

WJZ-TV
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Station WJZ-TV, licensed to CBS Television Licenses LLC, is responsive to the principal issues in its community of license, Baltimore, Maryland on a continuing basis. A variety of program elements, including regularly scheduled news and public affairs programming, reports on breaking news events, documentaries, specials, and public service announcements of concern to the community are included within our regular programming service. WJZ-TV's coverage of news stories, our employees' participation in community affairs, and regular interviews with community leaders have led to the determination that the issues listed are ones of importance to the Baltimore community. Our most significant programming, which dealt with current community issues during the preceding three-month period, are set forth in this report. WJZ-TV broadcasts both locally-produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, WJZ-TV also broadcasts several network broadcasts including FACE THE NATION, 60 MINUTES, CBS REPORTS and 48 HOURS.

PROGRAM INDEX

CONSUMER WATCH

WJZ reporters cover consumer interest topics. These reports air in the 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

HEALTHWATCH

WJZ's reporters discuss health issues and interview experts and patients to deliver information on the latest advances in health for our 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Locally produced special reports, focusing on community issues, local lifestyle trends and local personality profiles. These air in the 4pm, 5pm, 6pm and 11pm newscasts.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OUTREACH

Relevant projects launched by community organizations to benefit area residents.

ON TIME

A half-hour, Sunday morning public affairs program that airs at 6:30AM, focusing on leaders, issues and events, affecting the Baltimore community.

HEALTH

Eyewitness News did a story on...

7/1 It's that time of year again. The Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is tracking the spread of West Nile Virus.

7/2 Heartbreak for family and friends of a little Baltimore County girl. 6 year old Teresa Bartlinski died while on a waiting list for a new heart after her body already rejected one new heart.

7/4 A strong warning tonight from doctors and state health officials... The heat can be dangerous if not deadly. It follows the first confirmed heat related death of the summer.

7/4 Extensive coverage of heat related deaths and dangerous heat.

7/8 Maryland's medical community is fighting back against what they call devastating cuts to fund new research as well as medicine to treat common and rare illnesses.

7/11 The University of Maryland Cancer Center unveils a new tool to help people fighting cancer. The \$1.2 million "Apoteca Chemotherapy Robot" will enhance cancer drug delivery to patients.

7/14- The Baltimore County Humane Society addresses a serious shortage of canine blood and the organization is looking for donors.

7/16- Johns Hopkins Hospital is once again at the top of U.S. News & World Report's rankings of the nation's best hospitals.

7/19- This heat is not only dangerous for U.S.; it's also proved deadly for some pets, particularly dogs.

7/22- Maryland congressman pushes to honor the founder of the University of Maryland's Shock Trauma Center, Dr. R. Adams Cowley, with the Congressional Gold Medal.

7/29 Today marks four weeks since a 6 year old girl from Catonsville lost her life waiting for a heart transplant. Teresa Bartlinski's family announced a foundation in her name that will help other children around the world.

7/31 Medical marijuana is now available in DC. The first dispensary has opened at "Capital City Care."

8/1 While cancer patients in Maryland continue to risk arrest for buying marijuana, neighboring Washington DC opens its first medical marijuana dispensaries.

8/2 An investigation is underway into a case of tuberculosis in Baltimore County.

8/7 A terrifying moment for any parent. The son of singer "Usher" almost drowns in the family's pool- after getting stuck in a pool drain. Tonight, how to prevent this from happening to your child.

8/9 A Maryland man celebrates the 30th anniversary of his heart transplant. This week's milestone makes him one of the nation's longest surviving heart transplant patients.

8/9 In tonight's WJZ Health Watch the obesity rate for one group of kids is showing signs of improvement. Tonight, more on the new study and what parents need to know.

8/10 This weekend, first responders from several counties and volunteers use plenty of imagination to prepare for a real mass casualty incident. It was a major simulation.

8/12 Countless people know the feeling which comes from hugging their pet. A few years ago hospitals began bringing pets in to cheer up patients. Now, those animals are doing even more.

8/13 Helping children fight cancer. Today Doctor Christopher Gamper with the Johns Hopkins Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center, received a \$7500 grant from "Hyundai Hope on Wheels" for pediatric cancer research.

8/16 A disease with no known cure kills a horse on Maryland's Eastern Shore and it can kill humans too. It's carried by mosquitoes, and it may be even more dangerous than the West Nile Virus. Tonight the state Health Department is warning Marylanders to be on alert.

8/20 It looks like Lyme disease may have been underestimated with tens of thousands of cases going unreported. The disease can have serious after effects, and that makes finding the right numbers crucial.

8/23 For the first time this year West Nile virus cases are confirmed in Maryland.

8/27 This weekend, the Grand Prix of Baltimore will take over Charm City but before the event, a warning from the State Health Department. Officials want to help protect your hearing as the race roars through downtown.

9/1 There's a reason you might be sneezing and sniffing right now. The pollen count is pretty high. In tonight's Health Watch, Maryland's ragweed season typically peaks the first half of September.

9/3 The safety net for Maryland's sick and injured just got wider, with the first full service operation of one of the state's new medical helicopters. It's a life-saving improvement.

9/4 Tackling helmet head injuries. That's what the N-F-L, appliance maker GE and Maryland's sportswear company Under Armour are teaming up to do. Tonight, how this new initiative may help your athlete.

9/7 Remember all the talk about Obama Care? The Affordable Care Act passed in 2010 finally makes its way to Maryland. Starting this October, residents will be able to enroll but first, the state rolls out a marketing campaign to get your attention.

9/8 In tonight's WJZ Health Watch, September is National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month. One organization is using its sport to promote an active lifestyle. They want kids to swim toward good health.

9/11 Two cases of West Nile Virus infection are launching a quick response. Mosquito spraying will start in parts of Anne Arundel County, just a few hours from now.

9/18 Maryland health officials say there were 15 heat-related deaths this summer.

9/19 As people from all over the world know, Johns Hopkins Hospital is often the last hope for those with rare disorders. Now, a little girl who found help is giving back.

9/19 In tonight's WJZ Healthwatch... A new strain of bird flu has researchers rushing to find a vaccine. Unlike earlier strains, this new one appears capable of mutating into a deadly pandemic.

9/20 Former Ravens star OJ Brigance now leads a foundation to find a cure for ALS, the disease that will ultimately kill him. He is quick to share the credit with those who organize fundraisers.

9/21 Finishing a marathon is tough but getting started may be the hardest part. That's why a program in Baltimore is helping young runners take their first step.

9/24 Today 10 middle schools in Baltimore City receive a lifesaving donation. It comes in a small red box but for a student athlete, it's a huge help if something goes wrong with their heart.

9/26 It started right here in Baltimore and it's now become a nationwide event. On Sunday hundreds will gather in Towson for the Zero Prostate Cancer Challenge. It's all about raising money and awareness about an important men's health issue.

9/28 It affects children and adults alike. Today, nearly 26-million Americans fight diabetes. That's outpacing cancer, aids and heart disease. But next weekend, thousands in Baltimore will take steps to find a cure.

ON TIME

July 28: The Casey Cares Foundation provides activities for families struggling with critically ill children. Fun activities from birthday parties to family get-a ways are opportunities from families to escape from the medical situation that dominates family life. Founder Casey Baynes tells Kai Jackson how their programs help give families a chance at normalcy.

August 11: Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke are the number 1 and number 4 killers of all Americans. Chief Cardiologist Dr. Jerry Insel tells Kai Jackson how individuals can help improve their heart health by changing their diet to more healthy foods including vegetables, fruits, fish and plain chicken; and incorporating exercise into everyday lifestyle. Kristopher Keith describes how he is a 2 time heart attack survivor that resulted from chemo that damaged

his heart when he was 18. He describes how he's become active with the American Heart Association and promotes their healthy heart walks.

August 25: Leukemia and Lymphoma are blood cancers that affect both children and adults. Jon Rosa, executive director of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, explains to Kai Jackson what the differences are between the different types of blood and marrow cancers and how his organization helps fund research. He discusses how his organization raises money through their Light the Night events held around the state.

September 1: Dr. Marc Siegelbaum and patient navigator Ruth Anne Diggs tell Kai Jackson about their efforts to get more men tested for prostate cancer. For those who test positive, Dr. Siegelbaum discusses the treatment options while nurse Diggs elaborates on how she guides patients through the process and coordinates support groups for both the men and their families. They discuss the upcoming Zero Prostate Cancer Run and free community screenings.

September 8: Kelsey Luchey talks to Kai Jackson about the programs SARC offers to victims of domestic violence, sexual violence and stalking. She discusses how widespread the problem is and how SARC has extended programs that help the abuser as well as the victim.

September 8: The Spirited Women of Baltimore Power Lunch recognizes unsung women who have bettered their communities through volunteering. Monyka Berrocosa tells Kai Jackson why the awards are important at identifying women from all walks of life who are making a difference. Proceeds from the luncheon benefit the Caroline Center which offers workforce development for low income women in Baltimore City. Pat McLaughlin explains how they have changed women's lives through this free program that educates and prepares women for employment.

September 8: The kindness of a stranger half way around the world gave Eric Sauer another chance at life when he was diagnosed with leukemia several years ago. His bone marrow donor match lived in Germany and he described how her marrow donation helped save his life. His organization, There Goes My Hero Foundation, helps to increase the number of people for the bone marrow registry and helps provide food for leukemia patients here in Maryland.

September 15: Moveable Feast's executive director tells Kai Jackson how they provide nutritionally appropriate meals to clients with life threatening illnesses like AIDS and cancer. Tom Bonderenko explains that Moveable Feast prepares all of their food and delivers to the homebound as well as to the homeless living in shelters. They also run a culinary training program for the disadvantaged who are interested in a career in institutional food preparation. Their upcoming fundraiser, Dining Out for Life, helps to fund their programs.

September 29: Alzheimer's Disease continues to affect thousands of Marylanders with that figure expected to increase as baby boomers age. Cass Naugle and Sen. Verna Jones-Rodwell tell Kai Jackson about upcoming Alzheimer's programs including fundraising walks, Purple Awareness Sunday that being held in African American Churches and an upcoming Seminar on Memory Loss being held at Coppin State University.

ARTS & CULTURE

Eyewitness News did a story on...

7/1 Thousands of public housing apartments in the city have been torn down, but one of the originals is still going strong. A landmark piece of art that symbolized hope has returned to McCullough Homes.

7/2 Several animals are heading back to the National Aquarium as it prepares to open a new exhibit. One of them is this 500 pound sea turtle named Calypso.

7/3 There are over 100 public fireworks displays in the coming days but, the biggest will be here in downtown Baltimore.

7/4 Baltimore has a central role in America's history as the home of the Star Spangled Banner. The flag flying over Fort McHenry during the Battle of Baltimore is being re-created.

7/5 It's the granddaddy of them all and its starts tonight. Believe it or not it's the 15th year for the Little Italy Film Festival. This Baltimore tradition is all about film, food and fun.

7/6 The African-American Festival comes back to M&T Bank Stadium.

7/7 A place in Baltimore area civil rights history has been memorialized. It's been 50 years since the de-segregation of Gwynn Oak Park in Woodlawn. Tonight, the collaboration that helped make history.

7/8 Making the most of a monument under repair. Two years ago, an earthquake damaged the Washington Monument, closing it off to visitors. Starting at sunset tonight, the Washington Monument will glow blue.

7/9 To be - or not to be - is "no" longer the question when it comes to Shakespeare getting a stage in Baltimore City. A groundbreaking today - chipped away at any doubt that the classics have a new home.

7/10 High school football players from Baltimore City are now the stars of a new Under Armour commercial. The executive producer of the new 'Ready For August' ad is an expert when it comes to football.

7/11 Although there are over 35 community theatres in our area amateur actors say there aren't enough opportunities to get on stage. Now, a summer theatre at Bryn Mawr offers a unique twist.

7/13- A treasure trove of sports memorabilia is being put up for auction at the sports legends museum in Camden Yards.

7/14- The Babe Ruth Birthplace Foundation is auctioning off a rare tour of the sports legend's museum's private archives.

7/15- Baltimore's Super-Bowl-winning Ravens are on an elite new list tonight-- ranked among the most valuable sports teams in the world.

7/17-A new penguin exhibit is under construction at the Maryland Zoo. It is set to open fall 2014.

7/18- The House of Cards and Veep, both television shows filmed in Baltimore, are nominated for Emmys.

7/19- Coverage of the first day of the 32nd annual Artscape's newest attractions

7/20- Extensive Artscape coverage

7/23 It's the planet's biggest, worst smelling flower. With a scent like rotting flesh, the corpse flower rarely blooms and that's brought thousands to see and sniff it, in Washington.

7/25 While everyone's been buzzing about the birth of the royal prince down at the National Aquarium in Baltimore-- they're buzzing about the birth of a "puffin".

7/26 If you enjoy a good meal at a bargain price, you'll like what starts today in Baltimore, it's Restaurant Week, the most delicious week of the summer.

7/28 Since the 9-11 attack, the role of the Maryland National Guard has drastically changed. Now, a new museum exhibit shows how soldiers went from protecting state borders to joining a global war on terror.

7/29 Fans of electronic dance music will be happy with this year's lineup for the Virgin Mobile Freefest that was announced today.

7/30 Summer means summer camps but nothing quite like this. Tonight we tune in to Baltimore's annual Opera Camp.

8/1 A writer, producer and Carroll County native debuts his first feature film. "Flock of Dudes" is set for release next year and Brian Levin is already working on his second project which will highlight Charm City.

8/2 He is a cornerstone of the Ravens franchise and tomorrow night in Canton, Ohio Jonathan Ogden will receive football's highest honor. Tonight, a look at the legacy of the Ravens Hall of Fame inductee.

8/3 Making history a stitch at a time. Volunteers take on a big project at Maryland's Historical Society. They're re-creating the immense flag that inspired the Star Spangled Banner.

8/4 We begin tonight with sad breaking news for Baltimore. Former Colts great Art Donovan passed away tonight, at the age of 89. Artie will be remembered as much for his play on the field as the way he lived his life after he left the game.

8/5 The Ravens may be headed to Denver for the regular season opener but it will be celebrated here in style. Keith Urban will kick off the NFL season with a free concert on September 5th in Baltimore.

8/6 A major face-lift for M & T Bank Stadium, as the Super bowl champions gear up to start the pre-season this week. Take a look at the first installment of a \$35 million investment for Ravens nation.

8/7 NASA'S Rover "Curiosity" landed on Mars one year ago this week. Its discoveries are already changing science books and more discoveries lie ahead.

8/8 An exciting day at the Inner Harbor. The world's largest reproduction of a Pacific Coral Reef is now on display at the National Aquarium.

8/9 It may be the best two weeks in Baltimore County for foodies. Restaurant Week kicks off today and it's a challenge for chefs to create the dishes that keep customers coming back.

8/10 The latest hotel trend has come to Baltimore, but it's not about the softness of the sheets and gourmet items in the mini-bar. A downtown hotel wants you to remember your stay by getting out to see the city.

8/12 If you want to see some of nature's fireworks, look up in the sky tonight. We're at the peak of the Perseid meteor show that happens every August. But behind the harmless display of falling stars, is a potential for mass extinction.

8/13 The Baltimore Grand Prix is just over two weeks away and planning is also underway for one of the biggest pre-race events. The "Yellow Party" will raise money for a great cause.

8/15 Tonight is the night. The world champion Baltimore Ravens are back in the city. It's their first pre-season game at home and fans cannot wait.

8/16 It's one of the most popular game shows in television history and you see it every weekday at 11 here on WJZ... The Price Is Right. Today hundreds of people came to White Marsh with hopes of being selected as a contestant.

8/17 This weekend, an autograph extravaganza drew hundreds of Orioles fans to the state's largest animal shelter. But meeting the players was just a perk as the team hopes to boost pet adoptions.

8/19 They're a group of dedicated and talented musicians. The Westminster High School marching band has a chance to travel to Hawaii to represent Maryland in the annual Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade but they need your help to get there.

8/20 Orioles and Ravens athletes are all heart...both on and off the field. Now Baltimore athletes are trading in their cleats to help their 4-legged friends. It's called Paw-ject Runway.

8/23 Here's one that didn't get away. A pre-historic whale trapped in a Calvert County cliff that's taken millions of years to surface.

8/27 Tomorrow marks the 50th anniversary of Doctor Martin Luther King Junior's historic speech on the Washington mall. If you're headed to DC for the commemorative event you'll need to leave early.

8/28 50 years ago today, Doctor Martin Luther King, Junior delivered his "I Have A Dream" speech. His speech is one of the most pivotal in this nation's history. WJZ joins thousands as they gather on the mall to mark the historic anniversary.

8/29 An unusual piece of property sells on the auction block today. An old fashioned riverboat is sailing away from Baltimore for more than \$357,000 dollars.

8/30 This year's Little Italy Film Festival may have ended tonight -- but there's now a permanent reminder of the neighborhood tradition.

9/2 Sweet lovers are craving something new. It's a dessert that started at a pastry shop in New York and is now here in Baltimore. Tonight, the latest on the Cronut craze in Charm City.

9/3 The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore is welcoming its newest arrival. It's a female Sitatunga that was born early last month.

9/5 It may seem hard to believe, but it's only been 80 years since beer was first sold in cans. Most beer that is canned is made by the huge global breweries, but that's now changing.

9/6 They describe themselves as a "little orchestra." This weekend, they're set to shake things up on stage with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra to kick off their musical season.

9/12 The oldest church in Baltimore city undergoes major renovations. Tonight a glimpse at the new look of Old Saint Paul's.

9/13 Maryland is already depicted in currency, but on the state's own special holiday... "Defender's Day"... one of her most historic sites is now too.

9/14 Baltimore celebrates "Defenders Day" at Fort McHenry by raising a hand-stitched American flag.

9/15 The director behind "The Blair Witch Project" is still in negotiations to make his next movie here in Maryland.

9/18 The dead are making their way to Baltimore as part of largest exhibition of mummies in the world.

9/20 It has become increasingly popular, and now Soulful Symphony is back at the Hippodrome. The orchestra is targeting future musicians and audience members with a special school concert.

9/22 One of the nation's tall ships returned to Charm City. The Coast Guard Cutter "Eagle" was open for tours all weekend and it has a rich history patrolling the country's coasts.

9/24 It was a special evening at Pimlico Race Course tonight as former Raven O-J Brigance celebrated his birthday with a big announcement about his book release.

9/26 One of Baltimore's iconic historic landmarks is re-opening its doors. The home of Edgar Allen Poe will once again welcome visitors on weekends in October.

9/27 From the B-M-A, to the Walters, and the Science Center, Baltimore has seen some amazing exhibits come to town. Exhibits for the latest show at the Science Center, mummies, have come from all over the world.

9/29 It's a grand opening three months in the making. Old St. Paul's, the city's oldest church welcomed parishioners back inside this weekend.

ON TIME

July 14: Local author Marshall Bell tells Kai Jackson about his latest book, Harm City Blues, which documents the tough life on the streets in West Baltimore and how one young man finds a mentor to steer him in the right direction. Marshall Bell is the brother of former city council president, Lawrence Bell.

August 4: Defenders' Day is a Maryland Holiday celebrating the events at Ft. McHenry in 1814 where the Americans defeated the British. National Park Ranger Vince Vaise tells Kai Jackson about the new release of the Ft. McHenry quarter by the US Mint. In addition to the release of the commemorative coin, a replica of the original flag that flew over the fort is being recreated by professional stitchers and will be displayed at the fort after a parade from the Maryland Historical Society where it is being completed.

August 11: Kai Jackson talks with the new executive director of the Walters Art Museum, Julia Marciari-Alexander about her vision for the museum. She discusses how she aims to make the Walters more accessible to museum goers by strategically changing the structure of the museum to make it more inviting and highlighting their underappreciated permanent collection. She discusses two upcoming exhibitions themed around religion, one on ancient Egypt's Mysterious Book of the Faiyum and the other, Jacob Lawrence's Genesis Series.

August 11: Rev. Dr. Anthony Brown tells Kai Jackson that he started the Dream 4 It Foundation to help raise scholarship money for young people to attend college. He discusses how difficult it is for many families to be able to afford to send their children to college.

Morgan Taylor is one of the students who received scholarship dollars from the annual benefit concert and she explains what her education plans are once she gets her undergraduate degree from Princeton University.

August 18: Kai Jackson talks with author Allison Leotta about her new book, *Speak of the Devil* that is loosely based on real cases she tried as a DC sex crimes prosecutor. She discusses the rise of the notorious MS-13 gang which she writes about in her new book and how all gangs try to intimidate witnesses in not cooperating with law enforcement.

September 1: Center Stage's artistic director talks to Kai Jackson about the upcoming 2013-14 season featuring plays that evoke the human spirit. He describes how last year's plays focused on a theme of conversation vs. the upcoming season's selection of comedy and joy. He describes how he has traveled the country searching out new plays by new playwrights to add to season which balances the familiar with the unexpected.

September 1: Defying Definitions is a collaborative project designed to get the communities of Southern Maryland discussing race, stereotypes, identity and disability. The campaign uses both a website and town hall meetings as a forum to get groups talking about controversial subjects with the aim to build bridges and understanding. Tara Taylor and Makeba Clay tell Kai Jackson how the demographics are changing in Southern Maryland and this prompted the need for this campaign.

September 15: The 17th Annual Baltimore County African American Cultural Festival returns to Towson's Courthouse Plaza with a line-up of national and local entertainers Festival chairs, Danyell Winkey Smith and Tanya Harris describe other activities including the display of historic African American communities to a health and financial wellness center all offered from free at the one event.

September 22: Columbia native Jason Odell Williams is up for an Emmy Award for his work as a writer producer on the National Geographic Channel's Brain Game TV show. He tells Kai Jackson how he turned to writing after a stint at acting. He discusses his newly release young adult novel, Personal Statement, and Off-Broadway play, Handle with Care.

September 29: Kai Jackson talks with Vincent Lances and Ian Trestle from Everyman Theatre about their upcoming season, the first one to be performed entirely in their new theater on West Fayette Street in the heart of the Westside Theatre District. They discuss how they assemble productions for the season, how their theatre is comprised of resident acting members and how they collaborate with Center Stage, the area's other regional theater.

September 29: The historic Union Baptist Church is holding a tribute to the late Queen of Gospel Music, Magalia Jackson. Lavonia Nesmith and Lonnie Brown discuss the impact Magalia Jackson had on gospel music and how they plan to honor her legacy through a free concert being held at the church.

CONSUMER: HOUSING

Eyewitness News did a story on...

8/7 Hundreds of protesters are expected to gather outside City Hall tonight as a hearing resumes on the proposed Harbor Point Development near the Inner Harbor.

8/8 Baltimore City moves to spend more than a hundred million dollars to subsidize the Harbor Point Development. Protestors failed to prevent the taxation committee from approving the deal last night.

8/12 Tonight the Baltimore City Council is expected to take a preliminary vote on the controversial plan to give \$107 million to the Harbor Point Development.

8/13 A step forward for the controversial Harbor Point Development. The Baltimore City Council grants preliminary approval to more than 100 million dollars in public financing for the project.

8/16 Now you can own a piece of football history. Future Hall of Famer, Ray Lewis has put one of his houses on the market. It can be yours, for just over one million dollars.

9/9 Despite a last ditch effort to change plans on the proposed Harbor Point development. The project is expected to be approved during a city council meeting tonight.

9/10 Baltimore's harbor gets a new look. The City Council approves spending \$100-million for Harbor Point Development. Tonight, the developer tells us what it will look like.

9/13 Maryland Senator Ben Cardin shines the spotlight on products "Made in Maryland" that keep jobs in the state.

9/19 A project to end homelessness in Baltimore draws thousands to the Convention Center downtown. This year the turnout is greater than years before.

CONSUMER: JOBS

Eyewitness News did a story on...

7/10 One sure way to keep kids off the street is to put them to work, and Baltimore is working on that. A \$2.8 million program will help secure the future for students and the city.

7/11 The Maryland Live Casino is putting on its poker face. Today, executives break through the casino wall to make the entrance to a new poker room.

7/22- Governor Martin O'Malley highlights job creation in an event today and the role of the aerospace industry in Maryland's economy.

8/11 The Port of Baltimore is an economic boost for the state as it logs another record-breaking year. That means more money and jobs for more Marylanders.

8/14 US Senator Ben Cardin visits Fort Meade today to address the federal furloughs that went into effect last month. And the crowd he faced was fired up.

8/19 The US Labor Department releases its July jobs report for Maryland and its not good news.

8/22 Progress in southwest Baltimore and it includes several thousand jobs. The former General Motors factory on Broening Highway is the site of a proposed new warehouse.

8/28 Governor O'Malley leads a forum on how his policies are affecting middle class Marylanders. The focus is on job creation.

9/21 Putting veterans back to work that was the mission of today's 7th annual "Welcome Home Job Fair" at the Community College of Baltimore County in Catonsville.

9/23 Maryland's unemployment rate continues to remain below the national average. Today, Governor O'Malley visited Tulkoff Food Products in Dundalk.

9/27 The budget battle goes on in Washington and hundreds of thousands of federal workers in Maryland worry they could be furloughed if a deal is not reached in time.

9/30 If Congress can't reach a compromise, the effects will be felt all over the country and in Maryland with 250,000 federal workers. Our complete coverage continues with what a shutdown could mean for you.

ON TIME

August 18: The League for People with Disabilities creates individual programs to help disabled adults gain skills that match their interests in finding employment. The program evaluates individuals and tailors training to help them become successfully employed. Vanessa Taylor explains to Kai Jackson that many small businesses like Taharka Brothers employ their clients in meaningful jobs.

CONSUMER: ECONOMY

Eyewitness News did a story on...

7/1 Starting today, it's more expensive to drive in Maryland. A gas tax adding about 3-and-a-half cents to a gallon starts today and tolls are going up.

7/3 It's going to cost you more if you use city water. Today, the Baltimore Board of Estimates votes to increase the cost 15-percent.

7/4 It's not the Fourth of July without Maryland crabs but this year, you better get them early and unfortunately, it will cost you more.

7/5 Maryland is having a run of luck at the casinos. The money collected by the state this fiscal year is tens of millions more than expected.

7/6 Maryland drivers have had some relief at the pump. Gas prices went down over the July 4th holiday weekend but how long will it stay that way?

7/8 In our region, the government estimates there are 11,000 companies working on cyber security. Today, a Baltimore company showed off a first of its kind product to top security officials.

7/9 Momentum is building for the Baltimore Orioles. It's just over halfway through their winning season...and fans are glued to their seats. The team says attendance is way up at Camden Yards...and the businesses around the park are feeling the magic too!

7/11 Back in Baltimore. The Royal Caribbean ship "Grandeur of the Seas" returns. A fire engulfed part of the ship in May causing several sailings to be cancelled.

7/15- Gas prices on the rise in the Mid-Atlantic.

7/19- More than 50,000 tickets for Sunday's soccer doubleheader at M&T Bank Stadium have been sold and the uptick in demand filling city hotels with fans from all over. It is predicted to bring millions of dollars to Baltimore.

7/22- Gas prices are on the rise up nearly a dime from a week ago and twenty cents from last month.

7/23 Keeping local dollars, local. That's the challenge from Maryland leaders to the public this week.

7/24 The Ravens are back on the field to start practice and with their Super Bowl win, the team is more valuable than ever.

7/25 A gang of computer hackers is busted for stealing the credit card numbers of 160million Americans! 17 major corporations hacked including a number of companies here in Maryland.

7/30 Shoppers, get ready to save some money. Maryland's tax-free week is coming up.

7/31 Parking in historic Annapolis will soon be more convenient, and more costly.

8/2 Thousands of Marylanders have trouble affording to put food on their table. Now, thanks to your generosity, they have some help. The totals from this year's WJZ, MASN, and Orioles food drive are released. It is all part of our continuing community commitment.

8/3 That Powerball jackpot ... Up to 300 million dollars, and today, people in Baltimore rushed out to buy their - hopefully - winning tickets.

8/4 Brand new research finds -- many teens are waiting longer to get their driver's licenses. AAA Mid-Atlantic released the information, which shows the economy may play a major role.

8/5 It's a shell game with an awful lot riding on it restore enough oysters, and improve the Chesapeake Bay's waters. It's an on-going effort with big players, and small.

8/7 It is a record-setting time at the Port of Baltimore. Officials say the amount of general cargo that passed through the port this fiscal year was the most ever.

8/8 Attention, shoppers. The Maryland Tax Free Week kicks off Sunday and today, State Comptroller Peter Franchot stopped in Towson to promote the annual event.

8/10 Playing the lottery pours millions into the state coffers about 830 million this fiscal year alone. But it's not all good news. As competition from casinos grows, lottery revenues are down.

8/11 There's some relief at the pump for drivers. Gas prices hit the lowest mark since mid-July and it's a welcome change. But the low prices may not last long.

8/13 Marylanders looking to make the most of their back-to-school dollars are shopping this week to take advantage of the state's sales tax holiday. Tonight, what does and does not qualify.

8/14 Construction on Maryland's fifth casino is ahead of schedule and hiring is set to begin soon. This all comes as the state reveals how much cash casinos brought in last fiscal year.

8/15 A quarter billion dollars is serious money and it's being spent on a serious problem. It's being poured into Baltimore's Back River Sewage Treatment Plant, to slow the flow of nutrient pollution choking the bay.

8/18 A big boost for downtown businesses. After huge events like Otokan and Brony-con in Baltimore, Charm City sees record tourism numbers

8/20 The exploration continues for Maryland's offshore wind energy farm. Scientists are finding out more about the underwater world on which the farm will be built.

8/22 The city school system is raising the price of student lunches.

8/27 The nation's capitol is making a push for the 2024 summer Olympic games. The Olympics in Washington DC would be good news for Maryland.

8/29 A warning for people to watch what they are buying after a raid at Arundel Mills Mall results in the seizure of hundreds of fake Apple products.

9/1 If you're hitting the road this holiday weekend try to fill up now because experts say gas prices are climbing.

9/3 BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport is the busiest in the region-- for the first time in more than a decade.

9/4 A lot of people grow their own fruits and vegetables. Now add chicken, or at least their eggs, to the menu. It's a growing trend and soon it may be coming home to roost in Baltimore County.

9/10 Maryland's famous blue crabs are getting harder and harder to find. That's been a big blow to businesses and watermen who rely on the state's signature seafood.

9/12 The University of Maryland Eastern Shore plans to install two wind turbines on campus. The turbines will create enough power to fuel hundreds of homes, and will serve as research instruments for students and faculty.

9/13 Thousands of small non-profit organizations are in jeopardy of losing their tax exempt status and donors won't be able to write contributions off their taxes. A little-known IRS regulation is catching them off-guard.

9/16 The City Council is expected to take a vote tonight to permanently ban the kiosks that buy cell phones on the spot and instantly dispense money to the buyer.

9/17 Today we reached an unwanted milestone, the price of gasoline in America has been above three dollars a gallon for the last one thousand days.

9/18 Major money for Anne Arundel County after Maryland live reveals its latest list of grant recipients. Tonight, more on where the county casino revenue is going.

9/19 Drivers could soon have another option to avoid traffic northeast of Baltimore but you'll likely have to pay for it.

9/20 Iphone frenzy. The latest models go on sale and it is chaos for stores in our area and around the world.

9/25 It started as an empty lot but drive down Russell Street now and you can see the beginning of what's soon to be Baltimore's first casino. Today we got a behind the scenes look at this \$440-million project.

9/26 The best place in America to be a woman is... Maryland. Tonight-- one group says our state has the biggest opportunities for high-level jobs, money, and healthcare.

9/28 It's a great weekend for Baltimore. Every hotel booked. Thousands of visitors are in town and stores seeing a big boost. Conventions, sporting events and street fairs are raking in the cash.

ON TIME

August 4: The Mayor's Office of Employment Development created Community Job Hubs where unemployed or underemployed can brush up on technology skills in programs taught by professionals, search the internet for job openings and develop professional resumes. Craig

Lewis tells Kai Jackson how this program prepares residents for the 21st Century workforce that relies on computer technology.

LOCAL POLITICS

Eyewitness News did a story on...

7/8 Change could be on the way soon for Baltimore's waterfront. A group called the Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore wants to modernize the area with new parks and attractions.

7/9 A storm of protest is brewing over the state's new rain tax. The bills are coming due and some Maryland businesses are shocked at what they're paying.

7/11 The state is cracking down on drivers who skip the toll tonight. Drivers who have cost Maryland millions in lost revenue. Now if you blow through an EZ-Pass lane and don't pay up, your license could be suspended!

7/18 Critics of city subsidies for the \$1 billion Harbor Point project clashed with supporters of the waterfront development that the mayor has called a "once-in-a-generation opportunity."

7/24 Preventing cruise nightmares. Lawmakers in Washington grill cruise-line executives about their ships stranding passengers! A series of recent incidents includes a destructive fire, onboard a ship that sailed out of Baltimore this summer!

7/25 The Senator Theater is one step closer to opening its doors and drawing large crowds once again. Today, the theater's owners asked the city for a liquor license.

7/26 Maryland's highest court rules on deadly DUIs. Bars that serve intoxicated customers are not at fault for what happens on the road.

7/31 Governor Martin O'Malley highlights the important role bio-technology is playing in Maryland's economy.

8/1 Tonight there are charges that Baltimore City has broken its promise to clean up the harbor. The city pledged \$1-billion to stop sewage leaks from pouring into the water. And one group says that's not being done.

8/2 Upgrades are on the way to BWI-Thurgood Marshall Airport thanks to the Department of Transportation.

8/15 When you need to know, where do you go? A survey of Maryland voters shows most are dissatisfied with the way the state does, or does not, make important information accessible.

8/16 As you pay more to fill your gas tank, the state is taking some of that money to pay for transportation projects. The Eastern Shore is now getting some much-needed attention.

8/20 After months of tough negotiations, the mayor and Baltimore's fire unions finally reach an agreement on a new contract but there's still one final union vote the deal has to pass.

8/25 Setting a good example for young athletes. A Maryland congressman insists on human growth hormone testing for NFL players. Tonight, details on Elijah Cummings' latest push.

8/31 The Port of Baltimore has been awarded a \$0-million federal grant for improvements.

9/3 A Chesapeake check-up. Today a Senate field hearing heard what's working and what's not when it comes to cleaning up the bay.

9/4 The state is putting those new gas tax dollars to use. The governor's new big thing for commuters is a proposal for the red line.

9/6 In just a few weeks a strict gun control law goes into effect here in Maryland. With the changes looming gun applications are skyrocketing.

9/7 This fall, Maryland will have some of the toughest gun laws in the nation, but some lawmakers and clergy members say we still need more protections. Several groups are driving that message cross country.

9/8 Drivers, put those phones down. Talking behind the wheel will soon get you a serious fine in Maryland. In less than a month, talking on your cell phone while driving becomes a primary offense.

9/9 Vice-President Joe Biden comes to the Port of Baltimore with a \$10-million check. It's just the latest investment in a port positioning itself for the future.

9/11 Marylanders in a rush to get guns before the new state restrictions take effect are clogging the system. Now, the Governor's solution to moving thousands of applications through the background checks is causing controversy.

9/12 Maryland businesses are being courted by the lone star state. Texas Governor Rick Perry is urging them to pull up stakes and head west.

9/17 A massacre of children propelled it, and now Maryland's new gun control law is about to go into effect. It rolls out in the shadow of the Navy Yard shooting rampage in Washington.

9/18 You see the commercials now Governor O'Malley square offs against Texas Governor Rick Perry as Perry tries to wrangle business away from Maryland.

9/23 A legislative committee votes to adopt regulations to implement the state's new gun laws.

9/25 No signs, no yelling, no profanity. If you don't follow the rules at Anne Arundel County Council meetings from now on... You'll get booted out.

9/26 The president makes a stop in Prince George's County to promote Obama Care. Starting Tuesday Marylanders can go online to choose health insurance under the affordable care act. Today, the president had an audience of supporters.

9/27 Opponents of Maryland's new gun law take one last shot at blocking the legislation with another lawsuit.

9/29 Speaking of the roads some new traffic laws will take effect in just two days with the goal of making Maryland safer.

9/30 A number of new laws go into effect here in Maryland starting tomorrow including some new traffic laws with the goal of making Maryland roads safer.

ON TIME

July 7: Kai Jackson talks with gay rights representatives Matthew Thorn and Alex Patchin McNeil about the Supreme Court's recent rulings on two cases involving same sex marriage. They discussed the overturn of DOMA, the federal Defense of Marriage Act, and what that means to thousands of married same sex couples living in states that recognize these marriages. Married same sex couples will now be eligible for about 1000 rights on the federal level that were previously denied to same sex couples. They discuss how Proposition 8 which the court ruled they did not have proper jurisdiction to rule on, opens up gay marriage in California.

July 21: Kai Jackson talks with Chief Judge Robert M. Bell about his 37 years in Maryland's judiciary. Judge Bell describes his involvement with civil rights movement when he was a high school student at Dunbar and protested the segregated lunch counter at a downtown Baltimore restaurant. His arrest resulted in Bell v. Maryland, a case he studied while attending Harvard Law School. He looks back over his career and offers his opinions of the cases that made a significant difference. At the age 70, a mandatory retirement age for judges, he'll step down and start writing a book.

July 28: Kai Jackson talks with F. Michael Higginbotham about the recent Supreme Court ruling that struck down a key provision in the Voting Rights Act of 1965 that required federal oversight of voting changes in jurisdictions that had a history of discriminating against minorities. Professor Higginbotham explains how the ruling affects voting safeguards designed to prevent gerrymandering and other tactics to dilute and dissuade voting by minorities.

August 4: Kai Jackson talks with Rachel Wohl about the Maryland Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office. Mediation is a cost and time effective means to resolve disputes between family members, businesses, neighbors – an alternative to going to court. She explains how mediation gets to the root of the problem and allows participants to arrive at a workable solution.

September 22: Judge Karen Friedman tells Kai Jackson why she started a campaign to address the problem of domestic violence by engaging the help of religious leaders from all denominations. Imam Earl El-Amin, a member of the steering committee, discusses why it's

important for religious leaders to attend an upcoming seminar that is designed to help educate clergy members on the warning signs of domestic violence in addition to resources in the community.

COMMUNITY

Eyewitness News did a story on...

7/2 It's a national and international sorority dedicated to helping others....more than 300-thousand women strong. Now the ladies of Delta Sigma Theta are celebrating their 100th anniversary right here in Baltimore.

7/3 Unprecedented changes in the making for Maryland's highest court. One judge's retirement makes Maryland history.

7/4 You can't have the 4th of July without a parade...and there were several in central Maryland today. WJZ was in Dundalk for one of the biggest 4th of July parades on the East Coast.

7/5 Delta Sigma Theta is the world's largest black women's organization...and Baltimore is center stage in the celebration of their 100th anniversary.

7/6 Baltimoreans can get from one side of the city to the other for free it's all part of a shuttle program from the Inner Harbor to the Maryland Zoo.

7/7 Pope John Paul the Second is cleared for sainthood. The Vatican is fast-tracking the canonization. Catholic churches nationwide and here in Baltimore are supporting the sainthood.

7/9 Downtown Ellicott City wins a "touch-up" from Benjamin Moore Paints. The company solicited nominations for a fresh coat of paint from worthy small towns and then asked the public to vote.

7/11 They're a mainstay in Baltimore and have been so since the 19th century selling fruits and vegetables from their colorful trucks. Now the city's Arabbers are being joined by a group of artists and it will all come together on Sunday.

7/13- The family of a Howard County man was killed by a drunk driver in Ocean City last year is working with Ocean City to prevent something like this from happening again with the Walk Smart Safety Campaign.

7/14- Hundreds of runners and volunteers take part in the Pikesville "Miles That Matter" 5-k run and walk. The event benefits the Ulman Cancer Fund and the Pikesville Chamber of Commerce.

7/15- People upset with the not-guilty verdict are holding rallies calling for justice for Trayvon and his family.

7/15- The Ravens will honor retired linebacker Ray Lewis IN WEEK 3 against the Houston Texans. The team will immortalize Lewis in a Ring of Honor Ceremony on Sunday September 22nd.

7/16- There's talk of an All Star Game returning to Charm City.

7/17- Team USA is coming to M&T Bank Stadium for the Gold Cup quarterfinals.

7/18- Valley Motors donated a \$10,000 check to Boston Marathon survivor Erika Brannock who lives in Towson. The check will help cover some of her rehab costs.

7/20- Baltimore was part of the "100 city Trayvon Martin Vigil and Rally" to protest against the "Stand Your Ground" law.

7/20- A star from the award winning T.V. series "The Wire", Jermaine Crawford, is in Maryland this weekend for event in Prince George's County to combat teen homelessness

7/21- Families of murder victims gathered today to pay tribute to their loved ones at Turner's Station Park in Dundalk. It's an annual event put on by MOMS, Mothers of Murdered Sons.

7/22- A benefit concert is being held to help pay out-of-pocket expenses for a 7-year-old's treatment at John's Hopkins Hospital.

7/24 The Park Heights neighborhood is no longer pegged as a so-called playground desert! Almost 1200 area children now have a safe place to play outside.

7/25 It weighs one ton, its seventeen feet long and you've probably seen it in Fells Point. It's a monster bicycle that takes pedal power to the max.

7/26 It's a big weekend at Camden Yards as the Orioles kick off the 27th Annual Food And Funds Drive. As part of our continuing community commitment, WJZ is a proud sponsor of the event.

7/27 An inspirational meeting for the Baltimore Ravens and one of their biggest fans. A local teacher who lost her leg in the Boston Marathon bombings got the VIP treatment at Ravens training camp.

7/28 Each day nearly half a million Marylanders go hungry. But this weekend, all of you have pitched in to make that better. This weekend, WJZ, MASN and the Orioles all teamed up for our annual food drive.

7/30 So who's the best chef in Baltimore? We're about to find out as the annual Mason-Dixon Chef Tournament continues tonight. It will be a food fight to the finish and it's all for a good cause.

7/31 The Towson Center Arena at Towson University is getting a new name.

8/1 If you like steamed crabs Annapolis is the place to be tomorrow night ...it's time for the world's largest crab feast. This annual event is about great food, friendship and a whole lot more.

8/2 It's a big weekend in Baltimore for Trekkies and science fiction fans. The 35th Annual Shore Leave Convention is setting up shop with authors and some famous actors, including a special 82-year-old guest who will beam his way to the Hunt Valley Inn.

8/3 People in downtown Baltimore are used to seeing out of town guests for big conventions but nothing quite like this. This weekend, the Convention Center is hosting the Fifth Annual Brony-Con, a gathering of mostly teenage and adult fans of the cartoon "My Little Pony: Friendship Is Magic".

8/6 You've heard of Purple Fridays, to support the Ravens now a similar effort is underway to support the Orioles each week. You can do it tomorrow, when it's time for Orange Wednesday.

8/7 Baltimore is the home of the Super bowl champs -- the Ravens and the Orioles are once again contenders. This all happens as Charm City prepares to host basketball. Tonight, more on the game that will bring Carmelo Anthony to his home town.

8/9 Today Art Donovan is laid to rest and hundreds of people turned out to say their final goodbyes.

8/10 A local church gives away hundreds of back-packs preparing kids for back to school.

8/11 Thousands of Raven's fans went to "The Bank" today to see the team in action at one their few public practices.

8/12 Tens of thousands of Marylanders depend on Marc train service for their workday commutes, and today the state showed off its latest investment. One of the busiest stops on the Penn line is finally user-friendly.

8/13 When the Ravens play the Atlanta Falcons in Thursday's pre-season game fans will see some controversial changes at M and T Bank Stadium.

8/14 One year later. Family and friends are still grieving the loss of two 19 year olds killed when a train derailed in Ellicott City. But they are turning their grief into something positive to help others.

8/15 It's all about family, fun and food and it happens this weekend here in Baltimore. Little Italy is cooking up a storm for one of the biggest festivals of the year, the 84th Feast Of Saint Gabriel.

8/16 The streets are getting safer for people out and about in Ocean City. Police say they are seeing a dramatic reduction in the number of bicycle, pedestrian, and scooter accidents this year.

8/17 The tragic death of two teens remembered a year later. The college students were killed in a train derailment in Howard County. Today, family members and the community came together to honor the young women.

8/18 Remington residents gather today for a fun picnic that will also help clean up the community.

8/19 The Senator Theatre is set to reopen in October after undergoing millions of dollars worth of renovations.

8/20 Summer vacation is almost over and lots of people are taking advantage especially at the Maryland Zoo in Baltimore. Today the zoo offered free admission from 10 to four.

8/21 A wild discovery is made in one Carroll County community. An alligator is found roaming in a family's yard.

8/22 It's back the grand finale of summer before its back to school. The Maryland State Fair is officially open.

8/24 The events leading up to the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington kick off today in the nation's capital and local residents are taking part in the historic celebrations.

8/25 Great news for library lovers starting September 8th all Baltimore County library branches will be open on Sundays.

8/26 There's something new in Dundalk. Neighbors are smiling and tails are wagging. It's a treat for residents and their four legged friends.

8/27 Dogs do it naturally and Maryland is hoping it becomes second nature for owners to clean up after their pets. What's left behind has a way of getting into waterways and the bay.

8/28 While Dr. King and the movement he led is remembered today for the first time, so are the hundreds of Marylanders who joined him on the March on Washington.

8/29 The first food bank on the East Coast wants you to get involved to help those in need. Tonight we go inside their warehouse in Halethorpe to find out how.

8/30 Race cars are zooming through the streets of downtown Baltimore right now the Grand Prix is underway! One man is standing out because he's better known for his role in Hollywood not on the racetrack.

8/31 Drivers rev their engines for day two of the Grand Prix of Baltimore and it's bringing spectators from all over the world here to Charm City.

9/2 The Super Bowl Champion Baltimore Ravens are starting their 2013 season on the road because of a scheduling conflict but there will be no shortage of football-themed events in Baltimore leading up to the game. All week extensive coverage of the Ravens game.

9/3 If you're a bargain hunter, you might want to head to a popular Timonium consignment shop tomorrow. For the 23rd year, there's a sidewalk sale that draws a big crowd. You'll find some good deals and help a great cause.

9/4 Rosh Hashana preparations are underway the celebration of the Jewish new year. At Goldman's Bakery in northwest Baltimore they're busy baking challah bread special for the holiday.

9/7 Owings Mills High School has a brand new stadium. The one million dollar stadium was dedicated today.

9/8 An athlete... An inspiration... A hero. Former Ravens player O-J Brigance has been battling Lou Gehrig's disease for six years. But he's dedicated to helping others holding an important event today.

9/9 There are countless ways to raise money for charity, but sometimes it takes a wacky idea to get people to open their wallets. Today, at dawn, a fundraiser began at the waterfront in Canton.

9/11 There are more than a thousand memorials across all 50 states dedicated to what happened on this day 12 years ago. One of those sites is in Anne Arundel County where a memorial service took place today.

9/12 Every day 911 dispatcher send rescuers into life and death situations. Those who go to the scene will tell you the sooner they arrive, the better it is for the patient. Now, a change in Anne Arundel County is getting paramedics and fire on the scene faster.

9/13 It's a unique opportunity to do something in Baltimore you've probably never done before... And at the same time, you can help others. Sunday is your chance to take a run or walk through the Fort McHenry Tunnel.

9/14 The crowd at Oriole Park today was not there for a game. Their cause is life and death. The Lungevity Foundation hosted a walk raising money for cancer research.

9/15 They've been overseas for nine months. But tonight, 50 members of the Maryland National Guard are home in Aberdeen.

9/17 Baltimore's Super Bowl champs deliver a very special gift to the city police department, new rides and new gear for the city's finest.

9/19 Baltimore can be a great place to work and live and one group wants to get that message out to everyone with a brand new television ad promoting charm city.

9/20 its food, fun and football and it's a chance to help others and it happens downtown tonight. Flip Flop Festivus coincides with the end of summer.

9/21 A decade after a local developer bought "The Rotunda" hoping to redevelop it, ground is broken and the project is moving forward. Tonight, a look at what city residents should expect.

9/22 More than 300 motorcyclists from the Mid-Atlantic cruise the beltway to deliver hundreds of toys. The give-away has nothing to do with the holidays. It is a celebration of life at Kennedy Krieger Institute.

9/23 Big improvements coming to Baltimore's Enoch Pratt Free Library. The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation announced a three million dollar grant for the library.

9/24 Several Ravens players turn in their pads and cleats for hammers and drills today. They are working with Habitat For Humanity.

9/25 He gave his life protecting the citizens of Maryland. Now the family of slain SWAT Officer Jason Schnieder needs your help with a large fundraising effort that's about to begin.

9/26 The city's largest park could soon have less trees... And that's got some people up in arms tonight. BGE plans to replace an aging gas pipeline in Gwynn Falls-Leakin Park.

9/28 The magic of Greece is in Baltimore County this weekend for the 40th annual Saint Demetrios Greek Festival.

9/29 Prostate cancer takes the lives of more than 30,000 men each year. But today, thousands laced up their shoes to fight the disease at the Zero Prostate Cancer Challenge.

9/30 It's ladies night at M&T Bank Stadium. Right now, the Ravens are hosting their seventh annual "Purple Evening".

ON TIME

July 7: The 4th annual He Matters Conference hopes to strengthen the leadership skills of young men in the community. Keith Penn-Jones and Yolanda Sonnier explain to Kai Jackson how young men need mentors to help them grow into young men. One of the goals of the conference is to expand the horizon of young boys, many who only see what's in their neighborhoods and not opportunities that allow them to escape from poverty.

July 7: The National Aquarium's new exhibition, Blacktip Reef, recreates an Indo-Pacific reef complete with man-made coral and hundreds of native marine species. CEO John Racanelli tells Kai Jackson how the exhibit reinforces the Aquarium's commitment to conservation of aquatic treasures.

July 28: The Family Tree has many programs designed to help families struggling with parenting issues. Pat Cronin, their executive director, tell Kai Jackson that their programs are designed to strengthen the family unit and provide skill training to parents and care givers.

August 25: Kai Jackson talks to Donna McCarter and Frances Williams about the importance of keeping siblings together especially when the children are placed in foster care. Ms. McCarter explains how her organization Neighbor to Family, is the only organization that

trains foster families geared toward caring for sibling groups. They discuss their upcoming dinner which benefits the children in foster care.

August 25: Shawn Burnett tells Kai Jackson why he started the Walks of ART program as a means to offer urban youth an opportunity for self expression through visual arts, music and dance. He discusses their upcoming concert featuring some of their participants in a family day being planned at the Shake and Bake Family Fun Center.

September 8: The Spirited Women of Baltimore Power Lunch recognizes unsung women who have bettered their communities through volunteering. Monyka Berrocosa tells Kai Jackson why the awards are important at identifying women from all walks of life who are making a difference. Proceeds from the luncheon benefit the Caroline Center which offers workforce development for low income women in Baltimore City. Pat McLaughlin explains how they have changed women's lives through this free program that educates and prepares women for employment.

September 15: Deborah Flateman, the CEO of the Maryland Food Bank, discusses the hunger problem in Maryland with Kai Jackson. She discusses how many people are food insecure meaning that they do not know where their next meal is coming from and how the working poor are not eligible for government food programs and must rely on food pantries for assistance. She discusses how the Maryland Food Bank is working with local groups to get food into the communities where the need is the greatest.

September 22: Dog Fest is the largest fundraiser for the Baltimore Humane Society, a no-kill animal shelter. Wendy Goldband shows off one dog up for adoption. The one-day festival is all about the dogs from costume contests, agility, and pooches pool party, and pet-owner look-a-like contests. Proceeds help the shelter provide veterinary care to thousands of dogs and cats.

EDUCATION

Eyewitness News did a story on...

7/9 A new state rule requires all Maryland high school graduates to be environmentally literate. But first, teachers have to get up to speed and that's sending teachers back to school, on the water.

7/10 With Baltimore City schools needing millions of dollars to fix aging schools, it's hard to get the money needed to rehab an obsolete playground. One Greektown school got a big boost from educators visiting Baltimore.

7/16- Students are taking part in an historic conference at Morgan State University to be better prepared to voice their opinions. Morgan State is trying to raise money to become the first historically black college since the 1950's to field a college debate team.

7/23 Maryland test scores decline for both middle and elementary schools in all districts in the state.

7/24 Changing grades to promote students that's what teachers at one Baltimore middle school are accused of doing. In tonight's School Watch, the problem may extend to other city schools.

7/29 Summer vacation may be most kids' idea of a good time, but research shows it also leads to some loss of what's been learned the previous school year. Now, a unique program is working to change that.

7/31 Robots face off in a unique competition. Hundreds of city school students put their robotic designs to the test today at Coppin State University.

8/2 As peace talks finally resume between Palestinians And Israelis , another region in the middle east is using a different tactic to bring peace to its divided people. It's called the "Cyprus Friendship Program" and Maryland students and their families are part of the process.

8/5 A program aims to help low-income middle schoolers from the city get the grades they need to get into college. Today the group took a field trip to a BGE training center.

8/8 New safety measures at Perry Hall High, one year after a student is shot on the first day of school.

8/9 Six grueling weeks of hard core physical fitness and discipline come to an end for 1200 Naval Academy plebes. This weekend midshipmen get a break and the chance to see their parents for the first time in a long time.

8/12 A budget crisis has one Maryland school system going to extreme measures to save money. Tonight-- parents and students in suburban Harford County are furious to learn they'll have to pay for school sports! And that has families in other parts of Maryland wondering... Could it happen there?

8/15 A partnership between the University of Maryland and one city school is designed to put students on the fast track to college. In tonight's School Watch the school has already helped many others get to and through university.

8/16 A top Maryland lawmaker launches a new campaign to push the school start date back.

8/17 It's that time of year again! Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake hosts an annual back-to-school rally.

8/19 Baltimore's archbishop gives his back to school blessing to 1200 area Catholic school educators. It's a spiritual start to the new school year.

8/20 The University of Maryland, College Park is one of the top LGBT friendly colleges and universities.

8/21 "WI-FI" goes live for Baltimore County public schools. Woodlawn High School is one of the first schools in the county to get the technology upgrade.

8/22 An emotional, eight-minute speech by a rising Morgan State student is going viral on the internet. The speech comes on the heels of the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington next week. Tonight, more on the lesson he wants other students to learn.

8/25 The countdown is on to the first day of school as thousands of kids, parents and teachers get ready. In tonight's School Watch – a look at the last minute preps that educators are making.

8/26 Summer break is officially over for students and teachers all over Maryland.

9/4 A new code of conduct in Baltimore City schools gives principals more control over suspensions -- even for zero-tolerance violations like weapons on campus.

9/10 U-S News and World Report releases its new college ranking list and it's good news for University of Maryland, Baltimore County. It's ranked as the top up-and-coming school among national universities.

9/11 Controversy on campus. An expert on government surveillance programs is asked to remove a blog from the Johns Hopkins University website... setting off a firestorm.

9/17 A new building is welcomed to the campus of the University of Maryland. The groundbreaking took place today for a new medicine research building.

9/20 Two Baltimore teens could earn big bucks, thanks to a high school business class. Judges selected the teens for a national competition and they'll pitch their ideas in New York.

9/23 Every school year, teens across the country join their high school's marching band. If they're good enough, they're invited to play at Disney, or at a major parade. Now, the Dulaney High School Band is taking their act overseas.

9/23 Maryland's top brass goes back to school. The Governor helped celebrate the opening of a beautiful new library in Northwest Baltimore. It's all part of the elementary and middle school library project.

9/24 Smartphones and tablets are no longer taboo in the classroom... Integrating them into the schoolwork is part of a new pilot program in Howard County.

ON TIME

July 14: Kai Jackson talks to the head of the Jemicy School, Ben Shifrin, about the challenges of teaching dyslexic students. He explains how the teachers at the Jemicy School have tremendous success at educating students with this disability.

July 14: Dr. Ronald Williams, president of NcourageED, explains to Kai Jackson, that the teaching profession is losing thousands of teachers within their first five years of teaching.

Recent studies revealed that the teaching profession is at an all time low. He explains how his organization serves as a teachers forum where experienced professional can help those new to the field.

August 18: The Early Enrollment program at Baltimore City Community College allows high school students to take college level courses while they are in high school. One Poly student started when she was 14 and managed to graduate with an AA degree from BCCC a day before she graduated from Poly with her high school diploma. Taylor Williams describes what she had to do in order to take college courses while in high school. Deneen Dangerfield explained how the Early Enrollment program works and guides high school students into the college arena.