DESCRIPTION OF WTOM-TV PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES 1st Quarter 2014

<u>Program</u>	Day	Time
7&4 News Today	M-F	4:30-7:00am
7&4 News at 5pm	M-F	5:00-6:00pm
7&4 News at 6pm	M-SU	6:00-6:30pm
7&4 News at 11pm	M-F	11-11:35pm
7&4 News at 11pm	SA	11-11:30pm
7&4 News at 11pm	SU	11-11:35pm

All of the above programs are locally-produced news programs presenting a mix of news, weather, sports and issue-related feature stories and segments. Issue-responsive program segments are usually (2 minutes) in duration, unless otherwise indicated.

DATELINE NBC	Saturdays	8:00-9:00pm
	Sundays	7:00-8:00pm

This is an NBC network program often featuring investigative reporting on controversial issues facing the American public. The program usually has multiple segments, 8-15 minutes in duration.

MEET THE PRESS Sundays 9:00-10:00am

This NBC News interview program usually has one or more guests being questioned about subjects in the news by moderator Tim Russert and other reporters.

TODAY SHOW	M-F	7:00-10:00am
	SA	8:00-10:00am
	SU	8:00-9:00am

NBC network news program offering a mix of news, weather, and features, including interviews and in-depth reports on issues of public concern.

NBC NIGHTLY NEWS M-SU 6:30-7:00pm

This NBC network news program provides a roundup of the days major news events, as well as in-depth reports on issues of public concern.

EDUCATION MATTERS M-F Within Newscast

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyday Various Times

Varying length announcements (:10, :15, :20, :30, :60, and :120) that air throughout the stations' broadcast day about issues of community interest

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

ECONOMY

(Including business development, community infrastructure, small business development, and tourist attractions)

Local News

January 1, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

THE CHILLY TEMPS AND SNOWY CONDITIONS HAVE BROUGHT IN GREAT BUSINESS FOR THE NORTHERN MICHIGAN SKI RESORTS -- AND TODAY THE SLOPES WERE NEARLY FULL AT ONE NON-PROFIT SKI HILL. HUNDREDS OF FAMILIES SPENT THEIR NEW YEARS DAY HITTING THE WHITE POWDER AT MOUNT HOLIDAY IN TRAVERSE CITY. THE TUBING HILL WAS SOLD OUT FOR MOST OF THE AFTERNOON -- AND THE SKI AND SNOW-BOARD SLOPES WERE EQUALLY AS PACKED. MANAGERS SAY THE ENTIRE SEASON HAS BEEN GREAT BUT THAT TODAY'S BUSINESS FOR NEW YEARS DAY IS THE BEST THEY'VE SEEN IN SEVEN YEARS.

January 1, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MICHIGAN HAS MORE THAN 275 MILLION SUGAR MAPLE TREES READY TO BE TAPPED -- BUT LESS THAN 1 PERCENT ARE BEING USED EACH YEAR FOR SYRUP PRODUCTION. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS EXPLAINS HOW A RECENT GRANT COULD HELP THE STATE'S INDUSTRY EXPAND.

January 2, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

LIKE MARK TALKED ABOUT... ICE, SNOW, AND WIND IS IMPACTING THE MIDWEST AND EAST COAST - WHICH IS HAVING A RIPPLE EFFECT HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN WE CONTINUE OUR TEAM COVERAGE WITH 7&4 STORM TEAM METEOROLOGIST CHRISTINA BURKHART JOINS US LIVE AT CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT IN TRAVERSE CITY

January 2, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THESE FRIGID TEMPERATURES ARE ALSO IMPACTING A BENZIE COUNTY COMMUNITY WHICH IS TAKING ACTION TODAY TO KEEP THEIR WATER LINES FROM FREEZING. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI IS LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH MORE ON WHAT PROMPTED TODAY'S WATER WARNING.

January 2, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MORE WEATHER PROBLEMS IN CHIPPEWA COUNTY ICE HAS SLOWED DOWN SHIPPING TRAFFIC THROUGH THE SOO LOCKS AND IN THE SURROUNDING GREAT LAKES. CREWS HAVE BEEN WORKING AROUND THE CLOCK TO CLEAR PATHS TO HELP SHIPS TRAVEL. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU...

January 2, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THERE'S A NEW RESOURCE FOR SMALL BUSINESS FUNDING IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN. THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE JUST LAUNCHED THE INTERMEDIARY RELENDING PROGRAM OR I-R-P. THE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE U-S DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PROVIDES A 460-THOUSAND DOLLAR REVOLVING LOAN FUND. THE TRAVERSE CITY CHAMBER C-E-O SAYS THIS PROGRAM SETS THEM APART

FROM OTHER COMMUNITIES IN THE STATE... AND CAN REALLY HELP SMALL BUSINESSES GET THEIR START.

January 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

EMMET COUNTY ROAD COMISSIONERS MET TODAY TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO KEEP THE ROADS CLEAN DESPITE LIMITED FUNDING. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS SPENT THE DAY FINDING OUT HOW THIS COULD EFFECT YOUR DAILY COMMUTE.HE JOINS US LIVE FROM OUR PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

January 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AN OTSEGO COUNTY BUSINESS MAN HAS REOPENED TO DOORS AT A RECENTLY CLOSED HOMELESS SHELTER. ANDY BEAR-IN-WALD PURCHASED THE FRIENDSHIP HOUSING CENTER IN GAYLORD -- WHICH WAS FORCED TO CLOSE IN AUGUST. JUST WEEKS AFTER BUYING THE PROPERTY -- HE TURNED IT INTO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.WHERE FAMILIES CAN RENT ROOMS FOR LESS THAN 500 DOLLARS A MONTH. BEAR-IN-WALD SAYS THE NEED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE AREA IS GREATER THAN EVER...

January 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AS THESE FREEZING COLD TEMPERATURES STICK AROUND.... THE SAME CAN BE SAID FOR THE USE OF PEOPLE'S FURNACES. UNLIKE THE TEMPS -- A LOCAL HEATING AND COOLING COMPANY SAYS BUSINESS IS *UP* THIS WEEK BECAUSE OF ALL THE HOUSE CALLS THEY'RE MAKING FOR REPAIRS. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.... WITH MORE ON THE HEATER REPAIR BUSINESS BOOM.

January 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THERE'S DEFINITELY AN *UPSIDE* TO ALL OF THIS WINTER WEATHER.... AND THAT'S GETTING OUTDOORS AND ENJOYING IT. AND BUSINESSES THAT SELL WINTER SPORTS GEAR ARE REAPING THE BENEFITS. CLASSIC MOTOR SPORTS IN TRAVERSE CITY IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST SUPPLIERS OF WINTER TOYS IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN. THEY SAID.... SNOWMOBILE SALES ARE UP *3-HUNDRED PERCENT* FROM LAST YEAR.AFTER ABOUT TEN YEARS OF MARGINAL WINTERS..... THE ABOVE NORMAL SNOWFALL AND COLD WEATHER IS GREAT NEWS.MANAGERS SAID.... THEY'VE SEEN HIGH SALES IN SNOWMOBILES, GEAR, AND SERVICE AND PARTS SINCE NOVEMBER.

January 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE TRAVERSE CITY OUTLET CENTER -- THAT IS ALSO KNOWN AS THE HORIZON OUTLET CENTER CURRENTLY HAS A LOT OF EMPTY STORE FRONTS.*BUT* A NEW PLAN COULD BE CHANGING ALL OF THAT 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI IS LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH THE DETAILS FROM HER EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH PROJECT MANAGERS TODAY.

January 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SNOW PLOW DRIVERS HAVE BEEN WORKING *EXTRA HARD* LATELY TO KEEP THE ROADS CLEAR AND SAFE... FOR PEOPLE TO DRIVE ON DURING THE HEAVY SNOW AND WIND.AND WITH THE SNOW.... CAN ALSO COME WEAR AND TEAR ON THE ROADS -- YOUR CAR -- AND EVEN YOUR MAILBOX. BUT WHO IS RESPONSIBLE -- WHEN A

PLOW TRUCK TAKES YOUR MAILBOX OUT? 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI IS HERE TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION.

January 7, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TRAVERSE CITY OFFICIALS ARE *ONE STEP CLOSER* TO FIGURING OUT *WHAT WENT WRONG* WITH THE SPLASH PAD AT CLINCH PARK. CITY COMMISSIONERS VOTED TO HIRE *WATER TECH, INCORPORATED* TO DO AN AUDIT ON THE WATER FEATURE.THE SPLASH PAD OPENED LAST SUMMER... BUT WAS ABRUPTLY CLOSED WHEN RAW SEWAGE GOT INTO THE WATER...AND MADE SOME CHILDREN SICK. THE AUDIT WILL COST ABOUT *7-THOUSAND...350 DOLLARS*.

January 7, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

THE SENATE VOTED NARROWLY TODAY.... TO ADVANCE A TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TO MORE THAN *1-MILLION JOBLESS AMERICANS*. 7&4's JAMIE INNIS TALKED WITH PEOPLE IMPACTED BY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS. SHE JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO JAMIE, WHAT DO PEOPLE THINK ABOUT THE EFFORT IN WASHINGTON?

January 8, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

FOR THE FIRST TIME -- THE NEW OWNER OF THE MASSIVE VACANT LOT IN PETOSKEY KNOWN AS PETOSKEY POINTE IS TALKING ABOUT HIS PLANS FOR DEVELOPMENT. IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER.GRAND RAPIDS BUSINESS MAN ELIAS AMASH -- SAYS HE WANTS THIS PROPERTY TO BECOME A BEAUTIFUL GATEWAY TO DOWNTOWN PETOSKEY.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS SPOKE WITH HIM TODAY AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU.NATHAN -- WHAT ARE HIS PLANS?

January 8, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

PROJECT MANAGERS FOR THE TRAVERSE CITY OUTLET CENTER PRESENTED THEIR PLANS TO GARFIELD TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSIONERS TONIGHT.

IT'S THE FIRST STEP IN GAINING THE TOWNSHIP'S APPROVAL FOR THE MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PLAN..7&4'S JAMIE INNIS WAS AT THE MEETING TONIGHT, SHE JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.JAMIE, WHAT WAS THE REACTION? MARC, THE MULTI-PHASE PLAN INCLUDES A NEW STATE OF THE ART MOVIE THEATRE.. A NEW PARKING LOT.. AND THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE ENTIRE PROPERTY.AND COMING OUT OF TONIGHT'S MEETING, COMMISSIONERS SAY THINGS MAY BE LOOKING UP FOR THE HALF-VACANT OUTLET CENTER.

January 9, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IT'S A STAPLE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN -- BUT THIS YEAR THERE'S A SHORTAGE OF FIREWOOD -- AND IT'S DRIVING PRICES UP. IN TONIGHTS FACT FINDER... 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS EXPLAINS WHY WE ARE RUNNING OUT AND HOW MUCH YOU MIGHT HAVE TO PAY TO HEAT YOUR HOME. NATHAN JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE ON THIS STORY.

January 9, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TRAVERSE CITY HAS A CHANCE TO SHOW OFF EVERYTHING THAT MAKES IT GREAT AS THE GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE COMES TO TOWN.FOR THE FIRST TIME IN OVER TEN YEARS -- THE PURE MICHIGAN'S GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE ON TOURISM IS COMING TO TRAVERSE CITY.ABOUT ONE THOUSAND REPRESENTATIVES FROM ACROSS THE STATE WILL SPEND A FEW DAYS HERE IN EARLY MARCH... DISCUSSING MICHIGAN'S TOURISM OUTLOOK FOR THE COMING YEAR. SINCE THE TRIP INCLUDES

WINERY TOURS AND RECEPTIONS WITH LOCAL CHEFS AND MICRO-BREWERIES -- CITY TOURISM OFFICIALS SAY IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW OFF NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

January 12, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IT'S NOW BEEN A COUPLE MONTHS SINCE THE BIJOU BY THE BAY'S GRAND OPENING -- SO 7&4 NEWS STOPPED BY THE THEATRE TODAY TO SEE HOW THINGS ARE GOING BUSINESS HAS BEEN STEADY FOR THE BIJOU -- BOLSTERED BY MAJOR FILMS SUCH AS THE HUNGER GAMES AND ANCHORMAN TWO.THEATRE MANAGEMENT TELLS 7&4 NEWS THAT WARMER DAYS -- LIKE TODAY -- ARE A BIT SLOWER, AS PEOPLE TEND SPEND MORE TIME OUTDOORS -- BUT THAT MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, THE BIJOU HAS SEEN SELLOUT CROWDS.

January 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

JUST HOW PREPARED ARE THE LOCAL AGENCIES THAT WE RELY ON DURING EMERGENCIES LIKE THE ONE IN WEST VIRGINIA? IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER... 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS SPOKE WITH EMERGENCY MANGERS TO FIND OUT JUST HOW OUICKLY THEY CAN RESPOND.

January 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW.... UNITED AIRLINES WILL OFFER NEW YORK CITY SERVICE AT CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT.... BEGINNING IN JULY THE ANNOUNCEMENT COMES EARLY THIS YEAR.... ALLOWING THE AIRLINE TO GAUGE IF THEY SHOULD START OFFERING FLIGHTS TO THE BIG APPLE BEFORE THE SUMMER.... BASED ON TICKET SALES.CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT DIRECTOR KEVIN KLEIN SAYS THAT THE SERVICE IS A BOOST FOR TOURISM IN BOTH REGIONS... AND THAT THE EARLY SALES GIVE FLYERS AN ADVANTAGE.

January 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THESE WARMER TEMPERATURES HAVE MOST DRIVERS DODGING POTHOLES AND CREWS BUSY TRYING TO FIX THEM.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY JOINS US LIVE IN LEELANAU COUNTY -- WITH MORE ON THE CONSTANT POT HOLE WARBRENDAN -- WHAT CAN YOU TELL US?

January 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX IS LOOKING TO EXPAND ITS MARINA TO HELP ACCOMODATE LARGER BOATS. THIS PROJECT WOULD COST THE CITY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS -- BUT LEADERS BELIEVE IT COULD HELP PROVIDE A LONGTERM BOOST TO THE ECONOMY. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS MET WITH THE PLANNERS BEHIND THIS PROJECT AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

January 16, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AFTER SPENDING THE LAST TWELVE YEARS IN THE HORIZON CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY.. A LOCAL DANCE STUDIO HAS ANNOUNCED IT'S MOVING TO A NEW HOME.
DANCE ARTS ACADEMY WILL BE BUILDING A NEW STUDIO AT THE CORNER OF GARFIELD AND GALLERY.THE OWNERS SAY THEIR BUSINESS HAS REACHED A POINT WHERE THEY NEED TO MOVE ON... AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A NEW FACILITY.THE NEW ACADEMY WILL BE TWO STORIES - PROVIDING LARGER DANCE FLOORS AND MORE USABLE SPACE.OWNERS SAY THE STUDENTS ARE VERY EXCITED.

January 16, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

THE 2014 WINTER SHIPPING SEASON HAS OFFICIALLY COME TO AN END AT THE SOO LOCKS. THE LOCKS CLOSED FOR THE SEASON YESTERDAY WITH THE LAST BARGE AND TUG PASSING THROUGH IN THE EARLY AFTERNOON. THE LOCKS PROVIDE A VITAL LINK FOR SHIPS TRAVELING FROM LAKE SUPERIOR TO THE LOWER GREAT LAKES. WHEN ICE BUILDS UP ON THE LAKES TO THE POINT WHERE SHIPPING IS SHUT DOWN... THE LOCKS CLOSE.IT GIVES THE U.S. ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONDUCT ROUTINE MAINTENANCE BEFORE THE LOCKS REOPEN. THIS YEAR, THAT'S SCHEDULED TO HAPPEN ON MARCH 25TH.

January 16, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

GOVERNOR SNYDER IS EXPECTED TO TALK ABOUT WHAT MICHIGAN LAWMAKERS HAVE ACCOMPLISHED LAST YEAR... AND WHAT IS ON THE AGENDA FOR 2014.. TONIGHT DURING HIS "STATE OF THE STATE" ADDRESS.THIS IS THE GOVERNOR'S 4-TH ANNUAL ADDRESS.HE'S EXPECTED TO TALK ABOUT IMMIGRATION REFORM... MENTAL HEALTH... ROAD AND BRIDGE MAINTENANCE... AND THE RE-STRUCTURING OF DETROIT.*NOW THERE ARE LEADERS FROM NORTHERN MICHIGAN IN LANSING TONIGHT FOR THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS JOINS US NOW LIVE FROM LANSING WITH MORE ON WHAT THEY WANT TO HEAR FROM GOVERNOR SNYDER.

January 16, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

GOVERNOR SNYDER DELIVERED HIS FOURTH ANNUAL STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS IN LANSING TONIGHT. HE LAID OUT WHAT LAWMAKERS ACCOMPLISHED LAST YEAR... AND WHAT IS ON THE AGENDA FOR 2014.7&4'S JAMIE INNIS JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH MORE DETAILS ON THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH. JAMIE, WHAT WERE THE HOT TOPICS?

January 16, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

REACTION OF THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.... WAS SPLIT DOWN PARTY LINES. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS CAUGHT UP WITH SOME OF OUR LAWMAKERS FROM NORTHERN MICHIGAN TO SEE HOW THEY FELT ABOUT THE ADDRESS.

January 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE 2014 CONGRESSIONAL SNOWMOBILE RIDE KICKED OFF TODAY WITH A TRIP THROUGH THE TRAILS OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN.IT IS A TWO-DAY TRIP WITH STOPS IN LAKE, MANISTEE AND BENZIE COUNTIES.WE CAUGHT UP WITH CONGRESSMAN DAN BENISHEK AND BILL HUIZENGA AS THEY STOPPED FOR LUNCH AND A MEET AND GREET IN CHASE.THE ANNUAL SNOWMOBILE CARAVAN IS A WAY TO CONNECT WITH THE PEOPLE AND SHOWCASE MICHIGAN'S WINTER TOURISM INDUSTRY.

January 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MANY OF OUR LOCAL BUSINESS LEADERS AND POLITICIANS WERE IN LANSING LAST NIGHT TO HEAR THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS... 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS SPOKE WITH THEM ABOUT THE SPEECH. AND JOINS US NOW FROM THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE ON THEIR REACTION.NATHAN... DID THE GOVERNOR ADDRESS ANY OF THE ISSUES THEY WERE EXPECTING HIM TO?

January 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

ANOTHER TOPIC ON THE GOVERNOR'S AGENDA LAST NIGHT... BATTLING INVASIVE SPECIES IN THE STATE.SNYDER SAYS MICHIGAN HAS BEEN A LEADER IN *LOVING OUR ENVIRONMENT* AND THAT LEADERSHIP NEEDS TO CONTINUE. 7&4'S JAMIE INNIS SPOKE WITH THE M-S-U EXTENSION ON THE EFFORTS UNDERWAY.SHE JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.... JAMIE..... WHAT DID THEY THINK ABOUT THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS?

January 18, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NORTHERN MICHIGAN CONGRESSMEN DAN BENISHEK AND BILL {HI-ZINGA} HUIZENGA CONTINUED THEIR SNOWMOBILE TOUR TODAY -- STOPPING TO CHAT WITH FOLKS THROUGHOUT THE AREATHE CONGRESSMEN MADE STOPS IN WELLSTON -- KALEVA -- THOMPSONVILLE -- AND BEULAH TODAY. STOPS INCLUDE TOWNHALL-STYLE MEETINGS AND LUNCHEONS.7&4 NEWS IS TOLD THE GOALS OF THE TOUR ARE TO SHOW WHAT MICHIGAN'S OUTDOOR ECONOMY HAS TO OFFER -- AND TO CONNECT WITH THE PEOPLE THEY REPRESENT.

January 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ALL EYES WILL BE ON THE ATHLETES AT THE UPCOMING WINTER OLYMPICS -- AND ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN WOMAN HAS A BIG PART IN HOW THE FIGURE SKATERS LOOK UNDER THE BRIGHT LIGHTS.STEPHANIE MILLER HAS BEEN DESIGNING COSTUMES FOR BOTH MEN AND WOMEN SKATERS FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY HAS A SNEAK PEAK AT SOME OF THE DRESSES WE'LL SEE IN SOCHI -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH MORE.

January 21, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

FINANCIAL ISSUES ARE FORCING SEVERAL CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN MANISTEE TO CONSOLIDATE.STARTING *THIS* WEEKEND.... GUARDIAN ANGELS AND SAINT MARY'S WILL NO LONGER HOLD MASSES.ALL MASSES WILL INSTEAD BE HELD AT SAINT JOSEPH'S CHURCH.GUARDIAN ANGELS AND SAINT MARY'S *WILL* CONTINUE TO OFFER FUNERAL AND WEDDING SERVICES.THE DECISION COMES AFTER A YEAR-AND-A-HALF LONG STUDY.

January 21, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE ON GOING DISCUSSION OF WHETHER OR NOT TO ALLOW TRAVERSE CITY FOOD TRUCKS TO CLOSE LATER AND OPEN EARLIER -- COULD COME TO A HEAD TONIGHT AT THE COMMISSION MEETING THAT IS SET TO BEGIN IN ABOUT AN HOUR. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH FOOD TRUCK OWNERS -- AS WELL AS SOME OTHER BUSINESS OWNERS TODAY ABOUT THE IMPACT OF EXTENDED HOURS

January 22, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE WATER STARTED FLOWING AROUND 8 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING -- SHUTTING DOWN THE HEATING SYSTEM.THAT FORCED HOSPITAL OFFICIALS TO MOVE PATIENTS -- AND DIVERT AMBULANCE TRAFFIC.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY WAS AT THE HOSPITAL TODAY -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH MORE.BRENDAN -- WHAT AREAS SAW THE MOST DAMAGE?

January 23, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

RIGHT NOW.... STATE LEADERS ARE TALKING ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE *GREAT LAKES.*THE U-S ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND WHITE HOUSE COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ARE IN TRAVERSE CITY TALKING ABOUT WHAT CAN BE

DONE TO KEEP INVASIVE SPECIES OUT OF THE LAKES.7&4'S JAMIE INNIS JOINS US LIVE FROM THE SPECIAL MEETING.

January 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE TRAVERSE CITY HISTORY CENTER IS LOOKING FOR SOME ROOMMATES. THEY'RE ASKING FOR HELP WHEN IT COMES TO PAYING THE BILLS... AND OUR OFFERING UP SPACE WITHIN THE BUILDING.7&4 NEWS SPOKE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD WHO SAYS.... THE HISTORY CENTER HAD A ROUGH YEAR IN 2013... BUT THEY HAVE WORKED TO CORRECT THE PROBLEMS. THE CENTER'S CONTRACT WITH THE CITY EXPIRES AT THE END OF THE YEAR. AFTER THAT -- THEY CAN CONTINUE AS EITHER OWNERS OR LEASE THE BUILDING FROM THE CITY. AND WHILE THE SITUATION IS UNDER CONTROL... THE HISTORY CENTER COULD STILL USE SOME HELP.

January 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WINTER EVENTS... LIKE THE COMEDY FESTIVAL... ARE BRINGING PEOPLE UP NORTH. THAT'S ACCORDING TO THE TRAVERSE CITY VISITOR'S CENTER.... THEY SAY.... A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO... TOURISTS ONLY CAME UP FOR THE SUMMER AND SKIPPED TOWN THE REST OF THE YEAR... BUT THAT'S CHANGING... THANKS IN PART TO MORE WINTER EVENTS.

January 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NON-PROFIT VERSUS PROFIT MARGIN. SEVERAL PROFESSIONAL SPORTS TEAMS -- WORTH HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS -- ARE CONSIDERED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.WHILE THAT STATUS MAY NOT BE NEW... THERE IS A NEW EFFORT TO END THE PRACTICE. KAI JACKSON REPORTS.

January 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SNOW REMOVAL IS TAKING A BIG BITE OUT OF M-DOTS BUDGET.SO FAR THIS WINTER -- THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS OVER BUDGET BY MORE THAN 30 PERCENT -- AND THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT MOTHER NATURE PLANS ON SLOWING DOWN ANYTIME SOON.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT WHAT THIS COULD MEANS FOR OUR ROADS AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

January 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A MIDWEST PROPANE SHORTAGE IS CAUSING PRICES HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN TO SKYROCKET.IN SOME AREAS -- PRICES ARE AS HIGH AS FIVE DOLLARS A GALLON -- AND IT'S NOT CLEAR IF THE PRICES WILL GO BACK DOWN ANYTIME SOON.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT WHAT IS CAUSING THIS PRICE HIKE -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH WHAT HE FOUND OUT...

January 30, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TWO STATES HAVE ALREADY LEGALIZED RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA -- COULD MICHIGAN BE NEXT?FROM THE GRASS ROOTS LEVEL TO THE STATE CAPITOL -- THE IDEA IS GAINING MOMENTUM HERE AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY.IN TONIGHT'S SPECIAL REPORT 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT HOW CLOSE *WE ARE* TO BEING THE NEXT LEGALIZED STATE.HE JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

January 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

MEMBERS OF OUR AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY GATHERED IN TRAVERSE CITY TODAY FOR THE SIXTH ANNUAL *NORTHWEST MICHIGAN FOOD AND FARMING NETWORK SUMMIT.* THE SUMMIT WELCOMES FARMERS.. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.. CHEFS... EDUCATORS... AND MANY DIFFERENT BUSINESSES FROM A TEN COUNTY AREA IN NORTHWEST MICHIGAN.THE OVERALL GOAL IS TO HAVE TWENTY PERCENT OF THE FOOD IN NORTHWEST MICHIGAN LOCALLY SOURCED BY 20-20... AND THESE SUMMITS HELP IDENTIFY HOW CLOSE WE ARE TO THAT GOAL.

February 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AFTER MORE THAN 30 YEARS IN BUSINESS -- ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INCORPORATED IS MOVING THEIR OPERATIONS FROM MANCELONA TO GARFIELD TOWNSHIP. AND ONCE THE WEATHER WARMS UP -- THEY'LL BE LOOKING TO HIRE MORE PEOPLE.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY SPENT THE DAY LOOKING INTO WHAT IMPACT THE MOVE WILL HAVE ON THE AREA.

February 3, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF DEBATE REGARDING FESTIVALS AND FEES IN TRAVERSE CITY'S OPEN SPACE... BUT NOW DECISIONS ARE BEING MADE.TONIGHT COMMISSIONERS SET THE BAR FOR THE UPCOMING FESTIVAL SEASON. 7&4'S JAMIE INNIS WAS AT TONIGHTS MEETING, SHE JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.

February 4, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

WITH A NEW SEGMENT WE CALL "ASK THE LAWMAKER" OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS WE ARE TAKING YOUR QUESTIONS STRAIGHT TO THE PEOPLE THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR REPRESENTING US IN STATE GOVERNMENT.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS DELIVERED YOUR QUESTIONS AND JOINS US LIVE FROM THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH TONIGHTS REPORT.

February 4, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

GOVERNOR SNYDER WAS IN TRAVERSE CITY THIS MORNING AND HAD A LOT TO SAY ABOUT KEEPING MICHIGAN KNOWN AS *THE COMBACK STATE** 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI WAS WITH THE GOVERNOR TODAY.... AS HE MET WITH COMMUNITY LEADERS AND SUPPORTERS --SHE JOINS US LIVE WITH MORE ON HIS VISIT. MEGHAN?

February 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AN AGING OIL PIPELINE BURIED BELOW THE STRAITS OF MACKINAC IS CONTINUING TO STIR UP CONCERNS.THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST IN THIS ENVIRONMENTAL TOPIC HAS SKYROCKETED OVER THE LAST YEAR -- AND TODAY THE DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS PIPELINE GOT LOUDER IN EMMETT COUNTY7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS VISITED THE TIP OF THE MITT WATERSHED COUNCIL TODAY AND IS IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

February 7, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TRAVERSE CITY IS WELCOMING IN HUNDREDS OF CROSS COUNTRY SKIIERS AND FAT TIRE RACERS THIS WEEKEND FOR THE NORTH AMERICAN VASA RACES. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI GOT A LOOK AT THE TRAILS TODAY -- AND *HOW* THE RACES

MAKE A BIG IMPACT ON THE ECONOMY. SHE JOINS US LIVE FROM TIMBER RIDGE RESORT WITH WHAT SHE FOUND out.

February 7, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

PRESIDENT OBAMA WAS IN MICHIGAN TODAY... SIGNING THE FARM BILL INTO LAW. DURING HIS SPEECH AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY... THE PRESIDENT SAID SIGNING THE BILL IN MICHIGAN MADE SENSE BECAUSE OF THE STATE'S AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY.AGRICULTURE IS MICHIGAN'S SECOND LARGEST INDUSTRY BEHIND MANUFACTURING.

February 7, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ONE OF OUR OWN NORTHERN MICHIGAN FARMERS WAS PICKED TO INTRODUCE PRESIDENT OBAMA AT M-S-U TODAY. BEN LACROSS OWNS LACROSS FARMS IN CEDAR. HE CALLS THE WHOLE EXPERIENCE *SURREAL*.

February 8, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TRAVERSE CITY CITY COMMISSIONERS MET THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS -- AND TO PRIORITIZE GOALS FOR THE CITY. THE MEETING WAS NOT TELEVISED -- BUT IT *WAS* OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. EACH MEMBER SUBMITTED IDEAS THEY HAD TO IMPROVE TRAVERSE CITY.THE COMMISSIONERS SAID THEY HAD OPEN -- PRODUCTIVE TALKS ABOUT WHAT CAN BE DONE TO HELP MOVE THE CITY FORWARD -- AND ENDED UP SETTLING ON THREE MAJOR GOALS.

February 8, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MORE THAN *800* CROSS-COUNTRY AND FATBIKE RACERS ARE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN THIS WEEKEND FOR THE NORTH AMERICAN VASA RACES.TIMBER RIDGE IS HOSTING THE EVENT -- ONE OF THE TOP CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING RACES IN THE COUNTRY RACERS COME FROM NEAR AND FAR -- GIVING LOCAL BUSINESS A BOOST DURING THE WINTER SEASON.7&4 NEWS SPOKE WITH ONE RACER FROM PENNSYLVANIA -- WHO SAID IT'S ALWAYS WORTH THE TRIP.

February 10, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TODAY A GRASS ROOTS GROUP SAID THEY PLAN ON SUBMITTING A BALLOT INTIATIVE IN THAT WOULD ASK VOTERS TO BOOST THE MINIMUM WAGE TO 9-50 AN HOUR IN MICHIGAN.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS SPOKE WITH BUSINESS LEADERS TODAY TO FIND OUT WHAT THIS RAISE WOULD MEAN FOR NORTHERN MICHIGAN'S WORKFORCE.

February 10, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE COMMUNITY IS BEING ASKED TO COME OUT TO VOICE THEIR OPINION ON THE FUTURE OF A HISTORIC SKI HILL IN TRAVERSE CITY.HICKORY HILLS SKILL AREA HAS BEEN HOSTING SKIIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS SINCE 19-51.. AND NOW THE FUTURE OF HICKORY IS A MAJOR CONCERN.A PUBLIC INPUT MEETING WILL BE HELD NEXT WEEK FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO COMMENT ON A MASTER PLAN FOR THE SKI AREA.

February 11, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE FARM TO GLASS BILL WAS INTRODUCED AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS MONTH.

AND LAWMAKERS ARE FOCUSING ON SMALL BUSINESSES -- WHO PRODUCE BEER -- WINE AND MEAD. THEY HOPE THE TAX BREAK WILL ENCOURAGE THOSE PRODUCERS TO BUY LOCAL. 7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY SPENT THE DAY LOOKING INTO WHAT THIS NEW BILL MEANS FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN TRAVERSE CITY.

February 11, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A PROGRAM FOCUSED ON HELPING NORTHERN MICHIGAN FARMERS IS CELEBRATING THEIR 2-ND YEAR IN BUSINESS.GOODWILL'S *FARM TO FREEZER* PROGRAM TAKES LOCAL PRODUCE.... PROCESSES IT, THEN FREEZES IT.ORGANIZERS SAY.... THE PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO HELP PEOPLE STRUGGLING TO FIND WORK.... AS WELL AS LOCAL FARMERS.

February 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

CADILLAC IS WORKING TO CREATE A LOT OF NEW JOBS - ESPECIALLY IN THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.LAST YEAR THE CITY TEAMED UP WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - AND THANKS TO A DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT -- COMPLETED A STUDY THAT SHOWED A BUSINESS INCUBATOR IS NEEDED. THE BUSINESS INCUBATOR FACILITY WOULD HELP CURRENT MANUFACTURING COMPANIES WORK TOGETHER. AND HELP NEW COMPANIES GET THEIR START.CITY OFFICIALS SAY THE FACILITY WOULD REALLY HELP CADILLAC AND THE SURROUNDING AREA.

February 16, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WITH ALL OF THE OUTDOOR FESTIVALS WE'VE SEEN IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN THIS WEEKEND -- THE HOME BUILDER'S ASSOCIATION WANTED TO OFFER AN *INDOOR* ALTERNATIVE. THE 2014 *HOME EXPO* TOOK OVER THE GRAND TRAVERSE RESORT FOR THE PAST COUPLE DAYS -- DRAWING THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE LOOKING TO DO SOME HOUSE WORK.MORE THAN *125* BUSINESSES FILLED THE RESORT -- FROM REMODELERS TO LANDSCAPERS.

February 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE NEW GRAND TRAVERSE BAY Y-M-C-A IS EXPECTED TO OPEN THIS SPRING -- AND THE LARGER FACILITY HAS A LOT OF JOB OPENINGS THAT NEED TO BE FILLED. A JOB FAIR IS BEING HELD RIGHT NOW AT THEIR CURRENT LOCATION IN TRAVERSE CITY UNTIL 7 O'CLOCK. THE EXPANSION WILL DOUBLE THEIR STAFF -- CREATING ABOUT 50 MORE FULL AND PART TIME POSITIONS.STAFF WILL BE ON SITE DURING THE JOB FAIR TO ANSWER QUESTIONS -- AND TAKE APPLICATIONS. THE JOBS RANGE FROM ADMINISTRATION POSITIONS -- TO CHILD CARE AND HEALTH AND FITNESS RELATED JOBS.

February 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SHORTS BREWING COMPANY IS EXPANDING THEIR ELK RAPIDS BREWERY -- ALLOWING THEM TO PRODUCE MORE -- AND HIGHER QUALITY BEER. THE BREWERY'S *5-MILLION DOLLAR EXPANSION* PROJECT INCLUDES THE PURCHASE OF 2-ACRES NEXT DOOR TO THEIR FACILITY -- AND OTHER RENOVATIONS IN THEIR CURRENT BUILDING. THEY WILL GO FROM MAKING 24-THOUSAND BARRELS OF BEER -- TO 60-THOUSAND... AND EVENTUALLY *200-THOUSAND* BARRELS OF BEER.

February 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ANY TIME A WINTER STORM COMES THROUGH... POWER COMPANIES ARE ON STANDBY.. ALWAYS PREPARED TO DEAL WITH MAJOR POWER OUTAGES.*7&4 STORM

TEAM METEOROLOGIST CHRISTINA BURKHART* SPOKE WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM CONSUMERS ENERGY TODAY. SHE JOINS US LIVE IN LEELANAU COUNTY -- CHRISTINA *HOW* DO THEY PREPARE FOR A STORM LIKE THIS?

February 23, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NORTHERN MICHIGAN CELEBRATED *MICHIGAN MAPLE SYRUP MONTH* THIS WEEKEND -- WITH LOCAL SYRUP MANUFACTURERS OPENING THEIR DOORS TO THE PUBLIC. PUT ON BY THE MICHIGAN MAPLE SYRUP ASSOCIATION, THE WEEKEND-LONG CELEBRATION -- HELD AT SYRUP PRODUCERS' FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE REGION -- GAVE FOLKS A CHANCE TO SEE HOW MAPLE SYRUP IS MADE -- FROM TAPPING THE TREES, TO GATHERING THE SAP -- ALL THE WAY TO FREE SAMPLES OF THE FINISHED PRODUCTS.ORGANIZERS SAY THAT MICHIGAN IS THE PERFECT PLACE TO CELEBRATE MAPLE SYRUP.

February 23, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY CIVIC CENTER HOSTED THE 22ND ANNUAL NORTHWEST MICHIGAN *CAMPER AND R-V SHOW* THIS WEEKEND.MORE THAN *THIRTY-FIVE* R-V'S AND CAMPERS ARE ON DISPLAY... INCLUDING *FIFTEEN* DIFFERENT BRANDS. THERE ARE ALSO BOOTHS SET UP TO LEARN ABOUT MICHIGAN'S CAMPGROUNDS AND CAMPING RESOURCES.ORGANIZERS SAY THAT THIS YEAR'S SHOW WAS A BIG SUCCESS.

February 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MORE THAN *900-THOUSAND* DOLLARS WAS HANDED OUT TODAY TO MORE THAN 50 LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.THE GRAND TRAVERSE BAND IS REQUIRED GIVE 2 PERCENT OF ITS GAMING REVENUES TWICE A YEAR.SINCE IT STARTED IN 1994... MORE THAN 31-MILLION DOLLARS HAS BEEN GIVEN OUT TO NORTHERN MICHIGAN ORGANIZATIONS.THIS YEAR... SEVERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES....LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES....COMMISSIONER BOARDS.... AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS WERE ALL AWARDED MONEY.

February 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

BECAUSE OF THE RECENT WARMER WEATHER....POTHOLES ARE *POPPING UP*
ACROSS NORTHERN MICHIGAN.M-DOT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THOUSANDS
OF MILES OF ROADS.. BUT WITH THE HARSH WINTER WE'VE SEEN.... THEY'VE
HAD TO DIG INTO FUNDS SET ASIDE FOR TRASH REMOVAL AND LAWN MAINTENANCE.
100-MILLION DOLLARS IN EMERGENCY FUNDING HAS BEEN APPROVED IN THE
MICHIGAN SENATE FOR POTHOLE REPAIRS.M-DOT IS HOPING THE HOUSE WILL
APPROVE THE FUNDING -- SO CREWS CAN KEEP PATCHING POTHOLES.

February 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

FOR THOSE WHO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.... IT MAY BE EASIER TO GET AROUND THE REGION IN THE FUTURE.AT A *BUSES WITHOUT BORDERS* MEETING TODAY... LEADERS FOCUSED ON WHAT IT WOULD TAKE TO BUILD A REGIONAL TRANSIT NETWORK.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY WAS AT THE MEETING -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH MORE.BRENDAN -- WHAT COUNTIES ARE PART OF THIS EFFORT?

February 25, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A CHARLEVOIX COMPANY IS EXPLORING THE OPTION OF ASKING THE D-N-R FOR *STATE PARK LAND* TO MINE FOR LIMESTONE.THIS IS NOT A DONE DEAL YET --BUT A GROUP OF RESIDENTS IS ALREADY FIGHTING TO MAKE SURE THE LAND ISN'T TOUCHED. IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER....7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT *WHAT PLANS* ARE IN THE WORKS..... AND HOW THEY WOULD EFFECT FISHERMAN'S ISLAND STATE PARK.

February 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MCLAREN NORTHERN MICHIGAN IS MAKING SOME JOB CUTS..THEY NOTIFIED THEIR STAFF THIS MORNING OF THE BIG CHANGES AT BOTH ITS PETOSKEY AND CHEBOYGAN LOCATIONS. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT WHAT PROMPTED THE MOVE AND THE IMPACT IT COULD HAVE ON CARE AND THE COMMUNITY.

February 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE ICY ROADS AND SNOWY WEATHER CONDITIONS HAVE CAUSED A LOT OF PROBLEMS FOR DAILY COMMUTERS THIS YEAR.BUT IT'S ALSO IMPACTING THE WAY SOME BUSINESSES DO THEIR JOBS BUSINESSES LIKE CAR DEALERSHIPS NEED PARTS AND CARS DELIVERED ON A DAILY BASIS -- IN ORDER TO MEET THEIR CUSTOMERS NEEDS. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH SOME DEALERSHIPS TODAY.... WHO SAY IT'S BEEN STRESSFUL THIS YEAR -- TRYING TO FIX CARS ON TIME.

February 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

FOR THE FIRST TIME -- MCLAREN NORTHERN MICHIGAN'S PRESIDENT AND C-E-O DAVID ZECHMAN IS TALKING ABOUT THE LAYOFFS AND CUTS HIS HOSPITAL ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY.HE IS PUTTING PART OF THE BLAME ON THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT -- AND NEW PROVISIONS THAT HE SAYS ARE HURTING THE HOSPITALS BOTTOM LINE. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS SAT DOWN WITH ZECHMAN TODAY AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

February 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY IS GETTING A FACELIFT. TODAY...BOYNE CITY WAS AWARDED *HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS* OF DOLLARS TO FINISH A PROJECT THEY'VE BEEN WORKING ON FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS NOW. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS MET WITH CITY LEADERS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT WHAT IMPROVEMENTS YOU'LL BE SEEING SOON.

February 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE STREETS OF KALKASKA ARE GOING TO BE GETTING A MAKEOVER THIS YEAR AS WELL... THANKS IN LARGE PART TO A *750-THOUSAND* DOLLAR GRANT AWARDED TO THE VILLAGE THIS AFTERNOON BY THE MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.THE GRANT WILL GO TOWARD IMPROVING SOME BUILDING FACADES... LANDSCAPING... AND SIDEWALKS... MAKING GETTING AROUND TOWN A LOT EASIER

March 3, 2014

<u>6:00-6:30pm</u>

Time :30

MANY COMMUNITIES AROUND THE REGION HAVE BEEN ASKING THE PUBLIC TO RUN THEIR WATER TO HELP STOP THE PIPES FROM FREEZING -- BUT ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN CITY IS CONCERNED THAT RESIDENTS AREN'T TAKING THESE NOTICES SERIOUSLY ENOUGH. AND IT'S STARTING TO COST THE CITY MONEY. 7&4'S NATHAN

EDWARDS SPENT THE DAY WITH A PUBLIC WORKS CREW IN CHARLEVOIX AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

March 4, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

FOOD TRUCKS ARE GAINING POPULARITY AROUND NORTHERN MICHIGAN -- AND THOSE WHO ARE IN THE BUSINESS ARE LOOKING FOR NEW TOWNS TO SET UP SHOP. BUT BEFORE THEY DO THAT -- MANY OF THE CITY GOVERNMENTS WANT TO REGULATE THE BUSINESS. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS VISITED TWO COMMUNITIES THAT ARE ROLLING WITH THE IDEA.

March 11, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

TODAY WRAPPED UP THE PURE MICHIGAN GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE ON TOURISM IN TRAVERSE CITY.TODAY -- GOVERNOR SNYDER ADDRESSED PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE VIA A "GOOGLE HANGOUT" TO COMMENT ON THE CURRENT STATE OF MICHIGAN'S TOURISM.THIS YEAR'S CONFERENCE THEME WAS CULINARY TOURISM -- AS PEOPLE LOOKED AT HOW TO WELCOME VISITORS FROM ACROSS THE GLOBE ATTENDEES HEARD FROM A CULINARY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT EXPERT -- WHO EXPLAINED WHAT IT TAKES TO CREATE A UNIQUE CULINARY TOURISM EXPERIENCE.

March 11, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

NORTHWESTERN BANK HAS BEEN SOLD TO THE MIDLAND BASED -- *CHEMICAL BANK* -- FOR 120-*MILLION* DOLLARS. THE NEW PARTNERSHIP WILL GIVE CHEMICAL AN ADDITIONAL 25 LOCATIONS ACROSS 11 NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COUNTIES. IT WILL ADD ABOUT *760-MILLION DOLLARS* IN DEPOSITS AND ABOUT *500-MILLION-DOLLARS* IN LOANS TO THEIR WEALTH MANAGEMENT PORTFOLIO.

March 12, 2014

<u>6:00-6:30pm</u> Time :30

MORE THAN A DOZEN WORKERS AT THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION WILL GET LAYOFF NOTICES THIS WEEK...THE COMMISSION SAYS IT IS ALL ABOUT SAVING DOLLARS AND IMPROVING THE ROADS. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI HAS BEEN LOOKING INTO THIS STORY ALL DAY -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WHAT WHAT SHE FOUND OUT.

March 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

MICHIGAN'S TREE FRUIT FARMERS HAVE DECIDED TO TAX THEMSELVES TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR RESEARCH.THE GOAL IS TO HELP ONE OF THE STATE'S LARGEST INDUSTRIES GROW AND STAY COMPETITIVE WITH THE REST OF THE NATION. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS SPENT THE DAY TALKING WITH FARMERS AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

March 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING HAS CUT 24 FULL-TIME POSITIONS.ACCORDING TO A HOSPITAL SPOKESWOMAN -- THE HOSPITAL MADE THE STAFF REDUCTIONS IN ORDER TO RESPOND TO CHANGES BROUGHT ON BY HEALTHCARE REFORM.HOSPITAL OFFICIALS SAY THEY ARE EXPERIENCING A SIGNIFICANT DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THEY ARE SEEING FOR CARE IN THE HOSPITAL AND THEIR CLINICS. AN ADDITIONAL 11 POSITIONS WILL BE ELIMINATED THROUGH NORMAL TURNOVER AND NOT FILLING OPEN POSITIONS OR DEPARTMENT WIDE REDUCTION IN HOURS OR JOB SHARING.

March 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

7&4 NEWS HAS BEEN ASKING VIEWERS TO SEND IN THEIR PICTURES OF SOME OF THE MOST TREACHEROUS SPOTS ON NORTHERN MICHIGAN ROADS THAT ARE BEING EATEN UP BY POTHOLES. THIS MORNING -- ONE MAN CALLED THE NEWSROOM TO TELL US ABOUT A REALLY BAD STRETCH IN BENZIE COUNTY 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI TOOK A DRIVE DOWN THAT ROAD AND TALKED WITH DRIVERS WHO SAY IT'S THE WORST IT'S EVER BEEN.

March 16, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WINE LOVERS ARE TOASTING TO A NEW LAW -- ALLOWING PEOPLE TO BRING THEIR OWN BOTTLE OF WINE TO RESTAURANTS. THE LAW WENT INTO EFFECT ON FRIDAY -- BUT RESTAURANTS CAN DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO PROVIDE THE OPTION TO CUSTOMERS.7&4'S JAMIE INNIS SPOKE WITH WINEMAKERS AND RESTAURANTS -- AND HAS THE STORY.

March 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AND WHILE STAFF FROM N-M-C GET OFF THE PLANE -- THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE ELK RAPIDS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS GETTING READY TO STEP ON TO A PLANE TO CHINA.MISTY YOUNGSON WILL TOUR FOUR CITIES IN CHINA WITH SEVERAL OTHER CHAMBER EXECUTIVES FROM MICHIGAN. SHE'S TRAVELING WITH THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF CHAMBER PROFESSIONALS -- AND IS LOOKING FORWARD TO FIND WAYS TO BENEFIT BUSINESSES IN ELK RAPIDS.

March 21, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IT'S NO SECRET MICHIGAN DRIVERS PAY A PREMIUM FOR CAR INSURANCE...SOME OF THE HIGHEST IN THE COUNTRY...BUT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MORE THAN A DECADE.. THE PREMIUM YOU PAY FOR LIFETIME MEDICAL CARE FOR AUTO RELATED INJURIES WILL NOT GO UP.THE RATE WILL STAY AT 186 DOLLARS PER VEHICLE EACH YEAR.THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IT HASN'T GONE UP IN 12 YEARS.

March 23, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY CIVIC CENTER HOSTED THE 22ND ANNUAL NORTHWEST MICHIGAN *CAMPER AND R-V SHOW* THIS WEEKEND. MORE THAN *THIRTY-FIVE* R-V'S AND CAMPERS ARE ON DISPLAY... INCLUDING *FIFTEEN* DIFFERENT BRANDS. THERE ARE ALSO BOOTHS SET UP TO LEARN ABOUT MICHIGAN'S CAMPGROUNDS AND CAMPING RESOURCES. ORGANIZERS SAY THAT THIS YEAR'S SHOW WAS A BIG SUCCESS.

March 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE GRAND TRAVERSE RESORT IS KNOWN FOR HOSTING VARIOUS FAIRS AND EVENTS... BUT TODAY IT HELD A CAREER FAIR LOOKING TO FILL SOME OF THEIR OWN POSITIONS... ALLOWING PEOPLE TO APPLY FOR JOBS IN DEPARTMENTS ACROSS THE RESORT from CULINARY... TO GOLF... TO ROOM SERVICES... THE RESORT HAS OPENINGS FOR PEOPLE WITH ALL KINDS OF DIFFERENT SKILL SETS. THE RESORT HAS PLENTY OF SEASONAL OPENINGS FOR THIS SUMMER... BUT IT ALSO HAS YEAR-ROUND JOBS AVAILABLE.

March 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY IS LOOKING FOR PUBLIC FEEDBACK ON A PROPOSED MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT THAT COULD PROVIDE A MAJOR FACELIFT TO THEIR DOWNTOWN. GAYLORD'S CITY COUNCIL IS MEETING TONIGHT TO DISCUSS THIS PLAN.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT WHAT CHANGES MIGHT BE ON THE WAY AND WHY RESIDENTS HAVE MIXED FEELINGS ABOUT THE PLAN. HE JOINS US IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE

March 25, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IF YOU'RE A CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS CUSTOMER IN BENZIE -- LEELANAU -- GRAND TRAVERSE -- OR ANTRIM COUNTIES -- YOUR SERVICE IS NOW 100 PERCENT DIGITAL.AND IF YOU DID NOT HAVE THE RIGHT EQUIPMENT -- YOU PROBABLY LOST YOUR SIGNAL EARLY THIS MORNING.I VISITED A CROWDED CHARTER SERVICE CENTER IN GARFIELD TOWNSHIP TODAY -- AS PEOPLE SCRAMBLED TO PICK UP THEIR EQUIPMENT TO WATCH T-V.

March 25, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A PLAN FOR A MULTI MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT FOR GAYLORD'S DOWNTOWN IS MOVING FORWARD.IT WAS A STANDING ROOM ONLY AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING WHERE THE COUNCIL APPROVED THE PROJECT TO GO INTO ITS FUNDRAISING PHASE.THE PROJECT WOULD TRANSFORM SEVERAL BLOCKS OF MAIN STREET -- CHANGING TRAFFIC PATTERNS, SIDEWALKS AND STREETSCAPES.IT COMES WITH A FOUR POINT FOUR MILLION DOLLAR PRICE TAG. AT MONDAY NIGHT'S MEETING THERE WERE PLENTY OF PEOPLE EXPRESSING THEIR OPINION.

March 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A NEW STATE HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM MAY SOON BE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO LIVE IN A TARGET PORTION OF GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY -- BUT THE PROJECT NEEDS TO GET THE GREEN LIGHT FROM COMMISSIONERS.UNDER THE PLAN -- HOME REPAIR LOANS WOULD BE 50-PERCENT FORGIVEN IN THE FIRST FIVE YEARS.THE REMAINING AMOUNT WOULD BE AT ZERO INTEREST WITH NO PAYMENTS... AND THE DEBT WOULD NOT HAVE TO BE DUE FOR 50 YEARS OR UNTIL THE HOUSE SELLS.

March 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE CLOCK IS TICKING FOR THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS TO FIND A FIX FOR SOCIAL SECURITY. IT'S ESTIMATED IN LESS THAN 20 YEARS.. THERE WON'T BE ENOUGH MONEY TO PAY BENEFICIARIES. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT KAI JACKSON TRACKS THE TRUTH AND LOOKS AT THE PROBLEM... WHO'S AFFECTED... AND POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS.

March 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A LOCAL FURNITURE RETAILER IS INCREASING ITS AMERICAN MADE PRODUCTS. GOLDEN FOWLER HOME FURNISHINGS PLANS TO INCREASE ITS SALES OF FURNITURE MADE IN AMERICA TO *NINETY PERCENT* BY THE END OF THE YEAR. THAT'S UP FROM *SEVENTY PERCENT* IN 2013.GOLDEN FOWLER OWNER MIKE MAHN SAYS THAT PRODUCT DIVERSITY MAKES ELIMINATING *ALL* IMPORTS UNREALISTIC.... BUT THE STORE IS HAPPY TO INCREASE ITS AMERICAN-MADE FURNITURE.

March 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE MICHIGAN STATE POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR TROOPER RECRUITS. THE RECRUIT SCHOOL IS SLATED TO START IN JUNE AND THE M-S-P IS HOPING TO FIND 150 PEOPLE TO TAKE PART.YOU MUST BE AT LEAST 21-YEARS-OLD BY GRADUATION OF RECRUIT SCHOOL.YOU ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA.. BUT THE STATE POLICE ARE ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR APPLICANTS WHO ARE COLLEGE GRADUATES AND MILITARY VETERANS.

March 28, 2014 5:00-6:00pm

Time :30

B-P IS RAISING THEIR ESTIMATE OF THE AMOUNT OF CRUDE OIL THAT SPILLED INTO LAKE MICHIGAN DURING A MALFUNCTION AT ITS INDIANA REFINERY.

B-P SAID A PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE SHOWS BETWEEN 15 AND 39 BARRELS OF OIL HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. THAT'S BETWEEN 630 AND 16-HUNDRED GALLONS. THE NEW FIGURE IS UP FROM B-P'S INITIAL ESTIMATE THAT NINE TO 18 BARRELS OF OIL ENTERED THE LAKE MONDAY. THE E-P-A AND THE COAST GUARD ARE OVERSEEING CLEANUP WORK.

March 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES APPROVED A PLAN THAT WILL ALLOW THE PAVILLIONS TO MOVE INTO THE COUNTY'S FORMER HEALTH FACILITY. THE 20-YEAR LEASING AGREEMENT WILL TURN THE BUILDING INTO A SENIOR DAYCARE PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM COULD BE UP AND RUNNING WITHIN THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

March 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR: SPRING BREAK. THE KIDS ARE OUT OF SCHOOL AND MANY FAMILIES ARE TRADING NORTHERN MICHIGAN'S COLD FOR WARM VACATION. 7&4'S JAMIE INNIS JOINS US LIVE FROM CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT.

March 31, 2014

11:00-11:35pm Time :30

TRAVERSE CITY COMMISSIONERS ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO WITH SOME EXTRA MONEY WHEN IT COMES TO NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET.DECISIONS REGARDING THE BUDGET NEED TO BE CEMENTED NEAR THE END OF MAY. SO TONIGHT... COMMISSIONERS MET IN A STUDY SESSION TO GIVE FEEDBACK TO CITY STAFF AS TO WHERE THEY SHOULD FOCUS THEIR ATTENTION. EXPANDING ROAD AND SIDEWALK REPAIRS IS AT THE TOP OF THE LIST... BUT COMMISSIONER JIM CARRUTHERS SAYS THERE ARE MORE ISSUES ON THE TABLE.

March 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :

BATA IS TALKING ABOUT CHANGING ITS CITY LOOP ROUTES.... *BUT THEY WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK FIRST. STOPS FOR ALL CITY LOOP ROUTES WILL BE LOOKED AT BY BATA -- TO HELP MAKE SERVICE MORE EFFICIENT.WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE PUBLIC -- BATA HOPES TO FIND OUT WHERE FOLKS THINK ROUTE STOPS SHOULD BE.

March 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

THE CLOCK IS TICKING FOR A SMALL MANISTEE COUNTY BUSINESS WHO'S PARKING LOT HAS BECOME THE CENTER PIECE OF A PROPERTY DISPUTE WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. M-DOT SAYS.... THAT PART OF THE PARKING LOT AND WHAT'S ON IT.... ARE A HAZARD TO DRIVERS ...AND THEY'VE TAKEN THE BUSINESS TO COURT TO SETTLE THE ISSUE.

March 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS ACROSS MICHIGAN ARE KEEPING A CLOSE EYE ON THEIR BUDGETS -- AS THEY BRACE FOR CUTS. AT LEAST 54 PERCENT OF THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET WILL BE CUT -- AND THE IMPACT COULD SPREAD TO THOSE WHO USE THE PROGRAM. TODAY I MET WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE NORTHERN LAKES COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM -- WHO IS LOOKING FOR WAYS TO KEEP THE SAME LEVEL OF SERVICE -- WITH LESS MONEY.

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

HEALTH

(Includes exercise, dieting, disease prevention, as well as new treatment options)

Local News

January 4, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT CAME CONFUSION FOR SOME PEOPLE -- SINCE CONGRESS FIRST PASSED THE LAW IN 20-10.AND THAT SEEMS TO REMAIN TRUE IN 20-14. KRISTINE FRAZAO LOOKS INTO THE FUTURE OF THE PROGRAM.

January 6, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

THE COLD WEATHER KEEPS A LOT OF PEOPLE INSIDE... BUT THERE ARE PLENTY OF PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO BRAVE FRIGID TEMPS.WE WANT TO KNOW HOW PEOPLE ARE HANDLING THE COLD. 7&4'S JAMIE INNIS JOINS US LIVE IN LEELANAU COUNTY.

January 7, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A TRAVERSE CITY-AREA WOMAN IS HOPING TO BRING HELP TO OUR VETERANS...SUFFERING WITH POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER. *CHRISTINE STALSONBURG* IS PUSHING TO OPEN THE *RYAN PATRICK KENNEDY HOUSE*... A HOLISTIC-BASED, NO FEE SERVICE TO HELP VETERANS COPE WITH PTSD. SHE IS CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF SECURING A SPOT FOR THE FACILITIES.... BUT RECENTLY PUT TOGETHER A BOARD OF DIRECTORS. CHRISTINE HAS *TWO* SONS WHO SUFFER FROM P-T-S-D.... AND TALKED TO 7&4 NEWS ABOUT WHAT THIS PROJECT MEANS TO HER.

January 8, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TO HELP CUSTOMERS TRANSITION TO THEIR NEW HEALTHCARE PLANS WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT.. BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD CENTERS STATEWIDE ARE EXTENDING THEIR HOURS.11 WALK IN CENTERS -- INCLUDING THE TRAVERSE CITY LOCATION -- WILL BE OPEN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 8-30 TO 6 AND SATURDAY FROM 8-30 TO 12-30 UNTIL JANUARY 31.ANYONE WHO NEEDS HELP CONFIRMING THEIR NEW HEALTH PLAN ENROLLMENT AND PREMIUM ACCOUNTS, MAKING PAYMENTS, OR HAVE OTHER COSTUMER SERVICE QUESTIONS CAN STOP IN FOR ASSISTANCE.

January 8, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

LOW TEMPERATURES AND HEAVY SNOW ARE CAUSING A MAJOR NEED FOR DONORS AT MICHIGAN BLOOD WHILE BLOOD IS ALWAYS NEEDED.. WINTER WEATHER TENDS TO BE THE CAUSE OF MORE CAR ACCIDENTS... INCREASING THE NEED OF DONATIONS. WITH THE ENTIRE MIDWEST BEING HIT HARD BY SNOW AND ICE... BLOOD DONATIONS ARE LOW ACROSS THE AREA.

January 8, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time ·30

ACCORDING TO THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES -- HEALTH CARE SPENDING IN THE UNITED STATES HAS SLOWED OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS. THEY ATTRIBUTE IT TO A WEAK ECONOMY -- NOT SO MUCH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. SO -- HOW WELL WILL THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT CONTAIN MEDICAL COSTS? HERE'S NATIONAL CORRESPONDENT KRISTINE FRAZAO

January 10, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

DOCTORS ACROSS THE COUNTRY ARE TALKING ABOUT THE DREADED *H1N1* FLU STRAIN -- ALSO KNOWN AS *SWINE FLU* -- AND HOW IT'S SHOWING UP IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN. THIS YEAR DOCTORS SAY IT'S SIGNIFICANT BECAUSE IT'S TAKING A TOLL ON PEOPLE WHO ARE YOUNG AND HEALTHY. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH HEALTH OFFICIALS IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY TODAY AND HAS THE DETAILS. SHE JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO -- MEGHAN?

January 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

THE CLOCK IS TICKING ON A DEADLINE SET FOR *TOMORROW* FOR HUNDRED'S OF VICTIMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY -- AND HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN -- TO FILE CLAIMS AGAINST THE COMPANY THAT DISTRIBUTED TAINTED STEROIDS BACK IN 20-12. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH ATTORNEY'S REPRESENTING DOZENS OF CLIENTS -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH THE UPDATE ON THE CASE.

January 16, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WITH FLU SEASON WELL UNDERWAY -- AND NEW DEATHS REPORTED NEAR GRAND RAPIDS TODAY -- HEALTH OFFICIALS IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN ARE URGING EVERYONE TO GET THEIR FLU VACCINE.WE SPOKE WITH THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. WHO SAYS ALTHOUGH WE HAVEN'T HAD ANY DEATHS REPORTED IN OUR AREA... H-1-N-1 FLU CASES WILL MOST LIKELY INCREASE IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

January 21, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IN YOUR HEALTH MATTERS TONIGHT, MUNSON MEDICAL CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY IS EXPANDING THEIR OUTPATIENT SERVICES... TO INCLUDE MORE NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITIES. THESE WALK-IN CLINICS WILL FOCUS ON PROVIDING AFFORDABLE OUTPATIENT SERVICES LIKE LAB WORK.. RADIOLOGY.. AND PHYSICAL THERAPY. THE CLINICS WILL SERVE GRAND TRAVERSE.. BENZIE.. LEELANAU.. AND SOON ANTRIM COUNTIES. MUNSON'S VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS SAYS THEY ARE GLAD TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE MUNSON CARE CLOSER.. AND MORE CONVENIENTLY TO PATIENTS.

January 23, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

VETERINARIANS ACROSS THE COUNTRY NOW HAVE A WAY TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF THEIR PATIENTS BY USING A TOOL TO COMBAT OSTEO-ARTHRITIS. THE TECHNIQUE IS CALLED *ADIPOSE DERIVED STEM CELL THERAPY* AND BASICALLY ALLOWS DOCTORS TO TAKE CELLS FROM ONE PART OF AN ANIMAL, TO HELP REPAIR ANOTHER. TODAY...ONE DOG MADE HISTORY, AND BECAME THE FIRST IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN TO RECEIVE THE TREATMENT

January 23, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

FOLKS IN NEED OF DENTAL CARE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN WILL ONCE AGAIN BE OFFERED FREE SERVICE... THANKS TO THREE DENTISTS IN THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA.FOR THE 16-TH YEAR IN A ROW.. *DOCTORS WITH A HEART* WILL PROVIDE SERVICES TO PEOPLE WHO CAN'T PAY FOR BASIC DENTAL CARE.PEOPLE WHO ATTEND CAN RECEIVE DENTAL CLEANING.. FILLINGS.. OR TOOTH EXTRACTIONS.

January 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

THE ROADS HAVE CERTAINLY BEEN A CHALLENGE THIS WINTER.... BUT A FEW LOCAL UNSUNG HEROES *MUST* DRIVE THEM EVERY DAY.... OFTEN LONG DISTANCES. THE COURIER STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS FOR *MICHIGAN BLOOD* TRANSPORT DONATIONS TO AND FROM *GRAND RAPIDS* SIX DAYS A WEEK. THEY ALSO TRANSPORT DONATIONS FROM MOBILE BLOOD DRIVES THROUGHOUT NORTHERN MICHIGAN... ABOUT TWENTY-FIVE TIMES PER MONTH. MANAGEMENT AT MICHIGAN BLOOD SAY THAT THERE ARE *NO* WEATHER CANCELLATIONS IN THEIR BUSINESS.

January 29, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NORTHERN MICHIGAN RESIDENTS WITHOUT INSURANCE WERE STILL ABLE TO GET THEIR TEETH TAKEN CARE OF TODAY... FREE OF CHARGE!THE 16TH ANNUAL DOCTORS WITH A HEART TOOK PLACE TODAY AT DEERHAVEN FAMILY DENTISTRY IN TRAVERSE CITY.THANKS TO 3 DENTISTS WHO WANTED A WAY TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY... PEOPLE UNABLE TO PAY FOR BASIC DENTAL CARE COULD RECEIVE A CLEANING, FILLINGS, OR EXTRACTIONS AT NO COST.PEOPLE BEGAN LINING UP AT 5-30 THIS MORNING.

February 4, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IF YOU LIVE IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY.... YOU CAN TELL COUNTY LEADERS WHAT PROGRAMS YOU WANT TO SEE IN THE AREA.THE SURVEY WAS PUT ONLINE BACK IN NOVEMBER BY THE PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT....BUT RESPONSES WERE SLOW AT FIRST YOU CAN STILL GIVE YOUR FEEDBACK ABOUT YOUR INTEREST IN PROGRAMS FOR KIDS.... ADULTS, FAMILIES, AND MORE.

February 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ACCORDING TO THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION... 70 PERCENT OF PEOPLE IN THE U-S DON'T KNOW C-P-R OR HAVE FORGOTTEN HOW TO DO IT.IN AN EFFORT TO HELP LOWER THAT NUMBER... T-V 7&4 TEAMED UP WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS TO SHOW YOU WHAT IT TAKES TO SAVE A LIFE.WE'RE JOINED NOW BY SOMEONE WHO HAS LIVED THE SCENARIO... TINA MIKULEWICZ.

February 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A CADILLAC ORGANIZATION IS REACHING OUT TO PHYSICIANS WHO CAN VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME -- AS THEIR SERVICES ARE IN SHORT SUPPLY.THE {STAY-HOWER} STEHOUWER FREE CLINIC PROVIDES HEALTH CARE AND PRESCRIPTIONS FOR THOUSANDS OF UNDER-INSURED PEOPLE ACROSS NORTHERN MICHIGAN. THE CLINIC IS CONCERNED THAT PATIENT'S NEEDS ARE NOT GOING TO BE MET IF HELP IS NOT FOUND.THE CLINIC SAW MORE THAN SIX THOUSAND INDIVIDUAL VISITS LAST YEAR -- AND SERVE TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE ON A REGULAR BASIS.THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS LOOKING FOR SIX ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEER PHYSICIANS -- ON TOP OF THREE PHYSICIANS WHO REGULARLY TREAT PATIENTS.

February 18, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

<u>Time</u> :30

IN YOUR HEALTH MATTERS TONIGHT..MUNSON MEDICAL CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY IS DOING MORE FOR PATIENTS WHO SUFFER FROM HEART PROBLEMS... ESPECIALLY HEART ATTACKS.ITS CALLED THE IMPELLA PUMP... A DEVICE INSERTED INTO HEART MUSCLES THAT HAVE GOTTEN WEAK.THE DEVICE SUPPORTS THE HEART AND HELPS IT PUMP -- WHILE BUYING DOCTORS SOME TIME TO FIX WHATEVER IS CAUSING THE HEART PROBLEMS.

March 4, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IN YOUR HEALTH MATTERS TONIGHT..MUNSON MEDICAL CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY HAS PARTNERED WITH KOHLS TO HELP TEACH AREA CHILDREN ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF WEARING A HELMET DURING THE WINTER.IT'S CALLED THE *CHILL OUT FOR WINTER SAFETY PROGRAM*. INJURY PREVENTION EDUCATOR JENNIFER RITTER SAYS.... SHE'S SEEN THE SUCCESS OF THE PROGRAM WITH CHILDREN... AND OTHER STATES HAVE EVEN ADOPTED THIS PROGRAM FROM MICHIGAN.

March 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

LAST WEEK... A MICHIGAN ADVISORY PANEL VOTED TO PUT P-T-S-D ON THE LIST OF MEDICAL CONDITIONS THAT CAN BE TREATED WITH MARIJUANA.AND A FINAL DECISION COULD BE MADE SOON.7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH MEDICAL MARIJUANA SUPPORTERS AND THOSE WHO QUESTION THE MOVEMENT....

March 18, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IN YOUR HEALTH MATTERS TONIGHT...A NEW MACHINE AT *KALKASKA MEMORIAL HEALTH CENTER* IS MAKING IT EASIER AND SAFER FOR PATIENTS TO GET C-T SCANS.THIS NEW *TOSHIBA C-T SCANNER* GIVES A HIGHER QUALITY IMAGE WITH HALF THE RADIATION THAN OLD MACHINES.EACH SCAN TAKES JUST A FEW MINUTES... AND THE MACHINE IS A FOOT WIDER -- MAKING FOR IT FASTER AND MORE COMFORTABLE. SCANS TAKEN AT KALKASKA MEMORIAL HEALTH CENTER ARE IMMEDIATELY READ BY RADIOLOGISTS AT MUNSON MEDICAL CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY.

March 18, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A CASE OF WHOOPING COUGH HAS BEEN CONFIRMED IN ANTRIM COUNTY. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF NORTHWEST MICHIGAN HAS MAILED LETTERS TO THE PARENTS AT THE AFFECTED SCHOOL -- RECOMMENDING THAT THEIR CHILDREN BE TREATED WITH AN ANTIBIOTIC.WHOOPING COUGH IS HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS AND IS SPREAD BY COUGHING AND SNEEZING.THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAYS EVERYONE SHOULD GET A WHOPPING COUGH VACCINATION.

March 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY IS LOOKING FOR PUBLIC FEEDBACK ON A PROPOSED MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT THAT COULD PROVIDE A MAJOR FACELIFT TO THEIR DOWNTOWN. GAYLORD'S CITY COUNCIL IS MEETING TONIGHT TO DISCUSS THIS PLAN.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT WHAT CHANGES MIGHT BE ON THE WAY AND WHY RESIDENTS HAVE MIXED FEELINGS ABOUT THE PLAN. HE JOINS US IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE

March 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE MACKINAC STRAITS HEALTH SYSTEM BECOMES THE THIRD NORTHERN MICHIGAN HOSPITAL IN THE LAST FOUR WEEKS TO ANNOUNCE LAYOFFS AND CUTS TO BALANCE THEIR BUDGET. THE HOSPITAL'S C-E-O SAYS THESE MOVES ARE NECESSARY TO KEEP UP WITH STATE AND FEDERAL HEALTH CARE REFORM STANDARDS. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT WHAT THESE CUTS WILL MEAN FOR PATIENTS.. HE HAS THE DETAILS.

March 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A NEW REPORT FOUND THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH AN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER IS RISING. THE C-D-C REPORT FOUND MOST CHILDREN ARE DIAGNOSED AFTER AGE 4... ALTHOUGH IT CAN BE IDENTIFIED MUCH SOONER. THE NEW REPORT ALSO FOUND AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH HIGHER INTELLECTUAL ABILITIES.. IDENTIFIED AS HAVING AUTISM.

March 30, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE NORTHERN MICHIGAN SNOWMOBILE SEASON OFFICIALLY WRAPS UP TOMORROW -- AS PRIVATE PROPERTY TRAIL PERMITS EXPIRE AND GROOMING STOPS -- BUT IT'S BEEN A SEASON TO REMEMBER. THE BENZIE-MANISTEE SNOWBIRDS CLUB SAYS TRAFFIC HAS BEEN HEAVY IN THE FINAL WEEKEND -- AS SNOWMOBILERS GET OUT FOR THEIR LAST RIDES OF THE SEASON. TRAIL GROOMERS SAY BUSINESSES ALONG LOCAL SNOWMOBILE TRAILS HAVE HAD A MAJOR BOOST THIS WINTER -- WITH PRIME SNOWMOBILING CONDITIONS FROM THE BEGINNING OF DECEMBER RIGHT UP TO TODAY.

March 31, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

AT THE TOP OF THE HOUR... THE DOOR WILL CLOSE TO THE *ONLINE MARKETPLACE* TO PURCHASE HEALTH INSURANCE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT.ON DEADLINE DAY.. LONG LINES OF PEOPLE TRYING TO GET HELP SIGNING UP WERE COMMON ACROSS THE U-S.MOST PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE AFTER TODAY.... WILL FACE A TAX PENALTY. SO FAR... SIX MILLION PEOPLE HAVE SIGNED UP FOR A GOVERNMENT PLAN -- SOMETHING HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SECRETARY KATHLEEN SEBELIUS IS VERY PROUD OF.

March 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

LONG BEFORE TODAY'S DEADLINE... INSURERS WERE BUSY CALCULATING WHAT THEY'LL NEED TO CHARGE FOR HEALTHCARE IN 2015... AND ALL SIGNS POINT TO COSTS SKY ROCKETING.DESPITE CLAIMS THAT THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT WOULD KEEP COSTS DOWN... OUR NATIONAL CORRESPONDENT KRISTINE FRAZAO FOUND THAT MAY NOT BE THE CASE.

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

EDUCATION

(including education standards, school safety, and alternative schools)

Local News

January 8, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TEACHERS.. STUDENTS.. AND PARENTS AT WESTWOODS ELEMENTARY GOT AN AMAZING SURPRISE THIS AFTERNOON FROM CHRYSLER.BILL MARSH CHRYSLER IN TRAVERSE CITY PRESENTED WESTWOODS WITH A FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK.

IN SEPTEMBER -- WESTWOODS PARTICIPATED IN THE ''DRIVE FOR THE KIDS'' PROGRAM - A FUNDRAISER THROUGH CHRYSLER WHERE SCHOOLS RECEIVE A DONATION WHEN SOMEONE TEST DRIVES A MINIVAN.THE SCHOOL CAME OUT TOP IN THE REGION - EARNING THEM THE 5-GRAND BONUS -- AND AN AFTER SCHOOL CELEBRATION.

January 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE IS HOPING TO PROVIDE THE COUNTRY WITH NEW FACES TO FILL THE HIGH DEMAND IN PHOTONICS JOBS-THE STUDY OF LIGHT AND LASERS.THE COLLEGE WAS GIVEN A GRANT THAT WILL HELP THEM EXPAND AND PROMOTE THEIR PROGRAM TO AREA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH ONE OF THE PROFESSORS BEHIND THE PROGRAM -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.

January 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE TRAVERSE BAY "GREAT START COLLABORATIVE" WILL BE EXPANDING THIS YEAR... THANKS TO A DONATION FROM CONSUMERS ENERGY.A CHECK FOR 40-THOUSAND DOLLARS WAS PRESENTED TO THE PROGRAM TODAY.7&4 NEWS IS TOLD THE MONEY WILL GO TOWARD CREATING AN ARCHITECTURAL PLAN FOR A NEW EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER.... WHICH IS PART OF THE GROUP'S "5-TO-ONE PROJECT."THE PROJECT HELPS FAMILIES WITH KIDS IN PRE-SCHOOL GET THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO HELP THEIR KIDS.

January 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AT THE HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL -- IT'S HARD ENOUGH WINNING ONE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN ANY COMPETITION. TO MANY THREE IN A ROW -- SEEMS LIKE AN UNREACHABLE FEAT -- UNLESS OF COURSE YOU ARE THE PETOSKEY DEBATE TEAM. OVER THE WEEKEND THIS TEAM OF DEBATERS WON THEIR THIRD STRAIGHT STATE CHAMPIONSHIP. ENTERING THE COMPETITION -- THE VARSITY TEAM WAS UNDEFEATED AND BEAT A NUMBER OF SCHOOLS AROUND THE STATE TO DEFEND THEIR TITLE. THESE DECORATED STUDENTS SAY THE KEY TO WINNING AGAIN HAS BEEN MONTHS OF PRACTICE.

January 15, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IT'S SOMETHING WE DEAL WITH EVERY WINTER HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN -- SNOW AND ICE COVERED ROADS -- BUT THIS RECENT *BLAST* OF WINTER WEATHER HAS LED TO SEVERAL ACCIDENTS INVOLVING SCHOOL BUSES.IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER -- WE WANTED TO KNOW *WHAT* PROTOCOL NORTHERN MICHIGAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOLLOW WHEN IT COMES TO CRASHES INVOLVING STUDENTS.

7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY SPENT THE DAY TALKING WITH SCHOOL LEADERS -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH MORE.

January 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE GOVERNOR SPENT TIME GOING OVER K-12 EDUCATION -- TALKING ABOUT NEEDING TO IMPROVE SECURITY, BEEFING UP *STEM* EDUCATION, AS WELL AS TEACHER EVALUATIONS. HE ALSO STATED THAT SINCE HE TOOK OFFICE, THERE'S BEEN A 660-DOLLAR INCREASE IN FUNDING PER STUDENT. ABOUT HALF OF THAT TOTAL SUM - OR NEARLY ONE-BILLION DOLLARS WAS INVESTED IN EMPLOYEE PENSION PLANS - SO SCHOOLS CAN PUT THEIR OWN FUNDS INTO CLASSROOMS. WE SPOKE TO SCHOOLS HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN... THEY SAY, THEY STILL NEED PLENTY OF HELP.

January 22, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE COLD WEATHER ALSO IMPACTED VANDERBILT SCHOOLS - WHICH CANCELLED CLASS TODAY. THE OTSEGO COUNTY SCHOOL WAS FORCED TO CLOSE AFTER A BUS STOPPED RUNNING THIS MORNING. THE TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR SAYS THE GAS IN THE LINES HAD FROZEN... AND THE BACK-UP BUS WAS IN THE SHOP WITH THE SAME PROBLEM. SCHOOL LEADERS... SAY THE KIDS SHOULDN'T GET TOO HOPEFULL FOR ANOTHER DAY OFF TOMORROW... BECAUSE THEY'RE MAKING SURE THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN AGAIN.

January 23, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ONE LOCAL SCHOOL IS THE ONLY ONE IN MICHIGAN TO MAKE THE LIST FOR HIGH STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES.LELAND PUBLIC SCHOOL IS ONE OF THE TOP 25 SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY FOR HIGH S-A-T AND A-C-T SCORES ACCORDING TO SCHOOL ANALYSIS SITE NICHE. THE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDANT SAID LELAND'S AVERAGE A-C-T SCORE IS AROUND 24, WITH MANY STUDENTS SCROING IN THE HIGH TWENTIES.SCHOOL OFFICIALS ARE EXCITED ABOUT THE RECOGNITION - NOTING THAT THE LIST IS FULL OF MANY HIGHLY REGARDED SCHOOLS - AND FEEL IT WELL REPRESENTS THE MANY KIDS FROM LELAND THAT ATTEND COLLEGE.

January 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE TCAPS BOARD OF EDUCATION WILL HEAR FROM 13 PEOPLE TONIGHT... ALL INTERESTED IN FILLING A VACANT SEAT ON THE BOARD.TCAPS IS LOOKING TO REPLACE MARJORIE RICH... WHO RESIGNED ON THE FIRST OF THIS MONTH. THE BOARD IS EXPECTED TO MAKE A FINAL DECISION ON AN INTERIM BOARD MEMBER AT TONIGHT'S MEETING.

January 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

BOARD MEMBERS AT N-M-C ARE NOW ONE STEP CLOSER TO HAVING THEIR MEETINGS RECORDED... AND MADE AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO ACCESS THEM ONLINE. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD A MEETING TO PUT THE PLANS IN MOTION.BOARD MEMBERS SAY THE COLLEGE ALREADY HAS MOST OF THE TECHNOLOGY TO DO THIS -- BUT THE COMMITTEE STILL NEEDS TO SORT OUT THE DETAILS. IF APPROVED -- PEOPLE WOULD BE ABLE TO GO ON TO NMC'S WEBSITE AND HAVE ACCESS TO THE BOARD MEETINGS FROM THE PAST TWO YEARS.

January 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE T-CAPS BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS A NEW MEMBER AT THE HEAD TABLE. AFTER HEARING FROM 13 CANDIDATES -- DORIS ELLERY WAS CHOSEN LAST NIGHT AS AN INTERIM BOARD MEMBER. ELLERY AND HER HUSBAND HAVE A DAUGHTER AT WEST SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL. ELLERY REPLACES MARJORIE RICH - WHO RESIGNED ON THE FIRST OF THIS MONTH.

January 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THIS HARSH WINTER IS FORCING SCHOOLS TO CLOSE THEIR DOORS TO KEEP THEIR STUDENTS SAFE. BUT IT'S ALSO RACKING UP THE NUMBER OF SNOW DAYS -- AND SOME SCHOOLS ARE ALREADY MAKING PLANS FOR HOW THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE THEM UP. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH SOME NORTHERN MICHIGAN SUPERINTENDENTS --

January 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

NORTHWEST MICHIGAN'S GREAT LAKES ACADEMY FOUND OUT THIS WEEK THAT THEY WILL BE RECEIVING A 1-MILLION DOLLAR GRANT. THE GRANT COMES FROM A HERITAGE ACT THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT WAS EVENLY DISTRIBUTED TO MARITIME ACADEMIES ACROSS THE NATION. OFFICIALS SAY THAT THE GRANT IS FUNDED THROUGH A PERCENTAGE OF MONEY FROM OLD SHIPS THAT ARE SCRAPPED FOR THEIR METAL. LEADERS AT THE GREAT LAKES ACADEMY PLAN TO USE THE MONEY TO BETTER EDUCATE THEIR 200 STUDENTS -- AND FOR OTHER SPECIAL PROJECTS.

February 5, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE GOVERNOR'S PLAN WOULD INCREASE FUNDING BY AN AVERAGE OF 100 DOLLARS PER STUDENT IN 2015. AND WHILE THIS EXTRA MONEY WILL HELP SCHOOLS BALANCE THE BUDGET -- MANY BELIEVE IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO ADDRESS LONG TERM PROBLEMS. HOWEVER ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN SCHOOL -- HAS ACHIEVED ACADEMIC EXCELLANCE-DESPITE BEING ONE OF THE LOWEST FUNDED SCHOOLS IN THE STATE 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS VISITED THE CRAWFORD AU-SABLE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO LEARN HOW THEY DID IT. HE JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

February 5, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AFTER THE STABBING AT THE ON-CAMPUS APARTMENT -- WE'RE DIGGING DEEPER... TO SEE HOW SAFE STUDENTS FEEL ON CAMPUS.7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI JOINS US LIVE FROM N-M-C'S CAMPUS -- AND HAS THE DETAILS ON WHAT SHE FOUND OUT IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.MEGHAN?

February 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SCHOOL VIOLENCE IS ON PEOPLE'S MINDS *NOW*...MORE THAN EVER IN THE LAST TEN YEARS...THERE HAVE BEEN *111* SCHOOL SHOOTINGS IN THE U-S. SIX WERE IN MICHIGAN....AND 12 HAPPENED THIS YEAR ALONE.

February 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN STUDENT RECEIVED A WELL DESERVED CELEBRATION TODAY. CENTRAL LAKE SENIOR GEORGE THAYER IS THE FIRST STUDENT IN SCHOOL HISTORY TO BE SELECTED TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY AT WEST POINT... AND HIS SCHOOL HELD AN ASSEMBLY THIS AFTERNOON TO CONGRATULATE HIM.GEORGE WAS NOMINATED BY CONGRESSMAN DAN BENISHEK. THE PRINCIPAL AND SUPERINTENDENT SPOKE ABOUT GEORGE -- AND EVERY STUDENT LINED UP TO CONGRATULATE HIM.

February 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WILL NOW OFFER HELICOPTER TRAINING LESSONS.THE TRAINING IS THROUGH T-C HELICOPTERS AND N-M-C'S AVIATION PROGRAM... AND WILL MAKE THE COLLEGE ONE OF THE FEW HELICOPTER SCHOOLS IN THE MIDWEST.FIVE STUDENTS HAVE JUST STARTED TRAINING... AND N-M-C SAYS THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENT PILOTS TO GET EXTRA EXPERIENCE... EVEN IF THEY AREN'T LOOKING TO GET A DEGREE.

February 7, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

HUNDREDS OF *MICHIGAN COLLEGE GOAL VOLUNTEERS* WILL SPREAD OUT TO MORE THAN 30 LOCATIONS STATEWIDE THIS WEEKEND... TO HELP COLLEGE-BOUND STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES COMPLETE THEIR FAF-SA APPLICATIONS. VOLUNTEERS WILL BE HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN SUNDAY FROM 2 TO 4 AT BOYNE CITY HIGH SCHOOL.. BAKER COLLEGE IN CADILLAC.. HARBOR SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL. AND SAULT SAINTE MARIE HIGH SCHOOL.FOR A FULL LIST OF LOCATIONS STATEWIDE.. YOU CAN HEAD TO OUR WEBSITE UP NORTH LIVE DOT COM.

February 7, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IS DEALING WITH A COUPLE OF PROBLEMS WHEN IT COMES TO WHAT DRIVERS NEED TO KNOW WHEN THEY ARE SHARING THE ROAD WITH SCHOOL BUSES.SOME DRIVERS DON'T PASS WHEN THEY SHOULD -- AND OTHERS ARE PASSING WHEN THEY SHOULDN'T.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY HAS THE MESSAGE THAT SCHOOL OFFICIALS -- AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.... WANT DRIVERS TO HEAR.

February 9, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IF YOU'RE CONSIDERING GOING TO COLLEGE, BUT NOT SURE IF YOU CAN AFFORD IT -- THEN BAKER COLLEGE IN CADILLAC WAS THE PLACE TO BE THIS AFTERNOON. BAKER HOSTED *COLLEGE GOAL DAY* -- ALLOWING STUDENTS CONSIDERING APPLYING TO *ANY* COLLEGE TO COME COMPLETE THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID. VOLUNTEERS WERE ON-HAND TO WALK THEM THROUGH THE PROCESS.MICHIGAN'S COLLEGE GOAL DAY HELPED IT BECOME THE FIRST STATE IN THE COUNTRY DURING THE LAST DECADE TO *INCREASE* THE PERCENTAGE OF LOW-INCOME STUDENTS SEEKING FINANCIAL AID.

February 10, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SCHOOL LEADERS WILL BE MEETING IN SUTTONS BAY TO DISCUSS FILLING THEIR SUPERINTENDENT POSITION... AS WELL AS BUDGET CONCERNS..TONIGHT'S MEETING WILL LOOK AT REPLACING LONG TIME SUPERINTENDENT MICHAEL MURRAY.. WHO ANNOUNCED HIS RETIREMENT EARLY THIS YEAR.MURRAY HAS SERVED AS SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE PAST 7 YEARS.

February 10, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION IS MEETING TONIGHT.. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF CLOSING A SCHOOL.NO DECISIONS ARE EXPECTED TONIGHT.. BUT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE CLOSING OF INTERLOCHEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS.7&4 WILL BE AT TONIGHT'S MEETING.. AND HAVE THE DETAILS TONIGHT AFTER THE OLYMPICS.

February 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

STUDENTS AT BOYNE FALLS SCHOOLS GOT THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TODAY... TO EXPERIENCE LIFE AFTER GRADUATION. SEVENTH THROUGH ELEVENTH GRADERS WERE PUT THROUGH A POST GRAD SIMULATION. THEY WERE GIVEN A CAREER AND ASKED TO MAKE LIFE CHOICES HAVING TO DO WITH HOUSING AND FAMILY LIFE. EACH STUDENT WAS GIVEN A SALARY... AND HAD TO DEAL WITH PAYING BILLS AND A NUMBER OF REAL LIFE SITUATIONS.

February 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TEACHERS AND LEADERS FROM TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS COULD BE ONE STEP CLOSER TO REACHING AN AGREEMENT ON THEIR TEACHER CONTRACTS. THE TWO GROUPS WERE IN A MEETING ALL DAY TODAY... DISCUSSING CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN UP IN THE AIR SINCE LAST SPRING. A STATE APPOINTED FACT-FINDER WAS BROUGHT IN TO LISTEN TO BOTH SIDES. TCAPS LEADERS SAY THAT IN ABOUT 60-DAYS.. THE FACT FINDER WILL GIVE HIS OPINION.. WHICH WOULD HELP THE DISTRICT COME CLOSER TO AN AGREEMENT.

February 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE ELK RAPIDS SCHOOL DISTRICT IS HOPING VOTERS PASS A BOND PROPOSAL TOMORROW... THAT WILL COVER SECURITY UPGRADES... A NEW GYM... AND FACILITY AND TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS.THE ALMOST *TEN-POINT-NINE MILLION DOLLAR* BOND IS EXPECTED TO COST THE AVERAGE TAXPAYER *83-DOLLARS* PER YEAR.IT WAS PUT ON THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER AND LOST BY A VERY SLIM MARGIN... WHICH IS WHY SCHOOL LEADERS PUT IT ON THE BALLOT AGAIN.

February 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MANTON SCHOOLS WILL ALSO HAVE A PROPOSAL ON THE BALLOT TOMORROW...
HOPING TO EXTEND THEIR CURRENT MILLAGE FOR AN EXTRA *FIVE* YEARS.
THE *FOUR-POINT-FOUR-FIVE MILLION DOLLAR* BOND WILL *NOT* INCREASE
TAXES FOR MANTON RESIDENTS.... BUT KEEP RATES WHERE THEY ARE NOW.
WITH THE MONEY... MANTON SCHOOLS WILL FOCUS ON SECURITY AND TECHNOLOGY
UPGRADES... AND FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS LIKE A NEW ROOF.

February 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SCHOOL LEADERS IN ELK RAPIDS SAY THEY ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO NEXT -- AFTER VOTERS TURNED DOWN A MORE THAN 10-MILLION DOLLAR MILLAGE WE'RE TOLD THE MONEY WAS GOING TO BE USED FOR SECURITY UPGRADES -- BUILDING AND TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES.

February 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A SCHOOL-BASED COUNTY HEALTH CLINIC THAT PROVIDES AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE TO HUNDREDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE -- HAS EXPANDED TO BETTER SERVE THEIR PATIENTS. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI GOT A LOOK INSIDE THE WEXFORD ADOLESCENT WELLNESS CENTER -- AND HAS THE DETAILS ON THEIR SERVICES.

March 1, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NORTHERN MICHIGAN KIDS WERE CHALLENGED TO PUT THEIR *CREATIVITY* TO THE TEST TODAY -- IN THE ANNUAL *ODYSSEY OF THE MIND* TOURNAMENT.

THE COMPETITION ALLOWS KIDS TO TEAM UP IN AN EFFORT TO SOLVE DIFFERENT TYPES OF PROBLEMS IN A UNIQUE WAY -- THROUGH A SKIT.CONTESTANTS ARE GIVEN SOME PROBLEMS IN THE FALL AND MUST COLLABORATE TO SOLVE THEM CREATIVELY -- BUT THEY ALSO FACE SPONTANEOUS CHALLENGES AT THE EVENT.

March 1, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IMAGINE SLEEPING OUTSIDE -- SURROUNDED BY SNOW -- WITH THIS BRUTAL WINTER WE'VE EXPERIENCED.AS COLD AS YOU MAY FEEL RIGHT NOW -- THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT SOME LOCAL BOY SCOUTS ARE DOING.THE SCOUTS SPENT TODAY BUILDING IGLOOS -- AND WILL SPEND THE NIGHT *SLEEPING* IN THOSE IGLOOS

TONIGHT.THEY CALL THE CHALLENGE *THE POLAR BEAR* -- HELD EACH YEAR AT *CAMP KELLOGG* IN KALKASKA.

March 3, 2014 6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MOST SCHOOLS WERE CLOSED ON FRIDAY WHEN WE HAD THE FIRST ROUND OF BITTER COLD TEMPRATURES- BUT TODAY MOST WERE OPEN. THAT PROMPTED US TO FIND OUT HOW DISTRICTS MAKE THEIR DECISIONS TO CANCEL SCHOOL -- AND IF THERE ARE ANY STATE GUIDELINES THEY FOLLOW?7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH WHAT SHE FOUND OUT MEGHAN WHAT CAN YOU TELL US?

March 5, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATORS ARE HOLDING A SPECIAL MEETING THIS FRIDAY TO DISCUSS OPTIONS THEY HAVE WITH THE STATE AFTER SOME ALLEGED CAMPAIGN VIOLATIONS. THIS CENTERS AROUND A BOND MILLAGE PROPOSAL ON THE NOVEMBER 20-12 BALLOT.7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI DID SOME DIGGING ON THIS STORY -- AND HAS MORE ON HOW THE DISTRICT PLANS TO TAKE ACTION.

March 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE EVER GROWING AVIATION PROGRAM AT NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE SOARED EVEN HIGHER TODAY.. AFTER THE SIGNING A PIPELINE AGREEMENT WITH THE REGIONAL AIRLINE -- AMERICAN EAGLE. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI WAS THERE FOR THE SIGNING -- AND JOINS US LIVE FROM THE RUNWAY AT CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT WITH THE DETAILS. MEGHAN WHAT CAN YOU TELL US?

March 7, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

RAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL LEADERS DID NOT MEET THIS AFTERNOON TO TALK ABOUT THE DISTRICT'S CAMPAIGN VIOLATION.A SPECIAL MEETING WAS SCHEDULED THIS AFTERNOON... BUT WAS CANCELLED WHEN THE DISTRICT'S ATTORNEYS ASKED FOR MORE TIME TO LOOK AT THE DISTRICT'S OPTIONS. THE STATE SAYS T-CAPS VIOLATED CAMPAIGN LAWS BY USING THE WORD "SUPPORT" IN A FLYER ABOUT A 2012 BOND PROPOSAL.THE FLYER COULD COST THE DISTRICT MORE THAN 25-THOUSAND-DOLLARS.

March 10, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL LEADERS WILL MEET TONIGHT TO TALK ABOUT SEVERAL ISSUES FACING THE DISTRICT.ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS ON THE AGENDA IS A PROPOSAL FROM TCAPS' TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO ADD *ELEVEN* BUSES FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.... COSTING JUST A LITTLE LESS THAN *ONE-MILLION* DOLLARS.T-CAPS USUALLY ADDS *TEN* NEW BUSES EACH YEAR... BUT THE DISTRICT RECEIVED A BETTER PRICE ON NEW ONES THIS YEAR... ALLOWING THEM TO ADD ELEVEN.

March 12, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE CHEBOYGAN SCHOOL DISTRICT IS LOOKING TO CUT MORE THAN 650 THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.TO SAVE MONEY -- CHEBOYGAN'S SUPERINTENDENT IS PROPOSING DISTRICT-WIDE CHANGES TO THE WAY SCHOOLS ARE SET UP.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT WHAT THIS WOULD MEAN FOR THE STUDENTS. HE JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

March 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AFTER 4 YEARS OF SERVICE -- TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT STEVE COUSINS SAYS HE PLANS TO RETIRE AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.COUSINS HAS AGREED TO CONTINUE TO LEAD THE DISTRICT AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION BEGINS THE PROCESS OF SELECTING HIS REPLACEMENT. WE CAUGHT UP WITH HIM THIS AFTERNOON TO GET THIS THOUGHTS ON HIS TIME AS LEADER OF T-CAPS.

March 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

FOUR STAFF MEMBERS FROM NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE ARE EXPECTED TO RETURN HOME TONIGHT AFTER SPENDING 10 DAYS IN CHINA. THE TRIP OVERSEAS WAS MADE TO STRENGTHEN RELATIONSHIPS WITH SEVERAL CHINESE UNIVERSITIES. THE PICTURES YOU SEE HERE ARE FROM WHEN UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS FROM CHINA VISITED N-M-C.THE COLLEGE IS LOOKING TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ON THEIR CAMPUS. AND OFFICIALS ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE RETURN ON THEIR INVESTMENT OF SENDING STAFF TO CHINA WILL BENEFIT THE COLLEGE.

March 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MORE THAN 150 PARENTS AND STAFF MEMBERS *PACKED* INTO THE CHEBOYGAN COMMONS LAST NIGHT.... TO LET THE DISTRICT KNOW HOW THEY FEEL ABOUT PLANS TO CLOSE A SCHOOL BUILDING.THE DISTRICT NEEDS TO CUT MORE THAN 650-THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.THEY PLAN ON CLOSING WEST ELEMENTARY AND CREATING A *KINDERGARTEN THROUGH SECOND GRADE BUILDING* AT EAST ELEMENTARY. THE 3-RD AND 4-TH GRADERS WOULD MOVE TO THE MIDDLE SCHOOL.... WHICH IS SOMETHING A LOT OF PARENTS ARE WORRIED ABOUT.

March 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Fime :30

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE HAS RELEASED ITS ENROLLMENT PROJECTS FOR THE UPCOMING SUMMER AND FALL SEMESTERS.AT THIS POINT... NMC IS PROJECTING A TOTAL OF JUST OVER 9 HUNDRED STUDENTS FOR THIS SUMMER SEMESTER.. A 4 PERCENT DROP COMPARED TO LAST SUMMER. REGISTRATION FOR THE FALL SEMESTER BEGAN IN EARLY MARCH.. SO FAR.. NMC IS SEEING AN INCREASE IN NEW APPLICATIONS OF 23 PERCENT. THIS FALL.. THE COLLEGE IS PROJECTING THEY WILL HAVE OVER 46-HUNDRED STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CLASSES.

March 25, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE SUTTONS BAY NORSEMEN ROBOTICS TEAM HAD SOME MAJOR SUCCESS AT LAST WEEKEND'S DISTRICT COMPETITION... FINISHING IN *SECOND* PLACE. NOW.. THEY'RE LOOKING TO DO EVEN BETTER AT THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.THE TEAM IS RANKED IN THE TOP *TWENTY* STATEWIDE... BUT IN ORDER TO PROVE THEMSELVES AT THE STATE COMPETITION IN YPSILANTI... THE NORSEMEN NEED SOME HELP.THEY ARE ABOUT *FIFTEEN-HUNDRED* DOLLARS AWAY FROM BEING ABLE TO MAKE THE TRIP.

March 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS MADE A FINAL DECISION TO CLOSE AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. THE CHEBOYGAN SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS VOTED TO CLOSE WEST ELEMENTARY... TO TRY TO SAVE 650-THOUSAND DOLLARS ON IT'S BUDGET. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS SIGHT DECLINING ENROLLMENT AND A DROP IN STATE FUNDING FOR THE BUDGET CRISIS.NOW... KINDERGARTEN THROUGH SECOND GRADE WILL MOVE TO EAST ELEMENTARY... THIRD THROUGH SEVENTH WILL MOVE TO THE MIDDLE SCHOOL.... AND EIGHTH THROUGH TWELFTH WILL BE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL.

March 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :3

IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS STUDENTS RAISING A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF MONEY, ONE LOCAL PRINCIPAL GOT ''DRESSED'' UP FOR A FUNDRAISER THIS AFTERNOON. THE GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL AND ANOTHER TEACHER AGREED TO CELEBRATE THE END OF SPIRIT WEEK IN PROM DRESSES AND FULL MAKE-UP IF THE STUDENTS COULD RAISE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THE LIBRARY.NOT ONLY DID THE STUDENTS RAISE A LITTLE OVER SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS.. BUT THE P-T-O ALSO CONTRIBUTED FIVE HUNDRED!THE SCHOOL ENDED SPIRIT WEEK TODAY WITH FUN GAMES AND CELEBRATING THE SUCCESS OF THE FUNDRAISER.

March 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

I THINK IT'S SAFE TO SAY -- WE ARE ALL READY FOR SPRING.BUT IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THE SNOW IS GOING TO MELT AWAY ANY TIME SOON.SO STUDENTS AT BOYNE CITY HIGH SCHOOL DECIDED TO TAKE MATTERS INTO THEIR OWN HANDS TODAY -- BY CEREMONIALLY TORCHING A SNOWMAN BEFORE THEY LEAVE FOR SPRING BREAK.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS VISITED THE SCHOOL AND HAS THE STORY.

March 29, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SOME OF THE MOST CREATIVE YOUNG MINDS FROM ACROSS THE STATE CAME TOGETHER IN TRAVERSE CITY TODAY FOR THE *ODYSSEY OF THE MIND* STATE FINALS TOURNAMENT. THE COMPETITION ALLOWS KIDS TO TEAM UP IN AN EFFORT TO SOLVE DIFFERENT TYPES OF PROBLEMS IN A UNIQUE WAY -- THROUGH A SKIT. THE TEAMS IN TODAY'S TOURNAMENT WON STATE REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS HELD IN THE WINTER.

March 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ALL TRAVERSE BAY AREA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRCT BOARD MEETINGS WILL NOW BE AVAILABLE TO VIEW ONLINE. THE FIRST RECORDING WAS TESTED AT THE MARCH MEETING -- AND T-B-A-I-S-D HOPES TO KEEP IT GOING.SUPERINTENDENT MICHAEL HILL HOPES TO TRANSITION THE MEETING RECORDINGS INTO A PROJECT FOR THE CAREER TECH CENTER'S FILM AND NEW MEDIA STUDENTS THIS FALL. TO HILL -- THIS IS ALL ABOUT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN SUCH A LARGE DISTRICT.

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

CRIME & SAFETY

(Including crime prevention, alcohol and drug abuse, fire safety and police conduct)

Local News

January 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

WHILE FREEZING WATER LINES MAY BE A CONCERN TO SOME -- THE TRAVERSE CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT SAYS THAT SNOW REMOVAL IN FRONT OF THEIR FIRE HYDRANTS COULD BE A BIGGER PROBLEM. THE FIRE CHIEF TELLS US THAT THE WATER LINES ARE BURIED DEEP ENOUGH UNDERGROUND SO THEY DON'T FREEZE -- AND THAT THE CITY DOES A GOOD JOB OF MAINTAINING AND KEEPING THEM CLEAR OF SNOW. TRAVERSE CITY HAS NEARLY 1-THOUSAND HYDRANTS... AND THE CITY THEY WILL BE CONDUCTING THEIR ANNUAL CLEAN OUT FOR THEM THIS WEEKEND. BUT -- THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS STILL ASKING FOR THE COMMUNITIES HELP -- SO THEY CAN DO THEIR JOBS IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY.

January 5, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NO INJURIES WERE REPORTED AFTER THE U-S COAST GUARD ICE-BREAKER -- THE HOLLYHOCK -- SUSTAINED SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE IN A COLLISION WITH A FREIGHTER IN THE STRAITS OF MACKINAC. THIS IS ACCORDING TO THE COAST GUARD.WE'RE TOLD THE ACCIDENT HAPPENED THIS MORNING -- AT ABOUT 10-45 -- ABOUT 20 MILES WEST OF THE MACKINAC BRIDGE. IT APPEARS THE HOLLYHOCK HIT A HARD SPOT IN THE ICE -- AND THAT'S WHEN THE 990-FOOT MESABI MINER HIT THE CUTTER -- CAUSING DAMAGE TO BOTH SHIPS.

January 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TWO MEN WERE KILLED IN AN EARLY MORNING PLANE CRASH IN CHARLEVOIX COUNTY. THIS IS A STORY WE BROUGHT YOU FIRST ON UP-NORTH-LIVE DOT COM.THE CRASH HAPPENED AROUND SEVEN THIS MORNING -- INVESTIGATORS HAVE BEEN ON THE SCENE ALL DAY AND THEY STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT CAUSED THE PLANE TO CRASH.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS HAS BEEN FOLLOWING THIS STORY ALL DAY AND IS LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE -- NATHAN?

January 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A *45-YEAR-OLD CHIPPEWA COUNTY WOMAN* IS BEHIND BARS TONIGHT... AFTER A TRAFFIC STOP LEAD TO A DRUG BUST. THE STOP WAS MADE ON I-75 IN THE ST. IGANCE AREA FRIDAY NIGHT.THE WOMAN WAS TRAVELING TO SAULT SAINTE MARIE... CARRYING HEROIN TO BE SOLD.. CRACK COCAINE.. MARIJUANA.. AND DRUG PARAPHERNALIA.

January 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WITH ALL THIS COLD....SNOW AND ICE HAVE BEEN COVERING THE ROADS....AND PLOWS ARE WORKING HARD TO KEEP UP WITH IT.7&4 NEWS RODE ALONG WITH A PLOW TODAY.... TO SEE *WHAT IT'S LIKE* INSIDE THE TRUCK.... ON A DAY LIKE THIS.WE FOUND OUT... IT'S A BUMPY RIDE.... OFTEN WITH *VERY* LOW VISIBILITY.THE PLOW KICKS UP SNOW... WHICH CAN WHITE OUT THE SIDE-VIEW MIRRORS.

January 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SOME PEOPLE STILL HAD TO VENTURE OUTSIDE -- DESPITE THE BITTERLY COLD TEMPERATURES -- AND WE WANTED TO KNOW -- ARE YOU BUNDLING UP PROPERLY-AND WHAT PARTS OF THE BODY NEED MORE PROTECTING THEN OTHERS?7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY SPENT THE DAY LOOKING INTO THAT QUESTION -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY.BRENDAN -- WE UNDERSTAND YOU BROUGHT ALONG A SPECIAL TOOL?

January 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TRAVERSE CITY IS PLAYING HOST TO A MEETING OF THE *ENVIRONMENTAL MINDS AT THE GREAT WOLF LODGE. IT'S THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL *NO-SPILLS CONFERENCE*....FEATURING ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERTS FROM THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.THEY COME TOGETHER TO TALK ABOUT *HOW* THEY CAN PREVENT HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILLS IN THE GREAT LAKES.

January 6, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

TRAVEL PLANS AREN'T THE ONLY THINGS IMPACTED BY THIS WEATHER... THE FRIGID COLD IS DRIVING PEOPLE INDOORS.... LEADING TO BIG CROWDS AT LOCAL SHELTERS.OFFICIALS WITH *SAFE HARBOR* TELL 7&4 NEWS.... THEY HAVE SEEN A *RECORD* NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT THEIR SHELTERS *THROUGHOUT* THE WINTER.

January 7, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

AS TEMPERATURES CLIMB OUT OF THE SINGLE DIGITS - SNOWMOBILING CONDITIONS WILL IMPROVE - AND ALLOW PEOPLE TO GET BACK OUT ON THE TRAILS. THE WEXFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS REMINDING SNOWMOBILERS TO STAY ON THE DESIGNATED TRAILS - AND OFF PRIVATE PROPERTY. 7&4 NEWS IS TOLD FARMERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO POST NO TRESPASSING SINGS. FOR PEOPLE WHO WANT SNOWMOBILERS TO STAY OFF THEIR PROPERTY - THEY'RE REQUIRED TO POST SIGNS -- OR A FENCE.

January 8, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A BENZIE COUNTY MAN WHO WENT ON A TWO-NIGHT CRIME SPREE BACK IN DECEMBER -- IS BEHIND BARS AND BACK IN COURT THURSDAY.

7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI IS LIVE IN THE STUDIO AFTER TALKING WITH DETECTIVES ON THE CASE. MEGHAN-THIS GUY HIT A LOT OF HOMES.

January 8, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WORKERS IN MANISTEE WERE OUT IN THE COLD TEMPERATURES TRYING TO FIX A MAJOR WATER MAIN BREAK ALONG U-S-31 TODAY. *BUT THE BREAK SHUT DOWN A STRETCH OF THE ROAD FOR MOST OF THE DAY.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY SPENT THE DAY OUT THERE.... AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH THE LATEST.

January 9, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

7&4 NEWS SPOKE WITH MULTIPLE BENZIE COUNTY PEOPLE TODAY -- WHO TOLD US THAT THEY HAD ALMOST BECOMES VICTIMS OF A PHONE OR INTERNET SCAM.

THE BENZIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TOLD US THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED ALMOST HALF A DOZEN CALLS THIS WEEK ALONE FOR SCAMS -- AND THEY'D LIKE

TO REMIND EVERYONE NOT TO BECOME A VICTIM. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH ONE OF THE VICTIM'S TODAY -- AND HAS HIS STORY. SHE JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO -- MEGHAN?

January 10, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AFTER 26 YEARS AT THE TRAVERSE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT... CAPTAIN BRIAN HEFFNER RETIRED TODAY.HEFFNER WAS HIRED AS A PATROL OFFICER IN 1988 AND OVER THE YEARS WAS PROMOTED TO DETECTIVE, SERGEANT, AND FINALLY CAPTAIN.NOW HE SAYS HE'LL SPEND HIS TIME WITH FAMILY AND TEACHING CRIMINAL JUSTICE RELATED CLASSES PART TIME AT BOTH NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE AND FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY.

January 15, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WEXFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL TALK TONIGHT IN CLOSED SESSION ABOUT ACQUIRING LAND TO BUILD A NEW JAIL THE COUNTY HAS TALKED ABOUT SEVERAL PLANS INCLUDING BUILDING AN ADDITION AND RENOVATING THE CURRENT JAIL TO BUILDING A WHOLE NEW FACILITY. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR KEN HINTON SAYS THE COST IS ABOUT THE SAME FOR BOTH OPTIONS.THE CURRENT JAIL IS SOME 50 YEARS OLD AND CAN'T HOLD ALL THE PRISONERS BROUGHT IN.

January 15, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A MANCELONA WOMAN FACED FRAUD CHARGES TODAY IN A KALAKASKA COUNTY COURTROOM AFTER SHE OFFERED TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR A FAMILY WHO'S 11-YEAR-OLD SON PASSED AWAY IN NOVEMBER.*BUT THE FAMILY NEVER GOT THE MONEY.7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH THE SHERIFF AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH THE DETAILS.

January 15, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

DEPENDING ON WHERE YOU LIVE -- YOU MIGHT HAVE ONLY EXPERIENCED A FEW INCHES -- OR YOU MIGHT HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY SNOWED IN THIS MORNING.... 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS VISITED SOME OF THE AREAS THAT WERE HIT THE HARDEST AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE NATHAN WHAT CAN YOU TELL US?

January 16, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A MICHIGAN STATE POLICE SERGEANT FROM THE ALPENA POST WAS HONORED TODAY... AS THE M-S-P TROOPER OF THE YEAR.SERGEANT JENNIFER PINTAR WAS AWARDED THE HONOR AT A SPECIAL CEREMONY IN LANSING.THE *DOCTOR CARL A. GERTACKER AWARD* RECOGNIZES A TROOPER WHO SYMBOLIZES OUTSTANDING ETHICS.. DEDICATION TO DUTY.. AND A CONCERN FOR GIVING BACK TO THEIR COMMUNITY.

January 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE U.S. COAST GUARD IS WARNING ICE FISHERMEN OF A WEEKEND ICE-BREAKING PROJECT ON MANISTEE LAKE.THE FREIGHTERS CALUMET AND MANITOWOC ARE SCHEDULED TO TRAVEL THROUGH MANISTEE LAKE FOR COAL DELIVERIES STARTING TOMORROW. THE ICE-BREAKING WILL CONTINUE FOR TWO WEEKS.THE FREIGHTERS WILL MAKE FOUR TRIPS -- MAKING STOPS AT THE TONDU ENERGY STATION AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LAKE MANISTEE AND THE MORTON TERMINAL IN THE

NORTHWEST.ALL ICE FISHERMEN SHOULD REMOVE THEIR EQUIPMENT AND STAY CLEAR OF THOSE AREAS.

January 18, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A SNOWMOBILE CRASH IN WEXFORD COUNTY CLAIMED THE LIFE OF A MAN EARLY THIS MORNING. THE CRASH HAPPENED AT 3:30 -- WHEN THE DRIVER LOST CONTROL ON THE RAILS FOR TRAILS SNOWMOBILE TRAILS -- NEAR EAST 50 ROAD -- AND SOUTH 39 ROAD. WEXFORD COUNTY SHERIFF DEPUTIES SAY THE MAN DROVE DOWN AN EMBANKMENT AND HIT TREES. HE WAS TAKEN TO MERCY HOSPITAL -- WHERE HE DIED FROM HIS INJURIES. DEPUTIES ARE NOT RELEASING HIS NAME AT THIS TIME -- AND BELIEVE ALCOHOL WAS A FACTOR IN THE CRASH.

January 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE REED CITY COMMUNITY GATHERED TODAY TO WALK FOR JUSTICE IN HONOR OF JANETTE ROBERSON.ROBERSON WAS FOUND DEAD IN THE BASEMENT OF THE GAMBLES STORE WHERE SHE WORKED -- ON JANUARY 19TH -- 19-83.IT'S KNOWN TODAY AS REED CITY HARDWARE. ROBERSON WORKED IN A PET STORE THAT WAS LOCATED IN THE BASEMENT OF GAMBLES. MORE THAN 40 PEOPLE SHOWED UP TO THE WALK TODAY -- WHICH MARKS 31 YEARS TO THE DAY OF ROBERSON'S DEATH. FRIENDS OF ROBERSON -- AND ORGANIZERS OF THE WALK SAY THAT THEY ARE OVERWHELMED WITH THE SUPPORT THEY HAVE RECEIVED AFTER ALL THESE YEARS.

January 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN LEELANAU COUNTY SAYS.... SEVERAL SENIORS HAVE BEEN CALLED ABOUT A VIRUS ON THEIR COMPUTER... THAT NEEDS TO BE FIXED. THE CALLER CLAIMS TO BE FROM "MICROSOFT" AND OFFERS TO FIX THE PROBLEM FOR A FEE... AND ASKS FOR CREDIT CARD INFORMATION.THE SHERIFF SAYS "MICROSOFT" WILL NEVER CALL YOU WITH AN ISSUE LIKE THIS... AND IF YOU DO GET A CALL... YOU SHOULD REPORT IT RIGHT AWAY.

January 21, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY FOR THE WOMAN ACCUSED OF KILLING HER NEWBORN BABY -- IS ASKING FOR MORE MONEY FOR THE DEFENSE.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY WAS IN BENZIE COUNTY FOR ALYCE MORALES' HEARING -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.

January 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ROAD COMMISSION CREWS ARE OUT IN FULL FORCE, BUT THEY'RE HAVING A HARD TIME KEEPING UP WITH ALL THIS BLOWING AND DRIFTING SNOW -- AND THAT'S MAKING GETTING AROUND.... DIFFICULT. 7&4'S JAMIE INNIS JOINS US LIVE FROM THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY CENTRAL DISPATCH WITH MORE.JAMIE, HOW ARE THINGS GOING?

January 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IN LIGHT OF THIS INCIDENT.... IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE IN VIOLENT RELATIONSHIPS HAVE PLACES TO GO FOR HELP.

THE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER IN GRAND TRAVERSE -- KALKASKA -- LEELANAU -- ANTRIM AND BENZIE COUNTIES.. PROVIDES A PLACE FOR MEN, WOMEN, AND THEIR CHILDREN -- WHO ARE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE GET

THE HELP THEY NEED. THE CENTER PROVIDES COUNSELING.... EDUCATION.... SUPPORT....HOUSING AND ADVOCACY FOR VICTIMS.

January 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

SOME NEW TECHNOLOGY IS ALLOWING THE GRAND TRAVERSE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO STAY CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY. THE DEPARTMENT RECENTLY LAUNCHED THEIR NEW SMARTPHONE APP!IT'S CALLED APP ARREST -- AND IT OFFERS CRIME MAPPING.. WEATHER ALERTS AND AN EASY WAY TO CONNECT WITH LOCAL DEPUTIES. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HOPES IT WILL MAKE GETTING INFORMATION TO AND FROM THE PUBLIC MORE EFFICIENT.

January 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AN EMMET COUNTY MAN IS IN JAIL AFTER POLICE SAY HE ABUSED A FOUR MONTH OLD INFANT. 25 YEAR OLD LAWRENCE VENCHENKO OF CONWAY IS FACING FIRST DEGREE CHILD ABUSE CHARGES.TUESDAY DEPUTIES WERE CALLED TO AN ALANSON HOME -- WHERE THEY INVESTIGATED A BABY THAT HAD A BROKEN LEG AND OTHER MINOR INJURIES. AFTER INVESTIGATING THE SITUATION, DEPUTIES CONCLUDED THAT THE CHILD WAS PHYSICALLY ABUSED AND A DAY LATER TOOK VENCHENKO INTO CUSTODY.

January 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

27 YEAR OLD STEVEN CRONK WAS SENTENCED EARLIER TODAY ON THE CHARGE OF SECOND DEGREE CHILD ABUSE.RIGHT BEFORE HE WAS TAKEN TO PRISON -- THE MOTHER OF HIS CHILD GAVE EMOTIONAL TESTIMONY IN COURT 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS WAS THERE AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

February 2, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AFTER SEARCHING A NUMBER OF APARTMENTS IN BIG RAPIDS YESTERDAY -- THE MAN WHO POLICE SAY SHOT A FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT AT THEIR OFF-CAMPUS APARTMENT -- IS BEHIND BARS TONIGHT.AFTER LAST NIGHT'S ARREST AT AN ON-CAMPUS APARTMENT -- AUTHORITIES HAVE CHARGED 20-YEAR-OLD DECORY DOWNING WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER -- AND A FELONY FIREARM CHARGE. KOCO MCABOY FROM OUR N-B-C SISTER STATION IN GRAND RAPIDS HAS THE LATEST ON THE INVESTIGATION.

February 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE ROSCOMMON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS WARNING NORTHERN MICHIGAN ABOUT A PHONE SCAM THAT INVOLVED ONE WOMAN WHO HAD NEARLY 6-THOUSAND DOLLARS STOLEN FROM HER IN JANUARY. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI JOINS US LIVE AND TELLS US THESE SCAMMERS ARE POSING AS THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.

February 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

POLICE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR A CONVICTED MURDERER TONIGHT... WHO ESCAPED FROM A MICHIGAN PRISON.FORTY-YEAR-OLD MICHAEL ELLIOT ESCAPED FROM THE IONIA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY LAST NIGHT.AFTER ESCAPING... HE STOLE A WOMAN'S CAR.. THREATENED HER WITH A KNIFE... AND HELD HER HOSTAGE DURING THE MORE THAN 100 MILE DRIVE TO ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA... WHERE THEY STOPPED FOR GAS AROUND 11.WHILE AT THE GAS STATION.... THE WOMAN ASKED FOR A CUP OF WATER AND LOCKED HERSELF IN A

REST ROOM WHERE SHE CALLED 9-1-1. ELLIOT DROVE AWAY IN THE VICTIM'S CAR BEFORE POLICE ARRIVED.

February 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

A 35-YEAR-OLD MAN FROM INDIANAPOLIS WAS STABBED ON NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE'S CAMPUS THIS WEEKEND. THE MAN TOLD POLICE HE WAS ASSAULTED BY 3 MEN INSIDE THE LAUNDRY ROOM OF AN ON-CAMPUS APARTMENT BUILDING FRIDAY NIGHT. THE VICTIM WAS BLEEDING FROM THE HEAD AND COMPLAINED OF A RIB INJURY.... HE WAS TAKEN TO MUNSON MEDICAL CENTER WHERE HE WAS TREATED AND IS NOW LISTED IN FAIR CONDITION.

February 3, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

59 YEAR OLD JOHN ERNST IS NOW IN JAIL AND IS FACING SEVEN COUNTS THAT COULD LAND HIM BEHIND BARS FOR THE REST OF HIS LIFE.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS SPOKE WITH THE SHERIFF ABOUT THIS CASE AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU.

February 4, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

IF YOU HAPPENED TO LOOK OUT ON THE GRAND TRAVERSE WEST BAY THIS AFTERNOON....YOU MAY HAVE SEEN THE SHERIFF'S AIRBOAT SPEEDING ALONG THE WATER.TRAINING ON THE WATER AND ICE IS COMMON FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE DURING THE WINTER....BUT THE ICE COVERING GRAND TRAVERSE BAY GAVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO TEST THE WATERS.

February 4, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MICHAEL ELLIOT -- THE CONVICTED MURDERER WHO ESCAPED FROM A MICHIGAN PRISON -- IS BACK BEHIND BARS TONIGHT. NOW FACING CHARGES FOR KIDNAPPING.... CARJACKING AND ESCAPE.ELLIOT ESCAPED FROM THE IONIA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY ON SUNDAY NIGHT.

February 4, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

YOU PROBABLY SEE PEOPLE DRIVING *UNDER THE SPEED LIMIT*... IN THE LEFT HAND LANE EVERY DAY. TONIGHT -- A WARNING FROM MICHIGAN STATE POLICE -- TO KEEP TRAFFIC FLOWING -- AND MOVE OVER TO THE RIGHT.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY MET WITH TROOPERS TODAY -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN GARFIELD TOWNSHIP.

February 12, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WELL THANKFULLY THAT SITUATION TURNED OUT BE A MISCOMMUNICATION -- BUT SOMETIME'S THINGS LIKE THAT CAN RESULT IN CHILD ABDUCTIONS. THAT PROMPTED US TO DIG DEEPER INTO WHAT SOME CHILD CARE FACILITIES DO TO MAKE SURE THAT KIDS AREN'T BEING HANDED OFF TO THE WRONG PEOPLE. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI HAS BEEN TALKING TO SCHOOLS AND CHILD CARE BUSINESSES ALL DAY.

February 12, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A SIMILAR SITUATION OUT OF MONTMORENCY COUNTY MONDAY.. GOT A LOT OF FEEDBACK ON OUR WEBSITE.A 5-YEAR-OLD GIRL WENT MISSING FROM ATLANTA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AFTER HER FATHER... WHO HAD NO PARENTAL RIGHTS PICKED

HER UP FROM SCHOOL. SHE WAS FOUND... HER FATHER WAS ARRESTED.A LOT OF VIEWERS ASKED... WHY DIDN'T SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ISSUE AN AMBER ALERT. 7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY MET WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS TODAY TO FIND OUT WHEN AN ALERT IS SENT OUT.

February 13, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MICHIGAN STATE POLICE SAY 35 YEAR OLD JOHN COTE WAS WANTED IN BOTH TEXAS AND ARKANSAS. TROOPERS STOPPED COTE ON U-S 131 NEAR CADILLAC FOR SPEEDING. COTE TOLD THE TROOPER HE FORGOT HIS WALLET... BUT GAVE HIM THE NAME, DATE OF BIRTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF A TEXAS TRUCK DRIVER BUT AFTER INVESTIGATING... TROOPERS SAY THAT IDENTITY DIDN'T HOLD UP.

February 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time ·30

MOTHER NATURE HAS DROPPED A LOT OF SNOW ON THE STREETS -- AND ROOFTOPS IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN THIS YEAR.BUT YESTERDAY -- ONE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION'S ROOF GOT JUST A LITTLE TOO HEAVY -- AND IT STARTED CAVING IN. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI WAS IN WEXFORD COUNTY TODAY -- AND HAS MORE ON THE DAMAGE.

February 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE TRAVERSE NARCOTICS TEAM CAME TO THIS HOUSE ON BARLOW STREET WHEN NEIGHBORS CALLED POLICE. THEY TOLD OFFICERS IT WAS BEING USED AS A DRUG HOUSE. AFTER AN INVESTIGATION AND SEARCH.... OFFICERS SEIZED DRUGS AND A LARGE AMOUNT OF CASH.

February 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A 66-YEAR-OLD WOMAN FROM GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY WAS ARRESTED FOR CALLING 9-1-1 3 TIMES IN 15 MINUTES WHILE SHE WAS DRUNK. THE FIRST TIME SHE SAID SHE NEEDED MEDICAL ATTENTION BUT THEN CANCELLED IT. SHE THEN CALLED TWO MORE TIMES TELLING CENTRAL DISPATCH THAT SHE WAS PLAYING GAMES WITH HER FAMILY AND DRINKING. SHE ALSO TOLD THEM TO GUESS WHERE SHE WAS AND TOLD THEM TO COME FIND HER. DEPUTIES GOT TO HER HOUSE AT 1 LAST FRIDAY MORNING... AND ARRESTED HER.

February 15, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A LOCAL MARINE CAME HOME FROM AFGHANISTAN TODAY -- AND HER FAMILY MADE SURE TO GIVE HER A WARM WELCOME. CORPORAL BREANNE CRANDELL TOUCHED DOWN AT CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT THIS AFTERNOON TO A LARGE CROWD OF HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS.CRANDELL RETURNED FROM A SIX MONTH DEPLOYMENT IN AFGHANISTAN -- WHERE SHE SERVED AS AN INTEL ANALYST.HER FATHER IS ALSO A MARINE -- SET TO RETIRE IN MARCH.

February 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE SINGLE ENGINE PLANE WAS CARRYING A PILOT AND SIX PASSENGERS -- WHEN THE ENGINE STOPPED WORKING -- AND THE PILOT WAS FORCED TO MAKE A SPLIT SECOND DECISION TO LAND THE PLANE. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS WAS ON THE SCENE AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH MORE.

February 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

LAST WEEK WE TOLD YOU ABOUT THOSE SPECTACULAR ICE CAVES THAT FORMED ON LAKE MICHIGAN IN LEELANAU COUNTY SINCE OUR STORY AIRED -- THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HAVE GONE TO EXPLORE THE AREA -- AND TODAY WE TOOK A TRIP OUT THERE TO SEE WHERE THEY'RE COMING FROM. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI WAS BACK ON THE ICE -- AND IS NOW LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH WHAT SHE FOUND OUT.

February 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AND WITH THE WARM UP EXPECTED LATER THIS WEEK -- AND SPRING NOT FAR OFF -- HEADING OUT ON THE ICE COULD BE DANGEROUS.THE CADILLAC FIRE DEPARTMENT IS ASKING PEOPLE TO TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS.IF YOU CHOOSE TO HEAD OUT ON THE ICE -- YOU SHOULD BRING A FRIEND WITH YOU.ICE PICKS ARE A VALUABLE TOOL IN CASE YOU FALL THROUGH... THEY CAN BE USED TO PULL YOURSELF OUT OF THE WATER.

February 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THAT TESTIMONY CAME ON THE SECOND DAY OF THE ERIC KNYSZ TRIAL KNYSZ IS THE MAN CHARGED WITH SHOOTING TROOPER PAUL BUTTERFIELD DURING A TRAFFIC STOP IN MASON COUNTY.... BACK IN SEPTEMBER. 7 & 4'S BRENDAN KINNEY WAS IN THE COURTROOM ALL DAY AND JOINS US LIVE FROM LUDINGTON.

February 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ROAD CREWS THROUGHOUT THE REGION WILL BE OUT IN FULL FORCE TONIGHT TRYING TO KEEP THE ROADS CLEAR MANY OF THEM ARE ADVISING DRIVERS TO STAY OFF THE ROADS ONCE THE WEATHER STARTS GETTING WORSE. 7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS TALKED WITH M-DOT TODAY TO SEE HOW THEY ARE PREPARING FOR ANOTHER BOUT WITH MOTHER NATURE.

February 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN POLICE CHIEF IS SPEAKING OUT ABOUT A GROWING HEROIN PROBLEM IN HIS COMMUNITY.PETOSKEY POLICE CHIEF JOHN CALABRESE SAYS THE NUMBER OF HEROIN CASES HAVE SPIKED IN THE LAST YEAR.HE BELIEVES THIS RECENT ACTIVITY HAS GONE UP MOSTLY BECAUSE OF THE CRACK DOWN ON PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.HE SAYS THAT MANY OPIET ADDICTS ARE NOW RESORTING TO HEROIN.. BECAUSE IT HAS THE SAME EFFECTS AND IS CHEAPER.

February 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

BEFORE SARAH KNYSZ TOOK THE STAND...THE PROSECUTION PLAYED THE SECOND HALF A POLICE INTERVIEW OF HER HUSBAND...ERIC KNYSZ...THAT TOOK PLACE IN THE HOSPITAL AFTER THE SHOOTING. IN THAT INTERVIEW... KNYSZ CONFESSED TO THROWING A SHELL CASING OUT HIS WINDOW... AFTER SHOOTING TROOPER BUTTERFIELD. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI HAS BEEN INSIDE THE COURTROOM ALL DAY.. SHE JOINS US LIVE FROM LUDINGTON WITH THE LATEST.. MEGHAN?

February 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A NUMBER OF CONCERNED PARENTS ARE LOOKING FOR ANSWERS TONIGHT- CRITICAL ABOUT HOW CHARLEVOIX HIGH SCHOOL HANDLED A BOMB THREAT FRIDAY. WE RECEIVED DOZENS OF EMAILS AND PHONE CALLS FROM PARENTS IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND WE DELIVERED THOSE CONCERNS DIRECTLY TO THE

SUPERINTENDENT.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS IS IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH WHAT HE FOUND OUT.

February 25, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

LELAND TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS ARE TRYING TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO UPDATE THEIR TWO FIRE-STATIONS -- OR BUILD A BRAND NEW ONE... AND THEY WANT THE PUBLIC'S INPUT. THE FIRST OPTION IS TO REBUILD THE FIRE STATION IN LELAND... AND UPGRADE THE ONE IN LAKE LEELANAU IN ORDER TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE FIREFIGHTERS AND THE COMMUNITY. THE SECOND OPTION IS TO CONSOLIDATE THE TWO... AND BUILD A BRAND NEW STATION AT THE INTERSECTION OF M-204 AND {HOFT} HOEFT ROAD. THE COST TO BUILD A NEW STATION WOULD BE JUST UNDER 5-MILLION-DOLLARS. IT WOULD COST AROUND 3-POINT-5-MILLION DOLLARS TO UPDATE THE TWO EXISTING ONES.

February 25, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

AN EMMET COUNTY WOMAN HAS BEEN SENTENCED TO 18 TO 35 YEARS BEHIND BARS.. FOR KILLING HER HUSBAND. CAROL KOPENKOSKEY PLEAD GUILTY TO 2ND DEGREE MURDER ON JANUARY 22-ND AFTER NEW EVIDENCE SURFACED IN THE CASE. SHE WAS ARRESTED FOR DRIVING HER HUSBAND LYLE OUT TO KIEBEL ROAD IN PETOSKEY ON OCTOBER 2, 2012... WHERE SHE SHOT HIM FIVE TIMES. CAROL KOPENKOSKEY STOOD BEFORE THE JUDGE TODAY AND MADE A TEARFUL STATEMENT APOLOGIZING FOR KILLING HER HUSBAND LYLE.

February 25, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE VERDICT CAME DOWN JUST AFTER 5 O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON WITH THE JURY DELIBERATING LESS THAN TWO HOURS.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY HAS BEEN IN THE COURTROOM ALL DAY.. HE JOINS US LIVE FROM MASON COUNTY.. BRENDAN?

February 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WE FIRST BROUGHT YOU THE STORY ON TUESDAY -- AFTER A SUTTONS BAY STUDENT THREATENED TWO STUDENTS WITH A KNIFE AT A SCHOOL DANCE. WE RECEIVED EMAILS AND MESSAGES FROM PARENTS ABOUT THE INCIDENT... SO WE TOOK YOUR CONCERNS TO SCHOOL LEADERS.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY MET WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH MORE.

March 4, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE CADILLAC POLICE DEPARTMENT SAYS SCAMMERS ARE FINDING HOMES IN THE AREA THAT ARE *FOR SALE* AND POSTING THEM ON *CRAIGSLIST* FOR PEOPLE TO RENT-HOPING TO GET THEIR VICTIMS TO SEND MONEY.OFFICERS HAVE HAD ABOUT 4 OF THESE SCAMS IN THE LAST MONTH AND THINK THEY *COULD BE CONNECTED. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE MOST RECENT ONE... AND JOINS US WITH THE DETAILS.

March 5, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

CHEBOYGAN COUNTY HAS LAUNCHED AN AMNESTY PROGRAM TO HELP GET CHILD SUPPORT OFFENDERS BACK ON TRACK WITH THEIR PAYMENTS.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS FOUND OUT THE STRATEGY BEHIND THIS DEAL HE JOINS US LIVE IN THE PETOSKEY BUREAU WITH THE STORY.

March 14, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

IT'S EVERY PARENT'S WORST NIGHTMARE -- A SCHOOL SHOOTING -- TODAY LOCAL AUTHORITIES LEARNED SKILLS TO HELP KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE IN THE EVENT OF A SITUATION.POLICE FROM ALL OVER EMMET COUNTY -- PARTICIPATED IN ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING AT LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN PETOSKEY.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS GOT A FIRST HAND LOOK AT THE TRAINING TODAY.

March 15, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

LOCAL -- COUNTY AND STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS SAY THEY'RE STEPPING UP PATROLS TO CATCH DRUNK DRIVERS.AND IT'S DURING A TIME THAT INCLUDES ST. PATRICK'S DAY -- THE N-C-A-A MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS -- AND SPRING BREAK.THE MICHIGAN STATE POLICE SAID THIS WEEK THAT OFFICERS FROM 144 AGENCIES IN 26 COUNTIES ARE PART OF THE CRACKDOWN THAT RUNS THROUGH APRIL 7TH.

March 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

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IT'S A NIGHTMARE FOR ANY PARENT WHEN A CHILD GOES MISSING.AND WHEN THEY'RE LOST IN THE WOODS -- IN 10 DEGREE WEATHER -- IT'S A RACE AGAINST TIME.THAT WAS THE CASE FOR A THREE-YEAR-OLD GIRL AND HER FAMILY IN CHARLEVOIX COUNTY LAST NIGHT.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY SPOKE WITH THE FAMILY -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH THE HAPPY ENDING.

March 17, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

CREW MEMBERS FROM *COAST GUARD CUTTER MACKINAW* TOOK A BREAK FROM ICE-BREAKING THIS WEEKEND TO DO SOME NIGHT TRAINING ON LAKE MICHIGAN.

THE CREW TRAINED ON THE USE OF EMERGENCY DISTRESS FLARES OFF THE SHORES OF MACKINAC COUNTY.THEY'LL BE BACK TO ICE-BREAKING SOON, THOUGH.

LAKE MICHIGAN'S ICE COVER SET A RECORD EARLIER THIS MONTH. THE GREAT LAKES SHIPPING SEASON KICKS INTO HIGH GEAR WITH THE OPENING OF THE SOO LOCKS ON MARCH 25.

March 18, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A HOME IN CENTRAL LAKE IS DESTROYED AFTER AN EXPLOSION HAPPENED EARLY THIS MORNING. NOBODY WAS IN THE HOME AT THE TIME. 7&4'S JAMIE INNIS WAS AT THE SCENE TODAY, SHE JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.JAMIE, WHAT DID NEIGHBORS HAVE TO SAY?

March 18, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A BENZIE COUNTY MAN SAYS.... PEOPLE CONVICTED OF USING MARIJUANA SHOULD NOT FACE THE SAME FINES OR JAIL TIME.... AS OTHER DRUG USERS.AND TODAY... HE STOOD IN FRONT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS....HOPING TO START MAKING THOSE CHANGES IN THE COUNTY.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY WAS AT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.

March 18, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES WANTS EVERYONE TO BE PREPARED.

THEY MET WITH FIREFIGHTERS IN CADILLAC TODAY...TO TALK ABOUT THEIR PLAN TO KEEP THE PUBLIC SAFE INN CASE A FIRE BREAKS OUT. THE D-N-R SPOKE WITH 7&4 NEWS ABOUT EXPECTATIONS FOR THE UPCOMING FIRE SEASON.

March 19, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

T'S A DISCUSSION THAT HAS BEEN AROUND FOR A WHILE -- WHETHER OR NOT TO BUILD A NEW JAIL IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY. AND SINCE OVERCROWDING NUMBERS ARE ON THE RISE -- COMMISSIONERS ARE TALKING ABOUT HOW TO SAVE MONEY FOR SUCH A BIG PROJECT. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH THE SHERIFF TODAY ... AND HAS THE DETAILS ON WHY THE NEED IS SO GREAT.

March 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

ALYCE MORALES WHO IS ORINIGALLY FROM ILLINOIS.... IS ACCUSED OF KILLING HER BABY AFTER GIVING BIRTH AT THE PLATTE RIVER CAMPGROUND LAST SUMMER WHILE SHE WAS ON VACATION WITH SOME RELATIVES. TODAY SHE WAS BACK IN BENZIE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

March 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

A LEAD THAT TRAVERSE CITY POLICE HAVE BEEN PURSUING SINCE NOVEMBER IN THE HIT AND RUN CASE OF KELLY BOYCE HURLBERT... HAS GONE COLD. HURLBERT WAS KILLED ON JULY 5-TH WHILE RIDING HER BIKE HOME FROM WORK. THE DRIVER HAS NOT BEEN FOUND.POLICE SAY HUMAN HAIR WAS FOUND ON A VEHICLE FROM OSCODA.... *BUT D-N-A TESTS SHOW IT'S NOT KELLY'S.

March 20, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

WEXFORD COUNTY HAS TAKEN ANOTHER STEP TO EXPAND THE COUNTY JAIL COMMISSIONERS GAVE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR KEN HINTON PERMISSION TO HIRE AN ARCHITECT FOR THE PROJECT. THE CURRENT JAIL IS MORE THAN 50 YEARS OLD AND HAS BEEN RUNNING AT FULL CAPACITY. THE COUNTY SAYS... IT IS SPENDING HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO HOUSE OTHER INMATES IN NEARBY JAILS.

March 21, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE ICE COVERED GREAT LAKES HAS PUT CERTAIN COAST GUARD HELICOPTER TRAINING ON HOLD FOR MOST OF THE WINTER.THE GUARD PRACTICES WHAT TO DO IN CASE SOMEONE NEEDS TO BE RESCUED FROM OPEN WATER... BUT SINCE THERE HAS BEEN NO OPEN WATER LATELY...THEY HAD TO GET CREATIVE.THE TRAINING DRILL REQUIRES THE PILOT AND FLIGHT MECHANIC TO WORK TOGETHER TO DROP A WOODEN PLANK INTO A SMALL HOLE IN A BARREL FAR BELOW THEM ON THE GROUND.

March 21, 2014

<u>6:00-6:30pm</u>

Time :30

CALDWELL ENTERED A GUILTY PLEA FOR ALL FOUR CHARGES AGAINST HIM - INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER, DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM WHILE INTOXICATED, RESISTING AND OBSTRUCTING A POLICE OFFICER, AND FELONY FIREARM. FAMILY MEMBERS GATHERED AT THE COURTHOUSE TO HEAR ROBERT CALDWELL PLEAD GUILTY TO CHARGES IN THE DEATH OF MONICA ANDERSON.7&4'S JAMIE INNIS WAS IN THE COURTROOM TODAY, SHE JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.

March 22, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

A 29-YEAR-OLD TRAVERSE CITY MAN HAS DIED AFTER GRAND TRAVERSE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES SAY HE WAS SHOT LATE LAST NIGHT. THE SHOOTING HAPPENED IN LONG LAKE TOWNSHIP AROUND 11-30. THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY SHERIFF TELLS 7&4 NEWS THE MAN WAS SHOT IN THE HOME OF A 27-YEAR-OLD WOMAN.

March 24, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :3

THE FAMILY OF ROGER HOWARD IS SPEAKING OUT TONIGHT.HE WAS SHOT AND KILLED AT A LONG LAKE TOWNSHIP HOME ON FRIDAY AND TONIGHT -- HIS LIFE IS BEING REMEMBERED AND CELEBRATED.7&4'S BRENDAN KINNEY SAT DOWN WITH THE FAMILY TODAY -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO.BRENDAN?

March 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

THE NEXT TIME YOU GET GET INTO A CAR CRASH -- YOU MAY NOT NEED TO WAIT LONG FOR THE POLICE REPORT... OR EVEN GO TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE MICHIGAN LAW ENFORCEMENT IS SWITCHING OVER TO ''E-CRASH'' AN ONLINE CRASH REPORT SYSTEM.DEPUTIES WILL ENTER ALL OF THE INFORMATION ON A COMPUTER... ELIMINATING LEGIBILITY ISSUES AND REDUCING TIME SPENT HAND-WRITING REPORTS.THE REPORT IS SENT TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN BECOMING AVAILABLE ONLINE TO INSURANCE COMPANIES... ROAD COMMISSIONS... AND CITIZENS WITHIN A COUPLE DAYS.

March 26, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

WITH SUCH A LARGE SEARCH AREA IN THE INDIAN OCEAN.. WE WANTED TO GET A BETTER IDEA HOW THE MALAYSIAN PLANE SEARCH WOULD COMPARE TO A SEARCH IN THE GREAT LAKES.COAST GUARD AIR STATION TRAVERSE CITY SAID SEARCHING FOR THE MALAYSIAN PLANE IS LIKE LOOKING FOR A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK - WITHOUT EVEN KNOWING WHERE THE HAYSTACK IS.COAST GUARD OFFICIALS SAID OBJECTS ARE EXTREMELY SMALL WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING FROM THE AIR... AND THAT THE DISTANCE OF THE SEARCH ZONE CAN MAKE FINDING THINGS NEAR IMPOSSIBLE.

March 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

A STORE CLERKS 911 CALL TO CHECK ON A SUSPICIOUS SITUATION IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY LEADS TO A CASE OF DRUNK DRIVING AND CHILD ENDANGERMENT. SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES SAY THE CALL LED THEM TO FINDING A MAN DRUNK BEHIND THE WHEEL OF A TRUCK IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE MAYFIELD COUNTRY STORE JUST NORTH OF KINGSLEY.AND THEY WERE SURPRISED TO FIND A FIVE-YEAR OLD BOY SLEEPING IN THE BACKSEAT. 7&4'S JAMIE INNIS VISITED THE STORE TODAY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS DISTURBING CASE.

March 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

IF YOU LIVE IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY YOU'LL SOON SEE A JUMP IN THE 9-1-1 SURCHARGE. GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS APPROVED A MONTHLY SURCHARGE INCREASE FOR 9-1-1 SERVICES.THE 32-CENT SURCHARGE WILL INCREASE TO A DOLLAR-FIFTY FOR BOTH CELL PHONES AND LAND LINES. COMMISSIONERS SAY THAT IT WILL GENERATE AROUND ONE MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR. THAT MONEY WILL HELP PAY FOR UPGRADES THE 9-1-1 DISPATCH CENTER.

March 27, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IT'S BEING CALLED THE I-75 CHALLENGE - WITH SEVERAL STATES BANDING TOGETHER TO REDUCE TRAFFIC DEATHS ON THE BUSY INTERSTATE LAW ENFORCEMENT IN MICHIGAN AND FIVE OTHER STATES WILL BE INCREASING PATROLS ALONG THE 1-THOUSAND-786 MILE I-75 CORRIDOR THE GOAL IS TO REDUCE U-S TRAFFIC FATALITIES BY 15-PERCENT THIS YEAR.THE CHALLENGE WILL CONSIST OF FOUR HIGH-VISIBILITY ENFORCEMENT WEEKENDS. THE MARCH 28-TH AND DECEMBER 26-TH WEEKENDS WILL TARGET IMPAIRED DRIVING.

JUNE 27-TH WILL BE MOTORCYCLE SAFETY.AND THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 26-TH WILL FOCUS ON SEATBELT USE AND SPEEDING.OTHER STATES PARTICIPATING INCLUDE OHIO, TENNESSEE, KENTUCKY, GEORGIA AND FLORIDA.

March 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MORE THAN 70 PERCENT OF THE LAKES ARE STILL COVERED WITH ICE. AND WHEN OUR WATERWAYS FREEZE -- IT'S THE COAST GUARD'S JOB TO CLEAR THE WAY FOR COMMERCE.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS WENT ABOARD THE CUTTER BISCAYNE BAY TO GIVE US A FIRST HAND LOOK AT THEIR ICE BREAKING OPERATIONS.

March 28, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN IS REMINDING THE PUBLIC THAT THEY ARE HERE TO HELP IN THE EVENT OF A SEXUAL ASSAULT. THE CENTER IS MAKING THEMSELVES AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY TO DELIVER RAPE KITS AND SURVIVOR KITS TO VICTIMS.THE MICHIGAN STATE POLICE PROVIDES THE KITS TO THE CENTER -- AND THEY WILL TAKE THEM TO THE HOSPITAL IF A VICTIM NEEDS ONE.

March 29, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

WEATHER OFFICIALS SAY HEAVY SNOW MELT AND PRECIPITATION ARE TRIGGERING A HEIGHTENED RISK FOR FLOODING IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN. THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE IN GAYLORD SAYS THERE'S A *QUOTE WELL-ABOVE AVERAGE POSSIBILITY OF FLOODING. IT'S POSSIBLE EARLY NEXT WEEK -- PARTICULARLY IN THE MANISTEE RIVER BASIN AND AU SABLE RIVER VALLEY. METEOROLOGISTS SAY THE RISE SHOULD BE MINOR -- BUT CANNOT RULE OUT A LARGER FLOOD.

March 30, 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

THIS WINTER HAS GIVEN FOLKS PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES TO GET OUT ON THE ICE.... BUT RISING TEMPERATURES ARE BEGINNING TO PUT THAT IN JEOPARDY. THE TRAVERSE CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT SAYS THE RECENT TEMPERATURE SWING HAS CAUSED MUCH OF THE ICE TO THAW AND FREEZE UP AGAIN -- MAKING FOR UNSTABLE CONDITIONS.FIREFIGHTERS SAY *CLEAR* ICE TENDS TO BE THE SAFEST -- AND EXPLAINED WHAT TO LOOK FOR IF YOU'RE PLANNING TO BE OUT ON THE ICE.

March 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THIS AUGUST -- VOTERS IN OSCEOLA COUNTY MAY BE ASKED TO CONSIDER RAISING A MILLAGE TO HELP BUILD A NEW E-M-S SITE.INSTEAD OF THE CURRENT ONE MILL. VOTERS WILL BE ASKED TO RAISE THAT TO 1-POINT-3-3 MILLS FOR

5 YEARS.THE MONEY RAISED FROM THE INCREASE WOULD GO TOWARD BUILDING A NEW E-M-S BASE IN THE LEROY OR TUSTIN AREA.

March 31, 2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

A 7 WEEK OLD BABY GIRL IS NOW IN CRITICAL CONDITION.. AFTER HEAD INJURIES PUT HER IN THE HOSPITAL.CADILLAC POLICE SAY THE BABY LIVES WITH HER PARENTS AT THE CADILLAC SHORES APARTMENTS.SHE WAS TREATED AT MERCY HOSPITAL ON FRIDAY NIGHT BEFORE BEING TAKEN TO THE GRAND RAPIDS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.A POLICE INVESTIGATION IS CENTERED AROUND HOW THE INJURIES HAPPENED... AND IS STILL IN ITS EARLY STAGES.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/DEVELOPMENT

(Including volunteerism, blood drives, revitalizing neighborhoods and mentoring)

Local News

January 1 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

WHILE MANY PEOPLE SPENT TODAY RELAXING AT HOME WATCHING MOVIES OR A FEW FOOTBALL GAMES -- OTHER'S KICKED OFF THEIR 20-14 YEAR WITH AN *AFTERNOON DIP* IN GRAND TRAVERSE BAY. NEARLY A DOZEN PEOPLE FROM SCUBA NORTH SUITED UP AND TOOK TO THE WATERS AT CLINCH PARK FOR A TRADITION THAT ORGANIZERS SAY HAS BEEN GOING FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS. THE GROUP GETS TOGETHER EVERY NEW YEARS DAY TO TAKE AN ICY PLUNGE INTO THE ESTIMATED 35 DEGREE WATER.

January 1 2014

11:00-11:35pm

Time :30

THE TRAVERSE CITY COMMUNITY CELEBRATED THE NEW YEAR AND ALSO GAVE BACK TO THOSE IN NEED. THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE PACKED THE STREETS OF DOWNTOWN TRAVERSE CITY.. FOR THE FIFTH ANNUAL CHERRY-T BALL DROP. THE LARGE ILLUMINATED CHERRY DROPPED AT MIDNIGHT...MARKING THE BEGINNING OF 20-14.THE FRIGID COLD DIDN'T KEEP REVELERS FROM ENJOYING LIVE MUSIC AND SPECIAL FIRE WORKS. THE BALL DROP EVENT RAISES MONEY AND HELPS SUPPORT LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES.

January 3 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

YOU HAVE THE CHANCE TO TAKE IN A GREAT HOCKEY GAME AND HELP OUT A LOCAL FAMILY AT THE SAME TIME. WHEN LOCAL TRAVERSE CITY FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICIALS HEARD THE NEWS OF 17-MONTH OLD DRAVEN DUNKLOW'S EYE CANCER DIAGNOSIS.. *AND THE FINANCIAL STRAIN TREATMENT IS PUTTING ON HIS FAMILY.. THEY BECAME DETERMINED TO HAVE A FUNDRAISER.

TEAM POLICE'' WILL TAKE ON ''TEAM FIRE'' IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS -- FEATURING PLAYERS FROM THE GRAND TRAVERSE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND T-C POLICE -- *AND EVERY FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY.WITH A HOCKEY GAME, SILENT AUCTION, RAFFLE, AND CHUCK-A-PUCK -- THE EVENT IS A GREAT WAY TO GIVE BACK.

January 3 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE SENIOR CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY IS DOING THEIR PART TO MAKE SURE EVERYONE AT THE GOOD WILL INN IS STAYING WARM THIS WINTER.MORE THAN 100

KNITTED HATS, SCARVES, AND MITTENS OF ALL SIZES WERE DONATED THIS AFTERNOON TO THE INN.ALL OF THE WINTER GEAR WAS MADE BY SENIORS AT THE SENIOR CENTER IN LESS THAN A MONTH.ORGANIZERS OF THE EVENT HOPE TO MAKE IT AN ANNUAL TRADITION.

January 7 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IT'S A SALE LIKE NO OTHER -- A NORTHERN MICHIGAN FAMILY IS INVITING THE PUBLIC TO BID ON A NUMBER OF HISTORIC AND UNIQUE ITEMS.THE PETOSKEY ESTATE BELONGED TO J-D ANDERSON -- THE FOUNDER OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST ARCHERY COMPANY. OVER TIME... HE COLLECTED A NUMBER OF PRICELESS ITEMS... THAT WILL BE AUCTIONED OFF THIS WEEKEND.

January 14 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IF YOU WERE LOOKING TOWARDS THE SKY IN TRAVERSE CITY TODAY AROUND 1-O'CLOCK YOU MAY HAVE SEEN SOMETHING BLUE AND VERY FAST FLYING OVERHEAD. THE BLUE ANGELS PAID A SPECIAL VISIT TO THE COASTGUARD AIR-STATION THIS AFTERNOON -- TO GET READY FOR THEIR UPCOMING SHOW THIS JULY AT THE 20-14 NATIONAL CHERRY FESTIVAL. ONE OF THE PLANES -- FLOWN BY TWO CAPTAINS MADE THE TRIP -- TO DISCUSS FINAL DETAILS OF THE SHOW WITH CHERRY FESTIVAL ORGANIZERS AND THE COASTGUARD.IT'S BEEN FOUR YEARS SINCE THEY MADE AN APPEARANCE IN TRAVERSE CITY -- AND EVERYONE IS EXCITED ABOUT THEIR RETURN.

January 17 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

MORE THAN 3 DECADES AGO -- THE QUIET COMMUNITY OF REED CITY WAS TURNED UPSIDE DOWN AFTER ONE OF THEIR OWN -- A 27-YEAR OLD WOMAN -- WAS BRUTALLY MURDERED. THE CASE HAS NEVER BEEN SOLVED.BUT THIS WEEKEND FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE COMING TOGETHER FOR A MEMORIAL WALK THAT THEY HOPE WILL BRING JANETTE ROBERSON'S STORY BACK TO LIFE -- AND MAYBE HELP SHED LIGHT ON THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR HER DEATH 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI SPOKE WITH PEOPLE ORGANIZING THE WALK -- AND THE REED CITY POLICE CHIEF -- AND JOINS US LIFE IN THE STUDIO WITH THE DETAILS.

January 18 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS TOOK TO THE ICE THIS EVENING -- ALL FOR A LITTLE BOY BATTLING EYE CANCER.MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE PACKED CENTRE ICE -- TO SUPPORT 19-MONTH OLD DRAVEN DUNKLOW -- AND HIS FAMILY.TONIGHT WAS THE FIRST-EVER GUNS AND HOSES GAME -- FEATURING MEMBERS OF THE GRAND TRAVERSE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND T-C POLICE -- FACING OFF AGAINST EVERY FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY.THE SILENT AUCTION -- AND THE BIG GAME ON THE ICE HAD FOLKS DIGGING DEEP IN THEIR POCKETS -- AS SOME PEOPLE HANDING OVER HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS -- EVEN THOUGH ORGANIZERS WERE ONLY ASKING FIVE DOLLARS FOR A TICKET.THE MONEY RAISED WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE FAMILY -- TO HELP OUT WITH TESTINGS AND TREATMENTS.DRAVEN'S PARENTS ARE THANKING THE COMMUNITY TONIGHT -- FOR THE OUTPOURING OF SUPPORT.

January 18 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE COLD WINTER TEMPERATURES CAN BE HARD ON NOT ONLY HUMANS -- BUT ALSO ANIMALS -- AND HILLSIDE FEED AND SUPPLY WANTED TO HELP OUT WITH THAT TODAY WITH A WINTER *STRAW DROP* IN LEELANAU COUNTY. ONE *FREE* BALE OF STRAW WAS AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES WITH OUTDOOR ANIMALS.THERE WERE NO REQUIREMENTS FOR PICKING UP THE STRAW -- THE FOLKS AT HILLSIDE SAY THAT THEYARE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ANIMAL'S SAFETYORGANIZERS HOPE THAT PROVIDING THIS STRAW WILL HELP GIVE WARMTH -- AND SAVE LIVES OF OUTDOOR ANIMALS DURING THESE COLD MONTHS.

January 20 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

PEOPLE WERE ALSO HONORING DR. KING'S LIFE RIGHT HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN.MANY TOOK TIME OUT OF THEIR DAY TO WORK ON COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS.A GROUP OF SENIOR CITIZENS AT THE FREINDSHIP CENTER IN EMMET COUNTY SPENT THE DAY MAKING GIFTS TO SEND TO SOLDIERS FIGHTING

OVERSEAS.7&4'S NATHAN EDWARDS VISITED THE CENTER TODAY AND HAS THE STORY.

January 21 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THIS APRIL 21ST I GET TO REALIZE A DREAM OF MINE. FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS, I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO QUALIFY FOR THE BOSTON MARATHON. AFTER 17 ATTEMPTS, I FINALLY RAN A TIME THAT GOT ME IN! NOW COMES THE HARD WORK OF GETTING READY TO RUN MY RACE. EVEN BEFORE I LOG MY FIRST TRAINING MILES, THE EXPERTS AT ATI PHYSICAL THERAPY AND EXCELERATE RUN WANTED TO MAKE SURE I WASN'T HEADED TOWARDS AN INJURY DOWN THE ROAD.

January 22 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE COLD TEMPERATURES HAVE BEEN HITTING NORTHERN MICHIGAN HARD THIS YEAR -- AND THEY HAVE CAUSED SOME RECORD AMOUNTS OF ICE ON THE GREAT LAKES. MANY MAJOR BAYS ARE FREEZING UP -- INCLUDING GRAND TRAVERSE BAY -- WHICH HASN'T FROZEN OVER IN YEARS. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI CHECKED OUT THE BAY TODAY -- AND JOINS US LIVE IN THE STUDIO WITH WHAT SHE FOUND OUT. MEGHAN HOW CLOSE IS THE BAY TO BECOMING AN ICE RINK?

January 30 2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

NORTHWEST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY'S HOUSING ASSESSMENT AND RESOURCE PROGRAM HAS HELPED DOZENS OF FAMILIES OVER THE YEARS GET BACK ON THEIR FEET AND FIND THEM SOME AFFORDABLE HOUSING. 7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI MET WITH THOSE BEHIND THE PROGRAM -- AND HAS THE DETAILS ON HOW IT ALL WORKS. MEGHAN WHAT CAN YOU TELL US?

February 3,2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

IMAGINE LOSING *EVERYTHING* AT A MOMENT'S NOTICE.... THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED TO A LOCAL MAN WHO WAS LIVING OUT OF A TRAVEL TRAILER.

INVESTIGATORS SAY FLAMES IGNITED BY A WOOD-BURNING STOVE DESTROYED WILLIAM BERKSHIRE'S TRAILER... AND EVERYTHING IN IT.IT HAPPENED SUNDAY NIGHT OUTSIDE OF ROY'S GENERAL STORE IN TRAVERSE CITY.BUT TODAY.... HE WAS GIVEN A NEW ROOF OVER HIS HEAD.... THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF ROY'S MANAGER -- ROB HENTSCHEL (HEN-SHUL).HENTSCHEL HAD A CAMPER THAT HE'S BARELY USED.... AND SURPRISED BERKSHIRE TODAY AS HE SORTED THROUGH WHAT WAS LEFT OF HIS TRAVELING HOME.

February 5,2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE 2014 WINTER OLYMPICS KICK OFF IN SOCHI FRIDAY... BUT CLOSER TO HOME, HUNDREDS OF OLYMPIANS GOT THEIR START TONIGHT. FOR THE FIFTEENTH YEAR, SPECIAL OLYMPICS MICHIGAN IS TAKING OVER THE GRAND TRAVERSE RESORT. 7&4'S JAMIE INNIS WAS AT THE OPENING CEREMONY TONIGHT,

February 7,2014

6:00-6:30pm

Time :30

THE FATHER FRED FROSTBITE FOOD DRIVE IS IN IT'S 20TH YEAR... AND THEY NEED YOUR HELP MORE THAN EVER.FATHER FRED SERVES A 5 COUNTY AREA IN NORTHWEST MICHIGAN AND HELPS ABOUT 150 TO 200 FAMILIES EVERYDAY. THE FROSTBITE FOOD DRIVE IS SET UP FOR THIS WEEK.THEY ARE HOPING TO FILL 3 SEMI TRUCKS FULL OF FOOD TO LAST THROUGH THE SPRING.YOU CAN ALSO DONATE CASH... AND THIS DONATIONS WILL BE DOUBLED THROUGH A DONATION MATCH UP TO 50 THOUSAND DOLLARS.

February 8,2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

CADILLAC HAD ITS FIRST EVER *LEAN ON ME* GAMES TODAY -- GIVING PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO COMPETE IN THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS A CHANCE TO PLAY SOME GAMES AT THE WEX.THE EVENT WAS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC -- GIVING *ALL* ATHLETES THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY GAMES.ACTIVITIES INCLUDED A HOCKEY SHOOT -- BASKETBALL -- CUP STACKING -- AND MUCH MORE.ORGANIZERS SAY THAT IT MEANS A LOT TO THEM TO BE ABLE TO MAKE EVERYONE FEEL INCLUDED.

February 8,2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :3

100 BRAVE SOULS TOOK A PLUNGE INTO FRIGID WATER THIS MORNING OUTSIDE OF THE GRAND TRAVERSE RESORT -- ALL TO RAISE MONEY FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS MICHIGAN.TRAVERSE CITY WAS ONE OF 30 POLAR PLUNGE SITES ACROSS THE STATE THIS YEAR. POLAR PLUNGE IS THE LARGEST FUNDRAISER FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS MICHIGAN.IT RAISED OVER A MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE GAMES LAST YEAR.DIVERS SAY THAT DESPITE THE ICE COLD WATERS -- THEY'RE HAPPY TO DO IT AGAIN NEXT YEAR.

February 12,2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

WORD IS SPREADING ACROSS NORTHERN MICHIGAN ABOUT ICE CAVES THAT MOTHER NATURE HAS FORMED OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS OF THIS COLD WINTER.TODAY METEOROLOGIST CHRISTIANA BURKHART WENT OUT ON THE ICE OF LAKE MICHIGAN TO SEE THIS SPECTACULAR SIGHT.

February 13,2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

THE KICK OFF FOR THE TRAVERSE CITY WINTER COMEDY ARTS FESTIVAL IS A LITTLE MORE THAN 2 HOURS AWAY -- AND PEOPLE HAVE BEEN BUSY SETTING UP FOR THE BIG EVENT ALL DAY.7&4'S MEGHAN MORELLI MET WITH ORGANIZERS.... AND HAS THE DETAILS ON *WHAT NEW THINGS* ARE COMING TO THE FESTIVAL THIS YEAR -- AND WHAT IT TAKES TO PUT IT ALL TOGETHER.

February 26,2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

WE LIVE IN A WORLD THAT CELEBRATES SPEED...LETS FACE IT...FASTER IS BETTER. AND THAT THINKING HOLDS TRUE WITH SPORTS TOO.WE CELEBRATE THE WINNER WHO CROSSES THE FINISH LINE FIRST...THEY HAVE PROVED THEY ARE THE FASTEST.BUT SOMETIMES IN SPORTS, AS IN LIFE...IT'S THE PERSON WHO FINISHES THE RACE LAST THAT COULD REALLY TEACH US A LESSON OR TWO....

March 16,2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

A LOCAL KENNEL IS HOPING TO GIVE MILITARY WORKING DOGS AND THEIR HANDLERS OVERSEAS SOME COMFORTS OF HOME THIS SPRING -- WITH A CARE PACKAGE COLLECTION DRIVE. *SUN DOG BOARDING KENNEL* IS COLLECTING EVERYTHING FROM GROOMING PRODUCTS -- TO MONETARY DONATIONS.EVERYTHING WILL BE SENT OVERSEAS TO THE SOLDIERS -- BOTH HUMAN AND CANINE -- IN THE FORM OF *NORTHERN MICHIGAN THEMED* CARE PACKAGES THE KENNEL OWNER SAYS IT'S IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE *BOTH* THE DOGS AND THEIR HANDLERS.

March 19,2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN MAN WHO CREATED A GLOBAL LEADER IN SPECIALITY INSURANCE IS BEING REMEMBERED TONIGHT. FRANK HAGERTY PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY AT THE AGE OF 79.

March 22,2014

6:00-6:30pm Time :30

MOOMERS SERVED UP HOT FUDGE SUNDAE FOR A GOOD CAUSE TODAY -BENEFITTING *MEALS ON WHEELS.**ALL* PROCEEDS FROM SUNDAES SOLD TODAY GO
DIRECTLY TO MEALS ON WHEELS -- WHICH PROVIDES HOT, NUTRITIOUS MEALS FOR
SENIORS. THE FUNDRAISER WAS HELD AS PART OF MEALS ON WHEELS' *MARCH FOR
MEALS* CAMPAIGN -- WHICH IS HOPING TO RAISE *20-THOUSAND DOLLARS* FOR
THE PROGRAM DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH.ORGANIZERS WITH MEALS ON WHEELS
SAY THAT THE COMMUNITY SUPPORT MEANS A LOT TO THEM.