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FCC REPORTS MARCH 2006

=====03/01/06

=====IRAQ-VIOLENCE2/mosque explosion (18 SEC)

A CAR BOMB EXPLODED AT THE SHIITE ABDEL HADI CHALABI MOSQUE IN THE HURRIYAH NEIGHBOURHOOD OF BAGHDAD, KILLING 23 PEOPLE AND WOUNDED 55. IN THE IMMEDIATE AFTERMATH OF THE BLAST, FIRE BALLS AND THICK SMOKE COULD BE SEEN AT THE SITE, AS WELL AS PEOPLE DESPERATELY SEARCHING FOR LOVED ONES. THE BOMBING WAS ONE OF AT LEAST SIX ATTACKS ON RELIGIOUS TARGETS,

WHICH LEFT AT LEAST 68 PEOPLE DEAD AFTER SUNNIS AND SHIITES TRADED BOMBINGS AND MORTAR FIRE.

=====03/02/06

=====KATRINA TAPES/GOV. RESPONSE (23 SEC)

THE DEBATE OVER THE GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO HURRICANE KATRINA MAY BE REVIVED BY A VIDEOTAPE. IT SHOWS A HIGH-LEVEL GOVERNMENT MEETING THAT INCLUDED PRESIDENT BUSH THE DAY BEFORE KATRINA STRUCK. THE VIDEO IS THE RECORD OF A TELECONFERENCE BETWEEN FEDERAL OFFICIALS THE DAY BEFORE HURRICANE KATRINA ROARED ASHORE. IN IT, THE FORMER FEMA DIRECTOR, MICHAEL BROWN IS HEARD MAKING PREDICTIONS ABOUT WHAT COULD HAPPEN ON THE GULF COAST. BROWN ALSO EXPRESSES CONCERNS ABOUT THE STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF THE

SUPERDOME, WHICH LOCAL OFFICIALS HAD SPECIFIED AS DISASTER SHELTER.

=====03/03/06

=====COMBATING FACIAL REDNESS (16 SEC)

WINTER WEATHER CAN BE A FACTOR THAT CAUSES THIS PROBLEM, BUT FOODS LIKE ALCOHOL AND CAFFEINE ARE ALSO FACTORS CAUSING ROUGHLY 16 MILLION AMERICANS TO LIVE WITH FACIAL REDNESS, A CONDITION WHERE THE FLUSHING OF SMALL BLOOD VESSELS ON THE FACE CAUSES YOUR CHEEKS, NOSE OR CHIN TO REDDEN. CHRONIC FACIAL REDNESS, ALSO KNOW AS ROSACEA, CAN RESULT IN SMALL BUMPS OR ACNE ON THE SKIN.

=====03/04/06

===== FIGHTS MAKE YOU SICK (20 SEC.)

ALMOST EVERYONE AGREES - FIGHTING IS PART OF MARRIED LIFE, BUT DISAGREEMENTS WITH YOUR PARTNER CAN MAKE YOU SICK. SCANS REVEALED THAT THE MORE UNFRIENDLY OR HOSTILE EITHER PARTNER IS, THE GREATER THE EXTENT OF CALCIFICATION OR HARDENING IN THE ARTERIES OF THE WOMAN. PUTTING HER AT RISK OF A HEART ATTACK. AS FOR THE HUSBANDS, THEY WERE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE HARDENED ARTERIES IF THEY OR THEIR WIVES WERE TOO CONTROLLING. THE RESEARCHERS LOOKING FOR SIGNS OF HOSTILITY OR CONTROLLING BEHAVIOR.

=====Sunday - 03-05/06_____

===== NH - CHOCKING DEATH GAME (20 SEC) (COPY STORY)

PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND PROFESIONALS HAVE WARN THAT A GAME KNOWN AS "THE CHOCKING GAME" IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS. IT SEEMS THAT THE KIDS THAT PRACTICE THIS GAME CHOCK THEIRSELVES, SO THEY CAN BECOME UNCONSCIOUS FOR SEVERAL MINUTES. HOWEVER, THE CONSEQUENCES ARE FATAL. RECENTLY, IN NEW HAMPSHIRE AN EIGHT GRADER DIED WHILE HE WAS PRACTICING THIS GAME.

=====03/06/06

=====NY-STUDENT KILLED INVESTIGATION (15 SEC)

POLICE ARE QUESTIONING A POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN THE KILLING OF 24-YEAR-OLD GRADUATE STUDENT IMETTE ST. GUILLEN. INVESTIGATORS ARE QUESTIONING A BOUNCER FROM THE MANHATTAN BAR WHERE ST. GUILLEN WAS LAST SEEN. WITNESSES SAY THEY LAST SAW ST. GUILLEN AT THE FALLS ABOUT 4 A.M. ON FEBRUARY 25TH. HER BODY WAS FOUND LATER THAT NIGHT ALONG THE BELT PARKWAY IN BROOKLYN.

=====03/07/06

=====IRAQ-SCATTERED BOMBINGS (13 sec)

AT LEAST SEVEN PEOPLE WERE REPORTED KILLED AND 11 INJURED IN SCATTERED BOMBINGS, MORTAR AND GUN FIRE IN IRAQ'S BELEAGUERED CAPITAL. A CAR BOMB MISSED A US PATROL IN THE MOSTLY SHIITE ZAFARANIYAH NEIGHBOURHOOD IN SOUTHEASTERN BAGHDAD, WOUNDING AT LEAST THREE CIVILIANS. THICK SMOKE COULD BE SEEN RISING FROM THE WRECKAGE OF THE CAR BOMB.

=====03/08/06

=====NY-STUDENT KILLED FOLOWUP (16 SEC)

THE EX-CON BOUNCER WHO HAS EMERGED AS THE LEAD SUSPECT IN THE SEX-ASSAULT MURDER OF GRAD STUDENT IMETTE ST. GUILLEN IS NOW BEING EYED IN A STRING OF RAPES IN QUEENS AND LONG ISLAND, LAW-ENFORCEMENT SOURCES SAID. THE COPS' FOCUS ON DARRYL LITTLEJOHN IN THE BRUTAL SEX ATTACKS SURFACED AFTER ONE SHAKEN VICTIM WATCHED THE PAST DAY'S TV FOOTAGE OF INVESTIGATORS SEARCHING THE BOUNCER'S BLUE MINIVAN PARKED IN HIS DRIVEWAY - AND PHONED POLICE TO TELL THEM IT APPEARED TO BE THE VEHICLE IN WHICH SHE WAS RAPED. THE WOMAN WAS ATTACKED IN QUEENS LATE LAST YEAR, PART OF AN APPARENT PATTERN OF AT LEAST THREE RAPES IN WHICH THE VICTIMS ALL GAVE SIMILAR DESCRIPTIONS OF THEIR ATTACKER. A SECOND RAPE ALSO OCCURRED IN QUEENS, AND THE THIRD TOOK PLACE IN NASSAU COUNTY.

=====03/09/06

=====PORTS SECURITY/ARABS SURRENDER (15 sec)

A DUBAI-OWNED COMPANY HAS SIGNALLED SURRENDER IN ITS QUEST TO TAKE OVER OPERATIONS AT U.S. PORTS. LAWMAKERS FROM BOTH PARTIES HAD DENOUNCED THE DEAL, SAYING THEY WORRIED ABOUT THE EFFECTS IT WOULD HAVE ON EFFORTS TO PROTECT PORTS FROM TERRORIST THREATS. THE CONTROVERSY BROUGHT PRESIDENT BUSH AND REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS TO THE BRINK OF A VETO BATTLE.

=====03/10/06

=====green vegetables protect eyes/ultraviolet rays (19 sec)

RESEARCH SHOWS GREEN VEGETABLES MAY HELP PROTECT EYES FROM ULTRAVIOLET RAYS. RESEARCHER JOSHUA BOMSER DISCOVERED THAT THE PIGMENTS THAT MAKE LEAFY GREENS GREEN COULD HELP TO PROTECT OUR EYES FROM THE DAMAGING ULTRAVIOLET RAYS OF THE SUN. U-V LIGHT DAMAGE TO D-N-A IN THE LENS CAN CAUSE CATARACTS, WHICH IS THE GRADUAL CLOUDING OF THE LENS AND BLURRING OF VISION.

=====03/11/06

===== SURGERY FOR MIGRAINE HEADACHE (16 SEC.)

WITH MORE THAN 31 MILLION AMERICANS SUFFERING FROM DEBILITATING MIGRAINE HEADACHES EACH YEAR, EMPLOYERS ALSO SUFFER THROUGH MISSED DAYS FROM WORK AND REDUCED PRODUCTIVITY. IN ADDITION, THE NATIONAL HEADACHE FOUNDATION ESTIMATES 157 MILLION WORKDAYS ARE LOST ANNUALLY BECAUSE OF THE PAIN AND ASSOCIATED SYMPTOMS OF MIGRAINES. BUT IN NEW JERSEY IN THE HEADACHE INSTITUTE, ROOSEVELT HOSPITAL A SIMPLE NASAL SURGERY THAT COULD POSSIBLY RELIEVE THE HEADACHE BY SEPARATING THE BONES PRESSING ON THE SEPTUM. EXPERCTS BELIVE THAT HAVE PRESSURE POINTS IN THEIR NOSE CALLED CONTACT POINTS THAT CAN TRIGGER THE DEBILITATING HEADACHES.

=====03/12/06

===== NY-UPDATE ST. GULLEN presser (20 SEC.)

NEW YORK POLICE COMMISSIONER RAYMOND KELLY ANNOUNCED A BREAK IN THE RAPE AND

MURDER CASE OF GRADUATE STUDENT IMMETT ST. GUILLEN, THIS (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON. HE SAYS BLOOD EVIDENCE CONNECTS BOUNCER DARYL LITTLEJOHN TO HER MURDER.

LITTLEJOHN WORKED AT A NIGHTCLUB WHERE ST. GUILLEN WAS LAST SEEN. HER NUDE BODY WAS FOUND TWO WEEKS AGO WRAPPED IN A BLANKET BY THE SIDE OF A ROAD IN MANHATTAN. AN AUTOPSY CONCLUDED SHE'D BEEN STRANGLED AND SUFFOCATED. LITTLEJOHN REMAINS IN POLICE CUSTODY FOR AN UNRELATED CRIME... BUT COULD BE

CHARGED IN ST. GUILLEN'S MURDER ANY TIME NOW.

===== 03/13/06

PLAVIX & ASPIRIN WARNING (18SECS)

NEW MEDICAL STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THAT IF PATIENTS WHO TAKES "PLAVIX" A MEDICATION USED TO CONTROL BLOODCLOG CAN BE DANGEROUS IF IT IS TAKEN ALONG WITH ASPRIN. THIS COMBINATION CAN RESULT FATAL. EVEN THOUGH, DOCTORS HAVE PRESCRIBED THIS COMBINATION FREQUENTLY; TAKING THESE MEDICATIONS AT THE SAME TIME MAY INCREASE DOUBLE THE TIME OF DEATH ON PATITENTS WHO SUFER OF HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AND HIGH CHOLESTEROL. HOWEVER, THIS MEDICINE COMBINATION CAN BE BENEFICIAL FOR PATIENTS WHO SUFFER FROM HEART DISSEASES.

=====03/14/06

=====GAZA - PRISION RAID (20 SEC)

ISRAELI TANKS AND BULLDOZERS POUNDED AWAY AT THIS PRISON IN THE WEST BANK TOWN OF JERICO. AFTER SEVERAL HOURS OF CONSTANT ASSAULT THEY BLEW UP THE OUTER WALL OF THE PRISON AND ARRESTED THE SIX PALESTINIAN MILITANTS THEY WERE AFTER. AMERICAN AND BRITISH OBSERVERS -- WHO MONITORED THE JAIL FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS -- WITHDREW JUST BEFORE THE RAID, CITING SECURITY CONCERNS.

=====03/15/06

=====Study Finds iPods and Similar Devices Cause Hearing Loss (16 SEC)

A STUDY COMMISSIONED BY THE AMERICAN SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING ASSOCIATION SAYS THAT THE USE OF PERSONAL MUSIC DEVICES AMONG HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IS CAUSING HEARING LOSS. ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY MORE THAN HALF OF ALL STUDENTS SURVEYED REPORTED AT LEAST ONE SYMPTOM OF HEARING LOSS. TEENAGERS ESPECIALLY, ARE IN DANGER OF ENCOUNTERING HEARING PROBLEMS BEACUSE OF THE HIGH USAGE WITH PORTABLE LISTENING DEVICES.

===== 03/16/06

===== NEW BLOOD TEST TO DETECT CANCER (20 SEC.)

A REVOLUTIONARY NEW MEDICAL BREAKTHROUGH... A SUPERSENSITIVE BLOOD TEST ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND TIMES STRONGER THAN CURRENT TESTS -- THAT APPEARS TO DETECT DISEASES FAR EARLIER THAN IN THE PAST. RESEARCHERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA MEDICAL SCHOOL HAVE DEVELOPED A GROUNDBREAKING TECHNIQUE THAT COULD LEAD TO EARLIER DETECTION OF A WIDE RANGE OF DISEASES... FROM ARTHRITIS TO ALZHEIMERS. THE

NEW TECHNIQUE IS CALLED FACTT...IT WORKS BY DETECTING UNUSUAL PROTEINS IN THE BLOOD STREAM...AND COULD MAKE EXISTING MEDICAL TESTS 100,000 TIMES MORE SENSITIVE. DOCTORS WOULD BE ABLE TO DIAGNOSE DISEASES LIKE BREAST, LUNG, AND COLON CANCER IN THEIR EARLIEST STAGES.

=====03/17/06

===== **US-2 MORE DEATHS/ABORTION PILL (18 sec)**

TWO MORE WOMEN HAVE DIED AFTER USING THE ABORTION PILL RU-486, ACCORDING TO FEDERAL HEALTH REGULATORS, IN WARNING DOCTORS TO WATCH FOR A RARE BUT DEADLY INFECTION IMPLICATED IN EARLIER DEATHS. AT LEAST SEVEN U.S. WOMEN HAVE DIED AFTER TAKING THE PILL, SOLD SINCE 2000. THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION CANNOT PROVE THE DRUG WAS TO BLAME IN ANY OF THE CASES.

===== 03/18/06

===== **LA-ICE BUST/IMMIGRATION CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT (20 SEC.)**

FEDERAL AGENTS FROM IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT HAVE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY A GROUP OF FORTY UNDOCUMENTED DAY LABORERS. THE RAID WAS IN RESPONSE TO COMPLAINTS FROM THE LOCAL COMMUNIT WHO SAY HUNDREDS OF LABORERS GATHER AT THE SAME INTERSECTION EACH DAY. ACCORDING TO THE I-C-E, MAINLY THOSE WHO WERE DEEMED A MENACE TO THE COMMUNITY WERE ARRESTED. AFTER BACKGROUND CHECKS ARE COMPLETE, THE LABORERS WILL BE RELEASED WITH A 'NOTICE TO APPEAR' IN FRONT OF AN IMMIGRATIONS JUDGE AT A LATER DATE.

===== 03/19/06

===== **PARKINSON 'S DRUG LINK TO GAMBLING (20 SEC.)**

SCIENTISTS AT THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION HAVE FOUND A STRONG ASSOCIATION BETWEEN PATHOLOGICAL GAMBLING AND THE DRUGS, WHICH BOOST THE LEVEL OF DOPAMINE IN THE BRAIN. MEDICAL RESEARCHERS ARE INVESTIGATING SUSPICIONS THAT DRUGS PRESCRIBED TO TREAT PARKINSON'S DISEASE COULD TURN PATIENTS INTO COMPULSIVE GAMBLERS, DOPAMINE, A CHEMICAL NATURALLY PRODUCED IN THE HUMAN BODY,PLAYS A KEY ROLE IN THE WAY THE BRAIN CONTROLS MOVEMENTS. ASHORTAGE OF DOPAMINE CAUSES PARKINSON'S DISEASE. BUT THE CHEMICAL IS ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH ADDICTIVE BEHAVIORS SUCH AS DRUG USE AND PLEASURABLE EXPERIENCES SUCH AS SEX AND FOOD.

=====03/20/06

===== **Weight-loss surgery also eases hypertension (15 sec)**

ACCORDING TO RESEARCHERS, WEIGHT-LOSS SURGERY HAS THE ADDED BENEFIT OF DROPPING HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE LEVELS AS IT SLIMS MORBIDLY OBESE PATIENTS. PATIENTS WHO HAD NOT BEEN TAKING DRUGS TO TREAT THEIR HYPERTENSION PRIOR TO SURGERY SAW A SIGNIFICANT EASING OF THEIR BLOOD PRESSURE AFTERWARD, AND SOME OF THOSE ON ANTI-HYPERTENSION DRUGS WERE ABLE TO STOP TAKING THEM.

=====03/21/06

-----Bird flu may arrive in U.S. this year (16 sec)

BIRD FLU IS LIKELY TO ARRIVE THIS YEAR IN THE UNITED STATES, WITH THE INCREASED TESTING OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF WILD BIRDS EXPECTED TO REVEAL DOZENS OF SUSPECTED CASES, THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION SAID. OFFICIALS WILL TEST 75,000 TO 100,000 WILD BIRDS THIS YEAR, OR NEARLY SIX TIMES THE NUMBER SCREENED SINCE 1998. THE EMPHASIS WILL BE ON ALASKA AND OTHER SPOTS ALONG THE PACIFIC FLYWAY, A COMMON ROUTE THAT MIGRATORY BIRDS FOLLOW INTO THE U.S., POSSIBLY CARRYING THE VIRUS.

=====03/22/06

-----DEPRESSION STUDY (16 SEC)

TWO-THIRDS OF PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM DEPRESSION MAY NOT FULLY RECOVER WITH THEIR FIRST MEDICATION. BUT NEARLY 30 PERCENT OF THOSE PATIENTS WILL EXPERIENCE FULL REMISSION BY EITHER SWITCHING TO A NEW MEDICATION OR ADDING A SECOND DRUG TO THEIR REGIMEN, ACCORDING TO TWO ARTICLES PUBLISHED TODAY IN THE *NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE*. THE STUDY ALSO INDICATES THAT PATIENTS STARTING AN ANTIDEPRESSANT MEDICATION MAY HAVE TO WAIT MORE THAN 12 WEEKS TO SEE RESULTS. THE RESULTS COULD AFFECT TREATMENT FOR THE NEARLY 1 IN 10 ADULT AMERICANS WHO SUFFER FROM THE CONDITION.

=====03/23/06

-----IRAQ BLAST-35 WOUNDING (19 SEC)

A SERIES OF BLASTS OCCURRED IN BAGHDAD, KILLING AT LEAST 35 PEOPLE AND WOUNDING AROUND FIFTY OTHERS, POLICE SAID. IN THE KARRADAH NEIGHBOURHOOD OF DOWNTOWN BAGHDAD, A CAR BOMB EXPLODED OUTSIDE A MAJOR CRIMES UNIT. A SECOND CAR BOMB HIT A MARKET AREA OUTSIDE A SHIITE MUSLIM MOSQUE IN THE MOSTLY MIXED SHIITE-SUNNI NEIGHBOURHOOD OF SHURTA IN SOUTHWEST BAGHDAD. AT LEAST SIX PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND MORE THAN 20 WOUNDED. IN OTHER ATTACKS IN THE CAPITAL, ANOTHER BOMB IN KARRADAH WOUNDED FOUR CIVILIANS.

=====03/24/06

-----IRAQ-MOSQUE ATTACK (15 SEC)

A BOMBING OUTSIDE A SUNNI MUSLIM MOSQUE AFTER FRIDAY PRAYERS KILLED AT LEAST FIVE WORSHIPPERS AND WOUNDED 15 PEOPLE NORTHEAST OF BAGHDAD IN THE CITY OF KHALIS. RETALIATORY KILLINGS BETWEEN SHIITE AND SUNNI MUSLIMS HAVE BECOME INCREASINGLY COMMON IN THE CAPITAL SINCE THE FEB. 22 BOMBING OF AN IMPORTANT SHIITE SHRINE THAT UNLEASHED THE CONTINUING RASH OF SECTARIAN MURDERS.

_____ SATURDAY - MARCH 25, 2006 _____ (up-date) - hy- terrorism drill

As a part of a terrorism drill, dozen of people were faking being hurt and under a emergency state. As part of the practice, The New York Emergency Manegment team put all their efforts. This practices included evacuating from public transportation, detecting nuclear arms, bobs, ect. This drill was made during an entire day and their goal was to see the quick response of the security groups in case of a terrorist attack. Of course the residents of the surrounding areas were advice beforehand, so they didn't get alarmed of the caos causedy by the practice.

_____ SUNDAY - MARCH 26, 2006 _____ NY- 911 CALLS OF SEPT 11
ATTACKS _____

AFTER FOUR YEARS OF THE TWIN TOWER TERRORISM ATTACK ON SEPTEMBER 11 2001; THE RELATIVES OF TWENTY FOUR VICTIMS RECIEVED AN ATONISH NEWS. THE VOICES OF THEIR LOVES ONES WERE RECORDED ON THE SYSTEM OF THE CALLS THAT WERE MADE TO 911 EMERGENCY SYSTEM. THE AUTHORITIES HAVE GIVE THE VICTIMS RELATIVES AN OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR THEM BY GIVING THEM A COPY OF THE RECORDING. EVEN THOUGH, NOT EVERYONE IS HAPPY WITH THE REALESE OF SUCH RECORDING; THE RELATIVES ARE THE ONLY ONES TO DECIDE IF THEY WOULD MAKE THEM PUBLIC.

=====03/27/06

=====Drinkers, smokers need colon tests earlier (19 sec)

ACCORDING TO A RECENT STUDY, PEOPLE WHO SMOKE AND DRINKSHOULD START SCREENING FOR COLON CANCER EARLIER BECAUSE THEY TEND TO CONTRACT THE DISEASE AT A YOUNGER AGE THAN THOSE WHO ABSTAIN FROM CIGARETTES AND ALCOHOL. SCREENING FOR COLON CANCER IS GENERALLY RECOMMENDED FOR ANYONE 50 OR OLDER, AND 90 PERCENT OF CASES OCCUR AFTER THAT AGE. MEN HAVE A 1-IN-17 CHANCE OF CONTRACTING THE DISEASE IN THEIR LIFETIMES, ACCORDING TO THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY. USE OF ALCOHOL AND CIGARETTES ARE KNOWN TO HEIGHTEN THE RISKS OF ALL TYPES OF CANCER, INCLUDING COLON CANCER.

=====03/28/06

=====Obesity may be caused by a virus (18 SEC)

RESEARCH SHOWS THAT SOME CASES OF OBESITY MAY BE CAUSED BY A VIRUS. RESEARCHERS ARE FINDING THAT SOME STRAINS OF ADENOVIRUSES, WHICH CAUSE INFECTIONS LIKE CHEST COLDS AND PINK EYE -- MAY ALSO INCREASE BODY FAT. OTHER RESEARCHERS PREVIOUSLY FOUND THAT 30-PERCENT OF OBESE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN INFECTED WITH AD-36, A RELATIVE OF THE AD-37 VIRUS. WHILE IT'S NOT YET KNOWN HOW A VIRUS COULD INCREASE FAT.

=====03/29/06

=====First pain reducing bandage (20 SEC)

CHRONIC WOUNDS SUCH AS LEG ULCERS AND PRESSURE SORES ARE A COMMON BUT OVERLOOKED PROBLEM THAT AFFECTS MORE THAN 10 MILLION PEOPLE IN EUROPE ALONE, MAKING

IT ALMOST TWICE AS COMMON AS RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS. THE WORLDS FIRST PAIN-REDUCING DRESSING IS INTRODUCED AT LONDONS ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS. IT IS ABLE TO ALLEVIATE ONGOING PAIN FOR MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WITH WOUNDS THAT WILL NOT HEAL. IT ABSORBS AND LOCKS AWAY LARGE QUANTITIES OF WOUND FLUID AND AT THE SAME TIME DELIVERS LOW-DOSAGE IBUPROFEN, ONE OF THE WORLDS MOST TRUSTED PAIN-REDUCING DRUGS, DIRECTLY INTO THE WOUND.

=====03/30/06

=====IRAQ-AMERICAN JOURNALIST FREED (18 SEC)

AFTER NEARLY THREE MONTHS AS A HOSTAGE, PICTURES OF A NEWLY RELEASED JILL CARROLL APPEARED ON A TELEVISION STATION. THE YOUNG JOURNALIST HAS BEEN SET FREE. AN UNKNOWN GROUP RELEASED HER TO THE IRAQI ISLAMIC PARTY HEADQUARTERS IN WESTERN BAGHDAD...AND WAS LATER TURNED OVER TO AMERICANS IN THE GREEN ZONE. CARROLL WAS KIDNAPPED IN BAGHDAD ON JANUARY 7TH. ACCORDING TO THE CHRISITIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, THE NEWSPAPER CARROLL WAS WORKING FOR WHEN SHE WAS ABDUCTED, SHE IS HEALTHY, AND DOING FINE.

=====03/31/06

=====Sunscreen makers sued for misleading health claims (19 SEC)

A CONSUMER LAWSUIT FILED ACCUSES SUNSCREEN MAKERS OF EXPOSING MILLIONS OF PEOPLE TO CANCER AND OTHER DANGERS THROUGH FALSE AND MISLEADING CLAIMS ABOUT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THEIR PRODUCTS. THE LAWSUIT, FILED IN LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT, CONSOLIDATES NINE PREVIOUS LAWSUITS FILED BY INDIVIDUALS AND SEEKS CLASS ACTION STATUS.

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03/16/06

TEXAS FIRES

VO :19

The Texas wind is driving the governor to the Panhandle. Texas Governor Rick Perry is scheduled to visit the burning part of his state today. He plans a news conference after his tour. Texas wildfires, fanned by 50 mile-an-hour wind gusts, have scorched nearly a (m) million acres. Authorities say the fires northeast of Amarillo moved 40 miles further to the northeast yesterday, and are nearing the Oklahoma border. Texas officials have urged residents in six small towns in Lipscomb County to evacuate, but the order isn't mandatory. Eleven people have died since the fires flared and officials estimate ten-thousand horses and cows have been killed.

SEX EDUCATION

VO :18

School districts in Kansas must get parents' written permission before teaching their children sex education, the state Board of Education decided Wednesday. The board adopted the policy in a 6-4 vote. Up to now, most Kansas districts had an "opt-out" policy -- they enrolled children in sex ed unless a parent objected in writing. Only a few other states have such "opt-in" requirements on sex education, according to the Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States, a group that promotes sex education. Among them: Arizona, Nevada and Utah. Board members who voted for the new policy said some parents told them they did not know their children were taking sex education until the classes had started.

CONGRESS IRAK & KATRINA BILL

VO :26

President Bush gets much of what he requested in a \$92 billion House measure for wars and hurricane cleanup, despite a newfound willingness by GOP leaders to challenge the president. The bill the House is expected to approve Thursday would bring the overall price tag for Iraq and Afghanistan operations since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks to nearly \$400 billion and total Hurricane Katrina-related spending to more than \$100 billion.

PORT SECURITY DEAL

VO :16

A Dubai-owned company is giving itself up to six months to sell all \$700 million worth of its newly acquired U.S. port operations to an American buyer, a plan forced by congressional concerns over

terrorism security. DP World, the world's third-largest ports company, disclosed new details and the timetable Wednesday for its plans to surrender its U.S. businesses. The announcement was the first time it described its plans for the newly acquired U.S. operations as a "sale" to a single, unrelated American buyer and indicated it would retain no stake.

03/17/05

IMMIGRANT LEGISLATION

PKG 2:07

LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON, D.C.

Senators writing an immigration bill moved closer Thursday to preventing millions of employed illegal immigrants from being deported in the face of a political stampede to make it harder for them to cross into the United States or stay. Majority Leader Bill Frist, who is looking at running for president in 2008, prepared his own bill focused more narrowly on tightening borders and said the Senate will begin debating it the week after next if the Judiciary Committee cannot agree on a broader bill by then.

SECURITY ANTHRAX VACCINE

VO :25

California pharmaceutical firm VaxGen Inc. has further delayed shipment to the U.S. government a new version of its anthrax vaccine, an element of the U.S. bio-warfare defense program, The Washington Post reported Friday. VaxGen Inc. officials said in interviews that their vaccine had failed in a key human trial, putting the company at least a year behind schedule, the newspaper said. The Brisbane, California-based company has an \$877 million contract to supply 75 million doses of the vaccine. VaxGen said in November that it expected to begin deliveries to the government for its emergency stockpiles in the fourth quarter of 2006, instead of the first half of the year as originally planned. The delay was announced after U.S. regulators tightened requirements for the product.

YOUTH INHALANTS

PKG 1:42

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ/ NUEVA YORK

Nearly 1.8 million adolescents between the ages of 12 and 17 began using inhalants to get high within the last three years. That's according to a new federal report on young people's use of products such as glue, lighter fluid and other commonly found products. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, who conducted the survey, hopes the report will raise awareness about inhalant abuse.

03/20/06

TEXAS FLOODS

PKG 1:23

OLGA SANTOS/ HOUSTON, TEXAS

Forecasters are predicting some tremendous flooding problems in North Texas, following another night of rain. One death has already been attributed to high waters. Officials suspect a woman's car was washed into a creek by the flooding. Her body has been recovered. More than five inches of rain fell Sunday in parts of North Texas. The area has received a total of six inches of rain since Friday. Police say officers are working with firefighters to evacuate several homes in west Dallas because of rising floodwaters. Officials say numerous people have been rescued from high-water situations. Weather conditions on Monday are expected to be drier and warmer.

HEALTH COSTS

VO :18

A Denver company thinks it's time Americans learn just how much health care costs. So beginning Monday, consumers can find out the cost of 42 medical procedures ranging from gastric bypass to cataract surgery through the Web site of HealthGrades Incorporated. Company spokesman Scott Shapiro says the Web site will help an individual "shop for health care, which is a very new concept." Shapiro says for seven dollars, 95 cents and some patient information, the site will generate a report giving expected out-of-pocket costs for people with insurance; the average price negotiated by health insurers in the region; and the average amount charged by the provider. An insurance analyst says consumers will benefit. He says the information will obviously put pressure on the high-cost institutions to bring their prices down, if for no other reason than because they would look bad.

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03/21/06

HISPANIC BUSINESSES

VO :22

The number of Hispanic-owned businesses grew at three times the national rate for all companies from 1997 to 2002, the government said Tuesday. Hispanics owned nearly 1.6 million businesses in 2002, a 31 percent increase from five years earlier, according to the Census Bureau report.

AIRLINES MISSING BAGGAGE

VO :25

A study says it's a global problem and it's getting worse and it's also costing airlines more money. An estimated 30 (m) million bags were temporarily lost by airlines in 2005, and 200-thousand of them were never reunited with their owners. An industry report by SITA Incorporated, a company that provides technology solutions for the air transport industry, also notes that the problem "is worsening on both sides of the Atlantic." The 30 (m) million misdirected bags amounts to only one percent of the three (b) billion bags that were processed last year. That's up three tenths of a percent from 2004. SITA is

promoting technology to reduce the problem. Last year, mishandled luggage cost world airlines two-and-a-half (b) billion dollars, nearly a (b) billion more than the year before. The increased cost partly reflects improved data collection but also reflects inadequate baggage management.

GAS PRICES UP

VO :31

The average retail price of gasoline soared by almost 14 cents last week, rising above \$2.50 a gallon for the first time since late October. The federal Energy Information Administration said Monday that U.S. motorists paid \$2.504 cents a gallon on average for regular grade last week, a rise of 13.8 cents from the previous week. Pump prices are still 39.5 cents higher than a year ago. The jump in retail prices follows a 42-cent-per gallon rise in unleaded gasoline futures since mid-February. On Monday, gasoline for April delivery settled at \$1.8301 per gallon. Gasoline prices were most expensive last week on the West Coast, averaging \$2.571 per gallon, and cheapest in the Rocky Mountain region, averaging \$2.395 per gallon.

BUSH PRESS CONFERENCE

VO :33

President Bush says he doesn't see civil war in Iraq. At a White House news conference, a reporter asked Bush if he agrees with former interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi who said that Iraq is in a civil war. The president said, "We all recognize that there is violence," but he says Iraqis have turned away from civil war. And he says "there are other voices coming out of Iraq" who say it's not a civil war. Bush again said progress in Iraq gives him confidence in success there. He acknowledged there will be "more tough fighting ahead." But he says Iraqi political leaders are working hard to put together a government that represents all Iraqis.

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03/22/06

BUSH TODAY

VO : 17

President Bush hits the road again today. This time he takes his Iraq message to Wheeling, West Virginia. Yesterday he told reporters American troops will remain in Iraq for years, but that progress is being made. He also rejects allegations that Iraq has fallen into a sectarian civil war.

GASOLINE PILL

VO :23

Rising gas prices have some drivers searching for new ways to save money. A Perrysburg, Ohio company is promising to save people money at the pump with a magic pill for the gas tank. Recent ads in a Toledo, Ohio newspaper promise a break from the rising costs by as much as much 45 percent, with "bio performance fuel", a pill for the gas tank. Tapped-out drivers may be willing to try it. But, Toledo's Better Business Bureau isn't buying the claims from CRMG, the Perrysburg company whose name is

attached to the ad.

NY & CA CANCER

VO :21

New data says New Yorkers and Californians breathe the dirtiest air in the nation and face greater cancer risks than other people. The Environmental Protection Agency says it's also bad in Oregon, Washington D-C and New Jersey. The best states are Wyoming, South Dakota and Montana.

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NY & CA CANCER

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JAIME GARCIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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CITRUS DISEASE

VO :20

Residents in Florida are on the lookout Wednesday (03/22) night for a new disease affecting citrus crops, but the sales of fruit trees apparently isn't being affected by the problem. Now that the citrus canker ban is over, there is an increasing threat of citrus greening. Citrus greening is carried by an insect instead of being spread in the air. Experts say there are a number of certain symptoms residents can look for, and the nurseries are keeping a close eye on potential problems with citrus trees in the Cape Coral (FL) area. Despite the possibility of a citrus tree problem in the future, Florida residents are buying more citrus trees despite the possibility of more problems in the future.

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RUMSFELD TROPAS

VO:25

Defense secretary Donald Rumsfeld says trying to predict when all U-S troops will be out of Iraq "just isn't fruitful." He told reporters he doesn't want to speculate about specific numbers or specific dates. His comments came two days after President Bush said the decision about when to withdraw all U-S forces will fall to future presidents. Rumsfeld says he still expects a reduction in U-S troops this year once a new unity government is formed. But he says he has not yet received any recommendation on such a move from the top U-S commander in Iraq. Rumsfeld says creation of a unity government will help

reduce the violence that has wracked the country.

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GAS PRICES UP

VO :31

More pain at the pump. The Lundberg survey says retail gas prices across the country climbed an average of nearly 15 cents in the past two weeks. The weighted average price for all three grades increased to two dollars, 52 cents a gallon by Friday, according to analyst Trilby Lundberg. Gas prices are 40 cents higher than they were a year ago. Among stations surveyed, the lowest average price in the country for regular unleaded was in Salt Lake City, at two dollars, 25 cents a gallon. The most costly was in Honolulu, where drivers paid two-80 a gallon.

BUSH ON IMMIGRATION

VO :21

President Bush attends a naturalization ceremony today as debate over immigration reform heats up. In his radio address Saturday, Bush said he's always inspired to see immigrants become American citizens. He says he will talk about his plan for immigration reform while he's at the Washington ceremony. Bush is urging Congress to create a guest worker program that would let foreigners gain legal status for a set amount of time to do specific jobs. Some critics argue that a guest worker program will create an underclass of foreign workers. Some Republicans worry the foreign workers will burden America's social services.

SENATE ON IMMIGRATION

VO :32

The thorny issue of what to do with the nation's roughly 12 (m) million illegal aliens is the focus all across Washington this week. The Senate Judiciary Committee faces a midnight deadline for completing a bill that includes a guest worker provision. Immigration reform advocates plan to rally at the U-S Capitol. Some clergy members plan to wear handcuffs to protest the immigration bill passed by the House. They say it will symbolize what they contend is the criminalization of their aid programs.

FITNESS CANCER

VO :23

A new study suggests that weightlifting may improve breast cancer survivors' outlook on life. Researchers say about 80 percent of survivors who took up weight-training twice-a-week saw improved scores on a quality-of-life survey. In contrast, 51 percent of participants in a control group did. Researchers say it appears the weightlifting helped the women regain a feeling of control of their bodies. The physical and psychological benefits of exercise are well-documented. But this study is the first to apply scientific methodology to looking at how weight-training helps women who have had breast cancer. The study is to be published in an upcoming issue of the journal Cancer.

CENSUS DIABETES

VO :22

Today is a special, one- day alert to raise the public's awareness of a growing health menace, diabetes. Across the country, a diabetes risk test is being distributed and promoted through local and national media. One of the tragedies of the disease is that many people do not know they have it until suffering from damaged eyesight, kidneys, or loss of feeling in their feet. The sharp increase in the number of cases of diabetes has prompted some public health officials to describe its spread as an epidemic. The risk of developing the disease is higher among those who are overweight and inactive. Across the U.S., more than 14-million people are known diabetics. Each year, the disease is responsible for some 70-thousand deaths.

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IMMIGRATION BILL

PKG 2:23

LOURDES MELUZA/WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Senate Judiciary Committee meet to debate on a new immigration bill. It has approved an amendment protecting individuals and church and charitable groups who give aid to undocumented immigrants. The House had voted late last year to make giving such non-emergency aid a felony. The judiciary panel also approved doubling the current Border Patrol force, to keep more illegal immigrants from entering the country. Immigration reform has sparked big protests on Capitol Hill and elsewhere. President Bush is calling for civil debate, but warns the overhaul won't be easy.

AIDS DRUGS

VO :17

Scientists have long believed that a vaccine is the best way to stop the spread of AIDS, but efforts to invent one have miserably flopped. Now they may have found something already on pharmacy shelves that seems to prevent infection. It's a combination of two drugs that have shown such promise in early experiments in monkeys that officials just expanded tests of them in people around the world.

LONELINESS AND BLOOD PRESSURE

VO :32

Added to things like heredity and diet -Loneliness might contribute to high blood pressure in people over 50. Researchers say the loneliest people they studied had blood pressure readings up to 30 points higher than those who are surrounded by friends or family. And that suggests loneliness might be just as bad as being overweight or inactive. Scientists say the results are "stunning" -- especially since earlier studies suggest more than nine (m) million Americans often feel isolated or left out.

03/29/06

SEX OFFENDERS

VO: 16 SEG

The South Carolina Senate has given preliminary approval to a bill that authorizes the death penalty for twice-convicted child molesters. The proposal approved yesterday still needs a final reading before going on to the House. It would authorize prosecutors to seek capital punishment for any sex offender convicted twice of raping children younger than eleven. Opponents say the measure would be unconstitutional. But the U-S Supreme Court declined to review a Louisiana law that allows the death penalty for people who rape children younger than 12.

BORDER SECURITY TEST

LUIS MEGID, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 2:01

Congressional investigators are raising a red flag over the nation's cargo security measures -- and senators are listening. A Senate subcommittee leader says it's clear there are "several gaps" in security, after reports that congressional investigators were able to smuggle nuclear material into the U-S. Agents from Congress' investigative wing crossed the borders in Texas and Washington state with enough nuclear material to make two small "dirty bombs" -- after giving customs agents fake documents.

E-COLI KID

VO: 35 SEG

73,000 people fall ill from e-coli every year in the united states and two-million die worldwide each year from diarrheal disease, including e-coli. but hope may be on the horizon. the recent discovery of a new protein could be the long-sought antibiotic that can kill e-coli. it's amazing news. even more amazing is who made the discovery. for three years-- here in the labs of the medical school at the university of maryland-- one researcher was on her way to making what could one day be hailed as a life-saving discovery. just as stunning, perhaps-is no one thought she would do it.

03/30/2006

L.A. AND MIAMI PROTESTS

MARTIN BERLANGA, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:42

Teachers and students are turning the pro-immigration walkouts that have emptied high schools across Southern California into a real-life lesson about immigration policy, the lawmaking process and civic duty itself. Students in the Los Angeles school system -- which is the nation's second-largest district and is 73 percent Hispanic -- have walked out of class along with thousands of other young people in other

U.S. cities over the past few days to protest legislation on Capitol Hill that would crack down on the nation's 11 million illegal immigrants. Among other things, the legislation would make it a crime to be in this country illegally. Wednesday morning was relatively quiet in the Los Angeles district after two days of protests that began with blocked freeways and pleas from the mayor to go back to class, and escalated Tuesday to school lockdowns and scores of truancy citations.

IMMIGRATION DEBATE CONTINUES

VO: 23

Senators have begun arguing the pros and cons of various immigration proposals. Alabama Senator Jeff Sessions says a fence along the U-S border to keep illegal immigrants out is a good idea. He says he's reminded of the phrase "good fences make good neighbors." He says the proposal for guest worker programs amounts to amnesty because it puts illegal immigrants on a path to citizenship. Senator Edward Kennedy disagrees. He argues the guest worker program allows illegal immigrants to earn citizenship through a lengthy process. The Senate debate will begin with a bill that focuses on enforcement. An alternative approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee which includes guest worker programs will be offered as an alternative.

AMERICAN JOURNALIST RELEASED

VO: 23

A journalist held hostage for almost three months in Iraq is free. An editor for the Christian Science Monitor says reporter Jill Carroll has been released and is healthy. Editor David Cook says Carroll was released this morning and has talked to her father. Her release is also confirmed by Iraqi police and the leader of the Iraqi Islamic Party. Police say she was handed over to the Iraqi Islamic Party at its office in western Baghdad and was later turned over to the Americans. She's believed to be in the safety now of the heavily fortified Green Zone. The 28-year-old American was working as a freelance writer for the Monitor and was kidnapped by gunmen January Seventh while on her way to interview a Sunni Arab politician in Baghdad. Her translator was killed.

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CANCUN CUMBRE:

LIVE : 6 MIN / 2 MIN PER SEGMENT

The trilateral meeting between the leaders of the U-S, Canada and Mexico wraps up today in Cancun. This is likely Vicente (vih-SEN'-tay) Fox's last meeting with President Bush and Prime Minister Stephen Harper. Fox is leaving office this year because of term limits. Bush yesterday praised him for stabilizing the Mexican economy and improving the net worth of his people. In an attempt to make Harper look good at home, Bush stressed how hard the Canadian leader has pushed on a conflict over softwood lumber imports from Canada. Immigration and guest workers are also being discussed. Bush says an orderly entrance of workers into the U-S would take pressure off both borders.

TORNADOES IN OKLAHOMA

VO: 23 SEG.

Severe weather swept through northeastern Oklahoma and southern Kansas dropping heavy amounts of rain and even spawning a few tornadoes. Independence, Kansas did report at least one, possibly 2 tornadoes that touched down. There were reports of several houses damaged in the area and at least one person was injured during the tornadoes. Morrison, Oklahoma had a report of a large funnel cloud that came close to the ground, but it is not believed to have touched down. Osage County, Oklahoma did report several funnel clouds appearing, but nothing touched ground.

IDENTITY THEFT IN CALIFORNIA**VO: 25 SEG**

Tens of thousands of people in California are getting a warning about possible identity theft. Los Angeles County officials are letting them know that documents containing their confidential information were left next to a recycling bin outside a social services office in January. The papers had names, addresses, phone numbers, Social Security numbers and medical information of people who've received services from the office in the last two to three years. About 94-thousand warning letters have gone out. The department says it's now taking extra security measures, making sure documents are shredded before going to the recycling bin.

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IMMIGRATION RALLY

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:02

Immigrants and religious leaders went to Washington D.C. to protest and ask for reforms on immigration laws. They want to influence legislators that are debating the law. The purpose of the protest is to ask for justice and better treatment to immigrants....

Syndicate Nannys

Blanca Rosa Vilchez, Nueva York

PKG 1:48

New York legislators are trying to syndicalize women that take care of children...The purpose is to protect their rights and find them a better laboral compensation.

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SENATE BEGINS DEBATE ABOUT IMMIGRATION

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 1:57

The Senate on Thursday took up what a key senator called the "gigantic task" of tightening U.S. borders against illegal immigration, while maintaining the flow of low-wage workers for U.S. business. The effort pits two Republican bases against each other leading up to the midterm congressional elections. Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Arlen Specter, R-Pa., opened the panel's first of what will be many sessions trying to put together the legislation, saying he's been flooded with negative reaction to a bill that he proposed as a starting point. Nonetheless, Specter said he hoped his committee could have a bill ready by the end of March.

HISPANIC MURDER**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK****PKG 1:56**

Imette St. Guillen, a graduate student on the dean's list, suffered the sort of gruesome death typically reserved for drug dealers or mobsters who cross the boss. St. Guillen, 24, was raped, strangled and left on the side of a remote road in Brooklyn. Packing tape masked her entire face. A sock had been stuffed in her mouth, and her body was wrapped in a floral bedspread. St. Guillen's genitals had been lacerated and hair was cut short. The slaying Saturday blindsided her family in Boston and alarmed investigators, who fear her killer may strike again. Police have been studying security tapes from the area where St. Guillen spent her last night out with friends. One tape shows the victim, Imette St. Guillen, talking to a female friend about 3 a.m. Saturday outside a Manhattan bar. The two can be seen parting ways, with the friend leaving by cab, police said.

KILLER NURSE**VO: 23**

Citing his betrayal of all who work in the health care industry, Superior Court Judge Paul Armstrong sentenced Charles Cullen to eleven consecutive life terms in prison Thursday (03-02). The sentence handed down in Somerville, New Jersey brings to a close a case involving the state's worst serial killer. Cullen has told authorities he may have caused the deaths of forty people during a nursing career that began in 1987. Before his sentence was read, Judge Armstrong gave many of the victims' family members the opportunity to address the court. Several family members spoke of the anguish caused by Cullen's decision to murder their loved ones. Many family members had expressed hope Cullen would use the sentencing hearing to explain why he committed the crimes in medical facilities in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Those hopes were dashed when Cullen had little to say as Judge Armstrong read the sentence.

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03/03/06**NEW IMMIGRATION LAW****VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ, PHOENIX, ARIZONA****PKG 1:42**

Fifty and four immigrants discovered in two trucks that transported furniture found lengthy Friday and defendant of illicit association with smugglers to enter the country illegally. It is the first time that the authorities apply a new law of Arizona on human contraband. The group was stopped Thursday to about 80 kilometers to the west of Phoenix. The authorities said that several members of the group confessed that one paid to the smugglers _ called "coyotes" _ up to 2,000 dollars each to cross the border. The 54 were lengthy. Impelled by the evident lack of action of the federal government in immigratory matter, the state legislators approved the

law against the human contraband a year ago. The law allows to judge to the undocumented people by illicit association if they pay coyote. The guilty found ones can at the most be condemned two years of prison.

L.A. IMMIGRANT RAID

VO: 20

The authorities smoothed a house and captured 70 Latin American undocumented people and four suspicious dealers of them to have maintained kidnapped to the delay to receive money to them. Federal agents and an antiriot equipment entered the residence before the dawn, activating distinguished to neutralize the presumed kidnappers. Within the house were 70 originating people from El Salvador, Nicaragua, Ecuador and Mexico, twenty of which they slept in only a quarter, informed the authorities.

LA POLICE CORRUPTION

JAIME GARCIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:52

A new case of corruption returned to dim file of Department of Police of Los Angeles (LAPD), after the federal office of the public prosecutor of the Central District of California revealed yesterday that three ex- agents face positions to have taken advantage of their position to seize of important sums of money, narcotics and guns, among other objects. In the search, conducted by the Federal Office of Investigaciones (FBI) from June of 2001, also it was involved an agent from the Department of Police of Long Beach (LBPD), that in addition agreed in being brother of one of the officials who served their in the LAPD. The investigation culminated yesterday with the arrest of Rodrigo Durán, ex- agent of the LAPD and suspended official who worked in the Department of Correccionales and Rehabilitacio'n of California, after Tuesday also was stopped the ex- police William Ferguson and Joseph Ferguson, by his presumed participation in the illicit one. In addition, other three people, Michelle Barajas, Arming Contreras-Lopez and Óscar Loaiza, are fugitives of the law, defendant to conspire to violate the civil rights and to be in narcotic possession for their distribution.

MY SPEACE CONTROVERSY

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY

PKG 2:02

A middle school student in california faces expulsion for allegedly posting Threatening and hateful statements against a girl classmate on the Myspace-dot-com website. According to parents and three students, the boy allegedly started a myspace Group on january third. The title said "i hate" and the girl's name, and allegedly included an Expletive and an anti-semitic reference. A second posting asked who in the group wanted to shoot the girl in the head With a shotgun more than a thousand times. A teacher discovered the posting, and school officials and police identified 20 Students who visited the site and suspended them in february. Some parents were upset their kids were suspended for viewing the site from Their home computers. And they pointed out the invitations to join the group and view the second Posting gave no

indication of the content. Police said they're considering hate-crime charges against the boy.

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LATINOS & DRIVING CARD

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW JERSEY

PKG TRT 2:00

Assemblyman Joseph Vas (D-19), along with sponsors Assemblymen Douglas Fisher (D-3), Reed Gusciora (D-15), and Gordon Johnson (D-37) will hold a press conference about the recently introduced Assembly Bill 2607, the "New Jersey Driving Privilege Card," which would permit the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission to issue driving privilege cards to persons who cannot comply with the 6-point rule of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, for the duration of up to one year. Under the provisions of the bill, \$90,000 will be appropriated to undertake a public education campaign to publicize the availability of the cards.

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03/07/06

PATRIOT ACT

MARTIN BERLANGA, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:21

The government of president George W. Bush is counting with his more powerful weapon against terrorism inside and outside the country....Today, legislators approved the extension of the most important points of the patriot act after extense debates to protect civil libertiesof citizens and residents...

DC IMMIGRATION RALLY

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

Immigrants and somo supporters organized today a protest i front of the Congress building against the legislative proposals that criminalize illegal imigrants..The protest was at the same time when the senate was debating those same proposals...

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03/08/06

CA IMMIGRANT VAN ROLLVOER

MARTIN BERLANGA, MIAMI, FLORIDA**PKG 1:52**

Investigators are trying to determine what caused a van to flip over near san Diego, california wednesday morning. Authorities say at least one person was killed and 16 people injured. A spokesman for the california highway patrol says investigators believe the Van may have been Carrying undocumented immigrants. Witnesses say the van might have been speeding when the driver lost control. However, there's no indication that the van was being chased. Investigators are interviewing the victims.

CHINO SHOOTING LATEST**JAIME GARCIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:53**

Deputy Ivory James Webb pleaded not guilty Wednesday morning (03/08) to charges of attempted voluntary manslaughter, in connection with the shooting of an unarmed airman that was captured on video tape. Webb requested that his bail be reduced from 100 thousand to 50 thousand dollars but the judge refused, saying it was already below the normal amount. Webb is the first officer in San Bernardino history to be charged as a result of an on-duty shooting. If convicted, he faces 18 and a half years in prison. The family of victim Elio Carrion wanted Webb to face an attempted murder charge in the case. On the tape, widely shown on Los Angeles television, Webb can be heard telling Carrion to get up -- and then shooting him after he follows that order. Carrion was the passenger in a vehicle that led Webb on a short, high-speed chase. The driver of the vehicle has since publicly apologized for the chase, and has said Carrion had no role in his decision to evade arrest.

AZ BORDER SECURITY**RUBEN PEREIDA, PHOENIX, ARIZONA****PKG 1:58**

Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano has signed an executive order sending the Arizona National Guard to the state's border with Mexico. Governor Napolitano says the guard is going to expand its presence at the border to help support federal authorities in the fight against illegal immigration. Governor Napolitano was very clear to say the National Guard deployment is not a move to militarize the border because the state is not at war with Mexico. The governor says the details of the deployment are outlined in her order, but when asked by reporters Wednesday morning (3/8/06) about the details, she referred them to the National Guard. In addition, the governor said she will veto an immigration bill currently in the Arizona legislature that she says would mandate guard members on the border. She says the bill is unconstitutional and that the governor is the only one who can issue deployment orders for the Arizona National Guard. Governor Napolitano says she is also asking for the Defense Department to help with the cost of the deployment, saying she thinks Arizona taxpayers have already paid too much for work on the border that the federal government ought to be paying for.

ST. GUILLEN MURDER LATEST**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK****PKG 1:59**

Investigators are waiting to see if forensic and other evidence would tie a 41-year-old bouncer at the Falls Bar to the slaying of grad student Imette St. Guillen. The man, who had not been charged in the killing, is being held at a Rikers Island jail, accused of a parole violation.

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03/09/06**BORDER PATROL TRIAL****ADRIANA AREVALO, MIAMI, FLORIDA****PKG 1:40**

Two border patrol agents could face up to life in prison in El Paso, Texas. On Wednesday, agents Jose Alonso Compean and Ignacio Ramos were found guilty of intentionally covering up a shooting of a drug smuggler that happened at the U.S.-Mexico border near Fabens last February. The agents were trying to make a traffic stop when the suspect fled on foot. Ramos and Compean shot at him, striking him in the buttocks as he crossed into Mexico. They testified they believed he was armed. The agents later found about 700 pounds of marijuana in the suspect's car. But the agents picked up the bullet casings and did not report the incident, testifying that they assumed other agents at the scene had reported it. Prosecuting attorney Debra Kanof said both agents were found guilty of multiple federal crimes including two criminal assault charges, several counts of tampering with an official proceeding, including destroying the scene and not reporting the shooting. They were also found guilty of the use of a firearm in the commission of a violent crime and a civil rights charge.

DAY LABORERS HOTLINE**LUIS MEGID, SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:04**

Police in Santa Cruz this week opened a hotline for illegal immigrants to report alleged abuses by people who hire them as day laborers. The unusual measure was called "an effective education tool" Tuesday by the city councilman behind the idea, who acknowledged that complaints lodged anonymously could be difficult to prosecute. Even so, Councilman Ryan Coonerty said official scrutiny may be enough to keep employers from shortchanging undocumented workers, threatening them with deportation, and denying them breaks. "Having a police officer at your doorstep asking questions may be a signal to stop whatever it is you're doing," he said. What it signals about the community's tolerance of illegal immigration is less clear, according to a group advocating tougher U.S. policies. Santa Cruz officials said they know of no other city or county in California, Arizona or Texas offering a similar hotline. In Illinois, a hotline run by the state labor department started taking calls in January. Hotline

callers who do leave their names will not be asked about their immigration status, officials said.

BOUNCER LINE UP FOR RAPE

VO:22

A Queens judge today approved putting Darryl Littlejohn, a suspect in the case of a slain graduate student, in a lineup for a separate sex assault in Queens. District Attorney Richard Brown said in a statement that Littlejohn will be placed in the lineup of suspects in with a sex attack last October, in Forest Hills, Queens. Defense attorney Kevin O'Donnell told reporters outside court that Littlejohn maintains his innocence. He added that Littlejohn "feels like a scapegoat" and objected to Littlejohn's mug shot being released earlier this week by authorities. The Queens case is one of three unsolved sex attacks - including one more in Queens and one on Long Island. All of them involved a man who abducted his victims late last year using a van, said a law enforcement official, who spoke on condition of anonymity. Littlejohn is not charged in the killing of Imette St. Guillen. He was a bouncer at The Falls bar, where St. Guillen was last seen alive. The student at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in Manhattan was raped, tortured and suffocated. Her body was found on February 25th in Brooklyn, with her head wrapped with clear packing tape.

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03/10/06

IMMIGRANT MARCH

ENRIQUE RODRIGUEZ, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

PKG 2:13

Thousands of immigrants are staging a massive protest friday (3/10) In chicago against proposed changes in immigrations laws. Thousands of people, both documented and undocumented, gathered in a park and plan to march downtown to federal plaza. There, they'll voice their opposition to the border security bill. Opponents of the measure say it criminalizes undocumented residents and those who provide them aid and health care. Rally organizers urged people to take the day off of work in order to increase numbers for the march. They say this will help illustrate the importance of immigrants to the u-s economy. Supporters of the bill say it's needed to clamp down on illegal immigration and improve national security.

IMMIGRANT BORDER DEATHS

LUIS MEGID, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:55

Just a few days ago, juan cruz-torralva and his 12 year old daughter crossed the u-s mexico border illegally. They started the two and a half day trek from oaxaca, mexico. The trip turned deadly in the desert area a few miles southwest of interstate 8 and milemarker 78. That's where cruz-torralva and his daughter hid behind a bush to avoid getting caught by border patrol. The patrol vehicle ran over him and his daughter, killing her. Now he's behind bars in

the yuma county jail. In court today, he found out what charges he could face. They include endangerment.

CA BORDER PATROL ARRESTS

VO: 19

Two u-s border patrol agents pleaded not guilty friday in a california court. The agents were accused of releasing illegal immigrants from federal custody in exchange for 300-thousand dollars in cash bribes. Carl mcclafferty of the el centro border patrol discussed the arrests of the two patrolmen.

AIRMAN SPEAKS IN VIDEO

VO:22

The 21-year-old Iraq war veteran seen in a video being shot by a sheriff's deputy says in a recorded statement that he has difficulty walking. Senior Airman Elio Carrion released a videotaped statement through his attorney Thursday, a day after San Bernardino County sheriff's Deputy Ivory J. Webb pleaded not guilty to attempted voluntary manslaughter and was released on \$100,000 bail. "My physical therapy continues to progress and I still have difficulties walking," Carrion says, looking into the video camera. "I'm sorry I haven't been able to speak publicly, but right now I'm focused on my physical therapy and healing." The tape shows him sitting on a couch next to his wife and moving around with the aid of a walker.

ICE GANG ARRESTS

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:01

Police in cities across the u-s have arrested hundreds of gang members in recent weeks. In 23 states 375 gang members pulled off the streets. All part of operation community shield, a year-old crackdown pairing local police departments with the department of homeland security. The latest busts in the operation bring the total since february 2005 to almost 24-hundred according to the government. Dallas had the largest number of recent arrests at 44. In san diego, there were 41 and police in both miami and washington d-c arrested 22. Federal officials say the busts send a strong message to gang members, many of whom are illegal immigrants. There were arrests in smaller cities as well, like des moines, providence and sioux falls. In dallas, police are already seeing a difference on the street. Operation community shield was launched last year to specifically target the ms-13 gang. The government says roughly 900 of the nearly 24-hundred arrests have been ms-13 members but the gang busts were expanded to go after other gangs as well.

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DEPORTATION CASES**PKG 1:53****LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

The senate is debating a new immigration bill. In it is a proposal, that wants will have all deportation cases done in one court, instead of the person's district court which is how is now. All cases will be challenge in Washington, D.C., if Congress passes this new immigration bill. This alarmed activists, because of the effect it will have on immigrants.

TEXAS WILDIRES**VO :20**

Using bulldozers and air tankers, firefighters struggled Monday to stop wind-blown wildfires that scorched more than 1,000 square miles of the drought-stricken Texas Panhandle. The blazes were blamed for at least seven deaths, four of them in a crash on a smoke-shrouded highway over the weekend. About 1,900 people in seven counties were evacuated. Eleven fires burned over an estimated 530,000 acres Monday, down from 663,000 over the weekend. State fire crews fought more than 160 blazes in one 24-hour period. The cause of the latest blazes was under investigation; the previous fires were apparently sparked by people who burned trash, tossed cigarettes or illegally set off fireworks in the middle of one of the worst droughts in Texas in 50 years.

TORNADOS**PKG 1:47****MARTIN BERLANGA/MIAMI, FLORIDA**

Violent storms that spawned a record number of tornadoes killed at least eight people across the Midwest, many dying in Missouri where twisters wrecked mobile homes, authorities said Monday. There were at least seven deaths in Missouri, with the other fatality a drowning victim in Indiana, emergency management officials said. The preliminary estimate of 110 tornadoes that touched down Sunday broke a 16-year-old record for any day in March, the National Storm Prediction Center said. Damage and power outages from the weekend storms and twisters extended across Missouri, Illinois and Indiana.

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3/14/06**IMMIGRANT DAD ARREST LATEST****VO: 22**

Juan Cruz-Torralva brought his 12-year-old daughter through the desert along the U.S.-Mexico border. Three days into the journey, a U.S. Border Patrol agent spotted the group of illegal immigrants, and as the agent chased them, the Border Patrol truck hit Cruz-Torralva and his

daughter, Lourdes, killing her. Yuma County sheriff's detectives determined the death was an accident, but Cruz-Torralva was arrested on charges of endangerment. Deputies argued that he had placed the child in "risk of imminent death" by bringing her into the desert. A prosecutor on refused to pursue the case, saying there wasn't enough evidence to prove the charge. Cruz-Torralva, meanwhile, sat in jail and said he didn't understand why he was there.

EARPHONES HEARING LOSS

LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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DENNY'S SHOOTING

VO: 20

A man armed with two handguns opened fire inside a Denny's restaurant during lunch hour Wednesday, killing two people and wounding a married couple before taking his own life, police said. As many as 15 people were inside the restaurant at the time, authorities said. Many fled or hid in bathrooms for safety. "The witnesses described him as coming in with a dazed look on his face, then they said he started shooting," police Chief Joe Cortez said. The wounded couple were listed in good condition and expected to be released from a hospital, authorities said. Two of the dead were men in their 50s or 60s, while the third was in his 40s; it was unclear which was the gunman. Investigators believed the gunman's motive could be unrelated to the restaurant or its employees after a witness told them about something the gunman said. They declined to give details. None of the victims worked at the restaurant.

CARLIE BRUCIA CASE

VO: 22

The man who was caught on tape kidnapping an eleven-year-old Florida girl has a death sentence for later killing her. A judge in Sarasota has sentenced Joseph Smith to death for murdering Carlisle Brucia (BROO'-shuh). He had earlier given Smith life prison terms for kidnapping and raping the girl. A jury had recommended death for the murder. Smith showed no emotion as the judge read his sentence. A carwash surveillance tape caught the former mechanic leading the girl away by the hand in February 2004.

CHILD PORN

VO: 20

U.S. and international authorities have charged 27 people in connection with an online child pornography enterprise, federal authorities said Wednesday. Those charged were participants in an online chat room that included streaming video of live child molestation, the Justice Department said. Investigators said they identified seven children who were molested on video seen in the Kiddypics & Kiddyvids chat room. Four molesters are among those charged, prosecutors said. In recent days, federal agents have made arrests in Arizona, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Michigan, Nevada, New York, North Carolina and Tennessee. Thirteen people have been indicted in the United States on charges that include possession, receipt, distribution and manufacture of child pornography. The other 14 have been charged in Australia, Canada and Great Britain. One person remains at large. The investigation began in Canada.

IMMIGRATION REFORM LATEST**LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.****PKG 2:06**

Farmers and businesses depending on illegal immigrants to fill low-wage jobs are banging against a brick wall in Congress as they push for a temporary worker program. Even with President Bush on their side, advocates have been unable to overcome the opposition of those who are deadset against any proposal that in an election year could be labeled "amnesty." The Senate Judiciary Committee has given itself a Thursday deadline to produce a bill that would tighten U.S. borders, impose new sanctions on illegal immigrants and their employers, and give legal status to some workers now here illegally. Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., has promised a vote on some kind of temporary "guest worker" program after Congress returns March 27 from a weeklong recess, but not necessarily one that includes illegal immigrants, as advocated by Bush. Bush has proposed a temporary worker program allowing participants to register for legal status for a specific period of time and then be required to return home. It would not provide amnesty, which the administration says it would reject in any proposal, and also would not be an automatic path to citizenship.

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AMBULANCE SERVICES

VO :23

In one Colorado county, patients who are transported by ambulance better pay up or they face jail. The emergency services budget in Grand County is stretched thin and the county says it has run out of options. The problem: too many free ambulance rides. Last year Grand County lost \$350,000 due to unpaid ambulance bills. Now it plans to arrest people if they don't come up with the money they owe. Three people have already been arrested under the new get tough policy.

PATRIOT ACT

VO :24

The Senate is poised to approve the renewal of the Patriot Act today.

The vote comes ten days before the latest extension of the nation's premier anti-terror law is set to expire. The extra time was needed to hammer out an agreement designed to balance civil liberties protections with the tools the measure gives to law enforcement in hunting for terrorists. But Wisconsin Senator Russ Feingold says the bill doesn't do enough to reign in government powers. He says the bill is as flawed today as it was before the negotiations. Supporters say the law has been a big help in the war on terrorism and can't be held up any longer. Kentucky Republican Jim Bunning says "civil liberties do not mean much when you are dead." Once the bill passes the Senate, quick approval is expected in the House.

CELL PHONES AIRPLANES

VO :22

A new study suggests that the rule about turning off electronic devices on airplanes may have some merit. Researchers, led by Carnegie Mellon University, say cell phones or laptops could disrupt cockpit operations, especially global positioning devices that are increasingly being used to help land planes safely. Researchers monitored radio emissions from passengers on three airlines with the support of the Transportation Security Agency. Carnegie Mellon's Granger Morgan says the disruptions are enough to impact a plane's navigation or other systems. But he also says there's never been an accident clearly caused by electromagnetic interference. The researchers recommended that the Federal Aviation Administration and Federal Communications Commission work together to investigate in-flight use of cell phones.

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03/02/06

US KATRINA**PKG 2:11****LOURDES DEL RIO/ NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

In dramatic and sometimes agonising terms, federal disaster officials warned US President George W. Bush and his homeland security chief before Hurricane Katrina struck that the storm could breach levees, risk lives in New Orleans' Superdome and overwhelm rescuers, according to confidential video footage of the briefings. Bush didn't ask a single question during the final government-wide briefing the day before Katrina struck on August 29 (2005) but assured soon-to-be-battered state officials that the federal government is fully prepared. The president expressed confidence that then-Federal Emergency Management Agency chief Michael Brown and his disaster crews would prevail.

MEDICARE DRUG DEADLINE**INTERVIEW 3:30/ DRA. JANE DELGADO****NEIDA SANDOVAL/ MIAMI, FLORIDA**

Older Americans and the disabled should be allowed to sign up for the prescription drug benefit without penalty after a May 15 enrollment deadline, Democratic lawmakers told the top Medicare official Wednesday. The theme of delaying the deadline became almost a mantra for the Democrats during a congressional hearing. A couple of Republican lawmakers on the House Energy and Commerce Committee said they were inclined to agree, indicating growing bipartisan support for the idea.

IMMIGRATION DEBATE**VO :25**

The seemingly impossible task of finding a way to tighten borders against illegal immigrants while maintaining a flow of low-wage workers for U.S. businesses gets under way in Congress, pitting two Republican bases against each other. The House managed to pass a border security bill last year -- pleasing conservatives clamoring for an immigration crackdown. But that came only after House leaders beat back an attempt by some GOP members to include President Bush's proposal for a temporary worker program. In contrast, the Senate is wading right into the thorny guest worker issue. Debate was starting Thursday with the Senate Judiciary Committee taking up an immigration reform bill drafted by the committee's chairman, Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa.

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US KATRINA VIDEO**VO :26**

In the hectic, confused hours after Hurricane Katrina lashed the US Gulf Coast, Louisiana's governor hesitantly but mistakenly assured the administration of George W. Bush that New Orleans' protective levees were intact, according to a new video obtained by The Associated Press. In fact, the National Weather Service received a report of a levee breach and issued a flash-flood warning as early as 9:12 a.m. that day, according to the White House's formal recounting of events the day Katrina struck. The timing of the levees breach has been a key issue in exhaustive reviews of failures to respond to Katrina and highlights miscommunication about the scope of the storm's damage at all levels of government. The new video, which runs 45 minutes, details uncertainty and despair among state and local emergency response officials as they began chronicling the disaster that swept across 90 square miles in the Gulf Coast.

READING MATH SCORES

VO :21

In Mississippi, 89 percent of fourth-graders who took a state reading test were rated proficient or better. But when the same students took a federal test, only 18 percent reached that standard. Such discrepancies are not uncommon. Students from all over the country performed worse on a tough federal test than they did on state exams in reading and math -- raising questions about whether states are setting lower standards. The nation's students do glaringly worse on a tough federal test than they do on state exams in reading and math, raising doubts about how much kids are learning. The number of children who were proficient or better on state exams was often solid, if not lofty, in 2005. States have wide latitude in deciding what proficiency means.

ARNOLD LEEVES

VO :21

California governor Schwarzenegger declared a state of emergency last week to deal with eroding levees. State water officials call the state's levee system a ticking time bomb -- just a major storm away from catastrophic failure. It's a message governor Schwarzenegger tried to convey in Washington this week. But he said homeland security officials are preoccupied with a long list of other concerns, and getting their attention hasn't been easy.

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AT & T BIDS ON BELL SOUTH

VO :23

While AT&T Inc.'s \$67 billion bid for BellSouth Corp. would expand the number of voices using the country's largest telecommunications company, it may end up sounding more like a hang up for some employees. San Antonio-based AT&T expects the acquisition announced Sunday to save it \$2 billion annually, partially from job cuts and combining the two work forces. Officials would not say how many jobs might be cut if the deal is approved by shareholders and regulators over the next year, but staff reductions are common in such mergers.

COLLEGE POOR STUDENTS

VO :21

A small group of selective colleges is turning its attention to what may be an untapped reservoir of able, low-income students -- the nation's community colleges. Historically, those students have been ignored by elite colleges which often accept few or no transfers because they want to offer a distinctive four-year experience. Five well-known private colleges and three highly selective public schools plan to accommodate about 11-hundred more community college transfer students from low- to moderate-income families. In the next four years, some colleges will receive part of the money from The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation and they will also spend around 20 millions of their own money.

CRASH TESTS**VO : 22**

Crashworthiness evaluations for seven new or redesigned midsize car models reflect performance in the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's front, side, and rear impact tests. The models include three moderately priced cars -- Ford Fusion, Hyundai Sonata, and Pontiac G6. The other four models are luxury/near luxury cars -- Acura TSX, BMW 3 series, Infiniti G35, and Lexus IS. The best overall performers are the BMW 3 series and Lexus IS. The Ford Fusion, earned the lowest overall ratings.

OBESITY IN KIDS**VO :23**

Childhood obesity rates will soar dramatically in most parts of the world by the end of the decade and raise the risk of diabetes in young people, health experts said on Monday. By 2010 the number of overweight and obese youngsters in the European Union nations is expected to hit 26 million. According to the study this will have an impact in the economy and public health. An estimated 20,000 obese youngsters will have type 2 diabetes, a previously adult disease.

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AT&T CUT JOBS**VO: 22**

One way AT&T Inc. hopes its \$67 billion proposed merger with BellSouth Corp. will pay off is by allowing it to get rid of redundant operations. That means up to 10,000 job cuts over three years, mostly through normal employee turnover rather than layoffs, AT&T Chief Financial Officer Rick Lindner said Monday. The deal, expected to close next year after shareholder and regulatory approval, would form the nation's largest phone company by any measure. It would have nearly half of all lines, be the largest cell-phone carrier and the largest provider of broadband

Internet service.

HISPANICS MOVING TO MIDDLE AMERICA**VO: 26**

New research shows Hispanics are heading to the Heartland. A study by the Brookings Institution shows Hispanics are bypassing traditional ports of entry to look for economic opportunities. That's been boosting populations in states such as North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia and Indiana. The study is based on an analysis of Census Bureau population estimates from 1990, 2000 and 2004 for 361 metropolitan areas in the United States. Los Angeles, New York, Miami and Chicago continue to have the largest Hispanic populations in the country. But Hispanic populations are growing faster elsewhere.

COFFEE DRINKING AND HEART DISEASE

VO : 21

A new study from the University of Toronto, Harvard, and Costa Rica revealed that coffee might caused cardiovascular diseases, depending on whether or not you have a specific type of gene. If it has the good one, it would not cause health problems, if it has the bad gene, the person could suffer heart diseases. Scientifics said, to try not to drink more than four cups of coffee.

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3/08/06

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION

VO :26

The number of illegal immigrants in the United States has grown to as high as 12 million, according to a new estimate released Tuesday as the Senate considers legislation aimed at tightening America's borders. The Pew Hispanic Center report estimated that undocumented workers fill one out of every four agricultural jobs, 17 percent of all office and house cleaning positions, 14 percent of construction jobs, and 12 percent of those who work in food preparation. The report found that the pace of illegal immigration is increasing, despite government efforts to crack down.

PATRIOT ACT

VO :25

Law enforcement officials get to keep their antiterror tools, but with some new curbs, under the USA Patriot Act renewal passed by the House in a cliffhanger vote. The 280-138 vote Tuesday evening passed by just two votes more than needed under House rules requiring a two-thirds majority for legislation handled on an expedited basis. The vote ended a monthslong battle over how to balance privacy rights against the need to defeat potential terrorists -- a political struggle in which President Bush was forced to accept new restraints on law enforcement investigations.

SAFE SPRING BREAK

VO : 20

Doctors are asking college students to take precautions during the traditional spring break vacation. According to a survey from the American Medical Association, during spring break 83 percent of college girls get sick because of drinking alcoholic beverages in excess or because of having unprotected sex.

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BUSH SIGNS PATRIOT ACT

VO:16

President bush signs today, one day ahead of the deadline, the renewal of the U-S-A Patriot Act. Sixteen major provisions of the original law were set to expire tomorrow. Among the provisions being renewed are one that lets federal officials obtain business records from libraries and bookstores in connection with foreign intelligence investigations. The measure finally cleared Congress this week after a lengthy fight over how to protect civil liberties.

GOLDEN CARD PROGRAM

PKG 1:53

LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON,D.C.

In Capitol Hill are debating a program for working undocumented immigrants called Golden Card. This would allow undocumented immigrants to remain as long as they have jobs. Their employers have to vouch that they have been working in the United States before January 2004. They also, have to successfully complete a background check by the Department of Homeland Security and the employer would have to pay a fee of \$500. Gold card holders will also have to pay all federal income taxes owed for employment before January 2004. Eligible illegal immigrants would receive a two year visa that could be renewed indefinitely if the applicant has a job. Gold card applicants would have a year to come forward once the legislation is enacted.

ARIZONA BORDER SECURITY

PKG 1:56

RUBEN PEREIDA/PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Border security agents will have the help of more military troops. Janet Napolitano ordered more National Guardsmen posted at the Mexican border to help stop undocumented immigrants and curb related crimes. National Guard troops have worked at the border for more than a decade, but Napolitano signed an order authorizing commanders to station an unspecified number of additional soldiers there to help federal agents. Once the funding is approved, the troops will monitor crossing points, assist with cargo inspection and operate surveillance cameras, according to the order. According to Napolitano the border will not be militarized and this doesn't mean they are at war with Mexico.

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MORE BORDER PATROL AGENTS

VO: 21

The Senate Judicial Committee decided, after a long debate over an immigration bill, to increase the number of Border Patrol agents. The number of agents to be added is still to be worked out. Numbers range from two-thousand a year to almost eleven-thousand over five years -- and 12-thousand in just two years. The House in December approved a bill that calls for hiring a thousand new agents this year. A 2004 recommendation suggested adding two-thousand agents a year over five years. The Senate will take a final decision on this on March 27.

HOT LINE FOR WORKERS

PKG 2:03

LUIS MEGID/ SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA

Immigrants that stands on street corners to find jobs, usually end up in trouble with authorities or other civilians. Based on their needs, the police at the city of Santa Cruz in California created a workers hot line. This new service offers help with many of the inquiries they have, but don't have anyone to go to, or feel afraid to do so. According to authorities, the immigrants don't have to show any documents, they can call and complaint without worrying to get in trouble. They get helped, with work related situation, for example being underpaid, not paid or even abused by their employer. The hot line also, offers assistance with criminal circumstances.

IMMIGRATION BORDER DEATHS

VO: 24

Las week, a Mexican and his daughter were hiding behind bushes in the dessert, trying to hide from the border patrols agents when crossing the border. Sadly, the agents car runned over the 12 year old girl and killed her. Authorities proceeded to arrest the mexican immigrant and he now faces criminal charges. The police is still investigating the case.

3/13/2006

ASPIRIN OR PLAVIX

VO :22

Adding the blood-thinning drug Plavix to a daily dose of aspirin does not lower the risk of death, heart attack or stroke in high-risk patients, researchers said on Sunday. "The overall findings were negative, but a benefit was seen in patients with established cardiovascular disease," said Dr. Deepak Bhatt, associate director of the Cleveland Clinic Cardiovascular Coordinating Center and the study's lead investigator.

MIGRAIN SURGERY

VO :26

There is a new treatment for migraine patients, surgery. Surgeons separate the bones of nasal cavities that are pressing on the septum. This surgery can work for more than 2/3 of migraine sufferers but the

surgery doesn't come without controversy. Some doctors believe the number is far lower and say the symptoms can return. And there contact points constitute a migraine...

US TORNADO

VO :18

Three people are dead after weekend tornadoes roared through the Midwest, knocking over airplanes and ripping roofs off homes. Two people were killed Saturday, another was killed Sunday. Forecasters say storms that hit Central Illinois last night have since blown into the northern part of the state. Authorities say high winds tore the roofs off several buildings in the Chicago suburb of Bridgeview, and flooding was reported on the ramps of several Chicago-area expressways. Two hospitals went to emergency generators as power was cut in some areas. Wind gusts of 70 miles per hour were recorded in the southern Chicago suburb of Tinley Park. A woman seeking shelter in her mobile home in western Missouri became the third fatality over the weekend in the central Mississippi Valley. A neighbor says her mobile home collapsed on her. A husband and wife were killed Saturday.

INDIANA FLOODING

VO :12

Heavy rains flooded parts of southern Indiana over the weekend. Police say some motorists in Randolph county had to be rescued from the rising water. The flooding has been blamed for one death. The national weather service is forecasting more strong storms throughout Indiana today (Monday). Much of the state is under a tornado watch this morning.

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MARIHUANA & MEMORY

VO :20

People who regularly smoke marijuana may find their memories growing hazy over time, a study published Monday suggests. In a study of long-term and shorter-term marijuana users, researchers in Greece found that both groups performed more poorly on tests of memory, attention and other cognitive abilities than a comparison group who'd only occasionally used the drug.

"CRESTOR LATEST"

VO :25

A cholesterol-lowering statin drug has for the first time been shown to reverse the build-up of plaque in coronary arteries, which can lead to a heart attack or stroke, researchers said on Monday. A study of more than 500 patients found that after two years of treatment with a high dose of AstraZeneca Plc's (AZN.L) Crestor, plaque volume was reduced by 7 percent to 9 percent.

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IMMIGRANTS WORKERS HEARINGS

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PROPERTY WTC TALKS LATEST

VO :27

Negotiations between the developer of the World Trade Center site and New York officials broke off Wednesday after the sides missed a deadline to resolve who would construct which buildings at Ground Zero. The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey owns the site where the Twin Towers were attacked and destroyed on Sept. 11, 2001. Real estate developer Larry Silverstein of Silverstein Properties holds a 99-year lease that was signed two months before the attacks. New York Gov. George Pataki set a March 14 deadline for the two parties to reach an agreement on how to expedite the rebuilding.

NEW CREDIT SCORING

VO :20

Big credit reporting companies. Starts with transunion, then equifax, ends with experian website. The three major consumer credit agencies will now use one score to determine your credit rating. The move is expected to make life easier for both borrowers and lenders because the three companies will use the same method to determine a credit score. In the past the three major agencies -- equifax, transunion, and experian -- may have all scored a person differently. That can make a big difference on whether you get a loan... And how good an interest rate you're given. In the future, any scoring variances between agencies will be due to data differences, not calculations. Your credit score is based on several factors, including how much debt you carry and how well you keep up on paying bills on time.

DEPORTATION COSTS

PKG 2:06

LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO,CALIFORNIA

Every person costs 40,000 to deport them a total of 400 billion dollars costs..... What the undocumented contribute to this country is far less than the costs that they represent to the tax payers...

MEDICARE WOES

PKG 1:48

LOURDES DEL RIO/ MIAMI, FLORIDA

President Bush is making a new push to sell his troubled prescripion drug plan and a forum at a New York state senior citizens center. He better be ready for some tough questions from those seniors. And pharmacists are unhappy too -- saying they're not getting paid.

ASTHMA, KIDS & ANTIBIOTICS

VO :20

A new study says infants under the age of one are twice as likely to get asthma if they are given antibiotics. It gets worse. With each new exposure to the drugs, the risks of having a baby develop breathing problems may dramatically increase.

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IMMIGRATION MARKUP

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Senators writing an immigration bill moved closer Thursday to preventing millions of employed illegal immigrants from being deported in the face of a political stampede to make it harder for them to cross into the United States or stay. Majority Leader Bill Frist, who is looking at running for president in 2008, prepared his own bill focused more narrowly on tightening borders and said the Senate will begin debating it the week after next if the Judiciary Committee cannot agree on a broader bill by then. "Our country needs security at our borders in order to slow the flow of illegal immigration and make America safer from foreign criminals and terrorists," said Frist, a Tennessee Republican. He said giving the committee beyond March 27 to reach an accord would mean the Senate would not have the full two weeks he's set aside to debate immigration and border security issues and pass a bill. The House passed a bill in December that makes it a felony for illegal immigrants to be in the United States, imposes new penalties on employers who hire them and erects fencing along a third of the U.S.-Mexico border.

U.S. LAUNCHES BIGGEST AIR ATTACK IN IRAK

LOURDES DEL RIO, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:55

The U.S. military said on Thursday it launched its biggest air offensive in Iraq since the 2003 invasion to root out insurgents near a town where recent violence raised fears of civil war. A military statement said the operation involving more than 50 aircraft and 1,500 Iraqi and U.S. troops as well as 200 tactical vehicles targeted suspected insurgents operating near the town of Samarra, 100 km (60 miles) north of Baghdad. The statement said "Operation Swarmer" was launched on Thursday morning and is "expected to continue for several days as a thorough search of the objective area is conducted". Samarra was the site of a bombing attack last month on a Shi'ite shrine that set off sectarian reprisals and pushed Iraq to the brink of civil war.

WOODRUFF OUT OF HOSPITAL

VO:17

Six weeks after he was gravely wounded by a bomb blast on assignment in Iraq, ABC News anchor Bob Woodruff was released on Thursday from a military hospital outside Washington, the network said. Woodruff, 44, who has been up and about, talking and joking with family and watching the news, will continue his recovery for the next few weeks at a private facility in the New York City area, ABC News President David Westin said in an e-mail to colleagues and others in the media.

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SECURITY AIRPORTS

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 1:59

Airport screeners need to do a better job of detecting unassembled bombs, the Transportation Security Administration chief said Friday after an investigation showed bomb-making material had been smuggled through checkpoints at 21 airports. TSA Director Kip Hawley said the agency had already shifted its emphasis from screening passengers and bags for items like scissors to focus on explosives and potential suicide bombers. He said results of a secret investigation by the Government Accountability Office, the watchdog arm of Congress, reaffirmed that priority.

NEW ORLEANS RAID

VO: 20

In New Orleans Federal agents from immigration and customs enforcement have taken into custody a group of forty undocumented day laborers. The raid was in response to complaints from the local community...Who say Hundreds of laborers gather at the same intersection each day. According to the i-c-e, mainly those who were deemed a menace to the community Were arrested. After background checks are complete, the laborers will be released with a 'notice to appear' in front of an immigrations judge at a later date.

GANG MEMBERS & GPS

LUIS MEGID, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:46

California prison officials have begun using Global Positioning System anklets to track known gang members. The gritty suburb of San Bernardino, about 60 miles east of Los Angeles, this week became the first California city to use the GPS satellite navigation system to track gang members when the devices were strapped onto three parolees, state Department of Corrections spokeswoman Jeanne Woodford said. Six California counties began using GPS to monitor sex offenders in 2005 and some have already been arrested for violating parole after they were tracked to off-limits areas.

ATKINS DIET COULD BE HARMFUL**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK****PKG 2:00**

Low carbohydrate, high protein diets may help to shed weight quickly but researchers warned on Friday that they can be unhealthy. The diets can cause constipation, diarrhea, headache, bad breath and ketosis, which causes raised levels of ketones, or acids, in the body. "Low-carbohydrate diets for weight management are far from healthy," said Lyn Steffen and Jennifer Nettleton, of the University of Minnesota School of Public Health in Minneapolis, writing in the British Medical Journal. They cited the unpleasant effects and a lack of trials to test the long-term effects of low-carbohydrate diets. In a case report in the journal, doctors at New York University School of Medicine said they had treated a 40-year-old obese woman, who had followed the Atkins diet, for a life-threatening illness known as ketoacidosis. The diet, based on research by Dr Robert Atkins who died in 2003, involves eating proteins such as meat and cheese and limiting carbohydrates such as bread and pasta.

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03/18/06**6:30 & 11:30 SHOW****US WORLD PROTEST****VO: 24 & SOT:17**

More than one-thousand anti-war protesters gathered in New York's Times Square Saturday (March 18, 2006) on the third anniversary of the the U.S. invasion of Iraq. The demonstrators also rallied against any possible U.S. military action in Iran. The protest was organized by the "Troops Out Now Coalition," a group of anti-war, labor, international solidarity and community activists. They originally planned to demonstrate near a military recruiting center in Times Square, to reinforce their belief that the Iraq war can be stopped by shutting down military recruitment. But the group did not receive get permission to gather there. The protests continue in other cities in US as San Francisco, Los Angeles, Washington, D.C.

BUSH RADIO ADDRESS**VO: 23**

it has been nearly three years since the start of the war in iraq...and president bush's weekly radio address focused on the country's progress. the president says iraq is closer to becoming a democracy, despite recent outbreaks in violence. meanwhile, anti-war protests are being held around the world today (saturday). around 500 protesters marched through central sydney, demanding that coalition troops pull out of iraq. about two-thousand demonstrators also turned out in tokyo. and.. police are expecting as many as 100-thousand demonstrators in london. britain has about eight-thousand troops in iraq.

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6:30 & 11:30 SHOW

WAR PROTESTS

VO: 32

On the third anniversary of the beginning of the U.S. led war in Iraq, members of a group called the 'War Resisters League' carried plywood coffins through the streets of New York on Sunday (March 19) before about a dozen of them were arrested at the end of the march in Times Square. The group chose the coffins to represent what they say is the forgotten tragedy of the war, the thousands of Iraqi civilians killed in the conflict. In an act of civil disobedience at the end of the march, about a dozen members of the group blocked traffic on Seventh Avenue just across from the U.S. Armed Forces Recruiting Station in the heart of Times Square. Locking hands and sitting down in the street, the protesters were cuffed one by one and led to waiting police vans. In all about a dozen activists were arrested while being cheered on by their supporters across the street. Sunday's anti-war action differed from a much larger rally and march the day before that drew over a thousand protesters but remained peaceful and saw no arrests.

BUSH ABOUT WAR

VO: 17

President Bush has marked today's third anniversary of the Iraq War by saying he's "encouraged" by the progress Iraqis are making toward forming a unity government. Speaking to reporters at the White House as he returned from Camp David, he also asked Americans to remember the sacrifices of U-S troops. The president says the anniversary is a time of "reflection" -- and his thoughts have gone to the men and women who've done the fighting, as well as the families who've supported them. Bush also spoke by phone today with U-S Ambassador to Iraq Zalmay Khalilzad (Z AHL'-may kah-LEEL'-zahd). Bush says the envoy left him feeling optimistic about the political situation. He says Iraqi leaders are working together. Bush ignored a shouted question about former Iraqi leader Ayad Allawi's (EE'-yahd ah-LAH'-weez) assertion today that civil war has begun in Iraq.

CHENEY ABOUT WAR

VO: 24

United States Vice President Dick Cheney said on Sunday that Iraq is not in the midst of a civil war, but instead described the violence as a desperate tactic by terrorists in the country to stop the move to democracy. "What we've seen is a serious effort by them to foment a civil war." Cheney said in an interview on CBS's "Face the Nation" Cheney, speaking on the third anniversary of the U.S. invasion of Iraq, added that he did not believe the insurgents had been successful in creating a civil war. He disagreed with Iraq's former interim prime minister, Ayad Allawi, who said in an interview on Sunday that the increasing attacks across his country can only be described as a civil war. Cheney said he did not think optimistic statements that he has made about the war have contributed to Americans' scepticism about the war.

AIRMAN MARCH

VO: 23

family and friends of airman elion carrion marched through the streets of montclair, california to honor him. carrion, who needs a walker to get around, met the supporters at the end of the walk which ended at the church. carrion is recovering from his wounds after being shot 3 times by a sheriff's deputy. ivory webb, reportedly told authorities right after the accident that he opened fire because carrion had tried to charge at him, after watching the video of the shooting, he changed his testimony and said he used deadly force because he belived carrion was reaching for a gun but deputy ivory webb, has been charged with attempted voluntary manslaughter. he faces more than 18-years in prison if convicted.

FEMA WANTS MONEY BACK

VO:28

Thousands of people who received money from the federal government after Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma might be asked to give it back. The Federal Emergency Management Agency started sending letters last week asking people to return money they received in error. Officials say one-point-seven (m) million households received FEMA assistance after Hurricanes Rita, Katrina or Wilma. Up to 50-thousand of them will be asked to reimburse the agency. Those who receive a letter requesting repayment can appeal if they believe they were entitled to the funds.

TEXAS FLOODS

OLGA SANTOS, DALLAS, TEXAS

PKG 1:48

More than 5 inches of rain fell Sunday in parts of North Texas, causing high-rising floodwaters that killed at least one person and forced several rescues, officials said. A woman's body was recovered from Turtle Creek, where officials believe her car was swept off the road and into the water, police Sr. Cpl. Max Geron said. Officials evacuated several homes in west Dallas because of rising floodwaters, Geron said. At least two high-water rescues were reported in Arlington, Ryan said. The storms were expected to continue through early Monday, Ryan said.

CUBANS REFUGEES

VO:23

Coast Guard officials say that at 3:30a/et this morning the Carnival Conquest cruise ship picked up 28 Cubans, who were floating on a raft near Jamaica. The cruise ship docked back in Galveston at 9am/et where it was boarded by members of the Coast Guard. The authorities made sure the Cubans were detained in a secured area so they couldn't escape from the ship. The passengers were then let off the ship. The Conquest will travel to Miami some time today with the Cubans and they will most likely be deported back to Cuba from there.

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3/20/06**MEXICAN GOVERNMENT ADS IN NEWSPAPER****JAIME GARCIA/LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:58**

The Mexican government ran a full page public service ad in the Washington Post. Mexico considers that it is important to find a solution for the undocumented immigrants living in the United States. According to the Mexican government "the people can incorporate to their actual communities, with the same rights and obligations". Congress is debating an immigration bill that could give the citizenship to at least 12 million immigrants that are currently illegal in the United States. The senate is also debating another initiative for a workers temporary status program.

IRAQ WAR ANNIVERSARY**LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON, D.C.****PKG 1:58**

The start of the fourth year of the Iraq war has been marked by protests across the country. About 150 protesters gathered outside the building in Cleveland where President Bush gave a speech Monday about progress in Iraq. They held signs reading "Bush step down" and "No blood for oil." But there were no arrests. At the Pentagon more than 50 demonstrators were arrested for trying to deliver a mock coffin to Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld. In San Francisco, police arrested 17 protesters during a rally aimed at shutting down the Guantanamo Bay and Abu Ghraib (grayb) prisons. Meanwhile, President Bush, delivered a speech in Cleveland, Ohio. He says he realizes Americans are losing confidence in his Iraq strategy after three years of bloodshed there. People wonder how he can remain optimistic about prospects for success when the pictures on television are so grim, the president said.

LOTTO SCAMS**LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:37**

The first comic book, "Baldo", which is distributed nationally, and whose main characters are from a hispanic family that lives in teh United States, has partner with the national association La Raza ,NCLR, to warn their readers about a scam that targets hispanics, specially elderly and retired people. It is known as "Latin Lotto Scam" has being reported all over the nation. The racketeer go up to their target with a fake lotto ticket, saying that it is a winner ticket. They tell the person, that they can't claim the price because of immigration problems and ask the victim to do it for them. As a guarantee, they ask the person for a deposit, to make sure they are going to get their prize. When the transaction is over they flee with the money, and leave their victims with a fake lotto ticket.

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3/21/06

BUSH PRESS CONFERENCE

LOURDES MELUZA/THE WHITE HOUSE

PKG 2:04

President Bush said Tuesday the decision about when to withdraw all U.S. troops from Iraq will fall to future presidents and Iraqi leaders, suggesting that U.S. involvement will continue at least through 2008. Acknowledging the public's growing unease with the war -- and election-year skittishness among fellow Republicans -- the president nonetheless vowed to keep U.S. soldiers in the fight. "If I didn't believe we could succeed, I wouldn't be there. I wouldn't put those kids there," Bush declared. Bush addressed border control along the USA- Mexico border, and defended his proposal to allow citizens from Mexico to work in the USA. The President said, "I also went on to say that people who haven't been here need to get in line like everybody else who is in line legally. My point is that if we were -- first of all, whatever has passed should not say amnesty. In my judgment, amnesty would be the wrong course of action. We have a way toward legality in terms of citizenship."

RISE OF GASOLINE PRICES

LOURDES DEL RIO/MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:56

The average retail price of gasoline soared by almost 14 cents last week, rising above \$2.50 a gallon for the first time since late October. The federal Energy Information Administration said Monday that U.S. motorists paid \$2.504 cents a gallon on average for regular grade last week, a rise of 13.8 cents from the previous week. Pump prices are still 39.5 cents higher than a year ago. The jump in retail prices follows a 42-cent-per gallon rise in unleaded gasoline futures since mid-February. On Monday, gasoline for April delivery settled at \$1.8301 per gallon. Average retail prices peaked at \$3.07 a gallon in early September, a reflection of the extreme tightness in the market following Hurricane Katrina, which knocked out refineries in the Gulf region, as well as pipelines that deliver fuel to the East Coast and Midwest.

HISPANIC BUSINESSES

JAIME GARCIA/LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:57

Fueled by a rapidly expanding Hispanic consumer market, the number of Hispanic-owned businesses is growing much faster than the national rate for other companies. Hispanics owned nearly 1.6 million businesses in 2002, a 31 percent increase from five years earlier, according to a report Tuesday by the Census Bureau. The number of all U.S. companies grew by 10 percent, to about 23 million, during the same period. "The Hispanic consumer market is exploding," said Michael Barrera, president and CEO of the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Hispanic consumers spend \$700 billion a year, a figure that is expected to climb to \$1 trillion by the end of the decade, Barrera said at a news conference. Ronald Langston,

director of the Commerce Department's Minority Business Development Agency, said immigration is helping to increase the diversity of America's economy. He noted that one in 10 U.S. workers is Hispanic, a figure that is expected to grow to one in four by 2050.

HUNGER STRIKE

LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:48

At least fifty people, started a hunger strike in California, in front a federal building. This is a last attempt, to have Congress not approve an immigration bill, that would label undocumented immigrants as criminals. The Congress is in session this week, to decide on the future of this reform, that will make being an illegal, a federal offense. This will also affect those who help them.

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3/22/06

NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION ON IMMIGRANT RIGHTS CONVOCATORY

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 1:54

On Wednesday, March 22, union leaders, immigrant rights groups, grassroots community allies, business and faith-based leaders met on Capitol Hill to denounce current measures that criminalize immigrant workers and announce plans for a 'National Day of Action on Immigrant Rights' on April 10. The purpose of the National Day of Action on Immigrant Rights was to ensure that Congress pursues comprehensive immigration reform legislation that provides a clear path to permanent residency for those hard-working immigrant families already here, respects human rights and rejects harshly punitive, piecemeal measures that criminalize individuals. AFL-CIO Executive Vice President, Linda Chavez-Thompson, joined representatives from the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, the National Capital Immigration Coalition and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce for a press conference at 11:30 am at Senate room TBA to unveil plans for mobilization on immigrant rights.

STUDENT STRANGLED LATEST

VO: 22

A law enforcement official says a bouncer with a long rap sheet has been indicted in the vicious rape and strangulation murder of a New York City grad student. The official says the sealed indictment charges Darryl Littlejohn in the death of Imette St. Guillen, whose body was dumped in a desolate area of Brooklyn last month. The gruesome case drew national attention after St. Guillen's body was found with her head wrapped in packing tape and a sock stuffed in her mouth. St. Guillen's mother was seen leaving her Boston home this morning. She told reporters she wished her "baby was home," then began crying. The official says the indictment in the case will be unsealed and announced tomorrow.

TRUCK BODIES LATEST

VO:33

Prosecutors are asking a federal judge to sentence a woman to life in prison for her role in a 2003 human smuggling attempt that left 19 people dead. Karla Patricia Chavez Joya, 28, who is accused of heading the botched smuggling operation, pleaded guilty in 2004 to charges of conspiring to transport illegal immigrants. Chavez and 13 others were arrested after the discovery of 17 bodies in and near a tractor-trailer abandoned at a truck stop near Victoria. Two others died in a hospital. They all died from dehydration, overheating and suffocation. Chavez is scheduled to be sentenced Monday.

WHITE HOUSE SUSPICIOUS PKG

VO: 19

There were tense moments at the White House on Wednesday as police and machine gun armed agents cleared the streets after reports of a 'suspicious package' being tossed toward the presidential mansion. The Secret Service called off an alert at the White House an hour after a man tossed a suspicious package on Wednesday onto the compound's North Lawn, officials said. The all-clear was sounded after authorities found nothing of danger in the package, according to a Secret Service spokesman. It was not immediately known what was in the package, and the perpetrator was taken into custody.

OAKLAND SUSPICIOUS PKG

VO: 16

Authorities say a bomb threat briefly shutdown a commuter train station in oakland, california today (wednesday). bart trains are back up and running after police gave the all-clear. The west oakland station at 12th street closed for nearly an hour, causing major delays. Authorities did not find anything suspicious, and a bart spokesman says two people have been arrested in connection to the threat.

SCOTUS COURT HEARS IMMIGRATION CASE

LUIS MEGID, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:43

Humberto Fernandez-Vargas left his home two years ago in Ogden, Utah, on his way to what he thought was a routine interview about changing his undocumented immigrant status to legal permanent resident. He hasn't been home since. Instead, the 53-year-old, originally from Mexico, was arrested on the spot by Homeland Security agents and was ordered to leave the U.S. because he had entered illegally more than 20 years earlier. It was not the first time Fernandez-Vargas had received a notice from immigration authorities, but the last was in October of 1981. He reentered the country in 1982 and had been living in the U.S., working as a truck driver. On March 30, 2001, Fernandez-Vargas married Rita Fernandez, a United States citizen. A month later, he filed a form to become a legal permanent resident. After his arrest in November of 2003, Fernandez-Vargas spent a year in Utah County Jail before he was sent

back to Mexico in September 2004, where he is now living. Because of a law that went into effect in 1997, Homeland Security reinstated Fernandez-Vargas' previous deportation order from 1981. The law, known as the "reinstatement statute," states that a prior order of removal may be reinstated to any undocumented immigrant who has illegally reentered the U.S. It also bars the individual from applying for any form of "relief." A waiver to avoid the statute may only be sought following the completion of a 10-year period outside of the U.S. The "reinstatement statute" strictly tightened immigration laws for previously deported entrants to the U.S. Before 1997, only illegal reentrants who had been deported under certain grounds, such as a felony conviction, could have their original deportation orders reinstated. Undocumented immigrants had a right to a hearing with an immigration judge, and individuals could resist reinstatement by petitioning for relief in the form of adjustment to status.

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BUSH AND IMMIGRATION

LOURDES MELUZA/THE WHITE HOUSE

PKG 2:21

President Bush is calling for a "civil debate" over immigration policy -- a debate that respects people of all backgrounds. His appeal comes as Congress prepares for a showdown on the issue. Bush wants Congress to create a worker program under which participants could gain legal status for a specific time, and then be required to return home. It wouldn't provide an automatic path to citizenship. Meanwhile, what was billed as "A Day Without Latinos" filled Milwaukee's streets with thousands of demonstrators today. Police estimate more than ten-thousand people turned out to protest congressional efforts to crack down on illegal immigrants. About 90 Latino-owned businesses were closed for all or part of the day in support. The demonstrators oppose a bill that would make it a felony to live or work illegally in the United States. The measure approved by the House would also impose new penalties on employers who hire illegal migrants and build a fence along about a third of the US border with Mexico.

LATEST ON ST.GUILLEN'S CASE

NAYELI CHAVEZ GELLER/NEW YORK, NEW YORK

PKG 1:56

Darryl Littlejohn has pleaded not guilty to first- and second-degree murder charges in the rape and killing of Imette St. Guillen. He has consistently denied any involvement in the death of the grad student who was last seen at the bar where he worked. District Attorney Charles Hynes says Brooklyn prosecutors have never handled a crime "where there has been so much forensic evidence as the foundation." Investigators say cell phone records, fibers from two fur-collared jackets and a rug and D-N-A tie Littlejohn to the body.

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03/24/06

ARIZONA IMMIGRATION RALLY

KARINA CORONEL, PHOENIX, ARIZONA

PKG 2:27

Thousands of immigrant rights supporters filled a major Phoenix thoroughfare Friday morning as they marched toward the office of U.S. Sen. Jon Kyl in a rally call for a more humane reform of immigration laws. "They're here for the American Dream," said Malissa Greer, 29, who joined the crowd estimate by police to be at least 10,000 strong. "God created all of us. He's not a God of the United States, he's a God of the world." Lawmakers have been considering bills that, among other things, would make it a felony to be illegally in the United States, impose new penalties on employers who hire illegal immigrants and erect fences along one-third of the U.S.-Mexican border. The proposals have angered many in the Hispanic community.

GEORGIA IMMIGRATION RALLY

VO: 34 & SOT: 15

In atlanta... Immigrant communities took part in a work stoppage friday to protest a bill passed by the georgia house. The bill allows sweeping changes to the state's immigration policies. It would deny state services to adults living in the u.S. Illegally and impose a five percent surcharge on wire transfers from illegals. Supporters argue the plan is a vital homeland security measure that frees up limited state service for georgia residents who are legally entitled to them. Opponents say it unfairly targets workers who are merely responding to the demands of some of georgia's largest industries.

MICHIGAN HUMAN TRAFFIC RING

VO: 17

This morning federal agents raided several grand rapids Homes, and in three states more, as part of a raid spanning. An Intricate operation that starts in mexico. Where illegal aliens are Moved through tunnels into the arizona , given fake id's , then sent To safe houses in ohio and michigan. Menagent paul sward says hundreds of illegals were brought to west michigan every year..each one paying 3500 dollars. Three men were captured and are now charged with money laundering--a ten year felony.

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL WALKOUT

JAIME GARCIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 2:04

Thousands of high school students walked out of class - to protest a new bill that cracks down on illegal immigration and toughens penalties for those who help them. Mostly latino, they waved the mexican flag, chanted "brown power!" and held up signs that said "protect our

rights." their protest was part of a larger effort in other parts of the country. Yesterday, more than 10,000 marched in milwaukee.....and today... Perhaps more in phoenix. They're trying to pressure u.S. Senators, who are considering a bill already passed by the house. It makes it a felony to be an illegal immigrant ...And would build a fence across hundreds of miles of the us/mexican border. One official estimates that well over half the public school students in los angeles have a latino background...But not necessarily illegal.

RICE-DERBEZ MEETING

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 1:51

Secretary of state condoleezza rice met with mexico's foreign secretary in Washington friday. Senior officials from various u-s and mexican agencies were also on hand to Discuss the nations' bilateral relationship. One issue certain to be on the agenda - us immigration policy...

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3/25/06

6:30 & 11:30 SHOW

IMMIGRANT RALLY FOR HR4437

JAIME GARCIA/LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG. 2:12 & LIVE TAG

More than half a million immigration advocates marched in Los Angeles, California, demanding that Congress abandon attempts to make helping illegal immigrants a crime and to build more walls along the border. The massive demonstration, one of half dozen around the nation in recent days, came as President Bush prodded Republican congressional leaders to give some illegal immigrants a chance to work legally in the U.S. under certain conditions. Today's march in Los Angeles was the largest in a series of demonstrations across the country. According to police, aerial helicopters estimated the crowd. Many marchers wore white shirts to symbolize peace and waved U.S. flags. Some carried the flags of Mexico and other countries, and wore them as capes.

IMMIGRATION RALLY IN DEVER

LUIS FELIPE GODINEZ/DENVER, COLORADO

PKG 1:59

In Denver, police said over 50,000 people gathered downtown at Civic Center Park next to the Capitol to urge the state Senate to reject a resolution supporting a ballot issue that would deny many government services to illegal immigrants in Colorado. The demonstrators oppose legislation passed by the U.S. House that would make it a felony to be in the U.S. illegally. It also would impose new penalties on employers who hire illegal immigrants, require churches

to check the legal status of parishioners before helping them and erect fences along one-third of the U.S.-Mexican border.

DREAM ACT PROTEST

LOURDES MONTTOYA/HOUSTON, TEXAS

PKG 1:53

The protesters at the immigration rally in Houston, Texas, were hundreds of Hispanics students. They want the Dream Act to be approved. Because, right now they cannot work neither finish their studies at a university because of their status. This was one of nearly half a dozen, protests that took place in the US today. Some of them for different main purposes but the same goal. To get better status for undocumented immigrants.

BUSH ON IMMIGRATION

VO :41

President Bush talked on his weekly radio address about immigration. He urge the Senate to pass an immigration bill that includes his idea for a guest-worker program. With the Senate taking up the issue this coming week, the President's using his weekend radio address to argue for what he calls a balanced approach. He wants a tougher border enforcement. But he also wants to legalize some of the 12 million undocumented immigrants thought to be in the United States.

NORTH CAROLINA PROTEST

VO: 11

Immigrant demonstrators in charlotte, north carolina joined groups across the country protesting the nation's plans to get tough with illegal immigrants. The senate is poised to take up a measure that would make it a felony to be in the u-s without permission. President bush has split with some in his own party over the issue.

MINUTE MAN RALLY

VO: 19

The founder of the Minuteman Project was one of several speakers at a "Save Our Nation" rally in Temecula, California Saturday (3/25). The rally was organized to show support for an immigration bill currently passed by the House of Representatives and waiting to be debated by the Senate. The bill would make it a felony to be in the U-S illegally; would impose tough penalties on employers who hire illegal immigrants; and would erect fences along the U-S/Mexico border. Those who attended the rally, say they support the bill but don't support adding a guest worker or amnesty plan to the bill.

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03/26/06

6:30 & 11:30 SHOW**N.Y. IMMIGRANT MARCH****VO: 18**

This Sunday took the turn to New York where tens crossed several streets of the Manhattan stop as a form to be united to the multitudinal protests that were made yesterday in Los Angeles, Houston, Denver and other cities.

IMMIGRATION REAX**VO: 55**

Secretary of state Condoleezza Rice said the challenge with immigration reform seems to be respecting the rights of individuals and still enforcing our nation's laws: *"We are obviously determined that US laws should be enforced. It's also the case that we have a population here that needs to be treated humanely. No matter how they came here, I think Americans would like to think that they'll be treated humanely"*. Meanwhile, Sen. Arlen Specter said he wants a law that would allow immigrants to stay and work while they applied for citizenship: *"We're facing a difficult situation, because we have approximately 11 million undocumented aliens here, and we've got to find some way to deal with them. We have a national security problem. They've not been identified. If we do not have some realistic proposal to give them an opportunity to work lawfully and ultimately to obtain citizenship, then they're going to be fugitives, and we need to know who they are and where they are. And if they have criminal records, we need to send them back to their country of origin"*. And Rep. Tom Tancredo said he wants employers to be held accountable for hiring illegal immigrants.

BODY OF MEXICAN GIRL**VO: 25**

The corpse of an illegal immigrant of 12 years who passed away when she was struck by an agent of the Border Patrol of the United States arrived at its native town in the south of Mexico, informed Saturday the authorities. Lourdes Cross Moral passed away the 5 of March after an agent ran over to her and his father of 28 years, Juan Torralva Cross, near the locality of Dateland, Arizona. Their rest returned in a commercial airplane to Oaxaca, the State Capital of the same name Thursday at night.

INDY CRASH**EDNA SCHMIDT, MIAMI, FLORIDA****PKG 1:13**

The racing community is mourning the death of rookie driver Paul Dana tonight. Dana died after he crashed into Ed Carpenter's car at a high rate of speed during a practice run for the season-opening Toyota Indy 300, at the Homestead-Miami Speedway Sunday afternoon in Florida. Officials say Carpenter's car had spun and hit the wall early on, when Dana slammed into him at about 200 miles per hour. Both were airlifted to local hospitals. Dana died a short

time later. Carpenter injuries are reportedly non-life threatening. Fellow racers expressed their condolences to Dana's family. They say it's a tough job, but they love doing it, despite the dangers. The 30 year-old Missouri native, lived in Indianapolis. He graduated from Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University. Dana was said to be excited about proving himself in the IRL Indycar series. He is reportedly the first IRL driver killed since Tony Renna died in a crash during testing at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in 2003.

COLUMBUS MARCH

VO: 15

Hundreds of undocumented workers and their supporters from Ohio gathered at the capitol in Columbus to protest a tough new immigration bill going before the U-S Senate this week. The bill would make it a felony to be in the U-S illegally; would impose tough penalties on employers who hire undocumented workers; and would erect more fencing along the U-S/Mexico border. The House of Representatives already passed the legislation, but it's up for debate in the Senate on Tuesday (3/28). The demonstration in Columbus was one of many pro-immigration rallies happening in cities across the nation this weekend.

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3/27/06

SENATE HEARINGS

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:00

The Senate Judiciary Committee meet today, to debate on a new immigration bill. It has approved an amendment protecting individuals and church and charitable groups who give aid to undocumented immigrants. The House had voted late last year to make giving such non-emergency aid a felony. The judiciary panel also approved doubling the current Border Patrol force, to keep more illegal immigrants from entering the country. Immigration reform has sparked big protests on Capitol Hill and elsewhere. President Bush is calling for civil debate, but warns the overhaul won't be easy.

IMMIGRATION RALLIES LATEST

LUIS MEGID, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG. 1:51

Immigrants and advocates country-wide are protesting against and immigration bill that is in debate at the Senate Judiciary Committee. Demonstrations against legislation that will come up for discussion in the Senate starting tomorrow (tuesday). Up for debate is a bill passed by the House last December that would make it a felony for immigrants to enter the country illegally. he bill would also apply penalties to employers who hire illegal immigrants and erect fences along portions of the U-S-Mexico border. Lawmakers will also consider the president's controversial guest worker program.

MOUSSAOUI DECLARES ON 9/11**MARTIN BERLANGA, MIAMI, FLORIDA****PKG 1:32**

Laying out a stunning new version of his terrorist mission, al-Qaida conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui testified Monday that he was supposed to hijack a fifth jetliner on Sept. 11, 2001, with would-be shoe bomber Richard Reid and fly it into the White House. But the jury also heard the mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks, Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, now in U.S. custody, repeatedly state that Moussaoui was to be a part of a second wave of attacks unrelated to Sept. 11. In a 58-page statement read to jurors, Shaikh Mohammed said that he only wanted Middle Easterners for Sept. 11 so that Europeans like Moussaoui stood a better chance of mounting a subsequent attack after security was increased. Testifying against the advice of his court-appointed lawyers, Moussaoui shocked the courtroom. Jurors who will decide whether he is executed or imprisoned for life were almost motionless during his nearly three hours on the stand.

LANGUAGE: AN ISSUE FOR HEALTH INSURERS**LILIANA ESCALANTE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:24**

A family filed a lawsuit against Blue Cross Health Insurance of California. Allegedly, the company had failed to disclose preexisting conditions - including chest pain - that made him uninsurable. If anything was amiss with the husband's application, they say, the fault lies with Blue Cross because the company filled out their applications in English, a language they do not understand. With a lawsuit accusing Blue Cross of reneging, the couple has raised an issue that experts say could plague the health insurance industry in coming years as it increasingly reaches out to cover immigrants: Insurers could face legal problems unless they make sure they are doing business with customers in a language they understand.

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3/28/06**IMMIGRATION BILL AT SENATE****LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.****PKG 2:00**

The debate on immigration poses deep political risks for a divided Republican Party that could see its recent gains among Hispanics wiped out if Congress approves a bill that gets tough with illegal workers. The Republican split on immigration, on full display as senators took up the issue Monday amid emotional street protests, could sabotage the party's long-range effort to court the country's fastest growing ethnic group, Hispanic activists and analysts said. The House has yet to pass legislation dealing with immigration issues involving workers, although it has approved a bill that calls for building a fence along 700 miles of the border with Mexico.

BORDER SECURITY TEST**LUIS MEGID, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:01**

Congressional investigators are raising a red flag over the nation's cargo security measures -- and senators are listening. A Senate subcommittee leader says it's clear there are "several gaps" in security, after reports that congressional investigators were able to smuggle nuclear material into the U-S. Agents from Congress' investigative wing crossed the borders in Texas and Washington state with enough nuclear material to make two small "dirty bombs" -- after giving customs agents fake documents.

SHAKE UPO AT WHITE HOUSE**LOURDES DEL RIO, MIAMI, FLORIDA****PKG 1:35**

White House chief of staff Andy Card has resigned and will be replaced by budget director Joshua Bolten, President Bush announced Tuesday amid growing calls for a White House shakeup and Republican concern about Bush's tumbling poll ratings. Bush announced the changes in an nationally broadcast appearance in the Oval Office.

"I have relied on Andy's wise counsel, his calm in crisis, his absolute integrity and his tireless commitment to public service," Bush said.

BLOOD PRESSURE AND LONELINESS**VO :19**

Loneliness in people over 50 greatly increases their risk of high blood pressure, researchers say in the latest study to underscore the health advantages of friends and family. The loneliest people studied had blood pressure readings as much as 30 points higher than those who weren't lonely, suggesting that loneliness can be as bad for the heart as being overweight or inactive, the researchers said. With earlier research suggesting that more than 11 million Americans over 50 often feel isolated, left out or lacking companionship, the study could have substantial public health implications if it can be shown that reducing loneliness can lower people's blood pressure, said Richard Suzman, director of a behavioral research program at the National Institute on Aging, which helped fund the study.

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03/29/06**IMMIGRATION DEBATE CONTINUES****LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.****PKG 2:08**

Senators have begun arguing the pros and cons of various immigration proposals. Alabama Senator Jeff Sessions says a fence along the U-S border to keep illegal immigrants out is a good idea. He says he's reminded of the phrase "good fences make good neighbors." He says the proposal for guest worker programs amounts to amnesty because it puts illegal immigrants on a path to citizenship. Senator Edward Kennedy disagrees. He argues the guest worker program allows illegal immigrants to earn citizenship through a lengthy process. The Senate debate will begin with a bill that focuses on enforcement. An alternative approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee which includes guest worker programs will be offered as an alternative.

L.A. WALK OUT

VO: 19

Teachers and students are turning the pro-immigration walkouts that have emptied high schools across Southern California into a real-life lesson about immigration policy, the lawmaking process and civic duty itself. Students in the Los Angeles school system -- which is the nation's second-largest district and is 73 percent Hispanic -- have walked out of class along with thousands of other young people in other U.S. cities over the past few days to protest legislation on Capitol Hill that would crack down on the nation's 11 million illegal immigrants. Among other things, the legislation would make it a crime to be in this country illegally. Wednesday morning was relatively quiet in the Los Angeles district after two days of protests that began with blocked freeways and pleas from the mayor to go back to class, and escalated Tuesday to school lockdowns and scores of truancy citations.

MIAMI PROTEST

VO: 13

A motorcade was planned for Miami Wednesday (3/29) afternoon and students at a least 4 Miami-Dade schools vowed to walk out in protest of new immigration rules being considered in Congress. The immigration rallies familiar in recent days out west are now spreading across the country and hitting South Florida today (Wednesday). The Pew Hispanic Center, a research organization in Washington, estimates there are as many as 12 million illegal immigrants in the United States, though researchers acknowledge they are difficult to count. Other organizations have put the number at 11 million, but all agree the total is rising quickly. Less than half fit the profile of young men sneaking across the border to find jobs and send money back home to their families. Today, most bring their families with them, according to an analysis by the Pew Center.

IMMIGRATION STINGS

VO: 21

The Bush administration has stopped using fake health and safety meetings at job workshops to snag illegal immigrants. Marcy Forman, director of the Homeland Security Department's Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) division, said in a letter to the United Food and Commercial Workers union, that it had stopped using the health and safety sting operations for rounding up illegal immigrants. ICE arrested 49 illegal immigrant workers at North Carolina's Seymour Johnson Air Force Base last summer by luring them with a flier to what was

advertised as a mandatory Occupational Safety and Health Administration meeting. Those arrested were contract workers and largely laborers, such as carpenters, with no access to military files.

MOUSSAOUI CLOSING ARGUMENTS

LOURDES DEL RIO, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:44 & LIVE TAG

Closing arguments in the penalty phase of the trial of 9-11 conspirator, Zacarias Moussaoui are set for this afternoon. The jury will have to decide whether Moussaoui's actions make him eligible for the death penalty or if he should receive life imprisonment. Moussaoui's chances of escaping a death sentence were made less likely after he testified this week that he knew about the planning for the September 11th attacks, and that he was supposed to fly a fifth plane into the White House.

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CANCUN, MEXICO SUMMIT

JORGE RAMOS & EDGAR MUÑOZ, CANCUN, MEXICO

PKG 1:44 & LIVE

US President George W. Bush and Mexican President Vicente Fox held a bilateral meeting on Thursday in Cancun, Mexico, where the two leaders discussed border security and US immigration laws. At a joint press conference following the meeting, Bush and Fox suggested one item at the top of their agenda is now out of their hands. The U.S. Senate is debating changes to U.S. immigration laws that could affect an estimated 6 million Mexicans living illegally in the United States. Fox said the matter was now in the hands of the US Congress and no longer a matter for the two presidents to decide. Canadian Prime Minister, Stephen Harper, who is also in Cancun for a three way summit, was expected to join the two leaders later on Thursday for a lavish trilateral dinner. Earlier on Thursday, the three leaders strolled together among the ancient Mayan ruins at Chichen Itza, before sitting down for more intense one-on-one meetings at a beachfront resort hotel.

IMMIGRATION DEBATE LATEST

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:05

Debate on immigration reform continues in the Senate today. This time senators will be debating a measure endorsed by the Judiciary Committee that includes a guest-worker program. Lawmakers yesterday debated a bill introduced by Majority Leader Bill Frist. His plan focuses on border security and does not offer a path to citizenship for people in the U-S illegally. And it would put a burden on employers to verify the status of their employees. Critics

of guest-worker provisions say they amount to amnesty for (m) millions of illegal residents. In contrast to a punitive House version, most senators agree that undocumented workers should be allowed to stay and work in the U-S at least temporarily. The inflammatory issue has sparked still more demonstrations. Thousands of high school students cut classes in California again yesterday to protest restrictions. But in Los Angeles, there were only a few protests as police enforced truancy laws.

WASHINGTON, D.C. PROTESTS

VO: 16

Hundreds of students from Desert Hot Springs, Indio and Palm Desert skipped school and left classes this morning to protest for a third day immigration legislation lawmakers are debating in Washington.

ICE ARRESTS

JAIME GARCIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:50

Eleven defendants face federal charges today following a massive multi-agency operation led by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) targeting a string of counterfeit document mills suspected of supplying a significant quantity of the fraudulent immigration and identity documents being sold on the streets of Los Angeles. Yesterday morning, ICE agents and investigators from the California Department of Motor Vehicles executed search warrants at seven suspected counterfeit document mills housed in residences in south Los Angeles. Authorities arrested ten of the defendants as part of yesterday's enforcement action. The remaining suspect was already in custody on unrelated state charges. According to the search warrant affidavits, the four-month ICE undercover probe revealed that the targeted document mills were manufacturing a variety of counterfeit immigration and identity documents, such as permanent resident alien or "green" cards, Social Security cards, and California driver licenses.

12-MONTH EXTENSIONS OF TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS (TPS)

VO: 18

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) today announced the publication of Notices in the Federal Register designating a 12-month extension of Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for nationals of Honduras and Nicaragua until July 5, 2007. Under this extension, those who have already been granted TPS are eligible to live and work in the United States for an additional 12 months and continue to maintain their status. DHS has also automatically extended the validity of Employment Authorization Documents (EADs) for eligible Hondurans and Nicaraguans for 6 months until January 5, 2007. This will allow sufficient time for eligible TPS beneficiaries to receive their extension sticker or an EAD without any lapse in employment.

911 CALL FROM WTC

LOURDES DEL RIO, MIAMI, FLORIDA**PKG 2:10 & LIVE TAG**

Christopher Hanley, 35, who was attending a conference at the restaurant Windows on the World on the morning of September 11 2001, was one of 28 people whose 911 calls from the trade centre are scheduled to be released in edited form by the city on Friday in response to a court order. The calls, in almost all cases, will include only the voices of the 911 operators. An appeals court ruled last year that the words of the 911 callers should be confidential and in the calls that identified the callers by name, their family members should have the option of deciding whether to release the information. But on Wednesday a judge ordered the Fire Department to release the names of the 28 people who are identified by name in the tapes and also information that could help identify others in edited tapes and transcripts of more than 100 calls for help from the twin towers. State Supreme Court Justice Richard F. Braun issued the order at the request of The New York Times and its reporter Jim Dwyer after hearing arguments that releasing the names of 27 people killed at the Trade Centre and one survivor would not violate privacy interests. In a story that appeared in Thursday's Times, family members of three victims obtained the tapes from the city, with their loved ones' voices not edited out and listened to them with a Times reporter present.

CHURCH ABUSE AUDITS**VO: 18**

The nation's Roman Catholic leaders received 783 new claims of sex abuse by clergy in 2005, with most of the allegations involving cases that are decades old. The new claims, reported Thursday, bring the total number of accusations against Catholic clergy to more than 12,000 since 1950. The latest figures were released as part of the third audit the bishops have conducted to restore trust in their leadership after abuse allegations soared in 2002. Church leaders, however, drew criticism for changing how this latest review was conducted.

MLB STEROIDS**VO: 19**

Baseball launched its probe Thursday into steroids use by Barry Bonds and others, and right away the head of the investigation came under attack. Commissioner Bud Selig said former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell -- and a director of the Boston Red Sox -- will lead the inquiry. Mitchell said he will not resign his position. The probe will be limited to events since September 2002, when the sport banned performance-enhancing drugs. No timetable for the investigation was announced. "Nothing is more important to me than the integrity of the game of baseball," Selig said.

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IMMIGRATION DEBATE LATEST**LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.**

PKG 2:11

The immigration bill being debated by the Senate is coming under sharp attack from House conservatives. They criticized President Bush for supporting the provision which would give roughly eleven (m) million illegal immigrants an opportunity for U-S citizenship. Supporters of that approach say the workers are vital to many industries, including agriculture.

NEW IMMIGRATION LAW IN ARIZONA**VO: 26**

The House on Thursday approved a bill to expand Arizona's trespassing law to make undocumented immigrants' presence in Arizona a crime and to enable local authorities to arrest them. Senate Bill 1157, which passed Thursday on a 32-26 vote, had been approved previously by the Senate but now returns to consider changes made by the House. It is considered unlikely to become law because of the likelihood of a veto by Democratic Gov. Janet Napolitano. No Democrats voted in favor of the bill. Under the measure, an undocumented immigrant anywhere in Arizona would be guilty of a felony. Also, a law officer arresting someone for investigation of a crime would be authorized to question the person's nationality and immigration status. The bill would permit a first-time violator to be turned over to federal authorities for deportation but also states the legislative intent that a repeat offender should be criminally prosecuted.

CESAR CHAVEZ ANNIVERSARY**KARLA MARISCAL, EL PASO, TEXAS****PKG 1:39**

Today is Cesar Chavez birthday in commemoration there was a march in El Paso, plus more student are expected to walk out of school today to protest immigration reform bill. At least two-thousand protesters, most of them high school students, clogged streets in downtown El Paso, during a third day of protests.

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IMMIGRATION MARKUP

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:09

Senators writing an immigration bill moved closer Thursday to preventing millions of employed illegal immigrants from being deported in the face of a political stampede to make it harder for them to cross into the United States or stay. Majority Leader Bill Frist, who is looking at running for president in 2008, prepared his own bill focused more narrowly on tightening borders and said the Senate will begin debating it the week after next if the Judiciary Committee cannot agree on a broader bill by then. "Our country needs security at our borders in order to slow the flow of illegal immigration and make America safer from foreign criminals and terrorists," said Frist, a Tennessee Republican. He said giving the committee beyond March 27 to reach an accord would mean the Senate would not have the full two weeks he's set aside to debate immigration and border security issues and pass a bill. The House passed a bill in December that makes it a felony for illegal immigrants to be in the United States, imposes new penalties on employers who hire them and erects fencing along a third of the U.S.-Mexico border.

U.S. LAUNCHES BIGGEST AIR ATTACK IN IRAK

LOURDES DEL RIO, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:55

The U.S. military said on Thursday it launched its biggest air offensive in Iraq since the 2003 invasion to root out insurgents near a town where recent violence raised fears of civil war. A military statement said the operation involving more than 50 aircraft and 1,500 Iraqi and U.S. troops as well as 200 tactical vehicles targeted suspected insurgents operating near the town of Samarra, 100 km (60 miles) north of Baghdad. The statement said "Operation Swarmer" was launched on Thursday morning and is "expected to continue for several days as a thorough search of the objective area is conducted". Samarra was the site of a bombing attack last month on a Shi'ite shrine that set off sectarian reprisals and pushed Iraq to the brink of civil war.

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PHOENIX IMMIGRANT CRASH

COPY STORY

A sport utility vehicle packed with illegal immigrants crashed on Interstate 8 east of Yuma early yesterday. The feds say the accident killed one migrant women and injured 15 others and the suspected smuggler. A Border Patrol agent says the driver of the Chevrolet Suburban didn't stop at a Border Patrol checkpoint Agents chased the S-U-V and caught up with it, but the driver still refused to stop. The driver wasn't speeding or endangering the public, so Border Patrol rules requiring a pursuit to be called off weren't met. Agents in front of the S-U-V put a spike strip in the road, and the driver swerved to avoid it. The S-U-V then rolled into the highway median.

SECURITY AIRPORTS

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 1:59

Airport screeners need to do a better job of detecting unassembled bombs, the Transportation Security Administration chief said Friday after an investigation showed bomb-making material had been smuggled through checkpoints at 21 airports. TSA Director Kip Hawley said the agency had already shifted its emphasis from screening passengers and bags for items like scissors to focus on explosives and potential suicide bombers. He said results of a secret investigation by the Government Accountability Office, the watchdog arm of Congress, reaffirmed that priority. Hawley said the GAO study, in which investigators carried readily available materials that can be used to make bombs through checkpoints at 21 airports, was limited and on a smaller scale than tests that TSA regularly conducts.

NEW ORLEANS RAID

VO: 20

In New Orleans Federal agents from immigration and customs enforcement have taken into custody a group of forty undocumented day laborers. The raid was in response to complaints from the local community...Who say Hundreds of laborers gather at the same intersection each day. According to the i-c-e, mainly those who were deemed a menace to the community Were arrested. After background checks are complete, the laborers will be released with a 'notice to appear' in front of an immigrations judge at a later date.

GANG MEMBERS & GPS

LUIS MEGID, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:46

California prison officials have begun using Global Positioning System anklets to track known gang members. The gritty suburb of San Bernardino, about 60 miles east of Los Angeles, this week became the first California city to use the GPS satellite navigation system to track gang members when the devices were strapped onto three parolees, state Department of

Corrections spokeswoman Jeanne Woodford said. Six California counties began using GPS to monitor sex offenders in 2005 and some have already been arrested for violating parole after they were tracked to off-limits areas.

ATKINS DIET COULD BE HARMFUL

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK

PKG 2:00

Low carbohydrate, high protein diets may help to shed weight quickly but researchers warned on Friday that they can be unhealthy. The diets can cause constipation, diarrhea, headache, bad breath and ketosis, which causes raised levels of ketones, or acids, in the body. "Low-carbohydrate diets for weight management are far from healthy," said Lyn Steffen and Jennifer Nettleton, of the University of Minnesota School of Public Health in Minneapolis, writing in the British Medical Journal. They cited the unpleasant effects and a lack of trials to test the long-term effects of low-carbohydrate diets. In a case report in the journal, doctors at New York University School of Medicine said they had treated a 40-year-old obese woman, who had followed the Atkins diet, for a life-threatening illness known as ketoacidosis. The diet, based on research by Dr Robert Atkins who died in 2003, involves eating proteins such as meat and cheese and limiting carbohydrates such as bread and pasta.

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TEXAS FLOOD LATEST

SATCHA PRETTO/DALLAS, TEXAS

LIVE 3:00

Heavy rain soaked parts of the South over the weekend. Up to 8 inches of rain was reported in northern Texas, causing flooding around the Dallas area. Waters subsided Monday, and the storms may have eased chronic drought. The flooding has had a huge impact on homeowners. Many have been forced to leave their property, while others have chosen to continue living in the soggy conditions. Mother Nature lashed out, even though most skies are clear now, some areas are still flooded and the dark cloud of destruction still hangs over many homes. Although floodwaters receded several feet in a west Dallas neighborhood near Topeka and McBroom streets, many homes still have a foot or more of water inside. Residents are forced to wade through the murky water to get in and out of their homes. The conditions are dangerous, especially since children are playing in the possible contaminated mess.

IRAQ WAR ANNIVERSARY

LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 1:58

The start of the fourth year of the Iraq war has been marked by protests across the country.

About 150 protesters gathered outside the building in Cleveland where President Bush gave a speech Monday about progress in Iraq. They held signs reading "Bush step down" and "No blood for oil." But there were no arrests. At the Pentagon more than 50 demonstrators were arrested for trying to deliver a mock coffin to Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld. In San Francisco, police arrested 17 protesters during a rally aimed at shutting down the Guantanamo Bay and Abu Ghraib (grayb) prisons. Meanwhile, President Bush, delivered a speech in Cleveland, Ohio. He says he realizes Americans are losing confidence in his Iraq strategy after three years of bloodshed there. People wonder how he can remain optimistic about prospects for success when the pictures on television are so grim, the president said.

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BUSH PRESS CONFERENCE

LOURDES MELUZA/THE WHITE HOUSE

PKG 2:04

President Bush said Tuesday the decision about when to withdraw all U.S. troops from Iraq will fall to future presidents and Iraqi leaders, suggesting that U.S. involvement will continue at least through 2008. Acknowledging the public's growing unease with the war -- and election-year skittishness among fellow Republicans -- the president nonetheless vowed to keep U.S. soldiers in the fight. "If I didn't believe we could succeed, I wouldn't be there. I wouldn't put those kids there," Bush declared. Bush addressed border control along the USA- Mexico border, and defended his proposal to allow citizens from Mexico to work in the USA. The President said, "I also went on to say that people who haven't been here need to get in line like everybody else who is in line legally. My point is that if we were -- first of all, whatever has passed should not say amnesty. In my judgment, amnesty would be the wrong course of action. We have a way toward legality in terms of citizenship."

HISPANIC BUSINESSES

JAIME GARCIA/LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:57

Fueled by a rapidly expanding Hispanic consumer market, the number of Hispanic-owned businesses is growing much faster than the national rate for other companies. Hispanics owned nearly 1.6 million businesses in 2002, a 31 percent increase from five years earlier, according to a report Tuesday by the Census Bureau. The number of all U.S. companies grew by 10 percent, to about 23 million, during the same period. "The Hispanic consumer market is exploding," said Michael Barrera, president and CEO of the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Hispanic consumers spend \$700 billion a year, a figure that is expected to climb to \$1 trillion by the end of the decade, Barrera said at a news conference. Ronald Langston, director of the Commerce Department's Minority Business Development Agency, said immigration is helping to increase the diversity of America's economy. He noted that one in 10 U.S. workers is Hispanic, a figure that is expected to grow to one in four by 2050.

HUNGER STRIKE**LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:48**

At least fifty people, started a hunger strike in California, in front a federal building. This is a last attempt, to have Congress not approve an immigration bill, that would label undocumented immigrants as criminals. The Congress is in session this week, to decide on the future of this reform, that will make being an illegal, a federal offense. This will also affect those who help them.

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3/22/06**STUDENT STRANGLED LATEST****VO: 28**

A law enforcement official says a bouncer with a long rap sheet has been indicted in the vicious rape and strangulation murder of a New York City grad student. The official says the sealed indictment charges Darryl Littlejohn in the death of Imette St. Guillen, whose body was dumped in a desolate area of Brooklyn last month. The gruesome case drew national attention after St. Guillen's body was found with her head wrapped in packing tape and a sock stuffed in her mouth. St. Guillen's mother was seen leaving her Boston home this morning. She told reporters she wished her "baby was home," then began crying. The official says the indictment in the case will be unsealed and announced tomorrow.

TRUCK BODIES LATEST**VO:24**

Prosecutors are asking a federal judge to sentence a woman to life in prison for her role in a 2003 human smuggling attempt that left 19 people dead. Karla Patricia Chavez Joya, 28, who is accused of heading the botched smuggling operation, pleaded guilty in 2004 to charges of conspiring to transport illegal immigrants. Chavez and 13 others were arrested after the discovery of 17 bodies in and near a tractor-trailer abandoned at a truck stop near Victoria. Two others died in a hospital. They all died from dehydration, overheating and suffocation. Chavez is scheduled to be sentenced Monday.

NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION ON IMMIGRANT RIGHTS CONVOCATORY**LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.****PKG 1:54**

On Wednesday, March 22, union leaders, immigrant rights groups, grassroots community allies, business and faith-based leaders met on Capitol Hill to denounce current measures that criminalize immigrant workers and announce plans for a 'National Day of Action on Immigrant

Rights' on April 10. The purpose of the National Day of Action on Immigrant Rights was to ensure that Congress pursues comprehensive immigration reform legislation that provides a clear path to permanent residency for those hard-working immigrant families already here, respects human rights and rejects harshly punitive, piecemeal measures that criminalize individuals. AFL-CIO Executive Vice President, Linda Chavez-Thompson, joined representatives from the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, the National Capital Immigration Coalition and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce for a press conference at 11:30 am at Senate room TBA to unveil plans for mobilization on immigrant rights.

HURRICANE TRAFFIC

VO: 23

Texas Governor Rick Perry has signed an executive order that will require state officials to develop plans for opening major highways to one-way outbound traffic during hurricane evacuations. The order was prompted by recommendations that were made recently by a governor-appointed task force that studied the chaotic evacuation out of Houston last September prompted by Hurricane Rita. The traffic jams were made worse by delays in opening some of the interstates and highways to out-bound traffic, and also by gasoline distribution problems that left some motorists stranded with no fuel. The executive order will require the governor's Division of Emergency Management to develop a detailed plan for contra-flowing highways during evacuations. The organization will also be responsible for developing a plan for distributing fuel to service stations and making fuel available to motorists along evacuation routes

WHITE HOUSE SUSPICIOUS PKG

VO: 19

There were tense moments at the White House on Wednesday as police and machine gun armed agents cleared the streets after reports of a 'suspicious package' being tossed toward the presidential mansion. The Secret Service called off an alert at the White House an hour after a man tossed a suspicious package on Wednesday onto the compound's North Lawn, officials said. The all-clear was sounded after authorities found nothing of danger in the package, according to a Secret Service spokesman. It was not immediately known what was in the package, and the perpetrator was taken into custody.

OAKLAND SUSPICIOUS PKG

VO: 16

Authorities say a bomb threat briefly shutdown a commuter train station in oakland, california today (wednesday). bart trains are back up and running after police gave the all-clear. The west oakland station at 12th street closed for nearly an hour, causing major delays. Authorities did not find anything suspicious, and a bart spokesman says two people have been arrested in connection to the threat.

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PATIENT DUMPING LATEST**ADRIANA AREVALO/MIAMI, FLORIDA****PKG 1:48**

A surveillance camera in downtown Los Angeles, California, captured the moment a homeless woman and a patient are dumped on the streets. The hospital is assuming the responsibility. This is a problem that many cities face, when hospital or authorities dump homeless, anywhere in the streets. According to a source, this matter should be taken not individually but collectively.

BUSH AND IMMIGRATION**LOURDES MELUZA/THE WHITE HOUSE****PKG 2:21**

President Bush is calling for a "civil debate" over immigration policy -- a debate that respects people of all backgrounds. His appeal comes as Congress prepares for a showdown on the issue. Bush wants Congress to create a worker program under which participants could gain legal status for a specific time, and then be required to return home. It wouldn't provide an automatic path to citizenship. Meanwhile, what was billed as "A Day Without Latinos" filled Milwaukee's streets with thousands of demonstrators today. Police estimate more than ten-thousand people turned out to protest congressional efforts to crack down on illegal immigrants. About 90 Latino-owned businesses were closed for all or part of the day in support. The demonstrators oppose a bill that would make it a felony to live or work illegally in the United States. The measure approved by the House would also impose new penalties on employers who hire illegal migrants and build a fence along about a third of the US border with Mexico.

DUI RED LICENSES PLATES**VO :20**

If a state lawmaker has his way, motorists will be "seeing red", when they pass a DUI offender on the road. In California, lawmakers are trying to pass a law that will have second time offenders of driving under the influence, have a red license plate in their cars. This issue, is raising some concerns in the community, as when there is only one car in the house. On the other hand, a lot of people are in favor of this bill, because they say it will be easier to identify a possible drunk driver.

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03/24/06**MICHIGAN HUMAN TRAFFIC RING****ADRIANA AREVALO, MIAMI, FLORIDA**

PKG 1:01

This morning federal agents raided several grand rapids Homes, and in three states more, as part of a raid spanning. An Intricate operation that starts in mexico. Where illegal aliens are Moved through tunnels into the arizona , given fake id's , then sent To safe houses in ohio and michigan. Menagent paul sward says hundreds of illegals were brought to west michigan every year..each one paying 3500 dollars. Three men were captured and are now charged with money laundering--a ten year felony.

ARIZONA IMMIGRATION RALLY**KARINA CORONEL, PHOENIX, ARIZONA****PKG 2:27**

Thousands of immigrant rights supporters filled a major Phoenix thoroughfare Friday morning as they marched toward the office of U.S. Sen. Jon Kyl in a rally call for a more humane reform of immigration laws. "They're here for the American Dream," said Malissa Greer, 29, who joined the crowd estimate by police to be at least 10,000 strong. "God created all of us. He's not a God of the United States, he's a God of the world." Lawmakers have been considering bills that, among other things, would make it a felony to be illegally in the United States, impose new penalties on employers who hire illegal immigrants and erect fences along one-third of the U.S.-Mexican border. The proposals have angered many in the Hispanic community.

GEORGIA IMMIGRATION RALLY**VO: 18 & SOT: 15**

In atlanta... Immigrant communities took part in a work stoppage friday to protest a bill passed by the georgia house. The bill allows sweeping changes to the state's immigration policies. It would deny state services to adults living in the u.S. Illegally and impose a five percent surcharge on wire transfers from illegals. Supporters argue the plan is a vital homeland security measure that frees up limited state service for georgia residents who are legally entitled to them. Opponents say it unfairly targets workers who are merely responding to the demands of some of georgia's largest industries.

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL WALKOUT**VO: 21**

Thousands of high school students walked out of class - to protest a new bill that cracks down on illegal immigration and toughens penalties for those who help them. Mostly latino, they waved the mexican flag, chanted "brown power!" and held up signs that said "protect our rights." their protest was part of a larger effort in other parts of the country. Yesterday, more than 10,000 marched in milwaukee.....and today... Perhaps more in phoenix. They're trying to pressure u.S. Senators, who are considering a bill already passed by the house. It makes it a felony to be an illegal immigrant ...And would build a fence across hundreds of miles of the us/mexican border. One official estimates that well over half the public school students in los angeles have a latino background...But not necessarily illegal.

RICE-DERBEZ MEETING**VO: 21**

Secretary of state condoleezza rice met with mexico's foreign secretary in Washington friday. Senior officials from various u-s and mexican agencies were also on hand to Discuss the nations' bilateral relationship. One issue certain to be on the agenda - us immigration policy...

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3/27/06**IMMIGRATION BILL LATEST****LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON , D.C.****PKG 2:01**

The Senate Judiciary Committee approved sweeping election-year immigration legislation Monday that clears the way for 11 million illegal aliens to seek U.S. citizenship without having to first leave the country. After days of street demonstrations that stretched from California to the grounds of the U.S. Capitol, a coalition of Democrats and Republicans also agreed to strip out proposed criminal penalties for residents found to be in this country illegally. "All Americans wanted fairness and they got it this evening," said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, the Massachusetts Democrat who played a pivotal role in drafting the legislation. In general, the bill is designed to strengthen the Border Patrol, create new opportunities for so-called guest workers and determine the legal future of the estimated 11 million immigrants living in the United States illegally.

MOUSSAOUI TESTIMONY**MARTIN BERLANGA, MIAMI, FLORIDA****PKG 1:32**

Zacarias Moussaoui, the often volatile al-Qaida conspirator, was never calmer than when he dropped a bombshell Monday from the witness stand at his sentencing trial: He now claims he was part of the Sept. 11, 2001, plot. Finally given a chance to tell his story in his own words, Moussaoui offered a stunning new version of his terrorist mission: He was supposed to hijack a fifth jetliner on 9/11 with would-be shoe bomber Richard Reid and fly it into the White House. Moussaoui spoke evenly and precisely, never losing his temper or breaking into the rants or diatribes he has regularly delivered in court over the past four years.

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3/28/06**IMMIGRATION DEBATE****LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.**

PKG 2:19

The debate on immigration poses deep political risks for a divided Republican Party that could see its recent gains among Hispanics wiped out if Congress approves a bill that gets tough with illegal workers. The Republican split on immigration, on full display as senators took up the issue Monday amid emotional street protests, could sabotage the party's long-range effort to court the country's fastest growing ethnic group, Hispanic activists and analysts said. The House has yet to pass legislation dealing with immigration issues involving workers, although it has approved a bill that calls for building a fence along 700 miles of the border with Mexico.

CHIEF OF STAFF RESIGNS**VO :20**

President Bush replaced longtime chief of staff Andy Card with budget director Joshua Bolten on Tuesday and gave Bolten authority to make further changes in a White House staff that even Republicans have complained is tired, insular and lacking fresh ideas. Appearing with Bush in the Oval Office, Bolten gave no hint about what, if any, shake-up he might order. But White House officials said no one should doubt his ability to replace Bush aides.

JEWELRY FOUND**VO :21**

John Suhroff walked into the Sausalito police department and showed them the purse he had found. It contained one million dollars in jewelry. Inside were a Cartier watch, various pieces of jewelry made of pearls, emeralds and diamonds, including a 12-carat stone. Suhroff thought it was costume jewelry. Also in the purse were 300 dollars in American money and 200-dollars in Canadian money. A couple from Toronto was in San Francisco for their daughter's wedding and the husband accidentally left the purse on the bench. The Canadians had grave doubts they would ever see this one million dollar treasure again. But thanks to John Suhroff, purse, money, and a fortune in jewelry are in the process of being returned to the couple in Canada.

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IMMIGRATION DEBATE CONTINUES**VO: 28 & SOT:**

Senators have begun arguing the pros and cons of various immigration proposals. Alabama Senator Jeff Sessions says a fence along the U-S border to keep illegal immigrants out is a good idea. He says he's reminded of the phrase "good fences make good neighbors." He says the proposal for guest worker programs amounts to amnesty because it puts illegal immigrants on a path to citizenship. Senator Edward Kennedy disagrees. He argues the guest worker program allows illegal immigrants to earn citizenship through a lengthy process. The Senate debate will begin with a bill that focuses on enforcement. An alternative approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee which includes guest worker programs will be offered as an alternative.

L.A. AND MIAMI PROTESTS

MARTIN BERLANGA, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:42

Teachers and students are turning the pro-immigration walkouts that have emptied high schools across Southern California into a real-life lesson about immigration policy, the lawmaking process and civic duty itself. Students in the Los Angeles school system -- which is the nation's second-largest district and is 73 percent Hispanic -- have walked out of class along with thousands of other young people in other U.S. cities over the past few days to protest legislation on Capitol Hill that would crack down on the nation's 11 million illegal immigrants. Among other things, the legislation would make it a crime to be in this country illegally. Wednesday morning was relatively quiet in the Los Angeles district after two days of protests that began with blocked freeways and pleas from the mayor to go back to class, and escalated Tuesday to school lockdowns and scores of truancy citations.

MIAMI PROTEST

VO:26

A motorcade was planned for Miami Wednesday (3/29) afternoon and students at a least 4 Miami-Dade schools vowed to walk out in protest of new immigration rules being considered in Congress. The immigration rallies familiar in recent days out west are now spreading across the country and hitting South Florida today (Wednesday). The Pew Hispanic Center, a research organization in Washington, estimates there are as many as 12 million illegal immigrants in the United States, though researchers acknowledge they are difficult to count. Other organizations have put the number at 11 million, but all agree the total is rising quickly. Less than half fit the profile of young men sneaking across the border to find jobs and send money back home to their families. Today, most bring their families with them, according to an analysis by the Pew Center.

MOUSSAOUI CLOSING ARGUMENTS

VO:22

Closing arguments in the penatly phase of the trial of 9-11 conspirator, Zacarias Moussaoui are set for this afternoon. The jury will have to decide whether Moussaoui's actions make him eligible for the death penalty or if he should receive life imprisonment. Moussaoui's chances of escaping a death sentence were made less likely after he testified this week that he knew about the planning for the September 11th attacks, and that he was supposed to fly a fifth plane into the White House.

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CANCUN, MEXICO SUMMIT

JORGE RAMOS & EDGAR MUÑOZ

PKG & LIVE

US President George W. Bush and Mexican President Vicente Fox held a bilateral meeting on Thursday in Cancun, Mexico, where the two leaders discussed border security and US immigration laws. At a joint press conference following the meeting, Bush and Fox suggested one item at the top of their agenda is now out of their hands. The U.S. Senate is debating changes to U.S. immigration laws that could affect an estimated 6 million Mexicans living illegally in the United States. Fox said the matter was now in the hands of the US Congress and no longer a matter for the two presidents to decide. Canadian Prime Minister, Stephen Harper, who is also in Cancun for a three way summit, was expected to join the two leaders later on Thursday for a lavish trilateral dinner. Earlier on Thursday, the three leaders strolled together among the ancient Mayan ruins at Chichen Itza, before sitting down for more intense one-on-one meetings at a beachfront resort hotel.

IMMIGRATION DEBATE LATEST

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:05

Debate on immigration reform continues in the Senate today. This time senators will be debating a measure endorsed by the Judiciary Committee that includes a guest-worker program. Lawmakers yesterday debated a bill introduced by Majority Leader Bill Frist. His plan focuses on border security and does not offer a path to citizenship for people in the U-S illegally. And it would put a burden on employers to verify the status of their employees. Critics of guest-worker provisions say they amount to amnesty for (m) millions of illegal residents. In contrast to a punitive House version, most senators agree that undocumented workers should be allowed to stay and work in the U-S at least temporarily. The inflammatory issue has sparked still more demonstrations. Thousands of high school students cut classes in California again yesterday to protest restrictions. But in Los Angeles, there were only a few protests as police enforced truancy laws.

911 CALL FROM WTC

LOURDES DEL RIO, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 2:10 & LIVE TAG

Christopher Hanley, 35, who was attending a conference at the restaurant Windows on the World on the morning of September 11 2001, was one of 28 people whose 911 calls from the trade centre are scheduled to be released in edited form by the city on Friday in response to a court order. The calls, in almost all cases, will include only the voices of the 911 operators. An appeals court ruled last year that the words of the 911 callers should be confidential and in the calls that identified the callers by name, their family members should have the option of deciding whether to release the information. But on Wednesday a judge ordered the Fire Department to release the names of the 28 people who are identified by name in the tapes and also information that could help identify others in edited tapes and transcripts of more than 100 calls for help from the twin towers. State Supreme Court Justice Richard F. Braun issued the order at the request of The New York Times and its reporter Jim Dwyer after hearing arguments that releasing the names of 27 people killed at the Trade Centre and one survivor

would not violate privacy interests. In a story that appeared in Thursday's Times, family members of three victims obtained the tapes from the city, with their loved ones' voices not edited out and listened to them with a Times reporter present.

TX HISPANIC RAPIST CAUGHT

VO: 20

Women of Fort Worth and Arlington can walk the streets much safer, now that police officials have a suspect in custody. Jose Carrillo, 30, is accused of multiple counts of aggravated sexual assault. He is also being investigated for aggravated robbery and other offenses. A citizen's tip led to Carrillo's arrest on March 10. He was linked to and charged with three assault offenses, two from Fort Worth and one from Arlington, on Wednesday (3.29). Carrillo was transferred to Fort Worth on Thursday (3.30). The offenses began in December 2004 and in June, July, October and November 2005, similar offenses were reported. Sexual assaults followed in Arlington on Dec. 19, 2005, and in Fort Worth on Jan. 24, 2006. Restraints were placed around victims' necks in many of the instances, police said at a news conference held Thursday afternoon at the Fort Worth Police and Fire Training Center.

NY SMUGGLER

ADRIANA AREVALO, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:46

Eyewitness News has obtained photographs that show the lengths some drug organizations will go through to smuggle cocaine into the country, and more specifically New York. Sources tell us at least 10 suspects have been arrested in New York as part of an international drug ring that used tombstones with the image of the Virgin Mary on them to smuggle drugs. Sources say federal agents discovered the cocaine, hundreds of kilograms of it, packed away in those tombstones. Eyewitness News has learned they were smuggled into the country by a cocaine trafficking organization based out of Monterey, Mexico. Sources say they used all sorts of methods to smuggle the cocaine across the U.S. border, through several states and all the way up the east coast. Ten people in New York were arrested in the case and authorities seized 194 kilograms of cocaine and large amounts of cash.

CA: HILLSIDE HOMES IN DANGER

VO: 17

Construction crews in Sausalito, California are rushing in tarps and plastic sheeting to cover a sliding hillside that's dangerously close to homes. Rain weakened a hillside at Bridgeway and Atwood and more bad weather is expected. Residents near the slide were evacuated Wednesday (03/29), but most were allowed back Wednesday night when engineers determined it was safe. Construction work at a home above the slide may have also contributed to the problems. City of Sausalito engineer Todd Teachout says he doesn't think any of the houses above the slide are at any significant risk. A few decks may be the most vulnerable structures. Wayne Rayburn is a general contractor who built a deck onto his home. He says this hill has a history of problems and from his informal survey, it remains unstable. Until the hill can be engineered and shored up, construction workers are doing their best to

weather the next storm, bringing in plastic sheeting and tarps to prevent rain from doing more damage.

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IMMIGRATION DEBATE LATEST

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:11

The immigration bill being debated by the Senate is coming under sharp attack from House conservatives. They criticized President Bush for supporting the provision which would give roughly eleven (m) million illegal immigrants an opportunity for U-S citizenship. Supporters of that approach say the workers are vital to many industries, including agriculture.

CESAR CHAVEZ ANNIVERSARY

KARLA MARISCAL, EL PASO, TEXAS

PKG 1:39

Today is Cesar Chavez birthday in commemoration there was a march in El Paso, plus more student are expected to walk out of school today to protest immigration reform bill. At least two-thousand protesters, most of them high school students, clogged streets in downtown El Paso, during a third day of protests.

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SENATE BEGINS DEBATE ABOUT IMMIGRATION

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 1:57

The Senate on Thursday took up what a key senator called the "gigantic task" of tightening U.S. borders against illegal immigration, while maintaining the flow of low-wage workers for U.S. business. The effort pits two Republican bases against each other leading up to the midterm congressional elections. Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Arlen Specter, R-Pa., opened the panel's first of what will be many sessions trying to put together the legislation, saying he's been flooded with negative reaction to a bill that he proposed as a starting point. Nonetheless, Specter said he hoped his committee could have a bill ready by the end of March.

HISPANIC MURDER

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK

PKG 1:56

Imette St. Guillen, a graduate student on the dean's list, suffered the sort of gruesome death typically reserved for drug dealers or mobsters who cross the boss. St. Guillen, 24, was raped, strangled and left on the side of a remote road in Brooklyn. Packing tape masked her entire face. A sock had been stuffed in her mouth, and her body was wrapped in a floral bedspread. St. Guillen's genitals had been lacerated and hair was cut short. The slaying Saturday blindsided her family in Boston and alarmed investigators, who fear her killer may strike again. Police have been studying security tapes from the area where St. Guillen spent her last night out with friends. One tape shows the victim, Imette St. Guillen, talking to a female friend about 3 a.m. Saturday outside a Manhattan bar. The two can be seen parting ways, with the friend leaving by cab, police said.

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03/02/06

KILLER NURSE

VO: 21

Citing his betrayal of all who work in the health care industry, Superior Court Judge Paul Armstrong sentenced Charles Cullen to eleven consecutive life terms in prison Thursday (03-02). The sentence handed down in Somerville, New Jersey brings to a close a case involving the state's worse serial killer. Cullen has told authorities he may have caused the deaths of forty people during a nursing career that began in 1987. Before his sentence was read, Judge Armstrong gave many of the victims' family members the opportunity to address the court. Several family members spoke of the anguish caused by Cullen's decision to murder their loved ones. Many family members had expressed hope Cullen would use the sentencing hearing to explain why he committed the crimes in medical facilities in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Those hopes were dashed when Cullen had little to say as Judge Armstrong read the sentence.

KATRINA VIDEO REAX

SERGIO URQUIDI, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:50

On the eve of Hurricane Katrina's fateful landfall, President Bush was confident. His homeland security chief appeared relaxed. And warnings of the coming destruction -- breached or overrun levees, deaths at the New Orleans Superdome and overwhelming needs for post-storm rescues -- were delivered in dramatic terms to all involved. All of it was captured on videotape. The Associated Press obtained the confidential government video and made it public Wednesday, offering Americans their own inside glimpse into the government's fateful final Katrina preparations after months of fingerpointing and political recriminations. "My gut tells me ... this is a bad one and a big one," then-federal disaster chief Michael Brown told the final government-wide briefing the day before Katrina struck the Gulf Coast on Aug. 29. The president didn't ask a single question during the briefing but assured soon-to-be-battered state officials: "We are fully prepared."

TEACHER RANT

VO: 23

A Colorado high school teacher has been suspended after a student taped controversial comments the teacher made in class. And now several hundred students have walked out of their classrooms at Overland High School in Aurora in protest. Sixteen year old Sean Allen is a sophomore and routinely tapes his class lectures. He played the comments his Geography teacher Jay Bennish made during class where he compared President Bush to Adolph Hitler and criticized US foreign policy after the president's state of the union address. Allen appeared on KOA radio and spoke with talk show hosts Dan Caplis and Craig Silverman Wednesday afternoon. (3/1) Allen said he and his father had complained to the school, but nothing was done. So they decided to make the tape recordings public. Allen says he was disturbed by what he called the political rants of his teacher in a class about geography. The Cherry Creek School Superintendent Monte Moses has put the teacher on paid administrative leave while they investigate. Moses says district policy calls for both sides of issues to be presented in the classroom. Moses said from what he heard Bennish's presentation was unbalanced.

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03/03/06**NEW IMMIGRATION LAW****VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ, PHOENIX, ARIZONA****PKG 1:42**

Fifty and four immigrants discovered in two trucks that transported furniture found lengthy Friday and defendant of illicit association with smugglers to enter the country illegally. It is the first time that the authorities apply a new law of Arizona on human contraband. The group was stopped Thursday to about 80 kilometers to the west of Phoenix. The authorities said that several members of the group confessed that one paid to the smugglers _ called "coyotes" _ up to 2,000 dollars each to cross the border. The 54 were lengthy. Impelled by the evident lack of action of the federal government in immigratory matter, the state legislators approved the law against the human contraband a year ago. The law allows to judge to the undocumented people by illicit association if they pay coyote. The guilty found ones can at the most be condemned two years of prison.

BORDER SECURITY**MARTHA FLORES, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS****PKG 1:49**

Border security was a topic of discussion in San Antonio, Texas Friday (3/3) as the Secretary of Homeland Security visited the Alamo City. Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff was the keynote speaker Friday at the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce. San Antonio is a city that has a majority population of Hispanics, so border issues are always important. Chertoff told the Chamber that the government is beefing up agents along the border, and is beginning a major initiative to gather top-notch technology. Texas is a state with a number of border crossings into Mexico, and also has several ports along the Gulf of Mexico. Chertoff went on to meetings in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas with officials from the U.S. and Mexico.

LA POLICE CORRUPTION**JAIME GARCIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:52**

A new case of corruption returned to dim file of Department of Police of Los Angeles (LAPD), after the federal office of the public prosecutor of the Central District of California revealed yesterday that three ex- agents face positions to have taken advantage of their position to seize of important sums of money, narcotics and guns, among other objects. In the search, conducted by the Federal Office of Investigaciones (FBI) from June of 2001, also it was involved an agent from the Department of Police of Long Beach (LBPD), that in addition agreed in being brother of one of the officials who served their in the LAPD. The investigation culminated yesterday with the arrest of Rodrigo Durán, ex- agent of the LAPD and suspended official who worked in the Department of Correccionales and Rehabilitacio'n of California, after

Tuesday also was stopped the ex- police William Ferguson and Joseph Ferguson, by his presumed participation in the illicit one. In addition, other three people, Michelle Barajas, Arming Contreras-Lopez and Óscar Loaiza, are fugitives of the law, defendant to conspire to violate the civil rights and to be in narcotic possession for their distribution.

MY SPEACE CONTROVERSY

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY

PKG 2:02

A middle school student in california faces expulsion for allegedly posting Threatening and hateful statements against a girl classmate on the Myspace-dot-com website. According to parents and three students, the boy allegedly started a myspace Group on january third. The title said "i hate" and the girl's name, and allegedly included an Expletive and an anti-semitic reference. A second posting asked who in the group wanted to shoot the girl in the head With a shotgun more than a thousand times. A teacher discovered the posting, and school officials and police identified 20 Students who visited the site and suspended them in february. Some parents were upset their kids were suspended for viewing the site from Their home computers. And they pointed out the invitations to join the group and view the second Posting gave no indication of the content. Police said they're considering hate-crime charges against the boy.

HISPANIC MURDER LATEST

VO: 21 & SOT: 13

Police in Brooklyn, New York continue searching for clues in the slaying of Imette St. Guillen. The John Jay graduate student's body was found near the Belt Parkway last Saturday (02-25). Investigators say she was last seen by friends early that morning. Investigators say the group had been bar-hopping. Police say they're looking for clues to her disappearance that may be similar to other unsolved cases, including possible sexual predator investigations. They're also awaiting the results of forensics tests.

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03/04/06

6:30 & 11:30 SHOWS

FUNERAL IMMET ST. GUILLEN

EDNA SCHMIDT, MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:34

More than 200-people crowded into a boston funeral home.... and spilled out into a parking lot today... To pay their final respects to a college student killed in new york. Imette saint guillen (gee-ehn') Was attending graduate school. Her body was found a week ago. Police say the 24-year-old had been raped, strangled, and suffocated. An unidentified man called nine-one-one and told police where the body could be found. No arrests have been made.

NC FIRE MURDER**VO: 16**

Police in north carolina are searching for a suspect who might have killed his two children. The children were found murdered when firefighters responded to an apartment fire and discovered the victims inside the residence. They apparently suffered gunshot wounds. A witness says she was surprised to hear about the tragedy.

CHAPEL HILL LATEST**VO: 26**

Every college campus has a spot where students hang out. At the university of north carolina, it's "the pit." but yesterday (friday), the fun was shattered by a sudden and unexpected act of violence. An s-u-v raced through a crowd... Clipping startled bystanders...And leaving six people injured. Police say they expect to charge 22-year-old mohammed reza taheri-azar with attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. The suspect might have been angry about how some americans treat muslims.

CA:VAN ROLLOVER**VO:22**

It was the end of the road for some 20 suspected illegal immigrants traveling through Otay Mesa, CA Saturday (3/4) afternoon when the van carrying them ran a red light and flipped on its side. Earlier, the Border Patrol got a tip that a vehicle had crossed the border illegally. By the time agents caught up with the van, it had crashed into a smaller vehicle driven by a woman whose two daughters were passengers in the car. The mother and one child were among seven people transported to several area hospitals with various injuries, none of them life threatening . Some of the occupants in the van who weren't injured fled to nearby fields. No names have been released and no confirmed arrests have been made.

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03/05/06**6:30 & 11:30 SHOWS****ROLLOVER VAN****MARCO SERRANO, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:51**

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NC KIDS MURDER LATEST

VO: 22

Police in north carolina have taken a man into custody. Police say he shot and killed his two children. They find 8-year-old misar-achi miranda and her 5-year-old brother john shot to death inside the burning home. Police say their father 36 year old gilberto miranda cuellar killed his children, set the apartment on fire and then took off on foot. Several hours later. a passerby found the father lying on the side of the road...Just about a mile from the crime scene. Sources tell us cuellar tried to commit suicide. All homicide detectives will confirm is that police took him to the hospital with serious injuries. Police say cuellar works for a local landscaping company. He is originally from mexico. Police believe he and the mother of the children were having problems in their relationship. Now neighbors are trying to find a way to explain to their children what happened to the miranda children.

HOMELESS ATTACK

VO: 21

In a horrific display of actions. Two suspects doused a homeless man with accelerants early this (sunday) Morning and then set him on fire at a park in boston, massachusetts. The 30-year-old victim said he was sleeping in the park and awoke when two males kicked him in the stomach. The homeless man said the two suspects then left him alone, but only to return a short time later and set him ablaze.

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03/06/06

SENTENCING TRIAL OPENS FOR 9/11 DEFENDANT

FERNANDO PIZARRO

WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG TRT 2:00

A federal judge on Monday seated the jury that will decide whether Zacarias Moussaoui, the only man charged in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, is executed for conspiring with the terrorists. U.S. District Judge Leonie Brinkema impaneled 18 jurors and alternates in 90 minutes, clearing the way for opening statements and the first testimony in the afternoon. One who appeared upset at being chosen was excused, meaning the trial will proceed with 12 jurors and five alternates instead of six.

LATINOS & DRIVING CARD**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW JERSEY****PKG TRT 2:00**

Assemblyman Joseph Vas (D-19), along with sponsors Assemblymen Douglas Fisher (D-3), Reed Gusciora (D-15), and Gordon Johnson (D-37) will hold a press conference about the recently introduced Assembly Bill 2607, the "New Jersey Driving Privilege Card," which would permit the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission to issue driving privilege cards to persons who cannot comply with the 6-point rule of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, for the duration of up to one year. Under the provisions of the bill, \$90,000 will be appropriated to undertake a public education campaign to publicize the availability of the cards.

SOUTH DAKOTA ABORTION**VO :40**

Gov. Mike Rounds signed legislation Monday that would ban most abortions in South Dakota, a law he acknowledged would be tied up in court for years while the state challenges the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. The bill would make it a crime for doctors to perform an abortion unless the procedure was necessary to save the woman's life. It would make no exception for cases of rape or incest. The governor issued a written statement saying he expected a lengthy legal battle over the law, which, he said, would not take effect unless the U.S. Supreme Court upheld it.

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03/07/06

IMMIGRATION PEW STYDY**LOURDES MELUZA****PKG TRT 2:00**

The number of illegal immigrants in the United States has grown to as high as 12 million, according to a new estimate released Tuesday as the Senate considers legislation aimed at tightening America's borders. The report found that the pace of illegal immigration is increasing, despite government efforts to crack down. The Pew Hispanic Center used Census Bureau data to estimate that the United States had 11.1 million illegal immigrants in March 2005. The center used monthly population estimates to project a current illegal population of 11.5 million to 12 million.

LUNG CANCER

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK**PKG TRT 2:00**

Lung cancer is the world's top cancer killer and the most common cancer worldwide, with more than 1 million new cases every year and just as many deaths from it. Treatments are improving and recent studies have found that chemotherapy can help survival. But despite that progress, about 6 out of 10 people with lung cancer die within one year of finding out they have it.

AIRMAN SHOOTING**JAIME GARCIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG TRT 2:00**

Authorities say a California sheriff's deputy who was videotaped in the shooting of an unarmed Iraq war veteran will be charged with attempted voluntary manslaughter. The sheriff says Deputy Ivory Webb will remain on paid administrative leave while an investigation continues. Webb is expected to turn himself in tomorrow. Back in January, 21-year-old Air Force Senior Airman Elio Carrion was riding in a car that crashed into a wall after a high-speed nighttime chase.

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03/08/06**AZ BORDER SECURITY****RUBEN PEREIDA, PHOENIX, ARIZONA****PKG 1:58**

Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano has signed an executive order sending the Arizona National Guard to the state's border with Mexico. Governor Napolitano says the guard is going to expand its presence at the border to help support federal authorities in the fight against illegal immigration. Governor Napolitano was very clear to say the National Guard deployment is not a move to militarize the border because the state is not at war with Mexico. The governor says the details of the deployment are outlined in her order, but when asked by reporters Wednesday morning (3/8/06) about the details, she referred them to the National Guard. In addition, the governor said she will veto an immigration bill currently in the Arizona legislature that she says would mandate guard members on the border. She says the bill is unconstitutional and that the governor is the only one who can issue deployment orders for the Arizona National Guard. Governor Napolitano says she is also asking for the Defense Department to help with the cost of the deployment, saying she thinks Arizona taxpayers have already paid too much for work on the border that the federal government ought to be paying for.

CA IMMIGRANT VAN ROLLVOER**VO: 23**

Investigators are trying to determine what caused a van to flip over near san Diego, california wednesday morning. Authorities say at least one person was killed and 16 people injured. A spokesman for the california highway patrol says investigators believe the Van may have been Carrying undocumented immigrants. Witnesses say the van might have been speeding when the driver lost control. However, there's no indication that the van was being chased. Investigators are interviewing the victims.

CHINO SHOOTING LATEST

JAIME GARCIA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:53

Deputy Ivory James Webb pleaded not guilty Wednesday morning (03/08) to charges of attempted voluntary manslaughter, in connection with the shooting of an unarmed airman that was captured on video tape. Webb requested that his bail be reduced from 100 thousand to 50 thousand dollars but the judge refused, saying it was already below the normal amount. Webb is the first officer in San Bernardino history to be charged as a result of an on-duty shooting. If convicted, he faces 18 and a half years in prison. The family of victim Elio Carrion wanted Webb to face an attempted murder charge in the case. On the tape, widely shown on Los Angeles television, Webb can be heard telling Carrion to get up -- and then shooting him after he follows that order. Carrion was the passenger in a vehicle that led Webb on a short, high-speed chase. The driver of the vehicle has since publicly apologized for the chase, and has said Carrion had no role in his decision to evade arrest.

PORT SECURITY LATEST

VO: 21

The House appropriations committee has attached an amendment to an appropriations bill that will stop the controversial port deal. The amendment attached to a bill funding the Iraq war and Hurricane Katrina relief passed in a 62-2 vote. In order for the amendment to be sent to the President the entire house and senate will have to pass the legislation. The President has threatened to veto any legislation stopping the deal that would turn over management of several us ports to A United Arab Emirates company.

WET FOOT, DRY FOOT MEETING

VO: 17 & SOT: 24

Cuban American Members of Congress and activists are pressing the Bush administration to review the Wet Foot/Dry Foot policy, in light of the recent incident of the repatriation of Cuban refugees at the 7 Mile Bridge near Key West.

ST. GUILLEN MURDER LATEST

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK

PKG 1:59

Investigators are waiting to see if forensic and other evidence would tie a 41-year-old bouncer at the Falls Bar to the slaying of grad student Imette St. Guillen. The man, who had not been charged in the killing, is being held at a Rikers Island jail, accused of a parole violation.

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03/09/06

PORT SECURITY LATEST

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:02

Facing a Republican mutiny in Congress, the White House said Thursday that President Bush is open to compromise but would not retreat from a threatened veto of legislation that would block a Dubai-owned company from taking control of some U.S. port operations. By a 62-2 margin, the GOP-dominated House Appropriations Committee voted to bar DP World, which is run by the government of Dubai in the United Arab Emirates, from holding leases or contracts at U.S. ports. In the Senate, Democrats demanded a vote to stop the transaction. The ports provision was added to a must-pass measure funding the war in Iraq and providing new hurricane relief. The White House expressed concern that the tactic could "slow down passage of vital funds and resources" but said Bush's veto threat still stood.

BUSH SIGNS PATRIOT ACT

VO: 20

President Bush signed into law an extension of the controversial Patriot Act, during a ceremony in the East Room of the White House. The president praised members of congress, and his cabinet, for their hard work in getting the legislation to his desk. The president said the United States still faces dangerous enemies around the world. And he said this bill gives law enforcement agencies the tools to protect the nation.

BORDER PATROL TRIAL

VO: 20

Two border patrol agents could face up to life in prison in El Paso, Texas. On Wednesday, agents Jose Alonso Compean and Ignacio Ramos were found guilty of intentionally covering up a shooting of a drug smuggler that happened at the U.S.-Mexico border near Fabens last February. The agents were trying to make a traffic stop when the suspect fled on foot. Ramos and Compean shot at him, striking him in the buttocks as he crossed into Mexico. They testified they believed he was armed. The agents later found about 700 pounds of marijuana in the suspect's car. But the agents picked up the bullet casings and did not report the incident, testifying that they assumed other agents at the scene had reported it. Prosecuting attorney Debra Kanof said both agents were found guilty of multiple federal crimes including two criminal assault charges, several counts of tampering with an official proceeding, including destroying the scene and not reporting the shooting. They were also found guilty of the use of a firearm in the commission of a violent crime and a civil rights charge.

DAY LABORERS HOTLINE**LUIS MEGID, SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:04**

Police in Santa Cruz this week opened a hotline for illegal immigrants to report alleged abuses by people who hire them as day laborers. The unusual measure was called "an effective education tool" Tuesday by the city councilman behind the idea, who acknowledged that complaints lodged anonymously could be difficult to prosecute. Even so, Councilman Ryan Coonerty said official scrutiny may be enough to keep employers from shortchanging undocumented workers, threatening them with deportation, and denying them breaks. "Having a police officer at your doorstep asking questions may be a signal to stop whatever it is you're doing," he said. What it signals about the community's tolerance of illegal immigration is less clear, according to a group advocating tougher U.S. policies. Santa Cruz officials said they know of no other city or county in California, Arizona or Texas offering a similar hotline. In Illinois, a hotline run by the state labor department started taking calls in January. Hotline callers who do leave their names will not be asked about their immigration status, officials said.

BOUNCER LINE UP FOR RAPE**VO:20**

A Queens judge today approved putting Darryl Littlejohn, a suspect in the case of a slain graduate student, in a lineup for a separate sex assault in Queens. District Attorney Richard Brown said in a statement that Littlejohn will be placed in the lineup of suspects in with a sex attack last October, in Forest Hills, Queens. Defense attorney Kevin O'Donnell told reporters outside court that Littlejohn maintains his innocence. He added that Littlejohn "feels like a scapegoat" and objected to Littlejohn's mug shot being released earlier this week by authorities. The Queens case is one of three unsolved sex attacks - including one more in Queens and one on Long Island. All of them involved a man who abducted his victims late last year using a van, said a law enforcement official, who spoke on condition of anonymity. Littlejohn is not charged in the killing of Imette St. Guillen. He was a bouncer at The Falls bar, where St. Guillen was last seen alive. The student at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in Manhattan was raped, tortured and suffocated. Her body was found on February 25th in Brooklyn, with her head wrapped with clear packing tape.

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03/10/06**IMMIGRANT MARCH****ENRIQUE RODRIGUEZ, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS****PKG 2:13**

Thousands of immigrants are staging a massive protest friday (3/10) In chicago against proposed changes in immigrations laws. Thousands of people, both documented and undocumented, gathered in a park and plan to march downtown to federal plaza. There, they'll

voice their opposition to the border security bill. Opponents of the measure say it criminalizes undocumented residents and those who provide them aid and health care. Rally organizers urged people to take the day off of work in order to increase numbers for the march. They say this will help illustrate the importance of immigrants to the u-s economy. Supporters of the bill say it's needed to clamp down on illegal immigration and improve national security.

IMMIGRANT BORDER DEATHS

LUIS MEGID, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:55

Just a few days ago, juan cruz-torralva and his 12 year old daughter crossed the u-s mexico border illegally. They started the two and a half day trek from oaxaca, mexico. The trip turned deadly in the desert area a few miles southwest of interstate 8 and milemarker 78. That's where cruz-torralva and his daughter hid behind a bush to avoid getting caught by border patrol. The patrol vehicle ran over him and his daughter, killing her. Now he's behind bars in the yuma county jail. In court today, he found out what charges he could face. They include endangerment.

AIRMAN SPEAKS IN VIDEO

VO:21

The 21-year-old Iraq war veteran seen in a video being shot by a sheriff's deputy says in a recorded statement that he has difficulty walking.

Senior Airman Elio Carrion released a videotaped statement through his attorney Thursday, a day after San Bernardino County sheriff's Deputy Ivory J. Webb pleaded not guilty to attempted voluntary manslaughter and was released on \$100,000 bail. "My physical therapy continues to progress and I still have difficulties walking," Carrion says, looking into the video camera. "I'm sorry I haven't been able to speak publicly, but right now I'm focused on my physical therapy and healing." The tape shows him sitting on a couch next to his wife and moving around with the aid of a walker.

ICE GANG ARRESTS

LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

PKG 2:01

Police in cities across the u-s have arrested hundreds of gang members in recent weeks. In 23 states 375 gang members pulled off the streets. All part of operation community shield, a year-old crackdown pairing local police departments with the department of homeland security. The latest busts in the operation bring the total since february 2005 to almost 24-hundred according to the government. Dallas had the largest number of recent arrests at 44. In san diego, there were 41 and police in both miami and washington d-c arrested 22. Federal officials say the busts send a strong message to gang members, many of whom are illegal immigrants. There were arrests in smaller cities as well, like des moines, providence and sioux falls. In dallas, police are already seeing a difference on the street. Operation community shield was launched

last year to specifically target the ms-13 gang. The government says roughly 900 of the nearly 24-hundred arrests have been ms-13 members but the gang busts were expanded to go after other gangs as well.

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03/11/06

6:30 & 11:30 SHOW

PRO-IMMIGRANT PROTEST

VO: 18 & SOT:16

This saturday there was a protest to reject the project of law hr 4437 which is trying to approve in this month the approval that police departments will be able to act like immigration officials, to arrest and to criminalize employers, organizations, people who have contact with undocumented people.

IMMIGRANTS CAUGHT

VO: 21

30 undocumented people were stopped in a house of the south of Los Angeles, used by the coyotes to hide them The coyotes were waiting to received from their familiar amounts of money that oscillated between thousand 500 and 2 thousand 500 dollars. The undocumented people there were five women and four presumed coyotes in charge of the place managed to flee.

CLAUDE ALLEN ARREST

VO: 21

One of President Bush's former advisers was arrested in Maryland, charged with claiming refunds for merchandise, that he did not buy. At a cabinet meeting this morning, president Bush said he was shocked and saddened, when he heard the media reports. Mr. Bush said if the allegations are true, "something went wrong in Claude Allen's life, and that is really sad." Tag.: Allen was named Domestic policy adviser last year. He resigned last month, saying he wanted to spend more time with his family.

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03/12/06

6:30 & 11:30 SHOW

ST. GUILLEN BLOOD MATCHES

VO: 24

Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly said Sunday authorities would seek an indictment against a bouncer with a long rap sheet, the prime suspect in last month's gruesome slaying of a graduate student. Blood found on the plastic ties used to bind Imette St. Guillen has been matched to a bouncer at the bar where she was last seen alive, the New York Police Department commissioner said. Kelly said authorities would take that match and other evidence to a grand jury to get an indictment against Darryl Littlejohn. He didn't give a date for when the grand jury would get the case. Littlejohn, in custody at a Rikers Island jail on a parole violation, had not been arrested in connection with St. Guillen's death as of Sunday afternoon. The 41-year-old maintains his innocence.

TORNADOS DAMAGE

VO: 19

Severe storms swept through parts of Kansas and Missouri today. They brought winds that knocked over airplanes at the downtown Kansas City airport and ripped roofs off homes, businesses, and buildings at the University of Kansas. No reports of deaths or injuries. The National Weather Service had not confirmed whether the storm spawned tornados, but several weather spotters reported twisters in the area. The storms followed powerful tornadoes that ripped across southern Missouri and southern Illinois last night. The twisters destroyed homes along a path of more than 20 miles and killed a married couple whose car was blown off the road.

TEENAGERS DEAD

VO: 24 & SOT: 18

A naked woman and man with his pants down were found dead in a car in a Queens garage yesterday, the apparent victims of accidental carbon monoxide poisoning, witnesses and an FDNY source said. Jonathan Tapia, 21, and Delly Collado, 28, had been dating for a short while and lived with their families a few blocks apart. "We smelled fumes on the first and second floors," said Luis Padilla, who rented the garage attached to his 99th St., Corona, home to Tapia. "I opened the garage and discovered the bodies. They were nude." One of Padilla's relatives tapped on the window of the Acura about 7:30 a.m., but the couple, motionless in the front passenger seat, didn't respond. The engine was still running, the likely source of the deadly gas. By coincidence, one of Tapia's cousins, who was expecting a ride to work, grabbed a spare key and went to the garage. He opened the car and found the bodies cold to the touch, witnesses said.

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03/13/06

DEPORTATION CASES

PKG 1:53

LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CA

The senate is debating a new immigration bill. In it is a proposal, that wants will have all

deportation cases done in one court, instead of the person's district court which is how is now. All cases will be challenge in Washington, D.C., if Congress passes this new immigration bill. This alarmed activists, because of the effect it will have on immigrants.

TEXAS WILDFIRES

VO:21

Using bulldozers and air tankers, firefighters struggled Monday to stop wind-blown wildfires that scorched more than 1,000 square miles of the drought-stricken Texas Panhandle. The blazes were blamed for at least seven deaths, four of them in a crash on a smoke-shrouded highway over the weekend. About 1,900 people in seven counties were evacuated. Eleven fires burned over an estimated 530,000 acres Monday, down from 663,000 over the weekend. State fire crews fought more than 160 blazes in one 24-hour period. The cause of the latest blazes was under investigation; the previous fires were apparently sparked by people who burned trash, tossed cigarettes or illegally set off fireworks in the middle of one of the worst droughts in Texas in 50 years.

TORNADOS

PKG 1:40

MARTIN BERLANGA/MIAMI, FLORIDA

Violent storms that spawned a record number of tornadoes killed at least eight people across the Midwest, many dying in Missouri where twisters wrecked mobile homes, authorities said Monday. There were at least seven deaths in Missouri, with the other fatality a drowning victim in Indiana, emergency management officials said. The preliminary estimate of 110 tornadoes that touched down Sunday broke a 16-year-old record for any day in March, the National Storm Prediction Center said. Damage and power outages from the weekend storms and twisters extended across Missouri, Illinois and Indiana.

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3/14/06

SMUGGLING RING

PKG 1:47

LOURDES MONTOYA/HOUSTON, TEXAS

Police in Houston, Texas were alert by neighbors of a shooting in a near house. When police arrived to the scene, found two people with gun shot wounds, weapons and undocumented immigrants in the house. The house was allegedly being used in an immigrant smuggling operation. Police said bullets hit homes and cars in the area. No suspects have been identified. The immigrant also said there were four heavily armed men and approximately 50 Immigrants in the home. Authorities are investigating.

MARIHUANA AND MEMORY

VO :21

Previous research has found that people who use marijuana have poorer memories and slower reaction times. Now there is new evidence showing that these brain-dulling effects of this drug seem to get worse and worse the longer you smoke. A new study this week compared people who had NOT USED MARIJUANA in the past 2 years to those who had smoked the drug in the short term - for the past 5 to ten years - and also long term users who had smoked for more than 10 years. Tests of cognitive ability, such as remembering a list of words, showed that the non-users performed the best, followed by the short-term users and then the long-term users bringing up the rear.

IMMIGRANT DAD ARREST LATEST**VO: 20**

Juan Cruz-Torralva brought his 12-year-old daughter through the desert along the U.S.-Mexico border. Three days into the journey, a U.S. Border Patrol agent spotted the group of illegal immigrants, and as the agent chased them, the Border Patrol truck hit Cruz-Torralva and his daughter, Lourdes, killing her. Yuma County sheriff's detectives determined the death was an accident, but Cruz-Torralva was arrested on charges of endangerment. Deputies argued that he had placed the child in "risk of imminent death" by bringing her into the desert. A prosecutor on refused to pursue the case, saying there wasn't enough evidence to prove the charge. Cruz-Torralva, meanwhile, sat in jail and said he didn't understand why he was there.

EARPHONES HEARING LOSS**LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:41**

The American Speech language hearing association is warning users of i-pods and other m-p-3 players about the risk of permanent hearing damage. The association said the risk of hearing loss increases especially if users listen at a high volume and for long periods of time. The association's president cited the national institutes of health, which Reports listening devices could be a contributing factor to hearing problems.

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3/15/06**IMMIGRATION REFORM LATEST****LOURDES MELUZA, WASHINGTON, D.C.****PKG 2:06**

Farmers and businesses depending on illegal immigrants to fill low-wage jobs are banging against a brick wall in Congress as they push for a temporary worker program. Even with President Bush on their side, advocates have been unable to overcome the opposition of those who are deadset against any proposal that in an election year could be labeled "amnesty." The

Senate Judiciary Committee has given itself a Thursday deadline to produce a bill that would tighten U.S. borders, impose new sanctions on illegal immigrants and their employers, and give legal status to some workers now here illegally. Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., has promised a vote on some kind of temporary "guest worker" program after Congress returns March 27 from a weeklong recess, but not necessarily one that includes illegal immigrants, as advocated by Bush. Bush has proposed a temporary worker program allowing participants to register for legal status for a specific period of time and then be required to return home. It would not provide amnesty, which the administration says it would reject in any proposal, and also would not be an automatic path to citizenship.

CHILD PORN

VO: 27

U.S. and international authorities have charged 27 people in connection with an online child pornography enterprise, federal authorities said Wednesday. Those charged were participants in an online chat room that included streaming video of live child molestation, the Justice Department said. Investigators said they identified seven children who were molested on video seen in the Kiddypics & Kiddyvids chat room. Four molesters are among those charged, prosecutors said. In recent days, federal agents have made arrests in Arizona, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Michigan, Nevada, New York, North Carolina and Tennessee. Thirteen people have been indicted in the United States on charges that include possession, receipt, distribution and manufacture of child pornography. The other 14 have been charged in Australia, Canada and Great Britain. One person remains at large. The investigation began in Canada.

ASCARRUNZ SENTENCING

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK

PKG 2:06

A Man who killed his ex-girlfriend and left her four-year old daughter roaming the streets of new york was sentenced today (wednesday) To 32 years in prison. Cesar ascarrunz pleaded guilty last month to manslaughter and reckless endangerment. A murder verdict would have carried a life sentence. The little girl drew national attention after child welfare workers put her on television in an attempt to track down her family. She told reporters her 26-year old mother looked "like a princess." the young girl is now living with relatives.

CARLIE BRUCIA CASE

VO: 20

The man who was caught on tape kidnapping an eleven-year-old Florida girl has a death sentence for later killing her. A judge in Sarasota has sentenced Joseph Smith to death for murdering Carlisle Brucia (BROO'-shuh). He had earlier given Smith life prison terms for kidnapping and raping the girl. A jury had recommended death for the murder. Smith showed no emotion as the judge read his sentence. A carwash surveillance tape caught the former mechanic leading the girl away by the hand in February 2004.

TEXAS WILDFIRE

VO:20

Firefighters battling wildfires in texas are bracing for possible strong winds Today (wednesday). Meteorologists are predicting wind gusts of up to 40 miles per hour on the Fourth day since the fires erupted. Mclean's fire chief said the winds could ignite smoldering embers across the Region. They are preparing for the worst. So far, wildfires have scorched 840-thousand acres in the texas panhandle. 11 people have died and a number of structures have been destroyed. According to preliminary estimates, 10-thousand horses and cattle have been Killed by the fires.

CHINO SHOOTING**VO: 17 & SOT: 18**

Minutes after shooting an unarmed man at the end of a high-speed chase, a San Bernardino County sheriff's deputy told a sergeant who arrived at the scene that he opened fire because the 21-year-old suspect had "charged him," according to a confidential sheriff's report. But by the time he agreed to be interviewed by detectives investigating the shooting, the deputy had seen a videotape of the incident and said he used deadly force because he believed the man was going for a gun. The statements that Deputy Ivory John Webb Jr. made to the sergeant conflict with the videotape of the Jan. 29 shooting in which Air Force policeman Elio Carrion was shot and wounded. The tape, which has been repeatedly broadcast on television and received national attention, shows Carrion kneeling and then getting shot as he follows an apparent order by Webb to stand. Webb, 45, was charged with attempted voluntary manslaughter last week and pleaded not guilty.