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January 1, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50

People are enjoying the little warm up in Northern Michigan today, but it is not lasting long. A system is moving in that will bring scattered rain or snow showers with much colder air moving in by Wednesday.

January 2, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50 + 2:40 at 6PM + 1:40 at 5PM + 1:35 at NOON

Green is showing in Northern Michigan as light rain showers are falling. Arctic air is moving in later this week. Northern Michigan could see freezing rain tonight making road conditions less than ideal.

ECONOMY – 11PM – 1:25 + 2:45 at 6PM + 1:35 at 5PM + :25 at NOON + :30 at MTM 6AM + :35 at MTM 5AM

Gas prices have risen as the gas tax went into place today. The 7.3 cent increase gives Michigan one of the highest gas taxes in the country. The plan is to patch up Michigan's crumbling roads.

Michigan's minimum wage increased from \$8.50 an hour to \$8.90 an hour. Local businesses say it's a change that may eventually hurt businesses.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 5PM - :55 + 1:25 at NOON + :50 at MTM 6AM 1:30 at 5AM

Daugherty Johnson who was the utilities director for the city of Flint in 2013 is accused of making false claims and finding ways around funds in connection with the Flint water investigation.

35 Russian diplomats expelled from the United States are back on Russian soil, but President Elect Donald Trump says he still isn't completely convinced that Russia was behind the hacks on US cyber systems.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 5PM - :25

Footage of a massive cloud of smog was shot from a building in Beijing's business district. It shows a wall of pollution sweeping into the capital over a 20 minute period this morning. A British engineer says this is the worst example of pollution he's seen since moving to China 13 years ago.

EDUCATION – NOON - :35 + 2:00 at MTM 6AM + :50 at MTM 5AM

Sutton's Bay Inland Seas Education Association has a new ship in the water, Utopia, and it's turning kids into Scientists. This will give kids the opportunity for hand on learning experiences.

January 3, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 2:05 at 6PM + 1:25 at MTM 5AM

It is the calm before the storm because that cold front means lake effect snow, with gusting winds and whiteout conditions. This will be a nightmare for travelers.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :40 + :25 at 5PM + :50 at MTM 5AM

The 115th Congress is now in session.

The GOP was split today when house republicans unveiled a plan last night that would essentially gut the independent congressional ethics board, an agency tasked with keeping corruption out of Congress. The plan was dropped after being met with extreme reactions.

EDUCATION – 6PM - :45

Schools will now be required to teach CPR in the classroom under Michigan law. Schools can incorporate the training into an existing health class that students must take to graduate.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :35 + 1:35 + :15 at NOON

The DOW is up 119 points to 19, 8881. The NASDAQ added 45 to 5,429. The S and P is up 19 to 2,257.

Americans spent 3 trillion dollars on health care in 2014, and that number is expected to rise each year.

January 4, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:30 + 3:45 at 6PM + 2:45 at 5PM + 1:20 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

Winter Storm Warnings continue for Northern Michigan counties, and gusty winds will create excessive blowing and drifting snow. Take it slow on the roads.

The weather is proving to be challenging for bus drivers, with a Cadillac Wexford Transit bus that slammed into a utility pole.

GOVERNEMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:40 + 1:45 at 5PM

The CIA and FBI are ready to brief President Elect, Donald Trump on the recent Russian hacks they say interfered with the Presidential Election. Trump is still voicing skepticism that the country is behind the hacking of DNC emails.

Dismantling Obamacare will be Trump's first order of business in the Whitehouse. Mike Pence says Republicans need to find a way to do it without hurting consumers.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :45

The Automotive industry is alive and well. GM and Ford sales are strong as the industry nears record territory.

The DOW added 60 points to 19,942, inching closer the 20,000 mark. The Nasdaq is up 47, and the S and P gained 12.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – MTM 6AM – 1:15

Ontario Power Generation says it's looked at alternative sites for them to bury nuclear waste but they were more expensive and raise more environmental concerns than the location considered near Lake Huron.

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality has updated it's regulations of toxic chemicals in industrial air emissions.

January 5, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:05 + 1:05 at 6PM + 2:00 at 5PM + 2:05 at NOON + 1:15 at MTM 6AM + 1:15 at MTM 5AM

It feels well below zero across Northern Michigan right now. The lake effect snow is not slowing down, proving to make travel treacherous. One driver today even went off the road and into a lake.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:05 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + :40 at MTM 6AM + 1:10 at MTM 5AM

America's top intelligence officials agree that Russia was behind the DNC hacks that interfered with the election. They say only Russia's senior most officials could have authorized the data theft.

ECONOMY – 6PM -:15 + :25 at 5PM

The Dow lost 42 points to 19,899, while the NASDAQ tacked on 10 points to 5,487 and the S&P 500 went down one point to 2,269.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – NOON - :30

New research suggests that living near a busy road could hurt your memory later in life. The study has linked smog from road traffic to dementia.

January 6, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:00 + 1:35 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:00 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

The frigid cold continues, with most counties below zero degrees. A few flakes from lake effect snow will fall tonight, but a system is moving in that could affect any travel plans people have this weekend.

Temperatures near zero can mean the possibility of pipes freezing. Don't let your house get too cold.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :40 + :50 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:10 at MTM 6AM

Us Intelligence says Russian President Vladimir Putin gave the order to influence the Presidential Election with Cyber Attacks.

Governor Rick Snyder signed the first policy bill tied to the lead water emergency. It requires utilities to warn water customers about too much lead more quickly.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :45

The DOW came within striking distance of the 20 thousand mark today, and the S and P and NASDAQ closed at record highs.

The final job report of 2016 shows the US economy added 156 thousand jobs in December.

January 7, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:45 at 6PM

Roads are still slick with fresh powder. There is still lake effect tonight, but tomorrow will bring sunshine, making it cold but a bright day to play in the snow.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :55 + 1:50 at 6PM

Donald Trump and Mike Pence were briefed yesterday by the heads of all four intelligence agencies regarding Russian's influence on this year's election. We have learned that Russians gave hacked Democratic emails to WikiLeaks, paid online trolls, and pushed fake news stories. Investigators say it was to damage Secretary Clinton's chances at reaching the oval office.

January 8, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:40 at 6PM

A clipper system is on its way in, bringing another round of snow. Lake effect snow has affected Northern Michigan road today. Winter weather advisories have been posted for some counties.

January 9, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:40 at 5PM + 1:45 at 6PM + 1:35 at NOON + 1:30 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

The wintry blast of snow continues, and with the roads already covered, the morning commute is not looking good. A winter weather advisory is posted for all of Northern Michigan right now. Local plows are staying busy.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:15 + :30 at MTM 6AM + :30 at 5AM

President Elect, Donald Trump, is standing by his plan to improve ties with Russia. At the same time, the US has issued new sanctions against the country. Initially Trump didn't believe the accusations that Russia has a roll in influencing the election by leaking emails.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15 + :40 at NOON

Stocks finished mixed in afternoon trading. The Dow lost 76 points, the NASDAQ added 10 and the S and P 500 is down 8 points.

Fiat Chrysler plans to create come 2.000 new jobs in Ohio and Michigan.

January 10, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 2:05 at 6PM + 2:50 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:30 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

This wintry blast of snow continues. The morning commute is not looking good. A winter weather advisory is posted for all of Northern Michigan right now. Local plows are staying busy with recent snowfall.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:15 + :30 at MTM 6AM + :30 at MTM 5AM

President Elect Donald Trump is standing by his plan to improve ties with Russia. At the same time, the US has issued new sanctions against the country. Initially Trump didn't believe accusations that Vladimir Putin had a hand in the Cyber-attacks on the US election.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15

The Dow lost 76 Points, the NASDAQ added 10 points and the S and P 500 is down 8 points.

January 11, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:40 at 6PM + 1:50 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:15 at MTM 6AM + 1:15 at MTM 5AM

It is raining in half of Northern Michigan and snowing in the other half. That mix is going to make a nightmare on the roads again. Storm totals of six inches could fall by noon tomorrow. We could finally be in for a mid-winter lull later this week, though.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM -1:55 + 1:10 + 1:45 at 5PM + 7:20 at NOON + :35 at MTM 5AM

Lawmakers are responding tonight to Russian Hacks and embarrassing allegations against the President Elect. The US ethics chief blasted Trump for his plan to keep business profits by turning the business over to his sons.

Women are gathering all over in preparation for the women's march on Washington. Men and women from across the country will gather in DC the day after the inauguration to bring attention to women's rights and other issues. From Michigan alone, more than 5 thousand people will load 87 busses, while another 2 thousand are expected to travel by train or plane or car.

President Elect Donald Trump opened up his first press conference in six months by saying recent attacks by national news outlets are quote "a political witch hunt".

EDUCATION – 6PM – 1:45 + :55 at 5PM + :55 at MTM 5AM

The snow, rain and slush prompted many local superintendents to cancel classes today.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :30

The DOW is up 98 points, the NASDAQ added 11 points and the s and P 500 closed up to 6 points.

January 12, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:05 at 6PM + 1:35 at 5PM + 1:10 at NOON + 1:40 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

Cold gusting winds are sweeping across Northern Michigan right now. In some places gusts are hitting more than 30 mile per hour. This will cause drifting snow and visibility issues.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:40 + 1:50 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON + 1:05 at MTM 6AM + 1:30 at 5AM

The FBI is now under investigation for how it handled it's investigation into Hillary Clinton's emails. The Department of Justice is also looking into the way the FBI and Director James Comey investigated Hillary Clinton's use of a private email server during her time as secretary of state.

The Intelligence Community agrees that Russian President Vladimir Putin ordered a campaign to influence the election in Trump's favor and hacked into DNC emails. Trump has long denied the claims, but now agrees the cyber-attacks came from Russia.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :40

Michigan's economy and tax revenues are expected to grow as lawmakers enact a new state spending plan. Tax revenues in the states 2 biggest accounts will grow by about 2.8 percent this fiscal year.

The DOW is slipping away from 20,000, down 62 points, the NASDAQ lost 16 points and the S and P 500 slid 4 points.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 5PM - :25

Indiana crews will examine a berm to see if it's doing enough to keep Asian Carp from getting into the Great Lakes. The hope is to keep the invasive species out of the Great Lakes to preserve the ecosystem.

January 13, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM - :30 + 2:35 at 6PM + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:35 at NOON + 1:25 at MTM 6AM + 1:25 at MTM 5AM

Temperatures around Northern Michigan are diving after clouds have cleared out. It is below zero in some Northern Michigan Counties.

Ice issues have been plaguing many counties all week. Be prepared for bad road conditions. The Dacey Road conditions have shut down many Northern Michigan Schools.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :10 +:15 at NOON

It was a mixed end to the week on Wall Street. The DOW lost 5 points, the NASDAQ jumped 26 points and the S and P 500 added 4.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 5PM - :45

The Department of Natural Resources awarded the US geological survey a grant to help deter invasive species. The 120,000 dollar grant will allow it to use sterile male sea lamprey to slow population. Sea Lamprey is an invasive species that could greatly impact the lake trout and cisco fish populations.

EDUCATION – 5PM - :25

The Detroit teachers union and the city's school system agreed to a settlement after widespread complaints. The agreement calls for oversight committee to make sure building repair requests are handled quickly, and requires monthly maintenance reports.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 5PM - 1:35 +:55 at NOON + 1:10 at MTM 6AM + 1:05 at MTM 5AM

President Elect, Donald Trump tweeted about a dossier compiled by former British intelligence agent that claims Russia has potentially damaging information about Trump. US Intelligence leaders briefed House members about the dossier Friday morning and emphasized the allegations are not verified.

January 14, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:42

Tonight is a nice calm night with light winds, lows will dip into single digits. It will be a beautiful day for Tip up Town or going outside for winter activities.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :35

A new study says modernizing the Soo Locks could bring billions of dollars in economic benefits. The US treasury department lists the modernization of the Locks in Sault Saint Marie as one of 40 American transportation and water mega-projects.

EDUCATION – 11PM - :50

The fourth annual Vex Challenge Robot event was held today. 42 schools from across Michigan participated. Most of them spend months working on their robots, and each team is required to build a robot that can lift and push objects.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:45

A fight is underway between civil rights leader and Congressman John Lewis and Donald Trump. John Lewis says he will not attend the inauguration of Donald Trump as 45th President as he doesn't see him as a legitimate President.

January 15, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50

A messy wintry storm will be making its way into the region tomorrow night. It will bring rain, snow and sleet and freezing rain with it. Tonight will stay calm and cool. The roads will be slick tomorrow. People need to leave extra time to get to their destinations.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:55

As Trump gets ready to take Oval Office, protests are scheduled throughout the week, across the country.

January 16, 2017 –MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:35 + 2:05 at 6PM + 1:55 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:05 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

Another round of freezing rain and snow is here. This is posing a threat to drivers who have to be out tonight. Schools are already closing, and drivers battling freezing rain say roads have turned into sheets of ice. Tow truck companies are now inundated slide off calls. Drivers have to slow down, if they have to be on the road at all.

ECONOMY - :25

General Motors could soon announce a one billion investment that will create or keep about one thousand jobs.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:05 + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:25 at MTM 6AM

Trump began his inauguration week feuding with Congressman John Lewis. Lewis said Friday that he doesn't see Trump as a legitimate President. Trump responded saying Lewis was all talk and not action. Trump also renewed his battle with the US Intelligence Community, questioning if the outgoing CIA director himself leaked information on Trump.

January 17, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 3:00 at 6PM + 2:20 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON +:50 at MTM 6AM + 1:15 at 5AM

The rain drenching Northern Michigan is giving travelers problems on untreated back roads and causing school closings. Tonight, roads will be slick as the temperatures drop and fog moves in.

Icy conditions led to several slide offs, rollovers and cars in the ditch in Northern Michigan.

Ice at the airport in Traverse City has crews working around the clock to keep their runways clear.

The weather conditions left some people without power this morning.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:15 + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON +:50 at MTM 6AM + 1:15 at 5AM

The President Elect's pick for Secretary of Education, Betsy DeVos is in the hot seat tonight. Critics say DeVos would shift money away from public education. When asked if she would work not to privatize or cut funding from public education she made no promises. Critics also say she lacks experience.

EDUCATION – 6PM - :50

The second annual adult spelling bee will pit 25 teams of adults against each other. The proceeds of this event will go to the Cadillac Public High School orchestra and CAPS freshman experience.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :30 +:30 at NOON

General Motors says it plans to invest one billion dollars in American factories. The move could create or retain around seven thousand jobs in the US.

January 18, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 2:40 at 6PM + 1:40 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:10 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Visibility is greatly reduced around Northern Michigan due to fog. Everything that melted today will be refreezing, which means untreated back roads and sidewalks are going to get slippery again.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:00 +:50 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:35 at MTM 6AM

Trump will enter the White House with the lowest approval rating of any President. 59 percent of people think Trump will bring change to Washington and 61 percent think he will divide the Country.

EDUCATION – 6PM - :35

The Cadillac High School Varsity Hockey Team is hosting Big Rapids for their salute to Veterans. Both teams will wear special jerseys and veterans can get in free of charge.

January 19, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:10 + 2:55 at 6PM + 2:15 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + :45 at MTM 6AM + :40 at MTM 5AM

It is calm right now, but another round of wet weather is on its way.

Downtown areas in Sault Ste Marie have mounds of snow up to 6 feet, which makes it hard to see. They have already started scooping the snow and moving it to dump sites. Many Schools are still closed due to bad side roads.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 5PM - :35 +:45 at NOON

Inside the Capitol, Senators spent the day grilling the President Elect's cabinet picks. Treasury Secretary Nominee Steve Mnuchin was quizzed on some of his personal investments, including offshore accounts in the Caribbean.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :45

The price of stamps is officially going up this weekend. The new price will be 49 cents, which is 2 cents higher.

January 20, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:25 + 4:00 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + :50 at 5AM

Fog is dramatically dropping visibility in places around Northern Michigan, along with patchy drizzle. Plan on visibilities to drop below ¼ of a mile at times. Plan on extra travel time if you are heading out.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:45 at 6PM +:20 at 5PM + 2:00 at NOON + 3:25 at MTM 6AM + 1:25 at 5AM

As inauguration celebrations continue tonight in Washington DC, so do protests across the country. During the inaugural parade, the route was at times lined by protesters. Just beyond the secure area, hundreds of demonstrators were arrested.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15 + :15 at NOON

President Trump is promising 25 million new jobs, the most of any president. The DOW is up 93 points, the NASDAQ is up 15 points and the S and P 500 is up 7.

EDUCATION – 5PM - :40

More than 200 Michigan schools are named on the State's department of education reward school list. Rewards schools are identified as schools that did not receive a red scorecard and achieved high performing, high progress or beating the odds.

January 21, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55

All of Michigan is under a dense fog advisory. This is causing slowdowns for just about everyone.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:40

While the President visited the CIA, press secretary Sean Spicer also held his first press conference in the White House briefing room and criticized the media for their coverage of yesterday's inauguration crowd size.

People across the country are demonstrating against Trump. Waves of anti-Trump protesters filled the streets from New Mexico to New York, unhappy with the election and wanting to speak up.

January 22, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00

Northern Michigan is dealing with dense fog again tonight. The fog will create slow morning commutes to start off the new work and school week.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:05

President Trump is keeping busy despite the ongoing marches and protests. Trump's Press Secretary slammed the media's coverage of inauguration turnout during his first White House briefing.

January 23, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50 + 3:45 at 6PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:40 at MTM 6AM + 1:25 at MTM 5AM

Rain showers are in the region making for a very damp night. The rain is helping with the fog, but watch for icy roads by morning as temperatures drop below freezing tonight.

EDUCATION – 11PM – 1:50 + :45 + :45 at 6PM

Traverse City Central High School's debate team won the Michigan Interscholastic Forensic Association Varsity State Championship.

The Old Mission Peninsula Education Foundation offered to buy the Old Mission Peninsula School after TCAPS considered shutting down the school. An anonymous offer of 1.25 million dollars came just an hour before the TCAPS board meeting.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:35 + 2:10 at 6PM + 1:55 at 5PM + 1:20 at MTM 6AM

President Trump is taking on several fronts on his first working day in office. Trump is working to reverse some of former President Obama's actions.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 11PM – 1:05 + 2:10 at 6PM + :55 at 5PM

Two deer at a Mecosta county deer farm are infected with chronic wasting disease, which is a fatal neurological disease. The farm was quarantined and further testing will have to be done. It is recommended not to eat infected deer.

January 24, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50 4:10 at 6PM + 1:20 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + :55 at MTM 5AM

Clouds will be bringing mostly snow to the region tonight. Patchy fog or drizzle is possible due to light winds and lingering moisture. By dawn, untreated roads and walkways could become slick.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:35 + :40 at 6PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:05 at MTM 6AM + :55 at MTM 5AM

Trump is reviving the keystone XL and Dakota Access Pipelines with executive action and critics say a spill on these pipelines would be catastrophic, while others say it brings jobs. Protesters gathered outside of the White House to express their dissatisfaction.

The House approved legislation that would permanently keep Federal money out of any insurance coverage for abortion procedures. It would also block tax credits for some people and businesses buying abortion coverage under the affordable care act. Democrats say the bill unfairly targets low income women.

Trump is claiming he would've won the popular vote had millions of illegal ballots not been cast for Hillary Clinton.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :25

Six of the Country's major energy producing states have now slipped into recession according to S and P Global ratings. They say a sharp decline in energy production and exploration over the last 18 months has caused revenue to drop and essentially stop job growth.

EDUCATION – 6PM - :55 + 1:15 at MTM 6AM +:55 at MTM 5AM

Old Mission Peninsula School has a new owner. Traverse City area Public Schools approved a 1.1 million dollar purchase agreement from the Old Mission Peninsula Education Foundation.

January 25, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 2:50 at 6PM + 2:45 at 5PM + 1:35 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:15 at MTM 5AM

Snow is falling again for Northern Michigan with some places expecting up to three inches of snow by morning. It is wet, heavy snow, making for slushy conditions for travelers. Give yourself plenty of extra time for the morning commute.

EDUCAITON – 11PM - :55

Vanderbilt Area Schools was put on priority status after the 2012 school year because of students underachieving academically. The staff put together a reform plan and worked with the department of Education, and on Friday got the phone call that Vanderbilt is no longer a priority school.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:30 + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + :45 at MTM 6AM + :30 at MTM 5AM

Thousands are taking to the streets as President Trump moves forward on tightening US immigration control. He is taking executive action to build a wall on the Mexican border. President Trump also has an executive order in the works that will stop Syrian refugees from entering the US for 120 days.

ECONOMY – 6PM – 1:10 + 1:30 at 5PM + :15 at NOON

The DOW Jones Industrial Average closed above 20,000 points for the first time ever. The NASDAQ gained 55 points and the SandP 500 added 18 points.

January 26, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:40 at 6PM + 2:15 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + :30 at MTM 6AM + 1:20 at MTM 5AM

There are pockets of lake effect snow falling across Northern Michigan tonight. Colder temperatures are coming along, so roads will have less slush and more ice.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:45 + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:05 at MTM 6AM + :40 at MTM 5AM

The Trump Administration is floating the idea around of imposing a 20 percent import tax on Mexico, and that is a concern for local businesses. The tax would affect goods like produce and car parts made south of the border.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :15 +:15 at 5PM + 1:10 at MTM 5AM

The DOW is up 32 points, a day after breaking 20,000. The NASDAQ lost a point and the S and P 500 also lost a point.

January 27, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:25 + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:15 at 5AM

Pockets of lake effect are still swirling for some right now, mostly in the UP. Couple that with tumbling temperatures and you have this weekend's forecast.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :15 + :15 at 5PM + :15 at NOON

It was a mixed day on Wall Street as the DOW fell seven points, the NASDAQ added 5 points and the S and P 500 fell almost 2 points.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 5PM – 1:45 + 1:30 at NOON + 1:35 at MTM 6AM + 1:35 at MTM 5AM

Today marks one week since President Trump took office and he continues to lash out on twitter against Mexico's refusal to pay for a border wall and his administration is now floating other ideas to pay for it.

President Trump's administration has stopped 5 million dollars worth of Obamacare advertising, you can still sign up but the goal is to eventually repeal it.

January 28, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55

It has been a snowy day for Northern Michigan as lake effect slowly added up. More snow is coming for the night and also colder temperatures.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:50

A federal judge granted as emergency stay for citizens of the 7 Muslim majority countries. This decision halts part of the President's executive order that bars citizens from those countries from entering the US.

January 29, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM - :55

Snow is adding up in some places and reducing visibility. Fresh snow on the ground could make for slow morning commutes and you will want to put on extra layers before heading out the door.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:45

The Trump administration is working to clear up confusion tonight after the executive order on illegal immigration was signed by the President. The Department of Homeland Security is revising guidelines concerning permanent US residents from those countries. Protests are happening all around the country.

January 30, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:55 + 1:40 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:10 at NOON

The whirlwind of white continues as a clipper system takes hold of Northern Michigan. M-55 and south can expect a little more by morning. Most places north of that will just see flurries. Some places are seeing a lot of snow and some places aren't seeing enough.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:05 + 1:05 at 6PM + 2:05 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON

A major shake up in Washington as protesters rage. The White house continues to defend the President's executive order banning certain immigrants and refugees from entering the US. The acting attorney general ordered the state department not to defend the ban and hours later Trump fired her and the head of immigration and customs enforcement.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :15 +:20 at 5PM + :15 at NOON

The DOW is back below 20,000 losing 113 points, the NASDAQ dropped 47 points and the s&p 500 lost 12 points.

January 31, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + :55 at 6PM + 2:05 at 5PM + :35 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:15 at MTM 5AM

An arctic chill is moving in and bringing more lake effect snow with it. Several inches of snow are likely in the Northwest lower snow belts and in the UP west of I-75.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 3:40 + 1:20 at 6PM + 2:00 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:05 at MTM 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

Many Republicans are urging the Senate to approve Trump's cabinet nominees. But democrats are not cooperating. Democrats in the Senate committee boycotted votes on the President's pick for Attorney General, Treasury Secretary and Health and Human Services Secretary citing ethics concerns.

Michigan's Betsy DeVos was nominated for Education Secretary and it is getting a lot of attention and mixed feelings from Schools.

Students at Central Michigan University marched across campus voicing their opposition to the recent executive order by President Trump.

EDUCATION – 11PM – 1:00 + 1:30 at 5PM + : 30 at NOON + :30 at MTM 5AM

Cadillac area public schools hosted another forum at the High School and around 75 people showed up to share their opinions. Discussion started swirling in November after an audit showed many CAPS buildings are in need of repairs. Groups came up with different options and shared them at the meeting.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :30

The DOW is down 107 points, the NASDAQ added 1 point and the S and P 500 fell 2 points.

February 1, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:35 at 6PM + 1:20 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

Lake effect snow is falling in Northern Michigan, and it is just beginning. The Lower Peninsula will see light lake effect snow and the UP is going to get hammered. Some places could see a foot of snow on the ground by Friday.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 11PM – 2:15 + 1:50 at 6PM + 1:10 at 5PM + :25 at NOON

The Department of Agriculture and the DNR hosted an open house for deer farmers addressing the local Chronic Wasting Disease cases. The Holiday Inn in Big Rapids was packed with more than 100 people who came to hear about what the State is doing in response to Chronic Wasting Disease.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:00 + 1:15 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + :50 at NOON + 1:20 at MTM 6AM + 1:25 at MTM 5AM

There has been some confusion over President Trump's remarks to Mexico's President. In a phone call, President Trump threatened to send US troops to the country to stop bad hombres down there unless the Mexican Military does more to control them itself. Tensions between the two countries are high as President Trump moves forward with building a wall.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :20 + :15 at NOON

The Markets closed relatively flat with just small positive changes. The DOW rose 26 points, the NASDAQ gained 27 points and the S and P 500 didn't move.

February 2, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:30 at 6PM + 1:35 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:10 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Arctic air and lake effect snow are taking ahold of Northern Michigan tonight. Some regions are already in the below zero temperatures. Lake effect snow advisories are posted for some of the viewing area.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:55 + 1:10 at 6PM + 1:05 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:25 at MTM 6AM + 1:15 at MTM 5AM

Thousands of people are out in force across New York City protesting the President's temporary travel ban. Yemeni business owners closed their shops to join in the demonstrations, saying they are not who the Presidents orders say they are.

Another Congressional committee will now investigate Russia's interference into the 2016 election, making that three investigations.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :15 +:25 at 5PM

There was not a lot of movement today in Wall Street trading. The DOW fell 6 points, the NASDAQ fell 6 points and the S and P 500 added 1 point.

February 3, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:25 + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

Temperatures are cold and uncomfortable right now for Northern Michigan. Lake effect snow is still falling in the UP but should clear up by tomorrow. Lake effect snow advisories are posted for some of the region.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES - :45 + 1:30 at 6PM + 1:50 at MTM 6AM + 1:45 at MTM 5AM

Betsy DeVos is one step away from being the Department of Education Secretary. Her critics say she is unqualified to handle the department of education. DeVos' senate confirmation vote is expected on Tuesday.

Washington State's Attorney General blocked the travel ban Nationwide. It's only temporary and the White House is working to reverse it.

February 4, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55

Northern Michigan can expect to see a whole lot more snow in the coming days. Winter Weather Advisories have been posted for Luce, Chippewa and Mackinac Counties. A clipper system is moving in this evening with 2 to 4 inches of snow expected.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:20

The Department of Justice is trying to reverse the restraining order that halted President Trump's temporary travel ban. A surge of travelers from 7 predominately Muslim countries are coming to the US before the window potentially closes.

February 5, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55

Snow showers started off the day for some from a clipper system, but you can see quieter skies now. A potentially strong system could be coming in.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:10

A Federal Court of Appeals denied the Justice Department's request to reverse a restraining order that halted the temporary ban for people from 7 predominantly Muslim countries. Visa holders who were turned away from the US are trying again.

February 6, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:15 + 1:30 at 6PM + 1:50 at 5PM + 1:20 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Almost all of Michigan is under a winter weather advisory, because wet weather is on its way, followed closely by brutally cold temperatures. After midnight rain will start falling and freezing, expect some roads to be slick tomorrow morning.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:20 + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:00 at NOON + 1:20 at MTM 6AM + 1:20 at 5AM

President Donald Trump's travel ban remains on hold with its future up in the air. Protests over the ban continue more than two weeks after it was signed. Critics say we sacrifice more anti American sentiment, tearing apart families and diplomatic relations by doing so.

Democrats plan to protest the potential nomination of Michigan's Betsy DeVos as Education Secretary. Democrats will try to hold the floor until the vote tomorrow, hoping to draw enough attention to the issue to derail DeVos nomination.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15

Energy companies led stocks lower. The DOW fell 19 points, the NASDAQ lost 3 points and the S and P 500 fell 4 points.

February 7, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM - 2:55 + 1:45 at 6PM + 1:05 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Rain has now turned into snowflakes with temperatures falling. The roads will be a slushy mess. Winter weather advisories have been issued for most areas along M-55.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :55 + :50 at 5PM + :15 at NOON

Governor Rick Snyder will reveal his 2018 state budget and it will include more money for road repairs across the state. MDOT expects to see an additional 130 million dollars for local projects and 84 million for state projects.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:15 + 1:50 at 6PM + 1:15 at 5PM + 2:00 at NOON + 1:05 at MTM 6AM + 1:55 at 5AM

Vice President Mike Pence broke the tie vote, confirming Michigan's Betsy DeVos as Secretary of Education. Senate Democrats debated the nomination through the night with hopes of getting one more Republican to vote against DeVos.

Three appeals court judges heard arguments on President Trump's ban and on if the ban should stay on hold. The President is prepared to take it to the Supreme Court, calling the ban common sense.

EDUCATION – 11PM - :45

Cherry Knoll Elementary School's third grade class has swapped out their normal desks and chairs. The room now has several different furniture pieces, ranging from stand up tables to bike chairs. The

principal says the new furniture helps the students stay active while learning, and so far have helped improve concentration and focus.

February 8, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:20 at 6PM + 1:35 at 5PM + 1:05 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Plenty of snow and wind to go around in Sault Sainte Marie tonight while other places are stuck with brutal cold. Wind chills will dip below zero for most of tonight, which means places seeing lake effect will soon deal with blowing and drifting on the roads.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :50 + 2:00 at 6PM + 1:45 at 5PM + 1:15 at NOON +:40 at 5AM

Uncertainty in Washington led to a mixed day on Wall Street. The DOW fell 35 points, the NASDAQ added 8 points and the s and p 500 added 1 point.

Governor Snyder outlines his 2018 budget today for lawmakers in Lansing. HE is asking for more money for things like roads, education and other items like State parks.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :45 +:45 at 5PM +:45 at NOON + 1:10 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

The nation is preparing for big changes under Betsy DeVos. Betsy DeVos was sworn in as education secretary yesterday after a bruising confirmation battle. DeVos says she may do things differently but is looking for unity going forward.

February 9, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50 + 3:45 at 6PM + 4:00 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 7AM + 3:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5 AM

Frigid cold air has parked itself over top of Northern Michigan, making it feel like it's near zero outside right now. Winds and lake effect are dying down and temperatures should perk up by tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:55 at MTM 6AM + 1:50 at 5AM

A panel of judges ruled the temporary travel ban will remain blocked. Trump signed an executive order temporarily banning travel from 7 Muslim majority countries. Supporters say it keeps out terrorists.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :15 +:50 at 5PM +:15 at NOON

The US Postal Service lost 200 million dollars during the yearend holiday season.

It was a record breaking trading day on Wall Street. All three major indexes closed at new highs. The DOW added 117 points to 20,172. The NASDAQ is up 32 points to 5,715 and the s and p 500 is up 13 points to 2,307.

February 10, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:00 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

Temperatures will hold in the 20s and 30s through the night, but patchy freezing drizzle continues. Winds will be dying down to less than 10 mph.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :45 + 1:45 at 6PM + :55 at 5PM + 2:00 at NOON + 1:25 at MTM 6AM + 1:20 at MTM 5AM

The President's attempted travel ban continues to turn heads around the world. The ban was denied last night by the 9th Circuit Court, which means for now refugees and citizens from seven Muslim majority nations can continue to enter the US.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :15 +:15 at 5PM + :15 at NOON

It was a positive end to the week on Wall Street for investors. The Dow is at an all-time high adding 96 points to end at 20,269. The NASDAQ jumped 18 points and the S and P 500 rose 8 points.

February 11, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55

Roads are dry for now but snow makes its way into Northern Michigan early tomorrow, along with windy conditions. Winter weather advisories have been posted for some areas.

February 12, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50

A peak wind gust of 46 mph was recorded here in Northern Michigan. The winds should start to die down into tomorrow morning. The lake effect snow and freezing temperatures are creating slick roads.

February 13, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:30 at 5PM +:40 at NOON +:40 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Wintry weather had returned, but don't expect a lot of pile up. A chance for snow showers are possible as temperatures fall tomorrow afternoon.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:10 + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM

National Security Adviser Michael Flynn's job is in jeopardy for his possible involvement with Russia. The Vice President publicly vouched that Flynn didn't discuss sanctions with Russia's ambassador before President Trump took office, but Flynn since told the White House that sanctions may have come up.

EDUCATION – 11PM – 1:10 + 1:55 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM +:35 at NOON

Schools across the state are getting money to improve school safety. Schools will install electronic locks on doors and night lock security system.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15 + :15 at NOON

A new week of trading and a new all-time high on Wall Street. The DOW is up 142 points, the NASDAQ added 29 points and the S and P 500 closed up 12 points.

February 14, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:05 + 1:05 at 6PM + 1:25 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM +:55 at 5AM

It went from sun and warmer temperatures to heavy snow and whipping winds in Cadillac. It has already led to slide offs in harder hit areas. It could pile up to four inches in some places. The wind is blowing snow and cutting down visibility.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:05 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON + :55 at MTM 6AM + 1:45 at 5AM

President Trump's Administration is trying to pick up the pieces tonight after National Security Advisor Michael Flynn misled the Trump team about his contact with Russia. An investigation shows Flynn talked to Russia's Ambassador to the US about sanctions against the country before Trump took office.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :55 +:20 at 5PM +:15 at NOON

Michigan based sporting goods retailer MC Sports filed for bankruptcy protection, saying they no longer can compete.

February 15, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50 + 1:20 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + :20 at MTM 6AM + :55 at MTM 5AM

The snow and cold are around for now, but some sun and warmth are headed our way. Lake effect snow shower continue to fall apart as the atmosphere changes. Blowing and drifting snow should no longer be an issue.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:45 + 1:30 at 6PM + :55 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON + 1:05 at MTM 6AM + 1:10 at MTM 5AM

Andrew Puzder abruptly withdrew his nomination to become President Trump's Secretary of Labor on the eve of his confirmation hearing. Republican support for him eroded over his acknowledgement that he failed to pay taxes for several years on a former housekeeper who was not authorized to work in the US.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 11PM – 1:00

For people living around dams in Michigan, staying safe is their main concern. The Michigan DEQ says all but 6 of the 88 high hazard dams in the state are approaching the end of their life spans.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15

It has been a five day streak of records on Wall Street. The DOW is up 107 points, the NASDAQ is up 36 points and the S and P 500 is up 11 points. It is the longest streak in record since 1992.

February 16, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50 + 3:45 at 6PM + 3:45 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + :45 at MTM 5AM

A beautiful winter day today with some clouds moving in tonight, but the clouds should be gone tomorrow and warmer temperatures creep in.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:00 + 1:20 at 6PM + 1:25 at 5PM + 2:00 at NOON + 1:50 at MTM 6AM + 1:50 at MTM 5AM

President Trump is denying involvement with Russia during a fiery Press Conference. Tonight, he's trying to ease minds about the chaos surrounding his administration.

President Trump's choice to replace fired National Security Michael Flynn reversed course when retired Vice Admiral Robert Harward turned down the offer citing financial and family commitments.

Trump announced that he would come out with a new, modified executive order next week to reinstate the temporary travel ban that was blocked by a federal court last week.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :15 +:30 at 5PM

Wall Street number are all over the place today. The DOW added 7 points, the NASDAQ lost 4 points and the s and p 500 fell 2 points.

February 17, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:35 + 1:25 at 6PM + 1:15 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + :35 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

Abnormal temperatures may melt ice on lakes across Northern Michigan, which could crate soft spots.

The warm temperatures are hanging around Northern Michigan with some areas still in the 40s. Things will only get warmer tomorrow, with blue skies to go with it.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :50 + 1:20 at 6PM +:40 at 5PM

This is the seventh day in a Row the DOW has finished up. The DOW added 4 point today, the NASDAQ is up 23 and the s and p 500 gained 3 points.

MC Sports will be closing all 66 stores. The Midwest Sporting Goods chain will fold after liquidation sales. This all comes after the company filed for bankruptcy on Tuesday.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 5PM - :25 + :20 at 7PM + :50 at MTM 6AM + :50 at MTM 5AM

The President needs to find a new National Security Advisor to replace General Mike Flynn. Trump's first choice turned down the job offer.

The White House announced it spent several hours Thursday night working on an Obamacare replacement and hopes to have it unveiled in March.

February 18, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 2:40 at 6PM

It was a beautiful spring like day for Northern Michigan, some even broke record high temperatures. IT is a quiet night ahead, with some patchy fog.

February 19, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM - 1:55 + 1:30 at 6PM

It was another beautiful day for all of Northern Michigan and above average and record breaking highs continue tomorrow. There is still plenty of snow to have fun in North of M28 in the UP.

February 20, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:15 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:20 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

This weekend's warm up melted snow, leaving some areas bare, and rain will start falling tonight. A lot of snow melted over the weekend and there are areas with nothing. There is plenty of snow to have fun with North of M28 in the UP.

EDUCATION – 11PM - :50 + 1:45

TCAPS is working on their annual education recommendation for the school, which includes cutting programs some parents say they don't want to go without.

Sunday was the Vex Robotics State Tournament at Michigan State. A team from Traverse City West High School was ranked 8th going in, then beat out the 1st ranked alliance to get to worlds Sunday.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:05 +:45 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON +:40 at MTM 6AM +:45 at MTM 5AM

President Trump and his team continue to shore up his administration as his critics take to the streets. "Not my President" was chanted in cities across the US today.

February 21, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:50 + 1:05 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:40 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

This weekend's warmth melted snow, leaving some areas bare. Rain will start falling tonight with temperatures in the 40s.

The Michigan Snowmobile Festival had to be cancelled due to not enough snow, leaving local businesses in the cold.

EDUCATION – 11PM - :50

Sunday was the Vex Robotics State Tournament at Michigan State. A team from Traverse City West Senior High was ranked 8th going in, but beat out the first ranked alliance to get to worlds Sunday.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:05 + 1:10 + 1:30 at NOON + 1:10 at MTM 6AM + 1:10 at 5AM

"Not my President" was chanted in cities across the US today as people dissatisfied with Trump filled the streets.

President Trump announced Army Lieutenant General HR McMaster as his new National Security Advisor after Mike Flynn was ousted last week.

February 22, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:40 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at MTM 5AM

Record breaking warmth is leading to some fog and rain tonight. Some places saw record highs, and tonight we will have isolated showers in some spots.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 11PM – 2:25 + :25 at 6PM

The DNR continues to field questions from concerned hunters about Chronic Wasting Disease in Northern Michigan. Two samples submitted by a Mecosta County deer farm came back positive for CWD in January.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :55 + :40 at 6PM + 1:15 at NOON + 1:10 at MTM 6AM + 1:10 at MTM 5AM

President Trump's administration is lifting federal guidelines that direct schools to let transgender students use bathrooms that match their gender identity. It reverses the Obama-era directive issued in May. Meanwhile, Trump is laying out his plan to secure borders.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15 + :15 at NOON

This marks the ninth day of gains for the DOW. The Dow added 32 points in mid-week trading, the NASDAQ fell 5 points and the s and p 500 lost 2 points.

February 23, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:45 at 6PM + 1:45 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:30 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Yesterday we saw highs in the 60s and blue skies, and tonight we will see snow and winter weather advisories. Don't be surprised to see snow or ice piling up by morning. Give yourself extra time on the road tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:25 at 6PM + :45 at 5PM + 1:00 at NOON + 1:05 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

As the Trump administration takes on a slew of different issues, republicans are taking the stage at the annual conservative political action conference.

The White House hinted at cracking down on recreational marijuana and yesterday announced it was undoing the directive that allowed transgender students to use the bathroom that matches their gender identity.

Protests raged outside a forum and luncheon for US Congressman Jack Bergman.

EDUCATION – 11PM - :50

Consumer's energy is giving a boost in funds to help local kids become school ready. The Consumers Energy Foundation awarded the "5 to one" Project a 50,000 dollar check at its Incredible MO's site. The project is part of the great Start collaborative and focuses on early childhood development in the 5 county region.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :20 + :15 at NOON

It was a mixed day for the key indexes on Wall Street. The DOW added 34 points, the NASDAQ dropped 25 points and the S and P 500 added less than a point.

February 24, 2017 – FRIDAY

WINTER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:45 + 1:20 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:30 at 6AM + 1:30 at 5AM

Snow and Ice were the story for many areas today. Knocking out power for thousands in Wexford County with dozens still in the dark. A winter weather advisory continues for areas along and North of M32 until 1AM. Be prepared for freezing rain or snow, power outages and tree damage are still possible due to ice accumulation.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :45 + :55 at 5PM + :55 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

Analysts at the Department of Homeland Security say there's not enough evidence that the countries included in the President's travel ban pose a terror threat to the US.

The White House is fighting off a CNN report that claims the White House Chief of Staff asked the FBI to publicly deny media reports that Trump Campaign aides were in contact with Russian Intelligence Officials.

EDUCATION – 6PM – 1:05

A grant from code.org will provide 72 Michigan teachers the opportunity to teach an AP computer science class in the fall. The State Superintendent chose to unveil the program in Baldwin today.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15

The DOW turned positive in the last trading moments, up 11 points, the NASDAQ added 9 and the S and P 500 added 3 points.

February 25, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50 + 1:30 at 6PM

Cold air has settled back into Northern Michigan. Lake effect snow continues and winds remain gusty for the night.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :25

Trump has announced that he will not attend this year's White House correspondent's dinner, this comes amid increasingly hostile relations between National Media and The White House.

February 26, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:00 at 6PM

It has been a very windy weekend, but a quiet evening for Northern Michigan. Another winter system will be moving in Tuesday afternoon, bringing scattered rain and snow showers.

February 27, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:25 + 1:20 at 6PM + 1:55 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + :25 at MTM 6AM + :55 at 5AM

We will have wet weather tonight, and could see some snow mixed in which means ice is possible. It will be a slow morning commute for many.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:10 + :50 at 5PM + :25 at NOON + 1:05 at MTM 6AM + 1:25 at 5AM

The President is preparing for his first address to a joint session of Congress tomorrow. He is expected to unveil highly anticipated details on things like the proposed budget and a historic increase in defense spending. That budget is stirring controversy by boosting the military's budget a cutting virtually all other Federal Departments.

EDUCATION – 11PM – 1:30 + 1:50 at 6PM

TCAPS says they are working to expose more of their students to the STEM program that builds knowledge in areas where jobs are constantly growing in the US.

The Benzie County Central School Board met this evening to discuss consolidating their two elementary schools, which would save 250,000 dollars.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :20

The Dow closed at a record high for the twelfth day in a row. The DOW added 15 points to end the day at 20,837. The NASDAQ is up 16 and the s and p 500 is also at a new all-time high, up 2 points to 2,369.

February 28, 2017 – TUESDAY

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:15 + 1:15 at 6PM + 1:35 at 5PM + :25 at NOON + :55 at MTM 6AM + :55 at 5AM

We reached out to Lawmakers in Michigan to hear their thoughts on President Trump's address. Democratic Senator Debbie Stabenow says the budget proposal is worrying, especially for Michigan, saying where is the money going to come from for his proposed funding. She also expressed concern over the future of the Affordable Care Act and The Republican replacement.

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:15 at 5PM + 1:15 at NOON + 1:00 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Winter weather advisories are posted and a wintry mix is about to unload a mess on Northern Michigan. Be prepared for anything from rain and snow to thunder and lightning. Some could see up to 9 inches on the ground by tomorrow evening.

EDUCATION – 6PM – 1:50

Northwestern Michigan College board of trustees approved two new degrees for welding, meaning they will offer three different welding degrees.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15 + :15 at NOON

Investors on Wall Street are waiting to hear what President Trump says tonight about tax cuts and other business policies during his speech to Congress. The DOW fell 24 points today, the NASDAQ lost 36 points and the s and p 500 is down 5 points.

March 1, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:30 + 1:15 at 6PM + 1:45 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:25 at 6AM + 1:30 at 5AM

Snow is finally tapering off over Northern Michigan but it has left a sloppy mess to deal with on the roads. The last of the snow is working its way out of Northern Michigan right now. Temperatures are noticeably colder.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:05 + 1:30 at 6PM + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + :55 at 6AM + 1:20 at 5AM

The controversy with Russia is rearing its head again. Right now, the FBI is investigating possible contact between Trump campaign aides and Russian intelligence officials. The Justice Department says attorney General Jess Sessions spoke with Russia's ambassador to the US twice last year.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :30 +:15 at 5PM +:15 at NOON

After last night's Presidential address Wall Street has surged. The Dow surged to 21,000 today for the first time. Experts say the markets like the President's message of Fiscal spending, tax cuts and deregulation.

March 2, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:00 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

A blast of snow and arctic air is creating snow covered roads in Northern Michigan. That snow is now turning over to lake effect snow, which may add up to an inch or two. Temperatures will tumble into the single digits with wind chills below zero. Roads and sidewalks will be slippery.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:20 +:55 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON +:50 at 6AM +:45 at 5AM

The Attorney General is standing strong on claims he was not in contact with Russia about the Presidential Election, but he still recused himself from the investigation. The Justice Department says Sessions talked twice with a Russian ambassador during the Presidential campaign.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :10 +:30 at 5PM +:15 at NOON

The DOW lost 112 points today, the NASDAQ shed 42 points and the s and p 500 took a 14 point hit.

March 3, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM - :50 + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Lake effect snow has not stopped for some places in Northern Michigan and most areas will see near zero temperatures tonight.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :45 + 1:30 at 6PM + :45 at 5PM +:50 at NOON + 1:10 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

A possible budget cut from President Trump would slash millions in conservation funding for Michigan's Great Lakes. It is strongly opposed by Michigan's representatives in Congress.

EDUCATION – 6PM – 1:55

Today students spent their time in class with firefighters, a nurse and a retired teacher all to celebrate National Reading Month.

ECONOMY – NOON - :15

The NASDAQ is down 5 points and the s and p 500 is down 3 points.

March 4, 2017 – SATURDAY

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:50

President Trump took to twitter accusing former President Obama of tapping his phone lines in the Trump Tower. A spokesman for Obama released a statement saying neither Obama nor any White House Official ever ordered surveillance on any US citizen.

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55

Today has been filled with sunshine but clouds will be moving in tomorrow with wet weather not far behind.

March 5, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55

A few showers have made their way through for some, but more wet weather will move in.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 11PM - :30

Crews are working to clean up hundreds of gallons of oil in Allegan County. A valve on a 3 thousand gallon storage tank failed at a private oil well.

March 6, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:15 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM

It is weirdly warm and windy over Northern Michigan. Thunderstorms will be moving in overnight bringing scattered showers. Sever weather is not expected.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:00+ 1:25 at 6PM + 1:15 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:45 at 6AM

Republicans are moving forward on a promise to repeal and replace Obamacare.

President Trump is signing a revised travel ban today, which removes Iraq from the original list of seven Muslim majority countries temporarily banned from traveling or immigrating to the US.

Trump accused former President Obama of wiretapping his phones in the white house.

ECONOMY – 5PM – 1:05 + :45 at NOON

More than 1,000 GM workers in Michigan are being laid off as the auto maker is cutting third shift from the Lansing Delta Township Plant.

The DOW lost 51 points to fall back below the 20,000 mark. The NASDAQ is down 21 points and the s and p 500 fell 7 points.

March 7, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:45 at 6PM + 2:00 at 5PM + 2:30 at NOON + 1:10 at 6AM + 1:00 ay 5AM

Intense winds are still bearing down on Northern Michigan tonight, and is causing problems. Hundreds of people in our area are still without power. A wind advisory is posted for all counties along North US10.

EDUCATION – 11PM – 2:00 +:35 at 6PM

There was mixed reactions at tonight's presentation on consolidating two Benzie County Elementary Schools. It is one way to address a 300,000 dollar budget deficit.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES - 11PM – 1:25 + 1:55 at NOON +:45 at 6AM +:45 at 5AM

President Trump still hasn't provided proof to back up his claim that former President Obama tapped his phones in the Trump Tower during the campaign. House Intelligence Committee Chairman says his committee will look into it.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :20 +:15 at NOON

Energy and drug stocks were some of the worst performers on Wall Street today. The DOW fell 29 points, the NASDAQ lost 15 points and the s and p 500 is down 6 points.

March 8, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:05 at 6PM + 1:10 at 5PM + 1:40 at NOON + 1:30 at MTM 6AM + 1:00 5AM

Wind gusts pummeled trees and damaged buildings today, but those gusts are slowly winding down. Many people in the area are without power. Tonight Temperatures will drop into the low teens to mid-20s.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:05 +:55 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON +:55 at MTM 6AM + :55 at 5AM

A Federal criminal probe is being launched after WikiLeaks published documents outlining the CIAs hacking operations.

The White House says Utah Governor John Huntsman JR is the President's choice to be the next US Ambassador to Russia, a position that will invite controversy.

Republicans are selling their healthcare overhaul bill. GOP lawmakers blocked a Democratic attempt to delay the legislation.

ECONOMY – NOON - :15

The NASDAQ is up 9 points and the s and p 500 is up 1 point.

March 9, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:30 at 6PM + 1:45 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Arctic Air is pulling down the mercury in Northern Michigan, and lake effect snow is coming along for the ride coupled with gusting winds. This combination of weather could create brief whiteouts on the roads.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:35 + 1:20 at 5PM + 1:40 at NOON + 1:15 at 6AM + 1:10 at 5AM

President Trump's budget proposal could ask for a 12 percent cut to the US coast guard and that isn't sitting well with many US Senators. They say it would severely restrict the coast guard's operations on the great lakes, including security.

After 27 hours of debate, the House Energy and Commerce Committee is going forward with the GOP plan to repeal and replace Obamacare. The Congressional office still has not said how much the new plan could cost.

EDUCATION – 6PM - :55

Kalkaska High School students are organizing a way to help their community before the school year ends. The school announced they will hold their first ever community day. They will offer free services to anyone in need within walking distance of the school.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :25 +:15 at NOON

The DOW jumped 2 points to 20,858, the NASDAQ dropped 3 points and the s and p 500 rose 1 point.

March 10, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:10 + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Bitter cold is settling in over Northern Michigan where it feels like below zero temperatures just about everywhere. Lake Effect and gusty winds are creating visibility issues in places like the UP. Some places have winter weather advisories posted.

EDUCATION – 11PM - :30 + 1:30 at 6PM + :50 at 5PM + :30 at NOON

From preschool to post-secondary education, Governor Snyder's 21st Century Education Commission released a new report today packed with plenty of reforms. It's called AP through 20 educational system. The report wants to make community college and preschool free. The panel report also call s for getting rid of grade levels.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM - :40 + 1:00 at 6PM + :50 at 5PM + 1:254 at NOON + 1:10 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

President Donald Trump's budget proposal includes a 1.3 billion dollar cut to the US Coast Guard. The plan is to boost the department of homeland security's total budget by 6 percent for border security. The money coming from the coast guard cuts and reductions in other agencies would pay for it.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :45

The labor department reported Friday that 235 thousand jobs were added in February that dipped the unemployment rate to 4.7 percent.

Stocks are at an all-time high as the DOW closed up 44 points, the NASDAQ is up 22 points and the S and P 500 gained 7 points.

March 11, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:45

Hundreds of thousands across Michigan are without power after heavy winds blew through. The winds are calming down, but the cold is staying. Winter weather advisories are posted for some counties.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:40

Trump praised the secret service for the arrest of an intruder on the White House Grounds while Mike Pence hits the road to sell the GOP plan to repeal and replace Obamacare.

March 12, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55

Winds are light but temperatures are still cold. The quiet conditions don't last for long as snow is not far off. Winter Weather Advisories are posted for the Central lower counties. Snow will add up to around 2 to 5 inches.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:45

Republicans looking for their healthcare proposal and the House intelligence committee asked the justice department to turn over any evidence supporting Trump's claim that Obama wiretapped phones at the Trump tower.

March 13, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT -11PM – 1:55 + 1:55 at 6PM + 1:45 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

As skies clear across the region, temperatures will start to drop and that coupled with the wind makes things feel below zero for some. Light snow will continue for parts of Northern Michigan.

EDUCATION – 11PM – 1:50 + 1:00 at 6PM + :40 at 5PM + :30 at NOON

Benzie school board members unanimously approved Superintendent Matt Olson's recommendation to consolidate two of their elementary schools. Benzie faces a 300,000 dollar budget deficit, and parents are filled with mixed emotions.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:35 + 1:30 at 6PM + 1:40 at 5PM + 1:05 at NOON + 1:50 at 6AM

The Congressional budget office has released its analysis of the republican plan to repeal and replace Obamacare. The plan is not boding well for tens of millions of Americans.

The Justice Department is delaying its response to a Congressional inquiry into the President's unproven wiretapping accusation.

Dozens of protestors are organizing in Lansing today as Enbridge and the state discussed the safety of Line Five. It is the pipe line that carries oil under the Straits of Mackinac.

March 14, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:05 + 2:00 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:05 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

It is calm and cold in Northern Michigan with a bit of lake effect snow. Winds are making it feel like below zero temperatures. Lows will drop into the single digits to mid-teens so bundle up before heading outdoors.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:10 + :55 at 6PM + 1:35 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + :50 at 6AM + 1:30 at 5AM

Congressional Republicans are still trying to shore up support for their plan to repeal and replace Obamacare. The Congressional Budget Office says the plan could mean tens of millions will lose coverage in the future.

EDUCATION – 11PM - :50

The TBA Credit Union has donated thousands of dollars to local schools through their spirit check program. When a member orders a box of checks with a school's logo on it, the school will earn 2 dollars.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :25 + :15 at NOON

The DOW fell 44 points, the NASDAQ lost 18 points and the s and p 500 fell 8 points.

March 15, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:35 + 1:25 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

It is cold outside and the winds are making some areas feel a good 10 degrees colder than it actually is. Tomorrow the snow will end and clouds will hang around.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:15 + 1:30 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:20 at NOON + 1:15 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

A Federal judge in Hawaii issued a nationwide ruling reversing the President's executive order just hours before it was to take effect. The order would have temporarily blocked travel and immigration from 6 predominately Muslim countries. The Trump administration argued the executive order acted as a vetting measure to keep terrorists out of the US. The President promised to fight the union.

Republican and Democratic leaders of the house intelligence committee say there's no evidence to suggest President Obama wiretapped President Trump.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :35

Veterans unemployment dropped to its lowest in the past nine months at 3.9 percent which is below national average.

The DOW is up 112 points, the NASDAQ added 43 points and the s and p 500 gained 19 points.

March 16, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:05 at 5PM + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:50 at 5AM

A mess of wet snow is on its way for Northern Michigan. The wet wintry blast will move into the Lower Peninsula tomorrow morning, so plan on longer travel times in the morning. A winter weather advisory is posted for some of the viewing area.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:40 + 1:15 at 6PM + 1:00 at 5PM + :50 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

Strong reactions across the country tonight after the Trump Administration unveiled its 2018 budget outline. The budget is making cuts to virtually every area except defense. That is drawing criticism from some who say it is an unnecessary sacrifice, while others say it is needed to keep America safe.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS – 11PM - :55

Several Tourists and Scientists are hurt tonight after Europe's largest Volcano erupted. Tourists ran for safety as hot flowing magma hit cold snow and triggered an explosion of rocks and steam. Mt. Etna has been quiet for years, but rumbling began last month attracting tourists and scientists.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15

Stocks finished mixed at today's closing bell. The DOW fell 17 points, the NASDAQ was up less than 1 point and the s and p 500 is down 4 points.

March 17, 2017 – FRIDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:25 + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:20 at 6AM + 1:15 at 5AM

The weekend will start off white with bursts of snow and winter weather advisories. Winter weather Advisories are posted for some of Northern Michigan. The snow could taper down into potentially freezing drizzle so be careful on roads.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:25 + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:30 at 6AM + 2:00 at 5AM

President Trump is still trying to convince conservative lawmakers to back his healthcare plan.

Trump is still defending his accusation that President Obama spied on him in Trump Tower even though it has been investigated and no evidence has been found.

Republicans for Great Lakes States are reaching across party lines to oppose the President's plan to kill funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15

The DOW lost 17 points, the NASDAQ is up less than 1 point and the s and p 500 lost 3 points.

March 18, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:25

Fog and light drizzle has taken over parts of Northern Michigan tonight, but tomorrow skies will be partly cloudy.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:45

President Trump took to twitter saying “Despite what you have heard from the fake news, I had a great meeting with German Chancellor Angela Merkel.” The two leaders did not shake hands for pictures, which is customary.

March 19, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50

It’s rain for some or snow for other, and don’t be surprised to see a thunderstorm. Today was a beautiful day in Northern Michigan but tonight scattered shower are crossing the region.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:45

Tomorrow the first public hearing is scheduled concerning Russia’s involvement in the US Presidential Election.

March 20, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:45 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + :40 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Today is the first day of spring and it is coming in with warm temperatures and mostly clear skies. Pockets of lake effect snow are on its way of some of Northern Michigan. Winds are strong and gusty coming from the Northwest.

EDUCATION – 11PM – 2:40 +:55 at 6PM

Cadillac Area Public Schools Administration unveiled a potential solution to fix their aging buildings with the price tag of 74 million dollars. Several people say the district can’t afford it, while others want to make it work for the students.

TCAPS board members voted on the budget proposal for the next school year. TCAPS had to trim one million dollars from their budget, and that has led to big changes and cuts to elementary and middle school programs.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:00 + 1:50 at NOON + 1:05 at 6AM + 1:20 at 5AM

The FBI director debunked President Trump’s claim that President Obama had his phones wiretapped. There is no evidence to suggest Trump Tower was wiretapped by President Obama.

The FBI is investigating Russia’s interference in the election to help President Trump win, that includes possible connections to the President’s campaign. The White House is denying any connection to Russia during the campaign.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :25 + :15 at NOON

The DOW lost four points, the NASDAQ added less than a point and the s and p 500 is down 4 points.

March 21, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 2:00 – 11PM + 3:30 at 6PM + 1:45 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

It is clear and cold in Northern Michigan tonight. It could even feel below zero with strong winds overnight.

EDUCATION – 11PM - :55 + 1:15 at 6PM

Mesick Consolidated Schools hosted their second community forum going over a bond proposal. It would mean 14.5 million dollars in upgrades if the bond passes.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11pm - :35 + 1:45 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:05 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

The President is still trying to muster up support for the Republican plan to repeal and replace Obamacare. Governor Rick Snyder is warning Michigan lawmakers that the bill would hurt people in the state.

ECONOMY – 6PM - :15 +:35 at 5PM

Wall Street is seeing a lot of red tonight as the DOW lost 237 points, the NASDAQ 107 points and the s and p 500 shed 29 points.

March 22, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:35 + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:15 at NOON + 1:00 at 6aM + 1:00 at 5AM

There are clear skies and cold temperatures in Northern Michigan tonight. A minor geometric storm has weakened tonight but there's still a chance of viewing the Northern Lights.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:00 + 1:30 at NOON + 1:10 at 6AM + 1:10 at 5AM

There is more investigation in Washington after claims the President's personal communications were picked up during surveillance. The President's communications, as well as his transition team, may have been incidentally picked up.

It looks like the President's healthcare bill to repeal and replace Obamacare will not get the votes it needs to pass in the house tomorrow.

EDUCATION – 5PM - :25

Michigan's High School graduation and dropout rates haven't moved much from the year before. The Michigan Center for Educational Performance and information says more students are continuing their High School Education beyond the traditional four years instead of dropping out.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :20 + :15 at NOON

US Markets closed mixed today after their worst day since the November Election. Investors are concerned congress is going to get bogged down on health care reform. The DOW fell 6 points, the NASDAQ added 27 points and the s and p 500 is up 4 points.

March 23, 2017 – THURSDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:45 + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Northern Michigan will be seeing freezing rain for some and snow and rain for others, and the rain could be heavy at times. Winter weather advisories are posted for some counties.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:10 + 1:05 at 6PM + 2:00 at 5PM + 2:00 at NOON + 1:10 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

The President is telling lawmakers to vote for the GOP Healthcare plan tomorrow or Obamacare stays. A review of the new republican plan shows millions could lose their coverage.

EDUCATION – 11PM – 1:10

Parents, board members and even lawmakers attended the Mecosta-Osceola Career Center's annual open house to see students out their skills to the test. Students got the chance to show off the skills they learned in front of an audience.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :15

Stocks finished lower in afternoon trading. The DOW fell 4 points, the NASDAQ lost 3 points and the s and p 500 is down 2 points.

March 24, 2017 – FRIDAY

WINTER WEATHER – 11PM – 1:30 + 2:20 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

Dry air is moving in but plan on occasional snow showers, and a mix of rain and snow is possible.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 2:00 + 1:05 at 6PM + 1:50 at 5PM + 1:35 at NOON + 1:10 at 6AM + 1:15 at 5AM

House Leaders pulled the bill just before a vote today to replace Obamacare. The dramatic withdrawal marked a stunning defeat for President Trump. A future plan for health care could be in the works.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :25 +:15 at NOON

The DOW sank today as the GOP pulled the healthcare repeal. The DOW lost 59 points, the NASDAQ gained 11 points and the s and p 500 is down 1 point.

March 25, 2017 – SATURDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:45

Rain showers are continuing to work their way north. Parts of Michigan will see freezing rain which will create issues Sunday morning. Winter weather advisories have been posted for some counties.

ECONOMY – 11PM - :30

Ford Automaker expects their profits to drop 50 percent this quarter. IT says costs of materials are rising and exchange rates are unfavorable.

March 26, 2017 – SUNDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:50

It is a wet a gray day that will continue tonight. Fog has developed and will be dense in areas, dropping visibility to less than ½ a mile. Plan on extra travel time through the morning.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:45

Politicians are pointing fingers after the 11th hour collapse of the Republican bill to undo President Obamas Affordable Care Act. Top GOP leaders are saying its time to reach out top democrats.

March 27, 2017 – MONDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:55 + 2:00 at 5PM + 1:30 at NOON + :50 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM

There is not much wet weather in the forecast, just a little drizzle and the sun will pop out tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:55 + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:55 at NOON + 1:05 at 6AM + :55 at 5AM

President Trump's son in law has agreed to be interviewed by the Senate Intelligence Committee as the investigation into Russia's interference in the 2016 Presidential election unfolds.

Trump Administration officials are signaling they may be willing to work with Democrats to fox parts of Obamacare.

ECONOMY – NOON - :15

Stocks are dipping as traders worry that the Trump White House may not be able to help businesses as much as once thought. The DOW is down 56 points, the NASDAQ is down 1 point and the s and p 500 is down 4 points.

March 28, 2017 – TUESDAY

WEATHEJR IMPACT – 11PM - 1:25 + 3:30 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + :55 at 5AM

Quiet weather continues tomorrow, but the day won't be full of sunshine. High pressure is in control for the day tomorrow, resulting in mostly sunny to partly cloudy skies.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES – 11PM – 1:40 + 1:00 at 5PM + 1:45 at NOON + 1:05 at 6AM + 1:05 at 5AM

Pressure is building in the White House on the Chairman of the House Intelligence Committee to step aside from an investigation into Russian meddling in the 2016 election. Devin Nunes admits that he met with an unnamed source on White House grounds last week.

ECONOMY – 5PM - :25 + :15 at NOON

The DOW jumped 150 points, the NASDAQ added 34 points and the s and p 500 tacked on 17 points.

March 29, 2017 – WEDNESDAY

WEATHER IMPACT – 11PM – 1:45 + 1:05 at 6PM + 1:30 at 5PM + 1:50 at NOON + 1:00 at 6AM + 1:00 at 5AM