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- Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (2); Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (3); Neel Kashkari, president, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (4); Elizabeth Palmer, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); Dr. Sharon Alroy-Preis, director, Public Health Services, Israel (6); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (7)
- Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent, contributor, CBS SUNDAY MORNING
- 1) a report from Atlanta on the surge of the COVID-19 Delta variant, national vaccination rates, and defiance of restrictions and mandates
 - 2) Topics include: reason behind the CDC's decision to change its mask guidance / breakthrough infections / societal responsibility / Provincetown study / vaccination rates
 - 3) Topics include: bipartisan negotiations for the infrastructure bill / signaling from the progressive movement in the House of Representatives that they will block infrastructure unless the Senate passes the budget bill / concerns about the budget bill and the environmental provision / President Biden's desire to include immigration provisions included in the budget bill; lapsed eviction moratorium
 - 4) Topics include: effect of the Delta variant on the economy / impact the leverage workers now have on businesses / recovery timeline / inflation / supply issues; support for spending on infrastructure investment
 - 5) a report from London on the international COVID-19 surge and the short supply of vaccines in most countries
 - 6) Topics include: the Delta variant / breakthrough infections / decision to start administering booster shots to those over the age of 60 / reinstated mask mandates
 - 7) Topics include: breakthrough COVID cases / highly contagious Delta variant / boosters for the elderly and vulnerable population

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- Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Governor Asa Hutchinson (R-AR) (2); Brittany Comisso, ("executive assistant #1") NY Governor Andrew Cuomo accuser (3); Miguel Cardona, Secretary of Education, Biden administration (4); Alberto Carvalho, superintendent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (6); Amanda Ripley, author, *High Conflict: Why We Get Trapped and How We Get Out*
- Guest Correspondent:** Jericka Duncan, CBS News national correspondent (3)
- Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent, contributor, CBS SUNDAY MORNING
- 1) a report from Marietta, GA on the rise of the Delta variant, particularly in states with low vaccination rates, opposition to mask mandates as schools reopen, and the COVID culture war
 - 2) Topics include: reasons why the Governor now regrets signing a law banning state mask mandates / the Delta variant / improving coronavirus vaccination rates / lack of support for a vaccine mandate; allegations against New York Governor Andrew Cuomo
 - 3) an excerpt of a CBS THIS MORNING and the Albany Times Union's interview with Brittany Comisso on why she's filed a criminal sexual harassment complaint against Governor Cuomo
 - 4) Topics include: in-person return to school / discussions with Texas and Florida officials over measures taken to forbid mask mandates in their states / mask fatigue / cost of the pandemic on schooling / support for all eligible individuals to get vaccinated
 - 5) Topics include: the Florida governor's executive order banning mask mandates in schools / call for a balanced set of protocols and safeguards / convincing households to come back to in-person schooling / impact of the coronavirus pandemic on children in poverty
 - 6) Topics include: worsening state of the pandemic / impact of the Delta variant on the new school year / precautions schools should take to stay ahead of the Delta variant / advice to parents who have concerns about the coronavirus vaccines / upcoming decision from the Biden administration on boosters
 - 7) a discussion with author Amanda Ripley on her new book, which 'examines how in this age of outrage we can find our way back to productive conversations'

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- Guest Moderator:** Nancy Cordes, CBS News chief White House correspondent
- 1) a report from Atlanta on the nationwide COVID-19 pandemic, fueled by the Delta surge, resulting in an increase of hospitalizations
 - 2) Topics include: steps the federal government is taking to assist medical officials in southern states / need to get more people vaccinated / recent Minnesota study comparing the efficacy of the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines against the Delta variant / boosters for the immunocompromised
 - 3) a report from Kabul on the current state of the Afghan capital, as the Taliban reached its gates
 - 4) a report from London on the speed of the Taliban offensive, as it made its way to Kabul
 - 5) Topics include: criticism of the Biden administration's handling of the withdrawal from Afghanistan; serious COVID situation in Louisiana / vaccine hesitancy / mask mandates
 - 6) Topics include: deterioration in Afghanistan / evacuation of U.S. embassy personnel / speed in which the Taliban has retaken Afghanistan
 - 7) Topics include: transition into the role of Governor of New York / Governor Andrew Cuomo's interview on his decision to step down / her lack of a relationship with the current Governor / women who were allegedly harassed by Governor Cuomo; focus on the COVID pandemic; criteria for lieutenant governor candidates
 - 8) Topics include: vote to impose a mask mandate / threats from the Florida Governor / types of support from the Biden administration
 - 9) Topics include: poll results out of California on how the vaccinated feel about the unvaccinated, the recall election against Governor Gavin Newsom, vaccine mandates, and the wildfires impacting their state

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- Guests:** Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (1); Kris Van Cleave, CBS News Congressional correspondent (2); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (4); Antony Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State, Biden administration (5); Nikki Haley, former ambassador to the United Nations, Trump administration (6); Ryan Crocker, former U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, Obama administration (7); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (8); Governor Larry Hogan (R-MD) (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10)
- Guest Moderator:** Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent
- 1) a report from the Montauk area on Long Island, on Tropical Storm Henri
 - 2) a report from Old Saybrook, CT, as residents prepare for landfall from Tropical Storm Henri
 - 3) a report from London on the situation in Afghanistan, as people attempt to flee the Taliban
 - 4) a report from Doha, Qatar, on the conditions for Afghan evacuees at Al Udeid Air Base
 - 5) Topics include: evacuation of American citizens from Afghanistan / security at Karzai International Airport / evacuating those who assisted the U.S. / U.S. – Taliban relations / speed in which the Taliban has retaken Afghanistan / fear that the threat of terrorism has increased, now that the Taliban is in control
 - 6) Topics include: criticism of the Biden administration's evacuation and withdrawal plan for Afghanistan / praise for the deal negotiated with the Taliban by the Trump administration / belief that Mr. Trump would have done a better job
 - 7) Topics include: Crocker's concerns about President Biden's competency, based upon his decision to withdraw and its execution / criticism of the deal negotiated by the Trump administration / fear of Taliban reprisals / need to concentrate on evacuations / 'global crisis' created by the events of the last two weeks
 - 8) a report from Atlanta on the latest surge of COVID-19, resulting on increased hospitalizations for people in their 30s and under 18
 - 9) Topics include: Afghanistan; current state of the coronavirus pandemic in Maryland / mask and vaccine mandates / booster shots / potential impact of full FDA approval on vaccine hesitancy / precautions taken for the new school year / steps taken by professional, college and high school sports teams / assistance for those facing evictions due to the pandemic
 - 10) Topics include: lack of accuracy regarding the number of Delta variant infections, specifically in children / testing as an effective tool in school districts / evidence that the epidemic is starting to slow in the south / anticipated Pfizer vaccine approval from the FDA

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Guests: Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Mireya Villarreal, CBS News correspondent (2); Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (3) (11); Governor Jon Bell Edwards (D-LA) (4); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (6); Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) (7); Jake Sullivan, White House national security adviser, Biden administration (8); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10); Sharon Weston Broome, mayor, (D-Baton Rouge, LA) (12)

Guest Moderator: Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent

- 1) a report from New Orleans, as Hurricane Ida threatens the Gulf Coast, likely hitting mid-afternoon, 16 years to the day Hurricane Katrina made landfall
- 2) a report from Houma, LA, on the preparations in that area for Hurricane Ida
- 3) a report from New York on the threats posed by Hurricane Ida
- 4) Topics include: preparations taken in advance of the storm / state's hurricane risk reduction system / dangers the storm poses to hospitals and nursing homes
- 5) a report from Doha, Qatar, on the possibility of another terrorist attack at the airport, after the U.S. drone strike response against ISIS militants
- 6) Topics include: this morning's U.S. airstrike on a suspected ISIS suicide vehicle / Thursday's attack at the airport by a suicide bomber / America's retaliatory strike against ISIS leaders / impact of troop withdrawal from Afghanistan on taking down terrorist organizations / mood at the Pentagon
- 7) Topics include: examples of how the Senator would have handled Afghanistan differently / advice to the Biden administration to not 'legitimize this terrorist takeover of Afghanistan' / belief that President Biden should be impeached for a dereliction of duty over Afghanistan
- 8) Topics include: terrorist threats to Americans outside of the U.S. / continuation of 'over-the-horizon' strikes against ISIS-K facilitators and plotters / promise of safe passage for any American still in Afghanistan after August 31st / economic leverage against the Taliban / embassy presence in Afghanistan / President Biden's morale / story behind the commitment to end the mission in Afghanistan prior to the 20th anniversary of September 11th
- 9) a report from Atlanta on America's COVID crisis
- 10) Topics include: future of the vaccine for young children / advice for parents as they send their kids back to school
- 11) an update on Hurricane Ida, about to make landfall in Louisiana, and how it compares to Hurricane Katrina
- 12) Topics include: how the city of Baton Rouge has prepared for Hurricane Ida / adjusting storm preparedness to accommodate coronavirus patients; how Louisiana's response to hurricanes has changed since Katrina

60 MINUTES

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"Ingenuity & Perseverance" – a report on the newest technological advancements in efforts to explore Mars. *Ingenuity* and *Perseverance*, a robotic helicopter and rover, respectively, have both landed successfully on Mars and have already began to transmit new information about the planet back to earth. Includes interviews with Mimi Aung, an engineer and project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory and the lead engineer on *Ingenuity*; Matt Keenon and Ben Pipenberg, engineers at AeroVironment who helped create *Ingenuity*; Al Chen, the leader of the landing team at NASA; Matt Wallace, project manager at NASA; and Ken Farley, who leads the science team that will direct *Perseverance*. (See also: "Perseverance", OAD: 05/31/20) (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Andy Court) (OAD: 05/09/21)

"Darren Walker" – a profile of Darren Walker, the first gay, Black president of the Ford Foundation. Walker leads the philanthropic society with the intent of distributing money to causes that will help combat inequality. Includes an interview with Beulah Spencer, Walker's mother. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shari Finkelstein) (OAD: 04/04/21)

"The Premonition" – a profile of author Michael Lewis as he releases his newest book, "The Premonition". Lewis's story focuses on some of the earliest American efforts to prepare for and adequately respond to the Covid-19 pandemic. Includes interviews with Dr. Charity Dean, a disease control expert and the assistant director of California's Department of Public Health; Dr. Carter Mecher, a senior medical adviser for the VA in Atlanta; and Joe DeRisi, a molecular biologist at Biohub for the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative. (See also: "The Mad Scientist of Football", OAD: 01/04/09; "Inside The Collapse", OAD: 03/14/10; and "Rigged", OAD: 03/30/14) (C: John Dickerson – P: Dragan Mihailovich) (OAD: 05/02/21)

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- 08/08/21 **“Incoming”** – a report on the ballistic missile strike carried out by Iran against American troops in January 2020. The missiles were a response to an American drone strike that killed Iranian general Qasem Soleimani and threatened to start a war between the two countries. Includes interviews with Major Alan Johnson, General Frank McKenzie, Lieutenant Colonel Tim Garland, Lieutenant Colonel Staci Coleman, Master Sergeant John Haines, and Sergeant Kimo Keltz, who were all at the Al Asad Air Base during the missile strike. (C: David Martin - P: Mary Walsh) (OAD: 02/28/21)
 “Dynamic Robots” – a report on Boston Dynamics, a robotics company that focuses on making robots with the capacity for life-like movement and mobility. The company continues to increase the capabilities of their robots and add additional functions, making possible an expanding range of jobs the robots can perform. Includes interviews with Marc Raibert, founder and chairman of Boston Dynamics; Robert Playter, CEO of Boston Dynamics; Hannah Rossi, a technician; Kevin Blankespoor, a lead engineer; and Bill Washburn, a roboticist specializing in car mechanics. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Nichole Marks) (OAD: 03/28/21)
 “Grizzlies” – a report on the resurgence of the grizzly bear population in the United States. The once-endangered species has successfully been repopulated, though living in close proximity to humans has created challenges for wildlife officials and communities alike. Includes interviews with Erik Wenum and Milan Vinks, state bear specialists; Hilary Cooley, a wildlife biologist in charge of grizzly bear recovery for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Bryce Andrews, a rancher, author, and field director for the non-profit People and Carnivores; Greg Schock, a farmer in Montana’s Mission Valley; and Anders Broste, a grizzly bear attack survivor. (See also: “Not In My Backyard!”, OAD: 06/05/05) (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Rome Hartman) (OAD: 10/11/20)
- 08/15/21 **“Hell Flight”** – a report on the handling of one of the earliest recorded coronavirus super-spreader events, a transatlantic cruise called the Costa Luminosa. After an outbreak of the virus onboard the ship, the Costa Luminosa eventually docked in France and allowed passengers to disembark, traveling home unrestricted through airports across the world. Health organizations have failed to take responsibility for the safety oversight, which ultimately enabled the rapid spread of the virus. Includes interviews with Bob Anderson, Sue Anderson, Kelly Edge, and Jenny Catron, who were all passengers on the flight; and Dr. Ali Khan, the dean of the University of Nebraska’s School of Public Health and former director of the CDC’s Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Guy Campanile) (OAD: 10/18/20)
 “Justice Defenders” – a report on the Justice Defenders, an organization aiming to educate prisoners about the legal system and equip them to represent themselves or others who are detained without proper legal counsel. The organization has greatly impacted Kenya, challenging the constitutionality of Kenya’s mandatory death sentence, which was changed due to their efforts. Includes interviews with Alexander McLean, founder of Justice Defenders; Morris Kaberia, George Karaba, Pauline Njeri and Jane Manyonge, who were all helped by the Justice Defenders; and Willie Ojulu, chief inspector at Langata Women’s Prison. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Michael H. Gavshon, Kate Morris) (OAD: 12/20/20)
 “Kings of the Road” – a report on driverless truck technology. Truckers move 70% of the nation’s goods and many are at risk of losing work due to the rapid expansion of autonomous rigs. With major advances in sensor technology, experts say driverless trucks will be widespread by 2021. Includes interviews with Jeff and Tanner Widdows, Linda Allen, and Eric Richardson, all truckers; Chuck Price, chief product officer at TuSimple; Maureen Fitzgerald, a trucker testing autonomous vehicles; John Panttila, who monitors software in driverless trucks; Steve Viselli, a sociologist at the University of Pennsylvania and an expert in freight transportation and automation; and Sam Loesche, legislative representative with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. (See also: “Hands Off The Wheel”, OAD: 10/04/15; and “Artificial Intelligence”, OAD: 10/09/16) (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Michael Karzis) (OAD: 03/15/20; 1st Rebroadcast: 08/23/20)

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“Race in the Ranks” – a report on the difficulties faced by minorities in the U.S. military. Overseen by the first African American Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin, the military is working to address the racial disparities minorities have long struggled with in all ranks of the military. Includes interviews with Lloyd Austin, a former U.S. Army four-star general who is the current secretary of defense; General C.Q. Brown, the first African American to head the Air Force; Senior Master Sergeant Sapphira Morgan, a member of the Air Force; Chief Master Sergeant Michael Holland, a member of the Air Force; retired Admiral Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs during the Bush and Obama administrations. (C: David Martin – P: Mary Walsh) (OAD: 03/21/21)

“Geldingadalir” – a report on the volcano Geldingadalir in Iceland. The volcano's eruption is the most recent instance of the environmental phenomenon as it permanently changes the surrounding landscape. Includes interviews with Thor Thordarson, one of Iceland's top volcanologists; Bruce Houghton, Hawaii's state volcanologist; Ed Marshall, a geochemist; and Kristin Jonsdottir, head of Iceland's earthquake monitoring. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Heather Abbott) (OAD: 05/23/21)

“Kindred in the Bleachers” – a profile of sports writer Dave Kindred. After a decorated career reporting on major professional athletes, Kindred has turned his focus to women's high school basketball and the Morton, Illinois Lady Potters. Includes interviews with Bob Becker, coach of the Lady Potters, Josie Becker, Jacey Wharam, and Courtney Jones, Lady Potter alums; and Katie Krupa, Caitlyn Cowley, Raquel Frakes, and Maggie Hobson, current Lady Potters. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Michael Karzis) (OAD: 03/28/21)

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“Chips” – a report on the increased demands for the semiconductors, or chips, required to manufacture a range of electronic products. The supply chain for chips is very fragile, and the current shortage will have a wide range of ramifications for the global economy. Includes interviews with Pat Gelsinger, Intel CEO; and Mark Liu, TSMC Chairman. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shachar Bar-On) (OAD: 05/02/21)

“UAP” – a report on the Pentagon's acknowledgement of unidentified aerial phenomena, or UAPs, more commonly known as UFOs. UAPs spotted by military officials are the current subject of investigation by the Pentagon and other intelligence organizations. Includes interviews with Luis Elizondo, a former U.S. Army Counterintelligence Special Agent and leader of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program; Lieutenant Ryan Graves, former Navy pilot; David Fravor and Lieutenant Alex Dietrich, who reported an encounter while in a government aircraft; Chris Mellon, who served as deputy assistant secretary of defense for intelligence for Presidents Clinton and George W. Bush; and Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL). (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Graham Messick) (OAD: 05/16/21)

“The Comeback” – a profile of Alex Smith, quarterback for the Washington Football Team. Following a gruesome injury on the field, Smith underwent a rigorous rehabilitation process in order to regain the use of his leg and eventually return to the game. Includes interviews with Dr. Robin West, the Washington Football Team's head physician; Elizabeth Smith, wife of Alex Smith; Johnny Owens, physical therapist at the Center for the Intrepid; and Dr. Joe Alderete, chief of orthopedic reconstructive surgery at the Center for the Intrepid. (C: Norah O'Donnell – P: Keith Sharman) (OAD: 01/17/21)

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48 HOURS: “Murder at the Mall: The Michelle Martinko Case” (9:00 – 10:00p) - a report on the murder of teenager Michelle Martinko, which went unsolved for decades. In December 1979, Michelle Martinko got in her car in the parking lot of a Cedar Rapids, IA mall. Moments later, she was stabbed to death by an assailant in the backseat. Police were unable to establish a motive, and potential suspects, including some of her ex-boyfriends, all had alibis for the time of Michelle’s death. By 1986, the case was deemed cold. In 2005, Detective Dough Larison took over the case. He located blood samples that had been sent out for processing and never followed up on. Modern science was able to create a DNA profile based on the blood, but no matches were found when it was tested against the national CODIS database and the suspects police had previously interviewed. In 2015, Matt Denlinger took over as lead detective. He had the DNA tested against the public GEDmatch database and located a Washington state woman who was distantly related to the killer. Building her family tree, Denlinger narrowed suspects down to three brothers in Iowa, then specifically to Jerry Burns. In December 2018, Denlinger interviewed then arrested Burns. In February 2020, Burns went on trial. Burns’ defense team argued that his DNA could have gotten in Michelle’s car by accidental transference since the Burns family frequented the Cedar Rapids mall. After three hours of deliberation, the jury returned a guilty verdict. **On-screen text graphic:** Jerry Burns was sentenced to life in prison without parole. He insists he did not murder Michelle Martinko. Interviewed: Harvey Denlinger, retired Cedar Rapids police detective; Matt Denlinger, Cedar Rapids police detective & Harvey’s son; Tracy Price, Michelle’s friend; Mike Wyrick, Michelle’s ex-boyfriend; Janelle Stonebreaker, Michelle’s sister; John Stonebreaker, Michelle’s brother-in-law; Gail Dawson, Michelle’s friend; Doug Larison, Cedar Rapids police detective; Jennifer Burns, Jerry’s daughter; Donald Burns, Jerry’s brother; Leon Spies, Jerry’s defense attorney; Nick Maybanks, prosecutor. (C: Jamie Yuccas – P: Alec Sirken, James Stolz, Matthew Goldfarb) (OAD: 11/07/20)

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48 HOURS: “The Case Against Nicole Addimando” (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the trial of Nicole “Nikki” Addimando for the murder of her boyfriend and the disputed accusations of domestic violence in their relationship. On September 28th, 2017, police found an agitated Nicole Addimando stopped at a traffic light with her two children. She quickly told them she had shot her boyfriend, Chris Grover, after he refused to let her leave and threatened to kill her. Police visited their home and found Chris dead. They arrested Nicole and charged her with second-degree murder. In March 2019, Nicole’s trial began. Her defense team claimed self-defense and cited numerous times Nicole sought medical attention for injuries she said came from Chris. They also pointed to searches on Chris’s phone from the night of his death that related to committing murder. The prosecution, however, claimed Nicole was actually the abuser who lied and manipulated people into seeing her as the victim. Prosecutors cited her shifting court testimony, alleged relationships with other men, and aggressive text messages she sent to Chris. The jury convicted her of criminal possession of a weapon and second-degree murder. Nicole’s supporters hoped that citing her history of abuse claims would lead to a lighter sentence. However, based on the fact that she never sought services to leave the relationship, the judge felt her account was not legitimate and sentenced her to 19 years to life on February 11th, 2020. Original on-screen text graphic: Nicole Addimando will be eligible for parole in 2036. If you or a loved one are a victim of domestic violence, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233. **On-screen text graphic for the 08/07/21 rebroadcast:** An appeals court found that Nicole Addimando should have qualified for a reduced sentence under the Domestic Violence Survivor’s Justice Act and reduced her sentence to 7.5 years. If you or a loved one are a victim of domestic violence, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233. Interviewed: Chana Krauss, prosecutor; Elizabeth Clifton, Nicole’s friend; Gail Grover, Chris’s mother; Beth Whalen, Chris’ coworker; Laura Mocodeanu, Nicole’s friend; Rachel Hawkes, Nicole’s friend; Mikayla Hughes, Chris’ student; Rachel Louise Snyder, journalist and author; John Ingrassia, Nicole’s attorney; Ben Ostrer, Nicole’s attorney. (C: Jericka Duncan – P: Mary Ann Rotondi) (OAD: 11/21/20)

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48 HOURS: “The Murder of Jackie Vandagriff” – a report on the murder of a Texas woman and its ties to the stalking of a college student. In the summer of 2016, Caitlin Mathis began a relationship with Charles Bryant in Grapevine, TX. She ended it in August as she was leaving for the University of North Texas in Denton. Charles attempted to get back together with her and continually showed up to her dorm and workplace unannounced. With the help of campus police, she filed a protective order, which he continued to violate, resulting in multiple arrests. On September 13th, 2016, Charles went to a bar he knew Caitlin frequented and met Jackie Vandagriff. The pair left together in his car. The next day, Jackie’s body was found burned in a kiddie pool in Grapevine. Police found Charles since he had given a business card to one of Jackie’s friends. They were again able to arrest him due to violation of the protective order. A search of Charles’ home turned up Jackie’s purse. Police also found footage of him buying a shovel late that same night. In police interviews, Charles eventually admitted to having consensual sex with Jackie that involved her being choked with a zip tie, which accidentally resulted in her death. He was arrested for murder and went on trial in April 2018. Charles’ defense team continued to argue Jackie’s death was an accident and disposing her body was the result of intoxication. The prosecution presented the crime as an extension of the stalking Caitlin had endured. However, a judge would not allow the jury to hear her testimony. After deliberation, Charles was found guilty and sentenced to life in prison. **On-screen text graphic:** Jackie Vandagriff’s family has endowed an internship in health and wellness at Texas Woman’s University in her name. Interviewed: Captain John Luna, Grapevine Police officer; Jackie Ton, Jackie’s friend; Caitlin Mathis, Charles’ ex-girlfriend; Karen Hulsey, Caitlin’s mother; Captain Jeremy Polk, University of North Texas campus police officer; Jim Holland, Texas Ranger; Kristie Dixon, dated Charles; Glynis McGinty, Charles’ defense attorney; Lucas Allan, prosecutor; Anna Hernandez, prosecutor. (C: Jim Axelrod – P: Sarah Prior, Lauren A. White) (OAD: 01/16/21)

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48 HOURS: “The 30-Year Secret - The Tracey Harris Murder” – a report on the murder case of a young mother that had been cold since 1990 and the husband who was the prime suspect. Tracey Harris was last seen in Ozark, AL the evening of March 7th, 1990. A week later, her body was found in the Choctawhatchee River. An autopsy concluded she had drowned, but also noted marks on her neck consistent with strangulation. Suspicion quickly turned to her husband, Carl. Over a dozen witnesses told police they had seen him abuse her and that he had a young girlfriend that he wished to leave Tracey for. Police did not make any arrests and the case went cold until 2016 when the Ozark Police Department’s cold case unit re-examined it. After re-interviewing witnesses, police still considered Carl the prime suspect. On September 13th, 2016, he was arrested for murder. Carl was scheduled to go on trial January 13th, 2020. While preparing the case, prosecutor Jordan Davis contacted Dawn Beasley to testify about the domestic violence she witnessed. Dawn refused and eventually revealed that in 1990 her husband, Jeff Beasley, admitted to killing Tracey. Police tracked down Jeff who still lived in Ozark. In police interviews, he eventually confessed to accidentally killing Tracey as the two waded in the Choctawhatchee River after she threatened to reveal the affair he claimed they were having. Jeff was arrested and charged with murder. On what was to be the date of his trial, the prosecutor dropped the case against Carl. At his trial, Jeff pled guilty and received a 30-year sentence. Carl filed notice of his plan to sue the City of Ozark. Original on-screen text graphic: Dawn reached out to Carolyn to apologize. Carolyn responded, but says she isn’t ready to talk. **On-screen text graphic for the 08/21/21 rebroadcast:** On August 19th, 2021, Harris filed his lawsuit against the City of Ozark. Interviewed: Kirke Adams, Dale County district attorney; Selina Dodson, Tracey’s childhood friend; Carl Harris, Tracey’s husband; Jordan Davis, Assistant Dale County district attorney; Dawn Beasley, Tracey’s friend; Carolyn Aznavour, Tracey’s daughter; David Harrison, Carl’s defense attorney. (C: Maureen Maher – P: Ruth Chenzet) (OAD: 01/23/21)

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48 HOURS: “The Circleville Letters” (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the unsolved case of the Circleville letter writer who, beginning in March 1977, terrorized residents in the small town of Circleville, OH. The threatening and anonymous letters, mostly postmarked from Columbus, OH, were received by residents for nearly two decades and exposed alleged secrets about neighbors and friends. The letters first focused on married school district superintendent Gordon Massie and his rumored relationship with school bus driver Mary Gillispie. On February 7th, 1983, Gillispie saw an obscene sign about her 13-year-old daughter on a fence. When she went to remove it, Gillespie noticed it was tied to a string, which led to a box with a gun rigged to go off. The gun was traced to her brother-in-law, Paul Freshour. Freshour’s estranged wife Karen Sue, who did not respond to requests for an interview for this broadcast, told investigators he was also the Circleville letter writer. Never charged with sending any of the letters, Freshour went on trial on October 24th, 1983 for the booby-trap. Found guilty, Freshour was sent to prison, but the letters continued, even though he was kept in isolation and not allowed pen or paper. The Circleville letters stopped in 1994, when Freshour was released. Freshour maintained his innocence and fought to clear his name. He claimed his gun had been stolen and suspected his son Mark, who died by suicide in September 2002. Freshour died June 28th, 2012. **On-screen text graphic:** No one has ever been charged with writing the Circleville letters...but the Pickaway County Sheriff's office says the case is closed. Interviewed: Martin Yant, journalist; Marie Mayhew, podcaster, *“Whatever Remains”*; sisters June Whitehead and Janet Cassady, grew up in Pickaway County, OH; Pam Stanton, family friend of Paul Freshour; Robin Yocom, author, former crime reporter, *The Columbus Dispatch*; Mary Ellen O’Toole, former FBI profiler; and Beverley East, forensic document expert. (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Lisa Freed, Richard Fetzer)

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48 HOURS: “Fighting for Aniah” – a report of the disappearance of Aniah Blanchard, the stepdaughter of UFC fighter Walt Harris. On October 23rd, 2019, Aniah was making the short drive to her Auburn, AL home after dropping off her brother Elijah. Shortly after 11pm, her roommate Sarah O’Brien texted her and became concerned when Aniah responded with uncharacteristic language, that she was “smoking a blunt”. The next morning, Sarah discovered Aniah had never returned home. She and Elijah began searching for Aniah’s car and learned Aniah did not show up for her nanny job that morning. Word quickly spread of Aniah’s disappearance. Two days later, police located Aniah’s car 55 miles away in Montgomery, AL, as well as security camera footage of her stopping at a gas station convenience store the night of her disappearance. They zeroed in on Ibraheem Yazeed as a suspect. Yazeed appeared on the security footage and a witness stated Yazeed forced Aniah into her car and drove off. He was found the next day hiding in the woods in Florida and arrested. In November police also arrested Antwain Fisher and charged him with kidnapping; he cooperated and the charges were eventually dropped. Fisher informed police he and Yazeed drove to a wooded area in Macon County, where Yazeed dragged what appeared to be a body into the woods and confessed to shooting that person. A search of the area eventually produced Aniah’s body – cause of death: a gunshot wound. In December 2019, Yazeed was charged with capital murder; the pandemic has slowed all of Yazeed’s criminal cases. After learning in court that Yazeed has other serious charges against him, Aniah’s mother Angela Harris began campaigning for Aniah’s Law, a bill - which if enacted - allows judges to deny bond to serious violent offenders. Original on-screen text graphic: In 2020, DA Hughes was indicted on charges unrelated to the Blanchard case. Among the counts: perjury and ethics violations. He has pled not guilty to all the charges. (*No on-screen text graphic for this rebroadcast.*) Interviewed: Angela Harris, Aniah’s mother; Walt Harris, Aniah’s stepfather; Hannah Crocker, Aniah’s friend; Elijah Blanchard, Aniah’s brother; Sarah O’Brien, Aniah’s college roommate; Corrina Thomas, Aniah’s employer; Brandon Hughes, Lee County district attorney. (C: James Brown – P: Murray Weiss) (OAD: 03/06/21)

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THE FBI DECLASSIFIED: “Enemy of the State” (10:00 – 11:00p) – In October 2015, the FBI received a tip from a government informant on Edward McLarnon (aka Zed McLarnon), a 67-year-old Massachusetts man and anti-government conspiracy theorist. The source reported McLarnon wanted to buy weapons to kill Federal Judge Dennis Saylor, former attorney general for Massachusetts Martha Coakley and the Undersecretary for Homeland security Lisa Monaco. During the undercover investigation, McLarnon identified a potential fourth victim – the social worker who reviewed his court case for a child custody dispute and later married his ex-wife. After money and weapons were exchanged at a rest stop in Seabrook, NH, McLarnon was arrested. McLarnon claimed he was writing a movie and purchasing weapons was part of his research. The trial lasted six days and McLarnon represented himself. After just four hours of jury deliberation, he was sentenced to 25 years in prison. Interviewed: Mike Gibeley, FBI special agent; Michael R. McGowan, former FBI special agent; Brian LeBlanc, FBI special agent; Alyssa Dietrich, FBI tactical analyst; and Daniel R. Romanzo, supervisor in charge of the SWAT team during the McLarnon case. (Narrator: Alana De La Garza - Producers: Josh Gaynor, Resa Matthews)

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