## KSAT-TV

# QUARTERLY LIST OF PROGRAMMING PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES JULY 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

PROGRAM	DAY	TIME
GOOD MORNING SAN ANTONIO	Monday-Friday Saturday & Sunday Saturday & Sunday	4:30- 7:00 AM 6:00- 7:00 AM 8:00- 9:00 AM
KSAT 12 NEWS AT NOON	Monday-Friday	12:00- 1:00 PM
KSAT 12 FIRST NEWS AT 4PM	Monday-Friday	4:00- 4:30 PM
KSAT 12 NEWS AT 5PM	Monday-Friday	5:00- 5:30 PM
KSAT 12 NEWS AT 6PM	Monday-Friday	6:00-6:30 PM
NIGHTBEAT AT 10PM	Monday-Friday	10:00-11:05 PM
KSAT 12 NEWS AT 5PM	Saturday	5:00- 5:30 PM
NIGHTBEAT AT 10PM	Saturday	10:00-10:35 PM
KSAT 12 NEWS AT 5:30PM	Sunday	5:30- 6:00 PM
NIGHTBEAT AT 10PM	Sunday	10:00-10:35 PM

All of the above programs are locally produced News programs presenting a mix of news, weather, sports, and issue-related feature stories. Issue-responsive program segments are usually thirty seconds (:30) to two minutes (02:00) in duration, unless otherwise indicated.

## **NEWS SERIES Any Day**

## Within Newscasts

Multi-part News series, usually dealing with one issue or a series of related issues, are usually broadcast within the 12 Noon, 4PM, 5PM, 6PM and/or 10PM newscasts. The duration of each program segment is usually approximately two-three minutes, unless otherwise indicated. Series are indicated as local or recorded.

GOOD WORNING	SAN ANTONIO	
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Mon-Fri	Within	4:30-7:00AM
Saturdays & Sundays	Within	6:00-7:00AM
Saturdays & Sundays	Within	8:00-9:00AM

Local interviews, usually conducted live, occur on an irregular basis within the local 4:30-7:00AM program. They usually feature local guest experts commenting on issues in the news. The duration of each program segment is usually approximately thirty seconds (:30) to three minutes (03:00), unless otherwise indicated.

#### NOON NEWS INTERVIEWS

Mon-Fri

Within 12:00-1:00PM Newscast

Local News interviews, usually conducted live, occur on an irregular basis within the local 12:00-1:00PM newscast. They usually feature local guest experts commenting on issues in the news. The duration of each program segment is usually approximately two to three minutes (02:00-03:00), unless otherwise indicated.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mon-Sun

Various Times

The station broadcasts local and non-local Public Service Announcements of varying lengths throughout its broadcast schedule. Many of the local announcements are part of campaigns on one subject.

**EDITORIALS** 

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

12:28PM, 5:28PM & 6:28PM

KSAT presents station viewpoints about current issues of community concern. Viewers are encouraged to submit their opposing viewpoints. Specific topics are provided within this report. Editorials are usually thirty seconds (:30) in duration, unless otherwise indicated.

KSAT COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mon-Fri

4:30-7:00AM

Saturdays

6:00-7:00AM & 8:00-9:00AM

Sundays

6:00-7:00AM & 8:00-9:00am

KSAT Community Calendar lists activities and events taking place in and around San Antonio.

## ABC-TV NETWORK 3rd QUARTER 2012 PROGRAM INFORMATION

Attached is the third quarter review of the ABC TELEVISION NETWORK NEWS and PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMMING.

**EDUCATION**, including the quality of public education, school busing, bilingual education, school violence, and the quality of college and adult education.

## July:

- 07/18/12 The San Antonio Independent School District's Board of Trustees this afternoon canceled a planned meeting that was supposed to be a "self-evaluation." This comes on the heels of a report in the San Antonio Express-News about this meeting being held in private. Board President Ed Garza tells KSAT 12 a previous session was held in private because it dealt with issues with former superintendent Robert Duron. But now that time has passed and Garza says the Board believes this process can now be held in public.
- O7/25/12 The Judson ISD Board of Trustees voted last night to re-organize and elected a new Board president. The Board began by voting to censure the current president, June Adair, who was recently indicted by a grand jury, accused of campaign violations. The new president is Arnoldo Salinas.
- O7/25/12 There are more problems with two new schools being built in the North East ISD. They include continued financial problems with the builder, threatening to delay construction of two new elementary schools which now probably won't be finished until well into the school year.
- 07/26/12 Back-to-School is just around the corner and the "Stuff the Bus" campaign was out this afternoon at the Two-Step Restaurant on Loop 1604. The goal of the campaign is to provide everything from notebooks, backpacks, pencils, and anything else a child needs for school to those who might have difficulty affording the school supplies.
- O7/30/12 Students from Kindergarten through 12th grade must be up-to-date on required immunizations and clinics and pediatricians are fast becoming swamped. Neighborhood drug stores offer vaccinations, and this year, children covered by private insurance that covers vaccines are no longer eligible for the Texas Vaccines for Children Program at public clinics. Parents are encouraged not to wait until the last minute to get their children vaccinated.
- 07/31/12 UT officials at the UT campus in Austin recently emailed about 1,200 students on a waiting list for campus housing, saying they don't know if they'll have space available for them. Experts say the housing crunch is because the school is expecting more freshmen students than usual. The Austin American Statesman says the university is expecting about 8,000 freshmen, almost 1,000 more than last year. Classes begin on August 29.

- 08/10/12 Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City ISD Superintendent Greg Gibson says his district is on cloud nine after meeting AYP requirements. They were one of only three districts in Bexar County to meet the federal standard. The other 13 failed. Each year the requirements get harder. By 2014, 100% of students must pass to meet the standard.
- 08/10/12 HEB and San Antonio Area Communities are partnering up to help kids get ready for back-to-school. It's the "Stuff the Bus" drive and it's happening today at 28 local HEB's. People can help by dropping off school supplies, like backpacks, scissors, glue and construction paper. HEB is also offering required vaccinations for students.
- While most students head back to school on August 27, parochial schools in San Antonio are starting on Monday. District 7 Councilman Cris Medina is handing out school supplies this morning on the first floor of the Saint Mary's University Center. District 7 students will get one free bag of supplies each. And State Senator Leticia Van de Putte and Family Services will also be giving away free school supplies today at the Neighborhood Place on Rivas Street starting at 11am. They will also be handing out backpacks and uniforms.
- Operation Homefront of Texas hosted its sixth annual "Back-to-School Brigade." Military families picked out school supplies at Retama Park yesterday. Nine hundred children are served as part of the back-to-school event to help military families who may be alone because their spouses are fighting overseas.
- O8/14/12 The Northside ISD has 860 buses and not enough drivers. At North East ISD, they're scrambling too, about 15 drivers short. This year there are fewer applicants. To be a bus driver you have to have a Texas driver's license and a commercial license. Commercial licenses are in demand, especially in Eagle Ford Shale country. The booming oil and gas industry has created a region rich in trucking jobs. Drivers must pass strict background checks, checks that take time.

- O8/14/12 Former Northside ISD Superintendent John Folks is still on the job. But instead of being limited to the largest district in the state, he's working for all kids. Dr. Folks addressed Texas lawmakers on Texas education for the Christian Business Chamber of Commerce. He says they are going to try to restore some of the \$5.4 billion that was cut out of public education.
- 08/15/12 When the school year begins, students at two Northside ISD schools will be carrying school ID cards that let school officials track them while they are on school grounds. Anson Jones Middle School and John Jay High School are taking part in the pilot program. District officials say the microchips in the ID cards will help them keep their students safe and in their classes.
- 08/16/12 The countdown to the beginning of school continues and as it stands right now, according to Northside ISD, 5,000 children will be turned away on the first day of school because they still need their immunization shots. Northside ISD strictly enforces its "no shots, no school" policy. Parents should contact their family physician or Metro Health Department and make arrangements to get their children vaccinated.
- UTSA will test their "giant voice" emergency notification system tomorrow afternoon. The school's Office of Emergency Management will conduct an indoor and outdoor test between 3pm and 5pm. The test will last about 35-seconds and no evacuations will be necessary. The "giant voice" is tested periodically to make sure it will operate properly in a real emergency.
- Jonathan Delgado says he could have easily dropped out of school and become another statistic, but he decided to stick it out and get his diploma thanks to help from a dropout prevention program called Communities in Schools. Growing up with a drug addicted father and a mother battling depression, Delgado had plenty of obstacles to overcome when he was teamed up with mentor Kimberlee Morrison. Morrison began working with Delgado his sophomore year, serving as his sounding board and guidance counselor to help him overcome the obstacles in his life. Delgado is now preparing for his first semester at college at Texas A&M Kingsville.
- O8/22/12 This year's incoming college freshmen are consumed with technology. According to the annual Beloit College Mindset List for the class of 2016, everything for them is digital including music, movies and e-books. They watch TV on laptops, smartphones and iPads instead of a TV set. Most were born in 1994, meaning they're likely more familiar with Hillary Clinton than Former President Bill Clinton.
- There are lots of new routines to get acquainted with when a new school year begins. One of them should be a good homework ritual and the key to that is consistency. To build a homework structure you must dedicate time to it, make it a priority. Your child should block out at least an hour a day to get it done. They should designate a room with very little distractions as the homework area and they should do their homework soon after they get home.
- O8/24/12 The University of Texas system has approved a new plan that will let campus presidents earn pay bonuses if graduation rates improve or donations go up. The Board of Regents is attacking that plan, which has the backing of the system Chancellor and Governor Rick Perry. Critics have raised ethical questions about financial rewards for meeting philanthropic goals. Others are concerned the academic standards may suffer. Perry says the plan will help encourage administrators to do a better job. UT operates 15 campuses across the state, all of which went through heavy budget cuts about two years ago.
- O8/24/12 For the fourth year, the Claude Black Community Center is hosting a Back 2 School Jamboree to give away school supplies to thousands of San Antonio children. For the past week, volunteers have been stuffing a school bus with supplies. They have 40 corporate sponsors who are stepping up to help, including the Food Bank which will provide 500 lunches for kids. They'll also be providing free haircuts for kids. The organizer, the Reverend James Robinson planned the event in honor of his mom, Mama Boone.
- O8/27/12 At Los Reyes Elementary School in the Northside ISD, everything there is new, from the buildings to the desks, even the books. And the new students will start filling the new classrooms for the first time in a little over an hour. Teachers there have cutting edge tech tools to help out in the classroom and this school is even bilingual. The goal is to teach English to Spanish-speaking students and there will be instruction in English and Spanish.
- O8/27/12 Harlandale ISD has named Rey Madrigal interim superintendent in June after their former superintendent left to take over the school district in Victoria. Long-time Superintendent Dr. John Folks has retired from the Northside ISD and was replaced by Dr. Brian T. Woods who has been with the district since 1992. Dr. Sylvester Perez is interim superintendent for the San Antonio ISD. Perez will serve at the will of the Board until a permanent replacement is named following the resignation of Superintendent Dr. Robert Duron in February. And South San ISD also named a new Superintendent, Rebecca Robinson, who comes to San Antonio from the Eagle Pass ISD where she was an Assistant Superintendent.

- O8/27/12 There are a couple of unfinished schools in the North East ISD. Las Lomas and Vineyard Ranch Elementary Schools were supposed to be finished last month. But the district says Summit Builders ran out of money and couldn't pay their sub-contractors who then walked off the job. NEISD now has an agreement with Safeco Bonding Company to have the schools ready by December 7.
- O8/28/12 SAISD spent the first day of school yesterday coming up with a new vision for the school district. Last night, Board members adopted a new Mission Statement. The school district's superintendent says it's the first time the district has revised its mission in six years. The district says the full Mission Statement will be published soon.

- O9/04/12 Parents with children attending school in the San Antonio ISD will be given the opportunity to give their feedback to the type of quality they would like in their school district's superintendent. A meeting is schedule tonight at Sam Houston High School, at 6pm. Seven meetings are scheduled to gather input from the community on a permanent superintendent.
- O9/10/12 Chicago teachers are set to strike this morning. The union says contract talks with the district failed late last night over issues including benefits and job security. More than 26,000 teachers and support staff are expected to hit the picket lines. The district and parents are making plans for keeping students safe and occupied during the day at 144 schools throughout the city. The Chicago school system is the nation's third largest.
- Twenty-three school districts across the state have been added to a list considered "property wealthy," meaning they're required to give some of their money to poorer schools. It brings the number of "Robin Hood" schools up to 374. It's a program that began in 1993 with only 35 districts on the list. There are over 1,000 districts across the state. Experts say that growing "Robin Hood" list has to do with population booms and higher property values in certain parts of the state.
- O9/13/12 Cuts in Texas financial aid programs could actually help more students go to college. Education officials say that by reducing the maximum amount for student loans and other grants, it actually allows more students to take part in the program. Officials tell state lawmakers that unless they put more money into the Texas Grant Program, they should consider allowing it to cover only academic costs like tuition and books. The changes could come as soon as the next legislature, which convenes in January.
- The city's two largest school districts share concerns about the Mayor's Pre-K initiative. The North East ISD this week voiced its concerns to City Manager Sheryl Scully, who goes before the Northside School Board later this month. Besides important details such as transportation, funding and accountability, NEISD spokeswoman Aubrey Chancellor said a major concern is the initiative's possible impact on NEISD state funding. j The district has already lost \$70 million over the past two years. Chancellor said most of its estimated 1,313 Pre-K four-year-olds attend half-day classes that are state-funded. She said of those, 215 qualified for another half-day under the federally-funded Head Start Program. Chancellor said NEISD strand to lose some of those children to the city's proposed initiative the offers full-day classes.
- Darrick Green says early education paved the way for his future and he's hoping his three-year-old daughter will get the same opportunity. Darrick Green went through the Head Start Program. Since he's the only person from his family to have earned a college degree, he's a firm believer that early education is the key to success. That's why Green, along with the Greater, Hispanic, Black, Women's North, South and Westside Chambers of commerce are rallying their support for the Mayor's Pre-K for SA initiative. Today they asked voters to vote "Yes" for Pre-K for SA, which would raise the sales tax by an eighth of a cent and would provide full day Pre-K to more than 22,000 children. Although supporters of the move say the sales tax increase would cost the median household \$7.81 a year, those who oppose the plan say it's going to cost taxpayers a lot more.
- 09/14/12 A bomb threat called into the University of Texas at Austin forced every building to be evacuated. No bombs were found and the university was given the all clear.
- O9/14/12 An El Paso mother says her daughter's fourth grade teacher forced her child and the rest of her students to draw graphic and traumatic pictures of the September 11 attacks. Ivie Gremillion says her daughter's crayon drawing is a disturbing rendition of the attacks. Gremillion's husband is in the military and is set to go to Afghanistan in the next few months and she says her daughter is now convinced he's going to die. She thinks steps need to be taken to undo the effects this teacher had on her child.
- 09/18/12 A 16-year-old student admits to writing a letter threatening to blow up a private school in Guadalupe County. While the student says it was all a joke, it set off a very serious investigation. According to a report in the

Seguin Gazette, officials at Lifegate Christian School found the note lying in the schools hallway around 10AM yesterday. Students were evacuated and taken to the Seguin-Guadalupe County Coliseum where they were picked up by parents. Investigators say the case is being turned over the County Attorney's office for review.

- O9/19/12 St. Philips College is one of the top benefactors of grants awarded by the Department of Education. The Department awarded nearly \$228 million in grants to 97 historically black colleges and universities. St. Philips will receive more than \$5.4 million, the second largest amount on the list and the largest grant in Texas. The school says the money will go towards a variety of areas to support students including campus renovations, new labs and student services.
- O9/19/12 An eight day teachers' strike in Chicago is over and teachers there are back on the job. But the agreement still has to be voted on. The 29,000 teachers and support staff walked off the job on September 10. Union President Karen Lewis calls the deal to get them back to work the best one they could get right now.
- O9/21/12 Growing student enrollment is prompting the Comal ISD school board to hire additional teachers. Yesterday, the board agreed to hire an additional 18 teachers. Ten of those will be at the elementary level. The remaining eight will be at the secondary level. The estimated cost for the additional teachers is expected to be around \$990,000. That cost will be paid by additional funding from the state, which kicked in thanks to an additional 400 students this year.
- Inside the San Antonio College Early Childhood Center on Friday, Mayor Julian Castro made another push for support of his Pre-K for SA initiative. The Mayor says his task is convincing voters that an increase in sales tax for the sponsored Pre-K program is necessary and that this is the most important investment that San Antonians can make in the economic prosperity of the city and a future workforce. He says the program would be funded by an eighth of a cent increase in sales tax. According to Mayor Castro, that would cost the average San Antonio family about \$7.81 a year. His critics say that number is highly misleading. But the Mayor says his focus is on the middle class who he says would benefit most by affordable all day Pre-K for their children.
- O9/25/12 Some big changes are in the works for schools in the SAISD. The first of 22 schools set for major renovations will begin construction today. Cameron elementary will undergo \$12.3 million in improvements that will increase the size of the school by 60%. The campus will grow from 46,000 square feet to about 75,000 square feet. The renovation is all part of the \$515 million bond program passed in November 2010.

ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY, and TRANSPORTATION, including natural disasters, pollution (especially air and water), the water crisis, and the effect of urban sprawl.

## July:

- 07/04/12 There is a fireworks ban in place in Bexar County this holiday week, and Medina, Frio and Karnes counties are under a burn ban. Illegal fireworks activity can be reported through the city and county fireworks hotlines.
- 07/04/12 Forty-two million Americans are expected to hit the road today, nearly 5% increase over last year. The reason for the increase could be the price of gas. Across the country gas prices are down 22-cents from a year ago. According to AAA, 84% of all holiday travelers will be driving.
- 07/06/12 DeWitt County is booming. Trucks associated with natural gas drilling roll down country roads. But boom is coming at a cost. Both shoulders of the roads are stripped away leaving a lane as narrow as eight feet for two-way traffic. The county collects about \$7.2 million in taxes annually, but the energy companies send about \$58 million in taxes from their DeWitt County drilling to the state and the county sees only a tiny fraction of it. County Judge Daryl Fowler says he's making the legislature aware of the problem so it can correct the imbalance.
- 07/06/12 The Federal Global Entry Program relies on kiosks that expedite customs clearance. Frequent travelers between Mexico and San Antonio can use the kiosks to read their passports. It also scans their face and fingerprints. As a result, travelers won't have to wait in long lines at Customs. Enrolling travelers do have to get pre-screened by Customs and the fee is \$100, which is good for five years. San Antonio will be the third city in Texas with the program behind Dallas and Houston.
- A top official with TXDOT says the future of transportation funding is bleak. TXDOT's Chief Financial Officer, James Bass, told a State House Committee that aging highways, shrinking tax revenues, and inflation are to blame. The State funds state roads using federal funds, fuel taxes, government bonds and contracts. The Legislature has not raised fuel taxes since 1993. And with vehicles being more fuel efficient, the revenues have fallen off. Toll roads have also been explores, but are unpopular. Lawmakers will review the issues when the Legislature reconvenes in January.
- 07/10/12 It doesn't just seem hotter; it really is, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The lower 48 states just set a new record for the warmest 12-month period since record-keeping began in 1895. According to NOAA, the average temperature in June for the contiguous U.S. was 71.2-degrees, two degrees above the 20th century average.
- 07/11/12 After nearly two-inches of rain in one hour, the San Antonio River flooded. Resident Courtney Brisbane has a theory as to why the flooding near the downtown area appears to be getting worse. She believes that ever since they started construction of the new Mission Reach section of the San Antonio River the flooding started
- 07/12/12 JD Power and Associates ranks CPS Energy, the local utility, as one of the top utility companies in the country. CPS Energy scored highest in the south among companies that have more than 500,000 customers. The study measured six factors: power reliability, price, billing, corporate citizenship, communications, and customer service.
- 07/13/12 A huge solar storm pointed directly at Earth is blasting radiation at our planet today. Yesterday's giant solar flare hurled a coronal mass ejection directly toward Earth and according to a forecast by analysts at the Goddard Space Weather Lab; it could spark strong geomagnetic storms. The good news is they expect minimal impact to communication systems and power grids.
- 07/16/12 Ford Motor Company is recalling thousands of newly designed SUV's due to a safety hazard around the brake and gas pedals. Ford says some of its new 2013 Ford Escapes may have excessive carpet padding that could interfere with braking. Dealers will remove the carpet padding a replace a console trim panel at no charge. The recall is expected to begin July 23.
- O7/16/12 After a three-month decline, gas prices may soon increase. According to the Lundberg Survey, the national average price of self-serve, Regular gas was \$3.41 on July 13, down from \$3.47 on June 22. That decline was the sixth straight in the survey, which comes out every third week.
- O7/19/12 A dangerous curve on Hickory Grove has been a problem for almost 40 years. Over the years the city has added warning signs to alert drivers to the curve. After a series of accidents earlier this year, chevron signs were added, but accidents continue to occur. Now the residents are asking for speed bumps. Councilman Ray Lopez says they could help, but won't solve the problem.

- O7/23/12 A landmark deal was signed today, one that will forever change the face of solar power in San Antonio. Representatives from CPS Energy, OCI Solar Power, and Nexolon America were on hand today to announce a new partnership which would bring some 800 jobs to San Antonio, a \$100 million manufacturing plant on the southside, and will have an estimated \$700 million annual economic impact; and, 400-megawatts of solar energy. The deal will power an estimated 70,000 households in the city.
- O7/23/12 In the past week, gas prices have shot up 10-cents, and the national trend suggests they're not done yet. According to GasPrices.com, the average price per gallon of gas in San Antonio is \$3.28, about 20-cents lower than the national average. As the summer travel season picks up, experts expect gas prices to follow suit.
- O7/24/12 A widespread drought has farmers across the country in a pinch. The sweltering temperatures and lack of rain have killed many crops, leaving farmers with very little to sell. Now the Federal government is offering some much needed help. On Monday, the Agriculture Department announced new plans to help farmers and ranchers in need. The department says it will let farmers and ranchers use lands enrolled in conservation programs for haying and grazing livestock. It will also provide financial and technical assistance.
- O7/24/12 San Antonio is one of the easiest cities in the country to find a public charge station. The Electric Vehicle Expo, hosted by the Electric Power Research Institute, is being held in San Antonio. They are introducing a huge hybrid plug-in electric truck, a 4X4 half-ton, and the makers say it's greener than a Prius. Companies like Verizon are adding them to their fleets already.
- O7/24/12 A new study finds airlines made billions of dollars in revenue from baggage fees and extra charges last year. That report shows the airlines' extra costs took in more than \$22 billion in 2011. The study says airlines are making more money by selling a growing array of products and services called "ancillary fees." United-Continental, Delta, American, and Qantas made the most money.
- O7/25/12 A consortium set up after the 2010 BP oil spill to develop methods for containing similar disasters is conducting a test of new state-of-the-art equipment. That testing is now underway for federal regulators to watch and approve. The technology is similar to that used to stop the 2010 spill, but had not been perfected before the disaster.
- 07/25/12 The U.S. Court of Appeals has rejected a challenge from the airlines industry to a requirement that airlines show consumers a total ticket price that includes taxes and fees in print and online ads. The ruling also covered two other regulations, a requirement that airlines allow travelers who purchase tickets more than a week in advance the option of cancelling their reservation within 24-hours without penalty, and a ban on airlines increasing the price of tickets or baggage fees after tickets have been purchased.
- O7/26/12 The Department of Motor Vehicles says as Texas counties start running out of their current "Blue Mountain" plates, they'll start getting the new designs dubbed the "Texas Classic." The new black and white plate has security threads that run through the sheeting, making it easier for law enforcement to better identify forgeries.
- 07/31/12 CPS Energy is tacking on a new fee if you pay your bill at a local store. Starting tomorrow, a \$1.00 fee will be charged if you pay at a location that is not a CPS Energy center, like stores, food-marts and kiosks. CPS energy wants to remind you that you can pay your bill by mail or online at no extra charge.
- More triple digit heat and the lasting impact from last year's drought that killed millions of trees, left many more weak and vulnerable. One north Texas family found itself in a dangerous situation when a heavy tree limb fell on a mother and her son. They were trapped underneath until they were rescued. Dead trees are a problem throughout the state.

- 08/01/12 CPS Energy is tacking on a new fee if you pay your bill at a local store. Starting today, a \$1.00 fee will be charged if you pay at a location that is not a CPS Energy center, like stores, food-marts and kiosks. CPS Energy reminds us that we can pay our bill by mail or online at no extra charge.
- O8/02/12 Toyota is recalling 778,000 RAV 4 SUVs and Lexus sedans in the U.S. to fix a problem with the suspension. Nine crashes and three minor injuries have been caused by the issue. Toyota says if the rear suspension nuts aren't tightened properly after a wheel alignment, the arms can rust and separate from the vehicle. Model years 2006 to 2011 of the RAV 4 and 2010 Lexus 250-H are included in the recall.
- 08/02 12 More than half of all the counties in the U.S., including many here in Texas, are now considered natural disaster zones due to the excessive heat and a devastating drought that has spread across the corn belt

- region and contributed to rising food prices are the cause. People living as far north as Canada are suffering from the drought.
- 08/05/12 We can expect delays today if we plan to travel northbound on Highway 281 and Loop 1604. That's because the main lanes of Highway 281 heading north will be closed today between 9am and 7pm. The Alamo Regional Mobility Authority says that all traffic will be detoured onto the frontage road of northbound Highway 281.
- 08/06/12 Southwest Airlines is now giving refunds to customers who were accidentally over-billed for a single flight after a half-price online ticket promotion. The sale, designed to celebrate Southwest reaching the three million mark on Facebook fans, should have given customers who booked flights on Friday a 50% discount on certain fares, but a computer glitch caused customers to be charged multiples times.
- Despite the drop in the Aquifer, the City of San Antonio is still at Stage 2 water restriction. The Edwards Aquifer has dropped below 640-feet, but SAWS says Stage 3 restrictions can be delayed right now. The water utility says it has increased production from its aquifer storage facility of stored water and from the Carrizo Aquifer. Stage 3 hasn't been ruled out for 2012. SAWS says it is hopeful the other sources will hold that off until weather conditions improve.
- One case of West Nile virus has been confirmed at Joint Base San Antonio Fort Sam Houston. Staff on base recently identified seven areas with pooling water in which mosquitoes were breeding. So far, the military has confirmed once case of the disease. That person is now being treated at SAMMC. Only one out of every 150 people infected with the virus will develop severe illness.
- 08/09/12 Economists have predicted that the drought will cause food prices to rise in the U.S. But it turns out that it is having a ripple effect across the globe. According to the United Nations' monthly Food Price Index released on Thursday, the cost of food is surging around the world, 6% on average. Corn prices, which spiked almost 23% in July, are driving the price hike. The U.S. produces more corn than any other country.
- 08/09/12 Some pests are actually thriving in the drought and heat. An expert from the National Pest Management Association says since insects and spiders are cold-blooded, they develop quicker in extreme heat. That means more bugs are creating more generations this summer. The heat is driving some spiders, such as deadly brown recluse, indoors looking for water.
- 08/10/12 The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration says this past July was the hottest ever for the U.S. since record-keeping began. And much of the nation is suffering through the worst drought since the mid-1950s. Now it's drying up the Mississippi.
- O8/14/12 A new kind of crash test is being added to the battery of safety checks for new cars. The new test targets a specific type of crash where the small front corner hits another car or large object. Experts say it's part of an expanding set of crash tests that look at the car's outer edges. Insurance Institute for Highway Safety tested 11 mid-size luxury and near-luxury models under the newest guidelines.
- O8/14/12 Gas prices are now climbing again. But there is some good news mixed in with the bad. The trend of rising prices won't last long. National prices are averaging \$3.72 a gallon, up nearly eight-cents from a week ago and up 30-cents in the last month. Economists think optimism about the world's economy could be fueling the increase, but the upward trend could reverse the fall.
- 08/14/12 With the rising temperatures and increased drought, the Fire Marshal says the County will return to strict enforcement of the burn ban. This means there is no controlled burning any time of day for any reason.
- O8/14/12 According to the Department of Energy a report released today shows wind energy is on the rise. It now accounts for 32% of new electric capacity in the U.S. Last year alone, \$14 billion supported the growth. The White House, however, says the progress could be undone with a looming tax credit expiration.
- In San Antonio, our local Texas A&M campus announced today that it has been declared a storm ready site by the National Weather Service. Texas A&M San Antonio has passed a rigorous national program to strengthen its ability to respond quickly to life-threatening weather. The University was presented with new road signs and a Letter of Recognition. The local campus will now be able to take timely and effective actions in the event of weather emergencies to save lives.
- Two years after the worst oil spill in U.S. history, 10 new studies are revealing the long-term impact. The Gulf of Mexico's ecosystems absorbed the insult of 4.9 million barrels of crude oil. It's estimated 102 species of birds have been harmed. Thirteen-year-old Olivia Bouler has used her passion of painting to help save some of the hardest hit. She decided to sell some bird paintings for donations to help. In all, 500 paintings were purchased. AOL stepped in and donated \$25,000. They too got a painting in return.
- 08/16/12 The city of Windcrest is now in Stage 3 water restrictions. People who live in Windcrest will only be able to water their yards once a week on their designated day. On watering day, you can irrigate with a sprinkler

- between 3am and 7am, or at night between 8pm and 10pm. Hand watering is allowed any day, during these same times. The Stage 3 restrictions do not apply to San Antonio.
- O8/17/12 The Obama Administration is making new Transportation funds available to states. It's nearly a half-billion dollars in unspent highway funds. States can apply for the money if they promise to use the money to create jobs and improve transportation. The move is part of President Obama's election-year effort to sidestep Congress with programs that the President says will create jobs.
- 08/17/12 In Dallas, officials have launched an aerial assault on the mosquito population in the hope of ending a terrible outbreak of West Nile virus. The aerial spraying began at 10pm last night and focused on the county's northeast side on its first night. It's the first time in more than 45 years that Dallas County has launched aerial spraying against mosquitoes.
- 08/17/12 Indian Springs Elementary School is Comal ISD's newest campus and is expected to give some relief to Bill Brown and Johnson Ranch Elementary schools. The new state-of-the art campus is not only pretty to look at, it boasts several energy saving features, including natural lighting in the library and hallways, rainwater harvesting silos and a living roof that cools the building and provides another teaching tool.
- O8/21/12 A AAA Labor Day travel survey shows 33 million people will travel 50-miles or more during the long Labor Day weekend. The automotive and travel services group says the vast majority of travelers, 28.2 million of them, will hit the roadways for their trip.
- O8/22/12 The West Nile virus has now taken its first life in South Texas. Metro Health confirms that a man in his 70's died from the West Nile virus here in San Antonio. He died on Friday, bringing the death toll from the virus in Texas to at least 27. This is the third confirmed case of the West Nile virus in Bexar County and the first death to be reported.
- O8/22/12 Alamo Heights has entered Stage 3 water restrictions. No one will have a watering day that week at all in Alamo Heights or alternate weeks after that. Stage 3 hours for sprinklers are still between 3am and 8am and 8pm and 10pm. Drip irrigation, soaker hoses and buckets are allowed any day between the same watering hours. Hand watering is allowed on any day at any time.
- O8/23/12 Some 2013 Infiniti SUVs are already being recalled. The problem is that the fuel gauges can show there is gas in the tank when there isn't. The recall affects the Infiniti JX35. Nissan will fix the problem for free. Owners need to contact their dealership. The company will also send out notices by mail.
- 08/28/12 Hurricane Isaac could lead to higher prices at the gas pump. Up to a dozen gulf coast refineries could close as high winds and rain pummel the area. The region's refineries produce about 22% of the nation's gas supplies and are home to some of the world's largest refining centers. Prices have already been pushed up about 26-cents a gallon in the past month because of oil refinery closures and production troubles in Illinois and California.
- O8/28/12 Safety first is the message VIA Metropolitan Transit wants to get across. VIA has launched its "Get There With Care" campaign to promote and increase awareness about safe riding practices. VIA is handing out information to riders to teach them how to protect themselves and others. It's all part of an effort to improve bus safety.
- 08/29/12 Hurricane Isaac, which is now a tropical storm, made its final landfall near Grand Isle, Louisiana early this morning with winds up to 80-miles-per-hour, and major flooding it caused. The longer this slow-moving storm lingers, the more pressure it is putting on levees and other flood-protection systems along the coast. Thousands of people have been told to leave low-lying areas of Louisiana and Mississippi.

- 09/03/12 With the air conditioner running constantly in our hot weather, we're all looking for ways to save on that energy bill. A programmable thermostat is one way to do that so we're not wasting A/C when we're not home. Consumer Reporter Marilyn Moritz reports which thermostats make it easy to cut our energy bill.
- 09/03/12 President Obama is making a stop on the way to the Democratic Convention in Charlotte to visit the victims of Hurricane Isaac on the Gulf coast. The storm was just a Category 1 but it left behind damage and misery in greater proportion than its strength. Hundreds of thousands have had no electricity and no air-
- conditioning for six days. The heat index this weekend topped 105 as storm victims struggled to clean up.

  Residents of New Braunfels are now the proud new owners of the city's newest venture into green technology. It's a shiny, state-of-the art, trash truck. This big piece of equipment is poised to help the environment. The truck itself is no different from most trash trucks, except that there is no transmission in this vehicle. The transmission has been removed and replaced with the reverse advanced hybrid technology. The hydraulic pressure propels the truck forward and stops it too, keeping its diesel engine

- running idle, and in turn can cut emissions and fuel consumption by up to 50% on a vehicle that can run up to 10 hours a day. The price tag is \$367,000.
- 09/06/12 Health officials say this year has been the worst for West Nile virus in Texas. Nearly half of the deaths in the U.S. due to West Nile are here in Texas. The Department of State Health Services say s at least 40 people have died and there have been nearly 500 cases of neuroinvasive West Nile, the most serious form of the illness. The state expects those numbers to increase through the middle of next month. Here in Bexar County, the Metropolitan Health District says there have been nine confirmed cases and two deaths.
- O9/07/12 The state is preparing to open a new stretch of State Highway 130 that will connect to the toll road that goes around Austin and it will have the highest speed limit in the country. The section of Highway 130 that will be 85-miles-per-hour will start just east of Seguin and head north through Caldwell County and connect where Highway 45 and 130 meet southeast of Austin. The toll will be 12.5-cents per mile. The 41-mile segment of highway is expected to open in November.
- O9/10/12 Could the planet be powered entirely by wind? Yes, according to a new study in the Proceedings of the Nation Academy of Sciences. Researchers used computer modeling and found that it could be possible to get the world's power from four million wind turbines. But while the study did say it was possible to get all power from wind, it did not consider the cost of the turbines or where they would all go.
- O9/09/12 The discovery of a rare spider is putting a big highway construction project on hold. the construction has been going on at State Highway 151 and Loop 1604. The Texas Department of Transportation started working on a \$15 million underpass project there to ease that traffic. However, that process has come to a halt because of the sighting of the Braken Bat Cave Meshweaver. The eyeless spider is considered an endangered species and has not been seen in more than 30 years, until now. TXDOT officials said they will have to re-evaluate, leaving the construction project on hold indefinitely.
- 09/10/12 Metro Health is now reporting 13 cases of West Nile virus here in Bexar County. Two of those patients have died. Nearly half of all cases in the U.S. are in Texas. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more people are contracting the virus and those who do become ill are getting sicker than in the past. West Nile virus is spread by mosquitoes.
- O9/11/12 Someone called in a threat to a southwest Airlines flight from Baltimore to San Antonio while it was in the air. The plane landed safely at the airport around 7:30pm last night. The passengers were evacuated from the plane and loaded onto waiting shuttle busses as officers with bomb sniffing dogs searched the plane. Airport Spokesman Rich Johnson said aside from the flight that was impacted, the incident didn't have any significant impact on the rest of the airport's operation.
- O9/12/12 Gas prices are slowly trickling back up. they sit at \$3.84 according to AAA. Prices rose last month because of Hurricane Isaac and were expected to drop once those refineries came back online. But some experts say that price drop didn't occur because Hurricane Isaac hit so close to September 15, when the U.S. switches to a cheaper wine blend of gasoline.
- O9/12/12 Can airport security be hassle free? The International Air Transport Association says it can. In roughly seven years, fingerprint or retinal scans could help passengers get their boarding passes and breeze through checkpoints. Before the September 11 attacks, 350 people passed through a check-point in an hour. Now only 150 passengers go through per hour and airport security lines are only expected to get longer.
- O9/12/12 The San Antonio Water System is switching water supplies on the northeast side after getting complains of a foul taste and odor. SAWS says the area, formerly serviced by Bexar Met, normally gets water from the Canyon Regional Water Authority, which is fed by Lake Dunlap. The utility switched the area over to the Edwards Aquifer. After investigating, SAWS says the odor and taste were due to an algae bloom in Lake Dunlap, but the water was safe to drink. SAWS says they made the change to be proactive and once the algae situation is fixed, they will switch back to Lake Dunlap.
- O9/17/12 Gas prices keep going up. Usually gas prices start to decline after Labor Day, but they've risen five=cents in the past week. According to AAA, the average price per gallon is up 16-cents from a month ago, with average prices in San Antonio at \$3.63. Refinery shutdowns due to Hurricane Isaac and tensions in the Middle East are being blamed.
- O9/18/12 The U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration released images today showing sea ice in the Arctic melting to record low levels. This year marks the first time that there has been less than 1.5 million square miles of sea ice since satellite observations began in 1979. Some scientists say the rapid melt can be partly blamed on man-made emissions of greenhouse gases combined with storms last month that chewed up a significant amount of ice.

- The Defense Department has awarded a \$25 million grant to the City and TXDOT for a direct connector bridge into SAMMC between I-35 and Loop 410. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison says the City made it clear that this project will have a big impact on everyone who uses the San Antonio Military Medical Center. The funding is part of a program to help communities impacted by the 2005 Base Closing and Realignment Commission. j the project will relocate the entrance and exit ramps to SAMMC along southbound I-35.
- 09/19/12 VIA Transit wants to make sure we know everything there is to know about a new center meant to open up the southside to downtown. The Brooks Transit Center will serve 19,000 trips a day. Those behind the new center tell us that transportation options on the southside, especially to business and job heavy centers like downtown, aren't as great as they should be.
- O9/20/12 Three hundred American Airlines and American Eagle flights are cancelling this week to deal with the high number of pilots calling in sick and increased maintenance reports. The company cancelled the flights in advance to avoid inconveniencing passengers. American has seen an increase in flight cancellations since early this month when a federal bankruptcy judge allowed the company to impose new pay and working rules on pilots.
- 09/24/12 Last week's rain has lifted Stage 3 water restrictions for New Braunfels residents. The city has announced it is in Stage 2 starting today. Stage 2 restrictions allow residents to use a sprinkler or irrigation system once a week rather than once every other week like in Stage 3.
- O9/25/12 There's a Town Hall meeting this week about a proposed VIA Park and Ride on the far northside. The proposed stop would be on Highway 281 near Loop 1604. The city says VIA Express bus ridership increased by 8.6% along Highway 281 North during the first quarter of this year. They expect there to be even more ridership if there is a permanent Park and Ride there. The public meeting is this Thursday at North Central Baptist Hospital from 6:30-8:00PM.
- O9/25/12 A new Texas wildflower license plate features popular wild flowers in Texas. Proceeds from the plate go to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation. The Foundation helps fund conservation programs throughout the state. The starting cost for the plate is \$55.00.
- 09/25/12 The target for opening the first connector at Loop 1604 and Highway 281 is being pushed back by almost a month. The Alamo Regional Mobility Authority hoped to open the ramp going from northbound 281 to westbound 1604 next month. The projected date is now in November.
- 09/26/12 Three hundred one million trees died in rural parts of the state due to last year's drought. That's according to the Texas A & M Forest Service. Last year, 500 million trees were estimated to die. Ground inspections and satellite images determined the number of trees that died from insect infestation and drought stress.
- In an effort to fight the problem of vehicles backing up and hitting small children, which the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration leads to nearly 300 fatalities and over 18,000 injuries a year, the Department of Transportation is expected to mandate all vehicles to have backup cameras in 2014 models and beyond. j Most automakers offer cameras as options. The technology with backup cameras has improved greatly. j They now offer clearer, wider and larger fields of vision. In addition, many vehicles now come with backup sensors that can alert people of any objects or even kids that may suddenly come in their path. The DOT's final ruling is expected by the end of the year.
- More and more South Texans are turning to making their landscaping more drought resistant. The San Antonio Home and Garden Show this weekend at the Alamodome will feature examples of what can be done to conserve water while still maintaining a beautiful yard. the idea is to get people away from thinking that having a great big green lawn is the same as having a great yard.

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## July:

- 07/03/12 Retailers are already stocking shelves with Back-to-School items. Experts say that part of the reason for the early Back-to-School push was a retail slump for the industry back in April and June. Stores are also hoping to take advantage of people having more money in their wallets from the falling gas prices.
- 07/05/12 The new rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate loan dropped to 3.62%. The 15-year fixed rate fell to 2.89%. If you're looking to take out a home loan for \$200,000, your monthly payment will be about \$911. The falling rates may be the result of a drop in consumer spending.
- 07/06/12 For the third straight month, the Jobs Report is clearly underwhelming. In June, only 80,000 newjobswere added, keeping the unemployment rate unchanged at 8.2%.
- 07/10/12 Credit card use is still well below where it was before the recession, but Americans increased their borrowing in May. Consumer borrowing has grown steadily over the past two years, but most of that has been driven by auto and student loans. However, credit card debt increased by \$8 billion in May, the biggest one month jump since November 2007.
- O7/11/12 The Eagle Ford Shale growth in South Texas is obvious, but what isn't obvious is how to deal with it. Ranchers and businessmen were at a briefing prepared by the UTSA Economics Department which helped inform both the private sector, like investors and motels and camp developers, on how much and how far they need to build. The university's study is designed to provide a housing strategy to meet the housing needs of the growing workforce. Work camps and mobile home parks dot the area now. The study examines what the long range housing options are.
- O7/12/12 According to the San Antonio Board of Realtors, June was a very good month for the local real estate industry. Home sales were up 4% from the same time last year, with the most homes sold since 2008. Board Chairman Liza Reyes says it's the third straight month sale prices have gone up, indicating a positive trend in the local real estate market.
- 07/12/12 Two school districts are hosting job fairs today. The San Antonio ISD is looking to fill positions for cafeteria, custodians, bus drivers, bus assistants, and instructional assistants. The North East ISD is hosting a job fair for its Kids Involvement Network. It's at the community Learning Center on Tesoro Drive. The district is looking for part-time after school assistants at various schools.
- 07/17/12 The outlook for the U.S. economy is looking dimmer as new figures revealed that Americans spent less at retail businesses in June for a third straight month. According to the Department of Commerce, retail sales slid 0.5% from May to June.
- O7/18/12 According to the Wall Street Journal's Finance Magazine, Smart Money, the average FICO score in 2007 was 689. This year, the average score is up one point to 690. Those scores are what lenders use to gauge a borrower's credit worthiness. Credit experts say the lack of reaction to the financial crisis either means something's off with the FICO formula, or the numbers have lost much of their meaning.
- 07/18/12 Workforce Solutions is hosting a job fair today. Among the companies looking to hire are the San Antonio Police and Fire Departments, El Tropicana Riverwalk, and some oil-related businesses. The job fair ends at 1pm.
- 07/19/12 The National Retail Federation's annual survey of back-to-school shoppers finds the average person with school-age children will spend \$688, up about \$85 from last year, for a total of more than \$30 billion in retail sales. The bulk of back-to-school money will be spent on clothing, about \$246, followed by electronics, \$217, shoes, \$129, and \$95 on supplies.
- 07/20/12 Officials say more than 380,000 people filed for first-time unemployment last week, up more than 30,000 from the week before. The weekly claims numbers are considered an important gauge of the job market because of its connection with layoffs.
- O7/23/12 Hotels are going up, so are schools, hospitals, and...jobs. People are looking, moving to Texas for work. Last month, Texas created more construction jobs than any other state. While the construction industry has not returned to its pre-recession boom, Doug McMurry, Associate General Contractors, is optimistic that there will be continued slow growth because it's still a very competitive market.
- Northside ISD is holding a job fair today to fill more than 200 positions within the district. Northside ISD is looking to hire bus drivers, food service workers, manager trainees, custodians, maintenance workers, and police officers. The job fair is happening at the Northside ISD Activity Center at 7001 Culebra Road.

- O7/26/12 Scorching summer temperatures and very little rain means we're all going to be feeling the effects at the local grocery store. Eighty-percent of the country is running abnormally dry, and 63% is officially in a drought, making it tough on food producers who are charging more. Beef, dairy products, and poultry prices are all going up between 3% and 5%.
- O7/30/12 Air travelers may soon be seeing some relief from soaring airfare prices, at least for a little while. In the first three months of the year, domestic airfares climbed nearly 5% compared to the same time last year. This is on top of an 8.3% increase in 2011 and another 8.3% increase in 2010. Next month, though, fares are expected to drop between 10% and 20% as the summer travel season comes to an end.
- O7/30/12 Gas prices have increased by more than nine-cents over the past two weeks. It's the first major rise since April. According to AAA's Daily Fuel Gauge Report, the national average for a gallon of unleaded gasoline is \$3.48. In Texas, the price is \$3.34 per gallon and in San Antonio, an average of \$3.31 per gallon.

- 08/02/12 It's time for kids to go back to school and parents are flocking to stores to buy classroom essentials like paper, pencils and glue. This year, the average parent is on track to spend nearly \$700 on back-to-school clothes and supplies. To save money, Consumer Reports and Shop Smart magazines say to buy basic supplies like paper, pens and pencils in bulk. Also, use the web to hunt for sales instead of going store to store.
- 08/02/12 Unemployment rates rose in nearly 90% of large U.S. cities in June, partly because many young people graduated from school with no firm job prospects. Many of the cities with significant increases in their rates have large universities, where students have begun searching for jobs in recent months. Nationwide, the unemployment rate was 8.2% in June for the second straight month. Employers added only 80,000 jobs, the third straight month of weak gains.
- O8/03/12 Consulting firm Mercer says workers can expect an average raise of 2.9% in 2013, the biggest increase in over five years. Mercer interviewed 1,500 employers and almost all said they planned on boosting salaries. The biggest raises are expected to be in the oil and gas industry because of the specific skill set of workers.
- 08/03/12 The Northside ISD is looking to hire 80 bus drivers. The district will be holding a Transportation job fair tomorrow from 9am to 1pm at the McClung Transportation Station. Starting pay is just over \$11 per hour and benefits include medical insurance, retirement, paid training and 10 paid holidays.
- 08/03/12 The nation's unemployment rate ticked up last month, but more jobs were added to the economy than analysts first predicted. The President, however, says there is still more work to do. San Antonio is doing fine in its own right. The city has added about 2,000 jobs every month this year.
- 08/06/12 Previous generations of retirees got a much better deal from Social Security, mainly because payroll taxes were very low when Social Security was enacted in the 1930s and remained low for decades. However, people retiring today are the first generation of workers who have paid more in Social Security taxes during their careers than they will receive in benefits after they retire.
- 08/07/12 The U.S. Department of Agriculture says the country's corn and soybean crops haven't gotten much worse in the past week, but large portions remain in poor condition amid widespread drought. Eggs and poultry prices will most likely rise, followed by milk, pork and beef.
- 08/08/12 Homeowners are keeping up with their mortgage payments, driving the percentage of borrowers behind in their payments to a three year low. Still, the rate of decline remains slow. About 5.5% of mortgage holders were behind on their payments by 60 or more days in the April to June quarter, the lowest level since the first quarter of 2009. The news coincides with an improving outlook for the housing market.
- 08/08/12 National Career Fairs is hosting a job fair tomorrow from 11am to 2pm at the Omni San Antonio Hotel on Colonnade. Companies like Spherion Staffing, DAS Auto Shippers, Family Dollar and others will be on hand to interview perspective employees.
- O8/09/12 The San Antonio Airport System has revealed the results of the new study that shows the airport's impact on San Antonio's economy is in the billions of dollars. The study shows the airport has an impact of \$5.1 billion and supports nearly 99,000 jobs. Airport officials say employees continue to meet with airlines to discuss new non-stop destinations. They feel increasing the number of non-stops to destinations in Mexico may also play a big factor in the airport and city's growth in the future.
- 08/10/12 The North East ISD is holding a job fair tomorrow from 8am until 12 noon at Castle Hills Elementary School. NEISD is looking to fill positions for custodians, food service, bus assistants and bus drivers, as well as Special Ed assistants.

- O8/14/12 The International Paper Company notified that state that it will be closing its Texas sheets plant on East Commerce Street in October, resulting in 65 jobs lost. they are also restructuring the operations at its container plant on Pop Gunn Street resulting in 64 jobs lost. Reports earlier this year said the company would be closing several plants nationwide.
- O8/14/12 A new survey from Moneyrates.com finds banks are increasingly all kinds of fees from monthly checking account fees to overdraft fees. The requirements to get the fees waived are also getting harder to meet. The survey found the average minimum balance needed to avoid fees jumped from about \$856 to nearly \$4,500 this year.
- O8/14/12 Gas prices are creeping back up with a two and a half-cent increase on average in Texas over the past week. That's only half of what the nation saw. According to AAA's daily fuel gauge report, the average national price for gallon of Unleaded gasoline is \$3.69. In Texas the price is \$3.50, and in San Antonio it's \$344 a gallon.
- O8/14/12 TransUnion, a credit reporting agency, says the average credit card debt in the U.S. grew about 6% in the second quarter from a year ago. But at the same time, the number of those who are more than 90 days behind in payments is dropping to levels we haven't seen since 1994.

- 09/03/12 Back-to-school shopping has already helped boost August's retail sales figures and retailers are offering deep discounts to bring shoppers into their stores. Labor Day discounts averaged about 48%, while discounts for Black Friday and Cyber Monday averaged about 42%. One difference though, there is usually a wider variety of inventory on sale during the holidays.
- 09/05/12 Home prices are soaring during the summer months, up by the most in six years. That's according to the private real estate data provider, Core-Logic, which looked at numbers in the July months going back to 2006. That growth is a sign that the housing market is steadily recovering, but still has a long way to go. Prices are still 27% below their peak in April 2006.
- 09/05/12 August is shaping up to one of the best months for auto sales in years. GM is reporting a sales increase of more than 10% compared to 2011. Ford's sales are up almost 13% and for Chrysler, it's a more than 14% gain. All three of those figures beat economists' forecasts who credit the growth to better access to financing and improvement in the labor market.
- 09/06/12 With the economic outlook so uncertain, Toys-R-Us is making some changes for the holiday season. The store plans to waive its \$5.00 upfront fee for layaway items through the end of October. Shoppers have to make a 20% down payment, which is normal for Toys-R-Us, and then pay the full total by mid-December. The free layaway only applies to products like toys and video games, but not clothing, diapers, and holiday related items.
- O9/06/12 Credit card issuers are bringing back an incentive that had all but disappeared during the recession. Introductory interest rates as low as 0% for new customers, with grace periods that run from 6 to 18 months, are popping back up. Market research company IPSOS examined direct-mail credit card solicitations. It found that while in 2009 only 40% teased customers with reduced introductory rates, that figure has risen to 80% this year.
- 09/07/12 More than 50 million Americans couldn't afford to buy food at some point in 2011. That's according to a new report from the Department of Agriculture. The report says children in close to four million homes suffered from "food insecurities" last year, meaning they had to reduce the amount of food they ate.
- 109/07/12 Innovative Trauma Care, Inc. will bring new business and the potential for nearly 100 new jobs and an innovative new medical product to San Antonio. Dennis Filips says San Antonio has the ideal combination of civilian, military Level 1 trauma center, National Trauma Institute Biomed SA. Unlike any other city in the state, San Antonio has formed an economic development corporation which allows them to invest city funds into various businesses. City Manager Sheryl Scully says this particular company brings a lot to the table. It's a partnership with an international company, investing and creating high wage jobs. And she says the goal of the city is to eventually achieve a return on the investment.
- 09/10/12 Friday's Jobs Report from the Labor Department showed employers added only 96,000 jobs in August, a figure that points to the economy's persistent weakness. The price of everything from stocks to mortgage debt rose, a sign of certainty among investors that the Fed will announce further action when its two-day policy meeting ends on Thursday. Some analysts feel the Fed must announce a big stimulus quickly, or risk disappointing the market, potentially setting the stage for a broad selloff.

- O9/10/12 Gas prices are on the rise. In the past two weeks, the cost of gas has jumped nearly eight-cents a gallon. This latest increase is mostly due to Hurricane Isaac and the power outages that caused the refineries to close in the Gulf region. A penny of that increase is a result of the slight rise in crude oil prices. The national average for Regular Unleaded is now at \$3.82. The Texas average is at \$3.65 and the average in San Antonio is at \$3.63.
- O9/11/12 For the first time in nearly a year, consumers have cut their debt in July. To some this is seen as a worrisome sign. Some analysts believe concerns over the economy have Americans less willing to run up debt, or creditors are less willing to approve loans. Credit data can be difficult to interpret because cutting back on debt is not always a bad thing. Consumers might be relying less on credit because they are earning more money.
- O9/11/12 A Career Fair is taking place tomorrow to help military personnel find jobs. It will be held at the Live Oak Civic Center and is open to veterans, active and reserve members, family members and civilian personnel. Over 50 employers will be on hand and classes will be provided during the job fairs to help with resumes and employment prospects.
- A new report by the left-leaning Economic Policy Institute says the wealthiest Americans' net worth is 288 times more than the average household. Net worth counts all assets, including real estate holdings, minus debts. The median household saw its net worth from to \$57,000 in 2010, down from \$73 in 1983. The top 1% on the other hand, saw their average wealth grow to \$16.4 million, up from \$9.6 million in the same time frame. While the wealth and income gaps have been expanding for decades, the report shows that the trend was accelerated during the Great Recession.
- O9/13/12 Sales tax dollars collected across the state, and here at home, continue to go up, almost \$1.5 billion more than predicted. Texas collected over \$24 billion in the 2012 fiscal year, a more than 12% increase over last year. State Comptroller Susan Combs says the increase has to do with the strong oil and gas industry and a strong performance in retail markets. Some lawmakers want to use that extra revenue to restore budget cuts made in 2011.
- 09/14/12 The North East ISD is holding a job fair tomorrow at Harris Middle School from 9AM until 1PM. They need custodians, food service workers, bus drivers and Special Education assistants. The starting pay for all the positions is more than \$9.00 an hour plus benefits. Those interested in applying should do so online before going to the job fair.
- 09/19/12 The Scooter Store announced staffing cuts yesterday. More than 200 employees will be laid off. The company says changes in Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements and claims procedures created the need to cut costs. The company says it will re-work its business model to include other services and supplies and hopes to grow in the future and eventually add jobs back.
- 09/19/12 With college costs on the rise, more young people are beginning to question whether the cost of a four-year degree is worth it. A new stud from Georgetown University says there are at least 29 million jobs for people without four year degrees. At least a million of those jobs are unfilled. These jobs, which range from areas like nursing to the trades, pay middle class wages. The average is \$42,000 a year. There is one catch, most of these jobs still require a person to get some sort of apprenticeship, training or post-secondary certificate.
- 09/20/12 USA Today reports that the housing market is gaining strength as foreclosure sales slow down. Analysts say it's an indication that people are not struggling financially. Existing home sales in August were the strongest since May 2010. Sales rose by 2.3%.
- O9/21/12 Gas prices are starting to come down. AAA Texas says the average in Texas has dropped two-cents from a week ago and it is 20-cents below the national average. The national average is \$3.85 a gallon, in Texas he average is \$3.65. In San Antonio, AAA says the average is \$3.62 a gallon.
- Help could soon be on the way for stay-at-home parents who have been denied credit cards. Right now, the law requires credit card issuers to consider an applicant's individual income instead of household income. As a result, a lot of stay-at-home parents have a hard time getting their own credit cards even if they have perfect credit. So a new rule is expected to be proposed before Congress reconvenes in November to make it easier for people without personal income to qualify for credit cards.
- O9/25/12 Toys-R-Us is hiring 5,000 more holiday workers this year compared to last year. The toy retailer plans to add 45,000 temporary employees nationwide. Toys-R-Us says the extra help will be around through the New Year and possibly lead to full-time employment.
- 09/25/12 Discover Bank has been ordered to refund about \$200 million to more than 3.4 million customers. It's also going to have to pay a \$14 million civil penalty. The investigation by the FDIC and the Consumer Financial

Protection Bureau uncovered deceptive telemarketing and sales tactics used by Discover to mislead customers into paying for various add-on products, like payment protection and credit score tracking. 09/25/12 Retailers plan to hire more seasonal staffers this year as they prepare for an expected increase in sales.

According to outsourcing firm Challenger, Gray and Christmas, seasonal employment will still be below prerecession levels, but we could see seasonal hiring of almost 700,000 workers, up 40,000 compared to last year.

09/26/12 Northeast Lakeview College is hosting a Job and Internship Fair today from 9AM-12:30pm in the Student commons Building. Several employers will be on hand hiring for full time, part-time and seasonal positions. Some are even offering internships to students. Those interested need to take along several copies of their resume and be ready for on-the-spot interviews.

09/27/12 A Career Fair is being held today at the Norris Conference Center hosted by choice Career Fairs. Some of the companies set to be there include Caliber Collision, Prime Source Management, and the Texas

Department of Public Safety. The job fair ends at 2pm today.

09/28/12 The average price of Unleaded gasoline in San Antonio is \$3.55 a gallon. The cheapest gas can be found along the coast in Corpus Christi at \$3.51 a gallon. Doug Shupe, AAA Texas spokesman, says it's too early to say, but some analysts are predicting that drivers in Texas could see gas prices down around \$3.25 by Thanksgiving.

**CRIME**, including increasing crime rate, youth and gang crime, police-community relations, gun control, law enforcement, the criminal justice system, and the prison system (reform and rehabilitation)

## July:

- 07/03/12 Eighty-year-old Kline Fisher Budd is accused of withdrawing Social Security money from his mother's checking account. Budd was co-holder of the joint account with his mother. The problem is, Willie Maw Shaughnesy, his mother, died in 1984. A federal worker uncovered the scheme in 2010. The U.S. Attorney's office in Southeast Texas says Budd had received more than \$231,000 in the account since his mother's death.
- O7/03/12 Three hotels on the city's east side were ordered closed two years ago because of problems with drugs and prostitution. But neighbors say the problems with crime haven't gone away. Chief McManus says his department is aware of the problems and officers, both plainclothes and uniformed are working the area hard. He says Vice has been heavily at work in the area and there have been well over 300 enforcement actions taken in and around that area. But resident Carlos Reyes feels like more could be and needs to be done.
- O7/05/12 San Antonio police arrested 45-year-old Christopher Hintz and charged with online solicitation of a minor. Detectives said he was communicating with someone online whom he thought was younger than 15 and soliciting sex. Hintz reportedly is a member of the U.S. military, but it was not immediately clear which branch he belongs to.
- O7/05/12 Three people are being questioned in South Texas in connection with the shooting of an ICE agent in Hidalgo County on Tuesday. Hidalgo County authorities aren't saying exactly where the three fit into the investigation of the shooting that wounded Kelton Harrison. The Sheriff only says investigators have strong leads and are moving quickly. Deputies say Harrison was shot during surveillance near Hargill. He's listed in stable condition.
- 07/05/12 Officials with the Department of Homeland Security say they received 198 reports of suspected cyber security threats in 2011, up from only 41 in 2010 and just 9 in 2009. The number is up significantly in companies that control U.S. infrastructure like power grids, water filtration plants, and nuclear facilities.
- O7/05/12 Some San Antonio neighborhoods used the Fourth of July holiday to make their communities a safer place to live. Neighborhood associations have been popping up from Stone Oak to the east side. The purpose is simple, know your neighbors through meetings, emails, Facebook, whatever it takes.
- O7/16/12 State investigators believe they have arrested the mastermind in a fraud operation involving phony IDs and bogus checks. Victor Roberson, 46, was taken into custody on Sunday on a list of charges including fraud and forgery. In an arrest warrant affidavit, a Texas Ranger stated that a Kimble County sheriff's deputy stopped a vehicle in which several people were riding. During the traffic stop, the deputy obtained permission to search the vehicle and found a manila envelope containing several temporary drivers' licenses and a stack of checks. The licenses bore several different names but all had the same picture of a woman who was a passenger in the car. The deputy questioned the woman and she told him Roberson had printed the temporary licenses and checks on his computer printer. She said he also told her where to go to cash the checks. The woman had an outstanding warrant for forgery in Harris County and was taken into custody.
- O7/18/12 A home along Mai Kai Road was raided by Bexar county Narcotics deputies in January. They arrested a man and found a lot of drugs he allegedly sold right in his front yard. Neighbors say they thought something was going on but did not report their suspicions. Lt. Darrell Sanders, with the Bexar County Sheriff's office, says once you notice something suspicious going on speak up, call the Bexar County tip line with as much information as you can provide.
- O7/19/12 Two teenagers are in jail today after they were caught allegedly vandalizing several buildings. At around 2:30am, a taxi driver spotted two 15-year-olds tagging the door of a Dollar Store in the 2500 block of Broadway. The driver tried to stop them but they ignored him and took off. The teens would end up tagging four other buildings and a utility pole before police were able to catch them. They will be charged with criminal mischief.
- O7/19/12 Police have made an arrest in a cold case murder from 2005. The victim was 25-year-old Janiece Vitek. She was found dead inside her Stone Oak apartment and her rented Toyota Camry stolen. Yesterday, a Bexar County grand jury indicted 39-year-old Anthony Panza for the crime. Vitek was a sales associate for

- KB Homes. Police say Panza and his girlfriend had contacted Vitek to buy a home. After her death, Panza was found to be in possession of Viek's car and her laptop. Panza is already in jail serving a 20-year sentence on an unrelated charge.
- O7/20/12 Sylvia Guerra was accused of neglecting puppies that were eventually put down. The pair were among more than 30 dogs found in what was said to be filthy conditions without adequate food and water. A jury today disagreed with the prosecutor's argument and acquitted Guerra. Guerra once ran an operation called Adorable Petz and was the subject of a Defenders investigation.
- 07/20/12 Closing arguments will take place in the morning in the court martial of an Air force drill instructor. Staff Sergeant Luis Walker is accused of raping and aggravated sexual assault in a sex scandal involving female trainees at Lackland Air Force Base. Nine trainees testified during the trial, accounting what they say was misconduct with Staff Sergeant Walker. If convicted, Walker faces life in prison.
- O7/25/12 Twenty-year-old Antonio Valdez is charged with aggravated sexual assault of a child. The child is a 13-year-old girl from Oregon who Valdez says he met on the internet. The affidavit says he and the girl went to Police on Saturday and he told them he wanted to clear things up. Police say Valdez told them the girl recently moved to San Antonio with her mother and they began having a sexual relationship. Police say he also admitted to exchanging nude pictures with the 13-year-old.
- O7/25/12 Austin is trying to install cameras in the downtown area as a deterrent for late night crime. Those cameras are part of a plan to make the "Sixth Street entertainment district" safer, including more lights and brighter lamps. Last weekend, four people were shot outside a bar. Police know where the problem is and when it's happening.
- 07/26/12 The truck loaded with 23 illegal immigrants that crashed this week near Goliad, killing 15, is among the pick-ups most commonly stolen in Texas. However, DPS reports that this Ford F-250 extended cab actually was not stolen. It had been purchased two days earlier. We're told typically third-party buyers turn over the vehicles to smugglers or they are simply stolen from major cities like San Antonio. If you own a Ford F-250, San Antonio Police recommend keeping the truck's information handy, the license plate and VIN numbers.
- O7/26/12 Homeowners Mike Samuel and his wife are taking steps to make sure they never are victims of burglars. They used a basic home security survey; a free service offered by the San Antonio Police Department that many homeowners don't even know exists.
- 07/27/12 It's praise and worship through music as dozens of musical groups took to the stage this evening for the first-ever "Praise in the Hood" event. Organizers with the Trinity Baptist Church say they initially started planning the event for the children of their church, but in an effort to combat crime and violence in their community, they decided to open their doors to everyone. These church members are hoping to show those who now live a life of crime and violence that there's more than life than that.
- 07/31/12 Border Patrol agents at the Laredo Port of Entry made an unusual seizure earlier this month, two priceless artifacts from Egypt. Agents say they found two sarcophagi-type artifacts among a shipment at the World Trade Bridge on July 9. The artifacts were among a shipment manifested as Egyptian sculptures.

- O8/02/12 Four people are in jail after a police chase overnight. At 1am, police noticed a suspected drunk driver near Castroville Road and Highway 90. The driver would not pull over and chase ensued. The suspect ended up losing control of the car and hit a tree on Sacramento and Catalina. Two men and two women in the car all fled the scene after the crash. Police were able to catch them all. j The driver is facing charges of possession of a stolen car, evading arrest and a possible DWI charge. One of the other passengers had a warrant and the exact charges for the other two occupants have not been released.
- O8/02/12 After searching for a hit and run driver for more than six months, San Antonio police finally caught up to the man they believed killed a man in the parking lot of the Falls Nightclub on Bitters Road. Thirty-five-year-old Christopher John Cerna has been charged with the murder in connection with the death of 24-year-old Miguel Alonzo. Witnesses say Cerna ran over Alonzo when he tried to confront Cerna about clipping a friend with his SUV a few minutes earlier.
- O8/02/12 A record number of people are being deported from the San Antonio ICE office and that number is only growing. So far this year, the ICE office has deported 68,000 people and 99% of them fall under the ICE priorities, meaning those being sent to Mexico are convicted criminals, recent border entrants and are immigration fugitives. The local field office is the largest field office in the nation and has led the removals in recent years.

- O8/02/12 Thirty-three-year-old Technical Sgt. Christopher Smith is accused of crossing the line with two female trainees, both of them testifying in court on Wednesday. They claim he allegedly took them off base in his personal vehicle and took them to a home off base. At that house, Smith and the two trainees allegedly met up with another instructor and alcohol was offered. The prosecution says Smith and one of the trainees then went into a bedroom when he touched her leg and kissed her neck. But she refused his advances. Trainees and trainers cannot have any sort of personal relationship, whether that be a sexual relationship or friendship or texting or emailing. Smith is one of 15 Lackland AFB instructors accused in a large sex scandal. Two have already been convicted and sentenced.
- O8/03/12 Police say a driver took off the wrong way on Loop 410 after an officer found him napping behind the wheel at a stop light. This all started at 11:30pm at Loop 410 and Medina Base Road. The driver was headed in the wrong direction while officers tried to catch him. Another car on the highway got into an accident while trying to swerve and miss the wrong way driver. The driver came to a stop between Palo Alto and Somerset Road. When police approached his car, he refused to open the windows. That's when officers had to break the window to get him out. The 30-year-old man is facing several charges including DWI.
- 08/03/12 Two UTSA football players have teen kicked off the team after being arrested for aggravated robbery. Twenty-one-year-old Adefemi Adekeye and Toyin Dada, also 21, were arrested on Wednesday by SAPD for their alleged involvement in a drug deal. It later turned into a standoff at an apartment complex near the school.
- O8/05/12 Police say two people were arrested and another one is still on the loose after the trio fled from officers. It all started on the far west side yesterday. Police say the three people took off in a black car, fleeing from Homeland Security agents. The car ended up crashing at the corner of Horal and Bertetti. The police helicopter was launched to help search for the suspects.
- On Friday, KSAT spoke exclusively with the man who claimed to have made last week's bomb threat to San Antonio International Airport. A man who calls himself Raul Gonzalez contacted the KSAT 12 Newsroom lat Friday to give us his side of the story. He also contacted Chief McManus the day before. The bomb threat shut down the airport for more than three hours last week as FBI, Homeland Security, TSA, San Antonio Police and Fire officials investigated claims of three bombs being placed in cars in the airport's lower parking garage. Police are asking the man to turn himself in.
- Days after last week's disruptive bomb hoax at San Antonio International Airport, SAPD say the same caller may have been responsible for yesterday's evacuation of a hotel in the heart of downtown San Antonio. Police say the call came in to the Sheraton Gunther Hotel just before noon claiming a bomb would explode within the hour. However, police say a thorough search of the hotel turned up nothing.
- O8/07/12 Broken glass is what car burglars left when they tried to take Carlos Alonzo's car stereo. He says his pickup came under attack overnight outside his home on Hoovers Bend. He doesn't want swept aside what is happening in his Bowens Crossing subdivision. He and his neighbors say they're being hit by crime and getting little help from police. According to residents of the subdivision, just about every home has been affected by crime. They're frustrated by what they see as a lack of police attention. Records show officers have answered 47 calls here in the past year. Police say they have a unit of "SAFE" officers who handle neighborhood crime and the best way to get help is to contact them to do a courtesy patrol.
- O8/08/12 Police have arrested 25-year-old Freddy Perryman who's accused of preying upon a teenage runaway. They say he attacked a 14-year-old at an east side motel in May. The girl told police she was staying in a motel on W.W. White Road by herself after she ran away from home. She says a stranger forced his way into her room, punched her in the face, and tried to rape her. She was able to fight him off but the man broke her nose. Police arrested Perryman based on the description the girl gave. He's charged with sexual assault of a child and injury to a child.
- O8/09/12 Police are looking for a fugitive who they say is violating parole. Twenty-nine-year-old Perry Lyons is wanted for check forgery and tampering with a government record. He's six-foot two-inches and weighs 165 pounds. Crime Stoppers will pay a reward of up to \$5,000 for information that leads to the arrest of Perry Lyons.
- 08/09/12 Kevin Rowe accidentally shot himself in the hand yesterday and someone inside his house called 911. But Rowe didn't want Police to come to his house so he left and ended up at a fire station a few blocks away on O'Connor Road. They treated him there but the damage was already done. While he was being driven away in an ambulance, police were knocking on his front door. They were let in by someone at the house and given permission to search. Police found a lot of illegal things... meth, stuff to make meth, pot. But it

- was a few other items like checks, stuff to make checks, fake IDs and an illegal weapon that got ATF and the Secret Service involved. Rowe has been arrested before for ID tampering to possession.
- 08/09/12 Residents who live near the Haven for Hope campus are hoping a meeting with city leaders tonight will be the help they need to solve some long standing problems. The residents say they've seen an increase in crime and other problems since the campus opened. The city says they can't arrest the problem away.
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- O8/13/12 Police are trying to track down the driver of an 18-wheeler that hit and killed a man before taking off from the scene. Police say the 18-wheeler was headed down Loop 410 near Roosevelt Avenue early Sunday when it hit a man that was trying to cross the highway. That man died at the scene. Officers believe that 18-wheeler may have been stolen.
- O8/13/12 Police say 72-year-old Billy Joe Tucker is facing indecency with a child charges after he admitted to inappropriately touching an 11-year-old girl. Tucker admitted to the abuse to the girl's father. The girl also told he mother that Tucker had touched her inappropriately and that the abuse had been going on for four years.
- Police are investigating another murder, this one on Nacogdoches near O'Connor Road. Police say just before midnight a 27-year-old man was shot in the head after he was run over. Police are questioning a man that was with the victim. Police say that two other men were seen jumping into a white pickup truck headed north on Nacogdoches. They believe this shooting may be gang or drug related.
- An exotic dancer is in court today denying charges that she starved her two little girls. Twenty-two-year-old Kayela McClintick was show pictures of her two and six-year-old daughters. Both appeared malnourished, dehydrated and gaunt according to Child Protective Services. McClintick, her boyfriend 30-year-old Jeremiah Coleman and Joann Brown, a live-in babysitter, were arrested and are facing injury to a child charges. As part of the hearing, the State is seeking temporary custody of the children.
- A two week investigation into charges of wrong-doing in the South San ISD Police Department was brought before the Board of Trustees last night. New Superintendent Becky Robinson briefed the Board in closed session on the details of the investigation. Robinson and her staff had been looking into charges of sexual harassment within the police department and uncovered other accusations that officers falsified reports and used district gas cards for personal use. Robinson says she is about to close the investigation. An officer who was suspended after the allegations of harassment will be reinstated.
- Mowing that vacant lot next door won't just make your yard look better it could reduce crime. Researchers at the University of Pennsylvania found that transforming vacant lots into clean green spaces makes it more difficult for people to hide illegal guns in the area. It also makes it harder to do other illegal activities there, like drug deals.
- The Fourth Court of Appeals has affirmed the convictions of a former San Antonio police officer who is serving time for an accident that killed another police officer and seriously injured another man. Officer David Seaton was convicted in November 2010 on charges of manslaughter and aggravated assault by a public servant. In November 2008, Seaton was speeding to a shoplifting call when he hit a car then Officer Robert Davis who was clearing the scene from a previous accident. Davis died at the hospital. Seaton is serving 15 years for Davis' death and 10 years for injuring the other driver.
- O8/18/12 Police say a woman who fought back after a man tried to steal her phone helped uncover a Craigslist phone scam. Twenty-five-year-old James Williams is facing robbery charges. The woman told police Williams grabbed her phone and took off as she sat on a bench at North Star Mall. She and a friend chased him down and tackled him. Police say Williams pulled out a gun, but it was knocked out of his hand. When police arrived to arrest him, investigators say they discovered he was connected to a rash of Craigslist scams.
- O8/18/12 Police Chief William McManus and District Attorney Susan Reed are joining forces to try to halt drug trafficking and gang violence in an eastside neighborhood. DA Susan Reed has obtained an injunction targeting 16 known gang members. This prohibits them from associating with other gang members in the Wheatley Courts neighborhood.

- 08/20/12 Two men are in jail this morning after they were caught tagging overnight. At around midnight, an SAPD officer noticed a man spray painting a traffic control box in the 9600 block of San Pedro. The suspect then got into a car and drove off. The officer followed the two men and later caught them about a block away. The other man admitted they were tagging. Both males are believed to be in the twenties.
- O8/22/12 The Drug Enforcement Agency made 12 arrests as part of an enforcement action called "Operation Redwood." The operation was conducted across the country. The DEA released some details about the operation saying leadership of an organization based here in San Antonio was among those arrested. They also seized one kilo of cocaine, 760 pounds of marijuana plants, and at least \$800,000 in assets.
- Nineteen-year-old Amber Robbins lost her life last December when her SUV was t-boned by a pickup truck near Highway 46 and Kingsbury Road. The truck's driver, 21-year-old Cody Lorenz, became a murder suspect. Investigators say it was his third offense for driving drunk and he had a suspended license. Now it's Lorenz who has been injured. A Department of Public Safety report shows he was one of three passengers in a truck that slammed into a tree on Schuenemann Road on Saturday night. Lorenz is still set to go to trial in his case in October.
- Dianna Barrera's husband Manuel was attacked by robbers in 2008. He fought back and was shot and killed. The shooting was random, the hardest crime to solve. But new finger-printing technology caught a grimy print from the scene and led police to make three arrests. The AFIS system used to solve Barrera's murder made a bad print readable, previously impossible. New technology like this is becoming standard. Local law enforcement is also looking into facial recognition software.
- O8/23/12 Police have accused 31-year-old Christina Smelser of being one-half of a duo involved in a check counterfeiting ring. Smelser, along with her boyfriend, is suspected of cashing a number of counterfeit checks. The affidavit stated that the checks had been printed up with legitimate bank account numbers but fictitious names on them.
- O8/23/12 An 18-month investigation paid off this week for the local Drug Enforcement Administration office after breaking up a multi-million dollar drug ring. During the bust they confiscated 760-pounds of marijuana, 800 pot plants, \$800,000 in assets, and one-kilogram of cocaine. A total of 12 people were arrested on Tuesday by the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force.
- O8/24/12 Some postings on Facebook have landed two Alamo Heights High School students in a lot of trouble. They're accused of making terroristic threats. The affidavit shows another student saw the posts and reported them to police saying that 17-year-old Matthew Murray and 18-year-old Marshall Judson were making threats and a video reenactment of the Columbine shooting. Both are in jail.
- A local attorney is on the other side of the law indicted on almost 50 different counts as part of an alleged "fee voucher" scam. Lawyer Hilda Valadez was indicted by a Bexar County Grand Jury. She faces charges of forgery, tampering with governmental records and theft by deception, among other charges. An investigation began when court staff found inconsistencies in the "fee vouchers." The vouchers are submitted by court-appointed attorneys that represent people who can't afford a lawyer.
- O8/29/12 Forty-four-year-old Herlinda Trigo has been indicted by a grand jury and charged with cruelty to non-livestock animals. Trigo is accused of dragging a dog behind her pickup truck, snapping its neck, then dumping the dog at Fortuna and 36th Street. She faces up to 2 to 20 years in prison because of a previous conviction.
- 08/29/12 at 4:30am today, a police officer saw 26-year-old Lisa Marie Martinez run a red light at the intersection of Fredericksburg and Wurzbach. When the officer pulled her over, he noticed a strong smell of alcohol on her breath and slurred speech. According to the police report, while the officer arrested her, Martinez said she had to go home and take her two kids to school. Dispatchers sent another officer to Martinez's home to check on the kids. When that officer arrived, he found Martinez left her nine-year-old and four-year-old home alone. Martinez now faces charges of driving while intoxicated and child abandonment.

O9/04/12 Around 3:00AM today, San Antonio Police say an intruder broke into an apartment at Lincoln Village. An officer was inside the apartment with his friends. the alleged intruder was trying to get in when the Poteet police officer shot him once in the head. San Antonio Police say there's no reason to think the off-duty officer was targeted. It appears the apartment was randomly picked for the break-in. San Antonio Police are investigating like they would any other fatal shooting, questioning the police officer and his friends.

- O9/04/12 Some quick work by SAPD officers lands a couple of stolen car suspects in jail this morning. Around 9:30pm last night, police received a call for a stolen vehicle from North Star Mall. About an hour later, a police officer spotted the car on Blanco Road and eventually got the suspects to stop. The driver, who's in his 20s, was charged with possession of a stolen car. Police say he had a handbag with car burglary tools inside. A female passenger was taken into custody and another passenger was later released by police.
- The process called "geo-tracking," a series of simple steps that allows people to extract location data embedded in online pictures, could allow someone to track your movements simply by downloading the photos you post on social media accounts. That data contains GPS coordinates that record where the photo was taken. A simple Google search with the coordinates can easily pull up the location. There is a way to protect yourself, according to cyber-security expert Kevin Kjosa, who works at UTSA. Simply go into the settings on your phone and look for something that says "location-services" or something similar and turn that feature off. Certain websites like Twitter have policies that strip that date to any photo uploaded to its site, if it hasn't been done so already.
- O9/06/12 A Corrections Officer is in critical condition after he was reportedly attacked by an inmate in a southeast Texas prison. Prison officials say the attack happened at the Mark Stiles Unit in Beaumont. According to the Department of Criminal Justice, 42-year-old Rey Barrera was segregated, when he somehow got out of his cell and attacked the guard. Barrera is in prison for murder, attempted murder, robbery, and aggravated assault in El Paso County. He is expected to face additional charges in the guard attack.
- O9/11/12 Thanks to a grant funded study, nearly a dozen groups in a westside sector have come together to end a growing sense of hopelessness among residents when it comes to crime. The area they're focusing on tonight is bordered by Culebra on the north, 24th Street on the West, Colorado on the east, and Martin on the south. It's a densely populated area with 15,000 residents that is tough to compare to other nearby areas. Neighborhood leaders say they want to build a partnership with the Police Department.
- Offices say a 20-year-old suspect met up with a man supposedly to buy a television. But instead of taking out cash, police say he pulled a gun and stole the victim's money and his truck. A witness was able to get the license plate number of the man's accomplice and tracked that vehicle to a nearby apartment complex. After a short chase, the carjacking suspect crashed the stolen truck and was arrested.
- Mexican authorities say they have extradited a founding member of the brutal Zetas drug cartel, suspected of involvement in the killing of a U.S. Customs Agent. Jesus Enrique Rejon Aguilar was turned over to U.S. authorities to face drug trafficking charges in Washington. Rejon is identified as third in command of the Zetas. Mexican authorities say he was the leader of a Zetas cell accused of fatally shooting Agent Jaime Zapata and wounding fellow Agent Victor Avila last year while they drove on a highway in San Luis Potosi State.
- Police Chief Bill McManus is proud of the cooperation he's seen between his officers on the streets and the residents they are sworn to protect. The collaborative effort is paying off. The Chief says arrests are up 16%, narcotics charges are up 23% and they've seen a 160% increase in gang arrests. San Antonio now has one of the lowest rates of violent crimes among major U.S. cities. KSAT Crime Specialist, Eddie Gonzales is impressed with the stats touted in the Chief's E-blast. The retired SAPD detective says it shows the importance of citizens partnering with the police department. Gonzales says neighborhood Crime Watch programs are a good start. He also recommends citizens getting involved with their HOAs so they know what's going on in their community.
- O9/12/12 Gilbert De La Portilla has felt crime's impact firsthand. Back in 1979 he and his partner tried to arrest a drug addict when his knee was hit by a bullet. The young officer went on to do a lot. He did undercover work in the 1980s, and did extensive training as a 20 veteran of the SWAT TEAM. But it was a Sergeant in the mid-90s who steered him down a different path. He enjoyed talking to people so he focused his efforts on educating people on crime, joining the Alamo Area Crime Prevention Association, a group he's still involved with today. He trains other officers state-wide on how to teach prevention, but says it's ordinary people that really hold the power. Now De La Portilla can be seen on KSAT newscasts as he'll start sharing with us what he knows in an effort to help viewers keep their families safe.
- O9/14/12 San Antonio Police are investigating an officer involved shooting on the northeast side that has left one man dead. The shooting happened at a hotel in the 1100 block of I-35 North just north of Weidner Road Officers got a call that a woman was being held against her will in one of the rooms.
- 09/18/12 A woman who makes loans for a living is accused of making an unauthorized loan to herself from a client's bank account.

- One hundred thirty-two inmates are still on the loose this morning after escaping a prison in Piedras Negras, just across the border from Eagle Pass. The escape happened yesterday afternoon. The Piedras Negras paper, Zocolo Saltillo, is reporting the convicts had escaped through a tunnel dug in the carpentry section of the prison. The prison has a mix of federal convicts and lesser criminals. U.S. authorities have been alerted to help capture some of the prisoners if they try to escape across the border. The Associated Press is reporting that the director of the prison and two other staff members are being detained for questioning.
- O9/18/12 Since March of this year, Kerr County has seen a rash of home burglaries, more than 30, which Sheriff Rusty Hierholzer says is about double what he sees in a normal year. On Friday, Sheriff's Deputies arrested two men they believe are responsible for several of those burglaries, 24-year-olf Mark Mendez and 25-year-old Paul Roe. They also recovered a pile of jewelry and other items.
- A former teacher in New Braunfels, accused of an improper sexual relationship with a student, has turned himself in to police. Forty-four-year-old Leaon Sneed was released by the Bexar County Jail last night. Sneed is accused of having a sexual relationship with a female student at New Braunfels Christian Academy last year. They say he confessed to the crime and was going to turn himself in last week. When he didn't, police considered him a fugitive. The case will now be forwarded to the Comal County District Attorney's office.
- 09/19/12 Twelve people remain in federal custody after a massive human smuggling bust by Immigration and Customs Enforcement. A nine-count indictment charges 20 people in our area with conspiring to transport and harbor undocumented illegal immigrants for financial gain. Court documents say the defendants used stolen vehicles to transport more than 100 illegal immigrants from Laredo to staging areas in San Antonio.
- An arrest affidavit says police were able to use a phone number and some online information to figure out that 21-year-old Mary Elizabeth Torres was the suspect they had been looking for. Police say she put an ad for a Toyota Celica on Craigslist, and then met with an interested buyer earlier this month, finally agreeing to sell the car for \$2,300. The victim told detectives that after he handed over \$2,000 of that to Torres she promised to give him the car title but pulled a fast one. He says she told him she had to get something from the car then sped off with his cash, leaving him standing on the street.
- Nearly one-third of all white collar crime in our city happens to our oldest citizens. Senior citizens are being ripped off, often by those closest to them and it's not just financial. Crimes against the elderly range from simple theft, physical abuse, and worse. The city has started a program to attack back and educate the public.
- O9/21/12 Federal authorities have charged six people with conspiracy to distribute more than 1,200 kilograms of marijuana. Authorities say 30-year-old David Rodriguez was driving an SUV that caused an accident on Shepherd Road that killed and young boy. Officers found 420 pounds of marijuana inside. J they also checked out some property in East Bexar County where they found more than 2,300 pounds of marijuana. Also charged in this case is 40-year-old John Salinas of von Ormy, the owner of the property, 27-year-old Michael Gomez, 28-year-old Brock Lassiter, and 28-year-pld Josephy Whitley. All are in custody tonight.
- O9/26/12 Police say a man responsible for seven robberies is in jail this morning. They say at the crimes happened over a two week period, and last night the Robbery Task Force caught up to him. It turns out police had their sights on 25-year-old Derrick Johnson for quite some time. Yesterday morning police got a lead on him after he allegedly robbed a Family Dollar Store on thousand Oaks. Johnson has only been charged on three of the seven robberies, but more charges could follow.
- D9/26/12 Bandera County Sheriff's Deputies are on the lookout for a "person of interest" who they say is connected to 30 different burglaries. Sheriff Deputies believe Blake Wade Haggerton may have information about those crimes and additional burglaries. Haggerton is wanted on bond forfeiture and felony theft charges in Kerr County and various offenses in other counties including speeding, reckless driving, credit or debit card abuse, theft and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- O9/27/12 The U.S. Supreme Court could speed up the "no refusal" process for suspected drunk drivers if it rules search warrants aren't needed to draw their blood. The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear a Missouri case and the outcome may affect what is already being done in Bexar County.
- Operation: Polar Bexar, a multi-agency crackdown on prostitution in a westside neighborhood, has led to the arrests of 64 people, most of them men, according to Bexar County Sheriff Amadeo Ortiz. The Sheriff, SAPD Police Chief Bill McManus and other state and federal agents and representatives announced the results during a news conference on Friday morning. The effort focused on a stretch of Zarzamora Street from W. Commerce and W. Martin streets and mostly targeted customers of prostitutes. In a nine-hour period last Friday night, 62 men and two women ended up in handcuffs, all facing charges of prostitution.

Local law enforcement agencies had received numerous complaints about prostitution from people who live the targeted area. But he said the problem is everywhere and often involves other crimes, such as human trafficking. Of the 64 that were arrested, 17 of those individuals were here illegally said Jerry Robinette, special agent in charge with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Chief William McManus called the effort a "great first step," but said the crackdowns must continue, and that people within the community must also get involved in stopping and preventing prostitution.

<u>GOVERNMENT (Local/National)</u>, including government spending, the provision of government services, military bases, taxes, general political debate by officials and candidates.

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- 07/02/12 The U.S. Postal Service will begin closing and consolidating mail processing plants as early as this week. A last minute effort by the Postal Workers' Union to stop the plan failed on Friday. Some 48 plants nationwide will be impacted over the next two months. The Postal Service lost more than \$5 billion last year.
- 07/03/12 Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison says she believes Congressional hearings into the scandal involving trainee instructors at Lackland AFB are appropriate. A dozen male instructors are under investigation for allegations of sexual misconduct and sexual assault of at least 31 female victims.
- 07/05/12 Fortunately for Bexar County firefighters the use of fireworks has been banned. In the past, wild fires caused by careless fireworks usage have put a major strain on the budgets of small volunteer fire departments.
- 07/06/12 According to a report put out by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Texas rated weak or very weak in the 9 of 12 categories. The only area where the report says the State did well was in maternal and child healthcare measures. More than 25% of Texans do not have health insurance, the highest in the country.
- 07/09/12 Today, President Obama will ask for a one year extension to the Bush tax cuts for individuals making less than \$250,000 a year, while allowing cuts for those earning above that level to expire at the end of the year.
- 07/10/12 Governor Rick Perry is calling Medicaid a failure as he defends his decision to oppose any expansion of the program as part of the national healthcare overhaul. Perry says Texas won't participate in the expansion or create a healthcare exchange required by the law.
- 07/10/12 The San Antonio Border Patrol station is one of nine across the country that will be closing its doors in the next six months as part of an effort to move agents closer to the borders. According to a spokesman for U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the closings will save the Border Patrols \$1.3 million.
- O7/10/12 Testimony is underway in Washington to see if Texas' new Voter ID Bill violates the Federal Voting Rights Act. The state says Democrats do not realize that voters are those pushing for the law and that the Texas bill is similar to those in other state that have cleared legal challenges. The Justice Department argues that nearly 1.5 million voters in Texas lack the appropriate identification. The trial is expected to last a week.
- 07/10/12 The U.S. House of Representatives are arguing a new repeal bill for President Obama's Healthcare Law, leading up to tomorrow's vote. The White House has issued a veto threat for that new bill. The Obama Administration says the repeal would cost millions of American families the security of affordable health coverage.
- 07/12/12 The Bexar County Tax Assessor is now taking action on those who have unpaid taxes for 2011. Those who have ignored the tax obligations are now subject to possible foreclosure, tax seizure, or other legal consequences to get taxes paid. Bexar County's collection rates this year are at an all time high, but there remains millions in unpaid taxes.
- O7/13/12 State Representative Lyle Larson wants to change the way VIA operate from the inside, an 11 member Board of Trustees, appointed by members of the City Council, Commissioners Court, and other members of local governments. Larson says he's concerned over the money VIA and the Advanced Transportation District is spending, like \$240 million on a downtown transit project that he says no one really voted on.
- 07/16/12 Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson says the decision to allow alcohol on the grounds of the Alamo wasn't about making money, it was about opening up the Alamo to more people. He says in the past, not allowing caterers to serve alcohol at after-hours events at Alamo Hall was something that did turn people away. But while Alamo Hall and its patio are not within the original boundaries, the Daughters of the Republic o Texas still don't believe alcohol should be permitted there.
- 07/16/12 This race for the White House is shaping up to be a photo finish. When voters head to the polls in November, one issue will matter above all else, the economy. Most people assume this is a national race but in the end, it will come down to just a few swing states. CNN estimates there are seven states up for grabs, and that total 85 electoral votes. Today, unemployment stands at 8.2%.
- 07/17/12 The general court-martial began today of a military instructor at Lackland AFB. He is facing multiple charges including rape and improper sexual contact with 10 female basic training students. The first day was punctuated with pre-trial warm-up to what may be a very dramatic sex scandal trial.

- Mitt Romney is in Pennsylvania today trying to shift political attention away from his career and tax returns, and he's doing it with a fresh assault on President Obama's record. Romney is campaigning in the Pittsburgh area stepping up his criticism of the President in a state that has proven to be a tough Presidential battleground for the Republican Party. He's accusing President Obama of appointing friends to high level posts regardless of whether they're qualified.
- O7/17/12 Governor Perry released a statement on the President's trip to Texas. He said, "Perhaps while the President is visiting Texas he can take a break from big-dollar fundraisers to disavow his Attorney General's offensive and incendiary comments regarding our common sense voter identification law. In labeling he Texas Voter ID Law as a "poll tax," Eric Holder purposefully used language designed to inflame passions and incite racial tension. It was not only inappropriate, but simply incorrect on its face. The President should apologize for Holder's imprudent remarks and for his insulting lawsuit against the People of Texas."
- O7/18/12 Chanting "Four more years," up to 1,300 supporters made it unanimous hearing President Obama describe what's at the heart of the nation's economy. The President said, "When middle class folks are doing well and those striving to get into the middle class are doing well, everybody does well."
- O7/20/12 The Maruchan Company, which is planning to bring a ramen noodle plant to San Antonio, will not be seeking tax incentives after all according to COPS and Metro Alliance, who this afternoon released a statement applauding the decision. The groups say it is a mistake to offer public subsidies when most of the jobs were paying minimum wage. The Maruchan Company plans to bring a manufacturing plant to southwest Bexar County in 2014.
- 07/23/12 Early voting starts today for some key runoff elections. The signature race is for the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate seat. Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst is up against Tea Party favorite and former State Solicitor General Ted Cruz. Eleven U.S. House nominees for the general election are still up for grabs, representing six Democratic and five GOP spots.
- O7/26/12 Parks and forests across Texas could soon be "sponsored." Much of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is still rebuilding after last year's wildfires, drought, and continued budget cuts. The agency says there are plans to use the official department logo in conjunction with companies to bring in much needed cash. They weren't clear on what kind of businesses they would be seeking. Much of the Parks Department's revenue this year went to rebuilding Bastrop State Park, 90% of which was destroyed in wildfires last year.
- O7/26/12 The U.S. Senate has approved a Democratic bill that would renew tax cuts next year for all but the highest earning Americans. The 51 to 48 vote yesterday fell along party lines, extending the Bush era tax cuts for 98% of Americans and small business owners. People making more than \$200,000 a year won't get those reductions. The bill is now in the hands of the Republican dominated Congress, who want the extension for all tax payers.
- O7/26/12 Turnout for Primary runoff elections has traditionally been anemic, but this year, turnout is way up. On the first day of early voting, almost 6,500 people voted. On the second day, 7,600 people cast their votes. The turnout has been heaviest in northern precinct and heavy on the Republican ticket. GOP participation is ahead by a three to one margin.
- O7/31/12 The Democratic Party has chosen San Antonio Mayor Julian Castro to deliver the keynote address at the Democratic National convention. The Party says Mayor Castro will be the first Hispanic keynote speaker at the DNC. President Obama needs significant support from Hispanic voters if he's going to defeat Republican rival Mitt Romney. Castro will speak on opening night, September 4.
- 07/31/12 Republicans David Dewhurst and Ted Cruz are looking to fill outgoing U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison's seat. Democrats Ciro Rodriguez and Pete Gallego are looking for a chance to take on Republican Francisco "Quico" Canseco. In Bexar County, Sheriff Amadeo Ortiz is up against challenger Andy Lopez. The polls are open until 7pm tonight.

## August:

O8/01/12 Congress announced a deal on Tuesday that will fund the Federal Government for six months. It would eliminate the possibility of a government shutdown prior to the Presidential election. Current funding for federal agencies is set to expire at the end of September. This continuing resolution would cover the budget with more than a trillion dollars through March 2013. That would spare both parties another spending fight ahead of the November elections.

- 08/01/12 Thanks to the Affordable Care Act, 47-million American women will have access to free FDA approved contraceptives. It's one of eight so-called "Well Woman" benefits that insurance companies are now required to provide for free because of the law. The Supreme Court upheld President Obama's Healthcare Law in June. Republicans are still trying to repeal it.
- 08/01/12 The U.S. Postal Service is likely to default on a big bill today if it doesn't get some help from Congress. It owes more than \$5 billion in healthcare pre-payments. The government requires USPS to pre-fund benefits for future retirees. Postal officials say they're bracing for default on this payment, as well as the one due at the end of September. However, it won't impact employee pay or mail delivery. Right now, the USPS is operating on a loan from the U.S. Treasury.
- 08/01/12 Former Solicitor General Ted Cruz is crediting the Tea Party for his upset win over Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst to secure the GOP nomination in the race for Senate. Cruz will face Democratic nominee Paul Sadler in November. The winner will take the seat being vacated by Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison.
- Unemployment rates rose in nearly 90% of large U.S. cities in June, partly because many young people graduated from school with no firm job prospects. Many of the cities with significant increases in their rates have large universities where students have begun searching for jobs in recent months. Nationwide, the unemployment rate was 8.2% in June for the second straight month. Employers added only 80,000 jobs, the third straight month of weak gains. The government will issue July's Jobs Report on Friday.
- Democrats and Republicans say they agree on one thing, extending lower tax rates for middle-income Americans. How to do that is clearly up for debate. On Wednesday, the U.S. House passed the Republican Plan to maintain the Bush era tax cuts for all Americans. That vote negated the Democrat-backed and Senate-approved version that kept tax cuts only for people making under \$200,000 a year. Normally, a Congressional Conference Committee would negotiate a compromise to this Congressional stalemate, but the November election has likely put a hold on that.
- O8/02/12 Thirty-three-year-old Technical Sgt. Christopher Smith is accused of crossing the line with two female trainees, both of them are testifying in court Wednesday. He's accused of allegedly taking the two female trainees off base in his personal vehicle to a home. Once there, Smith, the two trainees allegedly met up with another instructor and alcohol was offered and sexual advances were made. Trainees and trainers cannot have any sort of personal relationship, whether that be a sexual relationship or friendship or texting or emailing. Smith is one of 15 Lackland AFB instructors accused in large sex scandal at Lackland. Two trainers have already been convicted and sentenced.
- 08/03/12 While the same-sex community if fighting for the right to marry, the government has boosted immigration rights for those in same sex relationships. Homeland Security announced Friday that if a foreigner is part of a long-term gay couple, it could help stave off deportation. The policy only states that couples would be considered for a green card based on circumstances. There is no official rule from Homeland Security yet. The announcement is part of a federal program to put low-priority immigration cases on hold.
- 08/05/12 A trial against the city of New Braunfels over its "Can Ban Ordinance" is moving forward. A District Judge ruled yesterday that the city has no jurisdiction when it comes to instituting any kind of ban on the river. The plaintiffs in the case, made up of river outfitters, say they've lost a lot of money this summer because of the ban.
- O8/05/12 Political candidates will be vying hard for the younger vote this fall, but newly passed voter ID laws could make it harder for them to vote. Some of those new laws don't allow student IDs to be used as proper identification at polling places. Sometimes that is the only form of identification for the college aged crowd. The laws are meant to fight voter fraud. Youth votes helped President Obama win the 2008 election by a 2 to 1 margin.
- After four years of legal wrangling and delays, the federal government has paid almost one-million dollars for part of a South Texas nature preserve that was taken for the border fence. Court records show the government deposited \$978,000 with the court today. This comes a month after reaching a settlement with the nature conservancy and farmers who leased property there. The government took an eight-acre strip of land east of Brownsville, which left most of the 1,000-acre property of Sabal Palms, Oxbow Lakes and Citrus Groves in a no-man's land between the fence and the Rio Grande. So far, the government has built about 650-miles of border barriers along the U.S./Mexico border.
- 08/07/12 The Social Security Administration leases 33,000 square feet in a building on the northwest side and last June renewed the lease for five years at an annual rent of \$500,000. Then two months ago, they gave notice to Magi Real Estate that they're moving out. The company then did some investigating. Michael Shackelford, Magi Real Estate, says they went from 30,000 to 32,000 square feet, spent \$1.7 million and

then increased their rent annually by twice the amount they currently have with them. In a statement the Social Security Administration said the current space is inadequate from both a size and security standpoint. They have hired additional staff to bring more timely hearings to claimants and the current location could not accommodate this need. But now a Pennsylvania Congressman Bill Shuster says it was brought to his attention that there are potential issues with the lease and he wants answers. The Congressman's office says he is reviewing the mismanagement and wasteful spending by the Social Security Administration and wants information on the San Antonio issue to ensure taxpayer dollars are being spent wisely.

- O8/08/12 President Obama and Mitt Romney are both trying to sell their campaigns to working class and women voters. The ABC News-Washington Post Poll shows that when it comes to personal favorability, 49% see Romney as unfavorable. Only 43% find the President unfavorable.
- O8/09/12 The San Antonio City Council is expected to decide whether to put Mayor Julian Castro's "Pre-K for SA" proposal on the November ballot at their meeting today. The proposal calls for a sales tax increase of one-eighth of a cent over the next eight years to fund the "Brain Power Initiative." That money would pay for early childhood development, including full class days and extra training for Pre-K teachers. Seven former San Antonio mayors support the proposal.
- 08/10/12 When it comes to what the community asking for, public safety is a top priority, which is why 64% of the proposed 2013 budget is set aside for public safety. This includes a good chunk of money for Fire and Police. The money will not only go toward a 3% pay increase for Police and a 3.4% increase Fire, but it will also go toward hiring more personnel in both departments. For the 2013 proposed annual budget, there is also an emphasis on neighborhood revitalization, which includes improvements to code enforcement, Animal Care Services and infrastructure.
- One way or another, the race for the Precinct 1 Kendall County Commissioner seat will be decided today. The two candidates, Charlie Boyd and Mike Fincke, are locked in a flat footed tie at 623 votes each. If a recount doesn't break that tie, a roll of the dice will. The man with the highest number will get the seat.
- 08/13/12 In a move to help the nation's farmers and ranchers, the federal government is stocking its freezers with more than \$150 million worth of meat, fish and poultry. This comes after Congress failed to move on a Farm Bill President Obama says will help those suffering from the drought. The President says he couldn't wait for Congress to act to provide some drought relief.
- A report released today by the Department of Energy shows wind energy is on the rise. It now accounts for 32% of new electric capacity in the U.S. Last year alone, \$14 billion supported the growth. The White House, however, says the progress could be undone with a looming tax credit expiration. Without federal funding, wind power is nearly twice as expensive on average as natural gas. To help with the costs, the government has been providing a 30% tax break. That credit is set to expire at the end of the year.
- 08/14/12 The Commerce Department announced today that the city of Cotulla is receiving an \$800,000 grant to help the city rebuild and expand its water lines. The city is in the heart of the Eagle Ford Shale where business is booming and the government hopes this grant will make Cotulla more attractive. the project is expected to create 130 new jobs and generate \$3 million in private investment.
- O8/15/12 Eighteen-year-old Diana Luna just signed the forms that will allow her to continue her education and even apply for a job, without the fear of being deported for the next two years. She came to this country with her parents when she was five-years-old, and she says the U.S. is the only home she's ever known. She calls herself an unrecognized American. She and other supporters of this Deferred Action Program say it's a step in the right direction, but certainly not a permanent solution.
- 08/16/12 Many people in San Antonio ma have a new City Councilperson because the City Council is looking at redrawing the council districts because of the city's growth. Council members met behind closed doors today to discuss the new maps and are fine tuning the maps before unveiling the proposed districts to everyone.
- O8/18/12 Congressman Charlie Gonzalez is helping undocumented young people stay in the country temporarily. Today he will be hosting the "Dreamers Deferred Action Workshop." It's all part of a new federal policy that aims to keep young people who were brought to the U.S. as children from getting deported. Immigration attorneys will be on hand to help young people apply to live and work legally in the U.S. on a temporary basis. The lawyers' advice will be free, although applicants will have to pay for the processing fee.
- O8/20/12 Governor Rick Perry's campaign war chest is back in the black, fueling speculation that the man who has been Texas Governor longer than anyone else will seek another term in office. Perry raised nearly \$2 million from the start of the year through June. Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott, widely believed to be looking at a gubernatorial run, has \$14.5 million in campaign funds.

- O8/21/12 Residents are getting a chance to sound off on the 2013 budget. Last night, council members and city staff were on hand at Parkhills Baptist Church on the city's northside to get feedback and answer questions about the \$2.3 billion proposed budget. After a brief presentation, citizens were put to work in groups tackling budget questions just like the city staff. Tomorrow's meeting will be held at the TriPoint YMCA off Highway 281 at St. Mary's street.
- O8/22/12 City Code Enforcement officers were at the scene of a fire at a group home that claimed the lives of four men last week. A notice posted on the front door of the home in the 300 block of Norwood appears to be standard code enforcement protocol. It allows officers to go into the home and search for fire, health, and safety hazards. The fire has sparked talk among state agencies who say things like this are happening at group homes across the state. Bills to help prevent it could be introduced in the next legislative session.
- O8/22/12 President Obama is extending a two-year pay freeze for federal employees until at least next spring. It will stay in effect until a spending plan is passed. President Obama has proposed an across-the-board half-percent pay raise, but Congress would have to enact the proposal. The President of the American Federation of Government Employees says the freeze is "absolutely unwarranted and unjustified."
- A new website from the State comptroller allows us to see where our taxes are going. Launched yesterday, TexasTransparacy.org provides an interactive map, allowing taxpayers to explore sales and property taxes collected by the state, county, or city. It also lets you track taxes collected from other entities, like transit authorities or special purpose district.
- 08/27/12 While the GOP selects its candidate this week, the Democrats and the President will be in Charlotte the following week for their party's convention. The President sat down with the Associated Press yesterday to discuss Romney and the campaign.
- Officials with the Republican National Committee have decided to delay a majority of the proceedings due to Tropical Storm Isaac. GOP officials say the convention will convene for a few minutes on Monday before recessing until Tuesday afternoon, once the storm is expected to have passed the area.
- O8/27/12 General Motors has banned 2012 candidates from its plants until after Election Day. It's an effort by GM to stay out of the campaign rhetoric. The auto giant wants to be viewed as a success story, not as the arm of any campaign.
- The Pentagon and the CIA are looking at a book that's supposed to be published next month on the anniversary of the "9/11" attacks. It's written by a former Navy Seal who took part in the raid that killed Osama Bin Laden. Officials want to know if he's releasing any classified information. The former Seal didn't submit the book for review ahead of time as the military says he is required to do. If it turns out there is classified information there, the Pentagon says it will turn the matter over to the Department of Justice and the former Seal could face criminal charges.

- 09/03/12 A Gallup Poll finds that last week's Republican Convention had minimal impact on how Americans will vote. It could be a warning for Democrats who are preparing to open their own convention in Charlotte, North Carolina.
- 09/03/12 The Democrats are gearing up for their convention. Even though it doesn't officially start until tomorrow, President Obama spent the weekend previewing his message. Republicans met last week in Tampa, Florida to officially nominate Mitt Romney as their candidate for President.
- 09/05/12 San Antonio Mayor Julian Castro gave the speech of his life last night at the Democratic National Convention after an introduction by his brother Joaquin. In his speech, Mayor Castro spoke about growing up on the westside and how hard his grandmother worked for Civil rights so he could hold a microphone instead of a mop.
- 09/06/12 Property owners will be paying less thanks to a new tax rate approved by the San Antonio River Authority Board. The Board passed the same rate as last year, but because of lowered property valuations, homeowners will pay slightly less in their tax bill. The average homestead value in the agency's four county district decreased from about \$142,000 last year to \$137,000 this year, a 4% decrease. The SARA Board approved a budget for the New Year in June of \$140 million.
- 09/10/12 Lawmakers return to Washington today for a brief pre-election session. There's a slew of deadlines and the prospect of a debilitating "fiscal cliff" in January. But lawmakers are expected to take a pass on the big issues of taxes and spending cuts and instead focus on doing the bare minimum, preventing a government shutdown when the budget year ends on September 30.

- O9/10/12 A day before the 11th anniversary of the September 11th attacks, the government is ready to acknowledge that rescue workers and people living near Ground Zero in New York may have been exposed to cancer causing toxins. On that day in 2001, thousands of first responders, police, fire, EMTs and volunteers rushed to the World Trade Center to help. Some stayed for months. Over the next several years, many of them argued that toxins from the rubble gave them cancer.
- O9/11/12 A program designed to help save the lives of illegal immigrants is now coming to an end. The U.S. Government has halted flights home for people caught entering illegally. More than 125,000 passengers were flown deep into Mexico from Arizona for free since the program started in 2004. It was designed to discourage people from trying to cross again and help get them on their feet. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security says it is working on redesigning the program to include some criminals and non-criminals.
- O9/12/12 The Obama Administration has approved the first group of young illegal immigrants under a new plan. They will be able to avoid deportation for up to two years and get a work permit. Approval notifications were reportedly being made this week, months ahead of schedule.
- O9/13/12 Seven area business organizations are throwing their support behind the proposed Pre-K for SA initiative. The greater, Hispanic, North, Black, South, West, and women's Chambers of Commerce say they've each reviewed the proposal that will go in front of voters this November. A representative from each of those chambers will announce their positions officially later today. At least two local school districts have voiced concern over the program because of state funding.
- O9/13/12 Former Dilley Police Lieutenant Brian Noe says the city council has gone from serving the community to serving themselves. In recent months, both the fates of the Public Works Director and City Administrator have been on Council agendas. Five of the seven remaining members of the Police Department quit last night. Councilman Ray Aranda told KSAT there was never a motion last night to fire any of the employees who walked off the job. Frio County Sheriff's Department will help with safety while the city fills vacancies on the police force.
- 09/13/12 The Libyan Embassy attacks are shaking things up on the campaign trail. Mitt Romney and President Obama are exchanging fiery comments over the handling of the attacks. The Republican ticket is jumping on the opportunity take up a new front on the campaign, hitting the President on foreign policy.
- 09/14/12 It's now up to the Senate to pass a short-term spending plan to keep the U.S. Government funded through March. the Republican-led House approved the plan last night by a vote of 329 to 91. The temporary Spending Bill is needed to avoid a government shutdown at the end of the month. The measure is the result of an agreement with the White House that delays another budget battle until after the November election.
- 09/14/12 Windcrest resident will soon be paying less in property taxes. It's all part of the City's development efforts. The main changes in taxes announced yesterday will be a 2% decrease in property taxes in 2013. Then a further proposed reduction in taxes of 4% by 2014. By 2015, the city hopes to reduce property taxes by 19% bringing the three year total to 25%. Mayor Alan Baxter says the City wants to eventually get rid of property taxes altogether over the next seven years.
- 09/17/12 President Obama plans to launch a new trade enforcement case against China after Mitt Romney accused the President of being weak on the Asian nation. Senior officials with the Obama Administration say the President's action at the World Trade Organization targets Chinese subsidies for automobiles and parts.
- O9/18/12 City Council is expected to vote on several major issues this week, including the redistricting of the city's districts. As a result of the 2010 census, the city needed to redraw the districts to equally represent those living in San Antonio. The city has hosted several public meetings to discuss the new map. If approved, it will be implemented beginning with the 2013 City Council elections.
- O9/18/12 Another big issue City Council is voting on this week is a plan to expand the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center. The Council will vote on a plan to spend more than \$300 million over the next five years to expand the Convention Center eastward towards I-37. The plans include enlarging the exhibit halls, loading docks, kitchen area, while adding a multi-purpose room and a 50,000 square foot ballroom. The westside of the Convention Center, which was built 42-years-ago, would be demolished to make room for expansion of Hemisfair Park.
- 09/19/12 Piles of junk in front of a home, or loads of trash where it shouldn't be. The city plans to make code violations like these a "civil offense" as part of a new pilot program. Currently, code violations are considered a criminal violation, which can take up to four months to handle through the Municipal Court

- System. Under this new program, a hearing will be set 15 days from a day a civil citation is written. Fines are determined by the Hearing Officer and can be up to \$1,000 a day. The pilot program sets aside a portion of that money for violators who need help with clean-up, such as the elderly.
- Defense Secretary Leon Panetta calls it an important milestone. It's been almost three years since a wave of additional U.S. troops deployed to Afghanistan in a surge designed to cripple the Taliban, defeat Al Qaeda, and give Afghan forces the support they need. This morning, the last of those Americans are out.
- O9/21/12 San Antonio is now the third city in Texas to pass an ordinance that reduces lender fees for so-called Payday Loans. The Ordinance would limit the amount of payday loans to 20% of a person's gross monthly income. The City believes it will protect residents they say have become easy prey to lenders. The consumer Service Alliance of Texas, which represents short-term lenders, released a statement saying the city's ordinance "significantly restricts access to credit for San Antonio consumers."
- O9/21/12 City Council also passed an ordinance that included the removal and installation of LED Christmas lights along the San Antonio Riverwalk. The proposal calls for the removal of the lights that are around tree trunks and to have lights draped from the trees. Crews will also install lights on bridges along the Riverwalk. The total cost of this project is \$109,000. The lights will be turned on for the holiday season on November 23.
- Mayor Julian Castro stopped by the main campus of San Antonio College today to talk up his "Pre-K for SA" initiative. His message centered on what it would cost a median income family to support the idea, \$7.81 a year. That would come in the form of a one-eighth cent increase in the sales tax. Mayor Castro believes it will give middle class families a better chance for a full day Pre-K education.
- O9/21/12 The 737th Training Group at Lackland AFB has a new commander. Colonel Deborah Liddick assumed command today at a graduation ceremony for 651 Airmen. She's taking control in the midst of the biggest sex scandal in Air Force history. She said that no matter who is in charge, man or woman, the standards are the same. Colonel Liddick says the rules are the same no matter who is in command and she expects 100% compliance.
- The U.S. Supreme Court could announce on Tuesday whether it will take up same-sex marriage in two separate cases. One involves a New York woman who sue saying federal law unfairly treats same-sex couples who are lawfully married in their own states. She says she had to pay federal taxes on her wife's estate after she died because at the time, New York State did not recognize their out-of-state marriage. Meanwhile, a California case centers on the state's voter-approved ban on same-sex marriage. If the Justices take up the cases, oral arguments and an eventual ruling would not happen until next year.
- O9/25/12 The U.S. Postal Service's financial situation is looking even grimmer. USPS is required by law to pay the Federal Government \$5.6 billion by Sunday to fund healthcare benefits for retirees. But it won't do it because it doesn't have the money. It will be the second time the Postal Service has defaulted on a payment. The first was last month. The cash shortage won't affect our mail delivery. And the Postal Service says employees and supplies will still get paid. The Postal Service will start running out of money by the spring unless Congress acts soon.
- 09/27/12 If you still haven't registered to vote, you have less than two weeks to do it. Bexar County Elections officials say that people still have to send in their registration form by snail mail because it must have their original signature. But the form can be downloaded online and printed. The county is still looking for election clerks.

<u>SOCIAL</u>, including discrimination and other problems of racial minorities, women, senior citizens, the disabled, homosexuals and religious and ethnic groups.

## July:

- O7/02/12 The USO's mission is to make the lives of those in our armed forces and their families better. Today, the USO is asking for help. The United Service Organizations are working to raise money for their programs and for the two service centers they run here in San Antonio. They are asking for donations from San Antonians. The callers who donate the most during the 4PM, 5PM and 6PM hours will each receive a special gift from the USO as a "thank you" for the support.
- 07/02/12 It's that time of year to start thinking about putting smiles on the faces of children come Christmas morning. For the eighth year, the Marines' Toys for Tots Foundation and Toys-R-Us are teaming up for the annual toy drive at their stores. For the 43rd year, Elf Louise is accepting toy donations. Elf Louise will help some 5,800 families, about 19,000 kids. For the 17th year, Becky Woodworth and friends are packing some 160 show boxes for needy kids across the globe with just basic needs small toys, t-shirts, underwear, and tooth brushes as part of the Samaritan's Purse Project.
- 07/03/12 Both President Barack Obama and Mitt Romney have been doing more lately to reach out to Hispanic voters. But a new survey suggests that it may be a tough challenge. A new USA Today Gallup poll found that more than half of Hispanics, 51%, describe themselves as Independents, 32% call themselves Democrats and 11% say they are Republicans. Latino voters are considered crucial to winning the Presidential election this year.
- 07/05/12 The Kerrville Salvation Army Pantry is having its own emergency because the summer brings in more families that need assistance. The Emergency Pantry is for families coming in for the first time. After their initial visit, they will get set up in a monthly program.
- O7/05/12 San Antonio businessman Red McCombs joined in a fundraising campaign to help 26-year-old Andrew Oberle. Twenty-six-year-old Oberle was attacked by two chips at the Jane Goodall Institute in South Africa. He suffered massive injuries and is being treat in a South African hospital. McCombs is donating \$5,000 to the United Way to be earmarked for Oberle's family. He's asking the community to join him in reaching a goal of \$100,000.
- 07/18/12 Facing a severe shortage of supplies, the San Antonio Food Bank got a much-needed boost. KSAT has reported about the Food Bank's struggles to keep up with the rising demand this summer. The Wal-Mart Foundation donated \$50,000 to the Food Bank. In the summer, families tend to need more food because kids are no longer getting free meals in school. The Food Bank says that having a big name company like Wal-Mart has boosted the spirits of the staff and those they serve.
- O7/18/12 Four soldiers based in South Texas were awarded the Army Commendation Medal today. All four were recognized for coming to the aid of civilians in distress here in South Texas. In three of the cases, the soldiers are credited with saving lives.
- O7/19/12 Chick-Fil-A's traditional stance on marriage is sparking controversy. Company President Dan Cathy discussed same-sex marriage on Monday with the Baptist press. He said the restaurant solely supports, "The biblical definition of the family unit." Cathy's comments have spread across the Internet and have outraged many people. But some argue the company had a right to stick by its principles. The company has openly supported Christian values for years.
- 07/24/12 With her kids grown and gone, Mary Stolarski has moved to a new neighborhood and new home, from a five bedroom house to a two bedroom apartment. Her new phase in life coincides with a new phase in downtown development. Her apartment complex at 1221 Broadway is one of 10 new housing developments in and around the downtown area thanks to a nearly \$350 million investment. It's part of a city initiative to breathe new life into this area.
- O7/26/12 Started by three nuns, the Santa Rosa Hospital opened its doors in 1869. It aimed to help San Antonio battle yellow fever and cholera. Now, 142 years later, those needs have changed. Christine Gonzalez, Director of Volunteer Services at Christus Santa Rosa says that for 20 years it's been a dream for Santa Rosa to be exclusively for children. That dream will become a reality, but not before having to say goodbye to a longstanding history of serving all San Antonio patients. One of the hospital's most historic buildings,

St. John's Chapel, will be coming down to make room for the new children's hospital. The next step is to become a preeminent children's hospital with a goal of keeping families who need care in town. Meanwhile, the transition of moving adult patients out has already begun.

D7/26/12 Back-to-school is just around the corner and while for some it's a time of new clothes and new supplies, for other kids, it's a reminder that they can't afford these things. That's why the "Stuff the Bus" campaign was out this afternoon at the Two Step Restaurant on Loop 1604. Their goal is t provide everything from notebooks, backpacks, pencils, and anything else a child needs for school to those who might have trouble getting their hands on them.

- O8/01/12 Goodwill is teaming up with University Health, Christus Santa Rosa, and Prevent Blindness of Texas for free health screenings. Health and vision screenings are from 8:00-10:00am at the Goodwill location at 2900 Goliad. Mammograms are taking place by appointment only from 8:00am-12noon.
- O8/03/12 San Antonio has been named one of the major Texas cities to grow into one of the most "economically segregated" cities in the country. A Pew Research study says it's because Texas has been growing faster than any other state over the last 10 years. "Economic segregation" means a physical separation of low-income and upper-income families across the city. City Council says the study may not be entirely accurate, especially when looking at less densely populated areas of San Antonio like the southside. Dallas and Houston were also listed in the study.
- 08/06/12 Previous generations of retirees got a much better deal from Social Security, mainly because payroll taxes were very low when Social Security was enacted in the 1930s, and remained so for decades. However, people retiring today are the first generation of workers who have paid more in Social Security taxes during their careers than they will receive in benefits after they retire.
- O8/07/12 The residents of San Antonio have treated members of the local Sikh community with respect and love. Balwinder Dhillion is president of the Sikh Center of San Antonio and he says within 30-minutes of yesterday's shooting in Wisconsin, people began stopping by the center offering their support. Several people have left flowers, others have left cash donations, and some have just stopped by to say they are sorry. There are an estimated 25 million Sikhs worldwide, with 700,000 living in America. It is the fifth largest religion in the world. The shooting in Wisconsin is being investigated as an act of domestic terrorism. The local Sikh Center is not increasing security and aren't worried about any copycats.
- Natalia Vela lives down the street from Haven for Hope and she is constantly on edge. She says Haven for Hope is a place that attracts scores of people looking to commit crime. Natalia says some of the people at the center have stolen items from her home on numerous occasions. She recognizes, however, that not everyone from the center is bad so she suggests to the organizers of the center to just let in the ones that are really trying to turn their lives around.
- The people in charge of airport security are supposed to watch for strange behavior to help them pluck a potential terrorist out of the crowd. But instead, at Boston's Logan Airport, a number of those Transportation Security Administration officers enforcing a program called "Behavior Detection" say it's really just racial profiling. And the passengers who get stopped are Middle Eastern, Latino, black, or other minorities, sometimes getting pulled aside because their suspicious behavior is wearing a baseball cap backwards. The New York Times reports 32 TSA officers at Logan complained they're under pressure to boost numbers, stopping more passengers and not just looking for terrorists, but also drugs, outstanding arrest warrants, and immigration problems.
- People living on the westside of the city are getting the chance to tell city leaders what they would like to see preserved in their community as that area grows and develops. At last night's meeting, residents were asked to give their feedback on 90 properties to get an idea of their importance to the area. City leaders say they want to keep the essential past of the westside, while making room for the new.
- O8/15/12 The Deferred Action Program allows young immigrants, who meet certain criteria, to stay in the U.S. for only two years, and then they must reapply. There is a \$465 application fee.
- O8/20/12 A single father of five had the American dream come true today. Retired Army Sgt. Matthew Sheffel learned in July that he would receive a home through a Bank of America partnership with Operation Homefront. Today he and his family were given the keys and walked through their new home for the first time.
- 08/22/12 Many say the areas in and around the San Antonio missions are sacred, so scared to the point that these nearly 300-year-old Spanish missions have hardly changed. Considered the jewels of San Antonio, they

may soon be recognized globally as international landmarks. The missions are in the final steps of a lengthy application process to be named a World Heritage site by UNESCO, a branch of the U.N. The cost to apply is \$650,000, but because of the potential economic impact, many local entities have joined up to pay the bill, including Bexar County, who foresees an increase in tourism. If the missions are chosen, they will join the likes of the Great Wall of China, Stonehenge, and the pyramids of Egypt.

- Women protested today chanting, "Women of Earth take back your birth." Their massage is based on what the demonstrators say are disturbing statistics. The say the U.S. is rated 50th for maternal mortality, so there are 49 other countries that have more success keeping mother alive during childbirth. Tiffany Hartnett, protest organizer, says the rate of unnecessary C-sections is frightening. They're calling for what they call "evidence based care." Among the protestors was Ginni Dinglerdein says she was bullied into a C-section. She said she felt it wall all about her doctor instead of herself. Demonstrations such as this one are being held in 105 cities across the country all with the same message. They say they need moms to know what questions to ask, people to understand what their options are, and need to get physicians and hospital on board to help make these changes.
- O9/07/12 Today they're working with shovels and rakes, but these women usually have their hands full with cats and dogs. They're all vets and vet techs from across the country. The volunteers are in town for the International Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Symposium. They got here a day early just to get their hands dirty at the Animal Defense League. Area shelters submitted applications for Done in a Day projects, and ADL is the lucky dog that was picked. These volunteers say every city they go to they try to do something in that city to help animals. They're bathing dogs, walking dogs, helping in the ADL's adoption center. ADL says these volunteers came at the perfect time, right as they're losing a lot of their young volunteers who just bent back to school.
- O9/10/12 The Salvation Army hopes to make a world of difference for some San Antonians to literally feed their needs. The checkout line here doesn't take cash or credit. This is the agency's regular food giveaway. Spokeswoman Monica Ramos says lately, it's been growing in popularity, to more than 100 people. Many parents are starting to spend their dollars on back-to-school supplies and children's new clothing, so a lot of times they're cutting back on their food budget. Thanks to the Salvation Army, the people that lined up today for the free food say their days are brighter and their stomachs won't be lighter.
- 09/13/12 A quarter century has passed since Pope John Paul II's historic visit to San Antonio. Yet for many people, the memories of that day remain fresh and just as inspiring. KSAT reporter Jessie Degollado takes a look back and the impact that lingers today.
- O9/20/12 A new report out this week by the American Cancer Society states cancer is now the leading cause of death among Hispanic Americans. Cancer has overtaken heart disease when it comes to the mortality rate among U.S. Latinos. But doctors here in San Antonio say, they're hoping these recent findings will prompt change when it comes to prevention.
- A new study, published in the Journal Nature, is the largest of its kind ever conducted looking at breast cancer on the genetic level, mapping the origins of the disease by analyzing tumors from hundreds of patients. Some experts are calling it a major step forward. Dr. Larry Norton, Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital says it is going to give doctors a lot of information that they're going to use to understand cancer better and design better cancer treatments. The study confirmed earlier findings that breast cancers fall into four distinct categories, and sometimes act like other cancers. This could mean more treatment options right away. Dr. Richard Besser says certain breast cancers are much more like ovarian cancer and that may lead some doctors to treat those breast cancers with other drugs. For now, breast cancer patients will have to wait for clinical trials and possibly dozens of drug studies before new drugs become available, a process that can take 10 years or more.
- 09/27/12 Identity thieves are targeting seniors in a new scam that's leaving some Social Security recipients short on cash. The thieves are getting their hands on personal information like a full name or bank account number. They then fraudulently re-route the benefits to their own bank accounts and prepaid debit cards. The scam is becoming popular just as the Social Security Administration prepares to switch all beneficiaries to direct deposit, instead of mailing paper checks.

YOUTH/FAMILY, including issues regarding marriage, the changing role of the family, parenting, and child rearing and abuse.

## July:

- One of the happiest places for your child may also be one of the most dangerous, the playground. Playing on swing sets, slides and monkey bars has added up to 200,000 injuries a year. Falls account for 70% of playground accidents. A safe playground should always have plenty of railings to keep kids safe.
- 07/11/12 Baby monitors are aimed at protecting children, but there's potential hazard that wouldn't even occur to most caregivers. The Consumer Product Safety Commission says at least seven children have died in the last decade as a result of strangulation from baby monitor cords.
- 07/11/12 "The Greatest Camp on Earth" just may be in Kerrville, Texas this week. That's the theme of this year's Camp Discovery, a place where kids with cancer can get a full camp experience amid their struggle to survive the disease. And this year, the circus comes to them too.
- O7/13/12 According to an Arizona State University study, kids may be keeping your brain sharp. Researchers examined bees. When the offspring left the hive, the older bees lost significant brain function. However, when researchers removed nurse bees from the hive, the older bees were forced to care for the young, they gained back their lost mental capacity. The improved mental state could be due to a protein change in the bees' brains. Two proteins increased during the study, one that protects against dementia and a "chaperone" protein that protects against damage in other proteins. Both proteins are also present in humans' brains.
- 07/13/12 Facebook, the social media site, is rolling out a new feature geared towards teens. It allows them to report mean or threatening posts by clicking a button called "This is a problem." Facebook teamed up with Yale, Columbia and Berkley Universities to create the tool. It replaced the old "Report" link.
- Online solicitation If you are a parent and want to protect your children, here are a few Crimefighter tips for you: First, establish rules about the Internet with your children and make sure they understand them. Second, remind your kids not to give out personal information. Third, keep the computer in a public space in your house, not in your child's bedroom. Fourth, use software to block certain websites and chat rooms. And finally, make sure your child never meets someone they've met online without talking to you first.
- Once kids have gotten to enjoy their summer, guidance counselor Yashica Douglas says kids need to be engaged in activities. It could be sports related, arts and crafts related, or just visiting family and friends. Along with these things, she advises parents to make sure that the kids are reading, reading, reading, and to make sure that they are working on skills that perhaps they were a little deficient in and to improve upon those skills that they were really good in just to keep them above the curve.
- 07/26/12 Back-to-school is just around the corner and while for some it's a time for new clothes and new supplies, for other kids it's a reminder that they can't afford these things. That's why the "Stuff the Bus" campaign was out this afternoon at the Two Step Restaurant on Loop 1604. Their goal is to provide everything from notebooks, backpacks, pencils, and anything else a child needs for school to those who might have trouble getting their hands on them.
- 07/30/12 Clinics and pediatricians are fast becoming swamped with families of students who need to be current with immunizations. Students from Kindergarten through 12th grade must be up to date on required immunizations including measles and whooping cough, which Dr. Sheila Owens Collins say has seen a resurgence. Neighborhood drug stores offer vaccinations and this year, children covered by private insurance that covers vaccines are no longer eligible for the Texas Vaccines for Children Program at public clinics.

- O8/01/12 Today, KSAT 12 is sponsoring "Family Fun Day" as part of Regal Entertainment Group's grand opening celebration for Huebner Oaks Stadium 14. Activities include preview events with \$2.00 movies for three full days to benefit local charities. Movie goers will also enjoy free popcorn and soft drinks with each paid admission through August 16. Proceeds of today's movie sponsorship benefit Roy Maas Youth Alternative.
- 08/04/12 Political candidates will be vying hard for the younger vote this fall, but newly passed voter ID laws could make it harder for them to vote. Some of those new laws don't allow student IDs to be used as proper

- identification at polling places. Sometimes that is the only form of identification for the college-aged crowd. The laws are meant to fight voter fraud.
- 08/06/12 More than 100 kids from ages 6 to 18 competed in the annual Healthy Choices for Kids Day this year, competing in Olympic fashion. Nursing students with the UT Health Science Center's nursing program put the event together. The program is designed to promote healthy lifestyles among children in hopes of combating the growing problem of childhood obesity.
- A new government study finds overall cholesterol levels in children and teens have decreased over the last two decades. It was conducted on more than 16,000 people, aged six to 19-yars-old, over three different time periods from 1988 to 2010. Researchers found a slight decrease in total cholesterol levels, as well as a drop in the number of children who had high cholesterol, from 11% to 8%. The study was released in the Journal of the American Medical Association.
- 08/10/12 Something to keep in mind when shopping for back-to-school items is the weight of your kid's backpack. The consumer Project Safety Commission says backpacks can cause back pain in children ages five to 18, and the condition is becoming more common.
- O8/10/12 This weekend is the last of the summer for lots of kids around San Antonio and that means lots of back-to-school activities this weekend. Councilman David Medina is hosting a Fit Family Walk and Back-to-School Fair with San Antonio Sports. Medina is using the event as a way to promote exercise and fitness among youngsters. There will be rock climbing, Zumba, and health check stations out there all day.
- A new study shows that curbing the sale of junk food and sugary drinks could have a positive effect for children. The study, published today in the Journal Pediatrics, shows it could slow down childhood obesity. Although the effects were not huge, research found children did gain less weight from fifth through eighth grades if they lived in states with strong and consistent laws governing snacks available in schools. Children who were overweight or obese in fifth grade were also more likely to reach a healthy weight by eighth grade in states with the strongest laws.
- 08/14/12 If your child snores often and loudly, it might be an indication he or she could face other health problems. Those problems include hyperactivity, inattention, and even depression. This information is according to new research by scientists at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. The study found children who snored loudly at least twice a week at the ages of two and three had more behavioral problems than children who didn't snore. The research also found breastfeeding, especially over longer periods of time, seemed to protect toddlers against persistent snoring.
- 08/17/12 We all know how important exercise is to staying healthy, but for some teens who want to lose weight, the news about physical activity is pretty discouraging. Jennifer Dodd reports that a new study out of England shows that exercise does not have the same benefits for African-American girls as it does for white adolescent girls.
- O8/17/12 At least eight children have died of heat stroke in cars in the first week of August alone. Today the government is launching a nationwide campaign to crack down on kids being left in hot cars. More and more children, even infants, are being left in sweltering cars by parents, often accidentally. Twenty-three children in 14 states have died after overheating in cars this year.
- O8/17/12 The new school year is already here for many, so now is a good time for a lesson on "stranger danger" with your kids. It's best to approach the topic in a positive manner because you don't want to create a child who is afraid of everything. You will want to explain to your child the importance of walking with friends rather than walking alone. j But you also should teach them that not all strangers are bad. Good strangers can be moms with other kids or a police officer. Knowing the difference between good strangers and bad strangers can help your child when they need it most.
- A near westside woman has been accused of leaving her children home alone while she went bar hopping. Twenty-two-year-old Esmeralda Trejo is facing two counts of endangering a child. She was arrested yesterday after an extended night out on the town. Her roommate told police she had come home around 12:30am and found Trejo's four and five-year-old children home alone. She says she sent a text to their mother who said she was at a bar and would be home soon. When she still hadn't shown up 10 hours later, the roommate called police.
- As kids get ready to head back-to-school, there's a new study suggesting that they shouldn't lose sleep over their studies. A study in the journal, "Child Development," finds evidence that burning the midnight oil to cram for tests is time wasted. Researchers found that when study time cut down on sleep time kids performed more poorly in class the day after. The author says that doesn't mean teens should study less, but if they sacrifice sleep for study, it may hurt more than it helps.

- New research shows binge drinkers are happier with their college experience and social life than their non-drinking counterparts. Sociologists studied data from more than 1,500 undergrads at a selective northeastern liberal arts college. They learned that binging is associated with social power. The researchers told the American Sociological Association most students who binge drink do it to fit in.
- 08/22/12 With another school year upon us, it's important parents have a plan to keep their kids safe after school. One of the first things you can do is to come up with a code word when you are not the one picking up your child. Also, avoid writing your child's full name on the outside of their backpacks. A stranger may use that information. There should also be an action plan in place in case the person who is expected to pick the child up does not make it.
- O8/23/12 A disturbing survey finds nearly nine out of every 10 high school students say some of their classmates are drinking alcohol, doing drugs, or smoking cigarettes during the school day. This is according to the 17th Annual Back-to-School Survey from Columbia University's National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse. Almost half of students say they know fellow teens selling drugs on campus. When it comes to private schools, more than half of the students said drugs are prevalent on campus.
- The Centers for Disease Control reports a 265% increase in hospitalization rates related to food allergic reactions among kids. Now lawmakers are taking steps to make sure teachers watch out for allergic reactions at school as diligently as parents do at home. According to the Centers for Disease Control, there are just a handful of foods that cause 90% of all of the food allergy reactions. Among those are eggs, peanuts and other nuts, milk, and fish. In response to the increase in these food allergies, Texas lawmakers are now requiring schools to adopt some form of safety protocol for caring for children with food allergies.
- O8/24/12 Students at Alamo Heights High School are troubled about the arrests of fellow students, 17-year-old Matthew Murray and 18-year-old Marshall Judson. An arrest affidavit shows another teen tipped off San Antonio Police after reading postings by the two on Facebook. Investigators say Murray and Judson talked about shotguns and harming other students, making references to the 1999 Columbine shooting and even posting a graphic picture reenacting the massacre. The district issued a written statement saying they take all threats seriously and that no students or staffs were in any imminent danger.

#### September:

- Reports show most of our notions about money are formed by the time we're six years old. That means the things moms and dads do early on could affect their child's chances of being smart with money. Parenting Magazine says to help your kids learn good money management skills, don't send mixed messages. Avoid buying yourself something you want right after you tell your child you can't afford to buy them something they want. Next, don't always give in to their wants. Experts say it is important kids know the difference between want and need. Finally, don't bail them out. If your child blows their allowance, resist giving them an advance. It could help them learn to live within their means.
- 09/17/12 A study published in the October issue of "Pediatrics" examines whether sodium consumption and weight have an effect on blood pressure in kids. It looked at more than 6,000 children. The study concluded that kids with higher sodium intake had a higher risk for high blood pressure and possibly even more at risk for high blood pressure if they are overweight or obese.
- O9/17/12 A new study says that teenagers who send or receive sexually explicit text messages are more likely to engage in sexual activity. This is published in the October issue of "Pediatrics." The study looked at more than 1,800 high school students in Los Angeles. Fifteen percent of students with cellphones said they had taken part in sexting and 54% knew somebody who had sent a "sext."
- A northwest side father has been arrested in what police say is a case of child abuse. The child is not even two months old yet. According to an arrest affidavit, the baby suffered a fractured skull and two broken legs. Twenty-year-old Matthew Mays is charged with injury to a child. Police believe he was injured sometime last Thursday. That's the day is mother brought him to the hospital. Police have questioned her and the babysitter and found out the child had been left with Mays.
- O9/19/12 A study in the Journal of the American Medical Association finds that just 20-minutes of exercise a day can help reduce a child's risk of Type 2 diabetes, one of the more feared results of obesity. Researchers divided over 200 overweight and obese children into three groups, a 40-minute exercise group, a 20-minute exercise group, and a control group of "usual physical activity." The study found that the 40-minute and 20-minute groups had reduced insulin resistance, overall fate and improved fitness at about the same level.

- 09/20/12 According to research by a consumer advocacy group, albacore or white tuna can triple a child's mercury exposure. The mercury policy project tested the mercury content of nearly 60 samples of canned tuna. The group says schools should play it safe and not serve it.
- Teens who engage in distracted and dangerous driving most likely learned their bad driving skills from their parents. That's the finding of a study just released. The majority of more than 1,700 teens surveyed admitted to making poor decisions while behind the wheel. Nine out of 10 said they talked on their cellphone while driving. Ninety-four percent admitted to speeding, and a majority of teen respondents said their parents practiced "do as I say, not as I do" rules when it came to driving. Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death for U.S. teens, and drivers ages 16 to 19 are four times more likely than older drivers to crash according to the Centers for Disease control and Prevention.
- A new study reports teens who are hyper-texters are 40% more likely to smoke, 43% more likely to be binge drinkers, 41% more likely to use drugs, 55% more likely to get in physical fights, and 3.5 times more likely to have sex, and 90% of those report to having four or more sexual partners. Experts advise parents to monitor the number of texts kids make, and the time those texts are being sent and to place restrictions. Researchers also say that too much texting time and excessive hours on social networks also are linked to obesity, eating disorders, missing school and lack of adequate sleep and feelings of being unsafe at school.
- 09/25/12 Bouncing on a trampoline may be a backyard favorite for kids, but it is also very dangerous. A new report from the American Academy of Pediatrics urges parents to keep their kids off trampolines, even those with netting or padding. According to the report, there were 98,000 trampoline-related injuries in the U.S. in 2009. Authors of the report argue trampolines should be used solely for sports like gymnastics and only under adult supervision.
- O9/25/12 Childhood obesity is more than just a health risk. A group of retired military leaders is now calling it a national security issue. One in four young people are now so overweight they can't join the military. This is according to a new report from the Advocacy group Mission: Readiness. The Defense Department estimates it spends one-billion-dollars every year on obesity-related medical expenses for active duty members, their families and veterans.
- 09/30/12 Moses Rose's Hideout will be hosting Youth Art and Music Sundays today from 2-6PM. Children will be able to express their inner creativity. Moses Rose's Hideout is located downtown on Houston Street.

### Scholar Athletes of the Week:

07/01/12	Danielle Aguilar	Antonian High School
07/08/12	LeeAnn Campos	Antonian High School
08/26/12	Samuel Moreno	Holy Cross High School
09/02/12	Ryan Bernal	Southwest High School
09/09/12	Brianna Casillas	Southwest High School
09/16/12	Adriana Gonzalez	Southwest High School
09/23/12	Kiyana Ellison	Edison High School
09/30/12	Andrea Rosales	Edison High School

**EDITORIALS** -- KSAT 12 Vice President & General Manager, Phil Lane, presents station viewpoints about current issues of community concern. Viewers are encouraged to submit their opposing viewpoints. Specific topics are provided within this report. Editorials are usually thirty seconds (:30) to one-minute (1:00) in duration, unless otherwise indicated, and air immediately following the Noon and 5PM newscasts.

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Pre-K 4 SA (Duration - 1:10)
(8/24/12, 12N & 5PM) (8/27/12, 12N & 6PM) (8/29/12, 12N & 5PM)
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Mayor Castro is trying to sell us on a 1/8 of-a-cent sales tax increase for early education programs in San Antonio. He says the average household will spend less than \$8 a year on the hike, which is expected to raise \$31 million a year for more than 22,000 kids. It seems like a worthy investment. But, if any effort to improve education is going to stick, there has to be some accountability starting at home. The plan is supposed to require parents to read to their children, help with homework and attend regular parent-teacher conferences. Parents are already supposed to be doing this. How can we realistically expect, track or enforce any real accountability going forward? Tax money alone can't solve children's education. Parents also need to step up for their kids and spend the time it takes to make a real difference. (Issues: Education / Youth & Family)

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Drinking at the Alamo (Duration - :57) (8/31/12, 12N & 6PM) (9/03/12, 12N & 5PM) (9/05/12, 12N & 6PM)
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The General Land Office is making some changes at the Alamo, and we think it's high time that the Alamo gets some much needed attention and respect. After an intense investigation, the state had plenty of good reasons to give the General Land Office stewardship over the Alamo. And now, the Land Office is trying to put the Alamo back on course to help realize its full potential. We all agree the Alamo itself is a sacred shrine and nobody should make light of that. But it also should be so much more than it is today. Some changes are absolutely called for and sorely needed. From rethinking the entire Alamo Plaza, to making much needed repairs, we're anxious to see how the State will make this Texas shrine a respectful and educational place to visit. (Issues: Energy/Environment/Transportation / Government)

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DWI in Bexar (Duration - 1:00)
(9/07/12, 12N & 5PM) (9/10/12, 12N & 6PM) (9/12/12, 12N & 5PM)
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Drunk driving is a major problem in Bexar County, and last year 51 people were arrested on charges of intoxication manslaughter or assault. Texas continually leads the nation in alcohol-related fatalities, and we need to do better. Way too many drunk drivers get off way too easy in Bexar County as juries seem to sympathize more with the drunk drivers instead of their victims. That has to stop. Probation is hardly enough punishment for the crimes these people commit on our roads every night. But, unfortunately, probation can be an option in just about any crime here, and Texas is one of only six states where judges can't overturn those easy sentences. It's time for a cultural shift where more people start identifying with drunk driving victims instead. More people need to see drunk driving as unacceptable and take action to stop impaired drivers from getting behind the wheel. (Issue: Crime)

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

#### KSAT Personnel

- 08/25/12 <u>Ursula Pari</u> Hosted a group of children from the SAMM Shelter in her home. They are participating in a project to take photographs of the Hope Program. The kids expressed an interest in becoming cowboys and cowgirls and having horses so they were able to enjoy the horses on Ursula's property.
- 09/15/12 <u>Jennifer Dodd</u> Participated in Family Endeavors' 2nd Annual Dancing with the Stars San Antonio competition. All funds raised benefit Family Endeavors programs that target homelessness, unemployment, education, child & youth development, disaster response and family supportive services.

### Other Community Support

- 07/02/12 <u>USO Phone Bank</u>: Hosted a phone bank with the USO to help raise funds for their local office. We collected over \$5,000. The local office provides active duty military a place to hang out and relax, and also provides comfort to troops and their families.
- 08/01/12 Roy Maas' Youth Alternatives: We sponsored a \$2.00 movie program and Regal Cinemas/Huebner Oaks Theaters and raised over \$50,000 for the local charity. Regal Cinemas offered the \$2.00 movie promotion along with \$2.00 soft drinks and \$2.00 popcorn. The response was overwhelming.
- 08/16/12 Roy Maas' Youth Alternatives: Purchased and donated a TV to the youth home. KSAT also installed an offair antenna. We hope the children will enjoy their new TV.
- O9/07/12 American Cancer Society Phone Bank: Held a phone bank in conjunction with the Stand Up to Cancer Telethon and collected money for our local chapter of the American Cancer Society. Volunteers answered the phones and collected some money, but mostly were happy they were able to answer viewer questions and refer them to the national hotline for more specific details about cancer diagnosis, treatment, etc.

#### Station Tours:

Hosted tours of the station on the following dates to the following organizations:

08/02/12	NCSA Mothers of Kids Group
08/07/12	Job Adventures, Inc.
09/07/12	The Cribleys Home School
09/11/12	Driggers & Rhodes Elementary Schools
09/25/12	Concordia Senior Trailblazers

#### PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Local and non-local Public Service Announcements of varying lengths are aired throughout the broadcast schedules, Monday-Sunday, on KSAT-TV and second digital channel LATV. These public service announcements cover issues of Health, Education, Youth & Family, Substance Abuse, and Cultural and Artistic endeavors. (PSA summaries for KSAT-TV and MeTV are attached.)

Total Aired on KSAT: 570

Total Aired on MeTV: 6,708

### KSAT COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Total Aired: 185

The KSAT Community Calendar keeps the community connected. Community Calendar announcements air Monday-Friday, within Good Morning San Antonio, 5:00-7:00AM. Viewers are informed of events that are scheduled to take place in San Antonio and surrounding communities, how they can get involved, and how they can meet new people. Community Calendar event listings cover a wide-range of categories of community interest including: Education, Environment/Energy/Transportation, Economy, Crime, Social, Government, and Youth & Family. (Community Calendar summaries for KSAT-TV and MeTV are attached.)

### KSAT-TV

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby state, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Lettie Hiatt

**Executive Administrative Assistant** 

October 9, 2012 Date

## KSAT TV PSA REPORT 3rd Qtr. 2012

Station	PSA	Lgth	Runs	PSA Description
KSAT	AACOG	:30	2	Ozone pollution prevention
KSAT	ADCL TXTNG & DRIVING	1:00	9	Don't text and Drive
KSAT	ADCL TXTNG & DRIVING	:30	1	Don't text and Drive
KSAT	ADCL TXTNG & DRIVING	:15	1	Don't text and Drive
KSAT	ADCL_BIG BRO BIG SIS_60	1:00	7	Mentoring kids
KSAT	ADCL_TEXT & DRIVE 5	:10	6	Don't text and Drive
KSAT	ADCL_TEXT & DRIVE 9	:10	1	Don't text and Drive
KSAT	AHAF PREV VISION LOSS 30	:30	1	Vision loss prevention
KSAT	AHAF PREV VISION LOSS 60	1:00	12	Vision loss prevention
KSAT	AM HEART ASSC_GO RED 2	130	1	Breast Cancer awareness
KSAT	AM LIVER FOUNDATION 60	1:00	10	Hepatitis B awareness
KSAT	AM RED CROSS CHANGE 2	1:00	5	Support & awareness of how Red Cross helps the community
KSAT	Am Red Cross 30	:30	97	Red Carpet Gala Event
KSAT	BOYSTOWN 1	1:00	6	Hotline for troubled kids
KSAT	BOYSTOWN 2	30	1	Hotline for troubled kids
KSAT	CAFE COLLEGE 30	30	1	Student access to college resources
KSAT	CDC CHILDHOOD IMMUN	30	1	Childhood Immunizations
KSAT	CDC FLU 30	30	1	Flu prevention
KSAT	CDC FLU 60	1:04	4	Flu prevention
KSAT	CHILD MIND INST. 1	30	1	Childhood depression awareness
KSAT	CHILD MIND INST. 2	:30	1	Childhood depression awareness
KSAT	CITY OF SA HEALTH 3	:30	1	Physical activities and eating healthy
KSAT	Community Calendar_Fri_1	:20	13	Thysical activities and eating healthy
KSAT	Community Calendar_Fri_2	:20	13	
KSAT	Community Calendar_Mon_1	:20	13	
KSAT	Community Calendar Mon 2	:20	13	
KSAT	Community Calendar_Sat_1	:20	12	
	Community Calendar_Sat_2	:20	12	
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	Community Calendar_Sun_1	:20	12	
	Community Calendar_Sun_2	:20	12	
	Community Calendar_Thu_1	:20	12	
	Community Calendar_Thu_2	:20	12	
	Community Calendar Tue 1	:20	13	
	Community Calendar_Tue_2	:20	12	
	Community Calendar_Wed_1	:20	12	
	Community Calendar Wed 2	:20	12	
	DITCH THE DRIP	:30		Diabetes awareness
	DON'T FORGET ED	:30		Continuing Higher Education
	EEOC	:15	distant.	Job listing opportunities
	FOUNDBETTER LIFE (N)	1:00		Moral values
Control Control	GOODWILL MARY 30	:30		
	GULF STUDY 30	:30	-	People helped by Goodwill Programs
	GULF STUDY 60			Seeks participants affected by Gulf spill
	HEB READ 3 PRG 1	10000000		Seeks participants affected by Gulf spill
	HEB READ 3 PRG 4	1:00		Read program and book donation
	HELP & HOPE ORG_15			Read program and book donation
200000000000000000000000000000000000000		:15		Child abuse
	HELP & HOPE ORG_30 HELP 4 MY KID.ORG 1	:30		Child descention
	HELP 4 MY KID.ORG 1	_		Child depression
	FILLE 4 WIT KID. OKG 4	:30	8	Child depression

## KSAT TV PSA REPORT 3rd Qtr. 2012

KSAT	MARCH OF DIMES 1 (N)(K)	1:00	2	Pre-mature births	
KSAT	NATIONAL CRIME PREV 3	:30	1	Crime prevention	
KSAT	NATL RUNAWAY 10	:10	1	Anti bulling	
KSAT	NATL RUNAWAY 60	1:00	3	Anti bulling	
KSAT	NATL WILDLIFE FED 60	1:00	5	Encourages physical activities for kids	
KSAT	NO KID HUNGRY	:30	1	Hunger prevention	
KSAT	Over The Edge_PSA	30	3	Event benefits Special Olympics	
KSAT	SA FIGHTING BACK 2	:30	2	Anti drug	
KSAT	SA FIGHTING BACK 3	:15	2	Anti drug	
KSAT	SA FIGHTING BACK ED1	:30	1	Anti drug	
KSAT	SA PARKS & REC	:30	1	City Youth Band auditions	
KSAT	SA RIVER AUTHORITY CUP	1:00	18	Water pollution	
KSAT	SAFB PARTY 15	:15	1	Anti drug	
KSAT	SAFB PARTY 30	:30	1	Anti drug	
KSAT	SAMA_APHRODITE_END FEB	:15	10	San Antonio Museum of Art Exhibit	
KSAT	SAPD_Recruiting_PSA	:30	50	SAPD Recruiting PSA	
KSAT	ST JUDES CHILDRENS RH30	:30	1	Supporting Cancer Research	
KSAT	ST JUDES CHILDRENS RH60	1:00	12	Supporting Cancer Research	
KSAT	TAKE ME FISHING	1:00	5	Fishing License and registration	
KSAT	TDSHS_WEST NILE 30	:30	4	West Nile Virus prevention	
KSAT	TEXT 4 BABY 1	:30	1	Free texting service provides tips for baby care	
KSAT	TX CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL 30	:30	4	Vaccines- preventable diseases	
KSAT	TX DEPT OF TRANS 105	:30	1	Don't drink and drive	
KSAT	TX ORTHOPEDIC ASSOC 60	1:00	6	Encourages child physical activities	
KSAT	US DEPT OF VA_60	1:00	11	Awareness of help and benefits for veterans	
KSAT	VLB TEXAS VETERANS	:30	3	Veterans Benefit Fair	
KSAT	YOUTH ALT/PSA	:30	3	Program helping abuse kids	
	Total PSA	As Aired	57		

Station	PSA	Lgth	Runs	Description
NSAT	AACOG	:30	13	Ozone pollution prevention
NSAT	ADCL COLLEGE ACCESS 15	1:00	5	Encourages kids to continue to Higher Education
NSAT	ADCL COLLEGE ACCESS 16	:30	18	Encourages kids to continue to Higher Education
NSAT	ADCL COLLEGE ACCESS 20	:15	4	Encourages kids to continue to Higher Education
NSAT	ADCL EMERGENCY PREP 30	:30	5	Emergency preparedness for disasters
NSAT	ADCL EMERGENCY PREP 60	1:00	15	Emergency preparedness for disasters
NSAT	ADCL TXTNG & DRIVING	1:00	71	Don't text and Drive
NSAT	ADCL TXTNG & DRIVING	:30	18	Don't text and Drive
NSAT	ADCL TXTNG & DRIVING	:15	4	Don't text and Drive
NSAT	ADCL/BOOSTER SEATS (N)	:30	16	Booster seat safety tips
NSAT	ADCL/TEEN SUICIDE PREV 30	130	2	Teen suicide prevention
NSAT	ADCL/TEEN SUICIDE PREV 60	1:00	119	Teen suicide prevention
NSAT	ADCL/UNDERAGE DRINKING 1	:30	19	Underage drinking
NSAT	ADCL/UNDERAGE DRINKING 1	:30	10	Underage drinking
NSAT	ADCL_BIG BRO BIG SIS_30	:30	9	Mentoring kids
NSAT	ADCL_BIG BRO BIG SIS_60	1:00	141	Mentoring kids
NSAT	ADCL_ENERGY EFF 15	:15	10	Conserving energy
NSAT	ADCL_ENERGY EFF 30	:30	6	Conserving energy
NSAT	ADCL_FATHERHOOD 30	:30	28	Fatherhood involvement
NSAT	ADCL_TEXT & DRIVE 5	:10	1	Don't text and Drive
NSAT	ADCL_TEXT & DRIVE 9	:10	1	Don't text and Drive
NSAT	ADCL_TEXTING & DRIVING 2	:15	25	Don't text and Drive
NSAT	ADCL_YOUTH RECKLESS DR36	:15	8	Youth reckless driving
NSAT	ADCL_YOUTH RECKLESS DR37	:30	17	Youth reckless driving
NSAT	ADCL_YOUTH RECKLESS DR38	:15	8	Youth reckless driving
NSAT	ADCL_YOUTH RECKLESS DR41	:30	15	Youth reckless driving
NSAT	ADCL_YOUTH RECKLESS DR42	:15	1	Youth reckless driving
NSAT	AHAF PREV VISION LOSS 20	:20	1	Vision loss prevention
NSAT	AHAF PREV VISION LOSS 30	:30	16	Vision loss prevention
NSAT	AHAF PREV VISION LOSS 60	1:00	158	Vision loss prevention
NSAT	ALSF LEMONADE STAND	:30	42	Raises money for cancer research
NSAT	AM HEART ASSC_GO RED 2	:30	26	Breast cancer awareness
NSAT	AM HEART ASSC_GO RED 4	:30	34	Breast cancer awareness
NSAT	AM LIVER FOUNDATION 30	:30	2	Hepatitis C awareness
NSAT	AM LIVER FOUNDATION 60	1:00	118	Hepatitis C awareness
NSAT	Am Red Cross_30	:30	268	Red Carpet Gala
NSAT	AMBER ALERT	:30	26	Alert system for abducted kids
NSAT	AMERICAN HEART ASSC CPR	:30	20	Hands only CPR
NSAT	AMERICAN HEART ASSOC MC	:30	40	Heart disease prevention
NSAT	ANY BABY CAN (L)	:30	24	Safe infants sleeping tips
NSAT	BOYSTOWN 1	1:00	136	Hotline for troubled kids
NSAT	BOYSTOWN 2	:30	29	Hotline for troubled kids
NSAT	BOYSTOWN 3	120	2	Hotline for troubled kids
NSAT	BOYSTOWN 4	:15	21	Hotline for troubled kids
NSAT	BOYSTOWN 5	:10	3	Hotline for troubled kids
NSAT	BRINGCHANGE2MINE.ORG_15	:15	1	Mental illness awareness
NSAT	BRINGCHANGE2MINE3.ORG_30	:30	13	Mental illness awareness
NSAT	CAFE COLLEGE 15	:15	9	Student access to college resources
NSAT	CAFE COLLEGE 30	:30	38	Student access to college resources
NSAT	CDC 1	:30	5	Dangers of second hand smoke
NSAT	CDC 2	:30	25	Dangers of second hand smoke

NSAT	CDC 3	:30	15	Dangers of second hand smoke
NSAT	CDC CHILDHOOD IMMUN	:30	65	Childhood immunizations
NSAT	CDC FLU 30	:36	4	Flu prevention
NSAT	CDC FLU 60	1:00	36	Flu prevention
NSAT	CHILD MIND INST. 1	:30	2	Childhood depression awareness
NSAT	CHILD MIND INST. 2	:30	3	Childhood depression awareness
NSAT	CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE 1	:30	18	Child sexual abuse
NSAT	CITY OF SA_HEALTH 1	:30	37	Physical activities and eating healthy
NSAT	CITY OF SA_HEALTH 2	:15	9	Physical activities and eating healthy
NSAT	CITY OF SA_HEALTH 3	:30	41	Physical activities and eating healthy
NSAT	COLLEGE DEBT MGMT CLINIC	:30	5	Credit counseling for college students
NSAT	DAV 10	:10	1	Support and helping Disabled Vets
NSAT	DAV 15	:15	11	Support and helping Disabled Vets
NSAT	DAV 30	:30	46	Support and helping Disabled Vets
NSAT	DITCH THE DRIP	:30	66	Diabetes awareness
NSAT	DON'T FORGET ED	:30	40	Continuing Higher Education
NSAT	EEOC	:15	13	Job listing opportunities
NSAT	FND.BETTER LIFE/CLASSRM	:30	13	Moral values
NSAT	FOUNDBETTER LIFE (N)	1:00	176	Moral values
NSAT	GOODWILL KENNY	:15	15	People helps by Goodwill programs
NSAT	GOODWILL MARY 30	:30	55	People helps by Goodwill programs
NSAT	GOODWILL ROSEMARIA	:15	14	People helps by Goodwill programs
NSAT	GULF STUDY 30	:30	21	Seeks participants affected by Gulf spill
NSAT	GULF STUDY 60	1:00	211	Seeks participants affected by Gulf spill
NSAT	HEB READ 3 PRG 1	1:00	168	Read program and book donation
NSAT	HEB READ 3 PRG 2	:30	9	Read program and book donation
NSAT	HEB READ 3 PRG 3	:15	3	Read program and book donation
NSAT	HEB READ 3 PRG 4	1:00	190	Read program and book donation
NSAT	HEB READ 3 PRG 5	:30	5	Read program and book donation
NSAT	HEB READ 3 PRG 6	:15	13	Read program and book donation
NSAT	HELP & HOPE ORG_15	:15	19	Child abuse
NSAT	HELP & HOPE ORG_30	:30	24	Child abuse
NSAT	HELP 4 MY KID.ORG 1	:15	1	Child depression
NSAT	HELP 4 MY KID ORG 4	:30	24	Child depression
NSAT	HEROES WORK HERE	:30	66	Encourages companies to hire veterans
NSAT	LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS 20	:20	1	Encourages women to register and vote
NSAT	LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS 30	:30	8	Encourages women to register and vote
NSAT	LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS 60	1:00	188	Encourages women to register and vote
NSAT	MADD	:30	2	Don't drink and drive
NSAT	MARCH OF DIMES 1 (N)(K)	1:00	144	Premature birth
NSAT	MARCH OF DIMES 2 (N)(K)	:30	7	Premature birth
NSAT	NATIONAL CRIME PREV 1	1:00	126	Crime prevention
NSAT	NATIONAL CRIME PREV 2	:30	8	Crime prevention
NSAT	NATIONAL CRIME PREV 3	:30	7	Crime prevention
NSAT	NATIONAL CRIME PREV 4	:15	5	Crime prevention
NSAT	NATL RUNAWAY 15	:15	34	Anti bulling
NSAT	NATL RUNAWAY 30	:30	14	Anti bulling
NSAT	NATL RUNAWAY 60	1:00	123	Anti bulling
NSAT	NATL WILDLIFE FED 60	1:00	122	Encourages physical activities for kids
NSAT	NDPA POOL SAFETY 30	:30	6	Pool safety tips
NSAT	NDPA POOL SAFETY 60	1:00	115	Pool safety tips
NSAT	NEGLIGENT DRIVING	:30	37	Reckless driving

NSAT	NEGLIGENT DRIVING 30	30	34	Reckless driving
NSAT	NMA 15	:15	10	Childhood Meningitis Vaccinations
NSAT	NMA 30	30	44	Childhood Meningitis Vaccinations
NSAT	NO KID HUNGRY	:30	46	Hunger Prevention
VSAT	PATRIOT GOLF DAY	:30	1	Benefits children and spouses of our military
VSAT	SA FIGHTING BACK 1	:30	27	Anti drug
VSAT	SA FIGHTING BACK 2	:30	34	Anti drug
NSAT	SA FIGHTING BACK 3	15	25	Anti drug
VSAT	SA FIGHTING BACK ED1	:30	31	Anti drug
ISAT	SA FIGHTING BACK ED2	:30	17	Anti drug
NSAT	SA FIGHTING BACK W15 (K)	:15	78	Anti drug
ISAT	SA PARKS & REC	:30	14	City Youth Band auditions
ISAT	SA PARKS & REC SAFETY	:30	37	City Parks safety rules
ISAT	SA RIVER AUTHORITY CUP	1:00	145	Water pollution
ISAT	SA SUMMER FOODS	:30	7	Free nutritional meals for kids
ISAT	SAFB BIRTH 15	:15	5	Anti drug
ISAT	SAFB BIRTH 30	:30	106	Anti drug
ISAT	SAFB LBAG	:15	9	Antidrug
ISAT	SAFB PARTY 15	:15	15	Anti drug
SAT	SAFB PARTY 30	:30	18	Anti drug
ISAT	SAMA APHRODITE END FEB	:15	3	San Antonio Museum of Art Exhibit
ISAT	SAPD Recruiting PSA	:30	340	SAPD Recruitment
ISAT	SHELTER PET PROJECT	:30	35	Pet adoption
ISAT	SHELTER PET PROJECT 15	:15	13	Pet adoption
SAT	ST JUDES CHILDRENS RH30	:30	8	Supporting Cancer Research
ISAT	ST JUDES CHILDRENS RH60	1:00	68	Supporting Cancer Research
ISAT	STOP TEXT-WRECKS	:30	45	Reckless driving
ISAT	TAB/ADOPTION 1 (K)	:30	13	Adopting older kids
ISAT	TAB_PUBLIC UTILITY COMM	:30	6	Energy conservation
ISAT	TAB_PUBLIC UTILITY COMM2	:30	6	Energy conservation
SAT	TAB_TX NATL GUARD 1003	:30	19	National Guard recruitment
ISAT	TAB_TX NATL GUARD 1004	:15	6	National Guard recruitment
ISAT	TAB TX NATL GUARD 1005	:30	31	National Guard recruitment
ISAT	TAB_TX NATL GUARD 1006	:15	4	National Guard recruitment
ISAT	TAB_TX NATL GUARD 1007	:30	13	National Guard recruitment
ISAT	TAB_TX NATL GUARD 1008	:15	6	National Guard recruitment
ISAT	TAB_TX ST FIRE MARSHAL	:30	3	Know where emergency exits are in care of fire
ISAT	TAB_TX STATE SECURITIES 1	:30	21	Investment fraud
ISAT	TAB_TX STATE SECURITIES 2	:30	24	Investment fraud
ISAT	TAB_TX STATE SECURITIES 3	:30	7	Investment fraud
ISAT	TAKE ME FISHING	1:00	101	Fishing License and registration
ISAT	TAKE THE SHOT	:30	49	Immunizations for college students
ISAT	TDSHS 15	:15	12	Dangers of second hand smoke
ISAT	TDSHS 30	:30	47	Dangers of second hand smoke
SAT	TDSHS_WEST NILE 15	:15	1	West Nile Virus prevention
SAT	TDSHS_WEST NILE 30	:30	18	West Nile Virus prevention
SAT	TEXT 4 BABY 1	:30	25	Free texting services provides tips for baby care
SAT	TEXT 4 BABY 2	30	26	Free texting services provides tips for baby care
SAT	THANKS USA	30	65	Education opportunities & scholarships for kids of our military
SAT	THE WAY TO HAPPINESS #2	1:00	162	Moral values
SAT	THE WAY TO HAPPINESS #4	1:00	188	Anti discrimination
ISAT	TOSA_SAVE 8	:30	41	Organ donation

NSAT	TX CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL 15	:15	11	Vaccines - preventable diseases
NSAT	TX CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL 30	:30	55	Vaccines - preventable diseases
NSAT	TX DEPT OF TRANS 101	:30	18	Don't drink and drive
NSAT	TX DEPT OF TRANS 103	:15	4	Don't drink and drive
NSAT	TX DEPT OF TRANS 105	:30	18	Don't drink and drive
NSAT	TX ORTHOPEDIC ASSOC 30	:30	26	Encourages child physical activities
NSAT	TX ORTHOPEDIC ASSOC 60	1:00	44	Encourages child physical activities
NSAT	US CITIZENSHIP & IMMIGRAT	:30	6	Self employment check
NSAT	US DEPT OF VA_30	:30	19	Awareness of help and benefits for veterans
NSAT	US DEPT OF VA_60	1:00	185	Awareness of help and benefits for veterans
NSAT	US OLYMPIC COMM 15	:15	1	Seeks donations and support
NSAT	US OLYMPIC COMM 30	:30	12	Seeks donations and support
NSAT	US YOUTH SOCCER (CP)	:30	36	Encourages child physical activities
NSAT	USPS BE SAFE (K)(CP)	:30	15	Safety tips around Postal vehicles for kids
NSAT	VLB TEXAS VETERANS	:30	9	Veterans Benefit Fair
NSAT	WHITE CANE AWARENESS	:30	38	Drivers to yield to disabled White Cane users
NSAT	YOUTH ALT/PSA	:30	70	Program helping abused kids
	TOTAL PSAs A	IRED	6708	