

Quarterly Issues and Programs List

January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007

1. Economy

One of the biggest concerns of our viewers continues to be the economy. The job drain overseas continues to wipe out well-paid jobs in several different economic sectors. The war in Iraq continues to contribute to concern over the economy. The tremendous costs involved in military operations and the rebuilding of Iraq are contributing to a large drain on the economic health of the country. High gas prices are having a negative effect on the economy and people's discretionary spending. The rising costs associated with health care are affecting all Americans, particularly those on limited incomes or retired. Large state and local budget deficits are adding to the concern over how to pay for essential services and properly fund new and existing projects without raising taxes.

An important area of economic concern continues to be agriculture. Some farm prices have risen for farmers, but expenses continue to increase. An economic crunch has forced many family farms out of business. The disappearance of the family farm is felt throughout the community, with many small town businesses threatened. Adding to the economic woes of small towns is the growing tendency of people to shop at core retail areas in larger cities. The appearance of "superstore" operations in some area cities is having a negative impact on other local businesses. Sometimes this is helpful by attracting more shoppers to a community. But many businesses suffer from the increased competition.

The tax situation is another important concern of people in our viewing area. The heavy reliance on property taxes is a burden--particularly on older people who may be living on restricted incomes. Although several attempts have been made to reduce property taxes by relying on other means of taxation, the tax bill is still very high for people with limited means.

Responsive Programming (Including date, time and duration)

(Please refer to the attachment at the end of this report for a listing of public affairs programming broadcast by WKBT from the CBS Television Network.)

January 2/6pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story about managing holiday debt.

January 8/6 & 10pm News/:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse city officials are planning a new tourist center along the Black River that would include a wildlife viewing platform and a pull-off for vehicles.

January 9/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Northwest Airlines has reached an agreement to purchase Mesaba Airlines, largely for financial and bankruptcy purposes.

January 10/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Minnesota Apple Growers Association is holding its annual education and trade show this week at the La Crosse Center.

January 10/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a new study by the National Alliance to End Homelessness estimates nearly 750,000 people were homeless in 2005.

January 12/10pm News/1:26

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that California is experiencing unseasonably cold temperatures, and citrus growers are worried it will add up to a billion dollar freeze.

January 15/6 & 10pm News/35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that gas prices are dipping below two dollars a gallon in some parts of Wisconsin.

January 17/6 & 10pm News/50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the farm bill expires this September, and that could mean some changes for farmers. Millions of federal dollars are pumped into La Crosse County each year to subsidize farmers, as a way to help them out in rough market situations.

January 18/6 & 10pm News/1:27

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that freezing temperatures in California could mean higher grocery bills for produce items.

January 18/6 & 10pm News/40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that high gas prices have forced some delivery companies to raise prices to cover their increased costs.

January 19/6pm News/30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that gas prices are down four percent so far this year, and experts expect prices to fall even further.

January 22/10pm News/45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the progress being made in renovating the Doerflinger Building in downtown La Crosse.

January 24/6 & 10pm News/1:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a Winona company that's been making products for the NFL since the 1960's, and is second only to Reebok in Super Bowl merchandise sales.

January 24/6 & 10pm News/35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the State of Pennsylvania is giving La Crosse's City Brewery more than \$4.5 million in grants and loans to upgrade its new Latrobe, Pennsylvania plant and expand production.

January 29/6 & 10pm News/40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that construction of a new ethanol plant in Sparta could begin soon, bringing new jobs to Western Wisconsin.

February 1/6pm News/30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin farm groups are expressing concern about proposed cuts in the federal price support program for dairy farmers.

February 1/6 & 10pm News/1:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that officials with American Standard, which owns Trane Company in La Crosse, say they are splitting their company into three businesses, and focusing manufacturing efforts on the air conditioning segment.

February 1/6 & 10pm News/50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Xcel Energy will refund millions of dollars to its electric customers because of lower than expected fuel costs.

February 5/6pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that union workers at Chart Industries in La Crosse have decided to strike after rejecting a contract offer over the weekend.

February 7/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that union workers at Chart Industries in La Crosse have reached an agreement with the company over a new contract.

February 19/10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Sparta Plan Commission has decided to table the decision on construction of an ethanol plant in that city for two more weeks.

February 23/6 & 10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that farmers from across the nation are in La Crosse to attend the 18th annual Upper Midwest Organic Farming Conference at the La Crosse Center.

February 27/10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the stock market suffered its biggest one-day drop in five years.

February 28/6 & 10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that higher oil prices are once again pushing up the price of gasoline.

March 9/10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Chrysler is recalling nearly half-a-million vehicles after reports of fires in a couple of its SUV's.

March 9/10pm News/1:23

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that gasoline prices are rising across the nation, with analysts warning that prices will continue to climb.

March 12/6pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that cold weather in the Midwest and Northeast, and maintenance at oil refineries, is helping drive up the cost of gasoline as the summer driving season approaches.

March 14/6 & 10pm News/1:33

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the reasons behind the increase in gasoline prices at the pump.

March 22/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Wisconsin Policy Research Institute says competition in the cable television market could significantly reduce what consumers pay.

March 26/6 & 10pm News/1:27

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that downtown La Crosse continues to improve, with several historic buildings being renovated into state of the art business places.

March 30/10pm News/1:27

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that gas prices are continuing to rise across the nation.

2. Education

Education is a prime concern of many people. On one hand, they want the best possible education for our young people, but at the same time are concerned about the costs. Education is one of the highest priced items on the local tax bill, and declining state aid is contributing to worries over how to pay the bill for today's schools. This cost concern is evident when school districts go to the voters with referendums for building or remodeling projects. At times the proposals are defeated, or pass by a very small vote margin.

Wisconsin and Minnesota are both facing budget deficits that are having an impact on education funding in the two states. Local school districts are examining ways to cut expenses without lowering the quality of the educational services they offer. Several area districts have seen teacher and support staff lay-offs.

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January 1-March 31/PSA/:30, :15

"Library of Congress" PSA encouraging parents to help open their child's mind through reading.

January 2/6pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Big Brothers-Big Sisters is coordinating an effort to establish a mentoring program for youngsters in the La Crosse area.

January 2/6 & 10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Bangor School District will have two referendums on the spring election ballot that will attempt to solve budget problems in the district.

January 4/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a new study is ranking states on how well they prepare students for a successful career.

January 5/6 & 10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Holmen High School's graduation ceremonies will be moved to the La Crosse Center in order to deal with the large size of the graduating class.

January 5/6 & 10pm News/:47

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the La Crosse School District is now accepting applications for four-year-old preschool for next fall.

January 5/10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that students at Aquinas High School are learning CPR so they can possibly help save a life, and to teach family members how to do the same.

January 8/6pm News/:47

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a Wisconsin Department of Justice agent is making presentations at Onalaska High School to students and parents about predators on the Internet.

January 8/10pm News/45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Summit Elementary School in La Crosse is conducting a weeklong bully prevention program to teach students what bullying is, and what to do if they are bullied.

January 9/6pm News/1:38

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that many students who struggle with reading might be having vision problems.

January 10/6 & 10pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a national magazine has recognized UW-La Crosse as a best value among 500 public four-year colleges and universities.

January 11/10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that dozens of area high school students participated in a special program at Viterbo University that explored science through forensics.

January 11/10pm News/:47

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that students from Lincoln, Logan, Longfellow and Onalaska Middle Schools took part in Viterbo University’s Career Day.

January 16/6pm News/2:08

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that colleges and universities are getting choosier about the type of student they’re admitting, as more young people are applying for admission.

January 17/6pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Three Rivers Bus Service is offering a new transportation option for some students not currently receiving bus service in the La Crosse School District.

January 17/6 & 10pm News/:47

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Milwaukee public schools will completely ban cell phones at the start of the next semester.

January 17/10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story about a special program at UW-La Crosse that teaches people how to give others medical care when they’re in remote areas.

January 18/6 & 10pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a federal grant is giving La Crosse’s three colleges more resources to combat sexual violence.

January 19/Noon News/5:00

“Contact” interview with Sue Peterson of the La Crosse School District, discussing school involvement.

January 22/6pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that students at Coulee Region Christian School are participating in an alternative educational experience that gives them a chance to do things that would not typically be part of their school day.

January 23/6pm News/1:58

“NewsChannel 8” story profiling IQ Academics, one of the online charter high schools in Wisconsin.

January 26/6pm News/1:00

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the University of Minnesota is threatening to end a longstanding tuition reciprocity agreement between Wisconsin and Minnesota, unless students from Wisconsin pay more.

January 29/6 & 10pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Three Rivers Bus Company is now offering bus service to students who live within two miles of school and don’t qualify for free service.

January 30/6pm News/1:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that fifth grade students at Saint Stan’s Middle School in Winona have taken on a project to help raise money for different charities.

February 1/10pm News/2:09

"NewsChannel 8" story profiling Joe Gow, who has now started work as the new UW-La Crosse chancellor.

February 5/6pm News/2:00

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Holmen High School teacher Karen Kuhlmann has been named recipient of this month's NewsChannel 8 Top Notch Teacher award.

February 5/10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the La Crosse School Board met with local state representatives to emphasize the need to keep education in mind when hammering out a new twoyear state budget.

February 6/6pm News/1:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on how the La Crosse School District is managing to keep current on technology issues in light of state budget cuts.

February 6/6 & 10pm News/1:25

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a statewide open enrollment program is starting to cause some problems for smaller school districts in our area.

February 8/10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the UW Board of Regents president says that race should play a role in the admission process of Wisconsin schools, even though a state law says race cannot be an admissions test.

February 9/6 & 10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that UW System regents voted unanimously to adopt a policy that requires school officials to consider race and income when deciding which students to admit.

February 12/6 & 10pm News/:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the two ballot referendums facing voters in the Bangor School District.

February 13/6pm News/2:05

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that UW-La Crosse instructors are looking for ways to use modern technology to better educate students.

February 13/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that students at Viterbo University's homelessness class will spend all night outside in cardboard boxes in order to better understand the homeless experience.

February 15/6 & 10pm News/1:10

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that city officials are teaming up to identify safe routes for children to follow to and from school.

February 16/6pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that more than 1,200 teachers attended sessions and listened to speakers at the annual Western Wisconsin Education Conference at the La Crosse Center.

February 16/6 & 10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the remodeling project underway at the La Crosse Public Library.

February 19/6 & 10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the La Crosse School District is playing host to a group of teachers from Louisiana, who will be learning how education works in the local district.

February 20/6pm News/1:44

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that many schools are limiting when students can use phones and other electronic devices.

February 22/6pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Badger Baby Bus made a stop in Holmen to provide resources for parents on how they can improve the brain development of their child.

February 22/10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the deadline for Wisconsin’s annual open school enrollment option is approaching.

February 22/10pm News/:48

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Viterbo University Student Government organization held a forum to explain La Crosse’s proposed public intoxication ordinance.

February 26/6 & 10pm News/1:48

“NewsChannel 8” story profiling two Black River Falls high school students who are making an effort to change their peers’ attitudes when it comes to diversity.

February 27/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that fifth graders at Trempealeau Elementary School spent part of the day outdoors learning skills that would help them survive in the cold during an emergency.

February 27/10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that students at Holmen’s Viking Elementary School got a visit from Wisconsin’s First Lady, Jessica Doyle, who awarded the school a prize in a statewide geography game.

March 1/10pm News/1:10

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that an agent of the Wisconsin Department of Criminal Justice gave a special presentation to parents at Logan Middle School on the dark side of the Internet.

March 1/10pm News/:47

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that some local high school students are getting a sneak peak at the inner workings of the business world as part of Entrepreneurship Week activities.

March 2/6pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a UW-La Crosse professor is leading the way to come up with a new method of determining a person’s body fat.

March 2/10pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that UW-La Crosse held an all-campus welcoming reception for the school’s new chancellor Joe Gow and his wife.

March 3/10:35pm/60 min. pgm.

“Connect With Kids” program entitled Caught in the Web, educating parents about the dangers of the Internet and how to help keep their youngsters safe when using it.

March 5/6pm News/1:33

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Larry Dolan, a sixth grade math and language arts teacher at Longfellow Middle School in La Crosse has been named recipient of this month’s NewsChannel 8 Top Notch Teacher award.

March 5/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a special program at UW-La Crosse is helping educate students on how to have a safe spring break experience.

March 6/6pm News/1:56

“NewsChannel 8” story about a unique program in the La Crosse School District that teaches the Mandarin Chinese language.

March 8/6 & 10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the tuition reciprocity agreement between Wisconsin and Minnesota will continue, at least for now.

March 13/6pm News/2:11

“NewsChannel 8” story examining Montessori education.

March 13/10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a recent audit shows faculty in the Wisconsin Technical College System are among the highest paid in the nation.

March 20/6 & 10pm News/:47

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that school districts in Wisconsin will be required to come up with a plan to teach students about bullying, and also develop a way to deal with behavioral problems.

March 22/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin Lieutenant Governor Barbara Lawton visited La Crosse to announce plans for a youth apprenticeship program that would pair high school juniors and seniors with local businesses to give students a chance to try out various careers.

March 22/10pm News/1:00

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Friends of the Holmen Area Library held a public meeting to inform residents about an upcoming referendum seeking to relocate the library to a larger facility.

March 26/6 & 10pm News/1:20

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the inauguration planned by Viterbo University for its new president Rick Artman.

March 30/6 & 10pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Rick Artman was installed as the eighth president of Viterbo University in La Crosse.

March 30/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin lawmakers are proposing a bill that would require all public schools in the state to teach students about Hmong culture.

3. Health

Health and safety concerns are an important priority for many people in the communities we serve. Here in the La Crosse area residents have access to two top medical centers, in addition to Mayo Clinic in nearby Rochester, Minnesota. The question is not one of quality of care, but the expense involved in seeking medical treatment. Many people go without health insurance, either because it's not available to them or the cost is prohibitively high. State programs have been instituted in order to make sure children have access to health care, particularly in the wake of Wisconsin's W-2 welfare reform program. Some people with limited incomes can access Wisconsin's BadgerCare prescription plan. But this program needs periodic funding approval from the State Legislature, and is now only funded through June 2007.

The high cost of prescription drugs has many older people concerned over how they can afford their medication. Now that the federal government has included a prescription drug plan in Medicare, people are concerned that the plan is inadequate, and might produce unwelcome changes in the entire Medicare program. There is considerable confusion surrounding the new Medicare prescription plan with an overwhelming number of plans to choose from. People are worried about the overall government health program and how it will affect them in years to come.

There is always a tremendous amount of interest in medical breakthroughs. People want to learn more about new ways of treating and preventing health problems.

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January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"Alzheimer's Association" PSA focusing on the work of the group in support of educational and research efforts to combat Alzheimer's disease.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"American Diabetes Association" PSA drawing attention to the widespread health problem of diabetes.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"American Hearing Association" PSA focusing on help available for the hearing impaired.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"American Red Cross" PSA informing people about the work of the Red Cross.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30, :15 & :10

"Autism Association" PSA reporting on diagnosis and treatment information sources.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"Centers For Disease Control" PSA warning about improper use of antibiotics.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30 & :15

"Environmental Protection Agency" PSA informing the public about environmental issues regarding asthma.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"Environmental Protection Agency" PSA stressing the importance of radon detection in the home.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"La Crosse Rotary Club" PSA encouraging organ donation.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30, :15 & :10

"Leukemia and Lymphoma Society" PSA about the organization's work in fighting cancer.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30, :15

"March of Dimes" PSA focusing on the prevention of premature births.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"National Glaucoma Research" PSA informing people that glaucoma can rob them of their sight.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"National Institute of Mental Health" PSA focusing on suicide prevention.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30, :15

"National Multiple Sclerosis Society" PSA providing information on this disease.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"President's Council on Fitness and Sports" PSA promoting youth fitness and exercise.

January 2/6 & 10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the entire Franciscan Skemp Healthcare campus has gone smokefree.

January 2/10pm News/1:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a simple blood test gets heart failure patients on the path to a longer life.

January 3/10pm News/1:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that researchers may have discovered a treatment that attacks the cause of diabetes.

January 4/6 & 10pm News/:46

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the dedication of a new pediatric playroom at Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center in La Crosse.

January 4/10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

January 4/10pm News/1:38

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that researchers have put a price on just how much time patients spend battling cancer.

January 5/6pm News/:50

"NewsChannel 8" story about how to protect your family from the danger of carbon monoxide poisoning.

January 5/6 & 10pm News/1:36

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that many child car seats on the market failed rigorous testing by Consumer Reports magazine.

January 8/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the government has cleared a new version of a nasal spray flu vaccine.

January 8/10pm News/2:00

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that two new medical devices are helping doctors perform routine procedures more easily.

January 9/6pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a new contract agreement between TriState Ambulance and La Crosse County calls for the ambulance service to arrive at emergencies faster.

January 9/6 & 10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin is getting low marks from the American Lung Association when it comes to tobacco control.

January 9/10pm News/1:51

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that botox, the shot that makes people look younger, can also be used to help patients who can barely move.

January 10/10pm News/1:53

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on a new technique being used during surgery to treat severe tendonitis.

January 11/10pm News/:44

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Centers for Disease Control is warning parents not to give over the-counter cold remedies to children under two without consulting a doctor.

January 11/10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

January 11/10pm News/1:26

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that doctors are experimenting with a Chinese herb, hoping it can slow down the memory loss of Alzheimer’s disease.

January 12/Noon News/:5:00

“Contact” interview with Julie Chapiewsky of the American Red Cross, discussing the importance of the upcoming community blood drive.

January 12/6pm News/:44

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Centers for Disease Control is warning parents not to give over the-counter cold remedies to children under two without consulting a doctor.

January 15/6pm News/1:00

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Franciscan Skemp Healthcare in La Crosse will soon have cardiovascular MRI technology to give doctors and patients more definitive answers for cardiac problems.

January 15/10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story about a prostate cancer support group at Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center in La Crosse.

January 15/10pm News/2:18

“NewsChannel 8” story about a new genetic form of diabetes.

January 16/10pm News/1:48

“NewsChannel 8” story about a new procedure being used to help patients suffering from emphysema.

January 17/10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the American Cancer Society says the number of deaths from cancer has dropped for a second straight year.

January 18/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

January 18/10pm News/1:27

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that researchers believe that aspirin may lower the chances of developing asthma.

January 19/6 & 10pm News/1:15

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that health officials are concerned about the future of long-term care in Wisconsin. They say the industry is short on money, and workers are leaving to find more competitive wages.

January 22/10pm News/1:58

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a new medical device maybe an important step forward in the treatment of strokes.

January 23/10pm News/1:44

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that there's new hope for preventing and treating shingles pain.

January 24/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that severe winter weather across the nation has forced the cancellation of many blood drives, and brought down the national blood inventory.

January 24/10pm News/1:21

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that there are some simple things you can do to help improve your mood if you are suffering from the winter blues.

January 25/10pm News/1:29

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a much less invasive treatment is now being used for women who suffer the discomfort of uterine fibroids.

January 25/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

January 26/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that health officials say whooping cough is making its way throughout the region.

January 29/10pm News/1:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a new method doctors are using to ease chronic stomach pain.

January 30/10pm News/1:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that new surgical advancements are giving babies with potentially fatal birth defects a chance for survival.

January 30/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the State of Minnesota is suspending high school wrestling competition for a week because of an outbreak of herpes gladiatorum that's spread by skin to skin contact.

January 31/10pm News/1:51

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that GPS technology is now making it easier for doctors to repair damaged hearts.

February 1/10pm News/1:35

"NewsChannel 8" story profiling a French Island man who keeps his heart healthy following surgery by walking at Valley View Mall.

February 1/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

February 5/10pm News/2:01

"NewsChannel 8" series examining sleep disorders.

February 5/10pm News/1:52

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a new drug for hepatitis-C, which appears to succeed in patients who have failed with other treatments.

February 6/10pm News/1:20

"NewsChannel 8" series examining sleep disorders.

February 6/10pm News/1:58

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a new treatment offers hope for people suffering from a deadly and painful skin disease.

February 7/10pm News/2:02

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that doctors are now repairing hearts with a patient's own stem cells.

February 7/10pm News/2:02

"NewsChannel 8" series examining sleep disorders.

February 8/6 & 10pm News/1:14

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the FDA has approved the over-the-counter sale of a prescription weight loss drug for the first time ever.

February 8/10pm News/:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a program at Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center in La Crosse that aims to help parents learn how to soothe and calm their babies.

February 12/6 & 10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that at least two children have died in Minnesota after getting the flu, and health workers now believe the flu is to blame for a Milwaukee child's death.

February 12/6 & 10pm News/1:10

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Franciscan Skemp Healthcare in La Crosse is holding a phone information hotline session all evening to answer people's questions about heart disease.

February 12/Various times/:30 live reports

"NewsChannel 8" presented a total of six primetime live reports from the scene of Franciscan Skemp Healthcare's information hotline session on heart disease.

February 13/10pm News/1:52

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a new knee implant could benefit people who don't want to undergo a total knee replacement.

February 14/10pm News/3:54

"NewsChannel 8" story profiling a Sparta woman who's fighting hard to beat ovarian cancer.

4. Environment

Environmental concerns are on the minds of many people in our viewing area. There is an increasing awareness of the role nature plays in our lives, and the importance of being good stewards of our natural resources and wildlife. Some of the problems being addressed include air and water pollution, waste disposal, agricultural pollution, destruction of wildlife habitat, and many other environmental matters. More attention is being given to the many different items that affect the quality of our lives. People are beginning to realize that environmental problems must be solved if we are to maintain the lifestyles we enjoy in this country.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is continuing its extensive campaign to fight chronic wasting disease in the state's whitetail deer herd. The agency has conducted a massive deer eradication and testing program in affected counties that they hope will keep the disease from expanding. Chronic wasting disease could have a drastic impact on Wisconsin's deer hunting economy.

The increasing energy shortage in some parts of the country could have an impact on the environment. More power plants will likely have to be constructed, increasing the chances of adversely affecting the environment. Energy conservation measures could bring some solution to this problem. New federal air quality standards might mean that coal-fired power plants in Wisconsin could face expensive upgrades or replacement.

With La Crosse's location on the Mississippi River there is quite a bit of concern about the environmental state of the river and surrounding areas. There is often a conflict between commercial and recreational users of the river.

Agricultural runoff is one of the top environmental concerns in our area. Farmers are spending increasing amounts of money to ensure that ground water and waterways are protected from pollution.

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"Ducks Unlimited" PSA promoting good conservation and wetland management practices.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"Earth Share" PSA promoting good environmental practices.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"Environmental Protection Agency" PSA promoting energy conservation in the construction of new homes.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"Global Warming" PSA drawing attention to this impending problem.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30, :15 & :10

"National Arbor Day Foundation" PSA's encouraging young people to become involved in conservation and tree planting.

January 2/6 & 10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse city crews will begin to pick up of old Christmas trees for recycling into wood chips.

January 2/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the unseasonably warm weather makes it easier for farmers to work outside, but the warm weather is also causing concern about lack of snow cover to protect alfalfa fields.

January 2/10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that emergency operations are underway in Colorado to help families and cattle stranded by two recent snowstorms.

January 10/6 & 10pm News/1:10

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse County Health Department is making radon testers available to county residents at a reduced cost of five dollars.

January 15/6 & 10pm News/1:25

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse area received its first major snowstorm of the season.

January 22/6 & 10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that La Crosse County snowmobile trails are now open following recent snowfall in the area.

January 24/6pm News/2:15

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the use of road salt on area highways, and how we can protect our vehicles from it.

January 24/10pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that La Crosse County snowmobile trails are set to close because dirt is showing up on the trails in many of the open areas.

February 2/10pm News/:32

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that severe weather in Florida is responsible for at least 19 deaths so far.

February 5/6 & 10pm News/1:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on how the dangerously cold weather we’ve been experiencing is affecting schools and businesses.

February 6/6pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the Salvation Army’s shelter program for homeless people who are trying to endure the recent bitter cold weather.

February 13/6pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that officials from La Crosse County Animal Control released two redtail hawks back into the wild. The hawks were found frozen together in our area over the weekend.

February 16/6pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that cleanup is underway in Rock County after a train derailment caused a diesel fuel spill.

February 19/10pm News/1:25

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that indoor air pollution can be a big problem in your home, especially during the winter when everything is closed up.

February 23/6 & 10pm News/1:00

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on weather and road conditions as a major winter storm approaches the Upper Midwest.

February 23/6 & 10pm News/1:38

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse firefighters conducted a day of ice rescue training at Riverside Park.

February 26/6 & 10pm News/2:14

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the record-breaking snowfall over the past weekend in the La Crosse area.

February 26/6 & 10pm News/4:3

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on what affect this weekend's heavy snow could have on the spring flooding situation.

February 27/6 & 10pm News/1:23

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on cleanup efforts in the wake of last weekend's recordbreaking snowfall. The story included information on the ticketing and towing of snow bound vehicles.

February 27/10pm News/3:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that nearly 100,000 people in Iowa are still without power from last weekend's snowstorm.

February 28/6pm News/5:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the importance of keeping mailboxes clear of snow to insure continued mail delivery.

February 28/6 & 10pm News/1:48

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that emergency crews are preparing for another large winter storm that's expected to hit our area.

March 1/6 & 10pm News/4:00

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a strong winter storm that's producing a wide variety of weather conditions across the nation, including snow and blizzard conditions in the Midwest and tornadoes in the south that caused several deaths.

March 1/10pm News/5:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Wisconsin DNR is giving people in Western Wisconsin a chance to ask questions about a proposed boundary change for hunters.

March 2/6 & 10pm News/1:15

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that snowplow drivers have been working almost nonstop, clearing the roads after each new snowfall in the area.

March 2/6 & 10pm News/1:25

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the difficulties encountered by emergency response teams when road conditions are snow covered and slippery.

March 2/10pm News/3:36

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the weight of snow likely led to the roof collapse on a building in Winona.

March 6/10pm News/3:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse city crews are working overtime to clear snow from downtown streets in the wake of the record snowfall in the area.

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Quarterly Issues and Programs List

January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007

In accordance with Section 73.3526(a) (9) of Federal Communications Commission Rules, WKBTV/WKBTV-DT 8.1 has determined the following as the most significant problems and needs of the community for the first quarter of 2007. There is no particular order of importance regarding this list. On the following pages we identify programming providing the station's most significant treatment of these community issues. This list was determined by contact with community leaders, and with input from viewers in the various communities we serve.

Special Note: In the following report, certain items are listed with indeterminate duration times. These include segments of magazine-type shows. It is not possible to determine exact times in these instances. In the case of public service campaigns, each spot is given strong support during the campaign dates, with numerous on-air exposures.

1. Economy
2. Education
3. Health
4. Environment
5. Crime
6. Government

February 14/10pm News/2:10

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a medical device that could help people suffering from back pain.

February 15/6 & 10pm News/1:33

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a nationwide peanut butter recall because of possible salmonella contamination.

February 15/10pm News/1:34

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that doctors have a new and more accurate way of determining cardiovascular risk in women.

February 15/10pm News/1:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

February 19/6 & 10pm News/1:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that alcohol problems continue to plague the La Crosse community, with police reporting seven different serious incidents happening over the weekend.

February 19/10pm News/2:12

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the safety of C-sections in giving birth.

February 20/6pm News/1:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the American Heart Association is urging women to be more aggressive in lowering their risk of heart disease.

February 20/10pm News/1:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that digital technology is allowing patients to see what effect a proposed treatment will have on how they look.

February 21/6 & 10pm News/1:25

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that health officials are confirming Wisconsin's first flu death this year.

February 22/10pm News/1:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that cases of influenza and stomach flu have been seen frequently during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

February 22/10pm News/1:32

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on methods that can help speed up a person's metabolism.

February 26/10pm News/1:19

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Consumer Reports says most highly promoted drugs are not necessarily your best choice.

February 26/10pm News/1:52

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a blood substitute that can save lives when nothing else will.

February 27/10pm News/2:02

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the cutting edge technology being employed in the field of organ donations and transplants.

February 28/10pm News/1:54

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on two medical breakthroughs, one relating to vision and the other to heart health.

March 1/6pm News/3:37

“NewsChannel 8” story about the strength and inspiration of an Onalaska boy who is attempting to survive cancer.

March 1/10pm News/1:22

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that there’s more evidence a daily glass of red wine can help people live a little longer.

March 1/10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that influenza and weatherrelated injuries were among conditions seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

March 2/10pm News/1:29

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a group of pediatricians is warning that common overthe-counter cold medicines don’t work for children, and could be potentially dangerous.

March 5/10pm News/1:58

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on a revolutionary clinical trial that utilizes an electrical field to kill cancer cells in brain tumors.

March 7/10pm News/1:46

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on a new treatment for women who suffer from menopause symptoms.

March 8/6 & 10pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the Wisconsin Healthcare Reform Campaign, consisting of up to thirty statewide organizations that want to see lawmakers come up with a comprehensive health care plan for the state’s residents.

March 8/10pm News/1:26

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that an experimental device is helping stroke patients regain some control over use of their arms and hands.

March 8/10pm News/:48

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

March 9/10pm News/1:38

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that doctors used part of a man’s foot to rebuild his hand.

March 12/6pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that health officials say they believe the flu season is at its peak right now in the La Crosse area, and stress that it’s not too late to get the flu.

March 12/10pm News/1:49

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a natural hormone may change the way doctors treat many emergency room patients with head injuries.

March 13/10pm News/1:59

“NewsChannel 8” story about a new breakthrough in the treatment of diabetes.

March 14/10pm News/2:08

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a new machine may replace mammograms in detecting breast cancer.

March 15/10pm News/1:32

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that more youngsters are using toxic inhalants to get high, and the effects can be deadly.

March 15/10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

March 16/10pm News/1:44

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a new study suggests some changes could be made in CPR procedure that would be more effective.

March 19/10pm News/1:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a more potent treatment could help trauma patients survive life threatening injuries.

March 20/6 & 10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse Fire Department is recommending anyone with an automated external defibrillator obtain an upgrade to the device that reflects changes to CPR guidelines.

March 20/10pm News/1:31

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that researchers say Alzheimer’s disease is on the rise, and likely will get worse.

March 20/10pm News/1:56

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a new type of therapy for cancer promises better outcomes with fewer side effects.

March 21/10pm News/1:37

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that some Chinese food can be unhealthy, depending on how it’s cooked.

March 21/10pm News/1:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on a new treatment option for people suffering from restless leg syndrome.

March 22/6 & 10pm News/1:10

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the debate in Holmen over whether to add fluoride to the village water supply.

March 22/10pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

March 23/10pm News/1:51

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that some doctors are turning to humor to make their youngest patients more comfortable in a hospital setting.

March 26/10pm News/2:02

“NewsChannel 8” story about the debate over using CT scans for lung cancer.

March 28/10pm News/2:22

“NewsChannel 8” story profiling a local chef who’s battling colorectal cancer.

March 29/10pm News/46

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on what illnesses were seen most often during the previous week at area clinics and medical centers.

March 29/10pm News/1:34

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a panel of experts is deciding whether the FDA should approve a new drug said to be a vaccine against prostate cancer.

March 12/6 & 10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that recent warm temperatures could lead to some minor flooding in our region.

March 12/6 & 10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that melting snow and ice, along with changes in temperature, can cause damage to roads, which is why weight restrictions are now in effect in many areas.

March 12/6 & 10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that supporters of La Crosse’s new eco-park say construction could start this fall, with plans in place to transform Myrick Park Zoo into habitats that are more natural for animals in North America.

March 13/6pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Genoa National Fish Hatchery is being recognized nationally for its leadership.

March 14/6pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the warmer weather we’ve been experiencing is melting a lot of ice on area waterways, making conditions treacherous for ice fishermen.

March 14/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that flood warnings are out for many of the smaller rivers in our area.

March 19/10pm News/1:29

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Consumer Reports says some of the vacuum cleaners it tested actually put a lot of dust back into the air.

March 21/6 & 10pm News/1:25

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that health officials say more than 150 homes in La Crosse County were tested for radon, and 44 percent were found to have higher-than-recommended radon levels.

March 22/6 & 10pm News/1:00

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that some residents on La Crosse’s north side say a nearby industrial park is creating loud and disruptive noise.

March 26/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that with warmer weather arriving in our area, allergies will be on the increase.

March 27/10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that health officials say tick activity will be on the increase with our recent warmer weather.

March 28/10pm News/:47

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Wisconsin DNR says there’s no evidence of chronic wasting disease spreading into West Central Wisconsin.

5. Crime

Viewers consistently indicate a strong concern about crime. Even though some crime statistics are down, many people have the impression that more crime is occurring. Residents of rural areas report they are seeing more drug-related and property crimes. Several high-profile crimes, including murder, have taken place throughout our area. The rapid introduction of methamphetamine and other new drugs into the La Crosse and Western Wisconsin area is causing considerable concern among law enforcement agencies.

Wisconsin's new truth-in-sentencing law has taken effect. Communities and law enforcement agencies are concerned about the result of this new law as it relates to prison and jail costs. La Crosse County is already considering an addition to its newly constructed law enforcement center because of an increased demand for jail space. Many law enforcement and court officials are investigating a possible increased use of probation and supervision as an alternative to jail and prison for nonviolent offenders.

Responsive Programming (Including date, time and duration)

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January 1-March 31/PSA/:60

"Crimestoppers" PSA focusing public attention on the most-wanted fugitives in the La Crosse area.

January 1-March 31/PSA/:30

"Missing Children's Network" PSA about work being done to disseminate information about missing children.

January 1/March 31/PSA/:30

"National Crime Prevention Council" PSA designed to educate viewers about telemarketing fraud.

January 3/6 & 10pm News/1:00

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the La Crosse Police Department will be adding an automated reporting system to all of its squad cars within the next couple of weeks.

January 3/10pm News/:32

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a student was killed, apparently by another student, at a high school in Tacoma, Washington.

January 4/6 & 10pm News/1:46

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a task force made up of members of several local police departments is cracking down on Internet crimes in our area, including child pornography.

January 5/6pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a man wanted by Tomah police for involvement in a drug bust that went bad last month has been arrested in Indiana.

January 8/6 & 10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that an autopsy shows a Hmong hunter was murdered over the weekend in Wisconsin's north woods.

January 8/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a La Crosse man is likely heading for prison after pleading guilty in federal court for his role in a meth-making operation.

January 9/6 & 10pm News/1:41

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that police are searching for a missing Prairie du Chien woman who was last seen three weeks ago.

January 9/10pm News/:32

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the fiancée of a man jailed in connection with the death of a Wisconsin hunter says it was a case of self-defense.

January 10/6 & 10pm News/:32

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a La Crosse man accused of sexually assaulting three girls over the course of two years could be headed to trial.

January 12/6 & 10pm News/:46

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that extra precautions were taken at Sparta High School after a bomb threat was found inside the school.

January 12/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the court appearance of three teenagers accused of stealing a car and driving it off a bluff near Hixon Forest.

January 12/10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that authorities are investigating the deaths of a woman and her two teenage children after they were found dead inside a mobile home just outside Janesville.

January 15/6pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that authorities have arrested a man in connection with a cattle theft in Monroe County.

January 16/6 & 10pm News/:47

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that two men in Portage County are in custody for allegedly selling steroids.

January 16/6 & 10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a Wisconsin man faces murder charges for what authorities believe is a racially motivated killing of a hunter near Green Bay.

January 17/6 & 10pm News/1:05

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that an Oshkosh couple face criminal charges after they grounded their daughter to a locked room for nearly two years.

January 17/10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that authorities in Janesville say they’ve arrested a man for killing a woman and her two teenage children at their mobile home last week.

January 19/6pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the man arrested for a triple murder in Janesville could be released, after the Rock County district attorney’s office says there’s insufficient evidence to charge him at the present time.

January 19/6pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that thieves have stolen the personal information of customers who shop at T-J Maxx and its affiliated stores.

January 19/6 & 10pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin has a shortage of district attorneys, and it’s causing a backlog of cases in some courtrooms across the state, including La Crosse County.

January 22/6 & 10pm News/2:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that an Onalaska man is in custody for the murder of a UW-Stevens Point college student whose body was found Sunday morning outside a La Crosse church.

January 23/6pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that police continue to search for answers in the case of a missing Prairie du Chien woman.

January 23/6 & 10pm News/2:20

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that bond has been set at one million dollars cash for the Onalaska man accused of killing a 23-year-old woman and leaving her body near a La Crosse church. The story included background information on the suspect and his arrest.

January 26/6pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that attorneys for the man convicted of killing a Minnesota college student say their client deserves a new trial.

January 26/6 & 10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a Tomah man accused of murdering his father has been ruled fit to stand trial.

January 26/10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that authorities in Monroe County arrested eight people in a large drug bust.

January 29/6pm News/:32

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the court appearance of three of the eight people arrested in a drug bust in Sparta.

January 30/6pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the teenager accused of shooting and killing his principal at Weston High School last year could be tried in juvenile court.

January 30/6pm News/:47

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a Winona pastor is charged with having sexual contact with a member of his congregation.

January 30/6 & 10pm News/2:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the man charged with killing a UW-Stevens Point student in La Crosse has entered a not guilty plea to the charges against him.

January 31/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a Winona Sunday school teacher is accused of inappropriately touching a 15-year-old assistant teacher.

February 6/6pm News/:46

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a La Crosse County man faces a felony charge for allegedly abusing his infant daughter.

February 7/10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the sentencing of three teenagers charged with stealing a car and driving it off a bluff near Hixon Forest.

February 8/6 & 10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a federal judge has formally sentenced Alfonso Rodriguez, Jr. to death for the killing of college student Dru Sjodin.

February 9/6 & 10pm News/1:15

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse police have arrested several people who are allegedly connected to at least twenty different burglaries around the city.

February 9/6 & 10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that an anonymous tip led to the arrest of an armed robbery suspect in West Salem.

February 9/6 & 10pm News/1:15

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that one of the men charged in the deadly beating of a La Crosse man two years ago has been sentenced to thirty years in prison.

February 9/10pm News/:25

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Winona police are investigating an apparent armed robbery at a liquor store.

February 13/6 & 10pm News/1:10

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a Minneapolis murder suspect has been arrested in La Crosse.

February 13/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that two Central High School students have been suspended following a threat at the school.

February 16/10pm News/1:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that homes have been evacuated in a south La Crosse neighborhood after police found explosives in a home in the area.

February 20/6 & 10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the court appearance of a La Crosse man accused of having numerous weapons and explosives in his home.

February 21/6 & 10pm News/1:15

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crescent police are looking for an armed suspect following a shooting at an apartment complex.

February 22/6pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a man allegedly passing bogus hundred dollar bills in the La Crosse area is now in custody.

February 26/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a judge has denied a request from the man convicted of stabbing a La Crosse police officer last year to have his sentence reduced.

February 27/6pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a former Caledonia teacher has been sentenced to a jail term on child pornography charges.

March 1/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a La Crosse man convicted of throwing a live electrical wire into his wife's bath has been denied a new trial.

March 2/6 & 10pm News/:47

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a La Crosse County judge has found enough evidence for a La Crosse man to be bound over for trial on weapons and explosives charges.

March 5/6 & 10pm News/:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that crimes in Wisconsin may be going unsolved because of a backlog at the state crime lab.

March 6/6pm News/:38

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse police are seeking the public's help in finding out who has been vandalizing parking meters in the Main Street ramp.

March 6/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a jury has found Vice President Dick Cheney's former chief of staff, Lewis 'Scooter' Libby, guilty on four of five counts in the CIA leak trial.

March 7/6 & 10pm News/1:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a La Crosse woman faces a possible forty years in prison for allegedly having sex with a 17-year-old boy living at the group home where she worked.

March 7/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a former Clark County district attorney is facing charges for allegedly growing marijuana in his basement.

March 9/6 & 10pm News/1:51

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Caledonia police are seeking two men who attempted to abduct a 10 year-old boy.

March 12/6 & 10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that police in Caledonia, Minnesota, are still looking for two men who attempted to abduct a 10-year-old boy.

March 12/6 & 10pm News/1:05

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that authorities in Juneau County are investigating the deaths of two people whose bodies were found in a car on the side of a road.

March 13/6 & 10pm News/1:29

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on a double murder investigation in Juneau County.

March 14/10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting information on the victims of a double homicide in Juneau County.

March 21/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a rash of bomb threats in the Holmen School District has prompted administrators to offer a thousand dollar reward for a tip that leads to the person or persons behind the threats.

March 23/6 & 10pm News/1:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse Police have three suspects in custody after an apparent gang fight in La Crosse.

March 23/6 & 10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse Police Department has completed a round of alcohol compliance checks, and indicated many businesses sold alcohol to minors.

March 26/6 & 10pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on a court appearance by the Onalaska man charged with killing a UW Stevens Point college student in La Crosse.

March 26/6 & 10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a La Crosse man faces a possible thirteen years in prison for allegedly stabbing another man at the La Crosse Salvation Army.

March 26/10pm News/1:36

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on a new e-mail scam that’s targeting landlords who are trying to rent apartments.

March 27/6pm News/:32

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Juneau County authorities are still trying to determine what led up to the murder of a La Crosse man and a Wisconsin Rapids woman early in March.

March 27/6 & 10pm News/1:05

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that La Crosse police are warning people to be aware of a man who’s been impersonating a city police officer.

March 29/6 & 10pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that students at Onalaska High School were dismissed early after a bomb threat was found on a bathroom wall in the school.

March 30/6 & 10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Onalaska police have arrested an Onalaska High School student for making a bomb threat at the school.

6. Government

Government is a category that includes many different concerns, ranging from national politics to local government. It encompasses a broad area of interest on the part of local residents as to what their representatives are doing with their tax dollars.

Primary interest has been focused on the war against Iraq and its aftermath. Many people are frustrated with the continuing terrorist resistance in Iraq, and wonder when the time will come when American troops can return home. Interest in the war in Iraq was evidenced by the extremely high interest in the November elections, where Democrats took control of both the House of Representatives and Senate.

Many state and local governmental units are having severe budget problems, even though many indicators show the economy improving. On the local scene, much of the interest centers on the cost of local government and how those costs are funded. Property taxes continue to be a major point of discussion, particularly among older residents on fixed incomes.

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January 1-March 31/PSA/:30, :10

"U.S. General Services Administration" PSA telling viewers how they can obtain official government publications.

January 2/6 & 10pm News/1:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle visited La Crosse and three other Wisconsin cities to celebrate the inauguration for his second term, which officially takes place tomorrow in Madison.

January 2/6 & 10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty was sworn in today for his second term.

January 2/6 & 10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Steve Helgeson has officially taken over the La Crosse County sheriff's job.

January 2/10pm News/1:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on funeral services being held for former President Gerald Ford in Washington and Grand Rapids, Michigan.

January 3/6 & 10pm News/1:38

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the inauguration of Governor James Doyle for his second term in office.

January 3/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Representative Mike Huebsch of West Salem was sworn in as the new Speaker of the Wisconsin State Assembly.

January 3/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse Mayor Mark Johnsrud says the growth of the city was the big story of 2006.

January 3/10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse's Alcohol Oversight Committee continues to discuss the possibility of hiring an alcohol policy coordinator.

January 3/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that former President Gerald Ford's body has been laid to rest in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

January 3/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Tommy Thompson is hoping a strong presence in Iowa will give him a good shot at winning the 2008 Republican presidential nomination.

January 4/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse city officials met to discuss a long-term plan for homes and businesses in the city's flood plain.

January 4/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Congressman Ron Kind says Iraq, healthcare, education and the federal budget are issues he's hoping lawmakers in the new Congress will tackle.

January 4/10pm News/1:41

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that California Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi has taken over as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

January 5/6 & 10pm News/1:31

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Onalaska Police and Fire Commission has decided against firing an Onalaska police officer who had been charged with disrespecting superior officers and for lying on administrative claims.

January 5/10pm News/1:22

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that President Bush is making big changes to the lineup of his military commanders, diplomats and intelligence officials in an effort to improve the war effort in Iraq.

January 8/6 & 10pm News/1:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that officials in La Crosse are proposing a new city ordinance to help fight the city's binge drinking problem.

January 8/6 & 10pm News/:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Judge Dale Passell and Judge Michael Mulroy have taken over the duties of running La Crosse County's OWI drunk driving court now that Judge Perlich has retired.

January 8/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the U.S. has reportedly launched a strike against several suspected members of Al-Qaida in Somalia.

January 9/6 & 10pm News/1:15

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a proposal to create a public intoxication ordinance in La Crosse is getting mixed reviews.

January 9/10pm News/1:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Democratic lawmakers are not happy with President Bush's plan to send more troops to Iraq.

January 10/6 & 10pm News/1:56

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting details of President Bush's new plan for the war in Iraq.

January 10/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the House of Representatives has overwhelmingly voted to increase the minimum wage by more than two dollars an hour.

January 10/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a state senator will reintroduce legislation this session that would call for tougher fines for telemarketers who violate Wisconsin's no call list.

January 11/6 & 10pm News/:48

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that lawmakers in Madison are using a special session to concentrate on ethics reform in Wisconsin.

January 11/10pm News/2:15

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that President Bush's plan to send more U.S. troops into Iraq is drawing a lot of criticism. The story included information on how the plan could affect Wisconsin and Minnesota National Guard units.

January 11/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the La Crosse City Council approved a plan that allows the city engineer to draw up plans for a barrier along the Mississippi River levee in Riverside Park.

January 12/6 & 10pm News/:33

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Pentagon has lifted the limit on how long the National Guard and reservists can be required to serve on active duty, meaning Wisconsin units that have met the previous limit could be called up again.

January 12/6 & 10pm News/1:17

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Monroe County Sheriff's Department is making another push to get a new jail.

January 15/10pm News/1:19

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that more U.S. troops are arriving in Iraq

January 16/6pm News/:48

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that two U.S. senators are proposing a bill they hope will strengthen Amtrak rail service.

January 16/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a new fire chief has been installed for the Onalaska Fire Department.

January 16/10pm News/:46

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that City of Onalaska officials are seeking community input on expansion plans for the city's public library.

January 19/6pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the La Crosse County Board has passed a resolution eliminating residency requirements for some county employees.

January 19/6 & 10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the Livable Neighborhoods group in La Crosse will host a judicial candidate forum at the La Crosse Public Library.

January 19/10pm News/1:31

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Secretary of Defense Robert Gates was in Iraq to talk with U.S. and coalition commanders, while the fight over the surge of troops to the region still rages on Capitol Hill.

January 22/6 & 10pm News/1:00

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that 43 new recruits are undergoing training at Fort McCoy for the Wisconsin State Patrol.

January 22/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that as many as one hundred people have been killed in the Iraq war by near-simultaneous bombings.

January 23/6 & 10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on new passport rules for Americans traveling abroad.

January 23/10pm News/3:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on President Bush's State of the Union address to Congress and the nation. The story included commentary by political analyst Joe Heim.

January 24/6 & 10pm News/1:15

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle announced a plan that would ban smoking in all public places, including restaurants, bars and workplaces.

January 24/10pm News/1:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that a Senate panel has voted to reject President Bush's new Iraq plan that calls for a troop surge.

January 24/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Congressman Ron Kind will hold an open house at his new downtown La Crosse office location.

January 25/10pm News/1:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse Mayor Mark Johnsrud announced his public intoxication ordinance at the La Crosse City Council meeting.

January 25/10pm News/:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that members of La Crosse's alcohol oversight committee updated the City Council on its efforts to curb the city's binge drinking problem.

January 25/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that local Republican lawmakers made a stop in La Crosse to unveil their agenda for the Wisconsin working family.

January 25/10pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Congressman Ron Kind was in La Crosse to open his new office in the downtown area.

January 26/6 & 10pm News/2:13

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle wants a statewide smoking ban in public places, but some smokers and business owners are opposed.

January 29/6pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle is proposing the creation of a Department of Children and Families, which he says will save the state money in the long term.

January 29/6pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that there’s concern about the deficit facing Wisconsin’s subsidized childcare program.

January 29/6 & 10pm News/1:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle is preparing to give his first State of the State address of his second term. The story included commentary by political analyst Joe Heim.

January 30/10pm News/3:00

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle’s State of the State address, including commentary by political analyst Joe Heim.

January 30/10pm News/1:00

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse City Council met in a special session to discuss the proposed public intoxication ordinance.

January 31/6 & 10pm News/2:02

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a proposed ordinance would make it illegal to be drunk on city streets in La Crosse, but not everyone thinks it’s a good idea.

January 31/6 & 10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin Lieutenant Governor Barbara Lawton talked to nursing students at Viterbo University about Governor Doyle’s State of the State address.

January 31/10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse County Board will be holding a property tax raffle to raise money for the county’s child support enforcement program.

January 31/10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that it appears comedian Al Franken will run for the U.S. Senate seat in Minnesota in 2008.

January 31/10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on a candidate forum for local judges held by the Grandview-Emerson Neighborhood Association.

February 1/10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a La Crosse City Council committee has approved a plan that would borrow up to \$12 million to help build a new transit center in downtown La Crosse.

February 2/6 & 10pm News/1:15

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle made a stop at Longfellow Middle School in La Crosse to talk about his plan to guarantee a college education to students who meet certain requirements.

February 6/10pm News/1:15

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse City Council held a public hearing on the city’s proposed public intoxication ordinance.

February 7/6 & 10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse County Board will hold a special meeting to talk about a possible expansion of the Law Enforcement Center to ease jail overcrowding.

February 7/6 & 10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle may be open to exempting taverns from his proposed statewide smoking ban.

February 7/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Onalaska's City Council is considering a smokefree ordinance in all workplaces, which would include taverns.

February 8/6pm News/1:37

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse Police Chief Ed Kondracki and Mayor Mark Johnsrud spoke to college students at Viterbo University about the city's proposed public intoxication ordinance.

February 8/6 & 10pm News/:40

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle says a lot of tax cut proposals he has introduced will be in his next two-year budget plan.

February 8/10pm News/1:17

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the La Crosse City Council has decided to delay a vote on a proposed public intoxication ordinance for thirty days.

February 9/6pm News/:25

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse County Judge Ramona Gonzalez has endorsed Kara Burgos for the Branch 4 judicial seat in the upcoming election.

February 12/6pm News/:50

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle will propose taxing big oil companies over the next two years to help pay for the state's transportation needs.

February 12/6 & 10pm News/1:17

"NewsChannel 8" story explaining Wisconsin's new child booster seat law.

February 12/10pm News/:45

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that members of Congress are heading to Washington for three days of debate on President Bush's plan to escalate the war in Iraq.

February 12/10pm News/1:26

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle will reveal his budget proposal tomorrow, and will likely face some opposition as he tries to get it passed.

February 13/10pm News/2:00

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle laid out his two-year budget plan before the State Senate and Assembly. The story included Republican reaction to the governor's plan.

February 13/10pm News/1:33

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the historic debate underway on Capitol Hill regarding President Bush's order for a troop surge in Iraq.

February 13/10pm News/1:00

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse's Alcohol Oversight Committee discussed the city's proposed public intoxication ordinance and other measures the city might take in its effort to curb binge drinking.

February 14/6pm News/:30

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Christine Clair, candidate for La Crosse County judge, has received the endorsement of retired Judge Robert Radcliffe, who was Chief Judge of Wisconsin's 7th Judicial District.

February 14/6 & 10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle made a stop in La Crosse to discuss his new two-year budget plan for the state.

February 14/10pm News/:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Representative Ron Kind expressed his support for a resolution before Congress against sending more troops to Iraq.

February 15/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that La Crosse County judicial candidate Scott Horne has received endorsements from a number of community leaders.

February 16/6 & 10pm News/1:27

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that the House of Representatives has passed a resolution that opposes President Bush's increase of troops in Iraq. The story included reaction from Wisconsin Congressman Ron Kind, who voted for the resolution.

February 19/6 & 10pm News/2:10

"NewsChannel 8" story previewing the local races in the spring primary election being held tomorrow.

February 19/6 & 10pm News/:47

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle is once again calling for universal health care in Wisconsin.

February 20/6pm News/1:55

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting on the various races in the primary election being held in Wisconsin.

February 20/10pm News/5:00

"NewsChannel 8" election results from the spring primary held today in Wisconsin, including commentary by political analyst Joe Heim.

February 21/6 & 10pm News/1:00

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Monroe County will pay more than \$3 million to settle a lawsuit over conditions in its jail.

February 21/10pm News/:25

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Wisconsin's do-not-call list could soon be expanded to include cell phones and increased penalties for violators.

February 22/10pm News/:35

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that Senate Democrats are hoping to change President Bush's strategy in Iraq by drafting legislation to limit the mission of U.S. troops in that country.

February 27/6 & 10pm News/1:20

"NewsChannel 8" story reporting that residents of Onalaska had an opportunity to voice their opinions on that city's proposed workplace smoking ban. The La Crosse County Tavern League has registered its opposition to the ordinance.

March 6/6 & 10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the new government passport requirements for virtually all foreign travel.

March 6/10pm News/1:15

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse City Council’s committee of the whole has approved the proposed public intoxication ordinance for the city, with the full council vote to come on Thursday.

March 6/6 & 10pm News/1:31

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the nation’s surgeon general is calling on communities throughout the country to focus on alcohol issues, especially underage drinking.

March 6/10pm News/1:58

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that doctors are finding ways to quiet the constant ringing some people hear in their ears.

March 6/10pm News/1:26

“NewsChannel 8” story about a new study that shows low-carb diets may be more effective than other ways to lose weight.

March 7/10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Democrats in the Wisconsin State Senate say they’ll introduce a bill that would raise the state’s minimum wage to \$7.25 starting September 1st.

March 8/10pm News/1:00

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse City Council has passed the controversial public intoxication ordinance for the city.

March 9/6 & 10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that some residents of Rockland are upset over DOT plans to expand the I-90 rest area near that community.

March 12/6 & 10pm News/:47

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Washington County Judge Annette Zeigler was in La Crosse to promote her candidacy for the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

March 12/6 & 10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that recent heavy snowfalls in the area have created snow removal overtime budget problems for the City of La Crosse.

March 12/10pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a bill has been introduced in the Wisconsin State Assembly that would force convicted child molesters and sexually violent offenders to place bright green license plates on their vehicles.

March 13/6 & 10pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Wisconsin State Assembly and Senate have passed a bill that would allow the Justice Department to hire 31 new DNA analysts in an effort to cure a backlog at Wisconsin’s State Crime Lab.

March 13/10pm News/:30

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that a proposed smoking ban in Onalaska has been turned down by the Onalaska City Council.

March 14/10pm News/1:33

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Senate Republicans have voted to allow a debate on the Iraq war to take place.

March 15/10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin Congressman Ron Kind is co-sponsoring a new bill that he hopes will have a positive effect on farmers.

March 16/10pm News/1:17

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that commanders in Iraq are asking for even more troops to restore order in that country.

March 16/10pm News/:35

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle signed a new bill which lawmakers hope will eliminate the backlog of DNA evidence waiting to be tested at the state crime lab.

March 19/6 & 10pm News/1:36

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the fourth anniversary of the Iraq war ignited protests across the county, along with pleas of patience from President Bush.

March 19/10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the City of Sparta is facing a legal challenge over its plan to allow the construction of an ethanol plant in the city.

March 21/10pm News/1:10

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that former Wisconsin Governor Tommy Thompson says he plans to toss his hat into the presidential ring later this year.

March 22/6pm News/:40

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Downtown Rotary Club of La Crosse held a judicial candidate forum featuring all six candidates for the three contested La Crosse County judge seats.

March 23/6 & 10pm News/1:18

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the House passed a controversial war spending bill that sets a deadline for U.S. troops to be out of Iraq.

March 27/10pm News/:55

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the Wisconsin State Ethics Board is investigating La Crosse Republican State Senator Dan Kapanke to learn whether Kapanke has a conflict of interest with his ownership of the La Crosse Loggers baseball team.

March 27/10pm News/:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that the La Crosse County Board is moving forward with its plans to expand the county jail.

March 29/6 & 10pm News/:50

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting that Wisconsin State Senator Dan Kapanke is speaking out against a proposed one percent tax increase on state hospitals that’s included in Governor Doyle’s budget plan.

March 30/6 & 10pm News/1:45

“NewsChannel 8” story reporting on the final days of campaigning in the judicial contests in La Crosse County.

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(five pages)

FACE THE NATION 10:30 AM (30 min. p.m.)

- 01/07/07 Gov. { An interview with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi about: the war in Iraq / the need for a new direction / opposition to any increase in the number of U.S. troops there / a phased withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq / impact of the Iraq war on U.S. military readiness; balancing the budget / a tax cut for the middle class / reducing the number of earmarks attached to bills; being the first woman to be Speaker of the House
Guest: Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), Speaker of the House of Representatives
- 01/14/07 Gov. { Separate interviews with Senators John McCain and Barack Obama about President Bush's decision to send 21,000 more troops to Iraq. Sen. McCain's interview topics include: increased troop strength as an integral part of new strategy and new leadership; the proposed bipartisan Congressional resolution of disapproval; consequences of a total U.S. withdrawal; the role of Iran. Sen. Obama's interview topics include: the strategy of a phased U.S. withdrawal and its use as leverage to compel the Shia and Sunni to arrive at a political accommodation; proposed legislation to cut off funding for an expansion of the war
Guests: Sen. John McCain (R-AZ), Armed Services Committee; Sen. Barack Obama (D-IL), Foreign Relations Committee
- 01/21/07 Gov. { (1) An interview with Sen. Chuck Hagel about: his criticism of President Bush's war plan for Iraq / his support of the Baker-Hamilton report; whether he will be a candidate for the presidency; the impending Senate resolution against the Iraq war / the obligation of Congress to express its views on the administration's conduct of the war
(2) Congressional opposition to President Bush's announced plan to increase the U.S. troop level in Iraq; Senator Hillary Clinton's announcement of her candidacy for President / her initial strategies; the last two years of the Bush presidency / impact of the Iraq war
Guests: Sen. Chuck Hagel (R-NE), Foreign Relations Committee (1); John Harris, Editor-In-Chief, Politico.com (2); Jim Vandehei, Executive Editor, Politico.com (2); Josephine Hearn, Congressional Reporter, Politico.com (2)
- 01/28/07 Gov. { Separate interviews with Senators Webb, Specter and McConnell about their views on President Bush's new war plan for Iraq. Sen. Webb's topics include: the necessity for a political, as opposed to a military, solution; possible Congressional resolutions. Sen. Specter's topics include: the role of the Iraqi government; Constitutional questions of executive power and the ongoing funding of the war. Sen. McConnell's topics include: the need for a stable Baghdad; a Senate resolution which establishes benchmarks that the Iraqi government has to meet; possible future debate about cutting off funding for the war.
Guests: Sen. Jim Webb (D-VA), Armed Services Committee; Sen. Arlen Specter (R-PA), Judiciary Committee; Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Minority Leader

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60 MINUTES 6:00 PM (60 min. p.p.m.)

- 01/07/07 { **"Poisoned"** - an investigation into the possible motives for the fatal poisoning, with a rare radioactive isotope, of former Russian agent-turned-dissident Alexander Litvinenko. Includes interviews with: his wife, Marina; Boris Berezovsky, Litvinenko's billionaire backer; Julia Svetlichnaya, Russian graduate student; Mark Galeotti, former adviser to British and American intelligence agencies. (C: Bob Simon - P: Michael Gavshon, Michael Rosenbaum)
- Gov. { **"Betty Ford"** - a rebroadcast, on the occasion of the death of President Gerald Ford, of an interview with former first lady Betty Ford. She discusses her alcoholism, the creation of her famous clinic, and her breast cancer and mastectomy. Includes comments by Gerald Ford. (OAD: 10/12/97 as "First Lady") (C: Lesley Stahl - P: Jay Kernis, Karen Sughrue)
- Gov. { **"The Dame"** - an interview/profile of the British actress Dame Helen Mirren, most recently acclaimed for her portrayal of Elizabeth II in the film "The Queen". (C: Morley Safer - P: Ruth Streeter)
- Gov. { **Andy Rooney topic:** "What Makes A Good President?" - Andy's views on the popularity and likability of U.S. presidents from FDR to the present
- 01/14/07 { **"President Bush"** - an interview with President George W. Bush, his first since delivering his January 10 address calling for more U.S. troops in Iraq. (C: Scott Pelley - P: Harry A. Radcliffe II, Graham Messick, Shawn Efran)
- Gov. { **"The Duke Case"** - a double-length segment about the latest developments in the case of three white Duke University lacrosse players (Collin Finnerty, David Evans and Reade Seligmann) who were accused last March of rape by a black exotic dancer at an off-campus team party. Includes interviews with: Dr. Brian Meehan, forensic expert; James Coleman, Duke University Law School professor; Richard Brodhead, President, Duke University. Also interviewed are the parents of the accused: Kevin and Mary Ellen Finnerty; David Evans Sr. and his wife Rae; and Kathy and Phil Seligmann. (C: Lesley Stahl - P: Tanya Simon, Michael Radutzky)
- Crime { **Andy Rooney topic:** "What's In A Team Name?" - Andy discusses the names and nicknames given to various sports teams
- 01/21/07 PREEMPTED
- 01/28/07 { **"An American In North Korea"** - a profile/interview of Joe Dresnok, the last American defector still living in North Korea, 44 years after deserting the army in 1962. (C: Bob Simon - P: Robert G. Anderson, Casey Morgan)
- Crime { **"Get Me The Geeks!"** - the increasingly complicated electronics in our society relies on have given rise to the geeks - the essential technicians who set up our gadgets, including TVs, computers and hand-held devices. Includes an interview with Robert Stevens, founder of The Geek Squad. (C: Steve Kroft - P: L. Franklin Devine)
- Econ. { **"Brain Man"** - Unlike the other 50 or so true savants in the world, Daniel Tammet can eloquently describe the thought process of his incredible brain, making him a source of important information for scientists. (C: Morley Safer - P: Deirdre Naphin)
- Educ. { **Andy Rooney topic:** "Andy On The State Of The Union" - Andy's thoughts on President George W. Bush's delivery of his recent State of the Union Address
- Gov. {

48 HOURS 9:00 PM (60 min. p.p.m.)

Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Endgame" - a follow-up to 48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Where Is Mrs. March?" (OAD: 11/01/02). Janet Levine March, a wife and mother of two young children, disappeared on August 15, 1996. In December 2004, a grand jury indicted her husband, Perry, for her murder, based on circumstantial evidence. March -- while in a Nashville jail awaiting trial, and fearful of the possible testimony of his wife's parents, Carolyn and Larry Levine -- solicited fellow inmate and convicted felon Russell Nathaniel Farris to murder them. Farris played along, but in reality cooperated with the police and secretly recorded his conversations with both March and March's father, Arthur, who also became implicated in the murder plot. In a videotaped deposition played at the trial for Janet March's murder, Arthur March revealed how Perry had killed Janet, and how her body, with his help, was ultimately disposed of. Perry March was sentenced to 56 years in prison. Arthur March was sentenced to five years. Includes interviews with: Perry March; Arthur March; Carolyn and Larry Levine; Sergeant Pat Postiglione, Detective Bill Pridemore, Nashville (Tennessee) Homicide Cold Case Unit; Detective Mickey Miller, Nashville Police. (C: Deborah Grau - P: Bill Lagattuta)

01/13/07

Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Murder on His Mind" - In April 2005, Stephen Stanko murdered his girlfriend Laura Ling, and then raped and stabbed her daughter. Shortly afterwards, he killed a friend, Henry Turner. Previously, in 1996, Stanko had served an eight year prison term for assaulting his then-girlfriend, Elizabeth McClendon. Stanko claimed he had no memory of these events. At his trial for the murder of Laura Ling, Stanko's lawyer called on medical experts who claimed that PET scan images of Stanko's brain revealed that he was born with a brain defect, a neurological dysfunction that made him psychopathic and, on occasion, temporarily insane. Medical experts for the prosecution contested this claim. A jury found Stanko guilty and recommended the death penalty. He will again face the death penalty when he is tried for the murder of Henry Turner. His lawyer will continue to argue that he has a brain defect. Includes interviews with: Stephen Stanko; the daughter (name withheld) of Laura Ling; Chris Ling, ex-husband of murder victim Laura Ling and father of their daughter; Lt. William Pierce, Georgetown County (S.C.) Sheriff's Office; Greg Hembree, Georgetown County Prosecutor; Elizabeth McClendon, former girlfriend of Stanko; William Diggs, Stanko's lawyer; Dr. Thomas Sachy, neuropsychiatrist. C: Troy Roberts - P: Josh Gelman, Mary Noonan Robichaux, Lourdes Aguiar

01/16/07

Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Searching For Secrets" - In early September 2005, 17-year-old Taylor Behl, a Virginia Commonwealth University freshman, disappeared from the Richmond campus. A police investigation eventually uncovered her association with Ben Fawley, a 38-year-old man who confessed to having sex with Taylor. After the discovery of Taylor's body, Fawley claimed that Taylor had wanted to have a sexual experience which included bondage and erotic asphyxia -- she wanted to pass out during sex -- and that she accidentally died during this activity. In a plea bargain at his trial, Fawley was sentenced to 30 years in prison. Interviews include: Janet Pelasara, Taylor Behl's mother; Matt Behl, Taylor's father; Glynnis Keogh, Taylor's best friend; Erin Crabill, friend of Taylor Behl; Emma Ellsworth, Taylor's roommate; Ben Fawley; Richmond Police Captain John Venuti; Les Lausiere, investigator, Virginia Attorney General's Office; Jason Hudson, detective; prosecutors Jack Gill and Chris Bullard; Chris Collins and Bill Johnson, attorneys for Ben Fawley. C: Erin Moriarty - P: Jay Young, James Stolz

48 HOURS (continued)

01/20/07

Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Deadly Obsession" - In September 2004, Florida Keys residents Carl "Charlie" Brandt and his wife Teri sought refuge from Hurricane Ivan in the Orlando home of Teri's niece, Michelle Jones. A few days after the Brandts' arrival, police discovered their bodies. Teri had been stabbed to death; Michelle had been brutally dismembered; and Charlie had hung himself in the garage. Brandt's older sister Angela

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G.W. { the Democratic response by Senator James Webb (D-VA). CBS Correspondents:
Katie Couric (anchor, D.C. studio); Bob Schieffer; Gloria Borger; Jim
Axelrod. Consultants: Nicolle Wallace, former White House Communications
Director (for G.W. Bush); Joe Jockhart, former White House Press
Secretary (for Bill Clinton); Jim VandeHei, executive editor,
Politico.com.

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FACE THE NATION 10:30 AM (30 min. pgm.)

- 02/04/07
- 1) An interview with NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell about: the Super Bowl as a unique sports phenomenon and its economic impact; the ascendance of African-American coaches; the problem of players who are arrested / the use of suspensions; penalties for players who use steroids.
 - 2) Interviews with CBS Sports Analysts Dan Marino and Phil Simms about: what to expect in today's Super Bowl game between the Chicago Bears and the Indianapolis Colts; the role of the quarterback; prominent players in today's game; the nervous pressure of playing in a Super Bowl game; Peyton Manning, an exceptional athlete; their personal memories of playing in a Super Bowl game
- Guests: Roger Goodell, NFL Commissioner (1); Dan Marino, CBS Sports Analyst (2); Phil Simms, CBS Sports Lead Game Analyst (2)
- Guest Interviewer: Jim Nantz, CBS Sports Play-by-Play Announcer
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- 02/11/07
- Gov. {
- 1) Excerpt of 60 MINUTES interview (02/11/07) with Sen. Barack Obama (D, Illinois), who announced his candidacy for the presidency yesterday (02/10/07)
 - 2) Interview with Sen. Chris Dodd about: the need for a Senate Resolution on the Bush Administration's Iraq war strategy; his own long-term Senate experience as an asset to his candidacy; the difficulties of passing a Senate Resolution on Iraq / cutting off funding for the war / withdrawing U.S. troops; diplomatic engagement with Iran and Syria; his own relationship with his fellow Senator Joe Lieberman
 - 3) Interview with Sen. Trent Lott about: concern that the Bush Administration may be considering an attack on Iran; the process of the Senate's debate procedure concerning a resolution on the Iraq war; the need for a change in U.S. strategy in Iraq which then produces a reasonable result
- Guests: Sen. Chris Dodd (D-CT), Foreign Relations Committee and 2008 Presidential Candidate; Sen. Trent Lott (R-MS), Minority Whip
- Guest Interviewer: John Harris, Editor in Chief, The Politico
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- 02/18/07
- Gov. {
- 1) The war in Iraq: the Senate's block of a vote on the Bush Administration's war policy / Democrats focussing on censuring any increase in the troop level; the need for a political, rather than military, solution; public pressure to change the war strategy; need for bipartisan discussion with the President; Congressman Murtha's proposal of limitations on funding and troop deployment; the role of Iran.
 - 2) Roundtable discussion: (a) divisions in both Democrats and Republicans over Iraq war policy / a House resolution vote seen as being along party lines instead of bipartisan (b) Campaign 2008: candidates' fund-raising efforts / Senators Hillary Clinton and John McCain; Rudy Giuliani's popularity among Republican voters.
- Guests: Sen. Richard Lugar (R-IN), Foreign Relations Committee (1); Sen. Joseph Biden (D-DE), Chairman, Foreign Relations Committee, and 2008 Presidential Candidate (1); Doyle McManus, Washington Bureau Chief, The Los Angeles Times (2); Josephine Hearn, The Politico (2)
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- 02/25/07
- Gov. {
- 1) An interview with Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger about: the ideal of serving the people rather than one's political party; California government projects and accomplishments under his administration; the war in Iraq / the need for a timeline for withdrawing troops / need for White House and Congressional dialogue, not confrontation / the impact of the war on the California National Guard; important national issues in the 2008 elections
 - 2) An interview with former Senator John Edwards about: the war in Iraq / redeploying troops / related strategies for stabilizing the region / moral authority as a requisite for a world leader; his universal health care plan / repeal of tax cuts as a means of funding it; reasons why people should vote for him
- Guests: Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger (R-CA); Fmr. Sen. John Edwards (D-NC), 2008 Democratic Presidential Candidate

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FEBRUARY 2007

60 MINUTES 6:00 PM (60 min. p.m.)

02/04/07 PREEMPTED

02/11/07 Gov. { **"Barack Obama"** - an interview/profile of the Illinois Democratic Senator, who declared his candidacy for the 2008 Democratic presidential nomination yesterday (02/10/07). (C: Steve Kroft- P: Tom Anderson, L. Franklin Devine)

Crime { **"The Death of Timothy Souders"** - an investigation into the death of a mental patient who died in a Michigan prison, in solitary, of dehydration. Includes interviews with Souders' mother, Theresa Vaughn; clinical psychologist Robert Walsh; and Patricia Caruso, director of Michigan's prison system. (C: Scott Pelley - P: Solly Granatstein)

"Norah Jones" - an interview/profile of the popular musician. (C: Katie Couric- P: Ruth Streeter)

Andy Rooney topic: "Andy Goes To Miami" - Andy's experiences at Super Bowl games

02/18/07 Gov. { **"The Other Iraq"** - a report on Kurdistan, an autonomous and peaceful region in the northeast corner of Iraq, which has its own regional government, security forces, and no ethnic divisions. Includes interviews with prime minister Nechervan Barzani, and with Dr. Ali Saed Mohammed, president of Suleymaniye University. (C: Bob Simon - P: Draggan Mihailovich)

Health { **"Diagnosis: Autism"** - behavioral scientists are trying to detect the earliest signs of autism in children, so that treatment may begin earlier. The belief is that if they can catch it early, they can change the way a child's brain develops. Includes interviews with psychologists Sally Rogers and Sally Ozonoff. (C: Lesley Stahl - P: Karen Sughrue)

"Hillbilly Rock Star" - an interview/profile of singer Kenny Chesney, whose style combines country, rock and a dash of Caribbean island music. (C: Anderson Cooper - P: John Hamlin)

Gov. { **Andy Rooney topic: "Let's Vote...On Everything!"** - what if the American public voted on national and Congressional issues like the Iraq war and immigration

02/25/07 Sw. { **"Dissension In The Ranks"** - over 1,000 active-duty and reserve members of the U.S. military have sent a petition denouncing the continuation of the war in Iraq to their Congressmen. (C: Lara Logan- P: Peter Klein)

"The Nazi Deception" - a report on how the Nazis turned one Czechoslovakian concentration camp, Theresienstadt, into a model town in an effort to stanch wartime rumors of the Holocaust. Included in the deception were ongoing performances of a children's opera, "Brundibar", a veiled mockery of the Nazi oppressors. (C: Bob Simon - P: Paul Bellinger, Michael Gavshon)

"O'Reilly" - an interview with Bill O'Reilly, host of the Fox News Channel's "The O'Reilly Factor". (C: Mike Wallace - P: John Hamlin) (OAD: 09/26/04)

Andy Rooney topic: "Andy: Don't Throw It Away!" - letting go of stuff is a hard thing to do

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FEBRUARY 2007

48 HOURS 9:00 PM (60 min p.p.m.)

02/03/07

Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Love And Lies" - a report on the investigation into the apparent December 2004 suicide of Jennifer Corbin, a wife and mother living in Buford, Georgia with her husband Bart and their two children. A subsequent phone tip suggesting that police reinvestigate the apparent suicide in 1990 of another Georgia woman, Dolly Hearn, led to the discovery that Bart Corbin had been Hearn's boyfriend and that she had broken up with him just before her death. Jennifer Corbin, involved in an online romance, had told her family that she was planning to leave Bart. Bart was arrested for the murder of both women. When Richard Wilson, a friend of Bart's, admitted to police that he had given Bart the gun which was found beside Jennifer's body, Bart admitted that he had killed both Dolly and Jennifer. He was given two life sentences, to be served concurrently, and could be eligible for parole as early as 2020. (C: Pater Van Sant - P: Loen Kelley - Jenna Jackson)

02/10/07

Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Murder Comes Knocking" - In July 2004, 27-year-old Jarrod Davidson was shot to death outside his apartment in Santa Barbara, California. Estranged from his ex-wife, Kelee, Jarrod had been scheduled to go to court to try to get full custody of his daughter Malia. Jarrod had opened his front door to retrieve the delivery of a potted plant. DNA, found on the plant's card holder, wastested and matched that of his former mother-in-law, Mindy Jones. Neighbors had reported seeing two suspicious looking people quickly leaving Jarrod's apartment complex. After further investigation, Kelee's parents, Philip and Mindy Jones, were arrested for the murder of Jarrod Davidson. Philip confessed to the killing, but only securing an agreement from prosecutors that his daughter Kelee would not be tried for the murder. Philip Jones claimed that he murdered Jarrod because Jarrod was molesting Malia. This claim was disproved. Philip was sentenced to life in prison with no parole. Mindy Jones claimed amnesia, but was also found guilty of murder and received the same sentence as Philip. Kelee was allowed to plead guilty to three lesser charges: accessory to murder and two counts of perjury. She was sentenced to four years in prison. Malia is being raised by her paternal grandparents, Richard and Susan Davidson. Kelee Davidson is expected to be released from prison in July 2007. She is hoping to regain custody of Malia. (C: Maureen Maher - P: Ira Sutow)

02/17/07

Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Biggest Gamble" - a follow-up to "The Highest Stakes" (OAD: 03/04/06), a report on the investigation into the October 2005 disappearance of Christie Wilson, a 27-year-old from Sacramento, California. Christie was last seen at the Thunder Valley Casino in the company of Mario Garcia, a 53-year-old married father of two. A lengthy investigation revealed that Mario had a prior criminal record including charges of rape and assault with a deadly weapon and spousal abuse. That information, as well as DNA evidence linking him to Christie, resulted in his arrest. His trial lasted two months and the jury deliberated for just three days. Despite the absence of a murder weapon and physical evidence to prove that Christie Wilson is dead, Mario Garcia was sentenced to a term of twenty-five years to life. Based on a serious prior conviction, his sentence was doubled to fifty years. Mario Garcia still maintains his innocence. Volunteers continue to search for Christie Wilson's body. (C: Erin Moriarty - P: Paul LaRosa & Melissa Sanford)

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MARCH 2007

FACE THE NATION 10:30 AM (30 min. program)

03/04/07

Gov.

(1) A discussion of possible factors and situations which may have contributed to the scandal of poor living conditions for some war veterans at Walter Reed Military Hospital. Topics include: a lack of accountability within the Bush administration / a lack of national commitment, commensurate with going to war, to fully care for all those wounded in the war / over-optimism about the progress of the war as a cause of a lack of planning to care for large numbers of wounded / lack of planning and preparation for the casualties of war / the Department of Defense and the Veterans Administration: two different standards for what represents disability; possible Congressional approaches to constrain the President on the Iraqi war

(2) How The Washington Post investigated conditions at Walter Reed; veterans overwhelmed by the bureaucracy and in conflict with the Army over their disability ratings; lack of patient advocates and caseworkers

Guests: Senator Carl Levin (D-MI), Chairman, Armed Services Committee (1); Senator Joseph Lieberman (I-CT), Armed Services Committee (1); Anne Hull, The Washington Post (2)

03/11/07

Gov.

(1) Reaction to President Bush's request today for another 8,200 troops for Iraq and Afghanistan; reports that U.S. Attorneys have been fired by the Attorney General because some Republicans felt that they weren't doing enough to file corruption charges against Democrats in their states; the FBI abusing its powers under the Patriot Act / invasion of the privacy of phone and e-mail records; whether or not Lewis "Scooter" Libby should be pardoned

(2) Addressing the problems at Walter Reed Military Hospital / cutting through veterans' paper work / combining a veteran's physical evaluation and the medical evaluation into one process / need for a change in the culture of command, including a new Army surgeon general and a new head of the Veterans Administration

Guests: Senator Charles Schumer (D-NY), Vice Chair, Democratic Conference (1); Senator Arlen Specter (R-PA), Judiciary Committee (1); Senator Claire McCaskill (D-MO), Armed Services Committee (2)

03/18/07

Gov.

(1) The effectiveness of an additional troop commitment to Iraq / advisability of a timeline for withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq / stoking sectarian violence as a strategic tool of al-Qaeda and the insurgents; correcting the situation at Walter Reed Hospital; restructuring the Pentagon's intelligence operations

(2) The contention that the recent firings of some U.S. Attorneys was done for political reasons / the situation of California Prosecutor Carol Lam / whether the Attorney General should resign / the need for Senate confirmation of U.S. Attorney appointments

Guests: Robert Gates, Secretary of Defense (1); Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Member, Judiciary Committee (2)

03/25/07

Gov.

The controversy over the recent firings of eight U.S. Attorneys:

(1) The perception that it was a political action, unrelated to any performance issues or evaluations; (2) the perceived politicization of the judicial system / the need for Attorney General Gonzales to appear before the Senate / whether to subpoena Bush political adviser Karl Rove and former White House Counsel Harriet Miers; (3) a discussion of the controversy's impact on the Republican Party / its effect on the 2008 presidential campaign; the effect of Elizabeth Edwards' cancer recurrence on her husband John Edwards' presidential campaign

Guests: H.E. "Bud" Cummins III, former U.S. Attorney (1); Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT), Chairman, Judiciary Committee (2); Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC), Member, Judiciary Committee (2); David Brooks, The New York Times (3); Jim Vandehei, Politico.com (3)

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60 MINUTES 6:00PM (60 min. pgn.)

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- Gov. { "Jihad.com" - a report on the use of the Internet as the primary tool being used by Al Qaeda and other Islamic terrorist groups to recruit Islamic youth to their cause. Includes interviews with Army Brigadier General John Custer, head of intelligence for U.S. Central Command; Aaron Weisburd, a civilian computer programmer involved in attacking extremist Websites; Rita Katz, director of the Site Institute, a private firm which monitors terrorist activities on the Web. (C: Scott Pelley - P: Harry Radcliffe)
- Gov. { "Wake Up Call" - an interview with U.S. Comptroller General David Walker, who says that the Medicare program will bankrupt the treasury in the coming decades unless vast reforms to the program and to the nation's healthcare system are made. Includes comments by Senator Kent Conrad (DND), chairman of the Senate Budget Committee. (C: Steve Kroft - P: Andy Court)
- Health { "Dog Nut" - an interview with Sam Simon, the multimillionaire veteran television producer who helped create "The Simpsons" and whose foundation rescues stray and abandoned dogs and trains some of them to be service dogs for deaf people. (C: Morley Safer - P: David Browning)
- Gov. - Andy Rooney topic: "A Peek at the President's Schedule" - Andy wonders why would anyone would want to be president
- Update: "The Death of Timothy Souders" (OAI: 02/11/07)

03/11/07

- Gov. { "The Anthrax Case" - Dr. Steven Hatfill is the only man named by the FBI as a "person of interest" in the anthrax attacks of 2001. He has never been charged, and is now suing the government. Includes interviews with his lawyer, Tom Connolly, and Senator Charles Grassley (D-IA). (C: Lesley Stahl - P: Richard Bonin)
- Gov. { "Left Behind" - A report on the plight of thousands of Iraqis who helped the U.S. in Iraq as translators, office help and construction workers, and who are now targeted as collaborators by the insurgents. Many want to come to America, but are having a hard time because of U.S. security requirements. Includes interviews with retired Major General Paul Eaton; Assistant Secretary of State Ellen Sauerbrey; former Assistant Secretary of State Julia Taft. (C: Scott Pelley - P: David Gelber, Joel Bach)
- Health { "The Widows of Harlan County" - In 2006, there were 47 coal miners who died on the job in the U.S., including six in Harlan County, Kentucky. Some of their widows contend that safety standards are being ignored in the pursuit of profit. Includes interviews with widows Melissa Lee, Stella Morris, Mary Middleton, Priscilla Petra; attorneys Kent Hendrickson and Tony Oppegard; and Richard Stickler, head of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration. (C: Bob Simon - P: Tom Anderson)
- Gov. - Andy Rooney topic: "Bring Back The Draft?" - a military draft would yield a higher quality of soldier

03/18/07

- Gov. { "The Killings in Haditha" - Marine Staff Sgt. Frank Wuterich speaks publicly for the first time about the circumstances surrounding the November 2005 killing of 24 Iraqi civilians in Haditha, Iraq, resulting in murder charges against him and three other Marines. (C: Scott Pelley - P: Shawn Efran, Solly Granatstein)
- DOUBLE LENGTH SEGMENT
- "Simon Cowell" - an interview/profile of Simon Cowell, the acerbic judge on the television series "American Idol". (C: Anderson Cooper - P: John Hamlin)
- Andy Rooney topic: "Andy's View Of The News" - Andy tackles the problem of getting too many newspapers

03/25/07

- Gov. { "John & Elizabeth Edwards" - an interview with Democratic Presidential candidate John Edwards and his wife Elizabeth, who discuss her recent cancer diagnosis in the context of his 2008 presidential bid. (C: Katie Couric - P: Robert Anderson, Lori Beecher, Michael Rosenbaum)
- Gov. { "The Network" - An interview with Hassan Butt, a British-born Muslim and former extremist who has renounced Islamic violence. He describes how he recruited members for the 'network'-- a web of radical British Muslim terrorists with links to Al Qaeda. (C: Bob Simon - P: Michael Gavshon)
- Crime { "Prisoner 05A4820" - an interview with former Tyco CEO Dennis Kozlowski. Convicted of stealing more than \$100 million from Tyco, he is now serving an 8-to-25-year sentence. He maintains he is not guilty of the charges. (C: Morley Safer - P: Deirdre Naphin Curran)
- Envir. - Andy Rooney topic: "What A Winter!" - Andy misses cold winters with heavy snowfalls

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48 HOURS MYSTERY (continued)

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Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Dangerous Reunion" - In 1981, a series of sexual assaults targeting members of the Castleberry High cheerleading team occurred in and around River Oaks, Texas. In January 1982, the body of Retha Stratton, a former Castleberry High cheerleader, was discovered by her roommate-- she had been stabbed 38 times with a kitchen knife. Fort Worth Police Detective Dennis Timmons quickly focused his investigation on Wesley Wayne Miller, former captain of the Castleberry High football team. Miller had been suggested as a suspect in the sexual assaults, but was never questioned. This time there was more evidence. Within 48 hours, Wesley Wayne Miller was charged with the murder of Retha Stratton. Initially, Miller denied involvement, but once presented with the evidence, he confessed. Stratton had not been sexually assaulted, but police were able to match Miller's fingerprints to one of the sexual assault crime scenes. The murder trial began in October of 1982 and two weeks later, Miller was found guilty and sentenced to twenty five years in prison. The jury in the murder trial was prohibited from hearing anything concerning the sexual assaults and believed he deserved a second chance. Without DNA testing, prosecutors went forward with the most airtight sexual assault case, but eventually agreed to a plea deal of twenty years, which would be served concurrently with the murder sentence. Rona Stratton, Retha's sister and Lisa Ticknor Gabbert, a close friend of Retha's and one of Miller's victims were devastated to learn just how quickly Miller would become eligible for parole and made it their mission to keep Miller in prison. By 1991, due to a mandatory release law established to ease prison overcrowding, Miller had enough credit for good behavior and qualified for early release. Miller was arrested again for attempted assault and sentenced to five more years. Released again in 1998 to a county jail, Miller refused to attend sex offender counseling and as a result, was returned to prison. With his twenty five year sentence almost over, Rona and Lisa attempted to have Miller classified as a sexually violent predator under civil commitment- a law which Rona was instrumental in getting passed. Two convictions for sex crimes are required in order to be committed and if successful, Miller would become the first murderer to be classified as such. Chief Prosecutor Joey Robertson argued that Retha's murder was the very definition of a sex crime and was the last barbaric act of a serial rapist. The jury agreed. As a result, upon Miller's release, he will be subject to the same intense monitoring as the worst sex offenders. On March 9, 2007, Wesley Wayne Miller was released from prison. He is housed within 25 miles of Rona and Lisa. (C: Susan Spencer- P: Ian P. Paisley, Jenna Jackson)

03/17/07

Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Jeffrey MacDonald: Time For Truth" (WEST COAST ONLY) - a report on the 1970 murders of U.S. Army Doctor Jeffrey MacDonald's pregnant wife and two young daughters at their Fort Bragg home in Fayetteville, N.C. Having served 25 years in prison for the murders, MacDonald, now 61, still proclaims his innocence and expresses hope that he will eventually be legally vindicated. From the day following the murders 35 years ago, MacDonald has maintained that a group of crazed, drug-fueled hippies broke into his apartment and murdered his wife Collette and daughters-- five-year-old Kimberly and two-year-old Kristen. It took the U.S. Government nine years to make its case against him, but in 1979, a jury convicted MacDonald of three counts of first-degree murder -- a conviction based entirely on circumstantial evidence. Since then, MacDonald and his lawyers have exhausted every avenue of appeal. Married behind bars over two years ago, MacDonald's request for parole was denied. He is hoping that DNA testing being done on hair and blood evidence from the crime scene will confirm that he did not kill his family. (C: Bill Lagattuta - Sr. P: Anthony Batson, Judy Tygard, Peter Schweitzer - P: Josh Gelman) (OAD: 11/05/05)

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48 HOURS MYSTERY (continued)

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Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Deadly Ride" (9:30-10:30p) - Jane Mixer, one of a handful of female students at the University of Michigan Law School in March of 1969, had just agreed to get married and had arranged a ride home to tell her parents. Her body was found in a small, rural cemetery just miles from her dorm. She had been shot twice in the head and strangled. Jane Mixer was the third of seven young women to be found dead in the area within two years. Shortly after finding the seventh victim, police arrested John Collins, an Eastern Michigan University student who was subsequently convicted of only one of the murders. Maggie Nelson, the daughter of Jane's sister Barbara, determined to write a book about her aunt and to unravel the mystery of her murder. Some detectives also believed the case merited another look. DNA tests of evidence at the scene of the crime led police to Gary Leiterman, a 62-year-old retired nurse and to John Ruelas, who was four-years-old at the time of the crime. Despite concerns over the possible contamination of DNA evidence and the absence of fingerprints, Gary Leiterman, was tried, convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to life in prison. Leiterman, who maintains that he is innocent, plans to seek a new trial, challenging the DNA evidence (C: Maureen Maher - Sr. P: Judy Tygard - P: Gail Abbott Zimmerman, Chris Young)(OAD: 11/26/05)

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Crime

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Dark Side Of The Mesa" (10:30-11:30p) - in November 2001 Michael Blagg, returned to his Grand Junction, Colorado home to find a bloody bed and an empty jewel box-- but no sign of his wife Jennifer or their six-year-old daughter Abby. When investigators learned that Blagg and his wife had argued over his addiction to hard-core pornography, Blagg became the prime suspect. When a search of the county landfill produced Jennifer's remains, the District Attorney charged Blagg with first degree murder. Michael Blagg was tried for murder in March of 2004, convicted and sentenced to life in prison. Abby has never been found. Includes interviews with: Steve King, Mesa County Sheriff's investigator; the Reverend Art Blankenship, pastor of the Blaggs' Evangelical Church and his wife Rhonda; Marilyn Conway, Jennifer's mother; David Loman, her brother; David Eisner, Blagg's attorney; and District Attorney Frank Daniels. (C: Susan Spencer - P: Peter Henderson, Martin Zied - Sr. P: Katie Boyle) (OAD: 10/09/04)

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