplet boys are in critical condition after being rescued from a house fire. Fire and rescue spokesman Pete Piringer says firefighters responded to the 4800 block of Jamestown Road in Bethesda around 1:30 p.m. Wednesday after reports of heavy smoke coming from the back of a brick colonial house. When crews arrived, Piringer says the triplets' father alerted firefighters that he had tried to grab his children, but couldn't. Two firefighters suffered minor injuries while rescuing the toddlers from an upstairs bedroom. Piringer says the father was taken to a hospital for possible burns and smoke inhalation. The cause of the blaze is under investigation.

#### 12/3 Armored Car Robbery

Robbers armed with military style assault rifles and an armored car guard engaged in a morning shootout in Laurel, right in the middle of a busy shopping center. Police say the robbery was well thoughtout. The suspects robbed the armored car driver, jumped into the SUV parked next to it, then swapped it for another SUV a few blocks away.

#### 12/02 AU Professor Killed

An American University professor well-loved by his students was killed while riding his bicycle in India. 38-year old Brent Hurt was a documentary filmmaker. His students say hew as one of the best teachers in the Journalism department at AU. He was teaching in Bangalore, India as a visiting professor when he was hit by a bus.

#### 12/02 Mogo Suspicious Death

65 year old Billy Joe Ray was found dead inside his apartment in Damascus, Maryland last night. Investigators say he died from trauma to his upper body and was probably killed sometime Monday. Neighbors say Ray was known as a kind and generous man who helped his neighbors whenever they needed him. Police have no suspects and no motive in the murder.

#### 12/01 Gaithersburg Ditch Ax

A Gaithersburg woman is out of the hospital after a horrifying fall into an open trench. The woman was out walking her dog last night when she fell into a 6 by 8 trench dug by crews working on a water main. Cheryl Harris is now recuperating at home. Crews are filling in the hole to protect anyone else from falling in.

#### 12/01 Cyber Monday

Retailers who saw Thanksgiving holiday sales drop off as the weekend progressed stepped up online promotions on the day known as "Cyber Monday" to try to get consumers tired of the crowds at stores to keep shopping. But after weeks of already heavy discounting both at regular stores and online, experts were doubtful that the day would give much of a lift to what is still expected to be one of the weakest holiday seasons in years.

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## 10/30 Metro Loan

A federal judge has granted temporary relief to Metro after a Belgian bank threatened to immediately collect \$43 million from the transit agency. KBC Group requested the money following the collapse of insurance giant American International Group, which had guaranteed a financing deal KBC made with Metro in 2002. Metro says the bank's demand would require it to make immediate cuts and could prompt other banks to collect on similar deals. The agency has warned the transit agencies around the country could face the same predicament. U.S. District Judge Rosemary M. Collyer said Thursday she will hold a hearing within 10 days to give the parties a chance to argue more about the merits of the case.

## 10/30 395 chase

Police say a man driving a stolen truck with a suspended license is in custody after causing several accidents and stealing another vehicle during a wild, rush-hour chase.

Det. Crystal Nosal says the 25-year-old Maryland man was spotted Thursday morning by state troopers at an HOV entrance ramp on Interstate 395. She says he tried to back up the ramp, but couldn't go anywhere. Nosal says the man drove away after being asked to come with the troopers. He pulled off I-395 at Shirlington, collided with a trooper's car, another vehicle and a Metro bus. No one on the bus was hurt. Nosal says the man then fled on foot and attempted to carjack a woman, but she fought him off. He then stole another vehicle, and drove back onto I-395, according to police. The chase ended at Reagan National Airport, where he got into another accident with a trooper.

## 10/30 Road Rage Shooting

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## 10/17 Suitland Pkwy Body

A Maryland family is looking for answers tonight on why it took so long for police to find the body of 50 year old Jean Kearney. She'd been missing since last Monday. Her body was found in the woods along Suitland Parkway yesterday more than a week after her car crashed into a tree. Police say they had found no signs of Kearney after the crash and ran the tags. Her family had reported her missing the day after Park Police found her car. Prince George's County police knew she was missing and Park Police knew about the accident but somehow days passed before her body was discovered.

## 10/16 Avanti Place Cabbie Death

A cab driver is dead in what law enforcement sources are describing as an execution style murder. The man was shot in the back of the head and dumped out of his cab on a side street in Landover. Police found the cab a few miles away in Suitland where they also arrested a suspect. The suspect was already wanted by police in another recent shooting. Police are not releasing the victim's name until his family is notified.

## 10/9 Peds hit by Dump Truck

A dump truck struck an elderly couple walking along Route 118 in Germantown this afternoon. They were inside a construction zone that was closed to regular traffic. A dump truck backed up and hit them, killing the 74 year old woman. Her 74 year old husband is in critical condition. Investigators are checking to see whether the truck's lights and audible warnings were working.

## 10/8 Great Streets

A big honor for an Arlington, Virginia neighborhood. The American Planning Association says one of the country's great streets is at the intersection of Wilson and Clarendon Boulevards. Along with a community feeling, the APA also credits the area with using public transportation

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#### 11/25 K St. Bank Robbery

A bank robbery in broad daylight in one of the busiest intersections in Downtown DC. A man tried to rob the PNC bank at 14th & K, but a cab driver helped crack this case. The robber jumped into a cab as his getaway car, then paid with a wad of stolen cash. The money was covered in ink so the cabbie knew something was wrong and contacted police. He was able to show police where he dropped the man off and give them a description. Officers arrested a suspect soon after.

#### 11/24 TSA Family Lines

The TSA is introducing new family lines just in time for Thanksgiving. The lines let parents move through airport security at their own pace without holding up the lines behind them. The lines are also for people who need to carry more than 3 ounces of medicine on board. It allows them to get the extra screening to allow the liquid on board.

#### 11/20 New Dulles runway

Dulles International Airport has opened up its first new runway since 1962, just in time for peak Thanksgiving travel. The new runway is the fourth to be built at the Washington-area airport and is expected to begin alleviating congestion immediately in the busy holiday season.

#### 11/20 Metro Inauguration

The Washington area transit chief says passengers should expect packed Metro rail cars, packed buses and long lines on Inauguration Day. Authorities say people will probably have to wait an hour or more just to get into Washington's downtown metro stations after the new U.S. president is sworn in.

#### 11/19 Purple Line Update

New debate over expanding Metro between Bethesda and New Carrollton. State officials in Maryland want to know your opinion on the proposed Purple Line. The state is deciding whether it should be part of the light rail system or whether to save hundreds of millions of dollars and build express bus lanes instead. A meeting tonight in College Park will give the public input into the decision. The light rail option will be so expensive that there's virtually no possibility to secure crucial federal funding.

#### 11/18 Automakers Bailout

Detroit's Big Three automakers pleaded with Congress on Tuesday for a \$25 billion lifeline to save their teetering industrial titans from collapse, warning of economic catastrophe for the nation as well as their once-proud companies if they are denied. Millions of layoffs would follow, they said. Even national security would be at risk. But the new rescue plan appeared stalled on Capitol Hill, opposed by Republicans and the Bush administration who don't want to dip into the Treasury Department's \$700 billion financial bailout program to come up with the \$25 billion in loans.

#### 11/18 I-66 Mattress Accident

A freak accident on Interstate 66 killed a driver. She swerved to miss a mattress that fell off a truck, then lost control and her SUV flipped over. She was thrown from the vehicle. Police have not found the driver of the truck that lost the mattress. They're urging the driver to come forward. The driver was not wearing her seatbelt.

#### 11/17 Automaker Bailout

The Bush White House stressed Monday that it supports help for the struggling auto industry, but believes it should not be taken from the \$700 billion financial system rescue program. As lawmakers were returning to a lame duck session to focus on the troubled industry, President Bush's chief spokeswoman issued a statement saying the administration "does not want U.S. automakers to fail." She complained that reporting on the White House's on this issue has involved "attempts to shorthand the administration's position." Democrats want to use part of the \$700 billion Wall Street bailout for emergency loans to help prop up the Big Three carmakers. General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler LLC are seeking an infusion of \$25 billion, a figure that several Senate Democrats embraced Sunday. Senate Democrats plan to introduce legislation Monday attaching an auto bailout to a House-passed bill extending unemployment benefits. A vote was expected as early as Wednesday.



#### 11/17 I-66 Double Fatal

Police say a teenager traveling the wrong way on Interstate 66 crashed head-on into another car, killing two women. Virginia State Police say charges are pending against the 17-year-old driver from Fairfax County. Authorities believe alcohol was a factor in the crash. Police say the teen was traveling westbound in the eastbound lanes of I-66 near Washington Boulevard about 2:15 a.m. when his vehicle hit a Toyota Corolla. Police say two female passengers in the Corolla were killed. The male driver is hospitalized with non-life-threatening injuries. The teen driver and his passenger, also a 17-year-old male, are hospitalized with non-life-threatening injuries.

#### 11/14 Metro Loan Hearing

Metro dodged a \$43 million bullet today. The case that wound up in federal court in Washington involved a railcar lease-back deal between Metro and the Belgian-based KBC Group. Part of the contract required that the transaction be insured by the triple-A rated AIG company. Since AIG has gotten shakey, the bank effectively "called in the loan" to Metro with penalties amounting to 43 (m) million dollars. The case wound up before U.S. District Judge Rosemary Collyer. She ordered both sides to settle. After 2 and a half days with the judge acting as mediator, Metro and the bank did compromise for an undisclosed amount of money.

During the course of the arguments, the judge made a couple of points in open court: 1. Under contract law, the bank might prevail. 2. The DAMAGE amount claimed by the bank might not hold up. Effectively, the judge told both sides: settle.

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#### 11/1 14 yr old Fatal Shooting

Montgomery County Police are looking for help finding out the identity of the man who fled into a Ride On bus Saturday night. The shooting killed a 14 year old boy and wounded two of his friends. It happened on Piney Branch Road as the bus came to a stop at Arliss Street. Police say there were more than 20 witnesses on the bus but none of the surveillance cameras in the area captured anything.

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#### 12/31 Suitland Coach dies

Authorities say Suitland High School's football coach has been killed in a two-car crash in Prince George's County. Maryland State Police Trooper Wesley Brown says Nick Lynch was attempting to turn left onto Brandywine Road from Branch Avenue when his 2008 Dodge Magnum was struck Wednesday by a car traveling north on Branch Avenue. The 43-year-old was taken to a hospital where he later died. The driver of the other car suffered a broken leg. Lynch, who also was Suitland's athletic director, had coached the school's football team since 1996. He guided the Rams to state championships in 2004 and 2006. Suitland also made it to the state finals in 1997 and 1998. Lynch graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High in Greenbelt and played wide receiver at East Tennessee State.

#### 12/30 Van into Condo

A bizarre accident at a car wash in DC. A car wash worker worker lost control of a van, hit tow people then slammed into a condo across the street. It happened on 13th and N Streets Northwest. Police say the worker at the car wash had a seizure while driving the van and lost control.

#### 12/29 Backlick Road Gas Leak

A gas leak forced the closure of a major Northern Virginia commuter route. Backlick Road closed around 8:30 this morning after a 12 inch high gas main ruptured just south of Edsall Road. There are no service disruptions but some businesses had to be evacuated.

#### 12/26 DC Speed Cameras

Starting today, a ticket from a DC speed camera will cost you money. They've been set up al over the city for weeks, snapping violators and sending out warning tickets. Effective today, the warnings are over and you'll have to pay a fine if a camera catches you speeding.

#### 12/24 Water Main Break

WSSC has not even started repairs on the broken pipe that sent deep water gushing down River Road. The water washed away so much dirt that it exposed part of an underground gas line. There's fear that the work could damage the gas line and cause more problems. The County Executive hopes to have the road opened by the weekend.

#### 12/24 Park Police Rescue

Park Police rescuers responded to the River Road break, pulling people from their cars while water gushed down the road. Police Sgt. Kevin Chittick says it was a particularly tricky rescue for a woman who was afraid to get out of her car. If she slipped and fell, she was in danger of being washed down the hill and into a creek that flows into the Potomac. A rescuer on the ground helped her to safety.

#### 12/23 Rescued People

A terrifying ride this morning that commuters never expected. A 66 inch water main burst, pouring a deep flood of water onto River Road. Within seconds, the fast flowing water trapped people in their cars. Rescuers helped pull them out from the ground and from helicopters. No one was seriously hurt.

#### 12/23 TSA Holiday Travel

Because of the recession, AAA predicts that holiday travel out of the DC area will be down by nearly 8% this year. Of course, around the county millions of people will still head out of town for Christmas. Those flying will notice a difference in airline security. The TSA added special screening lines for people with families and those who need to carry liquid medicines. It gives them extra time to get through the lines without holding up travelers behind them.

#### 12/19 Auto Rescue Plan

President Bush is bailing out the auto industry with a \$17 billion dollar cash infusion. The plan will keep Chrysler and GM afloat in the short term adn requires the companies to restructure and show they can turn a profit in three months. Experts aren't optimistic that they can do it. President elect Barack Obama warned the companies not to squander this opportunity.

#### 12/18 Metro Inauguration

As Inauguration Day approaches, Metro is tweaking its plans. The agency plans to run rush hour trains

from 4am to 9pm and charge rush hour prices for the rides. You'll also need cash to park at Metro parking lots. They're not accepting Smarttrip cards. Metro is making the changes to deal with what it believes will be an unprecedented number of riders on Inauguration Day.

#### 12/16 Seat Belt Suffocation

A five year old boy is in critical condition tonight after he was got his seat belt entangled around his neck. It happened in Prince George's County yesterday as the boy's mother was driving on I-95. The woman called 911 screaming that her son had passed out and had the seat belt around him. Police say the boy wasn't in a booster or safety seat. He started breathing again after an officer performed CPR. Investigators aren't sure how the boy got the seat belt around his neck.

#### 12/15 Inauguration Getting Around

January 20th might be a good day to leave town. If 2 to 4 million people crowd into DC for the Presidential Inauguration, there's concern the crowd could paralyze the city. Transportation officials are working daily to come up with a plan to keep the city moving. Metro says it can move 120-thousand people an hour but Metro says even that's not fast enough if 2-4 million people show up.

#### 12/10 Auto Bailout House Vote

Senate Republicans are still holding out on the bill. President Bush sent his chief of staff to Capitol Hill today to talk with them.

#### 12/10 Mogo Fatal Ax

An 18-year-old girl is killed in a freak car accident. We talked to friends. Police are looking for a car that may have contributed to the crash.

#### 12/9 Inauguration Food

Come inauguration week - there may be a shortage of food. Not only will there be more demand, but delivery trucks may have a hard time getting to stores and restaurants in all the traffic. Also - there could be a shortage of cell phone service.

#### 12/9 Metro Fabric Seats

Metro is rolling out new features on rail cars to get the public's feedback. They are testing new floors and fabric seats that will be on future cars.

#### 12/9 Auto Bailout

Lawmakers and the White House are still hammering out a multi-billion dollar bailout for the auto industry. Legislation may be headed for a vote tomorrow.

#### 12/9 Tractor Trailer Chase

Police chased a tractor-trailer through two states in busy highway traffic. Officers arrested the driver after he crashed the vehicle in Tysons Corner. Maryland State Police said they began pursuit Tuesday afternoon after the truck took off from a weigh station off I-270 in Montgomery County, Md. The chase continued from I-270 south to the Capital Beltway into Virginia. Police cleared traffic from the highway as the pursuit continued. The driver took an exit in McLean and continued driving until crashing on a sidewalk at an intersection not far from Tysons Corner Center, the largest shopping mall in Virginia.

#### 12/8 Auto Bailout

Congressional negotiators sent a proposal to the white house today. But the white house is looking for more cuts to show proof of a viable industry. House speaker Nancy Pelosi said the automakers have until March 31 to show that, or the money could be revoked. The bill would give automakers \$15 billion in loans by next week. An inspector general, appointed by the president... Would oversee the downsizing of the companies. Today, union members said -- they shouldn't have to give up more... To keep their jobs.

#### 12/5 Drunk Driving Demo

For the first time in 2 years, the number of alcohol related crashes in DC have declined, according to the Washington Regional Alcohol Program. The holiday season is when drunk driving cases often peak. "WRAP" today offered a front seat view of how drinking really affects one's driving. With special goggles, you can see how a blood alcohol level of 1.7 really looks. It's hard to drive, stay on the road, or avoid traffic cones in this simulation. There were 116 drug and alcohol deaths in our area in 2007.

#### 12/2 Auto Loan Plans

The big 3 automakers are returning to Capitol Hill asking for a bailout. The latest sales figures show how deep their problem is. US light vehicle sales at GM and Chrysler plunged more than 40% in November, while Ford's sales dropped 31%. Consumer demand for new vehicles is at a low not seen in decades.

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## 10/15 Whale Exhibit

Maori warriors from New Zealand are marking the opening of a large whale exhibit at the National Geographic Museum in Washington. The exhibit "Whales Tohora" opens Wednesday, making its first stop on a North American tour. It features a nearly 60-foot sperm whale skeleton and a model of a blue whale's heart that visitors can crawl through.

## 10/15 Bottled Water Study

Many Americans buy bottled water because they think it's purer than tap water, but a new study may surprise them. An environmental advocacy group says tests on leading brands of bottled water have turned up a variety of contaminants often found in tap water. However, the study says all the brands met federal health standards for drinking water, and only two violated a California state standard. An industry group branded the findings "alarmist." It says the study is based on the faulty premise that a contaminant is a health concern even if it's within regulatory limits. The two-year study was done by the Washington-based Environmental Working Group, an organization founded by scientists that advocating stricter regulation.

## 10/14 Wheeler Terrace

Going green and fighting crime are going hand in hand in Southeast Washington. A long neglected housing complex is getting a makeover and residents hope they'll finally get some peace from the violence and drug wars. The new property owner is using grants to put up a fence and do security checks to keep people safe. 116 units are getting \$33 million makeover that will also make the apartments environmentally sound. A geothermal drill is in use to create a heating system to use the warmth from the earth. There will also be a green roof, a community garden and all energy star appliances.

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#### 12/19 Mercury & Sushi

A big name actor is sick and his doctor says its because of something he ate. Jeremy Piven, the star of the HBO Entourage, may be suffering from mercury poisoning. His doctor is blaming sushi. He says Piven's mercury leves are at 6 times the accepted level. Experts say eating sushi in moderation is safe but you should check with your doctor is you have concerns.

#### 12/15 Obama Environment

President-elect Barack Obama has named an environment team that signals his determination to tackle global warming quickly and develop alternative forms of energy. Obama selected Nobel-prize winning physicist Steven Chu as energy secretary Monday and Carol Browner, a confidant of former vice president Al Gore, to lead a White House council on energy and climate. Browner headed the Environmental Protection Agency in the Clinton administration. Chu is director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and is an leading advocate of reducing greenhouse gases by developing new energy sources. Obama also has announced his choice of Lisa Jackson, former head of New Jersey's environmental agency, as EPA administrator.

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#### 10/28 Loudoun Meal Tax

Virginia's general 5% sales tax applies to restaurant meals. In addition, many cities and towns in the Commonwealth also charge an additional meals tax. There's now a proposal to add a similar restaurant tax to establishments in Loudoun County. The county needs the money because of sharp declines in property taxes, while the county schools continue to grow with more families moving in. Restaurant owners are fighting the plan, claiming that with the economy in such a mess, paying even more could drive customers away.

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#### 10/28 Hudson Family Murders

Records show the convicted felon suspected in the Chicago slayings of Jennifer Hudson's three relatives apparently had continuing problems with drugs and anger management. The records show that William Balfour was arrested on a drug charge in June, and could have been sent to jail for violating his parole. But officials declined to do so. No one has yet been charged in the shooting deaths of Hudson's mother, brother and 7-year-old nephew. The adults were found shot to death last Friday. The child's body was found in an abandoned SUV yesterday. Hudson today helped identify the body of her nephew, just days after identifying her mother and brother.

#### 10/21 5 year old boy missing

An explosive day in Judge Robinson's courtroom as new details emerged about Fallah Joe's criminal and mental history. It turns out Joe was let out of jail just days ago after completing a 30 day sentence for failure to get mental treatment, which was a condition of her parole from a previous charge. As the prosecution began bringing up these ugly details, Joe lost control at the defense table and was dragged away by US Marshals. She's accused of leading 5 year old Kamron Wells from the Landmark Plaza Shoppers Food Warehouse on Sunday, triggering a search and an Amber Alert for the boy.

#### 10/16 Campaign U

Each week of this race for the White House, we've been giving you a front seat for a political science honors class at American University, with Campaign U. Today, students went over the give and take from the debate last night. Many said McCain's time on the offensive reinforced Obama's cool demeanor. But other students claimed the Democratic nominee tried to play it too safe.

#### 10/15 DC Beating Death

DC police have arrested a teenager in connection with the beating death of Tony Hunter, a Maryland man who was attacked in Northwest as he walked with a companion to a gay bar. 18 year old Robert Hanna, who police say had been on the run for the last 3 weeks, has been charged with involuntary manslaughter. Investigators originally downplayed the case as a hate crime. Now they say this not only isn't a hate crime, it's not a robbery either. Investigators believe Hunter got into a fight with Robert Hannah when Hunter embarrassed the teen, picked him out of a crowd and grabbed him below the belt.

#### 10/14 School Lunch Hot Dogs

The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine is asking the USDA to pull all processed meats from school lunches, including hot dogs. The group cites several studies from cancer researchers that claim those

meats can increase the risk of colon cancer. The group advocates for a vegetarian diet. The USDA says it will review the petition. The School Nutrition Association says schools are already following rigorous guidelines and says the science behind the call to eliminate processed meats is far from conclusive.

#### 10/13 Abandoned Baby

Prince George's County police say a baby girl, believed to be only a few hours old, died after she was found abandoned in a plastic trash bag in Takoma Park. Police spokesman Cpl. Clinton Copeland says the baby was found about noon Sunday in the 6300 block of New Hampshire Avenue. She died after she was taken to a hospital. Police say the girl was found by workers in some brush or trees in a residential and commercial area. Authorities are searching for the mother and father.

#### 10/9 Campaign U

In less than four weeks, we'll know which man will occupy the White House. As the campaign winds down, it also heats up. In today's Campaign U segment, we visited a class at American University where students talked about the change in campaigns as they get nearer election day. Students pointed out that McCain is the candidate behind in the polls and he's the one going on the offensive. Obama is also using negative ads to criticize McCain.

#### 10/9 Calvert Child Death

Two little girls found dead in a freezer in Calvert County have been tentatively identified as two sisters adopted by Renee Bowman. She remains in jail accused of killing them. Now, a community effort is underway to make sure the girls get a proper burial. A woman with no connection to the family is planning the funeral. She works for a child abuse and neglect prevention non-profit group and frequently arranges funerals when no one claims the bodies of homeless people and young victims of violent crimes. A local mortuary and funeral home are helping to bury the girls at no cost.

#### 10/9 DC Beating Death

DC police are asking for help finding a teenager accused in a highly publicized murder case. The victim, Tony Hunter, was on his way to a gay bar in September when he was attacked and beaten to death. 18 year old Robert Hannah is charged with voluntary manslaughter but no one has seen him for two weeks. Police hope someone will recognize him from wanted posters and turn him in.

#### 10/8 Missing Babysitter

A frantic mother is pleading for the safe return of her baby tonight. He's been missing with his 15 year old babysitter for more than a day. The babysitter left a Rockville apartment building yesterday morning without the mother's permission. Police say the babysitter and the baby were spotted in Landover yesterday afternoon but there has been no contact since then. The babysitter, Regina Abraham, was only supposed to watch the 18 month old until his father could arrive. She's a cousin of the baby's mother. The family doesn't know why the girl took off with the baby.



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#### 11/24 TSA Family Lines

The TSA is introducing new family lines just in time for Thanksgiving. The lines let parents move through airport security at their own pace without holding up the lines behind them. The lines are also for people who need to carry more than 3 ounces of medicine on board. It allows them to get the extra screening to allow the liquid on board.

#### 11/21 Castle Blvd Body

Montgomery County police say they know the identify of a young woman found murdered in the stairwell of a Silver Spring apartment building Tuesday. Her name is Davonn Dupree, a 14 year old runaway from Fairfax County. She'd been missing since October 29th. Police released pictures of her clothing and jewelry to try to identify her. A family member saw them and called police.

#### 11/20 Bank Robbery Neighborhood

Neighborhoods and schools operated on lockdown as police searched for two bank robbery suspects. Officers with guns looked through malls and businesses and blocked off homes. No one was allowed to leave six local schools. The schools assured parents their children were safe. At the end of the school day, students who lived outside the search area could be bused home but others who lived in the area had to be picked up by their parents.

#### 11/19 Anacostia HS Stabbing

District of Columbia authorities say three teenagers have been stabbed at Anacostia Senior High School in southeast Washington. D.C. police spokesman Josh Aldiva says a group had been in a fight at the school Wednesday afternoon, when officers found three boys with stab wounds and another boy who had an asthma attack. All were taken to a hospital.

Aldiva says one of the boys has been arrested and other charges are pending. D.C. fire department spokesman Alan Etter says about the same time as the incident, firefighters responded to a small fire set in a hallway at the school.

#### 11/18 Obama at Sidwell

Future first lady Michelle Obama visited more DC area schools today in an effort to choose one for her daughters. She toured Sidwell Friends for the second time and is expected to make a follow-up visit to other schools.

#### 11/17 Inauguration Preps

Tomorrow is the deadline for a shot at being part of the Inaugural Parade. The committee that's taking applications for the parade extended the deadline on Friday. They've received hundreds of applications from across the country and the requests are still pouring in. Locally, students in the Ballou High School Band are hoping to be chosen for a spot. The school band marched in the parade for the 2005 inauguration.

#### 11/17 I-66 Double Fatal

Police say a teenager traveling the wrong way on Interstate 66 crashed head-on into another car, killing two women. Virginia State Police say charges are pending against the 17-year-old driver from Fairfax County. Authorities believe alcohol was a factor in the crash. Police say the teen was traveling westbound in the eastbound lanes of I-66 near Washington Boulevard about 2:15 a.m. when his vehicle hit a Toyota Corolla. Police say two female passengers in the Corolla were killed. The male driver is hospitalized with non-life-threatening injuries. The teen driver and his passenger, also a 17-year-old male, are hospitalized with non-life-threatening injuries.

#### 11/14 4th Street Double Shooting

A gunman with an assault rifle shot and killed a 15 year old boy last night and wounded a 40 year old man. The teen was a Freshman at Ballou Senior High. The boy, Cinquan Tinker, was locked out of his apartment and waiting for his dad to come home with the key. He was sitting on a fence when someone with an assault rifle came into the parking lot and opened fire. Police say the motive is still unclear.

#### 11/14 FFX Board School Cuts

The economic turmoil is hitting one Virginia School District hard. In Fairfax County, schools are looking at more than \$200 million dollars in cuts to make up for a shortfall. In the worst case scenario, Fairfax County Schools will have to make cuts across the board, laying off teachers, increasing class sizes and eliminating programs. It could take Fairfax County schools decades to recover from such drastic cuts.

#### 11/14 Deamonte Project

A 12-year-old Prince George's County boy, Deamonte Driver, died last year when an infected tooth led to an infection of his brain. Driver died after his family's medicaid coverage lapsed. By the time his mother took him to the hospital it was too late. Now Maryland's Governor and a new partnership of dentists and public health officials to get dental care to those who need it. Today Governor Martin O'Malley presented the keys to a mobile school van that will screen kids for dental problems. There will also be \$2 million dollars to help increase medicaid rates so more dentists will be willing to treat patients who rely on Medicaid.

#### 11/1 14 yr old Fatal Shooting

Montgomery County Police are looking for help finding out the identity of the man who fled into a Ride On bus Saturday night. The shooting killed a 14 year old boy and wounded two of his friends. It happened on Piney Branch Road as the bus came to a stop at Arliss Street. Police say there were more than 20 witnesses on the bus but none of the surveillance cameras in the area captured anything.

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**12/29 Premarital Sex**

A new study says teens promising to be abstinent aren't living up to that pledge. Those who take a virginity pledge are having premarital sex just as much as teens who don't. Even more concerning, they're less likely to use birth control.

**12/26 11th Place Child Fatal**

DC Police are investigating an early morning fire that led to the discovery of a murdered child. Police were called to the home in Southeast after a naked woman ran down the street to flag down police. Police then found the body of the little girl in her bed, stabbed to death. Police believe the mother, high on PCP, stabbed the child then set the fire and ran down the street.

**12/24 Bethesda Robbery**

Montgomery Police are searching for a robber who was so desperate for cash that he held a gun to the head of a four year old boy. It happened Friday night at the Delicias Carryout in Bethesda. The robber held the gun to the little boy's head and ordered his mother to give him money. She did. No one was hurt but the mother is still extremely shaken.

**12/23 Neighborhood Water**

The water main break on River Road caused big problems for people living in nearby neighborhoods. While they were busy getting ready for Christmas, the water was shut off in their homes for hours. Residents on Accord Drive had little more than a drip coming out of their faucets. Bottled water was hard to find since so many people were having the same problems, stores sold out. Montgomery County Schools dismissed early since they didn't have water.

**12/23 TSA Holiday Travel**

Because of the recession, AAA predicts that holiday travel out of the DC area will be down by nearly 8% this year. Of course, around the county millions of people will still head out of town for Christmas. Those flying will notice a difference in airline security. The TSA added special screening lines for people with families and those who need to carry liquid medicines. It gives them extra time to get through the lines without holding up travelers behind them.

**12/19 Caylee Anthony**

DNA tests confirmed that the body inside a bag in a Florida neighborhood is the remains of Caylee Anthony. The body was found less than half a mile from the house where Caylee lived with her mother and grandparents. Her mother Casey is in jail charged with the 2 year old's murder.

**12/17 Infant Car Death**

A judge in Fairfax County cleared a father of leaving his 2 year old son in a hot car this summer. The judge says Miles Harrison made a mistake but wasn't criminally negligent in the case. Miles and Carol Harrison adopted Chase from a Russian orphanage. Miles was dropping him off at daycare last July and forgot, leaving him in the hot car.

**12/16 Seat Belt Suffocation**

A five year old boy is in critical condition tonight after he was got his seat belt entangled around his neck. It happened in Prince George's County yesterday as the boy's mother was driving on I-95. The woman called 911 screaming that her son had passed out and had the seat belt around him. Police say the boy wasn't in a booster or safety seat. He started breathing again after an officer performed CPR. Investigators aren't sure how the boy got the seat belt around his neck.

**12/15 12 year old driver**

A 12 year old boy was arrested for speeding and carrying two handguns on the seat next to him in Spotsylvania County. Investigators say he took the Jeep from his parents house in North Carolina and drove more than 200 miles. He's still in juvenile custody. It's not clear whether he'll be extradited back to North Carolina.

12/10 Mogo Fatal Ax

An 18-year-old girl is killed in a freak car accident. We talked to friends. Police are looking for a car that may have contributed to the crash.

12/9 Stuff a Truck - Kids Cafe

Stuff a Truck is our annual food drive for the Capital Area Food Bank. We profiled one of the organizations that depends on the food bank - The Kids Cafe.

12/3 7 shot in Trinidad

DC police say they've solved the July 19th murder of 13 year old Alonzo Robinson, an innocent bystander caught in the crossfire of a neighborhood feud. Police say four of the five men are now in custody, charged with carrying out a string of robberies and shootings designed to terrorize the Northeast community of Trinidad.

12/3 Bethesda Fire

Montgomery County fire officials say 2 1/2-year-old triplet boys are in critical condition after being rescued from a house fire. Fire and rescue spokesman Pete Piringer says firefighters responded to the 4800 block of Jamestown Road in Bethesda around 1:30 p.m. Wednesday after reports of heavy smoke coming from the back of a brick colonial house. When crews arrived, Piringer says the triplets' father alerted firefighters that he had tried to grab his children, but couldn't. Two firefighters suffered minor injuries while rescuing the toddlers from an upstairs bedroom. Piringer says the father was taken to a hospital for possible burns and smoke inhalation. The cause of the blaze is under investigation.

12/02 India VA Victims

The Virginia woman who lost her husband and 13 year old daughter in the attacks in Mumbai is talking today about her double loss. Kia Scherr says her strength right now comes from her faith and a worldwide outpouring of support. Her husband Alan and daughter Naomi were eating at a restaurant inside a luxury hotel when the terrorists attacks. They were traveling as part of a pilgrimage from a Blue Ridge Meditation Center.