

WTTG-TV/Channel 5
Program Information Report
First 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 Politics
2. Economy
3. National Intelligence
4. Iraq Violence
5. Military Surge
6. Baseball

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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

JANUARY

- 21 Tony Perkins, Weather Anchor – Master of Ceremonies for The Legacy of a Dream Award ceremony
- 28 “Mentoring Monday” Phone-A-Thon took place from 6am to 1pm at the Fox 5 Studio. Over 15 mentoring groups were represented.

FEBRUARY

- 9 Sherry Ly, Reporter – Mistress of Ceremonies for the Chinese Culture & Community Service Center’s New Year Celebration.
- 22 Allison Seymour, Anchor – Moderator for U.S. State Department 2008 Black History Month program featuring Honorable Condoleeza rice.
- 23 Tony Perkins, Weather Anchor – Master of Ceremonies for Muscular Dystrophy Association’s 6th Annual Heartsongs Gala.
- 29 Stacey Cohan, Reporter – Guest Reader for Read-A-Loud Day at Jones Lane Elementary School.

MARCH

- 1 Allison Seymour, Anchor – Mistress of Ceremonies for the First Annual BIZ 2008: A Summit & Showcase for Young Entrepreneurs Awards Luncheon.
- 1 Shawn Yancy, Anchor – Mistress of Ceremonies for the First Annual BIZ 2008: A Summit & Showcase for Young Entrepreneurs Awards Luncheon.
- 7 Laura Evans, Anchor – Perform musical satire for Hexagon fundraiser to benefit the Duke Ellington Fund for gift4ed students in the D.C. area.

- 12 Micheline Bowman, News Coordinator – Panelist for “Women in Communications” discussion at Howard University WHUT-TV.
- 12 Shawn Yancy, Anchor - Panelist for “Women in Communications” discussion at Howard University WHUT-TV.
- 13 Laura Evans, Anchor – Mistress of Ceremonies for Annual Gala for the N Street Village, dedicated to empowering chronically homeless and low-income women.
- 27 Shawn Yancy, Anchor – Emcee for 4th Annual Girls Gone Glam fundraiser to benefit Dress for Success.

PSA’s Produced:

Produced 2 public service announcements:

- Mentoring Monday Campaign
- Girls Gone Glam (Dress for Success)

WDCA PSA LIST - First Quarter 2008

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(Bold - can air in children's programming)

10 seconds

- 25053 ALEXANDRIA RED CROSS WATERFRONT FESTIVAL - KILL 6/15/08**
35172 Replant the forests - Arbor Day Foundation
35058 Fox E-Team - Energy saving tips for kids - recycling
35083 Power of E - Think about energy efficiency - join the My20 energy team
35100 My20 E Factoid - Wash clothes with warm water
35101 My20 E Factoid - Launder a few big loads
35102 My20 E Factoid - Thermostat setting
35103 My20 E Factoid - use Green Energy products
35104 My20 E Factoid - Use products with Energy Star labels
35106 My20 E Factoid - Save energy and reduce your taxes
35107 My20 E Factoid - Tune up car and inflate tires reduces carbon output
35108 My20 E Factoid - Downsize your home - reduce carbon footprint
35109 My20 E Factoid - Recycle!
35110 My20 E Factoid - Faucets - Fix leaky faucets
35113 My20 E Factoid - CO2 Emissions
35115 My20 E Factoid - Veggies - Vegetable farming uses less fuel energy
35116 My20 E Factoid - Showers - Take shorter showers

15 seconds

- 35120 DTV Transition
35096 V-Chip Newsreel
35077 My Story-Federal Student Aid - Student talks about why he needed student aid
35123 Diabetes - Just like getting robbed, there's no warning for diabetes
35160 Hazard Preparedness - Governor Kaine gives website information
35162 Speech & Hearing Loss Awareness - Take care of your hearing
35163 Modest Needs - you can help change poverty
35169 Mental Health - People with mental health problems need friends to support them
35183 CFC Inhalers - New inhalers better for the environment available free at lungusa.org
35167 Sickle Cell Disease - Iron overload causes problems when patients get transfusions

20 seconds

- 35055 Fox E-Team - energy saving tips for kids - recycling
35054 American Health Information - How to keep personal health records
35130 Migraine Relief - Troy Aikman talks about getting help for migraines

30 seconds

- 35118 DTV Transition
35091 V-Chip Filmstrip
35095 V-Chip Newsreel
35050 ALEXANDRIA RED CROSS WATERFRONT FESTIVAL - KILL 6/15/08
35037 Abuduction - Online safety for kids (from VA Attorney General)
35039 Myanmar Relief - Ben Stiller - Kill 7/31/08
35049 Myanmar Relief - Tia Leoni - Kill 7/31/08
35047 Foreclosure Prevention
35148 Special Olympics - Be a Fan
35072 Fox E-Team - energy saving tips for kids - recycling
35147 ASPCA - NFL player Jason Taylor talks about preventing cruelty to animals
35159 Mentors Inc. - Shows different people mentoring young adults

- 35093 Veggie Therapy - Vegetables are good for you (animated)
- 35168 Mental Health - People who have mental health problems need support from friends
- 35173 Sight matters - Check your sight regularly
- 35175 Home Loan Center - Where to get help if you cannot make your mortgage payment
- 35179 Home Loan Center - Where to call if you cannot make your mortgage payment
- 35177 Narcolepsy - Lack of sleep can affect your health - how to get help
- 35181 Boy - Too much tv and video games makes kids physicaly unhealthy
- 35184 Pets - Reduce stress and heart disease - shows a kitten playing
- 35117 Spoonfuls of Stories - encourages parents to read to their kids
- 35190 Special Olympics - Greatest National
- 35191 Kaiser Foundation - Young adults should take time to think before making decisions
- 35129 ASPCA - Cruel is Not Cool
- 35059 Osteoporosis - Joan Rivers talks about women taking care of their health
- 35170 Glaucoma - Can lead to blindness
- 35067 Alzheimers Research - Real Life Questions
- 35122 The LAM Foundation - Running out of breath
- 35125 NIDA - After the party - talks about using drugs/aids and making poor decisions
- 35121 Responsible Drinking - NASCAR racer talks about responsible drinking
- 35124 WRAP (Washington Area Regional Alcohol Program)-Are you going to kill someone today?
- 35013 Pain Reliever Risks - NFL player John Elway talks about the risks of using pain relievers
- 35166 Fragile X Syndrome - Meredith Baxter Birney talks about learning problems/blood test
- 35174 Colon Cancer Screening
- 35176 Lung Cancer - The sooner you quit smoking, the sooner you lower your risk
- 35178 Alzheimers - Shows people who are caregivers
- 35180 Marrow Donor - Save a Life
- 35185 Stroke Awareness - Don't eat unhealthy food
- 35186 Stroke Awareness - Shows a man who almost didn't go to hospital, but was having a stroke

60 seconds

- 35004 Federal Student Aid - Jared talks about how student aid got him back into college
- 35032 Habitat for Humanity - Shows people working on houses & Jmmy & Rosalyn Carter
- 35064 What have you done for your marriage - Catholic Communications
- 35043 NIH Senior Health - how to get health information online
- 35010 Forgotten Fat - Be aware of Triglycerides
- 35030 Wetlands - Ducks Unlimited - Protect our wetlands
- 35171 Replant the Forests - Arbor Day Foundation
- 35164 Modest Needs - The power to change poverty
- 35006 Donate Life - Mother & daughter talk about how a heart transplant saved her life
- 35128 Whooping Cough - National Foundation for Infectious Diseases

DATE	FOX Fox News Sunday	CNN Late Edition w/Wolf Blitzer	ABC This Week	NBC Meet the Press	CBS Face th
1/06/08	<u>TOPIC:</u> GOP Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. Mitt Romney (R-MA), Gov. Mike Huckabee (R-AR)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Iowa Caucus Win, Race to the White House, Bhutto Investigation <u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. Mike Huckabee (R- AR), Rep. Ron Paul (R-TX), Sen. Fred Thompson (R- TN), Gov. Bill Richardson (D- NM), Mahmud Durrani	<u>TOPIC:</u> GOP Presidential Politics, Democratic Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. Mike Huckabee (R- AR), Gov. Mitt Romney (R- MA), Sen. John Edwards (D- NC)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. John McCain (R-AZ), Steve McMahon, Mike Murphy	<u>TOPIC:</u> GOP P1 Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Jo McCain
1/13/08	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Fmr. Mayor of New York City, Rudy Giuliani (R)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Race to 2008, Iraq <u>GUESTS:</u> Fmr. Gov. Mitt Romney (R- MA), Fmr. Gov. Mike Huckabee (R-AR), Fmr. Sen. Fred Thompson (R- TN), Fmr. Sen. John Edwards (D-NC), Abd-al Qadir al-Mufriji	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. John Kerry (D-MA), Newt Gingrich	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-NY)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Preside. Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Fmr. G Romne Fmr. G Huckal AR)
1/20/2008	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics, Economy <u>GUESTS:</u> Fmr. Gov. Mitt Romney (R), Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY)	<u>TOPIC:</u> SC Primary- Dems, Race to the White House 2008 <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. John Edwards (D- NC), Sen. Evan	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics, Economy <u>GUESTS:</u> Rudy Giuliani (R), Rep. Charles Rangle (D-NY)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Tom Brokaw, Doris Kearns Goodwin, Jon Meacham, Peggy Noonan, Michele	<u>TOPIC:</u> Preside. Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Jo Edward Axelrod Campa Howar

		Bayh (D-IN), Rep. James Clyburn (D-SC), Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton		Norris	(Clinto Campa Roger
1/27/2008	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics, Economy <u>GUESTS:</u> Sec. Henry Paulson, Fmr. Gov. Mike Huckabee (R-AR)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Iraq Progress, Economic Stimulus Package, Race to the White House <u>GUESTS:</u> Gen. David Petraeus, Sec. Henry Paulson, Fmr. Gov. Mitt Romney (R- MA), Fmr. Gov. Mike Huckabee (R-AR)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Barack Obama (D-IL)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. John McCain (R-AZ)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Preside. Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Hi Clintor Fmr. M Rudy C (R-NY)
2/3/2008	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics, Economy <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. John McCain (R-AZ), Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-NY)	<u>TOPIC:</u> GOP Debate, Nader's '08 bid, <u>GUESTS:</u> Fmr. Gov. Mitt Romney (R- MA), Fmr. Gov. Mike Huckabee (R-AR), Ralph Nader	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Hillary Clinton (D- NY), Fmr. Gov. Mitt Romney (R-MA)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Roundtable: James Carville, Bob Shrum, Mary Matalin, Mike Murphy	<u>TOPIC:</u> Super T and Car 2008 <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Jo McCain Sen. B Obama
2/10/2008	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics, Economy <u>GUESTS:</u> President George W. Bush (R)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Iraq, Budget, Economic Stimulus <u>GUESTS:</u> House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D- CA), Fmr. Sec. Of State Colin Powell, House Minority Leader John Boehner (R-OH)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. Tim Kaine (D-VA), Gov. Martin O'Malley (D- MD), Fmr. Rep. Tom Delay (R-TX), Rep. Tom Davis (R-VA)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Fmr. Gov. Mike Huckabee (R-AR)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Preside. Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Fmr. G Huckal AR), Jo Fmr. J Edward campa adviser Rove
2/17/2008	<u>TOPIC:</u> Clinton-Obama quest for delegates,	<u>TOPIC:</u> New Orleans recovery effort,	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics	<u>TOPIC:</u> Democratic Party presidential	<u>TOPIC:</u> Preside. Politics

	<p>FISA <u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. Ted Strickland (D-OH), Gov. Jim Doyle (D-WI), Director of National Intelligence Mike McConnell</p>	<p>Obama Campaign <u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. Bobby Jindal (R-LA), Bill Bradley fmr. Democratic Candidate</p>	<p><u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. John McCain (R-AZ)</p>	<p>Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY), Sen. Richard Durbin (D-IL)</p>	<p><u>GUESTS:</u> David L. Obama Campaign Howard – Clinton Campaign Mayor Douglas (D-Richland) Mayor Villara Los Angeles Roger Politic</p>
2/24/2008	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. Tim Pawlenty (R-MN), Gov. Tim Kaine (D-VA), Gov. Mark Sanford (R-SC), Gov. Jon Corzine (D-NJ), Power player – Rick Davis</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> McCain and the New York Times, War on Terror, Democratic Politics, Pakistan, Cuba, McCain Campaign <u>GUESTS:</u> Robert Bennett, Director of Nat'l. Intelligence Adm. Mike McConnell, Gov. Ed Rendell (D-PA), Kathleen Sibelius (D-KS), Sen. Chuck Hagel (R-NE), Gov. Tim Pawlenty (R-MN)</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Retirement of Fidel Castro, defeat of Pervez Musharraf, storming U.S. Embassy in Serbia. <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Joe Biden (D-DE), Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Ralph Nader</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Politics campaign <u>GUESTS:</u> Charles Gov. Je Granha MI), G Napolit AZ)</p>
3/2/2008	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics, campaign strategies <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Sen. Dick Durbin</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Terrorism, Afghanistan, domestic surveillance, Iraq, surveillance legislation <u>GUESTS:</u></p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Howard Wolfson – Comm. Director for the</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Politics with Republican and Democratic strategists <u>GUESTS:</u> Mary Matalin, Mike Murphy,</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Campaign <u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. B. Richar NM), S Christe Dodd (</p>

	(D-IL), Karl Rove	NATO Sec. Gen. Jaap de Hoop Scheffer, DNC Chairman Howard Dean, Rep. Silvestre Reyes (D-TX), Sen. John Kerry (D-MA), Rep. Roy Blunt (R-MO)	Clinton campaign, David Axelrod – senior advisor Obama Campaign.	James Carville, Bob Schrum	Obama Surrog Bayh (Clinton Surrog
3/9/2008	<u>TOPIC:</u> Iraq, Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Rep. Mike Pence (R-IN), Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL), Debbie Dingell	<u>TOPIC:</u> State of Black Union, Democratic Nomination, Russian elections <u>GUESTS:</u> Marc Morial, Sen. Claire McCaskill (D-MO), Sen. Robert Menendez (D-NJ), Sen. Jon Kyl (R-AZ), Sen. Bob Casey (D-PA), Garry Kasparov	<u>TOPIC:</u> Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Howard Dean-DNC Chairman, Gov. Charlie Crist (R-FL), Sen. Carl Levin (D-MI).	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Fmr. Dem. Leader Sen. Tom Daschle (D-SD), Gov. Ed Rendell (D-PA)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Howard Dean-DNC Chairman, Sen. Bill Clinton (D-FL), John McCain (R-AZ), E. J. Dionne (D-PA), GOP Strategist Joe Trippi
3/16/2008	<u>TOPIC:</u> Economy, Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY), Sen. Chris Dodd (D-CT)	<u>TOPIC:</u> State of the Economy, Candidate plans for Economy, Iraq War Anniversary, <u>GUESTS:</u> Secretary Henry Paulson, Douglas Holtz-Eakin (McCain Policy Advisor), Gene Sperling (Clinton Campaign Adviser), Sen.	<u>TOPIC:</u> Democratic Race, Economy <u>GUESTS:</u> Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, Secretary Henry Paulson	<u>TOPIC:</u> Democratic Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Bill Bradley (D-NJ), Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY)	<u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential Politics <u>GUESTS:</u> Leon P. Logothetis (Clinton Supporter), Deval Patrick (D-MA) C. J. Van Dyke (D-PA) Supporter

		Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-VT), Amb. Paul Bremer			
3/23/2008	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Richardson endorses Obama, Democratic party politics, economics</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. Bill Richardson (D-NM), Gov. Ed Rendell (D-PA), Fmr. Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers, Fmr. Chrnm. Council on Economic Affairs Glenn Hubbard</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Economic Woes, Iraq, Year Six begins, Obama Campaign, 5th anniversary of Iraq War, Campaign 2008</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Arlen Specter (R-PA), Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR), Mowaffak al-Rubaie, Gov. Janet Napolitano (D-AZ), Grover Norquist – president Americans for Tax Reform, Laura Tyson – fmr. Economic adviser to President Clinton, Sen. Evan Bayh (D-IN).</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Economy, Chuck Hagel’s book</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY), Sen. Jon Kyl (R-AZ), Sen. Chuck Hagel (R-NE)</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Economy, politics</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Maria Bartiromo, Erin Burnett, Jon Meacham, Peggy Noonan, Eugene Robinson.</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Iraq War</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Annivers. Campai</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Li Grahama</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Jara (D-RI)</p>
3/30/2008	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Iraq violence, military surge, upcoming Petraeus testimony, Baseball</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC), Sen. Jack Reed (D-RI), Stan Kasten – Washington</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Israeli-Palestinian Peace process, Iraq, Iran, War on Terrorism, Economy, Foreign Relations</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Aaron Miller-fmr. State Department Adviser, Martin</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Presidential politics, Middle East</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Sen. John Kerry (D-MA), Gov. Ed Rendell (D-PA), Sen. Joe Lieberman (I-CT)</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> U.S. Intelligence, Iran, War on Terror</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> CIA Director Gen. Michael Hayden, USAF.</p>	<p><u>TOPIC:</u> Race fo</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Democr</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> candida</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Gov. B. Richar</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> NM), M</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Michae</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> D-Phil</p> <p><u>GUESTS:</u> Joe Tri</p>

	Nationals Team President	Fletcher, Amb. Heraldo Munoz, Sen. Bill Nelson (D-FL), Sen. Mel Martinez (R- FL), James Carville- Clinton Supporter, Jamal Simmons – Obama supporter			
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This Saturday, January 5, 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.

This Saturday night, a special AMERICA'S MOST WANTED focuses on jailbreaks, highlighting some of the most notorious escapees currently on the run.

Palm Springs, California and Guadalajara, Mexico...GLEN GODWIN...Fugitive Glen Godwin just celebrated an anniversary of sorts -- but no one's likely to throw him a party. For this convicted killer, December 2007 marked eleven years of being on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted List. Now authorities would like to see Godwin move from "most wanted" to "most likely to spend the rest of his life behind bars."
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=24465>

Nassau County, New York...JOSEPH QUARTIERI...In the 1990's, AMW profiled elusive fugitive Joseph Quartieri a number of times. He was wanted for trying to kill a police officer in 1979, and then escaping from jail. AMW received a number of tips, but nothing led to Quartieri. Now, investigators believe he may have been sighted -- at mobsters' funerals.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=26334>

Elizabeth, New Jersey...JOSE ESPINOSA AND OTIS BLUNT...Cops in New Jersey are searching for two Union County Jail inmates who devised an elaborate scheme to break out of the facility on December 15, 2007. According to police, the men used tools to remove cinder blocks in their cells, squeezed out of their cells and on to a rooftop, then took a 25-foot leap of faith over a razor-lined fence to their freedom.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51692>

Houston, Texas...JOSE SALAZ...Jose Salaz was sentenced to life in prison after cops say he almost killed Houston Police Sergeant Jim Binford during an intense gun battle. But police say when Salaz saw an opportunity to escape in March 1997, he took it. To this day, he remains the only prison escapee in Texas who hasn't been captured.

Missouri...DENNIS LILLY...After Dennis Lilly escaped prison for the third time he was sent to a maximum security prison in Missouri. But cops say in December of 1986, that prison couldn't hold him either and Lilly disappeared without a trace. AMW has profiled Lilly's case half a dozen times, but after 20 years he's still on the run.

Madera, California...MADERA JAIL BREAK...On March 24th, 2003, guards at the Madera County Jail in Central California discovered five prisoners were missing. A headcount confirmed their worst fears; the men on the run were some of their most dangerous inmates. Three of them, including a killer, are still at large.

Akron, Ohio...THOMAS LOLLIS...Andre Wood was 29 years old for just one hour before his life ended. As he left his own birthday celebration, cops say Andre ran into Thomas Lollis. Cops say Lollis was packing heat and Andre never had a chance.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51131>

Lewisville, Texas...STEVEN HAYES...Police in Lewisville, Texas are searching for convicted sex offender Steven Hayes, the man they say sexually assaulted a 12-year-old girl after giving her drugs. Cops were hoping to find Hayes in Texas, but now believe he may have moved to another state.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51515>

Jacksonville, Florida...ELIAS LOPEZ DIAZ...Florida cops say it didn't take much to make Elias Diaz mad at his best friend - mad enough to kill.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45053>

Los Altos, California...ROBERT FALKNER...For more than a decade, a vagabond imposter has been preying on members of religious communities, scamming them of their hard-earned money. With California police hot on his trail, Robert Falkner fled, putting many lives at risk, including those of his own wife and three children. Cops want him, not only for assault with a deadly weapon, but also to put an end to his fraudulent schemes once and for all.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=47507>

Williamstown, Kentucky...ANTHONY ARTRIP CAPTURE...Claiming he had injured himself during his five-hour standoff with police, Anthony Artrip -- one of the U.S. Marshals' Top 15 Most Wanted fugitives -- rolled into a Pittsburgh court in a wheelchair to face charges of escape. Cop say that soon Artrip will be on his way back to Kentucky, where he busted out of jail three months ago.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=46301>

Salem, Oregon...FARHED "FRED" MONEM...Fred Monem is a guy who went from working with the law, to breaking the law. Iranian born Monem was hired by the state of Oregon to buy food for thousands of prisoners. Instead, cops say he used his power to pocket more than \$1.3 million to finance his lavish lifestyle.

This Saturday, January 12, 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.

Boca Raton, Florida...UNKNOWN NANCY AND JOEY BOCHICCHIO KILLER...Boca Raton police are still looking for Nancy and Joey Bochicchio's killer. Cops say their best lead is a composite sketch of a man wanted in another violent attack in Boca Raton. The similarities between that case and the Bochicchios' murders are eerily similar, and police believe the man in the sketch could be involved with the vicious double homicide of mom Nancy and 8-year-old daughter Joey.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51704>

Gloucester County, New Jersey...UNKNOWN DONALD FARRELL KILLER...Saturday, October 27, 2007 was Rowan University's homecoming. It was a night that brought thousands of people to the campus to celebrate and watch the football game. On this night, cops say a group of four to five men brutally beat a 19-year-old student to death as a group of his friends stood by helplessly.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=50260>

San Antonio, Texas...LEONARD RAY HARPER...Police thought accused murderer Leonard Ray Harper was hiding out in Spain or South America, but now they have confirmation Harper could be back in his old digs -- San Antonio, Texas. A convicted murderer called cops from jail and told them what they needed to know to place Harper back in town.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=26693>

Owensboro, Kentucky...WILLIAM SANTOS...Police say illegal alien William Roberto Santos was considered a trusted member of his community, and was a dedicated member of his church. But police say this farm laborer had a dark secret, and it wasn't long before the whole community had figured out what he was really up to.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=47191>

Columbus, Georgia...MICHAEL REGISTE...On the night of July 20, 2007, detectives in Columbus responded to a shooting incident and found two male student athletes shot execution-style inside of a Chevy Blazer. They were both in their early 20's, active in sports, and played on the Columbus State University baseball team. Their tragic deaths have caused a tremendous outpouring of sympathy throughout their community. This public outcry will continue until the killer is brought to justice.

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Albuquerque, New Mexico...UNKNOWN "BOOTS" KILLER...The body of an unidentified woman is found, and nobody can ID her -- much less who killed her. She's one of New Mexico's most famous unsolved Jane Doe cases, and while some people say the investigation is ice-cold, one of the state's most respected detectives is refusing to give up: he says there are just too many clues to let go for good.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52074>

Houston, Texas...WILLIAM GREER UPDATE...William Greer is following a pattern that has kept AMW viewers and cops walking in his shadows. But can these near misses turn into a long-awaited capture of this accused murderer? After airing his case, tips came in saying Greer had joined a church in Georgetown, Kentucky. Now, cops say he may have been involved in a shooting that took place during the course of a drug investigation in Paris, Kentucky.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=43686>

New Orleans, Louisiana...UNKNOWN HELEN HILL KILLER...In New Orleans, young filmmaker Helen Hill and her physician husband Paul were awakened by an intruder -- cops say the next thing they knew, he opened fire. According to police, Paul did the only thing he could, and acted as a human shield to protect his young son.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=42393>

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Jacksonville, North Carolina...CPL. CESAR ARMANDO LAUREAN...Cops say a body found burned near Cpl. Cesar Laurean's home has been identified as that of Lance Cpl. Maria Lauterbach, the pregnant 20-year-old Marine who disappeared in December. Authorities report she died from a head injury, rejecting the claims of the key suspect in her death that she committed suicide. Cpl. Laurean has been charged with Lauterbach's murder and a nationwide manhunt is underway for the Marine.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52333>

Ft. Myers, Florida...UNKNOWN "FORT MYERS EIGHT" KILLER...After detectives recovered a cache of bones from eight men in a wooded area of Fort Myers; police are looking for some answers. Cops are continuing their efforts to find out who the men are, how they died and whether a serial killer is behind this gruesome mystery. AMW teamed up with renowned forensic artist Sharon Long to bring the men's likenesses back to life.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51867>

Owensboro, Kentucky...WILLIAM SANTOS...Police say illegal alien William Roberto Santos was considered a trusted member of his community, and was a dedicated member of his church. But police say this farm laborer had a dark secret, and it wasn't long before the whole community had figured out what he was really up to.
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Bronx, New York...MUAMMER ALDAILAM...Cops in New York are hunting a man they say gunned down two people in cold blood. His motive: he didn't want to lose his girlfriend. What's more, police fear Muammer Aldailam may be trying to get back to his home country of Yemen, and police need your help to grab him before he's out of reach forever.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51985>

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 who always made time to play with and entertain his kids. Cops say that all changed one night in September 2001 when the Martinez family went into a Granada Hills liquor store and ran into George Navarro.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=40740>

Louisville, Kentucky...LORENZO CURRY & JANORA SANDERS...Cops say con man Lorenzo Curry watched himself on America's Most Wanted, then packed up his fugitive girlfriend and their toddler and hit the road. Lucky for him, because AMW tips put police only hours behind him. Now, U.S. Marshals are hoping your tips will get them caught for good.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=39223>

Los Angeles, California...RAMON EDUARDO GASPAR...Police say a 29-year-old woman was resting at a Los Angeles hospital after a surgery when a male nursing assistant, Ramon Eduardo Gaspar, entered her room. The day after the woman was discharged she reported to police that Gaspar had sexually molested her several times. Cops continued investigating, and after making a public appeal, several more victims came forward. Now, he's on the run from the law.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51227>

San Diego, California...OMAR MALDONADO CAPTURE...It has been seven years since cops say Omar Maldonado shot and killed 17-year-old Leah Tadeo at a San Diego area house party. Since then, law enforcement on both sides of the US-Mexico border have been hunting high and low for the diminutive Maldonado. His luck finally ran out on October 9, 2007 when cops in Tijuana, Mexico arrested the 5'2" fugitive after an AMW tipster pointed them in the right direction.

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Miami, Florida and Spanish Cay, Bahamas...JAMES "JIMMY T" TRINDADE MISSING...A seasoned sportsman throttling a 38' Donzi leaves a holiday blast in the Bahamas along with two other men in sport-fishing boats. When one of the boats breaks down, James "Jimmy T" Trindade idles up ahead, waiting. But he's never seen again. Now, his family, his friends and the FBI are trying to figure out what happened to him on the high seas.

http://www.amw.com/missing_persons/brief.cfm?id=41321

Bradenton, Florida...ROY HYATT...Cops say Roy Stephen Hyatt is a convicted sex offender on the run who still has an appetite for children. Police are looking for him on charges of downloading, possessing, and possibly distributing child pornography.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=44961>

Chicago, Illinois...DIONNE GARCIA...After several years of hard work, the Chicago FBI's Joint Task Force on Gangs was able to indict 52 people in relation to the manufacture and distribution of PCP on the streets of the Windy City. Of all those indictments, only two people remain on the run. One of those fugitives is Dionne Garcia, who has her four children with her.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=47427>

Dayton, Ohio...ANTHONY HARRIS... Jesse Brown, father of five daughters, was murdered on August 25, 2006 in a senseless crime has shocked a community and tore a family apart. Now Anthony "Tone" Harris -- the man cops say is responsible -- is on the run, and police need your help to find him.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52505>

Brentwood, New York...JOSE ORLANDO LOPEZ...Jose Orlando Lopez has been deported twice for crimes committed in the U.S., and authorities still can't seem to get rid of him. They say Lopez has such little respect for this country that he raped a stranger on a busy street in New York. Police believe he's running from his latest charges from 2004 to prevent being deported, again.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=50757>

SPECIAL OPS COAST GUARD FEATURE... An overview of the Special Forces unit of the United States Coast Guard responsible for securing the North American U.S. ports. AMW highlights their achievement of seizing 355,755 pounds of cocaine with a street value of more than \$4.7 billion in 2007. Their enforcement efforts are forcing smugglers to adopt extreme tactics, including building homemade "submarines" and dissolving cocaine in fuel.

Laredo, Texas...JOESPH GARCIA...Cops say Joseph Allen Garcia, got mixed up in world where greed, money, recognition and drugs reign supreme. On December 13, 2003, cops say Garcia snapped and wanted to prove he was a "real man." Police say

Garcia pulled into the driveway of a house and used an AK-47 rifle to spray bullets into 4 people, wounding three of the kids and killing 18-year-old Mario Gonzalez.

Bronx, New York and Lancaster, Pennsylvania... JAMES MALAVE CAPTURE...

Cops in New York and Pennsylvania have been working together to track down alleged killer James Malave. Now, all of their hard work has paid off: thanks to an AMW tipster, Malave is behind bars.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=30450>

Kennewick, Washington...KENNETH FREEMAN CAPTURE...Accused child rapist

Kenneth John Freeman, described by the U.S. Marshals as the 'King of the Child Exploitation Suspects', is now back in the United States. AMW cameras were the only ones to catch a glimpse of the elusive fugitive as he was brought back for justice.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=41919>

Paterson, New Jersey...WARREN VILLALTA CAPTURE... Warren Villalta is no longer a free man. An AMW tipster led U.S. Marshals to Puerto Rico, where they found Villalta hiding in a town near San Juan. Villalta was extradited to the U.S. and put behind bars in New Jersey.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=38547>

This Saturday, February 2, 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.

Arvada, Colorado and Redlands, California...RICHARD "RICKY"

REGALADO...When cops in California chased after a bank robbery suspect, they were surprised at the lengths he'd go to avoid capture. But when they found out who they were chasing, it all became clear.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52277>

Irvine, California...GUSTAVO MARES...Thanksgiving Day 2006, cops in Irvine received a heartbreaking call that a woman has been murdered. Even worse, her body was discovered by her 9-year-old son. Police say that 36-year-old Brandi Mares was stabbed in the back with a screwdriver by her brother-in-law, Gustavo Mares.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=43813>

Santa Monica, California...PAUL CARPENTER...Horst Fietze saved for years to afford the vacation that he and his wife took to Santa Monica in October of 1998. Cops say the carefree atmosphere of their vacation vanished the minute Paul Carpenter approached the couple with a gun and three friends in tow.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=24497>

Glen Burnie, Maryland...JACOB GORDON...Maryland State Police are searching for accused rapist Jacob Corey Gordon, who they say raped a woman at knife point with another man in the back of Gordon's van seven years ago. While his accused accomplice is awaiting trial, police need your help to haul Gordon back to face justice.

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<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45464>

Reno, Nevada...BRIANNA DENISON MISSING...Police say a DNA link between the disappearance of Brianna Denison and the December sexual assault of a foreign college student leads them to believe a sole attacker is responsible for both cases. Brianna mysteriously disappeared in the early morning hours of January 20th while sleeping on the couch at a friend's house.

http://www.amw.com/missing_persons/brief.cfm?id=52576

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania...SHAWN CLARKE AND LAMONT

COOKE...Philadelphia police say that Shawn Clarke and Lamont Cooke were part of a group of five men who conspired to hold a business owner for ransom. The men shot, kidnapped and tortured Philadelphia bar owner Clinton Harriott for hours, while demanding \$600,000 from his family. Clinton was miraculously able to escape alive, but Clarke and Cooke have not been seen since.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=49890>

Michigan City, Indiana...LARRY WOODS...Everyone thought Larry Woods' fate was sealed when he was sentenced to 111 years in prison for shooting his boss, but it seems Woods had different plans. According to police, Woods escaped in a garbage truck in 2001 and hasn't been seen since.

<http://amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=25234>

Wheaton, Illinois...UNKNOWN WHEATON BANK ROBBER...Five years after the Wheaton Bank Robber first started targeting Chicago banks, the FBI says they've finally got a picture of the man behind the mask. Armed with a sketch, agents hope to finally end the bandit's long string of successful robberies.

<http://amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=26473>

Queens, New York...GEORGE SARAVANOS CAPTURE...Many times, fugitives flee the country in their flight from justice. After running from Queens, accused killer George Saravanos was shot inside an Ecuadorian brothel, and AMW traveled to Ecuador to find out how cops were able to track him down.

<http://amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=30436>

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****Is there a serial killer stalking Boca Raton? John Walsh is on the scene to investigate the chilling murders this Saturday****

Delray Beach, Florida...UNKNOWN RANDI GORENBERG KILLER...In a community where violent crime is nearly unheard of, residents in Delray Beach and Boca Raton, Florida are fearful knowing a murder mystery remains unsolved. The murder of Randi Gorenberg, a well-liked woman who lived and shopped in these safe neighborhoods, has people wondering whether the killer lives among them.

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

Boca Raton, Florida...UNKNOWN NANCY AND JOEY BOCHICCHIO KILLER...Police in Boca Raton, Florida are still looking for Nancy and Joey Bochicchio's killer. Cops say their best lead is a composite sketch of a man wanted in another violent attack in Boca Raton: the similarities between that case and the Bochicchios' murders are eerily similar, and police believe the man in the sketch could be involved with the vicious double murder of mom Nancy and 8-year-old daughter Joey.

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

Tinley Park, Illinois...UNKNOWN TINLEY PARK KILLER...AMW is on the ground in Tinley Park, Illinois for the manhunt of a cold-blooded killer who took five lives in a matter of minutes. Police say all five women were found inside a Lane Bryant store, bound with clothing and duct tape and shot execution-style in the head. A sixth woman was shot in the neck and miraculously survived to tell her story and give police crucial clues that will hopefully lead to this shooter's arrest.

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

Portland, Oregon...SHANE LENNON...Cops tell AMW that back in 2005, Shane Lennon went on a robbery spree and held up a number of businesses with a seven-inch hunting knife. While authorities eventually tracked Lennon down and arrested him, he's since gone on the run after not showing up to his pre-sentencing hearing. Now, police hope that AMW viewers can help put this blade-wielding bad boy behind bars.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52678>

Los Angeles, California...JARED SALAZAR...One of the worst things a parent can go through is losing a child, but the LAPD says the events that unfolded at the Salazar house were far more tragic. Detectives believe that 5-month-old Jared "J.J." Salazar Jr. underwent months of abuse at the hands of his very own father, Jared Salazar, before dying.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52243>

Miami Beach, Florida...HEATHER RIGGIO MISSING...Heather Riggio's family says the 20-year-old has had a tough time in her short life, and now they worry something even worse could be happening to her right now. Heather disappeared May 6th, and hasn't been heard from since.

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Baton Rouge, Louisiana...BOBBY WEATHERTON...U.S. Marshals say Bobby Weatherton -- accused of rape, kidnapping, attempted murder and violating his federal probation -- very nearly killed a female friend he'd assaulted and held prisoner. She managed to escape, and now the Feds are hot on Bobby's trail.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51177>

New Orleans, Louisiana...SGT. JUSTIN VITRANO FEATURE STORY..."Never forget...Never give up hope...Never stop trying" The motto of the organization Cops Helping Cops rings true to many law enforcement officials across the country. Since it was formed in 2006, Cops Helping Cops has worked with many agencies and organizations to raise money, materials and manpower to build homes for New Orleans police officers. This Saturday, AMW teams up with Cops Helping Cops to help one deserving New Orleans officer rebuild a life left in ruin following Hurricane Katrina.

Metairie, Louisiana...EDMUNDO CERDA-ANIMA...The manhunt for accused killer Edmundo Cerda-Anima has gone international. Police now believe the former Hurricane Katrina contractor may be going back and forth between the U.S. and Mexico -- and if he's caught, he'll have to answer for a lot more than crossing the border.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=38919>

Houston, Texas...WILLIAM GREER UPDATE...A year after William Greer showed up in the woods, naked from the waist down and apparently confessing to the murder of his live-in girlfriend Tammy Myers, cops in Houston, Texas still don't have him behind bars. Greer has been spotted in New Orleans and Georgetown, Kentucky, and cops even believe that he may have been involved in a shooting that took place in the midst of a drug investigation in Paris, Kentucky. It is clear that AMW viewers and cops have been walking in Greer's shadows, but they are still hoping these near-misses will turn into a long-awaited capture.

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

Detroit, Michigan...MUSTAPHA "MO" MOHAMED ATAT...A worldwide manhunt is on for Mustapha "Mo" Mohamed Atat, who many consider to be a legend on the off-road drag racing circuit. Cops think he may be traveling between Lebanon and the U.S., and they hope someone can turn this accused killer in to authorities before his dangerous hobbies get someone else killed.

<http://amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=25656>

St. Joseph County, Michigan...APARICIO HELADO HUERTA-QUIROZ...On the night of July 8, 2007, a young Michigan woman's life changed forever. In an effort to run away from home, cops say she flagged down Aparicio Huerta-Quiroz and three other

Hispanic men who happened to be driving by, and asked them to take her away. Where they took her and what they did to her was worse than anything she'd ever imagined.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52618>

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Reno, Nevada...UNKNOWN BRIANNA DENISON KILLER...On February 16, 2008, the body of Brianna Denison was identified by Reno authorities after her remains were discovered in an undeveloped lot the day before. An autopsy confirmed that the 19-year-old college student had been strangled and most likely left in the field for more than a week. Reno cops are now urging the Reno community to keep an eye out for possible suspects as the manhunt for Brianna's killer intensifies.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53281>

Pompano Beach, Florida...UNKNOWN SGT. CHRIS REYKA KILLER...More than 200 investigators from the Broward County Sheriff's Office and other agencies are searching South Florida for the man responsible for the murder of veteran deputy Sgt. Chris Reyka early August 2007. Now, authorities need your help to bring his killer to justice.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=47637>

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 Years 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>

Albuquerque, New Mexico...UNKNOWN SANDRA JEAN "BOOTS" KILLER...It was one of New Mexico's most mysterious unsolved Jane Doe cases: a pair of hikers found a murder victim, buried in a shallow grave in the unforgiving desert. But when AMW brought you the story two weeks ago, a tipster called our hotline and helped cops crack the case. The "Boots" Jane Doe now has a name: Sandra Jean Brady. But the search still continues for her killer.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52074>

Fort Smith, Arkansas...KEVIN TA...Fort Smith Police say Hieu Throng Tran and his brother, Tung Tran, had been staying with a friend of theirs, Kevin Ta, while in the Fort Smith area. Police say on August 13, 2000, Kevin Ta and the Tran brothers attended a birthday party and their friendship came to an abrupt end when shots rang out at the party.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=25117>

Los Angeles, California...MARIBEL VASQUEZ...Federal agents say Maribel Rodriguez Vasquez came from a long line of shady characters and women of ill-repute. Vasquez's mother and three sisters were ladies of the night in their native country of Guatemala for years before the family banded together to run and operate an international human trafficking ring, authorities say. Cops say Maribel is the sole outstanding member of the Vasquez family who is wanted for transporting, harboring and compelling innocent girls into a life of brutal sex slavery.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=47952>

Lancaster County, Virginia...BEN HUNTER...Ben Walter Hunter, 40, was supposed to be teaching 11- and 12-year-old boys at a Lancaster County school how to wrestle. But instead, cops say Hunter left at least one boy wrestling with a dark secret.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53037>

Sarasota, Florida...THOMAS GLEASON...BMX Racing and teenage boys are not a good combination for Tom Gleason: after years of coaching kids in the extreme sport, police say he went too far and victimized several members of his team. Now, he's racing to stay away from the cops and families aching for justice who want him caught.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51044>

Auckland, New Zealand...NAI YIN XUE UPDATE...The U.S. Marshals tell AMW that self-proclaimed martial arts master and accused killer, Nai Yin Xue, was last seen in Biloxi, Mississippi on January 23, 2008. Authorities say that Xue has been frequenting other Gulf Coast cities like Mobile and Houston as well. Xue fled to the U.S. after his wife, Anan Liu, was discovered stuffed in the trunk of a car outside their home near Auckland, New Zealand. Cops say Xue also abandoned his 3-year-old daughter in a train station in Melbourne, Australia then fled to California on September 15, 2007.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=49159>

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Nashville, Tennessee...TERRENCE WASHINGTON...He's been on AMW four times in the last year, and federal agents in Nashville say a man known for escaping from the police has slipped away from authorities -- again. Terrence Washington has been behind bars in a Nashville prison since last April, but on Sunday, February 23, 2008, prison guards noticed that Washington was missing from his cell. Agents say Washington was last spotted just hours after his escape in northern Nashville.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=25010>

Coral Springs, Florida...WAQAS REHMAN...Florida police say Waqas Rehman is pretty computer savvy. The 29-year-old is accused of luring a young girl into a real-life encounter with him after they "met" online. Cops say that what happened next is something no child should ever have to face.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=38571>

Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania...RUSSELL REHRIG...Pennsylvania cops are looking for Russell Rehrig, Jr., a convicted child rapist who was able to bond out of jail because of a clerical error. After he got out -- he disappeared.
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Nashville, Tennessee...TERRENCE WASHINGTON...He's been on AMW four times in the last year, and federal agents in Nashville say a man known for escaping from the police has slipped away from authorities -- again. Terrence Washington has been behind bars in a Nashville prison since last April, but on Sunday, February 23, 2008, prison guards noticed that Washington was missing from his cell. Agents say Washington was last spotted just hours after his escape in northern Nashville.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=25010>

Coral Springs, Florida...WAQAS REHMAN...Florida police say Waqas Rehman is pretty computer savvy. The 29-year-old is accused of luring a young girl into a real-life encounter with him after they "met" online. Cops say that what happened next is something no child should ever have to face.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=38571>

Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania...RUSSELL REHRIG...Pennsylvania cops are looking for Russell Rehrig, Jr., a convicted child rapist who was able to bond out of jail because of a clerical error. After he got out -- he disappeared.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=52966>

Fort Smith, Arkansas...KEVIN TA...Fort Smith Police say Hieu Throng Tran and his brother, Tung Tran, had been staying with a friend of theirs, Kevin Ta, while in the Fort Smith area. Police say on August 13, 2000, Kevin Ta and the Tran brothers attended a birthday party and their friendship came to an abrupt end when shots rang out.
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Dover, Tennessee... MARK ALAN EARHART CAPTURE... Police say on April 7, 2004, Mark Earhart sexually assaulted a child under the age of 13. Just hours after Earhart was profiled on AMW, a Kentucky tipster was able to give cops the information they needed to locate and apprehend Earhart.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53846>

Ledbetter, Kentucky ... JOSE "JOEY" MIGUEL GARCIA ... Kentucky police say Jose "Joey" Garcia brutally attacked and raped his co-worker in September 2004, and then fled. Even though a DNA test came back as a match, Garcia was gone before police could nab him.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=33920>

Pasadena, California ... MANUEL "LIL BAD BOY, BAD BOY, LIL MALO, LITTLE MAN, MONKEY, BULLET" PENALOZA... After AMW profiled Manuel Penaloza on Sept. 29, 2007, a tipster alerted authorities that the suspected killer is hiding with family members in Guerrero, Mexico and occasionally comes back to Los Angeles to visit. Pasadena police and US Marshals continue to hunt for this 'Lil Bad Boy' who is wanted for carjacking, assault, and murder.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=47371>

Los Angeles, California... CANDY SRICHANDR CAPTURE...Cops say Candy Ellen Srichandr is bad news: a graffiti artist and a stripper, they say she's gone from defacing public property with her spray paint to taking part in a heinous murder. When gunfire erupted at a SoCal art show, a family man who Srichandr considered a rival was dead, and Candy was nowhere to be found. Now, police have put this Valley Girl where she belongs: in a cage.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=50309>

Stanton, California... CUONG NGUYEN... On June 26, 2005, Tri Van Bui and some friends left a wedding party but were not ready for the festivities to end and decided to take the party elsewhere. They headed to a popular local Stanton, Calif. bar, "All Stars", where a conflict emerged between the wedding-goers and some other bar patrons. Police say while the fight began over something petty, it ended tragically when Nguyen retrieved a gun from his car killed Bui in cold blood.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45487>

New Mexico... ODEN GUTIERREZ... A manhunt is underway for a 17-year-old who recently escaped from a New Mexico jail. Officials in San Juan County are searching for Oden Gutierrez -- but according to detectives, Gutierrez isn't just an escape artist: he's also wanted on a first degree murder charge for shooting and killing an 83-year-old man.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53981>

Baltimore, Maryland... RICHARD BOAKAI...Richard Boakai was studying medicine in America and at the same time working at Johns Hopkins Hospital. But according to police, this medical student had a dark secret, and it was a secret that went undiscovered for over six months. He is charged with rape and sexual assault of 15 year old girl.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=48455>

Bland Mountain, Oregon... CHAD ALLEN SHORES... Oregon's Bland Mountain Fire in 2004 not only scorched 10,000 acres of land, it also provided a necessary diversion for prisoner Chad Shores to make his getaway. As the inferno blazed, Shores vanished after three days on a prison work-release program set up to battle the fire. Now, Oregon authorities and the ex-girlfriend that Shores sadistically victimized want to put him back behind bars.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53652>

Houston, Texas... TYEISHA MARTIN KILLER...The Fort Bend County Sheriff's office has been searching for clues that will lead them to the killer of a 19 year old Katrina Evacuee named Tyeisha Martin. Police say Tyeisha's body was found along an isolated road on March 9, 2006. She had been shot.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=54064>

Baltimore, Maryland... KEVIN ARMSTEAD...Kevin Armstead, a hardcore criminal and long-time drug dealer, fits right into Baltimore's underworld of drugs and crime. Now on the run, cops want to question Armstead about the brutal murder of an innocent Baltimore man who was trying to rid his neighborhood of drugs.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=54076>

Spokane, Washington... KURT SOHRBECK...Multiple law enforcement agencies in New Mexico are searching for a man who cops say shot and severely injured a sheriff's deputy on Mar. 13, 2008. As a veteran detective fights for his life, cops say the man who they think shot him -- Kurt Sohrbeck -- ran like a coward and could be headed to Texas.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53958>

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New York City, New York...JAMES GONZALEZ...New York cops are searching for a grocery store employee who they believe fatally stabbed his ex-girlfriend and slashed another employee inside the store, then fled the scene. The horrific scene was caught on tape inside the Key Food Grocery store in the East Village neighborhood of Manhattan. AMW speaks exclusively to the woman who police call a hero for trying to save her friend's life and becoming a victim instead.

Lee County, Florida...TROY BOLIN...Police say although fugitive Troy Lane Bolin might be a thin, scruffy looking guy, he's as dangerous as child predators come. Bolin is wanted for molesting two young girls repeatedly over the course of several years.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45978>

Akron, Ohio...THOMAS LOLLIS...Andre Wood was 29-years-old for just one hour before his life ended. As he left his own birthday celebration, cops say Andre ran into Thomas Lollis, who was packing heat, and he never had a chance.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51131>

Los Angeles, California...TAIZHI CUI...In October 2006, Los Angeles' Korean community was shocked by a triple murder that happened in their own backyard. Cops say the deaths were the work of a jilted lover hell-bent on getting revenge on an ex-girlfriend and her new paramour. However, authorities are still looking for the man they say pulled the trigger...Taizhi Cui.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=44720>

Orange County, Florida...CAREY PRICE...Police have been searching for alleged drunk driver Carey Price after he didn't show up for a court appearance. Price is one of two fugitives who remain on the run after a February 2005 airing of AMW -- the other 8 are all behind bars. It's time all ten fugitives from this episode are put where they belong.
<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=30262>

Nashville, Tennessee...TERRENCE WASHINGTON...Police say when notorious escape artist Terrence Washington broke out of a Nashville prison last month, he made off in a dark blue Cadillac. Since then, authorities say Washington has skipped from state to state and stolen at least three more cars. Most recently, cops report spotting Washington when he bailed out of a stolen truck after getting into a high speed chase with police in Tinley Park, Illinois. Authorities say Washington fled on foot and hasn't been seen since.
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Liberty County, Georgia...JASON HOWARD...Police found the bodies of Jewel and Mildred Cleveland buried in their own barn in June 2004. The couple had not been heard from for over a month. Also missing was Mildred's 35-year-old son, Jason Howard. But police say the mentally ill man is probably responsible for his parents' deaths and they are trying to track him down.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=34900>

Daly City, California...ERICK MORALES...Usually, when high school kids ditch classes for the day, it doesn't end in murder. But on May 21, 2001, 15-year-old high school student Quetzalcoatli "Quetzal" Alba, decided to cut classes with one of his best pals, 16-year-old Erick Morales. The pair played hooky and went to their hangout, a converted storage closet in a Daly City apartment complex. But police tell AMW that something went horribly wrong, and Morales stabbed his one-time friend to death before going on the run with his roommate, Reynaldo Maldonado.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=53109>

Rockingham County, North Carolina...JAMES "TOBY" ROBERTS...Police say Toby Roberts had a mission, and he wasn't going to stop until it was completed. Cops say he tried to kill his girlfriend, and he was so determined, he used three different tools to finish the job. But he might not have known his girlfriend as well as he thought, because she wasn't going down without a major fight.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=51170>

Miami, Florida...CAUGHT ON TAPE – JELMO KIRKLAND...The Citgo gas station in Miami Gardens, Florida was full of people on January 20, 2007, but police say that didn't stop a man known as "Skeebo" from pulling out a gun and opening fire on a car. Now, cops have released surveillance footage that they hope will help catch a killer.

<http://www.amw.com/fugitives/brief.cfm?id=45852>

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1/30 Bad Meat Investigation

The Agriculture Department said Wednesday it would investigate whether sick dairy cows were mistreated at a California slaughterhouse in violation of state and federal laws designed to ensure food safety and prevent animal cruelty. Newly installed Agriculture Secretary Ed Schafer said the department was taking the allegations seriously after video footage showed workers at the Hallmark Meat Packing Co. repeatedly kicking cows and ramming them with the blades of a forklift as the animals squealed in pain. The facility is a major supplier to a USDA program that distributes beef to needy families, the elderly and to schools through the National School Lunch Program.

1/29 Falls Church Attacks

Another woman has been attacked in Fairfax Count, making 9 attacks in the area since August. The latest victim is a 63 year old woman, attacked around 8:00pm along Allan Avenue in Falls Church. Fairfax

1/29 Same race Hate Crime

After hate filled racial slurs were painted on an Odenton, Maryland home, police started investigating this as vandalism. Now, they're investigating it as a hate crime, even though the victim and the possible suspects are all black. Police aren't saying what's prompting the change.

1/28 Charles Co. Shooting

A local police department is stunned by news that one of their own shot her fiance and then killed herself. The attempted murder suicide happened Sunday at the home the pair shared in Charles County Maryland. Sergeant Tora Coates also spent several years as a public information officer in the Prince George's County Police Department. In Charles County, she worked in Internal Affairs. We're told her death should not affect any ongoing internal affairs investigations as her recent role had been largely administrative.

1/28 DC GUN BUST

In the last 28 days, DC police have taken 220 guns off the streets... 14 of them just yesterday in a raid on a house in Northwest. That raid also netted body armor and a cache of ammunition. It's all part of a major initiative to get firearms out of the hands of criminals. Today DC showed off the weapons that officers have seized. The newly reformed Gun Recovery Unit is behind the bust. That's a team of 24 officers and two officials who do nothing but search the city for guns.

1/25 Martins Dairy Folo

Montgomery County homicide detectives are working on a short list of possible motives in the murder of an Olney man killed in his driveway Wednesday night. It appears the two suspects knew Gennaro James Fato had just withdrawn money, possibly after spotting him at a bank just minutes before his death. Two men confronted the 74 year old and his wife after the arrived home. She managed to get inside but Fato was shot to death.

1/25 PG No OT

Prince George's County is demanding that police officers not work overtime because of budget constraints. Some fear that could leave neighborhoods unprotected. The Mayor says he's worried that the cut back will hurt the officers' ability to fight crime. The Department and the Union both agree that officers often have to work OT to get the job done. There's no overtime unless it's approved by a commander.

1/24 Martins Dairy Homicide

Montgomery Police are investigating a deadly shooting that happened in Olney last night. Police say they responded shortly before 10 p.m. to a report of a burglary at a home. When they got there, they found the body of 74-year-old Gennaro James Fato. He and his wife had just pulled into the driveway when they were confronted. She ran into the house where she heard the gunshot. He was found near the garage. The incident is still under investigation, and police haven't released any information about suspects.

1/24 48 Horses Seized

A huge case of animal neglect in the heart of Virginia's horse country. 48 thoroughbreds found thin and malnourished, then seized by animal control officers. The herd was confiscated from a farm in Middleburg after all other efforts failed. Loudoun County Animal control says it tried to work with the farm after getting an anonymous tip about the condition of the horses. The horse owner was not identified because the Commonwealth's attorney is still investigating. Animal cruelty charges are pending.

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2/29 Marcy Ave. Shooting

Prince George's County police say a man was shot and killed during a confrontation with a security officer outside an Oxon Hill apartment complex. Corporal Clinton Copeland said a guard working on the Marcy Avenue property got into an argument with two men this morning, and fired shots at one man. Copeland says the man was later pronounced dead at a hospital. He says authorities are still searching for the second man involved in the confrontation. Copeland says the nearby Glass Manor Elementary School was placed on lockdown as a precaution, but that no children were affected by the shooting.

2/27 DUI Tags

Maryland lawmakers will begin work today on a proposal to require special tags for people convicted of three cases of impaired driving. Under the bill, repeat violators would have their regular license tags pulled and replaced with ones that include the letters D-U-I in red. The violators would have to use those tags for one registration period. The proposal comes as several states try shaming repeat drunk drivers.

2/27 DC DNA Success

DNA testing has helped cracked several cold cases. Two years ago, we brought you the story of DNA evidence that was sitting untested on a warehouse shelf, despite the fact there was money in the budget to get it done. This week, police chief Cathy Lanier revealed with the help of grant money and other police labs, the evidence was finally entered into the National DNA databank. Now that evidence has helped lead to fifteen rape suspects.

2/25 Street Racing

Prince George's County Police say they will step up enforcement at street-racing sites by relying on a network of cameras in the county. Officers say they already know ten locations in the county that could use some extra eyes. That includes part of Route 301, Central Avenue and Indian Head Highway. 8 people watching an illegal race were killed on Indian Head Highway last weekend after they walked into the street and were hit by a car.

2/25 Alex. Attempted Assaults

Police may be close to an arrest in one of two attempted sexual assaults that occurred in Alexandria over the weekend. One involved an assault in the West End near an elementary school. The other happened close to the popular Friday's restaurant on King Street. Both women were walking alone. Police say they have a good description and an arrest could happen soon.

2/25 Keith Washington Trial

A former Prince George's County homeland security official who shot two furniture deliverymen in his home has been found guilty of involuntary manslaughter and other charges. Former police Cpl. Keith Washington was deputy director of the county's homeland security department when he shot the two unarmed men in his Accokeek home in January 2007. Twenty-two-year-old Brandon Clark died of his wounds nine days later. His co-worker, Robert White, was seriously injured. During the trial, Washington testified that the two men were beating him and that he fired blindly to get them off. But White testified that the shootings were unprovoked.

2/25 Crime Cameras

For the second year in a row, overall crime is up in the District, rising four percent. Despite that, Chief Cathy Lanier says some of her crime fighting initiatives are having a significant impact, among them the installation of crime cameras. Today she testified in front of the City Council. She says the cameras are directly responsible for a 19% reduction in crime in the neighborhoods in which they have been installed.

2/7 Falls Church Assault

A man arrested in Falls Church last night may be responsible for nearly a dozen attacks on women in Northern Virginia. 40 year old David Foltz is a registered sex offender recently released from prison. Last night, Fairfax police say officers tailing Foltz watched as he attacked a woman walking on a Falls Church sidewalk. Fairfax officers had identified him as a possible suspect in a string of attacks on women. Since August, 11

women in Fairfax have all been grabbed by a man while walking alone in the dark. He has been charged in last night's attack only. Foltz had been jailed in 1990 for rape.

2/5 NW Murders Linked?

DC Police are investigating whether the murders of two men, years apart, are linked. They lived in the same Northwest neighborhood and were killed the same way. Wayne Walker was murdered in 2003. Friday, Michael Magby was also killed. Police think their gay lifestyle could be important in solving the case. Both men were stabbed to death. Police have surveillance camera photos of a man with Walker. They're hoping those pictures could help them close both cases.

2/4 Park Police Report

A stinging report out from the federal government says that the US Park Police is doing a poor job of protecting the national landmarks and warns of trouble ahead unless things change soon. Many of the problems listed in the report are the same problems raised by the former Park Police chief who says she was fired for speaking out. The report says the force is underfunded, undertrained and understaffed. The document includes photos of some problems like officers appearing so sleep in vehicles, guards reading newspapers and protestors being able to climb right up onto Abraham Lincoln's lap.

2/4 Pizza Uno Shootings

Prince George's County police are trying to determine what caused an argument that led to the fatal shootings of three men at a Largo area restaurant. The shooting happened about 9:15 p.m. yesterday while the Super Bowl was being shown inside the Uno Chicago Grill, but police don't know if the argument had anything to do with the game. The restaurant is part of the retail complex that replaced the former Capital Centre sports arena. Authorities say two of the victims were shot in the bar area, while the third man was shot outside in a parking lot. Two of the men were pronounced dead shortly after the shooting, while the third was hospitalized in critical condition before dying of his wounds.

2/1 Takoma Park Assault

There is new information tonight in a vicious assault and attempted abduction caught on tape in Takoma Park. Richard Manning Miller, the man accused in the crime, has admitted he's the man in the video and told investigators he just wanted to have sex with the woman. Police say Miller first used a baseball bat to hit the woman before surveillance cameras show him trying to throw her into the back of his delivery truck. A judge today ordered Miller held without bond. The victim is still in the hospital with serious injuries. Miller's family says he has a drug problem.

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3/12 DC gun program

D.C. officials plan to ask residents to submit to voluntary searches of their homes in exchange for amnesty if illegal guns or drugs are found. Police Chief Cathy L. Lanier says the "safe homes initiative" is aimed at residents who want to cooperate with police. She gave the example of parents who know or suspect their children have guns in the home. The program will begin March 24 in the Washington Highlands area of southeast Washington and will later expand to other neighborhoods. Officers will go door-to-door asking residents for permission to search their homes.

3/12 Falls Church Assault

Tonight, we're learning more about how police caught a man in the middle of carrying out an attack. Police believe this man could be connected to a string of attacks on women in Northern Virginia. David Foltz faced a judge today in Falls Church. The woman police say he attacked said she was walking home from work along Hillwood Avenue when a man grabbed her from behind, dragged her into the bushes and tried to undo her pants. She said she fought back. Fairfax detectives had been following him and raced to the rescue. They used a taser on him several times. Police were following him because a retired cop who heard about the other attacks led them to Foltz. Police attached a GPS to his work van. Foltz' lawyer argued that using the GPS without a warrant is a misuse of power. A judge decided to admit the GPS evidence and found probable cause for a trial.

3/10 Spitzer Prostitution?

Gov. Eliot Spitzer, accused in news reports of being involved in a prostitution ring, apologized to his family and the public on Monday at a hastily called news conference. He did not elaborate on the story. With his wife at his side, Spitzer told reporters that he "acted in a way that violates my obligations to my family." "I have disappointed and failed to live up to the standard I expected of myself," he said. "I must now dedicate some time to regain the trust of my family." The New York Times reported earlier in the day that Spitzer told senior administration officials that he was linked to a prostitution ring. The report cited an anonymous administration official.

3/7 Times Square Folo

Square is back to business as usual. Tourists are snapping pictures in front of the military recruiting office targeted in yesterday's blast. The building had to be staffed overnight after its mangled front door was removed. Despite the wreckage, an Army sergeant said four people asked to enlist there last night. Meanwhile, investigators are checking for any connection to similar early-morning bombings at two foreign consulates in New York. Authorities are apparently dismissing any link to letters sent to members of Congress with a picture of the recruiting station and the words "We did it." A law enforcement official calls the notes only an "incredibly unbelievable coincidence."

3/6 Times Square Explosion

A small bomb caused minor damage to a landmark military recruiting station in the heart of Times Square before dawn Thursday, and police were searching for a hooded bicyclist seen on a surveillance video pedaling away. The video shows the bicyclist getting off a bike at 3:40 a.m. Thursday and walking toward the building. A minute or so later, the person returned to the bike and rode away. A brief flash and a cloud of white smoke follows. Local military recruiting stations are also on alert to watch out for anything suspicious.

3/6 Frederick Skeleton

Frederick County police say remains found last week fit the description of a woman who disappeared last year, shortly before the bodies of her husband and four murdered children were found in their home. The sheriff's office says an autopsy determined that the remains found in Emmitsburg are those of a Hispanic woman about 25 years old, 5-foot-2 and weighing 125 to 140 pounds, with long dark hair. That's a close description of Deysi Benitez, who was 25 when she disappeared. City police say they are pursuing the possibility that it could be Benitez, but authorities say it could be several months before DNA tests by the state medical examiner's office positively identify the body.

3/5 Field Turf Stolen

Even before the football team at Shepherd University could set foot on the school's new artificial turf stadium, someone has vandalized their playing field. This weekend, vandals cut out the 50 yard marker in the new turf. The contract workers have glued a patch of artificial turf back into place. Then they'll have to restencil the number. University officials are offering free parking for life for anyone who names the thief.

3/5 Child Assault Arrest

A little girl was sexually assaulted in the middle of a mall parking lot. Anne Arundel County police say 61 year old Michael Hein pulled the six year old into the back seat of his truck Saturday at a Glen Burnie Mall and abused her. Police say Hein has done it before. Other shoppers noticed something didn't look right and alerted police. They found Hein and the little girl inside the mall. Charging documents say Hein picked up the little girl from the mother's workplace earlier that day and he confessed he's abused her before.

3/4 Keith Washington

Keith Washington, the former Homeland Security official and Prince George's Police officer was convicted last week for shooting two furniture deliverymen inside his home, killing one. Now, Washington is accused of hiding a handcuff key in his shirt while in jail. Prince George's County had had him moved to Calvert County jail for his own safety. When authorities arrived to move him, they found the universal handcuff key. He is facing up to 70 years behind bars.

3/3 DC CHASE ACCIDENT

A man running from US Capitol Police caused a spectacular crash in the District, ramming a shuttle bus for the handicapped as he tried to get away. The bus flipped onto its side injuring the driver and an elderly couple. It all happened on New Jersey Avenue in front of a number of shocked witnesses. Capitol Police say they were just trying to pull over the driver after he ran a stop sign. Firefighters pulled an elderly couple out of the wreck. They both have bumps and bruises.

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3/18 DC Gun Ban

Advocates of gun rights advocates and opponents of gun violence are demonstrating outside the Supreme Court as justice begin hearing arguments over the meaning of the Second Amendment's "right to keep and bear arms." The Supreme Court is deciding whether to uphold the District's 30 year old gun ban. Dozens of protesters waved signs as they mingled with tourists and several people waited in long lines to get into the courtroom but were turned away. More than 50 people stood in line overnight for a coveted seat in the courtroom. The line began forming on Sunday. The basic issue before the justices is whether the amendment protects an individual's right to own guns or whether that right is somehow tied to service in a state militia.

3/3 Immigration Crackdown

Prince William County is in the spotlight today as it begins a campaign to step up enforcement of illegal immigration. The new policy allows police to check the immigration status of anybody detained if they have probable cause to suspect they are in the country illegally. Police say they might have probable cause if a person doesn't speak English and couldn't provide a driver's license. Area immigrants are fearful the crackdown will send many of them to jail. The county can also withhold some public services from illegal immigrants.

3/3 Dry Cleaners

After the \$54 million dollar lawsuit over a dry cleaner losing a pair of pants, the Maryland General Assembly is now considering changing the laws. One lawmaker claims she just wants a customer Bill of rights posted in every store. She says if the cleaner doesn't want to cover any costs, they should have to post a "leave at your own risk" sign.

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1/30 Edwards & Giuliani Quit

A day after the Florida primary, two candidates are dropping out of the race. Democrat John Edwards made his announcement from New Orleans, saying it's time to step aside so that history can blaze its path in a campaign now left to Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama. He says both candidates have pledged to make ending poverty central to their campaigns for the presidency. Republican Rudy Giuliani is also expected to drop out later today. The former national frontrunner had concentrated on Florida instead of the smaller voting states.

1/28 Obama in town

Two generations of the Kennedy family have given their support to Barack Obama with Senator Edward Kennedy

calling him a "man with extraordinary gifts of leadership and character." At a rally at American University, Kennedy was joined by his son, Congressman Patrick Kennedy, and by his niece Caroline, the daughter of John F. Kennedy. In remarks that included a veiled criticism of Hillary Rodham Clinton and her husband, Kennedy said Obama had opposed the war in Iraq from the beginning -- and that no one should be allowed to "deny that truth."

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2/29 New Fox Poll

The critical Ohio and Texas primaries are just four days away, along with Rhode Island and Vermont. Those primaries may determine whether Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign will survive. She has a chance to win two big primaries and has launched a controversial ad in those states hoping to improve her numbers. The ad shows sleeping children and a mother and implies that Obama would not deal with a crisis the way she would, calling herself tested and ready. Obama responded that he had the judgment in a crisis to oppose the Iraq War from the start, unlike Clinton.

2/27 Dems Debate Folo

Last night's debate was billed as Hillary Clinton's last chance to knock Barack Obama off stride before the big Texas and Ohio primaries next Tuesday. Most observers thought Obama came out of the experience pretty much unscathed; in fact, at times last night he seemed to be looking ahead to the general election. If he wins both states Tuesday, those two victories could cripple the Clinton campaign. The likely Republican nominee, John McCain, has already started targeting Obama as his most likely opponent.

2/26 Clinton/Obama

In just a few hours, the last Democratic Presidential Debate before the crucial Texas and Ohio primaries will happen. This could be Hillary Clinton's last stand because she badly needs to stop Barack Obama's momentum. Today, Senator Chris Dodd delivered more bad news for the Clinton campaign by endorsing Obama. That can influence the unpledged super delegates. Clinton also found out today she is falling in the polls. The Fox 5 Rasmussen poll in Ohio shows her lead is down to five percent, a sharp drop off from her 15 percent lead just two weeks ago.

2/25 Hillary Foreign Policy

A new poll in the critical state of Ohio shows that Hillary Clinton's lead over Barack Obama has been cut in half in the past 11 days. The Quinnipiac Poll finds Clinton still leads by 11% but that's down from 21% on February 14th. Clinton desperately needs a win in Ohio and Texas a week from tomorrow to remain in serious contention for the Democratic presidential nomination. But tonight, she is here in Washington on the campus of George Washington University for a fundraiser and rally. During her speech, she accused Obama of waffling on foreign policy issues.

2/12 Potomac Primary Wrap

The Potomac Primary could be looked at as the turning point in the Democratic race for President. Barack Obama, already claiming a "new American majority," is focusing more and more on the likely Republican candidate in the November presidential election as he continues to rack up big victories over Hillary Rodham Clinton in their race for the Democratic nomination. Obama surged to the fore in the delegate race for the party prize with resounding primary victories Tuesday in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. On the GOP side, John McCain took another step in shoring up his credentials as the runaway Republican front-runner despite lukewarm support from the party's conservative base.

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2/7 ROMNEY QUILTS

John McCain effectively sealed the Republican presidential nomination on Thursday as chief rival Mitt Romney suspended his faltering campaign. In a speech in Northwest Washington, Romney says he is standing aside for his party and the country. Supporters were stunned at the announcement. Romney's decision leaves McCain as the top man standing in the GOP race, with Mike Huckabee and Texas Rep. Ron Paul far behind in the delegate hunt. It was a remarkable turnaround for McCain, who some seven months ago was barely viable, out of cash and losing staff. The four-term Arizona senator, denied his party's nomination in 2000, was poised to succeed George W. Bush as the GOP standard-bearer.

2/5 Campaign Offices.

Unless there's a Super Tuesday surprise, no campaign expects to sew up the nomination tonight, which means tomorrow, the eyes and resources of the campaigns will switch toward Maryland, DC and Virginia. Our Potomac primaries will deliver 358 delegates next week. Many of the candidates already have local campaign offices and are getting them into high gear. That means we can all expect phone calls, mail solicitations and a lot of political ads focusing on our primaries.

2/4 Super Tuesday

The countdown is on with fewer than 13 hours until the polls open in the first Super Tuesday state. All the leading candidates are blanketing the country looking to grab as many delegates as possible. There won't be time to rest after the big day. Some of those candidates are already looking ahead to our Potomac primary. Today Obama supporters celebrated the opening of a local headquarters. In recent days, there have been polls showing he has been a surge of support and is actually tied with Hillary Clinton.

2/1 Election Latest

Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama faced off last night in the final debate before Super Tuesday. They're already blanketing future primary states with campaign ads including here in our area. Both candidates are trying to build momentum even though our local primaries are until a week after Super Tuesday.

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3/24 Clinton Economy

Today presidential candidate Hillary Clinton unveiled her response to the housing crisis. Her plans a four point proposal, including extending the FHA's ability to guarantee restructured mortgages and a \$30 billion stimulus package to help state and local governments fight foreclosures in their communities. She is aiming her message at voters in Pennsylvania. There, and across the country, the economic crisis seems to be what they are most concerned about.

3/19 DC PROTESTS

Police have arrested more than 30 people who crossed a barricade and blocked entrances at the Internal Revenue

Service building at the start of protests marking the fifth anniversary of the Iraq war. Protesters blame the IRS for gathering taxes that are used to fund the war. A crowd of more than 100 gathered outside the IRS headquarters, chanting "This is a Crime Scene" and "You're Arresting the Wrong People." A marching band led protesters down the street.

3/12 Dems Race Latest

The candidates are moving ahead with their campaigns. A win last night in Mississippi helped Barack Obama widen the delegate count gap. But Hillary Clinton hopes to narrow the gap in the Pennsylvania primary next month where Obama's advantage with black voters is not as great as in Mississippi.

3/10 Spitzer Prostitution?

Gov. Eliot Spitzer, accused in news reports of being involved in a prostitution ring, apologized to his family and the public on Monday at a hastily called news conference. He did not elaborate on the story. With his wife at his side, Spitzer told reporters that he "acted in a way that violates my obligations to my family." "I have disappointed and failed to live up to the standard I expected of myself," he said. "I must now dedicate some time to regain the trust of my family." The New York Times reported earlier in the day that Spitzer told senior administration officials that he was linked to a prostitution ring. The report cited an anonymous administration official.

3/5 Clinton Comeback

Barack Obama regained lost ground in the fierce competition for Democratic convention delegates on Wednesday based on results from the Texas caucuses, partially negating the impact of Hillary Rodham Clinton's string of comeback primary victories. Late returns showed Clinton emerged from Rhode Island, Vermont, Texas and Ohio with a gain of 12 delegates on her rival for the night, with another dozen yet to be awarded in The Associated Press count. That left Obama with an overall lead of 101 delegates, 1,562-1,461 as the rivals look ahead to the final dozen contests on the calendar. It takes 2,025 to win the nomination.

3/4 Primary Tuesday

Voters are going to the polls in Texas, Ohio, Vermont and Rhode Island in a day that could be do or die for Hillary Clinton. The race is still too close to call in Texas and Ohio, the crucial states. She has lost 11 contests to Barack Obama since February 5th. Voter turnout for the race is heavy. Republican John McCain could clinch the GOP nomination with a big result tonight.

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2/27 Sports Drug Hearing

If professional sports can't police themselves over drug use, lawmakers are threatening to step in. Today, the heads of all major pro sports and their unions were hauled before Congress once again. The leagues claim they have made enormous progress but lawmakers are not convinced. Some members of Congress also expressed concern about the message drugs in sports sent to high school athletes. The hearing comes months after the Mitchell Report uncovered widespread allegations of performance enhancing drugs among the Major League's top players

2/26 Bunker Hill MRSA

The death of a student, rumors and a confusing letter from the health department helped fuel a controversy at Bunker Hill Elementary school. A student who attended the school died several weeks ago and rumors began to swirl that she died of MRSA. Without naming the student, the health department sent a letter stating that there had been a case of MRSA at the school but there was no threat to students health. A spokesperson for the school system says there was never a health threat and the letter was sent only because some parents had voiced concerns. Parents are upset because the letter came out so long after the child died.

2/13 Caffeine Candy

A new kind of candy is hitting the market to compete with energy drinks. Candymakers are introducing candy laced with caffeine. Some parents aren't happy about the new trend and believe the candy is aimed at kids. Both the energy drink and candy markets both rely on kids as big consumers and there are now fewer children in the 6-11 year old range. That is why one dietitian says both markets are increasing their pushes to children. There are simply not enough of them to go around.

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1/30 Bad Meat Investigation

The Agriculture Department said Wednesday it would investigate whether sick dairy cows were mistreated at a California slaughterhouse in violation of state and federal laws designed to ensure food safety and prevent animal cruelty. Newly installed Agriculture Secretary Ed Schafer said the department was taking the allegations seriously after video footage showed workers at the Hallmark Meat Packing Co. repeatedly kicking cows and ramming them with the blades of a forklift as the animals squealed in pain. The facility is a major supplier to a USDA program that distributes beef to needy families, the elderly and to schools through the National School Lunch Program.

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2/5 School Sit out

School cafeteria is known for being bad but in one DC school, it's so bad students walked out of class. For a second straight day, students at Kima Public Charter School staged a cafeteria sit in to protest. The school is actually supporting the students. Teachers are trying to use the sit in's as a learning tool. Student leaders will meet with the lunch vendor tomorrow and plan to spell out their complaints. The school says if the vendor can't fix the problems, it may look for another food provider. The students say if the food isn't better in another week, they'll walk out again.

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3/11 Bad teacher contest

An anti-union group claims it has found a way to get rid of bad teachers. The Center for Union Facts will ask parents, students and other teachers to nominate the worst unionized teacher in America. The center says it will choose 10 and offer each \$10,000 to quit; "winners" must allow the center to write about them on its website. The teachers union in DC says there are better solutions to weeding out bad teachers. If a parent has a problem, they're advised to talk to the principal or the school system.

3/4 Pay for Performance

Prince George's County is offering to pay teachers extra for good performance. They could pull in \$10,000 in bonuses in a plan to attract and keep good teachers. 25% of their evaluation is based on student achievement, 25 on the school's achievement. Rewards will also be given for "hard-to-staff" subjects, performance evaluation scores and professional development.

3/3 Math Tricks

A math whiz is touring the country right now to show students how to use new tricks to solve big problems and have fun while they're doing it. Mike Byster visited Lafayette Elementary in Northwest DC today. The 3rd, 4th and 5th graders solved complex math problems and loved it. Byster created "Brainetics" where he shows kids how to break problems down to more user friendly units.

3/3 College Loan Classes

College students are now getting squeezed by the credit crisis. Many students are being denied student loans or forced to pay higher fees and interest. Some financial aid officers say this may be the tip of the iceberg. Students who qualified for loans before now can't get them. That means they may have to pay higher fees for federally backed loans. Private loans, which many students are depending on to fill the gap are tightening credit standards. Congress cut student loan subsidies and with credit tight, somelenders can't raise the money to make loans.

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3/11 Foreclosure Effects.

The mortgage crisis is having a ripple effect across our economy. The non-profit group ACORN today held a rally to draw attention to the problem and the fallout. A survey by the National League of Cities found an increase in abandoned homes and a spike in crime in some parts of the country. Prince George's County is struggling with the worst rate of foreclosures in the region but officials there tell us they aren't seeing those problems so far.

3/5 Foreclosure Help

Prince George's County has been one of the hardest hit areas in this nationwide mortgage crisis, accounting for more than 25% of all foreclosures in Maryland. At a free homeowners clinic, experts explained what they could do to ensure they don't lose their homes. Fannie Mae representatives recommend calling a lender and letting them know you need help. You should also talk to a counselor, develop a repayment plan and sell the house if you can.

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1/28 Papal Chair

Catholic University says two of its students are designing the altar Pope Benedict XVI will use when he celebrates Mass at a new ballpark in April. School officials say 23-year-old John-Paul Mikołajczyk of Staten Island, New York, and 24-year-old Ryan Mullen of Manchester, New Hampshire, won a competition to design the altar. Both students are master's degrees candidates at university's School of Architecture and Planning. Tens of thousands of people are expected to attend the Pope's service at the new Nationals stadium.

1/25 Dulles Rail Meeting

Virginia officials are still working to save the Dulles Rail project now that it looks like the federal government will not be pitching in nearly a billion dollars. The VA Secretary of Transportation said he will spend the whole weekend coordinating a complex response to the government. \$145 million has already been spent on the project. The Metro Board Chairman says the project had already been approved 15 times so he was stunned to find out they'd chosen to pull the funding.

1/24 Dulles Rail Meeting

Federal officials say they have serious doubts that the long-awaited extension of Metro to Dulles International Airport will qualify for federal funding. Without the hoped-for \$900 million in federal funding, the entire \$2.5 billion project to extend the rail system would collapse. The head of the Federal Transit Administration, James S. Simpson, outlined his concerns in a letter sent Thursday to Governor Tim Kaine. He says the project doesn't appear to be a prudent investment. Simpson says his office is worried about the project's cost-effectiveness and how the airports authority will come up with the rest of the money for it. He also cited uncertainties about Metro's ability to pay for the upkeep of the entire rail system.

1/24 dc 911/311 roundtable

DC leaders say by merging the city's 911 and 311 phone numbers, they're eliminating confusion about who to call when you need the police or fire department. But at a city hearing today, some say things are more confusing than ever. You used to call 311 in a non-emergency and 911 in an emergency but now, anytime you are looking for any kind of police or fire response, you call 911. 311 will be limited to city service questions like asking how to get a recycling bin. The changes are already in effect.

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2/29 NOVA Transportation

Regional authorities created by the General Assembly to levy taxes for highway and transit projects are unconstitutional, the state Supreme Court said in a ruling that essentially guts the legislature's 2007 transportation funding

plan. In a unanimous opinion Friday, the court said legislators improperly delegated taxing powers to the unelected members of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, a key component of last year's transportation package. The law authorized the NVTA to raise \$300 million a year by levying seven regional taxes and fees and issuing bonds to pay for highway projects. The court's ruling invalidates those bonds, which have not yet been issued.

2/26 Tuskegee Airmen

This month, the Tuskegee Airmen are being honored in a photo exhibit at Reagan National Airport. Several of the legendary airmen live here in the DC area. The airmen made history during World War II as the nation's first African American bombs, fighter pilots and ground crew. Today, area students were invited to listen to them talk about their experiences at war and the racism they faced here at home.

2/26 95 Expansion

The Virginia Department of Transportation will begin work this week to widen a six-mile stretch of Interstate 95 in Fairfax and Prince William counties. VDOT says a fourth lane in both directions between the Fairfax County Parkway and Route 123 will improve traffic at the Springfield Interchange. Signs and barriers will be placed on the right shoulders in both directions along that stretch of the interstate Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Construction on the \$123 million project is scheduled to begin next month and finish in 2011. Transportation officials say they plan to minimize traffic congestion by keeping all existing lanes open during rush hours and holidays.

2/25 Street Racing

Prince George's County Police say they will step up enforcement at street-racing sites by relying on a network of cameras in the county. Officers say they already know ten locations in the county that could use some extra eyes. That includes part of Route 301, Central Avenue and Indian Head Highway. 8 people watching an illegal race were killed on Indian Head Highway last weekend after they walked into the street and were hit by a car.

2/25 Crime Cameras

For the second year in a row, overall crime is up in the District, rising four percent. Despite that, Chief Cathy Lanier says some of her crime fighting initiatives are having a significant impact, among them the installation of crime cameras. Today she testified in front of the City Council. She says the cameras are directly responsible for a 19% reduction in crime in the neighborhoods in which they have been installed.

2/7 Pepco Cutdown

Pepco customers are complaining to the DC Council about problems with their bills. Some say they miss several bills in a row, even after complaining that they aren't getting the monthly notices. Then, they get a bill in the thousands of dollars. Pepco says it doesn't have a widespread problem with its service. Instead, they're going to followup with all the customers on a case by case basis.

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A man arrested in Falls Church last night may be responsible for nearly a dozen attacks on women in Northern Virginia. 40 year old David Foltz is a registered sex offender recently released from prison. Last night, Fairfax police say officers tailing Foltz watched as he attacked a woman walking on a Falls Church sidewalk. Fairfax officers had identified him as a possible suspect in a string of attacks on women. Since August, 11 women in Fairfax have all been grabbed by a man while walking alone in the dark. He has been charged in last night's attack only. Foltz had been jailed in 1990 for rape.

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D.C. taxi drivers are holding the first of what organizers say will be weekly strikes protesting the mayor's decision to require meters in cabs. It's unclear exactly how many are participating in the 12-hour strike. The Taxicab Industry Group estimates that 90 percent of the city's approximately 7,500 drivers are staying off the streets.

2/4 VA Troops Return

After spending more than a year in Iraq, more than 100 troops from Virginia are back home tonight. Family, friends and well-wishers gathered in Fredericksburg to make sure they got a warm welcome home. The Virginia National Guard's 116th A company is glad to be back. They shouldn't have to deploy again for another year but that could be shortened since this is a time of war.

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3/24 Easter Egg Roll

Thousands of children are running, jumping, and skipping merrily across the White House lawn for today's annual Easter Egg Roll. President Bush has joined his wife, Laura, his mother and former first lady, Barbara Bush, and daughter, Jenna, in presiding over the festivities. Young people competing in the races are pushing eggs across a stretch of grass using giant spoons. The festivities also include an egg hunt, musical performances, reading, magicians and face painting. About 7,500 eggs are available for the egg roll races. Another 3,200 dyed eggs are being used for the egg hunt and 4,500 have been boiled for children to dye. The rite of spring at the White House dates to President Rutherford B. Hayes' administration in 1878.

3/24 Rattlesnake in Luggage

Maybe he heard a faint rattling around in his luggage, but he surely never assumed the sound came from a stowaway snake sealed in his bag and waiting to attack.

But that's what happened to Andy Bacas, an Arlington man who has been taken to the hospital after being bitten by what authorities believe was a juvenile canebrake rattlesnake.

Bacas is a rowing coach at Yorktown High School. He apparently reached into his luggage this morning after returning from a team trip to South Carolina when he felt a sharp pain.

That's when Bacas saw the nearly foot-long snake and quickly slammed the luggage shut with the snake inside. Bacas was in stable condition this afternoon at Inova Fairfax Hospital.

3/19 National Zoo Panda

The National Zoo's giant female panda has been artificially inseminated in hopes that she will give birth to another cub.

The zoo says the female panda, Mei Xiang, and the male, Tian Tian, were brought together Tuesday to mate naturally. But veterinarians determined they weren't successful and performed the artificial insemination Wednesday.

Giant pandas only have one breeding season per year. It could be months, though, before scientists know whether the insemination was successful. Mei Xiang has been successfully artificially inseminated before, leading to the birth of cub Tai Shan in 2005.

3/18 DC Gun Ban

Advocates of gun rights advocates and opponents of gun violence are demonstrating outside the Supreme Court as justice begin hearing arguments over the meaning of the Second Amendment's "right to keep and bear arms." The Supreme Court is deciding whether to uphold the District's 30 year old gun ban. Dozens of protesters waved signs as they mingled with tourists and several people waited in long lines to get into the courtroom but were turned away. More than 50 people stood in line overnight for a coveted seat in the courtroom. The line began forming on Sunday. The basic issue before the justices is whether the amendment protects an individual's right to own guns or whether that right is somehow tied to service in a state militia.

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3/12 Falls Church Assault

Tonight, we're learning more about how police caught a man in the middle of carrying out an attack. Police believe this man could be connected to a string of attacks on women in Northern Virginia. David Foltz faced a judge today in Falls Church. The woman police say he attacked said she was walking home from work along Hillwood Avenue when a man grabbed her from behind, dragged her into the bushes and tried to undo her pants. She said she fought back. Fairfax detectives had been following him and raced to the rescue. They used a taser on him several times. Police were following him because a retired cop who heard about the other attacks led them to Foltz. Police attached a GPS to his work van. Foltz' lawyer argued that using the GPS without a warrant is a misuse of power. A judge decided to admit the GPS evidence and found probable cause

for a trial.

3/11 Restoring the mall

The National Mall is many things to many people but it hasn't been kept up. The Park Service's maintenance budget comes down to about \$12.50 a square foot. Now, two groups are working to restore the grandeur of the National Mall. Looking at the Mall, you can see the problems. Burned out street lamps, bare turf and broken posts mar what was once a magnificent landscape. One of DC's biggest developers is backing the Trust for the National Mall. He's hoping to raise \$500 million for maintenance and improvement. Judy Scott Feldman's National Mall Conservancy is also raising money. They will also rely on citizen funds to help restore the National Mall.

3/11 Foreclosure Effects.

The mortgage crisis is having a ripple effect across our economy. The non-profit group ACORN today held a rally to draw attention to the problem and the fallout. A survey by the National League of Cities found an increase in abandoned homes and a spike in crime in some parts of the country. Prince George's County is struggling with the worst rate of foreclosures in the region but officials there tell us they aren't seeing those problems so far.

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3/10 Euros Accepted

More Europeans are coming to DC to make the most of their vacation cash. The Euro, the currency for much of Europe, is worth a lot more than a dollar. One Adams Morgan business has decided they'll accept Euros hoping to bring in more tourists during this struggling economy. Cashiers at the Amsterdam Falafel shop were worried about how to give back change but now that the store has shown them how to work out the currency exchange, they say it's no trouble to conduct business in Euros and dollars.

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3/7 8 Dead street race

If you drive along Indian Head Highway, you know it's impossible to miss the memorial to the 8 people who died during a street race last month. Now, family members are outraged because the memorial has disappeared less than three weeks before the accident. The State Highway Administration bagged up all the items and threw them into a dump truck. People who work next to the site ran out to stop them and called the families of victims. They came out and started digging through the trash for the items. The SHA says it's required to remove anything that endangers drivers or the people who stand on the side of the road to create the memorials. One family says they're going to create a new memorial at the site.

3/5 Cherry Blossom Festival

The National Park Service predicts most of the cherry trees circling the Tidal Basin will be in peak bloom when the National Cherry Blossom Festival begins later this month.

The park service's chief horticulturist, Rob DeFeo, says most of the trees will be bursting with pink and white blossoms from March 27 through April 3. More than 1 million people are expected to attend the two-week festival, which begins March 29 and includes a parade, fireworks and cultural performances. Most of the 3,700 cherry trees lining the Tidal Basin are descendants of those presented to the United States by Japan in 1912 as a symbol of friendly relations between the countries.

3/5 Field Turf Stolen

Even before the football team at Shepherd University could set foot on the school's new artificial turf stadium, someone has vandalized their playing field. This weekend, vandals cut out the 50 yard marker in the new turf. The contract workers have glued a patch of artificial turf back into place. Then they'll have to restencil the number. University officials are offering free parking for life for anyone who names the thief.

3/5 Target Opening

The District's first Target store opened today as part of a three-story, 145 million-dollar urban shopping mall. Besides Target, the complex will include such stores as Best Buy, Marshalls and Bed, Bath & Beyond, which will open in the coming weeks. It's all part of the DC USA retail project, an initiative showing the signs of the city's revitalization after decades of neglect. The mall is located in a densely populated and diverse section of northwest Washington. Mayor Adrian Fenty says D.C. loses about 1 billion dollars in retail sales each year to Maryland and Virginia.

3/4 Target Opening

The shelves are fully stocked as DC's first Target store prepares to open Wednesday in a radically transforming neighborhood, reviving an area even McDonald's wasn't interested in as recently as 2001. The chic discount retailer will anchor DC USA -- the largest retail project in the nation's capital. The three-story urban shopping mall was heralded Tuesday as another sign of the city's revitalization following decades of neglect. There are security worries in a neighborhood that's in transition. Several people were robbed at gunpoint last night in Columbia Heights.

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1/30 New Car Seat Ratings

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1/30 Catoe One year Anniversary

Metro General Manager John Catoe has been on the job for a year and five days. Today, he sat down to talk about the transit system and where it's going. A year ago, he was stressing reliability for the nation's second busiest rail transit system. Today, safety was the first topic he mentioned. Catoe says his toughest moments were the deaths of pedestrians struck by Metro buses. In the near future, Catoe says he has a list of immediate needs to present to the Metro board. He wants more money to repair crumbling platforms and buy new transformers that are ready to go when old transformer dies. The price tag for the list is about 120 million dollars.

1/29 Dulles Rail Response

Virginia Governor Tim Kaine says he has been talking directly with Transportation Secretary Mary Peters about how to save the Dulles rail project. The Federal Transit Administration has indicated that crucial federal funding for the Metro extension is almost a lost cause. But Kaine says state officials are confident that they can answer the FTA's concerns. Kaine says the FTA was cancelling the project while another agency in the Department of Transportation was giving it the go-ahead.

1/28 Dulles Rail Response

Virginia lawmakers are now joining the fight to keep the Dulles Rail Project on track. They're trying to get the Feds to cough up the money for the project. Last week, a \$900 million federal grant was yanked from the table. Virginia delegates on Capitol Hill are calling for a cooling off period so talks could continue with federal transportation officials. Private investors may be ready to partner with the state to pay for the extension.

1/25 Dulles Rail Meeting

Virginia officials are still working to save the Dulles Rail project now that it looks like the federal government will not be pitching in nearly a billion dollars. The VA Secretary of Transportation said he will spend the whole weekend coordinating a complex response to the government. \$145 million has already been spent on the project. The Metro Board Chairman says the project had already been approved 15 times so he was stunned to find out they'd chosen to pull the funding.

1/24 Dulles Rail Meeting

Federal officials say they have serious doubts that the long-awaited extension of Metro to Dulles International Airport will qualify for federal funding. Without the hoped-for \$900 million in federal funding, the entire \$2.5 billion project to extend the rail system would collapse. The head of the Federal Transit Administration, James S. Simpson, outlined his concerns in a letter sent Thursday to Governor Tim Kaine. He says the project doesn't appear to be a prudent investment. Simpson says his office is worried about the project's cost-effectiveness and how the airports authority will come up with the rest of the money for it. He also cited uncertainties about Metro's ability to pay for the upkeep of the entire rail system.

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2/29 NOVA Transportation

Regional authorities created by the General Assembly to levy taxes for highway and transit projects are unconstitutional, the state Supreme Court said in a ruling that essentially guts the legislature's 2007 transportation funding

plan. In a unanimous opinion Friday, the court said legislators improperly delegated taxing powers to the unelected members of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, a key component of last year's transportation package. The law authorized the NVTA to raise \$300 million a year by levying seven regional taxes and fees and issuing bonds to pay for highway projects. The court's ruling invalidates those bonds, which have not yet been issued.

2/27 DUI Tags

Maryland lawmakers will begin work today on a proposal to require special tags for people convicted of three cases of impaired driving. Under the bill, repeat violators would have their regular license tags pulled and replaced with ones that include the letters D-U-I in red. The violators would have to use those tags for one registration period. The proposal comes as several states try shaming repeat drunk drivers.

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2/26 95 Expansion

The Virginia Department of Transportation will begin work this week to widen a six-mile stretch of Interstate 95 in Fairfax and Prince William counties. VDOT says a fourth lane in both directions between the Fairfax County Parkway and Route 123 will improve traffic at the Springfield Interchange. Signs and barriers will be placed on the right shoulders in both directions along that stretch of the interstate Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Construction on the \$123 million project is scheduled to begin next month and finish in 2011. Transportation officials say they plan to minimize traffic congestion by keeping all existing lanes open during rush hours and holidays.

2/6 Marc Train Derailment

A commuter train was hit by a small locomotive at Union Station, knocking the train's rear wheels off the track and injuring seven people. A spokeswoman for Maryland's MARC service says train 419 from Baltimore was hit from behind at about 10 a.m. today, dislodging two rear wheels. Amtrak spokeswoman Karina Romero says the MARC train was not moving when a small locomotive used to move the commuter train to a maintenance facility came in too fast and hit the train while passengers were deboarding. Amtrak operates both pieces of equipment for MARC. D.C. fire department spokesman Alan Etter says seven people were taken to the hospital after complaining of minor head and neck injuries.

2/4 Taxi Strike

D.C. taxi drivers are holding the first of what organizers say will be weekly strikes protesting the mayor's decision to require meters in cabs. It's unclear exactly how many are participating in the 12-hour strike. The Taxicab Industry Group estimates that 90 percent of the city's approximately 7,500 drivers are staying off the streets.

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3/19 National Harbor Cabs

3/12 SUV Safety

An insurance industry group is calling on automakers to make strong roofs on SUVs to keep drivers and passengers safe. Every passenger vehicle already has to meet current federal standards for roof strength but the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety says that's not enough for some SUVs. A study from the group found that the vehicles with the strongest roofs had injury risks up to 57% lower than the weaker roofs. The Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers calls the study flawed.

3/11 Gas forecast

Filling up your car is more expensive than ever. Overnight, gas prices hit a record high, averaging \$3.22 a gallon. A new government forecast says that's just the beginning. The Department of Energy's short-term outlook forecast average nationwide prices to peak at \$3.50 a gallon this Spring and areas like DC could see much higher prices. Analysts blame oil prices on a weak US dollar. That will also increase costs of other things because of the added price of transporting items like food and clothes.

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3/10 Oil Watch

Crude oil prices hit another record today and because of that, AAA is predicting a new record high for gas prices tomorrow. It usually takes several months for crude oil prices to affect prices you pay at the pump. Global economic experts say high oil prices are here to stay and we shouldn't expect much of a drop off. Some fear \$4 a gallon isn't that far off. That's not the only problem. Energy costs in agriculture are also driving up food prices.

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3/7 High Tech Crosswalks

Pedestrians in the District will soon see and hear new technology when they use crosswalks. The Pedestrian Detecting technology was on display in Fairfax County today. A sensor detects human movement, then verbally instructs pedestrians in English and Spanish to activate a crossing signal. The device will tell a pedestrian when it's safe to cross. High intensity flashing lights will alert drivers that people are walking across the street. The devices will be installed later this year at around 10 locations where a high number of pedestrian incidents occur each year.

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2/26 Exxon Valdez Victims

It's been almost 19 years since the tanker Exxon Valdez ran aground at Alaska's Bligh Reef, spurting 11 million gallons of crude into the rich fishing waters of Prince William Sound. In 1994, an Anchorage jury awarded victims \$5 billion in punitive damages. That amount has since been cut in half by other courts on appeals by Exxon Mobil Corp. Now the town of 2,200 looks anxiously to the U.S. Supreme Court, which will hear arguments Wednesday from Exxon on why the company should not have to pay punitive damages at all. Scores of Cordova residents are among almost 33,000 plaintiffs -- including commercial fishermen, Alaska Natives, Landowners, businesses and local governments -- who could see the \$2.5 billion judgment taken away by the high court.

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3/19 CFL Bulbs

The new energy efficient CFL bulbs might save money but they could be an environmental danger. The bulbs contain mercury. Government officials are warning everyone not to trash the bulbs when they finally burn out and recycle them instead. But only a handful of counties are able to recycle the bulbs. Since the program is so new and relatively small, it's very expensive. Howard County says the recycling costs them about \$2000 a ton compared to \$33 a ton for regular trash.

3/10 Drugs in the water

The drinking water for D.C. and surrounding areas has tested positive for six pharmaceuticals. But the presence of prescription drugs in drinking water isn't limited to the region. A five-month inquiry by the AP shows pharmaceuticals have been found in the drinking water supplies of at least 41 million Americans. The drugs range from antibiotics to mood stabilizers and sex hormones.

3/10 Ethanol Techology

The answer to our fuel of the future may have been found in the Chesapeake Bay. While studying a bacteria found in the bay, professors at the University of Maryland discovered it had all the elements needed to make ethanol, all it needed was some trash. The ethanol making process is traditionally very expensive but the researcher who found the bacteria says this could cut the production cost by 33%. This would be good for gas and to get rid of trash that can't be recycled. The process would take only three to five days.

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3/7 Trash Into Gas

Car makers are looking for new ways to fill up your tank with items straight from your garbage can. Coskata is a company in Chicago that says it can create fuel out of just about anything we throw away. Refineries can take garbage and feed it to some micro-organisms. That creates ethanol as waste. The ethanol can then be blended with gasoline to create fuel E-85. The company says their system is less expensive and uses less energy than making ethanol from corn. They believe it could be ready to go in just a few years.

3/5 Tire Clean up

A Maryland family may have to sell their farm because of a tire dump. The man who owned the farm in the 40s dumped tires from his business there. Now the people who own the farm are being ordered by the Maryland Department of the Environment to clean up the dump at a cost of \$250,000 or more. The family doesn't qualify for a program meant to help people who inherit such a problem. The property was willed to them through a family partnership. Since that comes with tax advantages, they don't meet the criteria to get help. Several state lawmakers are urging environmental officials to find a solution.

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1/28 Papal Chair

Catholic University says two of its students are designing the altar Pope Benedict XVI will use when he celebrates Mass at a new ballpark in April. School officials say 23-year-old John-Paul Mikolajczyk of Staten Island, New York, and 24-year-old Ryan Mullen of Manchester, New Hampshire, won a competition to design the altar. Both students are master's degrees candidates at university's School of Architecture and Planning. Tens of thousands of people are expected to attend the Pope's service at the new Nationals stadium.

1/28 Mentor Monday

Fox 5 is partnering with mentoring organizations to help find more adults willing to help kids. Today, a phone bank took calls to match callers with groups who need volunteers. 120 potential mentors signed up for this effort. For mentors, no special skills are needed because the organizations all train volunteers first.

1/25 Packed Day Care

Day care centers are packed in Montgomery County, leaving the community and county officials searching for creative solutions. One program helps train home providers so they can provide certified day care services. There are 3160 children under five in the Wheaton-Silver Spring zip code 20902 and only 466 preschool slots in day care centers. Getting home providers certified will help open up more spaces.

1/24

A Bethesda tycoon is looking to increase his holdings. Not such a big deal, until you consider that he's only 19 years old. Artin Afshar-Javan is already an internet entrepreneur and a restaurateur. He says he started in business at 13 with a hundred dollars in his pocket, renting vending machines. Now he's making an 8 million dollar offer to buy the Moby Dick kebab chain. The chain owner says his business is not for sale. He's also skeptical about the teen's success saying you can claim anything but proving it is a different story.

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2/27 Sports Drug Hearing

If professional sports can't police themselves over drug use, lawmakers are threatening to step in. Today, the heads of all major pro sports and their unions were hauled before Congress once again. The leagues claim they have made enormous progress but lawmakers are not convinced. Some members of Congress also expressed concern about the message drugs in sports sent to high school athletes. The hearing comes months after the Mitchell Report uncovered widespread allegations of performance enhancing drugs among the Major League's top players

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2/26 Bunker Hill MRSA

The death of a student, rumors and a confusing letter from the health department helped fuel a controversy at Bunker Hill Elementary school. A student who attended the school died several weeks ago and rumors began to swirl that she died of MRSA. Without naming the student, the health department sent a letter stating that there had been a case of MRSA at the school but there was no threat to students health. A spokesperson for the school system says there was never a health threat and the letter was sent only because some parents had voiced concerns. Parents are upset because the letter came out so long after the child died.

2/13 Caffeine Candy

A new kind of candy is hitting the market to compete with energy drinks. Candymakers are introducing candy laced with caffeine. Some parents aren't happy about the new trend and believe the candy is aimed at kids. Both the energy drink and candy markets both rely on kids as big consumers and there are now fewer children in the 6-11 year old range. That is why one dietitian says both markets are increasing their pushes to children. There are simply not enough of them to go around.

2/5 School Sit out

School cafeteria is known for being bad but in one DC school, it's so bad students walked out of class. For a second straight day, students at Kima Public Charter School staged a cafeteria sit in to protest. The school is actually supporting the students. Teachers are trying to use the sit in's as a learning tool. Student leaders will meet with the lunch vendor tomorrow and plan to spell out their complaints. The school says if the vendor can't fix the problems, it may look for another food provider. The students say if the food isn't better in another week, they'll walk out again.

2/1 Final DC Ski Plan

After weeks of hearings and intense protests, DC Mayor Adrian Fenty released a revised list of schools that will be closed permanently this summer. Fenty and the schools chancellor had promised they would listen to community input before finalizing the process. They made good on that promise, moving some schools on and others off the original list. The 23 schools have to be closed to save money. Some parents were stunned to find out the schools they thought were safe will now be closed.

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3/24 Easter Egg Roll

Thousands of children are running, jumping, and skipping merrily across the White House lawn for today's annual Easter Egg Roll. President Bush has joined his wife, Laura, his mother and former first lady, Barbara Bush, and daughter, Jenna, in presiding over the festivities. Young people competing in the races are pushing eggs across a stretch of grass using giant spoons. The festivities also include an egg hunt, musical performances, reading, magicians and face painting. About 7,500 eggs are available for the egg roll races. Another 3,200 dyed eggs are being used for the egg hunt and 4,500 have been boiled for children to dye. The rite of spring at the White House dates to President Rutherford B. Hayes' administration in 1878.

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3/11 Bad teacher contest

An anti-union group claims it has found a way to get rid of bad teachers. The Center for Union Facts will ask parents, students and other teachers to nominate the worst unionized teacher in America. The center says it will choose 10 and offer each \$10,000 to quit; "winners" must allow the center to write about them on its website. The teachers union in DC says there are better solutions to weeding out bad teachers. If a parent has a problem, they're advised to talk to the principal or the school system.

3/5 Child Assault Arrest

A little girl was sexually assaulted in the middle of a mall parking lot. Anne Arundel County police say 61 year old Michael Hein pulled the six year old into the back seat of his truck Saturday at a Glen Burnie Mall and abused her. Police say Hein has done it before. Other shoppers noticed something didn't look right and alerted police. They found Hein and the little girl inside the mall. Charging documents say Hein picked up the little girl from the mother's workplace earlier that day and he confessed he's abused her before.

3/3 Math Tricks

A math whiz is touring the country right now to show students how to use new tricks to solve big problems and have fun while they're doing it. Mike Byster visited Lafayette Elementary in Northwest DC today. The 3rd, 4th and 5th graders solved complex math problems and loved it. Byster created "Brainetics" where he shows kids how to break problems down to more user friendly units.

3/3 College Loan Classes

College students are now getting squeezed by the credit crisis. Many students are being denied student loans or forced to pay higher fees and interest. Some financial aid officers say this may be the tip of the iceberg. Students who qualified for loans before now can't get them. That means they may have to pay higher fees for federally backed loans. Private loans, which many students are depending on to fill the gap are tightening credit standards. Congress cut student loan subsidies and with credit tight, somelenders can't raise the money to make loans.