

ABC Television Network



Susi D'Ambra-Coplan
Vice President
Station Relations

September 29, 2000

To: Station Management

Re: *ABC Television Network Third Quarter, 2000 Program Information*

Attached is the Third Quarter review of the *ABC Television Network News & Public Affairs Programming*. The information, which we will continue to issue on a quarterly basis, may be useful to licensees in compiling their FCC quarterly issues/program list for your station's public inspection files. All related legal materials will be posted on the A-Net prior to the 10th day of the new quarter (Word version 7.0).

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact your Station Relations representative, or send an e-mail to abc.affiliate.relations@abc.com.

Regards,
Susi D'Ambra-Coplan

Attachment(s)

ABC NEWS PROGRAMS — Third Quarter, 2000

ABC WORLD NEWS THIS MORNING

Monday through Friday
5:00 - 7:00AM ET/PT

This morning news program provides viewers with late-breaking national and international news, sports, weather, and financial reports. Featuring separate and distinct fifteen-minute segments, information about overnight events is constantly updated.

GOOD MORNING AMERICA

Monday through Friday
7:00-9:00AM ET/PT

Diane Sawyer and Charlie Gibson provide viewers with timely news reports, informative features, weather information, and up-to-the minute interviews with world leaders.

ABC's WORLD NEWS TONIGHT WITH PETER JENNINGS

Monday through Friday
6:30-7:00PM ET and 7:00-7:30PM ET
5:30-6:00PM PT and 6:00-6:30PM PT and 6:30-7:00PM PT

ABC News Correspondent Peter Jennings keeps viewers informed about the day's news events in this half-hour news review.

ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE

Monday through Friday
11:35PM - 12:06:30AM ET/PT - *unless otherwise indicated*

ABC News Correspondent Ted Koppel anchors this award winning news program which provides in-depth discussion of current events.

NOTE: As news events warrant, ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE may be expanded. Please refer to the NIGHTLINE section for exact program times.

ABC's WORLD NEWS NOW

Sunday through Thursday (Broadcast Day)
2:00 - 6:00AM ET
1:00 - 6:00AM CT
12:00 - 6:00AM MT
12:00 - 5:00AM PT - *Sunday*
12:36:30- 5:00AM PT - *Monday through Thursday*

Comprised of thirty-minute segments, ABC's WORLD NEWS NOW offers up-to-date news coverage including a mixture of live and taped coverage of domestic and international news issues.

20/20

This informational News magazine combines hard-hitting investigative reports, newsmaker interviews, compelling human interest and feature stories, and offers viewers a chance to learn more about the world around them.

20/20 Wednesday

10:00 - 11:00PM ET/PT

ABC News Correspondents Diane Sawyer and Charles Gibson anchor *20/20 Wednesday*.

20/20 Thursday

10:00 - 11:00PM ET/PT

ABC News Correspondents Elizabeth Vargas, John Quinones, Jay Schadler and Cynthia McFadden rotate as hosts each Thursday on *20/20 Downtown*.

20/20 Friday

10:00 - 11:00PM ET/PT

ABC News Correspondent Barbara Walters anchors *20/20 Friday*.

THIS WEEK WITH SAM DONALDSON AND COKIE ROBERTS

Sundays

10:30 - 11:30AM ET/PT and 11:30AM - 12:30PM ET/PT

ABC News Correspondents Sam Donaldson and Cokie Roberts anchor this news/interview program which focuses on the latest news events. Correspondents participate in roundtable discussions with the world's leaders and policy makers. David Brinkley continues his insightful commentary.

NOTE: ABC Sports programs may necessitate the pre-emption or re-scheduling of various news feeds.

ABC's WORLD NEWS TONIGHT SATURDAY

Saturdays

6:00 - 6:30PM ET and 6:30 - 7:00PM ET

5:00 - 5:30PM PT and 5:30 - 6:00PM PT

This half-hour news program reviews the day's major events.

NOTE: ABC Sports programs may necessitate the pre-emption or re-scheduling of various news feeds.

ABC's WORLD NEWS TONIGHT SUNDAY

Sundays

6:00 - 6:30PM ET and 6:30 - 7:00PM ET

5:00 - 5:30PM PT and 5:30 - 6:00PM PT

This half-hour news program reviews the day's major events.

NOTE: ABC Sports programs may necessitate the pre-emption or rescheduling of various news feeds.

ABC NEWS BRIEF

Monday through Friday

apr. 2:58 - 3:00PM ET/1:58 - 2:00PM PT

This thirty-third news capsule updates important news events of the day.

NOTE: As events warrant, ABC NEWS BRIEF may be expanded or re-scheduled, an additional News Brief may be scheduled.

ABC NEWS PROGRAMS - Third Quarter, 2000

ABC NEWS SPECIAL REPORTS - Third Quarter, 2000

Monday, July 24, 2000

5:14:29 - 5:15:48PM ET / Republican Vice-Presidential
2:14:30 - 2:15:55PM PT Candidate Announcement

Tuesday, July 25, 2000

11:14:46 - 11:16:39AM ET / Concorde Crash
8:14:46 - 8:16:39AM PT

11:36:30 - 11:41:47AM ET / Concorde Crash
8:36:30 - 8:41:47AM PT

11:50:51 - 11:58:46AM ET / Concorde Crash
8:50:51 - 8:58:46AM PT

1:05:01 - 1:11:19PM ET / Concorde Crash
10:05:01 - 10:11:19AM PT

3:00:44 - 3:19:50PM ET / Bush / Cheney Press Conference
12:00:44 - 12:19:50PM PT

Wednesday, August 2, 2000

11:41:25 - 11:42:56AM ET / Gerald Ford Stroke
8:41:25 - 8:42:56AM PT

Tuesday, August 8, 2000

1:15:42 - 2:03:07PM ET / Gore /Lieberman Press Conference
10:15:42 - 11:03:07AM PT

ABC NEWS SPECIALS - Third Quarter, 2000

Thursday, July 27, 2000

John Stossel Special: You Can't Say That - In a one-hour ABC News special, John Stossel observes that "a dangerous new commandment has appeared in America: Thou shalt not hurt others with words." Increasingly, he says, "People in power have come to believe it's their job to stop 'dangerous' or 'hateful' speech."

Monday, July 31, 2000

ABC 2000 - Republican National Convention - Members of the ABC News Media Relations staff will be in Philadelphia during the Republican National Convention.

Tuesday, August 1, 2000

ABC 2000 - Republican National Convention - Members of the ABC News Media Relations staff will be in Philadelphia during the Republican National Convention.

Wednesday, August 2, 2000

ABC 2000 - Republican National Convention - Members of the ABC News Media Relations staff will be in Philadelphia during the Republican National Convention.

Thursday, August 3, 2000

ABC 2000 - Republican National Convention - Members of the ABC News Media Relations staff will be in Philadelphia during the Republican National Convention.

Monday, August 7, 2000

Vanished: Object of Desire - Elizabeth Vargas reports on Jodi Huisenruit's mysterious disappearance, a town's search for a beloved local celebrity; and why her disappearance made some anchorwomen terrified that they could be next.

Monday, August 14, 2000

ABC News 2000 Democratic Convention Coverage - Members of the ABC News Media Relations staff will be in Los Angeles during the Democratic National Convention.

Tuesday, August 15, 2000

ABC News 2000 Democratic Convention Coverage - Members of the ABC News Media Relations staff will be in Los Angeles during the Democratic National Convention.

Wednesday, August 16, 2000

ABC News 2000 Democratic Convention Coverage - Members of the ABC News Media Relations staff will be in Los Angeles during the Democratic National Convention.

Thursday, August 17, 2000

ABC News 2000 Democratic Convention Coverage - Members of the ABC News Media Relations staff will be in Los Angeles during the Democratic National Convention.

Wednesday, August 30, 2000

Hopkins 24/7 - A powerful, six part documentary series, breaks new ground using small hand-held cameras that take viewers deep into the most private corners of the medical world. In an unparalleled effort by ABC News and Johns Hopkins Medicine, a team of award-winning video-journalists was given extraordinary access. Day and night, 24/7 for three months, an ABC News crew unobtrusively captured the everyday events of patients and staff. The result: Programs that are stunningly raw and undeniably real.

Thursday, August 31, 2000

Hopkins 24/7 (Part II)

Friday, September 1, 2000

Is America #1? With John Stossel - John Stossel travels around the globe to compare America. Why are some countries rich, while others are so poor? He explores what it is about America that accounts for its inventiveness and prosperity.

Wednesday, September 6, 2000

Hopkins 24/7 (Part III)

Thursday, September 7, 2000

Vanished - More questions than answers in disappearance of fighter pilot. An Air Force pilot suddenly veers away from a training formation over Arizona and heads his A10 fighter plane into the Colorado Rockies. The Air Force rules the mysterious off-course journey a suicide. Jay Schadler speaks with former colleagues and family members and whether Craig Button may have committed suicide over a failed relationship.

Wednesday, September 13, 2000

Hopkins 24/7 (Part IV)

Thursday, September 14, 2000

ABC News Special With Peter Jennings (Part I) - As election day approaches, Peter Jennings takes a comparative look at the lives and characters of the two principal candidates for president.

Friday, September 15, 2000

ABC News Special With Peter Jennings (Part II)

Wednesday, September 20, 2000

Vanished - Connie Chung reports on a man who walked away from his wife, family and friends and took on a new name, job and marriage.

Thursday, September 21, 2000

Hopkins 24/7 (Part V)

Wednesday, September 27, 2000

Vanished - Elizabeth Vargas reports on a mother's 10-year search for her missing son. Patty Wetterling relives the frightening moments of Jacob's kidnapping, and her journey from soccer mom to crusader, as she searches for clues to her son's disappearance.

Thursday, September 28, 2000

Hopkins 24/7 (Part VI)

THIS WEEK WITH SAM DONALDSON AND COKIE ROBERTS - Third Quarter, 2000

Sunday, July 2, 2000

TOPIC: Will Abortion Bring Out GOP Voters?

GUEST(S): Dr. James Dobson
President, Focus on the Family

Gov. Christine Todd Whitman (R-NJ)

TOPIC: Higher Gas Prices on July 4th Weekend: Whose Fault Is It?

GUEST(S): Gov. Tommy Thompson (R-WI)

Sen. Richard Durbin (D-IL)

TOPIC: The Human Genome Project

GUEST(S): Dr. Francis Collins

Director, National Human Genome Research Institute

Sunday, July 9, 2000

TOPIC: The Middle East: A Last Chance for Peace?

GUEST(S): Madeleine Albright
U.S. Secretary of State

TOPIC: A Mexican Revolution

GUEST(S): Vicente Fox Quesdada
President - Elect, Mexico

TOPIC: Bush Addresses the NAACP

GUEST(S): Kweisi Mfume
President, NAACP

TOPIC: Convention Preview

GUEST(S): Gov. Tom Ridge (R-PA)

Gov. Gray Davis (D-CA)

Sunday, July 16, 2000

TOPIC: Campaign 2000

GUEST(S): Gov. George W. Bush
Republican Presidential Candidate

Sunday, July 23, 2000

TOPIC: Countdown to Conventions; Mideast Peace Talks;
And a Showdown Over Tax Cuts

GUEST(S): John Podesta
White House Chief of Staff

TOPIC: Campaign 2000

GUEST(S): Karl Rove
Chief Bush Campaign Strategist

Mark Fabiani
Deputy Campaign Manager for Communications,
Gore 2000

TOPIC: The Fort Campbell Report: Gays in the Military

GUEST(S): Professor Charles Moskos
Author, Don't Ask, Don't Tell

Pat Kutteles
Mother of PFC Barry Winchell

TOPIC: Update on the British Open: The Tiger Woods
Phenomenon

GUEST(S): Jim McKay
ABC Sports

Sunday, August 6, 2000

TOPIC: Democrats Take Their Turn: Who Will Al Gore
Pick As His Number Two?

GUEST(S): Bill Daley
Campaign Chairman, Gore 2000

TOPIC: A Preview To The Reform Party Convention

GUEST(S): Pat Buchanan
Reform Party Presidential Candidate

TOPIC: United, Not Divided?

GUEST(S): Rep. J.C. Watts (R-OK)

Rep. Jim Kolbe (R-AZ)

Rep. Jennifer Dunn (R-WA)

TOPIC: Al Gore vs. George W. Bush: The Independent Voters

GUEST(S): KellyAnne Fitzpatrick
Republican Pollster

Sunday, August 13, 2000

TOPIC: Gore's Historic Pick for Veep

GUEST(S): Sen. Joe Lieberman (D-CT)

TOPIC: Bill Clinton Confesses: Good or Bad for Gore?

GUEST(S): Rev. Jesse Jackson

Sen. John Breaux (D-LA)

TOPIC: Democratic Party: 2000 & Beyond
GUEST(S): Andrew Cuomo
HUD Secretary

Lt. Gov. Kathleen Kennedy Townsend (D-MA)

Rep. Jesse Jackson, Jr. (D-IL)

Sunday, August 20, 2000

TOPIC: The State of the Race: Did Gore's Convention Work?

GUEST(S): Karen Hughes
Communication Director, Bush for President

Bob Shrum
Senior Adviser, Gore 2000

TOPIC: The Ralph Nader Factor

GUEST(S): Ralph Nader
Green Party Presidential Candidate

TOPIC: Is Al Gore His Own Man?: George Stephanopoulos
Surveys a group of Independent Voters

Sunday, August 27, 2000

TOPIC: Has the Strength of the U.S. Military Declined?

GUEST(S): Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchinson (R-TX)

Sen. Carl Levin (D-MI)

TOPIC: The Latest on the Fires in the West

GUEST(S): Bruce Babbitt
Secretary of the Interior

TOPIC: Putin's Problems

GUEST(S): Zbigniew Brzezinski

Sunday, September 3, 2000

TOPIC: Campaign 2000: The Fall Offensive

GUEST(S): Sen. Bill Frist (R-TN)
Bush Supporter

Sen. John Edwards (D-NC)
George Supporter

TOPIC: Religion & Politics: A Risky Combination?

GUEST(S): Pat Robertson
Christian Coalition

Abraham Foxman
Director, Anti-Defamation League

TOPIC: Vouchers: Good or Bad for America's Schools?

GUEST(S): The Rev. Jesse Jackson
Rainbow / Push Coalition

TOPIC: The Firestorm at Firestone
GUEST(S): Rodney Slater
Secretary of Transportation

Sunday, September 10, 2000

TOPIC: Campaign 2000: The Battleground States
GUEST(S): Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA)
Gore Supporter

Gov. Tom Ridge (R-PA)
Bush Supporter

TOPIC: The Jerusalem Question
GUEST(S): Ehud Barak
Prime Minister of Israel

TOPIC: Thoughts From A Political Maverick
GUEST(S): Gov. Jesse Ventura (I-MN)

Sunday, September 17, 2000

TOPIC: Campaign 2000
GUEST(S): Sen. John McCain (R-AZ)

TOPIC: Hillary and Lazio Take The Gloves Off
GUEST(S): Mandy Grunwald
Senior Adviser, Hillary 2000

Mike Murphy
Senior Adviser, Lazio 2000

TOPIC: Hollywood and Violence
GUEST(S): Danny Goldberg
President & CEO, Artemis Records

Sunday, September 24, 2000

TOPIC: New York Senate Race
GUEST(S): Rep. Rick Lazio (R-NY)

TOPIC: Campaign 2000: Oil Price Shock
GUEST(S): Dick Cheney
Republican Vice Presidential Nominee

TOPIC: A Political Life
GUEST(S): Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-NY)

20/20 - Third Quarter, 2000

Wednesday, July 5, 2000

Pre-empted

Thursday, July 6, 2000

“A DEADLY RIFT” (PUNK MURDER)

Producer: Marc Dorian

Elizabeth Vargas investigates the real story behind a violent death in Amarillo, Texas. The killer was a high school jock; the dead teenager was a non-conformist, often taunted because of his looks. But one day, the punks and the jocks clashed resulting in an all-week fight. And, eventually ending with the death of Brian Denehy who was crushed beneath the wheels of Dustin Camp’s car.

“THIS MAN’S WORLD” (600 LB. MAN)

Producer: Abby Rockmore; Support: Sandra Temko

Anderson Cooper visits a place where fat doesn’t matter. Kevin Miller does not waste time with calling himself obese and overweight, but instead says he is fat—plain and simple. He discusses how he was a fat baby, a fat boy, and now a fat man. Is his weight problem a case of genetics? Kevin’s son already weighs over 300 pounds and is only 20 years old.

“THE TROUBLE WITH MANKIND” (MANKIND)

Producer: Lenny Bourin; Support: Lisa Ort

Chris Cuomo looks at what is being done to Mike Foley, a professional wrestler who, due to his job, has the body of an eighty-year-old man. Foley has gotten the nickname of “Mankind” because of his very dangerous and crazy wrestling. With two kids now, Mike Foley has decided to retire from the sport and has recently written a book about his career and the behind the scenes of the matches.

Friday, July 7, 2000

“THE HANGING TREE” (LYNCHING)

Producer: Glen Silber and John Sicheloff; Support: Ani Mozian, Sylviaa Johnson, James Wang, Christine Murphy, and Stephanie Albert

Chris Cuomo travels to Marion County, Mississippi where just three weeks ago, a black teenager was found hanging from a tree in his own front yard with a belt around his neck. Twenty-five minutes after the boy had last been seen alive, his father found his son’s body. The next day, the family was told that the teen’s death was considered a suicide, but more people are coming out to say that they believe the boy was murdered.

“BUYING A LIE” (AIDS CURE)

Producer: Sarah Koch

Arnold Diaz with some warnings for those who invest in the stock market online. Last year, a drug called Plasma Plus enticed investors with its claims that it was a miracle cure for AIDS. However, these investors lost an estimated twenty million dollars investing over the Internet in a worthless product.

“THE FOOD YOU EAT” (ORGANIC FOODS)

Producer: David Fitzpatrick

John Stossel with the truth behind the health and safety of organic food consumption. Organic food costs quite a bit more than other foods and can contain deadly bacteria that comes from the natural manure used as fertilizer. It was also found that organic foods are not more nutritious than other foods, although they are not less nutritious either.

“GMAB SUBWAYS”

Producer: Frank Mastropolo

John Stossel asks the question, “What if you built a subway and nobody came?” The government spends millions of tax dollars each year to construct urban railway systems that are never or seldom used. John Stossel says he feels that taxpayers should tell government officials who want to spend public funds on these ill-conceived systems, “Give me a break!”

Wednesday, July 12, 2000

“MOTHERS OF HATE” (RIGHT WOMEN)

Producer: Mary Van Horn; Support: Tom Goldstone

Jack Ford looks at mothers who are teaching their children the ways of hate groups and rightist extreme groups. All of the women share a common goal—to spread the word of their respective groups while also recruiting new members.

“TROUBLED WATERS” (SHIPWRECK)

Producer: Steve Schnee; Support: Brian Hale

Cynthia McFadden interviews Libby Cornett who lost her husband and son at sea after they were shipwrecked and drowned only a mile from shore. Why was the Coast Guard unable to save them? Ms. Cornett is now suing the Coast Guard for not saving her family.

“ACTING ON IMPULSE” (CONTAGIOUS BEHAVIOR)

Producer: Reid Orvedahl

Michael Guillen talks with Professor Robert Erwine who has dedicated his professional life to uncovering the mystery of contagious reactions—particularly laughing and yawning. He says it the behavior may be a social way to bond, which may be attributed to evolution.

Thursday, July 13, 2000

“A STRANGER IN THE HOUSE” (CYBERSTALKER)

Producer: Portia Robertson; Support: Sylvia Johnson

Lynn Sherr reveals the power of computers that has families around the country being terrorized by people they have never seen. Lynn Sherr speaks with the Bailey family who says that Cyber Stalking has changed their lives when reality crossed over from cyberspace into real space.

“THE SMART GUY” (IQ MAN)

Producer: Joe Tobin; Support: Angela Chambers

Cynthia McFadden with the story of Christopher Langdon—possibly the smartest man in America. On the standard IQ test, Langdon scored too high that the test could not compute his score. Langdon, however, does not lead the average life of a genius. He lives in a small house and works as a bouncer at a local bar.

“17 IS ENOUGH” (17 KIDS)

Producer: Mary Raffalli; Support: Tom Goldstone

JuJu Chang visits the Smith family who is living in Scranton, Pennsylvania in quite a full house. Barbara and Larry Smith have seventeen children who were conceived over seventeen years. The family lives off a military paycheck along with government help. The parents say that the children’s conception did not have to do with not believing in birth control, but rather wanting to have many children.

“FREE FALL FROM FAME” (JAN MICHAEL VINCENT)

Producer: Joe Tobin; Support: Erin Biddle

Bill Ritter visits with Jan Michael Vincent; he had it all during the 1960s, but it all went away because of his obsession with drugs and alcohol. After two bad car accidents and a series of failed work, Vincent sought help through meetings. However, last week Jan Michael Vincent was arrested for public drunkenness.

Friday, July 14, 2000

“MEDICINE AND MURDER?” (SWANGO)

Producer: Judy Tygard; Support: Dean Tsouvalas

John Stossel continues to track the story of Michael Swango, a doctor accused of killing his patients and now indicted for murder. Swango would kill his patients with a poison that is hard to trace over a span of fifteen years. Now he is suspected of killing people over fifteen years.

“FANCY FOOTWORK” (DANCE SCHOOLS)

Producer: David Fitzpatrick; Support: Mike Mendelsohn

Arnold Diaz goes behind the scenes to expose dance studios that are accused of bilking lonely, elderly women out of their money. The instructors of the chain of dance schools called Dance Tonight were told to use the “love technique” to get close to their clients.

“CHASE AWAY THE DARKNESS” (TORI AMOS)

Producer: Marc Dorian

Elizabeth Vargas with the story of Tori Amos and the song that exposed a shocking national problem and her personal victory over violence and humiliation. Her song, “Me and a Gun,” is about her rape by a fan to whom she gave a ride one night. Now that song has become a trigger that provided breakthroughs for other women.

“GMAB—BROCKOVICH”

Producer: Frank Mastropolo; Support: Vivian Hernandez-Ortiz

John Stossel comments about the Hollywood film, “Erin Brockovich.” Stossel says the lawyers and Brockovich got rich persuading a community that it had been poisoned, whether or not it had. Stossel says, “Give me a break!”

Wednesday, July 19, 2000

“VANISHED—THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS” (FORGIVENESS HOUR)

Producer: Kristen Strand; Support: Brian Taylor and Carla Denly

Robin Roberts with a special story of forgiveness. Marietta Jaegar and her family were on what was supposed to be their dream vacation, camping in Montana, when her youngest child, 7-year old Susie Jaegar, was kidnapped. A year later, the kidnapper called Marietta with a taunting call saying that he had little Susie. FBI profilers say the conversation was perfectly conducted by Marietta who kept the kidnapper on the phone for over an hour asking him a line of questions. After reviewing the conversation tapes, police concluded that the man on the tape had probably been questioned at one point and then released. David Meierhoffer was questioned in Susie’s kidnapping, but was released before being named as a prime suspect. After an intense investigation, Meierhoffer was arrested and confessed to kidnapping and killing Susie in addition to committing other murders. Now Marietta Jaegar had to learn to forgive what this serial killer had done to her daughter and why his psychological problems fell out of his control.

Thursday, July 20, 2000

“WOMEN IN THE SHADOWS” (NIGHT WOMEN HOUR)

Producer: Michael Bicks; Support: Ani Mozian

Cynthia McFadden takes a walk on the dark side of the street with women who ingratiate themselves into a world that is off-limits for most. Prostitutes welcome “20/20” into their lives that they split between having families and dreams, and advertising as high-priced escorts both on the streets and on the Internet.

Friday, July 21, 2000

“A CHILD’S CONFESSION” (CHILD CONFESSION)

Producer: David Peterkin; Support: Tanya Henderson

John Quinones tells the story of a 12-year-old boy, Anthony Harris, who may have been coerced into confessing to the murder of a little girl, Devon. There is no physical evidence linking Anthony to Devon’s death, and people are saying that a police interrogator skilled in using the Reid Technique of Interrogation could have spurred on Anthony’s confession.

“WHAT A DEAL!” (TOBACCO UPDATES)

Producer: Reid Orvedahl; Support: Christine Murphy

John Stossel investigates how the smoking suit may be paying the wrong people. Florida smokers won a record-breaking victory over tobacco companies, where the tobacco industry was ordered to pay hundreds of billions of dollars in the settlement. However, it is now being said that the only winners in these types of cases are the lawyers.

“EVERYTHING HURTS” (SENSORY INTEGRATION DYSFUNCTION)

Producer: Andrea Fleischer; Support: Roje Augustin

Dr. Nancy Snyderman looks at a rare disorder found in young children called Sensory Integration Dysfunction that makes nerves more sensitive than normal. Doctors say the disorder is commonly misdiagnosed as a behavioral disorder.

“GMAB POST OFFICE”

Producer: Frank Mastropolo; Support: Lisa Ort

John Stossel talks about the rising cost of stamps by the U.S. Postal Service.

Wednesday, July 26, 2000

CONCORDE CRASH UPDATE

Lynn Sherr reports that a mechanical problem with engine number two may be the culprit in the Concorde crash.

“PUNISHING PARENTS” (PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY HOUR)

Producer: Steve Brand; Support: Kira Kay and Jessica Lutzke

John Stossel says how in the wake of school shootings, more and more people are saying that parents should take responsibility for their children’s actions. Parents of those killed in Columbine, as well as those involved in other incidents, have initiated lawsuits against the parents of the shooters. 20/20 sets up a hidden camera to show that teenagers do a lot that their parent’s do not know about. Surveys also show a large difference between what children are doing and what their parents thought they were doing. Some people, such as Dr. Steinberg, say that letting kids know that they have disappointed their parents is a more effective solution than punishment.

Thursday, July 27, 2000

Pre-empted

Friday, July 28, 2000

“THE REAL GEORGE W. BUSH” (GEORGE W.)

Producer: Marting Clancy; Support: Gail Rosenberg

Barbara Walters talks with George W. Bush about his past and present life on the eve of his nomination, as well as his political aspirations. Bush talks about the positive and negative aspects to being the son of former President George Bush, saying that his father was a great role-model, but left an image that is difficult to live up to.

“COLLISION COURSE” (RUNWAY CRASHES)

Producer: Kathleen Friery; Support: Rosa Cho

Arnold Diaz reports on the dangers of airplanes and how around the world many passengers are in danger before they even get into the air. According to Jim Hall, an expert on airline flights, runway incursion, where one plane hits another plane on the runway, is on the rise.

“CARSON DALY”

Producer: Diane Nicholas; Support: Jon Garcia

Sam Donaldson speaks with Carson Daly, host of MTV’s “Total Request Live.” Every day, thousands of screaming fans crowd outside the Times Square studios to catch a glimpse of this VJ host. Daly talks about his girlfriend, actress Tara Reid, as well as his early life growing up in California, and his newfound popularity.

“GMAB—GAS TAX”

Producer: Deborah Colloton

John Stossel talks about high gas prices and how they affect truckers. The gas tax money is not even helping the people it should be, says Stossel. Although some money goes into the roads and highways, most of it goes towards organizations and various other places.

Wednesday, August 2, 2000

Pre-empted

Thursday, August 3, 2000

Pre-empted

Friday, August 4, 2000

“WHEN NOBODY’S LOOKING” (WEST VIRGINIA)

Producer: Rick Nelson; Support: David Byrd

Cynthia McFadden tracks down a community leader accused of preying on the poorest and most vulnerable people in town—the disabled. Greg Gambel had been appointed conservator for his disabled victims and managed their finances through his foundation called the Aurora Foundation. But instead of managing their finances, he was stealing their money.

“THE DENTIST’S DIRTY SECRET” (DENTAL WATER)

Producer: John Bilotta; Support: Michael Mendelsohn

Arnold Diaz says that water sprayed into a person’s mouth at the dentist’s office may well have more bacteria than water from a public toilet.

“SINK OR SWIM?” (KIDDIE SWIMMING)

Producer: Melissa Cornick; Support: Tanya Henderson

Lynn Sherr speaks about the negative side to teaching toddlers to swim. Recently, a group of pediatricians have come out against toddler swimming lessons saying that the lessons may give both the parents and children a false sense of security. Four thousand young children aged four or younger die by drowning each year.

“GMAB—TERM LIMITS”

Producer: Frank Mastropolo; Support: Eric Strauss

John Stossel comments on politicians that campaign by saying they support, and will abide by, voluntary terms limits and then do not want to leave Washington once they have been elected.

Wednesday, August 9, 2000

“THE ENDLESS HUNT” (ENGLISS HUNT HOUR)

Producers: Paul and Holly Fine; Support: Julie Donofrio and Roxanna Sherwood

Charlie Gibson tells the haunting story of a crime that has remained unsolved for the past twenty-five years. Bradford Bishop was a man who seemed to have it all—a loving family, a comfortable home, and a job with the U.S. State Department. However, authorities say this 39-year-old came home from work early one day, March 1, 1976, and brutally murdered his entire family and burying their remains. Then, Bishop mysteriously vanished and remains missing till this day.

Thursday, August 10, 2000

“PREDATOR AND PREY” (SEX ABUSE TEACHER)

Producer: Sarah Koch; Support: Sandra Temko

John Quinones speaks with the students and victims of child sexual predator, George Krier. As a high school band instructor, Krier had no trouble finding teaching jobs even when his record was known. Krier went from state to state abusing girls, even though complaints had been filed against him.

“THE INNOCENT ONES” (PROJECT CUDDLE)

Producer: Portia Robertson; Support: Camille Elhassani

Jami Floyd asks, “Why are babies being abandoned by their mothers in such huge numbers?” Recently, babies have been found in fields, dumpsters, and even port-a-potties. One woman, Debbie Ferris, opened a cemetery to honor the babies found dead in various states. She calls the cemetery The Garden of Angels.

“FIRST BORN” (JULIAN LENNON)

Support: Jen Fukui

Jay Schadler speaks with Julian Lennon, the son John Lennon abandoned when he became famous. At age thirty-six, Julian Lennon now has the face and the voice reminiscent of his father, and, like his father, is making music. In the interview, Julian talks about his father’s will, his relationship with Yoko Ono, and his constant struggle to separate himself from his father’s history.

Friday, August 11, 2000

“THE MYSTERY OF BABY PHILLIP” (MUNCHAUSEN)

Producer: Penny Fleming

Sylvia Chase tells the story of a mother and her terminally ill son. Baby Phillip was born with his cranium only partially developed and his mother became his nurse and his researcher, studying his condition while tending to her youngest son's every need. But some staff members at the hospital believe that Phillip's mother, Julie, was going too far, and possibly causing her baby's illness with the experimental treatments she intervened to test on the baby. These same people believed that Julie fit the profile of a woman suffering from the syndrome Munchausen's By Proxy, where mother's are likely to abuse their children by causing their child's illness in order to get more attention for themselves.

“THE ROAD TO DISASTER” (FALLING TRUCKLOADS)

Producer: Kathleen Friery; Support: Sandra Temko

Arnold Diaz reports on disasters caused when monster cargoes carried by trucks on our nation's highways sometime break loose causing catastrophic injuries to those traveling behind them.

“FOREVER YOURS” (LOVE IN THE MAIL)

Producer: Joe Pfifferling; Support: Jean Alter

Bob Brown shares a love story that began fifty years ago through the mail. In 1942, Colleen Lee was thirteen-years-old when she began writing small descriptions of her town in Soldier, Iowa to a boy, Jeffrey Lake, in England. Years later, after losing both their spouses to illness, the boy and girl met. Six months later, they decided to get married and live happily ever after.

APOLOGY FOR GMAB ORGANIC FOODS

John Stossel apologizes for inaccuracies in GMAB Organic Foods segment that aired.

Wednesday, August 16, 2000

Pre-empted

Thursday, August 17, 2000

Pre-empted

Friday, August 18, 2000

“THE SHINING SON” (LOST CHILD)

Producer: Joanna Breen; Support: Myrna Toledo

John Quinones traces the life of Eric Cooper, who leads the typical life now in America acting as a soccer dad and owning his own business. However, his life was not always this stable. Cooper was born Carlos Montorosa in Colombia, living in a one-room shack with his brothers, sister, and mother. But when he was eight, his mother left to go see relatives in Venezuela, never to return. In a mission to find his mother, he hitchhiked all the way to Bogota where he ended up in an orphanage and later adopted by an American couple who changed his name. Now, Eric Cooper travels back to Colombia in search of his family and Colombian roots.

“DEATH ROW FRIENDS”

Producer: David Peterkin; Support: James Wang

Lynn Sherr tells us the story of two men on death row that were convinced that one another was innocent of the crimes in which they were convicted. Since 1990, thirty men have been executed in McAlester, Oklahoma. Greg Wilhoyt and Ron Williamson said that they were innocent, but with little in the way of alibis, were convicted and awaited their fates on death row. The same lawyer, Mark Barrett, took on both of the men's cases and ultimately, the jury set them free.

“GMAB CONVENTIONS”

Producer: Kristina Kendall; Support: Stephanie Albert

John Stossel reports that millions in public financing can be allotted to political conventions as a result of a bill passed a couple of decades ago. Stossel says this money often goes directly to a party. He believes that the parties should have to pay for their own conventions.

Wednesday, August 23, 2000

"FLIGHT 529" (SURVIVOR HOUR)

Producer: Bert Rudman; Support: James Wang

Jay Schadler profiles a minute-by-minute recount of the terrifying journey of nineteen people who survived the plane crash of ASA Flight 529, a commuter jet out of Atlanta. Twenty minutes after take-off, an engine on the left wing of the airplane exploded and the flight carrying twenty-six people crashed into a field. The survivors speak with "20/20."

Thursday, August 24, 2000

"HER SECRET LIFE" (BRANDON TEENA)

Producer: Gabriella Messina; Support: Jean Alter

Jami Floyd tells the story of Brandon Teena, whose life inspired the Golden-Globe award-winning movie, "Boys Don't Cry." Brandon was born Teena Renee Brandon and was raised by a single mother, growing up a prankster and a tomboy. As a teenager, she started acting more and more like a boy until finally the time came when she began dressing as a boy and calling herself Brandon. But living in rural America, Brandon faced an identity crisis and found herself the center of constant harassment and criticism that ultimately cost her her life.

"UP FROM THE STREETS" (HOMELESS ACTOR)

Producer: Carol Radziwill; Support: Dean Tsouvalas and Jen Fukui

John Quinones talks with Mark Webber, a man who made his way from the streets to the silver screen.

"EVERY MAN'S DREAM" (HUGH HEFNER)

Producer: Lee Hoffman; Support: Logan Nakyanzi

Elizabeth Vargas sits down with Hugh Hefner, the twice-married 73-year-old "king" of the Playboy bunnies. Some describe him as the envy of every man, but others call him the biggest chauvinist. Vargas sits down to hear about the ups and downs in Hefner's life.

Friday, August 25, 2000

"A PAINFUL WITHDRAWAL" (WITHDRAWAL)

Producer: Alison Sesnon; Support: Valerie Parker

Nancy Snyderman discusses the side effects of antidepressant withdrawal. Anti-depressants are becoming some of the most popular prescription drugs. Some say that drug withdrawal can be worse than depression.

"MURDER FOR HIRE" (HITMAN FOR HIRE)

Producer: Greg Fisher; Support: Tom Goldstone

Chris Wallace speaks with Jack Valentine, a police detective who has made a career of going undercover to impersonate a hitman. He says that there is no profile for people who want to hire a hitman.

"K9 to 5"

Producers: Barb Koster and Gwen Gowen; Support: David Ward and Mary Healy

Bill Ritter discusses the benefits of dogs working for both humans and canines. "Working Dogs," published by Discovery Books, shows dogs all over the country who do all types of jobs.

GMAB DRUG HYPOCRASY

Support: Deborah Runcie

John Stossel comments on how politicians don't always do what they say, and one the areas in which this is most apparent is when they talk about their own drug use.

Thursday, August 31, 2000

Pre-empted

Friday, September 1, 2000

Pre-empted

Monday, September 4, 2000

“MYSTERY IN PARADISE” (JAMAICA—VANISHED)

Producer: Michael Bicks; Support: Susan Kriskey

Cynthia McFadden provides insight into the search for Claudia Kershoff, an assistant editor for a travel guide company who disappeared close to 100 days ago in Jamaica. Her parents, Fred and Marianne, have to Jamaica to search for their daughter, combing both beaches and bars for any clues that could lead to the discovery of Claudia. On the day of her disappearance, the housekeeper at the resort says that Claudia wasn't in her room but her bags and belongings were still there. Even her passport and credit cards were still in the room, but Claudia was no where to be found.

Wednesday, September 6, 2000

Pre-empted

Thursday, September 7, 2000

Pre-empted

Friday, September 8, 2000

“THE SURVIVORS” (LAWYERS)

Producer: Dave Rummel; Support: Simon Surowicz and Jill Rackmill

Brian Ross investigates the dealings of Ed Fagan, a famed lawyer who has traveled the world recruiting Holocaust survivors to file lawsuits against the Swiss banks and German companies that aided the Nazis during WWII. Yet, Fagan has been accused of ignoring and neglecting the very clients he has purported to represent.

“AFFLUENZA”

Producer: Elisa Kasher; Support: Logan Nakyanzi

Ju Ju Chang with a warning to parents who are making too much money. Children who are given everything they want whenever they want it may develop a condition called Affluenza.

“PARTNERS FOR LIFE” (VET ONCOLOGY)

Producer: Dean Irwin; Support: Jen Fukui

Bob Brown talks about a story of medicine and miracles that began when two surgeons teamed-up to save the lives of their patients—only their patients are not people, they are animals.

“GMAB KNIFE”

Producer: Frank Mastropolo; Support: James Wang

John Stossel says that zero-tolerance policies in schools are ludicrous failures. He talks about some school districts going so far as to ban contact sports, including tag, while others have suspended kindergartners who tussled on the playground.

Monday, September 11, 2000

“A DANGEROUS ENCOUNTER” (7-11)

Producer: Steve Brand; Support: Lisa Ort

Jami Floyd speaks with Antonio Feliciono whose routine life was disturbed one day when an armed robber came into the 7-11 store where he worked. Armed with a sawed-off shotgun, the assailant, Glenda Renee Hull, demanded all the money from the register. Seeing his life in danger, Feliciono grabbed for the gun when Hill turned her head and wrestled with the woman until the police could come. But should Feliciono be hailed as a hero? 7-11 says no and fired him.

“GREETINGS FROM IBIZA” (IBIZA)

Producer: Gabriella Messina; Support: Vivian Hernandez-Ortiz

Chris Cuomo travels to Ibiza, Spain, that by day seems like any other ordinary town, but by night erupts into a living pulse. Hundreds of bars and clubs line the streets of the town and at midnight each day, people begin to gather in the town square to begin partying the night away.

“THE GREAT IMPOSTER” (IMPOSTER)

Producer: Joe Tobin; Support: Ani Mozian

Anderson Cooper looks at the life of Adam Michael Fame a.k.a. David Stanley, an imposter who led investors and thousands of others into believing you could watch television quality pictures over the Internet.

“GLOBAL MILLIONAIRE” (FOREIGN MILLIONAIRE)

Producer: Reid Orvedahl; Support: Christine Murphy

Bill Ritter tells the history of the popular gameshow “Who Wants to be a Millionaire.” The popular television game show is now in thirty-one countries around the world and is expected to be in more by the year’s end.

Thursday, September 14, 2000

Pre-empted

Friday, September 15, 2000

Pre-empted

Monday, September 18, 2000

“BORN TO BE WILD” (JOHN DAVIDSON)

Producer: John Bilotta; Support: Terry Dollard

John Miller speaks with Bill Queen, a.k.a. Billy St. John, an undercover officer for the government agency ATF (the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Department) about his years with the Mongols, the notorious motorcycle gang. During his time with the gang, he accumulated a multitude of information that will be used to convict some of the criminals within the gang.

“HER FLESH AND BLOOD” (DARLIE ROUTIER—2 PTS)

Producer: Chris Whipple; Support: Erin Biddle

Sylvia Chase goes to a prison to speak with Darlie Routier, who was convicted in 1997 of killing her two children, ages five and seven. She was found guilty on a multitude of evidence and sent to death row in Texas. But Routier, along with others, still contends that she did not kill her two sons.

“THE NEXT CHAMP” (WRESTLING SCHOOL)

Producer: Catherine Upin

Bill Ritter travels to Les Thatcher’s wrestling camp in Cincinnati, Ohio, where several men try to become professional wrestlers. Pro Wrestling has become the hottest form of entertainment on television. As of today, there are over twelve hours of wrestling on prime time television. For some, though, that is simply not enough and to get more, they are going directly into the action.

Friday, September 22, 2000

“THE DEATH OF ROBERT MANY HORSE” (INDIAN MYSTERY)

Producer: David Fitzpatrick; Support: Ruth Reiss and Rosa Cho

Lynn Sherr goes to South Dakota where many believe the state has become a racial battleground. In the past year, ten Native American men have been killed for no apparent reason. In the summer of 1999, four white teenagers invited Robert Many Horses to join them for an evening of drinking that ended in the death of Robert who was later dumped in a trash can by the teenagers after he passed out. The teens were taken to court for aggravated manslaughter, but the judge threw the case out.

“BANNED IN THE BACKYARD?” (TRAMPOLINES)

Producer: Kathleen Friery; Support: Eric Strauss

Arnold Diaz warns parents about the dangers surrounding outdoor trampolines. Although trampolining premiered as an Olympic sport this year, it may not be one of the sports you should be trying at home. More than four million backyard trampolines have been sold in the past decade and almost 100,000 people went to emergency rooms last year because of trampoline injuries.

"A LIVING MIRACLE?" (BLIND MAN)

Producer: Trish Arico; Support: Eric Araya

Bob Brown speaks with Rene Poyer who was legally blind until last May when, suddenly, he regained his eyesight. When Rene was thirty, ten years ago, he was working as an electrician and was caught in a high voltage electrical explosion. His eyes got progressively worse until he was declared legally blind. People are calling his condition a medical miracle.

GMAB—ATTACK ADS

Producer: Frank Mastropolo; Support: Rosa Cho

John Stossel does not understand why all the political candidates are so sensitive. He says that studies have shown that attack ads usually focus more on the issues at hand than positive ads.

Monday, September 25, 2000

"KINGDOM OF HEAVEN"

In an exclusive interview, John Quinones enters an armed Texas compound of anti-government militia group who pledge to live free or die.

"NEIGHBORHOOD VIGILANTE"

Hero or hazed? Jami Floyd reports on a San Francisco who turned anger into action in fight to rid community of prostitution.

"COMPULSIVE DISORDERS"

Bill Ritter reports on obsessive compulsive disorders manifesting repeated thoughts of harming others.

Friday, September 29, 2000

"KILLING THE MESSENGER"

Chris Cuomo reports on medical examiner who was let go after controversial ruling in the deaths of five teenagers. The report outraged the community, and a year later, the medical examiner's contract was not renewed.

"SCHOOL CHOICE PROGRAM"

John Stossel takes a look at one state's school choice program and why its under attack.

ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE - Third Quarter, 2000

Monday, July 3, 2000

TOPIC: New Face of Mexican Politics

Tuesday, July 4, 2000

TOPIC: Survivor's Story

Wednesday, July 5, 2000

TOPIC: Dangers of Dietary Supplements

Thursday, July 6, 2000

TOPIC: Venus & Serena: Sisters & Rivals

Friday, July 7, 2000

TOPIC: Spellbound: Harry Potter Magic

Monday, July 10, 2000

TOPIC: South Africa's Deadly Debate

Tuesday, July 11, 2000

TOPIC: Middle East Peace

Wednesday, July 12, 2000
TOPIC: The Anthrax Crisis

Thursday, July 13, 2000
TOPIC: Police Brutality

Friday, July 14, 2000
TOPIC: Tobacco on Trial

Monday, July 17, 2000
TOPIC: The Tobacco Jury

Tuesday, July 18, 2000
TOPIC: Genetic Prophecy (Alzheimer's)

Wednesday, July 19, 2000
TOPIC: Time Runs Out

Thursday, July 20, 2000
TOPIC: The Chair

Friday, July 21, 2000
TOPIC: Invisible Men

Monday, July 24, 2000
TOPIC: Bush Picks His VP

Tuesday, July 25, 2000
TOPIC: Concorde Crash

Wednesday, July 26, 2000
TOPIC: Closer to Mideast Peace?

Thursday, July 27, 2000
TOPIC: God & Evolution

Friday, July 28, 2000
TOPIC: On the Road with Bush & Cheney

Monday, July 31, 2000
TOPIC: GOP Meets New Media

Tuesday, August 1, 2000
TOPIC: Joining the Bush Bandwagon

Wednesday, August 2, 2000
TOPIC: New Face on the GOP

Thursday, August 3, 2000
TOPIC: Political Education of George W. Bush

Friday, August 4, 2000
TOPIC: Beyond Reasonable Doubt

Monday, August 7, 2000
TOPIC: Lieberman: Bold Choice Or Safe Bet?

Tuesday, August 8, 2000
TOPIC: Face to Face with the Western Fires

Wednesday, August 9, 2000
TOPIC: Unfriendly Skies

Thursday, August 10, 2000
TOPIC: Clinton: Baring His Soul

Friday, August 11, 2000
TOPIC: Reform Party Convention

Monday, August 14, 2000
TOPIC: Clinton's Shadow

Tuesday, August 15, 2000
TOPIC: Democrats: Moving to the Center

Wednesday, August 16, 2000
TOPIC: Lieberman Takes Center Stage

Thursday, August 17, 2000
TOPIC: Gore in the Spotlight

Friday, August 18, 2000
TOPIC: Russian Sub: Lost at Sea

Monday, August 21, 2000
TOPIC: Babies and Technology

Tuesday, August 22, 2000
TOPIC: Master Teacher (Part V)

Wednesday, August 23, 2000
TOPIC: Master Teacher (Part VI)

Thursday, August 24, 2000
TOPIC: Drug Pushing Parents

Friday, August 25, 2000
TOPIC: The Zone

Monday, August 28, 2000
TOPIC: Battle of the Political Arts

Tuesday, August 29, 2000
TOPIC: A New French Revolution

Wednesday, August 30, 2000
TOPIC: Fighting With the HMOs

Thursday, August 31, 2000
Dot-cons in the Digital Age

Friday, September 1, 2000

TOPIC: Lesson In Patience

Monday, September 4, 2000

TOPIC: Invisible Men

Tuesday, September 5, 2000

TOPIC: Fortune Tellers

Wednesday, September 6, 2000

TOPIC: Hip Hop: Reign of Russell

Thursday, September 7, 2000

TOPIC: Hip Hop: Beauty in the Beast?

Friday, September 8, 2000

TOPIC: Hip Hop: Grow Up

Monday, September 11, 2000

TOPIC: Race & Politics

Tuesday, September 12, 2000

TOPIC: Crime & Punishment, Part I

Wednesday, September 13, 2000

TOPIC: Crime & Punishment, Part II

Thursday, September 14, 2000

TOPIC: Crime & Punishment, Part III

Friday, September 15, 2000

TOPIC: Crime & Punishment, Part IV

Monday, September 18, 2000

TOPIC: Campaign 2000: What's So Funny?

Tuesday, September 19, 2000

TOPIC: The U.S. vs. Wen Ho Lee

Wednesday, September 20, 2000

TOPIC: Access Denied: Medical Data Bank

Thursday, September 21, 2000

TOPIC: Boiling Over: The Politics of Oil

Friday, September 22, 2000

TOPIC: Trying to Save the Bolshoi Ballet

Monday, September 25, 2000

TOPIC: Military Readiness: Ready for What?

Tuesday, September 26, 2000

TOPIC: Abortion Pill: Is America Ready?

Wednesday, September 27, 2000

TOPIC: Protecting An Unborn Child

Thursday, September 28, 2000
TOPIC: Hopkins 24/7

Friday, September 28, 2000
TOPIC: Sierra Leone