Quarterly Issues/Programs List
WUSA-TV Washington, DC
For the quarter beginning:
January 1, 2023
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October 1, 2023

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Attached are descriptions of issue-responsive programming broadcast by this station during the reporting period.

The listed programs aired on the station during the reporting period on the days and times indicated. Each program regularly provides information or addresses current local issues of concern to viewers in the area where the station is located.

## LOCAL ISSUES ADDRESSED DURING THE QUARTER

The following are local issues of concern to the community. Programs that addressed these issues during this reporting period are listed on the following pages.

#### **Local Issue/Concern and Brief Description**

# **Environment Matters**

In 2022, WUSA 9 launched its Environment Matters initiative, covering climate change and issues concerning the environment. We launched ECO9, a first-of-its kind hybrid vehicle that uses lithium ion batteries and solar panel drip charge technology to power live-reporting broadcast equipment. ECO9 won an Emmy for Technical Achievement in the National Capital Chesapeake Bay Chapter of The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences. In 2023, our commitment to covering the environment continues. Some of the topics featured this quarter include Eco-friendly sunscreen, Maryland flood awareness, forest bathing, dogs that sniff out the spotted lanternfly, thermal cameras, curbside composting and how climate change is affecting air turbulence.

# Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month

WUSA 9 celebrated AAPI Heritage Month in May, which recognizes the contributions and influence of Asian Americans and Pacific Islander Americans to the history, culture and achievements of The United States. We put the spotlight on local Asian American and Pacific Islander families and their communities. The DMV is a cultural melting pot and many Asian Americans who live here brought their traditions with them. We highlighted successful businesses and reported on plans to revitalize DC's Chinatown and Virginia's Eden Center. WUSA 9 colleagues also sat down for a special discussion about their heritage.

#### **Pride Matters**

In June 2023, WUSA 9 recognized LGBTQIA Pride Month. Pride Month began as a commemoration of the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in New York City. Since then, it has grown into a way to celebrate the strides of the LGBTQIA+ community and focus on work needed to achieve equality. WUSA 9 team members interviewed and highlighted people in our local community who have made an impact for others.

# **Security and Crime**

WUSA 9's team looked into security and crimes affecting our local community. We reported on mystery drones over Boonsboro, existing laws in revenge porn hampering prosecutions, a repeat offender and DC's 122-year-old criminal code which classifies, lewd, indecent, or obscene acts as a misdemeanor. Lesli Foster and Lorenzo Hall sat down with Chief Robert Contee and 6 Metropolitan Police Officers. With violent crime areas - families mourn, victims try to recover, and officials hold safety summits, but it is rare you hear from the officers. This DC Police Roundtable allowed the department members to answer a list of question and communicate their views. WUSA 9's Delia Goncalves also got exclusive access with Pathways, a transitional employment program that aims to decrease participants' involvement in the criminal justice system and improve their employment, education and training outcomes on the outside.

# Health

Health matters and in Q2, WUSA 9 reported on the following issues: The JUUL Settlement, organ donations, treatment for Parkinson's tremors and rat hunting dogs.

#### **Consumer and Legal**

Chief Investigative Reporter Eric Flack looked into an online police auction website- that got caught auctioning cell phones with people's personal information. Other topics covered include drivers using fake tags to not pay parking tickets, illegal house building, Medicare fraud, a frozen embryo custody battle and businesses being used as late night party clubs.

#### Equality

DC Emancipation Day. Equality matters and WUSA 9 is committed to empowering and amplifying diverse voices. The week WUSA 9's Emancipation Day story aired-DC was marking the 161st anniversary of DC Emancipation Day. It is a part of American history not all of America thinks should be taught or talked about. But it is a history lived by a people freed from the bondage of slavery in the Spring of 1862.

# **Washington Commanders**

In February 2022, WUSA 9 broke the news the Washington Commanders had detailed plans for a football and entertainment complex in 3 Northern Virginia locations. Two of them in Prince William County and one in Loudoun County. The most controversial stadium plan was the one possibly being in Prince William County. Forty-three traffic packed miles away from the heart of DC. Meaning a commute--especially during rush hour--could take an hour-and-a-half or more on game days. With new team owners on the way, WUSA 9 has new information on the futuristic traffic solution pitched by outgoing owner Daniel Snyder. WUSA 9 also reported on the Commanders' ticket settlement.

#### **NIL Deals**

A landmark case for high school athletes in Virginia. The Commonwealth announced it will allow high school athletes to be paid for their name, image and likeness, also known as NIL. The Virginia High School League overwhelmingly passed new guidelines outlining how high school athletes in the commonwealth will be allowed to earn money on everything from product endorsements to personal appearances or social media, starting July 1. The move in Virginia follows a national trend. Most states—including DC and Maryland—now allow high school students to get paid. WUSA 9 reported on this ruling as well as NIL opportunities for female athletes. Lexi Ewing was highlighted. Only WUSA 9's cameras were there in April when Lexi became the first high school women's athlete in Maryland to ink an NIL deal.

# **Series Follow-ups**

WUSA 9's ongoing series did follow-up stories on home appraisal bias, DRB house building, a Potomac black cemetery and Statesmen College Preparatory Academy. Nearly two years after our first report--have things improved for black homeowners who claim they were lowballed in their home appraisals? With DRB house building, not only do we find out the home buyers are still waiting for their houses, but subcontractors are also waiting to be paid. A WUSA 9 investigation into black history being erased in Montgomery County is leading to change and WUSA 9 gives an update on Statesmen College Preparatory Academy. This charter school was opened five years ago with black culture and leadership at the center of their curriculum. These educators would change the way young men of color are educated in the District -- by putting an emphasis on personal development.

**VERIFY** WUSA 9's VERIFY team answered questions from the community with

vetted experts, original documents and fact-checking to get to the truth.

Military Appreciation Month Each year, Military Appreciation Month observance runs from May 1 to

May 31. Senator John McCain proposed the month-long observance on February 9, 1999. On May 30, 1999, Congress designated National Military Appreciation Month. This year, Great Day Washington highlighted organizations that support Military members and their

families each Monday of the month.

Men's Health Month Men's Health Month is in June and it encourages men and boys to

take charge of their health by making healthy lifestyle decisions.

During this month, Great Day Washington had several segments

highlighting how men and boys can make changes to their daily lives, to

build habits to live a healthier life.

<u>Local Issue</u> <u>Environment Matters</u>

April 3, 2023 (5:30pm/1:22 length)
April 4, 2023 (6am re-air/1:22 length)
Sustainable Easter

Experts say traditional, plastic Easter eggs can be harmful to the planet and animals, so Miri Marshall showed viewers better alternatives on how to make the holiday more sustainable.

April 6, 2023 (5am/1:10 length)
April 7, 2023 (6am re-air/1:10 length)
Maryland Flood Awareness

Flooding is the number one natural hazard in Maryland and everyone in the state is susceptible to flooding. As we headed into the stormier spring and summer months, the National Weather Service partnered with the state of Maryland to provide viewers with valuable resources. WUSA 9 showed our audience tools they could use to determine their flood risk.

Person Interviewed:

Jeremy Geiger - Senior Service Hydrologist - NWS

April 10, 2023 (5:30pm/1:35 length)
April 11, 2023 (6am re-air and 9am re-air/1:35 length)
Hillwood Museum Forest Bathing Walks

Inspired by the Japanese practice of shinrin-yoku (which translates to "absorbing the forest atmosphere"), forest bathing is a research-based activity designed to promote health and well-being through immersion in natural settings. WUSA 9 talked with an expert on the practice.

Person Interviewed:

Jessica Bonilla - Director of Horticulture - Hillwood Estate, Museum and Garden

April 13, 2023 (5:30pm/1:35 length)

April 14, 2023 (6am re-air/1:35 length)

April 16, 2023 (8am re-air/1:35 length)

April 17, 2023 (11pm re-air/1:35 length)

Virginia Tech Is Training Dogs To Sniff Out The Spotted Lanternfly

The invasive spotted lanternfly has been wreaking havoc on agriculture crops in our area for the last decade. They attack everything from peach and apple trees to hops and grapes causing \$40 billion dollars in losses a year. Researchers at Virginia Tech's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences are hoping dogs can sniff out the eggs of this insect in what's being unofficially called the Canine Citizen Science Study.

Person Interviewed:

Sally Dickinson - Doctoral Student at Virginia Tech

April 17, 2023 (5:30pm and 7pm re-air/1:57 length)
April 18, 2023 (6am re-air and 12pm re-air/1:57 length)
Northern Virginia's Hemlock Trees

Meteorologist Makayla headed to Hemlock Overlook Regional Park in Fairfax County, Virginia to learn more about a forest of Hemlock trees. Some of these trees are hundreds of years old and they are about be inducted into the Old-Growth Forest Network, a national network dedicated to protecting rare trees.

Person Interviewed:

Paul Gilbert - Executive Director of NOVA Parks

April 20, 2023 (5:30pm/1:06 length) April 21, 2023 (6am re-air/1:06 length)

**Environment Matters at Montgomery Mall Earth Day Preview** 

Ahead of Earth Day 2023, WUSA 9's Kaitlyn McGrath went to Westfield Montgomery Mall and spoke with vendors who are part of Montgomery County's "Earth Day Kids" event.

People Interviewed:

Tony Wells - Mad Science

Anjaili Wells - Creative Outlets

Zeina Davis - Communication, Westfield Montgomery Mall

April 24, 2023 (5:30pm/2:11 length)

April 25, 2023 (6am re-air/2:11 length)

April 30, 2023 (8am re-air/2:11 length)

**MGM National Harbor** 

MGM National Harbor has been awarded the US Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Gold certification. The property takes up 28 acres of land in Prince George's County, but the facility was built with the environment top of mind.

Person Interviewed:

Bruce Williams - Facilities Director at MGM National Harbor

April 27, 2023 (5:30pm/2:16 length)
April 28, 2023 (5am re-air/2:16 length)
How STEM For Her Is Supporting The Environment At A DC School

STEM for Her is a local non-profit with a mission to promote education that creates awareness, excitement and opportunities among girls to pursue careers in STEM. WUSA 9's Kaitlyn McGrath surprised students at Digital Pioneers Academy with a \$1,000 grant from STEM for Her Enrichment Grant to support their new community garden. To honor Earth Day, students learned all about the history of the important occasion to honor our Earth and made seed bombs, a mixture of dirt and clay stuffed with seeds to toss into their school's courtyard.

People Interviewed:

Jennifer Fortney - Executive Director of STEM for Her Coach MJ Reynolds - 7th Grade Math Teacher Of Digital Pioneers Academy

May 1, 2023 (5:30pm/1:35 length) May 2, 2023 (4:30am re-air/1:35 length)

**Thermal Cameras** 

At each of the City of Alexandria's library branches, you can check out a thermal camera. They come with simple instructions and a do-it-yourself energy audit that allows homeowners to find these different areas where there might be energy leaks or insulation gaps. WUSA 9 showed viewers some quick easy fixes for people to be able to save that money and conserve energy for the environment.

Person Interviewed:

Melissa Atwood - City of Alexandria

May 4, 2023 (5:30pm/1:50 length) May 5, 2023 (4:30am re-air/1:50 length) VA Tech Chesapeake Bay Sinking

New research out of Virginia Tech shows that sections of the Chesapeake Bay are sinking at rapid rates. Meteorologist Kaitlyn McGrath explains what researchers have found. Rising sea levels and sinking ground allows flood water to go farther inland and poses a significant threat to coastal communities. She spoke to one of the researchers about what they discovered and how communities can use it to help mitigate flood risk

Person Interviewed:

Manoochehr Shirzaei - Department of Geoscience, Virginia Tech

May 8, 2023 (5:30pm/1:10 length)
May 9, 2023 (5am re-air/1:10 length)
May 13, 2023 (6pm re-air/1:10 length)
Earth-friendly Mother's Day Gift ideas

PlantHouse is an experienced-based terrarium workshop and premium plant store. They combine plant-based activities, products and environments that bring people together in a way that inspires connection and creativity. We sent WUSA 9's Makayla Lucero to learn more about earth friendly Mother's Day ideas.

Person Interviewed:

Simone Villeroel - PlantHouse - Alexandria, VA

May 11, 2023 (5:30pm/1:30 length)
May 12, 2023 (4:30am re-air/1:30 length)
Curbside Composting in Alexandria

The greater DC area generates 700,000 tons of food waste each year and the vast majority of that is still being thrown in the trash where it generates methane gas and contributes to climate change.

Kaitlyn McGrath shows how Alexandria residents are doing their part in protecting the environment. The two-year pilot program is open to 2,000 residents in Alexandria. So far, a little over 500 residents are signed up.

People Interviewed:

Dan Israel - Senior VP of Growth - Compost Crew Howard Lee - Recycling Program Analyst - City of Alexandria

May 15, 2023 (5:30pm/2:10 length) May 16, 2023 (5am re-air/2:10 length) May 21, 2023 (8am re-air/2:10 length)

**Pepco Solar For All** 

Going green is great but not everyone can afford it. There's a new program in DC benefiting people who might not otherwise be able to take advantage of a new green economy. It's a partnership between DC Department of Energy, Jubilee Housing, Pepco, and New Partners Community Solar. This program helps lower the cost of electric bills for low-income residents.

People Interviewed:

Samuel Buggs - Jubilee Housing Resident Marty Mellet - Jubilee Housing Jeff Lesk - President New Partners Solar James Pittman - Pepco

# May 16, 2023 (5:30pm and 11pm re-air/3:15 length) May 21, 2023 (8am re-air/3:15 length) How Climate Change Could Make Air Travel Longer And More Expensive

If you're traveling this summer by air, you need to know how climate change might affect your flight. As meteorologist, Miri Marshall, shows us everything from travel times, bumped flights, even your luggage and wallet could be impacted.

Flight delays and cancelations are a major source of flight frustrations. They are about to get worse. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) found weather to be the main source of air travel delays in the National Aviation System Delays. In 2022, FAA data reported to the Bureau of Transportation Statistics found that weather caused more than 4,000 delays at Reagan National Airport, totaling 254,583 minutes of delay.

At Washington Dulles International Airport, FAA data found more than 1,000 delays due to weather in 2022, resulting in more than 104,000 minutes of delay.

At Thurgood Marshall airport in the Baltimore region, the FAA calculated more than 2,000 delays, totaling more than 126,000 minutes.

With the planet warming and the climate changing, experts say that there could be more inconveniences such as the potential for more delays, cancellations, longer flying times, or getting bumped from your flight.

"There's an expectation that there will be more severe storms. Of course, nobody wants to take off or land in a thunderstorm. That will mean delays," said Dr. Russel Dickerson, a professor in the Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences Department at the University of Maryland.

# Too hot to fly?

To get in the air, airplanes need lift. To aid in this, wind speeds around the wing and air density come into play. When it is too warm outside, the air is not as dense, meaning there are not enough air molecules around the wing to generate lift. To overcome that, airplanes pick up speed. But to get the speed, pilots need a long runway. For airports like Reagan National, also known as "DCA," it's a challenge.

"On a hot day, you can have 10% less density than on a cold day. So, you need more runway to get that speed. DCA National Airport's longest runway is only about 7,100 feet. That sounds like a lot, but both Dulles and BWI have runways that are 10,500 feet long. So DCA is particularly sensitive to what we call density altitude or really hot days," Dickerson said.

To take off on a hot day, the plane has to "go on a diet" and lose weight. This is where weight restrictions come in, when planes have to ditch fuel, luggage or passengers to get light enough for take-off.

A longer or shorter flight.

Climate change may impact how long it takes you to reach your destination. Many planes ride along what's called the jet stream. It's a band of fast-moving air high in the atmosphere. The jet stream and its strong winds can help push planes along faster. But research shows that the jet stream is potentially getting stronger and this may make some flights shorter and others longer.

"So if you go to Europe, it's an hour or two faster to get to Frankfurt, Germany than it is to come home. And that's because you can catch the Jetstream flying to Europe and avoid the Jetstream coming back," Dr. Dickerson explained. "But with climate change that jet stream is going to change intensity and position that might move further north might make it harder to find. So that could make the trip slower. And that means more expensive."

People Interviewed:

Thomas Harrison and Bob Kochersberg – travelers

Dr. Russell Dickerson - Professor in the Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences Department at the University of Maryland

May 16, 2023 (6pm/2:45 length)
May 21, 2023 (7am re-air/2:45 length)
How Climate Change Is Affecting Air Turbulence

If you're traveling this summer by air, you need to know how climate change might affect your flight. Meteorologist Kaitlyn McGrath explains the link between turbulence and climate change is clear.

People Interviewed:

Paul Williams - Professor of Atmospheric Science at the University of Reading Jim Kinter - Professor of Climate Dynamics at George Mason University

May 18, 2023 (5:30pm/2:06 length)
May 19, 2023 (5am re-air/2:06 length)
Bike To Work Day Celebrations Return To Alexandria's Market Square

For the first time since 2019, Bike to Work day is being celebrated in Alexandria's Market Square. It is a day to encourage people to reevaluate how they're commuting and explore options outside of driving, which is sometimes unavoidable, but in many cases, there are better commuting options for the environment. The City of Alexandria is helping draw attention to different modes of transportation.

Person Interviewed:

Hamzt Sani - Go Alex

May 22, 2023 (5:30pm/1:28 length) May 23, 2023 (5am re-air/1:28 length) Building A Place To Play

Riverdale Park will feature two new playgrounds just in time for summer. These playgrounds are under construction in Prince Georges County. The Department of Parks and Recreation partnered with the non-profit Kaboom and the Monumental Sports and Entertainment Foundation to make these new playgrounds possible.

Person Interviewed:

Claire Worshtil - Capitol Budget Planner at Maryland National Capitol Park and Planning Commission

May 25, 2023 (5:30pm/2:33 length) May 26, 2023 (5am re-air/2:33 length) May 28, 2023 (8am re-air/2:33 length) Learning On The Golf Course

DC area golf courses aren't just a place to learn the game, they're also environmental learning labs. Chief Meteorologist Topper Shutt took ECO9 on a field trip to Langston Golf Course in Northeast DC to get a look at the lessons that can be learned there.

People Interviewed:

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Craig Kirby - CEO Golf My Future My Game Santonio Holmes - All In Foundation

May 29, 2023 (5:30pm/1:52 length)
May 30, 2023 (5:30am re-air/1:52 length)
June 11, 2023 (8am re-air/1:52 length)
Retailers Offer Boxes Made To Fit The Item That You Order

Online shopping leads to a lot of waste but customized boxes help to cut back on waste and allow more packages on delivery trucks. Retailers like Walmart and Amazon are tackling the problem with customized boxes, which help eliminate the need for additional paper or plastic to protect shipments. Miri Marshall explains how it works.

Person Interviewed:

Garima Sharma - American University Assistant Professor

June 1, 2023 (5:30pm/2:30 length)
June 2, 2023 (6am re-air, 9am re-air and 12pm re-air/2:30 length)
Celebrating National Trails Day in the DMV

Tens of thousands of people are expected to get outside in celebration of National Trails Day, according to the American Hiking Society. Kaitlyn McGrath shows us this event is about more than just spending time in nature, it's about giving back to our environment.

Person Interviewed:

Lauren Jacobs - American Hiking Society

June 5, 2023 (5:30pm/1 minute length)

June 6, 2023 (6am re-air/1 minute length)

Chinn Park Children's Garden Now Open In Prince William County

Nestled between Chinn Park Library and Chinn Park Rec Center is a new special garden which provides an interactive way for kids to learn about the environment.

This space officially opened on June 3 and is now known as the Chinn Park Children's Garden. Open year-round, the garden is an area where kids can learn more about nature and grow a passion for the environment. It was all made possible in part by the Garden Club of Lake Ridge.

Person Interviewed:

Rico Fleshman - Executive Director of Prince William Beautiful

June 8, 2023 (5:30pm/1:42 length)

June 9, 2023 (5am re-air and 11pm re-air/1:42 length)

**DC Department of Energy Mending Monday** 

Every year, the average American throws out more than 70 pounds of clothing and other textiles and that's really bad for our planet. Meteorologist Makayla Lucero took ECO9 to find out more about a program to help you extend the life of garments and keep them out of landfills.

Person Interviewed:

Jackie Giovanniello - Community Manager of The Outrage

June 12, 2023 (5pm/1:58 length)

June 13, 2023 (5am re-air/1:58 length)

June 18, 2023 (8am re-air/1:58 length)

**Making Your Home More Energy Efficient** 

Many homeowners want to make their homes more energy efficient, but they're afraid it costs too much. Now there's a way to make your house greener and save some green at the same time. Meteorologist Chester Lampkin explains a new loan program that could save you hundreds of dollars a year on home heating and cooling.

People Interviewed:

Matt Sera - Atlas Home Energy Solutions

Sabrina Bachman - Maryland Clean Energy Center

June 15, 2023 (5:30pm/1:07 length)

June 16, 2023 (5am re-air/1:07 length)

DC Department Of Energy: Fix It! DC

Electronic waste is a big issue impacting our environment. There's a free program in DC hoping to make a difference. Fix-It DC wants to help you repair your electronics and household items instead of tossing them in landfills

Person Interviewed:

Ida Arabshahi - DC Department of Energy

June 19, 2023 (5am and 5:30pm re-air/1:44 length)
June 25, 2023 (8am re-air/1:44 length)
ECO friendly sunscreens

With more summertime sunshine comes the need for more sunscreen! But before you lather up that lotion, take a look at the label. Certain chemicals in sunscreen can be pretty harmful to the environment. Three that you don't want are oxybenzone, octinoxate, and octocrylene. These substances are found in most chemical sunscreens. Some brands have started to phase out a few of these chemicals but, they are not completely in the clear yet. Makayla Lucero walks our viewers through an example of how your sunscreen ends up harming the environment.

Person Interviewed:

Dr. Craig Downs - Executive Director at Haereticus Environmental Laboratory

June 22, 2023 (5:30pm and 7pm re-air/1:53 length)
June 23, 2023 (6am re-air/1:53 length)
Driverless Shuttle Relay

The chance to ride a first fully autonomous, electric, public shuttle bus in Virginia is coming to an end. The driverless shuttle is called Relay and the last couple years it's picked up and dropped off people in Fairfax County's Mosaic District. Meteorologist Makayla Lucero took ECO9 to find out what's next for this driverless technology.

Person Interviewed:

Eta Nahapetian - Fairfax County Peggy Fox - Dominion Energy Jordan Greene - Safety Steward

June 26, 2023 (5:30pm/1:42 length)
June 27, 2023 (5am re-air/1:42 length)
Using Old Tech To Create New Jewelry

Veralux is a label that incorporates tech, fashion and luxury. Her newest collection of pieces combines NFC chips, similar to the chip in your phone that allows you to use Apple Pay and jewelry. This technology can be useful for items that are passed down in your family or items purchased and sold by celebrities. You will have a digital ledger that shows exactly who had that item, when they had it and if it's authentic or not. Best of all, the metals used to create this line are sourced in an environmentally friendly way and is expected to cut down on over consumption of fast fashion jewelry.

Person Interviewed:

Cathy Hackle - Verse Lux

June 29, 2023 (5:30pm/2:17 length)
June 30, 2023 (5am/2:17 length)
National Advocacy And STEM Summit

This week, fifty students from across the country and Puerto Rico have been taking part in the National Advocacy and STEM Summit through the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Washington and the Center of Transformation.

The Center of Transformation created a ten-week Global Climate Change Curriculum to help club youth learn about how our climate is evolving and how to advocate for change. The program culminated with the week-long summit where students got to visit the Capitol to meet policy makers, tour the Howard Hughes Medical Institute and tour Boeings facility and speak to staff members. Meteorologist Kaitlyn McGrath got a chance to see what the students have been working on this week.

## People Interviewed:

Gabrielle Webster - President and CEO Boys and Girls Club Greater Washington Joediel Rodriguez - from Puerto Rico
Shantel Bownner - Friendship Tech Prep
Areyon Cunningham - Friendship Tech Prep
Philisha Adkins-Lewis - Advisor - Friendship Tech
Keysha Rodriguez – from Puerto Rico

**Local Issue** 

<u>Asian American Pacific Islander</u> <u>Heritage Month</u>

May 1, 2023 (6am/1:52 length)
AAPI Fast Facts

**Reporter: Abby Llorico** 

Who is the Asian American Pacific Islander community and why is May AAPI Heritage Month? WUSA 9 gathered information from the Pew Research Center, The Smithsonian Institute, Public Law 102-450, and UCLA Asian American Studies Center.

May 3, 2023 (6am/2:13 length) AAPI Small Business Spotlight

Reporter: Annie Yu

Asian American Pacific Islander month is a time to reflect and honor Asian culture, diversity and history. According to the US Chamber of Commerce, more than 2-million businesses in the US are owned by members of the AAPI community. WUSA 9's Annie Yu's own parents were small business owners and went through many ups and downs including a language barrier. But they persevered, like many immigrants who come to the US with a dream. Annie is shining a spotlight on a small business helping to make the DMV a cultural melting pot! Interview with Andy Cai, Owner of Kumo. Andy and his family immigrated to the United States in 1993 from China. He had one vision — to share his family recipes and cultural traditions with others, strongly believing that food unites us all.

May 5, 2023 (5:30pm/2:27 length)

**AAPI Roundtable** 

**Reporter: Matthew Torres** 

Five colleagues from WUSA 9 share stories of their upbringing, honor their traditions, and reflect on the future for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

Annie Yu, Chester Lampkin, Abby Llorico, Matthew Torres and Melissa Kim met at Sushi Rock in Arlington. They all sat down for a special discussion on what makes their Korean and Filipino cultures unique...from what's on their table -- to what's on their wall.

May 9, 2023 (6am/2:12 length) AAPI Disappearing Chinatown

**Reporter: Abby Llorico** 

Chinatowns around the country were originally safe havens for Chinese immigrants facing racism and exclusion. They soon became cultural gathering places and hotspots. DC's original Chinatown was torn down to make way for new development, then relocated here along several blocks of H Street NW. But since the 1960s, downtown crime rates and further big development meant most Chinese residents of the neighborhood have been driven out. Today, DC's Chinatown appears more held together by chains than Chinese owned or even Chinese—centric businesses. Tom Gong sees Chinatown at a crossroads. He leads an organization advocating for more historic commemoration of the neighborhood's stories. Along with that, Gong hopes to see more incentives and support of Chinese-owned businesses, especially as many storefronts are boarded up windows.

Ella Faulkner with The Downtown Business Improvement District says it is putting a special focus on the Gallery Place-Chinatown corridor this year to make sure the voices of the Asian American community are not lost.

May 11, 2023 (6am/2:29 length)

AAPI Spa World Reporter: Annie Yu

Spa World in Centreville, Virginia, offers a unique experience in our area that honors an age-old Korean tradition. When Sang Lee immigrated to the US at 17, he knew that one day he would take a leap of faith. He knew he wanted to bring something from his homeland to his new home. Spa World is modeled after a traditional Korean bathhouse. In Korean, it's called jjimjilbang, which translates to "heated rooms." It's an essential part of South Korean culture, found in many cities and towns. Just about everyone of all ages in Korea go to jjimjilbangs. Korea has a long history of sauna bathing and wellness. It's a tradition that dates back to the 15th century and was first used for medicinal purposes. Over time, it evolved into a gathering place for relaxation, beauty rituals and health benefits that go beyond a quick soak.

## May 15, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)

Great Day Washington interview with Chef Kevin Tien of Moon Rabbit Restaurant. Tien shared with us the importance of recognizing AAPI chefs in DC. Tien also cooked up a traditional Vietnamese dish.

May 17, 2023 (6am/2:18 length)

**AAPI Eden Center** 

**Reporter: Matt Gregory** 

Eden Center is the core for Vietnamese food and culture in Virginia. Decades ago, the shopping center was in downtown Arlington. Big development pushed families and businesses out. When the city of Falls Church started looking at reinvestment plans for the area around Eden Center, the people who call this shopping center home got understandably concerned. WUSA 9 spoke with restaurant owner, Suong Nguyen and Falls Church City Planner, Paul Stoddard.

May 23, 2023 (6am/3:11 length)

**AAPI MSG** 

**Reporter: Abby Llorico** 

MSG, shorthand for "monosodium glutamate," caught a bad reputation in the 1960s thanks to one speculative diner, and there's no scientific evidence that it's harmful for most people. The FDA explains, the glutamic acid of MSG is chemically the same as the glutamic acid found naturally in food proteins and our bodies process them the same way. This has been studied extensively and while an individual might have a particular sensitivity to MSG, like people can be sensitive to any other ingredient, scientists haven't been able to confirm any correlation between MSG and unhealthy side effects. WUSA 9 spoke with local chef, Tim Ma and experts Soo-Yeon Lee, Director of Food Science at Washington State University and Dr. Robert Buchanan, University of Maryland Professor Emeritus.

#### May 23, 2012 (9am/4 minutes length)

Great Day Washington interview with Qin Sun Stubis about her book "Once Our Lives." The book is the story of her family with an epic adventure into hidden Chinese history.

<u>Local Issue</u> <u>Pride Matters</u>

June 5, 2023 (6pm/2:03 length)
June 6, 2023 (6am re-air/2:03 length)
Recognizing 50 Years Of Advocacy Work

The Capital Pride Alliance recognized the National LGBTQ Task Force for 50 years of advocacy work. The group is the oldest national LGBTQ political advocacy organization. In this report, WUSA 9 spoke with a member of the organization about the group's fight for LGBTQ+ rights. They opened up about the progress that's been made and the work that still needs to be done.

Person Interviewed:

Cathy Renna - National LGBTQ Task Force

June 6, 2023 (11pm/2:25 length)
June 7, 2023 (5am re-air/2:25 length)
June 11, 2023 (8am re-air/2:25 length)
Annie's Paramount Steakhouse Serving Up Pride

In this piece, WUSA 9 highlighted a restaurant that's been an ally to the LGBTQ+ community for decades. Annie's Paramount Steakhouse sits along 17<sup>th</sup> street in Northwest DC. It just celebrated 75 years of business. The restaurant has served people of all identifies since it first opened, long before many other restaurants would. Now it's a safe space and a staple in the LBGTQ+ community. WUSA 9 spoke with people who work there to find out what makes this space so special, and why Annie's is committed to being allies to everyone.

People Interviewed:

Scott Paxton - Annie's Bartender Georgia Katinas - Third Generation Annie's Operator

June 7, 2023 (6pm/2:28 length)
June 8, 2023 (5am re-air/2:28 length)
One-On-One With The Editor Of The Washington Blade

A local newspaper in DC has covered the fight for LGBTQ+ rights for more than 50 years. The Washington Blade began as a newsletter in 1969. In the 54 years since, it has grown into the newspaper of record for DC's LGBTQ+ community. As part of WUSA 9's Pride Matters coverage, we spoke with the newspaper's editor and co-owner to get a firsthand account of reporting on this movement.

Person interviewed:

Kevin Naff - Editor and Co-Owner of The Washington Blade

June 8, 2023 (11pm/2:38 length)
June 9, 2023 (6am re-air/2:38 length)
One-On-One With Virginia Delegate Danica Roem

WUSA 9 spoke one-on-one with Virginia Delegate Danica Roem. She made history in 2017 when she became the first openly transgender person elected and seated in a state legislature in the United States. She took the time to speak with us about her experience as an openly transgender elected official. She spoke about being on the frontlines in the fight for transgender rights, and how she's fighting for issues that impact all of her constituents.

Person Interviewed:

Virginia Delegate Danica Roem

June 9, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)

Interview with Tony-award winning actress Idina Menzel about her opportunity to headline the Capital Pride Concert.

June 10, 2023 (11pm/1:34 length)
June 11, 2023 (7am re-air/1:34 length)
Washington, DC celebrates Capital Pride

WUSA 9's Melissa Kim documented the 48<sup>th</sup> Capital Pride. She amplified the message of love and hope among people celebrating at the District's Pride parade. Attendees shared why pride celebrations matter to them, and what they look forward to in the years to come.

People interviewed:

Nick Swisher - local father
Pastor Eric Mathis - Associate Pastor of First Baptist Church of DC
Dean Kim - local paralegal

Local Issue Security and Crime

April 27, 2023 (11pm/4:05 length)
April 28, 2023 (5:30pm re-air/4:05 length)
Mystery Drones Over Boonsboro

What are they? And who is flying them? That's what one family in Washington County, Maryland wants to know. They say mysterious drones are flying over their home almost every night - often all night long. WUSA 9 sent our Casey Nolen to investigate the Mystery in the Sky -- over one Boonsboro neighborhood.

For the past 2 months John and Amy Bucheimer have gotten video of mysterious, unmanned drones flying over their property. Some of them whizzing by their house windows.

The Bucheimers say the drones come out around sundown on just about every night with good weather. Neighbors say they've seen them still flying in the morning.

The Bucheimers started doing some investigating on their own. And tracked down a plot of land a mile from their house where the drones seem to be taking off from. Land records indicated the land is federally owned.

Then the couple called the FAA to file a complaint. The FAA told them it was a matter for the local Sheriff. Who sent them back to the FAA.

The night WUSA 9 was at the Bucheimer property - we saw a jumbo-jet flying low over their backyard. Something the Bucheimers say they never see. According to public flight data, the jet circled this part of Washington County until 4am, when it headed back to where it took off--Naval Air Station Patuxent-more than 100 miles away.

The Navy confirmed to WUSA 9 it is flying low altitude missions in the area that are "crucial to our national security." But that doesn't explain the drones.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

John Bucheimer: Boonsboro Resident

Amy Bucheimer: Boonsboro Resident

Spokesperson for US Naval Air Station Patuxent

April 28, 2023 (11pm/3:29 length)

**Revenge Porn** 

For the first time, a Virginia woman, who claims to be a victim of revenge porn, is sharing her story. She accuses her ex-boyfriend of posting a naked video of her onto a porn site without her knowing. But despite Loudoun County prosecutors filing charges, a judge dismissed the case more than two years

later.

As the prosecution tells our Matthew Torres, Virginia law made it hard for her to get justice.

Court documents show the woman's ex was charged with unlawful dissemination, or sale, of an image. A Class 1 misdemeanor punishable by up to 12 months in jail and a \$2,500 fine.

But a Loudoun County judge dismissed the case earlier this year after the defense cited the statute of limitations. According to Virginia law, misdemeanor cases have a statute of limitations of one year. The defense argued authorities issued an arrest warrant 9 months after the statute of limitations passed. However, Cedric Moon, Loudoun County Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney, says it should have started once the victim discovered the video was posted online.

Moon questions whether the existing law is hampering prosecutions.

Back in 2014, Virginia lawmakers passed 2 pieces of legislation dealing with revenge porn. One dealt with the unlawful creation of an image of another person. That has a 5-year statute of limitations.

But the other charge--the one this suspect was facing--has the shorter one-year time frame.

Virginia delegate, Marcus Simon, of Falls Church, helped introduce the 2014 bill. In an email he said, "I think we should probably introduce legislation to fix that."

WUSA 9 also discovered that state laws regarding revenge porn vary. While it's a misdemeanor offense in Virginia and Maryland, in DC it can sometimes be classified as a felony depending on the level of the offense.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

"Marie": Revenge Porn Victim

Cedric Moon: Loudoun County Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney

May 1, 2023 (11pm/4:20 length)
May 2, 2023 (6pm re-air/4:20 length)
Mount Pleasant Man And Obscene Acts

He terrorized a local community for years with his quote "deviant sexual behavior" according to his probation officer. And the courts put him back on the streets repeatedly. Did DC's laws and courts fail alleged victims, including a 5-year-old girl?

DC Police first arrested Derrick Jones for exposing himself in 2018. In that case for committing sex acts in front of four children at a DC Public Library.

DC's 122-year-old criminal code classifies, lewd, indecent, or obscene acts as a misdemeanor. And prohibits judges from detaining defendants on misdemeanor charges alone. So, Jones was released. Then never showed up for court.

In 2021 Jones was arrested again. This time for exposing himself and committing lewd acts on the Metro.

A judge found Jones guilty. But suspended his 30-day prison sentence and put him on supervised probation instead. Sending Jones back to his Mount Pleasant neighborhood. Where neighbors tell WUSA 9 he continued to repeatedly expose himself while committing lewd acts. So, brazen neighbors recorded cell phone video of him doing it--just steps away from Bancroft Elementary School. DCPS tells us the principal reported Jones to police too.

None of it stopped Jones. And in 2022, detectives once again arrested him on that misdemeanor charge of committing lewd, indecent, or obscene acts. This time he was at a bus stop. Because Jones had violated the terms of his probation from his previous arrests, this time the judge was able to keep him in jail before trial. And Jones ultimately pled guilty.

But since, remember, committing lewd, indecent, and obscene acts can only be a misdemeanor according to DC Criminal Code, even for repeat offenders, the maximum the judge could give Jones was 90 days in jail.

Jones' attorney, Raymond Jones, telling us - it's not the length of the sentence that's the problem here. "What services are we providing? How are we the recidivism? How are we stopping people from coming back again? And we can say, well, let's lock them up. That's the key. And everybody says, but the person must get out. And we can't lock up a misdemeanor person for 25 years, right?"

The judge tried to put Jones on probation once he got out, but couldn't since she already sentenced him to the max allowed by law.

After Jones ignored a judge's order to register with DC Police as a sex offender, DC's probation office wrote to the courts that he "poses a risk to the community" and his "inappropriate deviant sexual behaviors...appears to be exacerbating."

That's what allegedly happened in April. When Jones was arrested for threating to kill a couple across the street after they caught him exposing himself. Two more misdemeanors, and another catch and release by DC's Judicial System. A spokesperson for the US Attorney's Office telling us "Unless that new charge is a violent or dangerous crime as defined by DC law, a defendant can only be detained briefly."

Back in his Mount Pleasant neighborhood, it took Derrick Jones 10 days to do it again. His latest victims, a 5-year-old girl and her father.

Derrick Jones faces nine more criminal charges for this latest incident--all misdemeanors. This time he's being held at the DC Detention Center because the new charges violate his conditions of release from earlier in April.

People Interviewed/Highlighted.:

Derrick Jones: Accused of Sexual Abuse Judy Clayton: Mount Pleasant Resident Bob Davis: Mount Pleasant Resident

Jessica Morales: Principal, Bancroft Elementary School

Kari Elwood: Mount Pleasant Resident

Raymond R. Jones: Attorney for Derrick Jones

May 25, 2023 (5:30pm/1:45 length)
May 25, 2023 (11pm re-air/1:45 length)
Mount Pleasant Man And Obscene Acts Update

Today in DC Superior Court - 54-year-old Derrick Jones plead not guilty to 4 new criminal charges, including misdemeanor sexual abuse of a child and lewd indecent and obscene acts for touching himself in public.

He now faces a total of 15 outstanding criminal charges for repeatedly exposing himself and committing sex acts in public, often in front of young children, in his Mount Pleasant neighborhood.

As WUSA 9 first reported earlier in May, Jones history of arrests and convictions for lewd and obscene acts that dates back to 2018. He's been in and out of custody since then - regularly ignoring court orders not to re-offend.

WUSA 9 was there, and captured video, of his arrest in April after being accused by DC Police of sexually abusing a 5-year-old girl by allegedly exposing himself and committing lewd, indecent, and obscene acts right in front of her.

DC's 122-year-old criminal code classifies, lewd, indecent, or obscene acts as a misdemeanor. Jones sexual abuse of a child charges are also, all misdemeanors.

And DC code prohibits judges from detaining defendants before trial on misdemeanor charges alone, which is how Jones kept on ending up back on the street and allegedly re-offending.

Although he remains at the DC Jail tonight, since this time a judge was able to hold him on violations of his conditions of release from a previous case.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Derrick Jones: Accused of Sexual Abuse Kari Elwood: Mount Pleasant Resident

Raymond R. Jones: Attorney for Derrick Jones

May 12, 2023 (6am/3:12 length) DC Police Roundtable #1

Our communities are being shattered by violent crimes.

Families mourn, victims try to recover, and officials hold safety summits, but you hardly ever hear from the officers who are protecting and serving those communities. So, WUSA 9's Lesli Foster and Lorenzo Hall sat down with a list of questions for 6 Metropolitan Police Officers and Chief Robert Contee.

We met with the officers and Chief at DC Police Headquarters. Each and every one of them find purpose in serving others; but, with a clear division between police and communities here, and all over the country, we wanted to know how does MPD build back trust between the police and community.

All the officers said it begins with interaction and conversation. Forging and building relationships. Showing the community, they are people too, who love this community. It also means treating everyone with respect and the utmost professionalism and courtesy.

There was also talk of the Special Liaison Branch of MPD--where they try to establish long lasting relationships with the communities they serve. The officers speak the language of their communities, they come from the same background, understand the cultures and values.

People Interviewed/Highlighted Chief Robert Contee: DC Police Officer Timothy Ahl: DC Police Lt. Livio Rodriguez: DC Police Officer Britnee Sangalan: DC Police Officer Nefetia Stevens: DC Police

Capt. Jeff Kopp: DC Police

Officer Annette Wong: DC Police

May 12, 2023 (6pm/3:28 length)
DC Police Roundtable #2

In part 2 of our police roundtable conversation, WUSA 9 asked 6 officers and the Police Chief tell us something that stayed with them during one of their shifts.

Officer Nefetia Stevens talked about an unconscious baby. When she arrived at the scene, the father was doing CPR on the 4-month-old. The officer took over for the dad. Unfortunately, the baby did not make it. "Giving CPR to a 4-month-old, it's tough but you still have to help. Not only the child, but the parents too."

Some officers also talked about uplifting moments. Captain Jeff Kopp remembered there were a series of robberies recently, that happened back-to-back. "I just remember responding up there and seeing the district commander and the officials taking complete control of the situation to try to combat the robberies that were going on and we did manage to stop them. So that was good!"

"The most memorable part was when one of the business owners said, 'Thank you.' It's not that it's rare but it really does touch me when they do say thank you and feel the appreciation from the community," remembered Officer Annette Wong.

Officer Britnee Sangalan told us, "I dealt with this lady who suffered PTSD from being sexually abused and she was suicidal. So, I took her to the hospital. And was just protecting her. Just to soothe her, you know, and admit her into the hospital so she can get some help."

And the Chief probably summed it up for all the officers WUSA 9 spoke with, "My shift never ends. It's the truth, it doesn't. Whether it's two o'clock in the morning or three o'clock in the morning. The phone is constantly ringing with bad things that are happening to people and communities across our city. So, the last shift for me, it's a continuous shift. It does not stop."

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Chief Robert Contee: DC Police Officer Timothy Ahl: DC Police Lt. Livio Rodriguez: DC Police Officer Britnee Sangalan: DC Police Officer Nefetia Stevens: DC Police

Capt. Jeff Kopp: DC Police

Officer Annette Wong: DC Police

# May 12, 2023 (11pm/4:01 length) DC Police Roundtable #3

In part 3 of WUSA 9's roundtable with 6 MPD officers and the Chief, we talked about how no 2 days are the same for these men and women. And all too often, it's the response to homicides in the city that garner the most attention, not the emotional toll it takes on the officer.

"I just have a heart for victims," said Chief Contee. "For the mothers who've lost their children. For the fathers. For the children."

And it can be frustrating from start to finish for those trying to solve the crimes. Bring peace to neighborhoods.

"You get everything you can but the two people who were standing in the block when homicide happened, refuse to say so because, you know, we don't snitch, or you know we don't do this. So that person's life doesn't matter, that's a tough thing," said the Chief.

Chief Contee says far too many people in the city, and across the country, are growing up in a culture of violence. Where trauma and loss is the norm. But these officers tell us, other factors are also fueling the devastation.

"Just the daily stress that people are going through. People have lost jobs, people have lost access to resources, they've had damaged relationships, they had financial problems," says Captain Jeff Kopp.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Chief Robert Contee: DC Police Officer Timothy Ahl: DC Police Lt. Livio Rodriguez: DC Police Officer Britnee Sangalan: DC Police Officer Nefetia Stevens: DC Police

Capt. Jeff Kopp: DC Police

Officer Annette Wong: DC Police

June 9, 2023 (11pm/4:02 length) June 11, 2023 (11pm re-air/4:02 length) June 12, 2023 (5:30pm re-air/4:02 length) Pathways – Part 2

For every shooting, carjacking, or murder in DC, there is a man who is actively rebuilding his life. The work to leave a life of crime takes a whole team of people who are committed and invested. The Pathways program offers just that. It's such intense and dangerous work, they've never let a reporter or camera inside private sessions - - until now. WUSA 9's Delia Goncalves got exclusive access and follows 3 men along their pathway to healing.

After spending half of his life locked up for armed burglary, 31-year-old Shawn Coleman enrolled in Pathways – a DC program that takes the promise of the returning citizen and makes it a reality. It's a step-by-step guide to life on the outside. There's career coaching, financial literacy, and trades taught by professionals who volunteer in the carpentry workshop, barber shop and media center-where they make music and produce podcasts.

Coleman got out of prison just a few months ago. Right now, the DC native is staying in a halfway house in Baltimore. He wakes up before sunrise, takes 2 buses and train to get to here.

Perry Scott is a 33-year-old father of 2. He did 3 years on drug and gun charges. He's been out of jail 13 years now. "I was at a standstill but running in place. You feel like you going somewhere but you're not. Hustling to go nowhere. You ain't building stability. None of this stuff you accomplish in the streets is not gonna add up to nothing - not to God, not to the judge, not to the boss."

For Stephone Ellerbee, Pathways is a step toward becoming a better man for his 4 children and for his mom, whose memory motivates him. "She always told me, just keep fighting to get better."

After graduation, the men move into the 6-month employment phase with support from Pathways mentors who did time themselves.

"Can't nobody go in the neighborhood and tell these dudes. They gonna look at you like who is you what have you done?" explains Perry Scott. "The streets should be the ones showing them, not people who already made it out the streets. Not people who've never been in the streets."

Program directors tell us they have an 80 percent success rate.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Shawn Coleman: Pathways Client Perry Scott: Pathways Graduate Stephone Ellerbee: Pathways Client

<u>Local Issue</u> <u>Health</u>

April 12, 2023 (5pm/2:10 length)
April 12, 2023 (11pm re-air/2:25 length)
JUUL Settlement

One of the largest e-cigarette companies in the world agreed to a record setting settlement with the District of Columbia. The lawsuit they settled alleges JUUL marketed e-cigarettes to kids for years. The lawsuit also accused the company of misleading teens about how addictive those devices are.

DC sued JUUL accusing it of deliberately targeting underage users; failing to verify ages of purchasers and lying to consumers about the content, strength, and safety of its products.

The \$15.2 million settlement is the largest negotiated by the DC Office of the Attorney General under the Consumer Protection Act in history.

Over the last several years, the US Food and Drug Administration, and the Surgeon General, have warned that the country is in the midst of a teenage vaping crisis. Reversing a decades long decline in smoking rates among young people.

In a statement Wednesday, JUUL said the settlement was part of its effort to combat underage tobacco use and reset the company. "With this settlement, we are nearing total resolution of the company's historical legal challenges and securing certainty for our future," a company spokesperson wrote in an email to WUSA9. "We have now settled with 47 states and territories, providing over \$1 billion to participating states."

The DC Attorney General's office said at least 50% of the millions paid to DC will be used directly to address the public health damages JUUL's products caused here in the District including programs to help teens quit.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Brian Schwalb: DC Attorney General JUUL Spokesperson

May 15, 2023 (6pm/4:10 length)
May 21, 2023 (8am re-air/4:10 length)
May 22, 2023 (5:30pm re-air)/4:10 length)
Organ Donations

100,000! That's how many men, women and children are on the wait list for an organ transplant in the US.

Twenty people a day die just waiting. This is because there are more people in need of organs than those donating them.

In the United States the UNOS Transplant System is in use. Right now, 100,000 people are on the national organ donor wait list. Approximately 20,000 will receive a transplant. This means 80,000 people are still on the wait list, and come next year, another 20,000 will be added to the list.

Many in the transplant world, including Dr. J. Keith Melancon, with George Washington University Hospital, say the system needs an overhaul.

Since 2015 George Washington University Hospital has been putting the word out about live kidney transplant donations. This is because a person can live with one kidney.

For African Americans, the number of people needing transplants, are more disproportionate, especially for those in need of a kidney transplant.

In this piece, WUSA 9 tells the story of Audrick Payne, a kidney recipient, and Vanessa Anderson, who donated one of her kidneys to Payne. Payne had been on the waiting list for 4 years, before having his live donor procedure at George Washington Hospital.

To increase awareness of live organ donations in the black community, Dr. Melancon teams up with patient recipients and donors, like Payne and Anderson, to record podcasts about their journey. The goal being to inspire others to become live organ donors.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Audrick Payne: Organ Recipient Vanessa Anderson: Organ Donor

Dr. J. Keith Melancon: Transplant Surgeon, George Washington University Hospital

June 23, 2023 (11pm/4:22 length)
June 24, 2023 (7am re-air)
June 26, 2023 (5:30pm re-air)
Treatment for Parkinson's Tremors

For centuries, surgeons have used scalpels, saws, and drills to cut into their patients and treat their illnesses.

But in the last few years, UVA and a few other hospitals have pioneered what some are calling the most powerful sound you'll never hear. It's focused ultrasound, and Bruce Leshan reports the results of using it to treat movement disorders--like tremors in Parkinson's patients-- can be almost miraculous.

In this story, we watch Tony Farone undergo focused ultrasound. A tiny hole is burned in a neural pathway deep inside his brain to repair a circuit Parkinson's has caused to go haywire. One thousand beams of ultrasound are focused precisely like with a magnifying glass on a millimeter wide pathway in his brain.

Almost immediately after the procedure - Farone's hand is steady. No more tremor. He can hold a glass of water without spilling it. Something he had not been able to do in 7 years.

This is not a cure for Parkinson's. But it does treat one of the most disorienting symptoms--the tremors. The FDA approved focused ultrasound treatment for essential tremor, or uncontrollable shaking, in 2018. And it's now expanding approval to treat Parkinson's tremors.

UVA neurosurgeon Jeff Elias just published the results of a randomized trial of focused ultrasound for Parkinson's symptoms in the New England Journal of Medicine. Seventy percent of patients responded to the treatment. Most still saw benefits three months later, and many continued to see benefits a year later.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Tony Farone: Parkinson's Patient

Dr. Shayan Moosa: Neurosurgeon, University of Virginia Health

May 9, 2023 (11pm/3:31 length)
May 10, 2023(5:30pm re-air/3:31 length)
May 14, 2023 (6pm re-air/3:31 length)
Rat Hunting Dogs

If you spend any time in DC -- you know the rats are out of control. They're everywhere!

DC was actually named the second rattiest city on the East Coast last year. That's according to Orkin Pest Control.

DC had more than 13,000 calls for rat infestation in 2022. So far this year -- that number is up to 7,000.

DC health officials are battling the rat problem around the clock.

But there's also a group of dog owners who volunteer their time to track down rats -- and kill them. WUSA 9's Matt Gregory takes us on the hunt in the streets of Adams Morgan in Northwest.

Bomani Mtume, a retired Baltimore City cop, is the leader of the volunteers. His dog Barto joins him every Saturday night in DC to hunt the rats.

By his side the night WUSA 9 joined them, were 2 other dog owners and their pooches Fitz and Henry.

All the dogs search for a scent. When they hit on one--2 dogs corner it, and flush it out of hiding. The third dog catches it, and breaks its neck in seconds, killing the rat.

The dogs find rats in dumpsters, trash cans, even in the rat traps set by the city.

As the hunt goes on, the rats get craftier. Climbing walls and hiding in propane crates.

By our count, after an hour-and-a-half, the dogs killed at least 16 rats. Mtume picks up each kill and disposes of it in a trash can.

You might ask, is this safe for the dogs? Mtume says they are not putting the dogs in danger. Rats don't carry rabies. And the CDC agrees.

And if you're concerned about whether this is humane for the rats, Mtume says it takes these dogs 10 seconds, or less, to shake and kill a rat. Poison can take up to 6 days and the rats bleed internally.

Mtume, and the other handlers, do the work for free.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Bomani Mtume: Dog Handler

<u>Local Issue</u> <u>Consumer/Legal</u>

May 2, 2023 (6pm/3:25 length)
May 2, 2023 (11pm re-air/3:25 length)
May 3, 2023 (5am re-air/3:15 length)
Drivers Using Fake Tag To Not Pay Tickets

When a Petworth resident spotted a car in his neighborhood back in April, he noticed something odd. The Virginia temporary license tag expired in 2013! It wasn't hard to find – just google search "Virginia Temp Tag" and it's the first image that pops up on somebody's "Pinterest" page. This untraceable tag can just be printed out and used on other vehicles across the DMV.

DC records show cars using this so-called temp tag racked up nearly \$14,000 in DC parking and speeding fines – a symbol of what many people say is wrong with DC Traffic enforcement.

Drivers racking up tickets can prove to be deadly. Three men in a sedan were killed in March – when the driver of an SUV, fleeing a traffic stop, crashed into them on Rock Creek Parkway. DC Police says the driver of the SUV had 49 speeding camera tickets totaling more than \$17,000.

And another car flagged by DC Councilmember Christina Henderson racked up \$32,000 in unpaid camera ticket fines – and yet the car owner can still renew their driver's license.

The problems come down to a few unique DC factors. First, as the councilmember mentioned, DC does not prevent those with parking or camera tickets from renewing their license.

Second, DC has no reciprocity agreement with Virginia or Maryland. That means those states do not enforce DC tickets on their residents – and it shows with huge numbers. More than 4-million unpaid tickets, totaling \$889-million dollars.

To fix the problem, DC Councilmember Henderson, says the council is starting to look at how Phoenix and Chicago handle tickets. Arizona privatized its camera enforcement and companies send process servers to people's homes to bring speeding violators to court. Illinois alerts car owner insurance companies about speeding violations caught on camera.

DC Councilmember Charles Allen has another idea. He says he, and others on the Council, have tried to pass legislation that after 3 dangerous driving with unpaid citations, there is a way in which you could lose your license. The legislation has never crossed the finish line. This is because the legislation has the legal challenge of proving that those cars spotted speeding are actually being driven by the person being cited.

Meanwhile, DC residents online report spotting the so-called "Ghost Car of Petworth" parked on other streets. It continues as a potentially dangerous symbol of just how toothless DC's speeding and ticket enforcement have become.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Petworth Resident (did not want name used) Christina Henderson: DC Councilmember

Charles Allen: DC Councilmember

May 17, 2023 (11pm/3:39 length)
May 18, 2023 (5:30pm re-air/3:39 length)
Illegal House Building

Residents in one DC neighborhood are trying to stop a construction project they say popped up in another home's front yard. They gathered over 100 signatures in a petition - sent it to the mayor's office- saying they're not opposed to new buildings, but claim the developer cut corners. And WUSA 9 discovered that new building may violate a century-old land deed.

The location is the corner of 13th and Harvard Streets, Northwest.

Contractors are banging out a 2-story condo building in what used be the front yard of a stately row home on this corner lot.

Ron Munia has been following this project since the beginning. He's lived across the street since the 1980's and says neighbors were happy when the zoning commission told them about the renovation of the corner home on Harvard. But he says they had no idea the lot had been subdivided, giving the developer the green light to build a home in what used to be the front yard.

Munia's gathered all the documents dating back to the early 1900's showing the new construction may likely be violating the original covenant struck between the original landowner and the District.

WUSA 9 reviewed that 1906 covenant which says any new building "shall not be within 30 feet of the street line." That "set-back" language stayed the same throughout the years.

So, Munia and WUSA 9's Delia Goncalves went for a walk--with a tape measure in hand. Part of that new build measured 24 feet short of the required distance from the road according to the covenant.

We caught up with the developer at the construction site. He wouldn't go on camera but did say he believes his property is up to code and he's working hard to maintain the integrity of this neighborhood. He also says according to the documents he's seen the 30-foot setback applies to the front of the building only. The front of the building does meet the 30-foot rule, whereas the other sides do not.

ANC Commissioner Billy Easley took neighbor's concerns to the Department of Buildings and so did we. In fact, after reaching out to DOB, a spokesperson sent WUSA 9 this statement saying in part, "it is a legal responsibility of a permit applicant to provide any private easements or covenants during permit application. This information was not provided."

DOB tells us this case is now under legal review. The DOB spokesperson says that review should be complete before the summer.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Ron Munia: Northwest DC Resident Billy Easley: ANC Commissioner DC Department of Buildings

# May 17, 2023 (6pm/2:35 length) Medicare Fraud

Your Medicare card number may already be stolen – and used to fraud taxpayers out of millions of dollars.

One Maryland woman reached out to us after getting scammed with fake COVID-19 tests.

As WUSA 9 Investigative Reporter Nathan Baca showed, Medicare is now getting the alert out about this fraud.

When Ann Conlin of Ellicott City, Maryland got paperwork claiming she received a COVID-19 at-home test from a clinic in Texas, she knew there were a few problems. First, she has never been to Texas. Not to mention the high price for a take-home COVID test-to the tune of hundreds of dollars - Conlin says she never ordered, nor received.

Conlin wasn't charged anything. Medicare – so the taxpayers - picked up most of that bill. Conlin suspects somebody stole her Medicare card number, pretended to be her, pocketing the federal reimbursement for products never given.

The Center for Medicare Services wrote in a statement that it has received calls from people around the country about this or similar scams and it is "working closely with our law enforcement partners to investigate health care fraud schemes that exploit the COVID-19 pandemic."

It announced a \$16-million seizure against 18 defendants in April for COVID test fraud.

CMS did not say how much taxpayer money it suspects scammers have taken in total with fake COVID-19 tests. But AARP's director of Fraud prevention has her suspicions: multi-millions of dollars.

Conlin doesn't know how scammers got her Medicare card number – but AARP says it often happens the same way our credit card numbers are stolen: hacks and online phishing scams.

While Conlin and other Medicare recipients aren't having to pay the scammers out of pocket – every taxpayer does – every time somebody gets paid for fraudulent medical bills and gets away with it.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Ann Conlin: Ellicott City, Maryland Resident

Center for Medicare Services

Kathy Stokes: AARP

# June 2, 2023 (11pm/4:09 length) Police Auction Sites and Sensitive Phone Info

From bank accounts to credit cards. Where we live, even who our family members are. Which is why we were surprised to learn an online police auction website based in Maryland, got caught auctioning cell phones packed with people's personal information.

In this story, WUSA 9's Chief Investigative Reporter Eric Flack, is asking the question is it still happening?

At the University of Maryland in College Park, researchers say they uncovered evidence police may have become the new black market for privacy leaks.

They ordered cell phones from a Frederick, Maryland based company called PropertyRoom.com--which calls itself the county's leading police auction website. The company re-sells old law enforcement equipment and property seized in closed investigations as a revenue generator for police and sheriff's departments across the country.

Levin and his team found in many cases - unlocking the phones themselves was not all that hard. The PINS were bad and easily figured out.

Some of the phones didn't have a passcode at all. One even came with a sticky note, that had the passcode written right on it by investigators. But that wasn't nearly as shocking as what came next.

The researchers found pictures, videos, documents, government issued IDs, credit card histories and so much more.

Of the 228 cell phones the UMD team bought, the grad students were able to pull personal information off of 61 of them. That's 27 percent, or more than one out of every four.

And it wasn't always the criminal's information. Levin believes several of the phones were used in identity theft crimes. Levin tells WUSA 9 in those cases, they had the victim's identity information, credit reports, pictures of their IDs, and social security numbers.

PropertyRoom.com declined to be interviewed for our story. But told us in a statement, "We do our best to continuously review our processes to ensure they are keeping up with the fast-changing digital landscape."

And that after learning what the UMD team found, the company has "updated our processes to ensure that no smartphones or electronics will be auctioned on PropertyRoom.com that aren't wiped, locked, reset to factory settings, or hard drives/storage drives removed and destroyed."

Levin thinks there is a much safer solution. Don't see them. Just destroy them.

A law enforcement source tells WUSA 9, because there is no mandate for law enforcement to wipe the phones before they pass them to police auction sites, it's simply not realistic for police or sheriff's departments to spend the time it takes to wipe a phones memory. Especially at those smaller departments. And that most law enforcement agencies expect that will be done by the auction companies themselves.

Property Room is not the only police auction site out there, just the one the UMD team tested. And most of the phones the researchers examined had no visible indicators of which department they came from. None were linked to departments in our area.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Dave Levin: Computer Science Assistant Professor, University of Maryland Julio Poveda: Ph.D Computer Science Student, University of Maryland PropertyRoom.com

May 3, 2023 (11pm/4:01 length)
May 4, 2023 (5am re-air and 5:30pm re-air/4:01 length)
Frozen Embryo Custody Battle

The journey to becoming a parent can take many forms. Thanks to advances in technology, freezing pre-embryos outside of a mother's womb is becoming more popular. But what happens to that frozen pre-embryo when the couple decides to divorce? It's a complicated and moral dilemma that now has some legal guidelines thanks to one precedent setting divorce case in Maryland.

Soon after Jocelyn and Joshua Pope got married in 2010, they decided to start a family. After struggling with fertility issues, the couple turned to inter-uterine inception or I-U-I and then in vitro fertilization or I-V-F.

After 5 years and 7 rounds of treatments, the Popes had 3 viable pre-embryos. Those fertilized eggs that met the criteria to be successful, were frozen.

The first implant ended in a miscarriage, but the second produced their baby boy, Fin, who was born in 2016. Just shy of a year later his parents split up.

Maryland has a marital property act that the courts use to divide up personal property. Things like the knives, forks and spoons, the bank accounts, the cars, even the dogs and cats, now. But there was nothing addressing something that has the propensity for life. Until now.

Attorneys Debra Cruz and Shannon Boisseau are representing Jocelyn in her divorce proceedings that have made state history. Jocelyn, now 42, wants to implant that final pre-embryo. Attorneys for her estranged husband Joshua declined to be interviewed for this story, but according to court documents he testified that he wanted the pre-embryo destroyed because of her health, the potential fetus's health, financial responsibility and his lack of parental rights.

The case first filed in 2019, was sent to the Maryland Court of Special Appeals which created the firstever framework for judges. The 6 guidelines include balancing the interests of each party and whether they had a prior agreement. Even if it's a verbal agreement. And that is what is in play with this case.

19 states have adopted guidelines around the fate of frozen pre-embryos in divorces. Tennessee was the first in 1992. George Washington University Law Professor, Sonia Suter, says these difficult cases are made more complicated by the recent Supreme Court Ruling overturning Roe V. Wade.

In the meantime, the couple's pre-embryo remains frozen, and the divorce case continues where a judge will ultimately decide between Joshua's desire and Jocelyn's dream.

Jocelyn hopes this case will help other couples in their fertility journeys. If you choose to freeze preembryos, she says look at the contract's fine print and always write your own agreement expressing your desires – in case of divorce.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Jocelyn Pope: Wants to Keep Frozen Embryo Joshua Pope: Wants Frozen Embryo Destroyed

Debra Cruz: Attorney for Jocelyn Pope

Shannon Boisseau: Attorney for Jocelyn Pope

Sonia Suter: George Washington University Law Professor

May 8, 2023 (11pm/3:08 length)
May 9, 2023 (5:30pm re-air/3:08 length)
Businesses Being Used As Late Night Party Clubs

One Prince George's County Councilmember told WUSA 9, illegal parties promoted on social media are the number one complaint his office deals with this time of year. Police say the warm weather brings out the so-called "event promoters" who have made a big business out of selling tickets, supplying booze, and disturbing neighbors with an invasion of partiers who thump to all-night music. But authorities say shutting down parties and catching up to the promoters behind the social posts is like playing whack-a-mole. However, in one case this year, complaints brought action.

The business is DMV All Skate Social. It's a roller skating rink in Prince George's County. But April 1st, skater Marsha Wolley complains strippers took over the place.

It was an event promoted on Instagram called Sexy-n-Skate – that promised a cash bar – and "VIP tables." The Instagram account says it's for "showcasing the finest girls in the DMV area."

Another promoter linked to the Sexy-N-Skate event has posted a preview for another season of pool parties in what appears to be a residential area. One enthusiastic follower saying: "I seen many a folks hit that grass or pavement drunk from them parties."

Ed Burroughs is a County Councilmember representing Temple Hills. He says last summer he received so many calls from constituents because the promotor would have a massive party right in a residential neighborhood in the middle of the night. And there would be cars lined up in the driveways, very loud music, a lot of left behind litter--including alcohol bottles.

It's a big enough problem that Prince George's County has what it calls a Joint Agency Group that responds to party complaints. Police report dispatching to 144 homes and 56 businesses in 2022.

The County's Liquor board said it assisted state officials with 10 alleged violations from unlicensed establishments in the last year.

In the case of DMV-All Skate Social's Sexy-N-Skate event, regular skaters complained.

Prince George's County's Department of Permitting Inspections and Enforcement followed up with a notice of violation accusing the business of violating its occupancy and use permit and ordering the skating rink to stop hosting strippers. No additional violations have been issued since. Neither the event promotors nor the operators of the skating rink would speak to WUSA 9 about the situation.

A spokesperson for DPIE, the agency that cited DMVAII-Skate for violating its occupancy and use permit by hosting Sexy-N-Skate, says the agency cannot account for how many party locations have been cited for similar violations because the agency does not track that information.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Marsha Wolley: Prince George's County Resident Ed Burroughs: Prince George's County Councilmember

Prince George's County's Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE)

**DMV All-Skate** 

<u>Local Issue</u> <u>Equality</u>

April 13, 2023 (6pm/2:10 length)
April 15, 2023 (7am re-air/2:10 length)
DC Emancipation Day

The week WUSA 9's story aired - DC was marking the 161st anniversary of DC Emancipation Day. It is a part of American history not all of America thinks should be taught or talked about. But it is a history lived by a people freed from the bondage of slavery in the Spring of 1862.

On April 16, 1862, as the first step toward abolishing the institution of slavery, President Abraham Lincoln signed the DC Compensated Emancipation Act. The Act would compensate former owners up to \$300 for each enslaved person they held as property. The Act also offered up to \$100 to formerly enslaved men and women who were willing to emigrate from the United States.

That first step was followed by the Emancipation Proclamation of 1863, then Juneteenth, and ending with the 13th Amendment of the Constitution-the abolition of slavery in the US.

Since that time, District residents have commemorated and celebrated DC Emancipation Day with an annual parade in the streets until 1901. In 2002 the parade was resurrected, and in 2005 District lawmakers made DC Emancipation Day an official holiday.

April 15, 2023 (11pm/2:15 length)
DC Emancipation Day Parade and Concert

On this day, a big celebration in the District was held. The city observed DC Emancipation Day. There was a parade, concert and fireworks. WUSA 9's Lorenzo Hall and Lesli Foster hosted the Emancipation Day concert. WUSA 9's John Henry covered the festivities that commemorated, and celebrated, the 161st anniversary of DC Emancipation Day. The day President Abraham Lincoln freed enslaved people in the District of Columbia.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Rakim: Rapper

Lou Fields: DC Resident Marcus Chavis: DC Resident

#### **Local Issue**

**Washington Commanders** 

April 10, 2023 (5pm/3:45 length) April 10, 2023 (6pm/1:20 length) April 10, 2023 (11pm/3:20 length) Commanders' Ticket Settlement

The Washington Commanders "took advantage of its fans."

Those are the words of DC's Attorney General after the Commanders agreed to pay hundreds of thousands in penalties to settle a lawsuit accusing the team of cheating season ticket holders out of deposits and pocketing the money.

The Commanders will pay a total of \$625,000 to settle allegations the team purposefully made it complicated for some season ticket holders to get their deposits back when they cancelled seats. Implementing what the DC Attorney General called "an illegal scheme to cheat District ticket holders out of their deposits for season tickets" and then pocketing the money.

Under the terms of the settlement, the Commanders are ordered to return \$200,000 to former season ticket holders, and pay \$425,000 in penalties to DC to resolve allegations that the team systematically failed to return ticket holders' deposits and intentionally created barriers for fans to get refunds in violation of District law.

DC sued the Commanders back in November alleging the ticket deposit scheme started in the late 90's and continued into the early 2000's.

Despite the settlement, the Commanders deny the AG's allegations.

A spokesperson telling WUSA 9: "We have not accepted security deposits or seat licenses in more than a decade and have been actively working to return any remaining deposits since 2014. We are pleased to have reached an agreement on the matter with the DC Attorney General and will work with the office to fulfill our obligations to our fans"

The Commanders settlement with DC follows a similar settlement with the Attorney General's office in Maryland in November 2022. In November, the Commanders also agreed to pay a \$250,000 civil penalty in Maryland and refund outstanding security deposits to settle similar allegations for fans in that state.

An investigation by the Virginia attorney general's office into allegations that the team engaged in financial improprieties remains ongoing.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:
Brian Schwalb: DC Attorney General
Spokesperson for Washington Commanders

May 23, 2023 (11pm/3:36 length)
April 24, 2023 (5:30pm re-air/3:36 length)
Commanders' Stadium And Prince William County

In February 2022, WUSA 9 broke the news the Washington Commanders had detailed plans for a football and entertainment complex in 3 Northern Virginia locations. Two of them in Prince William County. One in Loudoun County.

The most controversial stadium plan was the complex possibly being in Prince William County. Forty-three traffic packed miles away from the heart of DC. Meaning a commute--especially during rush hour--could take an hour-and-a-half or more on game days.

With new team owners on the way, WUSA 9 has new information on the futuristic traffic solution pitched by outgoing owner Daniel Snyder.

Three sources in the know, tell WUSA 9 outgoing Commanders' owner Daniel Snyder pitched building a "Tesla Tunnel" to Prince William County in a December 2021 meeting with state lawmakers. Similar to one in Las Vegas. Snyder proposed the tunnel would run from Reagan National Airport to Prince William County to alleviate game day traffic. The Commanders would not comment on the Prince William County stadium plans or whether the "Tesla Tunnel" is still being considered. But some law makers are skeptical that would be a realistic solution.

"We know it's going to be decades before you get something major like Metro down here. And so, until you have the transit and transportation infrastructure, I think it's a dead deal," Virginia State Senator Jeremy McPike told WUSA 9.

Meanwhile other lawmakers are not giving up hope.

"What the team was proposing would have been a really exciting, sort of multifaceted Town Center, concert venue, sporting venue that I think we'd bring a lot of new activity and a lot of new reasons to live in eastern Prince William County, which don't exist, right now," said Virginia State Senator Scott Surovell.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Tom Calhoun: Prince William County Resident Jeremy McPike: (D) Virginia State Senator Scott Surovell: (D) Virginia State Senator

Jeanine Lawson: (R) Prince William County Board of Supervisors

<u>Local Issue</u> <u>NIL Deals</u>

# May 3, 2023 (6pm/3:25 length) NIL Ruling

On this day, a landmark case for high school athletes in Virginia. The Commonwealth announced it will allow high school athletes to be paid for their name, image and likeness, also known as NIL.

17-year-old Tristan Evans hopes he's about to get paid. The starting quarterback at Freedom High School in Woodbridge, and 2022 Virginia Max Preps Player of the Year, now has the green light to sell his name, image and likeness like high schoolers in some other states.

The Virginia High School League overwhelmingly passed new guidelines outlining how high school athletes in the Commonwealth will be allowed to earn money on everything from product endorsements to personal appearances or social media, starting July 1. The move in Virginia follows a national trend. Most states—including DC and Maryland—now allow high school students to get paid.

Only WUSA 9's cameras were there in April when 15-year-old Bullis volleyball star Lexi Ewing became the first high school athlete in Maryland to ink an NIL deal. Lexi Ewing is the daughter of former pro-volleyball player Cheryl Weaver, and Hall of Fame basketball player and Georgetown hoops legend Patrick Ewing.

Virginia's policy on NIL was vague before today. The head of the high school league saying it wasn't expressly prohibited, and that at least two high school athletes in the Commonwealth already have deals.

The group said today's vote was more about putting guidelines in place, so student athletes know what's allowed and what's not. Endorsing alcohol or tobacco products or using NIL deals to influence high schoolers to switch schools is all strictly prohibited.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Tristan Evans: Quarterback at Freedom High School, Woodbridge, VA

Nick Friedman: Co-Founder, College Hunks Hauling Junk

Lexi Ewing: Bullis Volleyball Player

Patrick Ewing: Lexi's Dad and Hall of Fame Basketball Player and Georgetown Basketball Legend

Kenny Owens: Executive Director, DCSAA

May 11, 2023 (11pm/3:26 length)

May 12, 2023 (5:30pm re-air/3:26 length)

May 14, 2023 (6:30pm re-air/3:26 length)

**NIL Deals And Female Athletes** 

She is the daughter of sports royalty. But 15-year-old Lexi Ewing isn't just a star on the volleyball court. She's blazing trails for local women in the world of name, image, and likeness, or NIL. Which allows amateur athletes to get paid for advertising deals.

As WUSA 9's Eric Flack discovered, more and more NIL spells dollar signs for female athletes nationwide.

Lexi is the daughter of Georgetown hoops legend, and NBA Hall of Famer, Patrick Ewing. Her mother is Cheryl Weaver--a Hall of Famer too. A former volleyball star at Sidwell Friends in DC. Then Long Beach State University, before playing professionally overseas.

Lexi is already ranked in the top 100 in her class nationally. And she isn't just grabbing the attention of college scouts.

Only WUSA 9's cameras were there in April when Lexi became the first high school women's athlete in Maryland to ink an NIL, or name image and likeness deal. Signing on to be a paid spokesperson for Maryland based College Hunks Moving.

College Hunks doesn't disclose how much their NIL deals are worth.

NIL marketplace "opendorse" estimated the average NIL deal for a college volleyball player is around \$400. A women's college basketball player can average close to \$3,000 per NIL deal.

More and more young female athletes are getting NIL deals as well.

According to the sports data insights company On3, three of the top 12 NIL earners, are women. With LSU gymnast Livvy Dunne's NIL valuation at \$3.4-million dollars--which is just behind Lebron James' son Bronny, who is also still in high school.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Lexi Ewing: Bullis Volleyball Player

Patrick Ewing: Lexi's Dad and Hall of Fame Basketball Player and Georgetown Basketball Legend

Cheryl Weaver: Lexi's Mother and Hall of Fame Volleyball Player

Jharred Tulloch: Lexi's Coach

Nick Friendman: Owner, College Hunks

#### **Local Issue**

May 2, 2023 (11pm/3:44 length)
May 3, 2023 (5am re-air/3:44 length)
May 3, 2023 (5:30pm re-air/3:44 length)
Home Appraisal Bias

Nearly two years after WUSA 9's first report--have things improved for black homeowners who claim they were lowballed in their home appraisals?

When we first introduced Kym Taylor, she was a Prince George's County homeowner--calling foul after her house was appraised \$300,000 dollars less than the purchase price. Taylor blames the low appraisal on bias because she's black and lives in a majority black neighborhood.

Since then--Taylor has been working to help other homeowners get the appraisal price they deserve.

Her fight even led her to be elected to Maryland's General Assembly as a delegate representing District 23. Many of her constituents are homeowners, who told us, their houses were also undervalued.

Taylor and her neighbors formed the group FUAA---Fair and Unbiased Appraisal advocates. They've been organizing meetings and trainings to help other homeowners know what to do should their house receive an appraisal that's lower than expected.

Data from the Brookings Institution showed homes in black neighborhoods were unvalued by about \$48,000 on average.

After WUSA 9's initial reporting in November 2021, Maryland Delegate Marvin Holmes co-sponsored a bill creating a Task Force to investigate home appraisal bias in Maryland. The bill passed. He told us members should be seated within the next few months.

Holmes is also trying to tackle a diversity within the appraisal workforce. Maryland House Bill 669 would change qualifications for those looking to become an appraiser --removing barriers--that some say make it harder for potential candidates of color to meet. African American appraisers make up only 2 percent of appraisers nationwide and 4 percent in Maryland.

Federally, the PAVE Task Force has been implementing administrative changes aimed at improving home appraisals nationwide. The task force laid out a series of action items after its six-month investigation in 2022—which included providing appraisal bias information in first-time homebuyer courses and requiring anti-bias training for appraisers that conduct appraisals for federal programs.

So, have things improved since our initial reporting 2 years ago? It depends on who you ask. While homeowners are vigilant, policy changes both locally and nationally have yet to be fully implemented making the journey one that continues to move forward.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Kym Taylor: Prince George's County Homeowner Dr. Andre Perry: Senior Fellow, Brooking's Institution Del. Marvin Holmes: (D) Maryland House of Delegates Melody Taylor: Executive Director, PAVE Task Force

May 10, 2023/11pm/3:46 May 11, 2023/5:30pm/3:46 DRB House Building Update

Some families in Prince Georges County are on edge. They have waited years for new homes that were supposed to take just months to build. WUSA 9 follows up on an investigation we have been covering for 3 months. Not only do we find out the home buyers are still waiting for their houses, but subcontractors are also waiting to be paid.

For more than two decades, Namdi Iwuoha built a trusted reputation in construction management. But now he says the future of his company, JLN Construction, is in doubt.

Struggling with how to keep his doors open as Iwuoha fights to recoup more than one-point-five million dollars he claims he's owed by SHF, LLC and its parent company Blythewood Partners. Developer of the Parkside at Westphalia in Upper Marlboro.

As we've reported since February, construction at the new Prince Georges County housing development came to a standstill. Leaving dozens of people who agreed to buy homes there, in emotional and financial turmoil.

Homes that were supposed to take 6 months to build sit unfinished more than two and a half years later.

The company that sold the homes - DRB - tells WUSA 9 construction came to a screeching halt when SHF, the developer they contracted with to build the subdivision - ran out of money.

Now, WUSA 9 has learned SHF and its parent company face at least 7 different legal actions in state and federal court. Everything from mechanics liens to breach of contract lawsuits by Maryland subcontractors who say they are owned money. Collectively, companies are seeking at least two-point-nine million dollars in unpaid bills and damages from SHF. In one of three lawsuits, filed by Iwuoha's company, it lists DRB as a defendant although DRB has denied any wrongdoing to WUSA 9 in our previous reporting, putting all the issues on SHF.

A DRB spokesperson did not respond to multiple requests for comment for this report. And multiple calls and emails to an attorney for SHF were also not returned.

As business owners like Iwuoha fight the lengthy and expensive legal battle to try and finally get paid, as many as 40 families, who put down deposits on homes, remain caught in the middle.

DRB is offering deposits back; but, customers say, then what? As one homebuyer told WUSA 9, "The home price I locked in at, I'm not going to find that anymore in the market at this point."

DRB, told initially customers and WUSA 9, it hoped to have a "funding solution for SHF" worked out by March 31st. Then backtracked. Telling customers "Although substantial progress has been made..." "we do not have a definitive solution to share at this time." This time DRB saying it hoped to have more information to share no later than April 28th. But customers tell WUSA 9 DRB missed that deadline too. And as of this broadcast, they still have not heard from DRB about whether their homes will ever get built.

There is a 3-year statute of limitations in Maryland on breach of contract lawsuits.

That 3-year deadline is just months away for customers we spoke with. Many now accuse DRB of dragging its feet on all this hoping that 3-year window closes. Another allegation DRB did not to respond to when we asked.

People Interviewed/Highlighted: Namdi Iwuoha: Owner, JLN Construction Kim Duvall: Homebuyer SHF, LLC & Blythewood Partners DRB

May 19, 2023 (11pm/3:26 length)
May 20, 2023 (7am re-air/3:26 length)
May 22, 2023 (6:30pm re-air/3:26 length)
Potomac Cemetery Follow-up

A WUSA 9 Investigation into black history being erased in Montgomery County is leading to change. We first reported on a historic black cemetery in Potomac that has fallen into disrepair in February. As a result of our investigation, and the work of one determined descendant, Montgomery County leaders are taking the first steps toward restoring the cemetery and honoring those buried there.

Cherisse Milliner's great-great grandparents, great-great aunts and uncles are all buried in the 150-year-old cemetery. The final resting place of former enslaved people and freed blacks.

As WUSA 9 first reported back in February, Montgomery County auctioned the land because of delinquent taxes in 1975; but the county did not know the cemetery was there when it sold the property to a developer named Saul Joseph for \$162. His son Jeff would eventually learn this was once hallowed ground, so the family continued to pay taxes on the land so no one disturbed the site.

When Milliner showed up at Joseph's door late last December to tell him neighbors had started using the cemetery as a dumping ground, Joseph immediately offered to help.

Documents show Montgomery County has known the historic Black cemetery was there since at least 2018 when a Montgomery County Preservation survey listed the condition of the burial site as poor, overgrown and neglected.

With no signs marking the at least 10 uncarved field stones and one broken hand carved marker, Milliner believes there are many more graves here than that. In fact, a land survey paid for by Joseph revealed property boundaries are even bigger than first thought. Reaching all the way under Piney Meetinghouse Road, which is now paved.

Milliner says dozens of emails and calls to Montgomery County leaders went unanswered, or simply referred to another office. Until WUSA 9 got involved. She has now met with multiple county officials about restoring her ancestor's final resting place.

Although Montgomery County is now promising action, restoring this historic black cemetery will not happen overnight. Jeff Joseph is willing to donate the land, but the county still needs to figure out who will maintain it moving forward. There's also the question of just how many former enslaved people and freed blacks are buried here. Councilmember Friedson told WUSA 9 there are plans to use ground penetrating radar to figure that out.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Cherisse Milliner: Relatives Buried at Union Wesley Methodist Church Cemetery

Jeff Joseph: Family Owns Cemetery Land

Andrew Friedson: Montgomery County Councilmember

Dale Tibbets: Special Assistant to Montgomery County Executive Marc Elrich

June 29, 2023 (11pm/5:01 length)
June 30, 2023 (6pm re-air/5:35 length)
Statesmen College Preparatory Academy

We told viewers about the grand opening of a DC charter school five years ago.

It went viral when 80 black men showed up to welcome the new students on Day 1.

What you couldn't see behind the excitement, a little nervousness with students, parents, and educators. All hoping this new venture would not fail.

Satira Corbitt, and her husband Kevin, decided to send their son Kiye to Statesmen College Preparatory Academy in southeast DC. We first told the Corbitt family's story in 2019. Their son was smart. But mom and dad really wanted him in a space with black culture and leadership at the center of their curriculum. They took a risk and sent Kiye to Statesmen, which was still a startup public charter school. At the time operating in just one room, and no track record.

One of the founders, Shawn Hardnett, made a promise --- these educators would change the way young men of color are educated in the District -- by putting an emphasis on personal development.

Young black boys are least likely to graduate high school, according to data from the District.

Most of the students, who started at the school 5 years ago, were behind grade-level at the outset. On top of that, their world was about to change--from the pandemic to racial justice protests. The students tell WUSA 9 what got them through was the love and care by the teachers and administrators.

What's unique about Statesmen? Students are provided with uniform and supplies.

Yes, there's English, math, and science -- but history is called KINGS 101 -- with black history being the focus --- starting with lessons about kings and queens in Africa.

"The first image of a man who looked like me, that I saw in my history book, was a man in chains on his knees," says KINGS 101 teacher, Eloheem Raheem Ali. "What does that do to a black kid?"

There's also the popular game room as an incentive for good behavior.

A final class field trip to Europe.

Learning to sit still is part of the curriculum, too--with therapy and meditation for students and teachers.

There are 53 students in the founding class. WUSA 9 was there when the 8th graders graduated in June.

10 received scholarships to private schools including Kiye. The remaining will be heading off to DC's selective high schools and charter schools.

Statesmen leaders also say some of the students who needed special education services five years ago, no longer need them today.

People Interviewed/Highlighted:

Kiye Corbitts: Graduating from Statesmen College Preparatory Academy

Satira Corbitt: Kiye's Mother Kevin Corbitt: Kiye's Father

Shawn Hardnett: Co-Founder, Statesmen College Preparatory Academy Eloheem Raheem Ali: Teacher, Statesmen College Preparatory Academy

<u>Local Issue</u> <u>Verify</u>

## **VERIFY ON-AIR QUESTIONS ANSWERED**

With so many rumors and misinformation out there, it can be hard to know what is real and what is not. WUSA 9's VERIFY team answered questions from the community with vetted experts, original documents and fact-checking to get to the truth.

# April 2, 2023 (11pm re-air of March 30 original/1:48 length) Verify: Does Local Honey Prevent Seasonal Allergies?

WUSA 9 verifies the claim that consuming local honey can prevent spring allergies. Our sources explain that while honey contains some pollen, the amounts are not enough to have any therapeutic effect on allergies. Additionally, the pollen that causes allergies is typically wind-borne, so it is not the same type of pollen that bees collect. WUSA 9 cites experts who state that the idea of honey preventing allergies is a myth, and there is no scientific evidence to support it. They also suggest that other treatments, such as over-the-counter allergy medications, are more effective for managing allergies.

People Interviewed:

Dr Anjeni Keswani - The Asthma and Allergy Foundation Sean Kennedy - Beekeeper at Swiss Ambassador's Residence in Northwest DC

April 5, 2023 (6:30am and 12pm re-air/2:42 length)

April 9, 2023 (7am re-air/2:42 length)

**Verify: Trump Mug Shot Seen Online Is Fake** 

WUSA 9 verifies that images shared on social media purporting to show former President Donald Trump's booking photo are not real. We explained how to distinguish real photos from images created using artificial intelligence platforms.

April 6, 2023 (5am, 6am re-air and 7pm re-air/2:20 length) April 6, 2023 (6pm re-air/2:15 length)

Verify: Longer Allergy Season In DMV

Based on nationwide Google search trends, people in Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia led the country in searching for information about allergies. WUSA 9 verified that this is a tougher spring for allergies than usual. We spoke to an expert and cited research showing that common allergens arrived earlier than average and at higher numbers than in typical years.

Person interviewed:

Leslie Peterson – nurse practitioner - Minute Clinic

April 6, 2023 (5pm and 11pm re-air/:25 length) Verify: Virginia State Police Policy On Chases

WUSA 9 verified the Virginia State Police's policy regarding high-speed pursuits following a case in which a high-speed chase ended in gun shots, and the passenger in the suspect's car was found dead. WUSA9 found that officers are urged to weigh the potential harm of a chase against the need to prevent the suspect from getting away.

April 7, 2023 (5am/4:15 length) (5:30pm re-air/4:00 length) April 9, 2023 (7am re-air/4:00 length)

**Verify: Science of Data Center Noise** 

WUSA 9 investigated the noise emitted by large data centers in suburban Virginia. Neighbors told us the persistent noise is unnecessarily loud. We interviewed an expert in audio technology and analyzed the volume and frequency of the noise in several locations to determine how impactful the hum is. The expert explained why the hum affects the brain. WUSA 9 got a response from Amazon about the neighbors' complaints and what it is doing to address them.

People interviewed:

Dale Brown - Great Oak Homeowner's Association President

Roger Yackel - Manassas, VA resident

John Lyver - Manassas, VA resident

Braxton Boren - Assistant Professor of Audio Technology, American University

April 7, 2023 (11pm/1:40 length)

April 8, 2023 (7am re-air/1:46 length)

**Verify: DC Police Increasing Signing Bonus** 

Washington DC Mayor Muriel Bowser announced that the signing bonus for new police officers would increase from \$20,000 to \$25,000. A national shortage of police officers has led law enforcement agencies large and small to consider new ways to attract and retain officers. WUSA 9 researched whether other large cities offer sign-on bonuses for police officers to determine how DC's offer compares.

April 11 (5am and 5pm re-air/2:45 length) (6am re-air, 12pm re-air and 7pm re-air/2:40 length)
April 15, 2023 (7am re-air/2:30 length)

**Verify: Tax Filing Deadline April 18** 

With one week remaining before the annual deadline to file tax returns, WUSA 9 answered a couple of questions to help last-minute filers. WUSA 9 interviewed an accounting professor and researched information offered by the IRS and American Institute of CPAs about deductions, the time it takes to process returns, and how to avoid penalties if someone wants to file for an extension.

Person interviewed:

James Hodge - Professor of Accounting - Howard University

April 12, 2023 (11pm/1:40 length)

April 13 (5am re-air/1:57 length) (12pm re-air, 5pm re-air and 7pm re-air/1:40 length) Verify: End of Public Health Emergency On May 11

One month before the COVID-19 public health emergency is scheduled to expire, WUSA 9 looked at what would change about access to tests, vaccines, and treatments. We spoke with experts and looked at documents from the federal government to find out who would be impacted and whether other forces would also affect the availability of treatments and preventions.

People interviewed:

Juliette Cubranski - Deputy Director - Kaiser Family Foundation Jeffrey Levi – Professor - George Washington University

April 13, 2023 (5am/2:06 length) (6am re-air/2:55 length)

**Verify: Apps and Perception of Higher Crime Rates** 

Lots of people use apps like Citizen and Nextdoor to discuss crime happening in their neighborhoods. WUSA 9 verified that using those apps frequently leads users to overestimate the crime rates in their communities. We spoke to the author of a study that showed the algorithms those platforms employ may lead to greater engagement on posts about crime, making them appear higher in users' feeds.

Person Interviewed:

Adam K. Fetterman - Study Author

April 13, 2023 (11pm/1:35 length)

April 16, 2023 (8:30am re-air/1:35 length)

Verify: Could Local Lawmakers be Expelled and Returned to the Legislature

After a pair of state lawmakers in Tennessee were expelled and then reappointed to their offices within the span of a week, WUSA 9 examined whether the same scenario could occur in Maryland or Virginia. We looked at the laws and procedures for each state and spoke with the Clerk of the Virginia Senate's office to determine what it would take to expel a legislator and the process for picking their replacement.

April 14, 2023 (6am and 12pm re-air/2:05 length) (11pm re-air/2:10 length)

April 15, 2023 (7am re-air/2:10 length)

April 16, 2023 (6:30pm re-air and 11pm re-air/2:05 length)

Verify: How Emancipation Day Became a Holiday

WUSA 9 explored the history of Emancipation Day, a local holiday that celebrates the date in which people enslaved in Washington DC were freed. We looked through the DC Code of Ordinances, archival documents, and interviewed historian C.R. Gibbs to learn more of the history of the day and its significance.

Person interviewed:

C.R. Gibbs - historian

## April 17, 2023 (6pm/:45 length)

## Verify: Is it Dangerous To Use Narcan If A Person Is Not Suffering From An Opioid Overdose

A WUSA 9 viewer asked if it could harm a person to administer Narcan to them if they are not overdosing on opioids. We checked with the US Food and Drug Administration and found out that there are no known negative impacts.

April 18, 2023 (11pm/1:35 length)

**Verify: Answering Your Questions About Warm Temps** 

WUSA 9 verified that this year to date has been the warmest on record. We got a statement from the National Weather Service and analyzed data from the Southeast Regional Climate Center to determine how warm 2023 has been and find out if that portends record heat for the rest of the year.

April 19, 2023 (5am/1:45 length) (6am re-air/1:55 length) (12pm re-air and 7pm re-air/1:50 length) April 22, 2023 (7am re-air/1:45 length)

**Verify: Spring Cleaning** 

Cleaning clutter out of your home is a rite of spring for many families, but WUSA 9 verified that spring cleaning is also good for mental health. We looked into research and spoke with a doctor about how removing clutter can reduce stress and reduce the risk of depression and other mental health conditions.

Person Interviewed:

Dr. Dawn Potter - Cleveland Clinic

April 19, 2023 (11pm/1:45 length)

April 20, 2023 (5am re-air and 7pm re-air/1:40 length) (5pm re-air/1:35 length)

April 23, 2023 (8am re-air/1:40 length) (6:30pm re-air/1:35 length)

Verify: Is There A Shortage Of Kia Parts

Thefts of Kia vehicles have increased substantially since a viral social media video showed a quick way to break in and start Kia and Hyundai cars. WUSA 9 spoke with employees at more than a dozen local auto repair shops to find out of the parts needed to fix those cars were available or if car owners would face delays getting their cars fixed and operable.

April 20, 2023 (6am and 12pm re-air/1:55 length) Verify: History Of 420 Day

April 20 has become a popular, unofficial holiday for marijuana users over the years, but several myths have persisted over the years about why the number 420 is associated with pot use. W USA 9 researched historical documents and legal codes to find out why some of the more common explanations are wrong, and what the most likely origin story is.

April 21, 2023 (5am/2:25 length) (12pm re-air/2:15 length) (5pm re-air and 7pm re-air/2:10 length) Verify: Recycling Best Practices

People have been recycling at their homes for many years, but because we are accustomed to it, many people do not know the best ways to recycle, or pitfalls that may prevent their items from being recycled. WUSA 9 consulted federal and local authorities, as well as the Recycling Partnership, to answer questions about how to recycle multiple kinds of drink containers.

Person interviewed:

Jill Martin - Director of State Programs - The Recycling Partnership

April 21, 2023 (11pm/1:05 length) Verify: NARCAN Expiration Date

Because the FDA approved NARCAN for over-the-counter use a couple weeks prior, lots of people have questions about the drug designed to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. One viewer texted WUSA 9 to ask if the spray version has an expiration date, so we consulted with the FDA's drug database to find the answer about NARCAN and other versions of the drug.

April 24, 2023 (11pm/1:55 length)

April 25, 2023 (6am re-air and 12pm re-air/1:30 length) (5:30pm re-air/1:45 length)

April 30, 2023 (7am re-air/1:50 length)

**Verify: National Weather Service and Twitter** 

Several accounts connected to the National Weather Service posted that, because of changes to Twitter's rules, they may lose the ability to provide potentially-life-saving information to users. WUSA 9 verified the changes Twitter announced related to third-party platforms and how that might affect the National Weather Service.

April 25, 2023 (11pm/1:00 length)
April 26, 2023 (5am re-air/:55 length) (5pm re-air/1:00 length)
Verify: Local Taxi Fares

Arlington County proposed a rate increase for taxis, so WUSA 9 checked with other local cities and counties to see if the new rate would fit with the rest of the market or if it would set a precedent for higher prices around the region.

April 26, 2023 (11pm/:30 length)

April 27, 2023 (5am re-air/1:10 length) (6am re-air/1:15 length) (12pm re-air/1:00 length)

(5pm re-air/:30 length)

Verify: How DC Will Pick Its Next Police Chief

Washington DC's police chief announced his retirement, so WUSA 9 verified the steps that will take place before the next chief can assume the role.

April 27, 2023 (11pm/:55 length) Verify: The History of the NFL Draft's 16<sup>th</sup> Pick

The Washington Commanders held the 16<sup>th</sup> pick in the first round of the NFL Draft. To determine what caliber of player the team might be able to select, WUSA 9 researched at the players picked at that spot in the previous decade and listed their accolades.

April 28, 2023 (5am/2:05 length) (5:30pm re-air/1:55 length) (7pm re-air/1:40 length) Verify: Tips For Planting A Tree On Arbor Day

To help celebrate Arbor Day, WUSA 9 looked for answers to three questions related to planting trees. We consulted information from the USDA, University of Maryland Extension Office and the Arbor Day Foundation related to the best places to plant, keeping safe when utility lines are nearby, and how to prepare the root ball to make sure the tree thrives.

April 28, 2023 (11pm/1:10 length)
April 29, 2023 (7am re-air/1:05 length)
April 30 (6:30pm re-air/1:10 length)
May 1 (5am re-air/1:05 length)
Verify: Guidelines for COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shots

To answer new questions about vaccine booster shots after the CDC changed its guidelines for protection against COVID-19, WUSA 9 found information from the CDC, as well as pharmacy giants CVS and Walgreens, about who is now recommended to get which vaccine shots.

May 1, 2023 (6am, 12pm re-air and 5:30pm re-air/1:55 length) Verify: Fast Facts about AAPI Heritage Month

To mark the beginning of AAPI Heritage Month, WUSA 9 answered some of the common questions people have about the month. WUSA 9 consulted academic research, laws, and experts to find information about the origins of the month and the makeup of the AAPI community.

May 1, 2023 (11pm/1:05 length)

May 2, 2023 (6am re-air and 5:30pm re-air/1:05 length)

Verify: Can States Increase Voting Age On Their Own

Responding to a viewer question, WUSA 9 consulted the US Constitution and historical court records to examine the history of the legal voting age in the United States and whether states could raise the voting age to attempt to limit the voting power of one political party.

May 3, 2023 (5am/1:40 length) (12pm re-air and 5pm re-air/1:30 length) Verify: How To Properly Dispose Of Asthma Inhalers

A discussion of social media showed that many people, including long-time users, did not know how to correctly dispose of an asthma inhaler. WUSA 9 interviewed an expert from the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America and consulted with the District of Columbia and a pair of major pharmacy chains to determine that they should be placed in the drug disposal boxes often found at pharmacies and at some police stations, fire departments, or public works facilities.

Person interviewed:

Kenneth Mendez - Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America

May 3, 2023 (11pm/1:10 length)

Verify: Will Spotted Lanternflies Be Worse This Year?

A social media post about the spotted lanternfly population sparked a discussion about how big a nuisance they are. WUSA 9 interviewed an entomologist and consulted with academic and government research material to find out if the bugs are likely to be worse this year than average.

Person Interviewed:

Michael Raupp - Professor Emeritus Of Entomology - University of Maryland

May 5, 2023 (5am/1:40 length) (12pm re-air/1:45 length) (5:30pm re-air/1:30 length) Verify: The Coronation Date of King Charles III

Related to the disagreements between members of the Royal Family, some people on social media noted that the coronation of King Charles III was scheduled for the same day as the birthday of his grandson, Archie, the son of Harry and Meghan. WUSA 9 found out that was true, but likely not intentionally done.

May 5, 2023 (6am/:45 length) Verify: TurboTax Settlement

A large national settlement included all 50 states and Washington DC, so WUSA 9 checked with the offices of the attorneys general of Maryland, Virginia, and DC to find out how Turbo Tax customers could receive their share of the payout.

### May 5, 2023 (11pm/:55 length)

## Verify: What The End Of The Global Health Emergency Means

The World Health Organization announced that it was ending the Global Health Emergency related to COVID-19, so WUSA 9 looked at WHO and government resources to determine whether that would impact policy decisions in the U.S.

May 8, 2023 (5pm/1:20 length)

May 9, 2023 (12pm re-air/1:10 length)

June 16, 2023 (5pm re-air/1:15 length) (7pm re-air/1:45 length)

June 19, 2023 (11pm re-air/1:35 length)

June 20, 2023 (5am re-air/1:35 length) (7pm re-air/1:50 length)

**Verify: Ranked Choice Voting in Arlington** 

Early voting began for the June 20 primary election in Virginia. Arlington became the first municipality in Virginia to institute ranked choice voting, so WUSA 9 consulted with a locally based organization that advocates for ranked choice voting to show it differs from a traditional ballot.

May 8, 2023 (11pm/:55 length)

Verify: How Early Can You Use Lawn Equipment

After a Prince George's County resident called 9-1-1 to complain about their neighbor mowing the lawn early in the morning, WUSA 9 check the laws for many local municipalities to find out the allowed hours for using lawnmowers and other equipment. Based on the time of the 9-1-1 call, the hardworking neighbor was within their rights to mow the lawn.

May 9, 2023 (11pm/1:20 length)
May 10, 2023 (5am re-air/1:20 length)

**Verify: Telehealth Prescription Rules** 

The day before the COVID-19 public health emergency expired, the US Drug Enforcement Administration amended a rule to allow doctors to prescribe medication to some patients in a fully virtual setting. WUSA 9 learned more about the continuation of that policy and what viewers should know about it.

May 10, 2023 (5:30am/2:05 length)

**Verify: Air Travelers' Rights** 

The White House announced that it planned to introduce new regulations to improve the rights of air travelers whose flights are delayed or canceled by airlines based on problems. WUSA 9 looked at the current regulations, as well as those of other countries, and compared them to what the White House proposed. WUSA 9 also interviewed the co-founder of a travel insurance company to talk about some of the common problems travelers face and how their rights should be enhanced.

Person interviewed:

Omar Kaywan - Co-Founder - Goose Insurance

# May 11, 2023 (6am/2:20 length) (12pm re-air/2:15 length) (6pm re-air/:35 length) Verify: What Will The End of Title 42 Cost DC

The federal policy known as Title 42 is ending, so WUSA 9 looked at whether Washington DC is getting any federal funding to help cover the expense of caring for the immigrants arriving in the district after crossing the US-Mexico border. We consulted federal and local agencies to determine how much money the district has received and asked the mayor about the availability of resources to help arriving migrants.

Person interviewed:

Muriel Bowser - Mayor of Washington, DC

May 12, 2023 (5:30am/2:25 length)

May 14, 2023 (6:30pm re-air/2:30 length)

Verify: Cottage Food Laws In The Greater Washington DC Area

A social media post cooked up controversy when the writer explained how they submitted fake applications in order to run a business out of their kitchen via delivery platforms like Uber Eats. WUSA 9 looked at the laws for Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia to determine what professional chefs must do and whether cottage food may be sold via delivery platforms.

May 12, 2023 (6am/:35 length) (6pm re-air/:40 length) Verify: Bill To Add More Long-Distance Flights at DCA

WUSA 9 gathered details about the latest push to add more flights outside of the federal boundary at Reagan National Airport by examining the law that limits the distance of flights in/out of DCA and the bill filed in Congress to amend that law.

May 12, 2023 (11pm/1:05 length)
May 13, 2023 (7am re-air/1:05 length)
May 15, 2023 (5am re-air/1:05 length)
Verify: New Rules For Blood Donation

After the FDA released new guidelines designed to allow more gay men to be able to donate blood, Washington, DC became number one on Google Trends for people searching for information about the changes. WUSA 9 consulted the FDA and the American Red Cross to find out what would be different.

May 15, 2023 (6pm/:25 length) (11pm re-air/1:10 length)
May 16, 2023 (12pm re-air/:50 length)
Verify: Increase In Children Being Shot

After a particularly dangerous weekend in which multiple young children were shot, WUSA 9 looked at shot statistics compiled by the Gun Violence Archive and DC Police Union to show that there has been a substantial increase in the number of children getting shot in Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia over the last several years.

May 16, 2023 (11pm/1:05 length)

May 17, 2023 (5am re-air and 12pm re-air/:50 length)

**Verify: Debt Ceiling's Impact On Housing Costs** 

In the midst of the negotiations over the federal debt ceiling, Virginia Senator Mark Warner tweeted that one of the disastrous consequences of allowing the US to default would be that housing costs would increase 22 percent. WUSA 9 confirmed that the Senator got that number from a recent report by real estate company Zillow, so we analyzed the report to explain where that number came from.

May 17, 2023 (11pm/1:00 length)
May 18, 2023 (5am re-air/1:10 length)
Verify: Public Financing For Stadiums

As the sale of the Washington Commanders progresses, the new ownership believed it could receive as much as \$1.5 billion from the State of Virginia to build a new stadium there. WUSA 9 looked into the financing agreements for several other stadium projects that used taxpayer money to determine whether that would be the most ever.

May 18, 2023 (11pm/2:20 length)

May 19, 2023 (5:30pm re-air/1:55 length)

**Verify: Bike Lanes Make Streets Safer For Cyclists** 

On the day before National Bike to Work Day, WUSA 9 examined whether dedicated bike lanes make streets safer for cyclists. We read three peer-reviewed studies and interviewed a professor of civil engineering and an expert in transportation and urban design, who all concluded that bicycle lanes do make streets safer.

People interviewed:

Peter Furth - Professor Of Civil and Environmental Engineering - Northeastern University Alex Engel - National Association of City Transportation Officials

May 18, 2023 (5am/2:35 length) (6am re-air/2:05 length) (12pm re-air and 5pm re-air/1:55 length) May 21, 2023 (8:30am re-air/1:50 length)

Verify: Base Tans Do Not Prevent Sunburn And Skin Damage

A commonly held belief is that if a person gets a base tan, it can prevent skin damage normally caused by spending too much time outside. WUSA 9 interviewed a pair of dermatologists and consulted research from federal agencies and multiple hospitals to find out that isn't true, and that any kind of tan is a sign of skin damage.

People interviewed:

Dr. Kathleen Ellison – Dermatologist - US Dermatology Partners

Dr. Allison Larson - Chair of Dermatology - MedStar Washington Hospital Center

May 19, 2023 (11pm/1:00 length)

May 20, 2023 (7am re-air/:55 length)

May 22, 2023 (6:30am re-air/:55 length) (12pm re-air/1:05 length)

**Verify: Would Congress Get Paid if US Defaults** 

While negotiations between Congress and the White House continue, WUSA 9 looked at laws, proposed laws, and a lack of precedent to try to determine if members of Congress would still get paid if the US defaults on its debt.

May 22, 2023 (6pm/2:25 length) (11pm re-air/:55 length)

May 23, 2023 (5:30am re-air/1:00 length)

**Verify: False Report of Pentagon Explosion** 

A photo posted to Twitter appeared to show an explosion at the Pentagon. WUSA 9 spoke with an expert in digitally altered images to confirm that this photo was fake and examined ways that anyone can detect images created by AI platforms.

Person Interviewed:

Nick Waters - Digital Investigator - Bellingcat

May 23, 2023 (6:30am and 12pm re-air/3:35 length) (5:30pm re-air/3:30 length) Verify: Is MSG Bad for You

In honor of AAPI heritage Month, WUSA 9 looked into the longstanding belief that monosodium glutamate (MSG) is unhealthy. MSG has long been associated with Chinese food. Based on research from several medical and culinary sources, we found that there is no scientific evidence it is harmful. WUSA 9 explored the origins of the myth and its impact on Chinese Americans.

Person interviewed:

Tim Ma – Chef - Lucky Danger restaurant

May 23, 2023 (11pm/1:05 length)

May 24, 2023 (5am re-air/1:05 length)

**Verify: Local Pedestrian Laws** 

A conversation on Reddit showed that many people had questions about when pedestrians have right of way and when they should yield to drivers. WUSA 9 looked at the laws of Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia to determine when the road belongs to walkers and when it belongs to drivers.

May 24, 2023 (6am/2:15 length) (12pm re-air and 7pm re-air/1:45 length) Verify: Sunscreen's Expiration Date

As part of a series of stories about how to protect your skin during the summer, WUSA 9 verified that sunscreen does expire by consulting federal safety guidance and a pair of dermatologists.

People Interviewed:

Dr. Kathleen Ellison – Dermatologist - US Dermatology Partners

Dr. Allison Larson - Chair of Dermatology - MedStar Washington Hospital Center

May 24, 2023 (11pm/1:20 length)

May 25, 2023 (5am re-air/1:25 length)

Verify: Rumors Of Johnson & Johnson Vaccine Recall

Based on questions from viewers, WUSA 9 confirmed that Johnson & Johnson's COVID-19 vaccine has not been recalled, but it is not available because the last remaining doses expired earlier this year.

May 25, 2023 (6am/1:50 length) (12pm re-air/1:35 length)

May 28, 2023 (8am re-air/1:35 length)

Verify: Is The Sun Stronger On Cloudy Days?

As part of our series of stories about skin protection, WUSA 9 consulted scientific journals, medical groups, and a dermatologist to show that UV can be stronger on cloudy days than sunny days, depending on the atmospheric conditions.

Person Interviewed:

Dr. Kathleen Ellison - Dermatologist, US Dermatology Partners

May 25, 2023 (11pm/1:35 length)

May 26, 2023 (5am re-air/1:15 length)

**Verify: US Downgraded Credit Rating** 

While lawmakers and the White House appeared closer to a debt ceiling agreement, Fitch Ratings signaled it would consider downgrading US government credit. WUSA 9 researched the three main credit ratings bureaus to determine that this would not be the first time that American debt had been downgraded.

May 26, 2023 (6am/1:50 length) (12pm re-air/2:05 length) (5pm re-air/2:10 length) Verify: Comparing Spray Sunscreen To Cream Sunscreen

Continuing our series of stories about protecting your skin from the summer sun, WUSA 9 examined whether spray-on sunscreens work as well as lotions. By interviewing a pair of dermatologists and consulting medical sources, we found that both forms work equally well.

People interviewed:

Dr. Kathleen Ellison – Dermatologist - US Dermatology Partners

Dr. Allison Larson - Chair of Dermatology - MedStar Washington Hospital Center

May 26, 2023 (11pm/1:30 length)

May 27, 2023 (7am re-air and 11pm re-air/1:30 length)

May 29, 2023 (4:30am re-air/1:30 length)

June 14, 2023 (5am re-air and 12pm re-air/1:20 length)

**Verify: How To Properly Retire A Flag** 

In advance of Memorial Day, WUSA 9 looked into the proper way to retire a flag that is not fit to fly. We consulted with the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Defense, and US Flag Code to show that burning is the preferred method, as well as the most respectful ways to do so.

Person interviewed:

Ann Byars - Program Manager for Youth Education and Civics - American Legion

# May 31, 2023 (5:30am/2:15 length) (6:30am re-air/2:20 length)

**Verify: Cancer-causing Chemicals In Sunscreen** 

As part of an ongoing series of stories about protecting your skin from the summer sun, WUSA 9 looked into a question about whether sunscreen contained chemicals known to cause cancer. By consulting medical sources and a dermatologist, we learned that some varieties of sunscreen do contain small amounts of cancer-causing chemicals, but others do not.

Person interviewed:

Dr. Allison Larson - Chair of Dermatology - MedStar Washington Hospital Center

May 31, 2023 (11pm/1:15 length)
June 11, 2023 (8am re-air/1:40 length)

**Verify: Speed Cameras Reduce Speed-Related Crashes** 

The City of Alexandria announced that speed cameras were not operational near four local schools. Since most people in the region know speed cameras mostly for the amount of money they generate for local governments, WUSA 9 investigated whether such cameras serve their stated purpose: safety. By consulting several federal and transportation sources, we found that speed cameras do reduce the number of speed-related crashes on roads with them or near them.

June 1, 2023 (11pm/1:45 length)

June 2, 2023 (5am re-air/1:40 length) (5pm re-air/1:45 length)

June 4, 2023 (8:30am re-air/1:40 length)

Verify: Maryland License Plates and Philippine Gambling

Following claims made in a viral TikTok video, WUSA 9 confirmed that the web address listed on an older version of the Maryland license now linked to a website with information about gambling in the Philippines. We researched the Maryland Bicentennial Commission and got answers.

June 2, 2023 (6am/2:45 length) (5:30pm re-air/2:15 length)

June 4, 2023 (8am re-air/2:15 length) (11pm re-air/2:20 length)

**Verify: Do Dogs Dream Of Humans?** 

After a viral Instagram post claimed that new research showed dogs think about their humans when they dream, WUSA 9 looked at academic studies and interviewed an expert on animal psychology. The claim is impossible to prove, but the sources agree that it is likely that dogs dream about their owners.

Person Interviewed:

Dr. Stanley Coren - Author

June 2, 2023 (11pm/1:20 length)

June 4, 2023 (6:30pm re-air/1:20 length)

June 5, 2023 (6am re-air/1:30 length)

**Verify: Local School Bus Driver Shortage** 

School districts locally and around the country have struggled to find enough bus drivers to cover all their routes. After several local districts took different approaches to hiring and retaining drivers this year, WUSA 9 asked many of them to find out if their tactics worked and whether they anticipated more problems next school year.

June 5, 2023 (11pm/1:00 length)

June 6, 2023 (6am re-air/1:10 length)

**Verify: Restricted Airspace Around Washington DC** 

When a private jet entered the restricted airspace over Washington DC, it trigged a military response that caused a sonic boom. WUSA 9 investigated the origins of the restricted airspace and outlined its boundaries.

June 6, 2023 (6am/1:40 length) (12pm re-air/2:00 length)

**Verify: Jet Lag Going East And West** 

To help travelers heading out of town on summer vacations, WUSA 9 consulted with the CDC and academic research to show that jet lag is worse for passengers heading east than those heading west.

June 6, 2023 (11pm/1:10 length)

**Verify: 100 Homicides In Washington DC** 

After the 100<sup>th</sup> homicide was reported in Washington DC, WUSA 9 looked at historical data provided by the Metropolitan Police Department and the DC Police Union to compare the rate of killings this year to past years. Data showed that the district reached this somber milestone faster in 2023 than in any year since 2008.

June 8, 2023 (5pm/1:00 length) (7pm re-air/:55 length)

**Verify: Masks And Wildfire Smoke** 

WUSA 9 viewers had lots of questions about how to manage the wildfire smoke that reduced air quality across the East Coast. WUSA 9 interviewed a local emergency physician about whether masks would reduce the health impacts of the smoky air, and if so, which kind would be most effective.

Person Interviewed:

Dr. Alex Koo - Emergency Physician - MedStar Health

June 8, 2023 (6pm/1:10 length)

**Verify: Wildfire Smoke Compared To Cigarette Smoke** 

Many people used social media to discuss the impact of the Canadian wildfire smoke as it reduces the air quality around the East Coast. WUSA 9 looked into comparisons between breathing smoky air caused by wildfires and smoking cigarettes. We consulted government air quality data, research about the impacts of pollution, and received an emailed statement from a doctor, which combined to show that there may be similarities, but it is not a perfect comparison.

June 8, 2023 (11pm/:50 length)

June 9, 2023 (6am re-air/1:00 length)

Verify: Wildfire Smoke In The Water Supply

After a day of dangerous air quality caused by smoke from wildfires in Canada, a viewer asked if the local water supply would be negatively affected. WUSA 9 consulted with the US Geological Society and a pair of academic papers to show that particles from wildfire smoke can get into the water supply a great distance away from the fire, but the health impact is unclear.

June 9, 2023 (11pm/:45 length)

Verify: Urban Bears Weigh More than Rural Bears

Lots of people watched as a bear was captured in Washington DC, which followed multiple bear sightings. WUSA 9 looked at a pair of studies and consulted the Audubon Society to learn that bears living in urban settings are larger than bears in rural settings.

June 12, 2023 (6pm/1:15 length)

June 13, 2023 (5am re-air/1:15 length)

**Verify: Pride Flag Hung Outside The White House** 

Many Republicans, including Members of Congress, criticized the White House for hanging a progress Pride flag alongside a US flag, saying it violated US Flag Code. WUSA 9 consulted the code, along with the American Legion and Department of Veterans Affairs, to confirm that the US Flag Code was not violated.

June 13, 2023 (5am and 5pm re-air/1:30 length) (6am re-air/1:35 length) (12pm re-air/1:15 length) Verify: The Meaning Of Speedy Trial

In his announcement of the indictment against former President Donald Trump, Special Counsel Jack Smith said he planned to pursue a speedy trial. WUSA 9 consulted the Cornell Legal Institute and Department of Justice to learn what a speedy trial would mean, what the law prescribes, and why the trial is not likely to follow that timeline.

June 13, 2023 (11pm/1:10 length)

**Verify: Trump And The Clinton Socks Case** 

As part of his reaction to the indictment against him for holding classified documents, former President Donald Trump said his case was similar to a case involving for President Bill Clinton and that it would lead to his exoneration. WUSA 9 looked at each case and the laws cited to explain the differences between the two.

June 15, 2023(11pm/1:30 length)

June 16, 2023 (5am re-air and 5:30pm re-air/1:30 length)

**Verify: How The SIM Swapping Scam Works** 

A WUSA 9 viewer asked about a scam called SIM Swapping that someone told her about. Some of the details were incorrect, so we consulted with the FBI, Verizon, and Norton to learn what the scam entailed and how to protect yourself.

June 16, 2023 (6am/2:35 length) (12pm re-air and 5:30pm re-air/2:30 length) June 18, 2023 (8am re-air/2:35 length) (6:30pm re-air/2:30 length) Verify: How To Read The UV Scale

Temperatures are warming up, which means an increased need to protect yourself from the summer sun. WUSA 9 interviewed a meteorologist and consulted the Environmental Protection Agency to learn more about how to interpret the UV Scale and how to use it to stay safe.

Person Interviewed:

Laura Ciasto – Meteorologist - NOAA

June 16, 2023 (11pm/1:10 length)

**Verify: Johns Hopkins Health System Hack** 

Johns Hopkins announced that both its university and its health system were compromised by a hack that targeted large companies and organizations around the country. WUSA 9 consulted Johns Hopkins, the Federal Trade Commission, and the three major credit bureaus to see what potential victims need to know and how they can best protect themselves from identity theft.

June 20, 2023 (11pm/1:40 length)

June 21, 2032 (5am re-air/1:45 length) (5:30pm re-air/1:15 length)

Verify: Hunter Biden's Plea Agreement

WUSA 9 verified the facts of the plea deal a prosecutor submitted related to tax and gun charges against Hunter Biden, including the maximum punishment for each count.

June 21, 2023 (11pm/1:10 length)

Verify: Who Pays For A Coast Guard Rescue

In light of the rescue effort to find the submersible that sunk near the Titanic wreckage site, WUSA 9 confirmed with the Coast Guard that people do not have to pay to be rescued, though some states have laws that allow local agencies to recoup their costs.

June 22, 2023 (11pm/1:05 length)

**Verify: NBA Draft Eligibility** 

After a college student went viral on TikTok for suggesting he found a loophole that allowed him to become eligible for the NBA Draft, WUSA 9 looked at the NBA's collective bargaining agreement and documents issued by the NCAA to see what procedures a person must follow to enter the NBA Draft, whether they actually play basketball or not.

June 23, 2023 (6am and 5pm re-air/2:05 length) (12pm re-air and 7pm re-air/2:00 length)

June 25, 2023 (8am re-air/2:00 length)

Verify: How Much Water Should A Healthy Person Drink?

For National Hydration Day, WUSA 9 looked into the common belief that adults need to drink eight glasses of water a day. We consulted with the CDC and various medical groups to learn that most people should drink more than that, but that there is not one amount that is right for everyone.

June 23, 2023 (11pm/:55 length)

June 26, 2023 (6:30am re-air and 5pm re-air/:55 length)

**Verify: Windshield Wipers And Headlights** 

While the DC metro area received rain over a period of several days, several people used social media to comment about drivers who did not have their headlights on. WUSA 9 consulted the statutes of DC, Maryland, and Virginia to determine that the laws in each require driver to run their headlights while using the wipers, as well as the penalty for failing to do so.

June 26, 2023 (11pm/1:15 length)

June 27, 2023 (5pm re-air/1:15 length)

Verify: Time Between Lightning And Thunder

To help people get through expected storms today and tomorrow, WUSA9 verified how long it takes from the time you see lightning before you hear thunder. We reviewed information from the National Weather Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which included the number of people in DC, Maryland, and Virginia hit by lightning in the last five years.

June 27, 2023 (11pm/1:45 length)

June 28, 2023 (6am re-air/1:45 length)

**Verify: Anacostia River Health** 

A local nonprofit announced an upcoming event in which swimming in the Anacostia River would be permitted for the first time in more than 50 years. WUSA 9 looked at the data from a pair of nonprofits to determine if progress had been made cleaning up the river to make it safe for swimmers again.

June 28, 2023 (11pm/1:00 length)

June 29, 2023 (6am re-air/1:00 length) (12pm re-air/:55 length)

**Verify: Local Fireworks Laws** 

Ahead of the July 4th holiday, WUSA 9 consulted the laws of the local states and municipalities to determine where fireworks are allowed, which kinds are permissible, and the penalties for violating the law.

June 29, 2023 (5am/1:45 length)

**Verify: What To Know About Domestic Malaria Cases** 

The CDC announced five cases of malaria had been diagnosed in Americans who had not traveled overseas, which is rare. WUSA 9 consulted with the CDC and World Health Organization to explain how malaria is contracted, what the symptoms are, where it is most often spread, and how people can prevent it or treat it.

June 30, 2023 (5am and 6am re-air/2:30 length) (12pm re-air and 5pm re-air/2:20 length) Verify: New Marijuana Law To Begin In Maryland

Recreational adult use of marijuana becomes legal in Maryland tomorrow, so in advance of the change, WUSA 9 examined the law and spoke to an industry expert to find out what is changing and what medical use cardholders need to know.

Person Interviewed:

Volley Hayhurst - VP of Operations - Columbia Care

### **Local Issue**

**Military Appreciation Month** 

May 1, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)
May 29, 2023 (9am re-air/4 minutes length)

Great Day Washington interview with VETOGA, a veteran owned yoga non-profit. We learned about their mission to provide yoga, meditation and healing arts to military, veterans, their families, and communities.

May 8, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)

May 29, 2023 (9am re-air/4 minutes length)

Interview with Keith Jolly, founder of the annual Ruck to Remember, which is a remembrance hike to honor fallen military members, over Memorial Day weekend, in the DC area.

May 15, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)

May 29, 2023 (9am re-air/4 minutes length)

Great Day Washington interview with Margi Kirst, Chief Revenue Officer of Operation Homefront and Army SPC Deonta Earley. Kirst and Earley share how Operation Homefront helps military members and their families.

May 22, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)

May 29, 2023 (9am re-air/4 minutes length)

Interview with John Register, Board Chair of the Amputee Coalition. Register shared how the Amputee Coalition can help military amputees lead a thriving and successful life.

<u>Local Issue</u> <u>Men's Health Month</u>

#### June 1, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)

Great Day Washington interview and fitness demonstration with Laurent Amzallag, personal trainer, and founder of FlexPods. Amzallag shared a perfect workout for men to implement into their lives for optimal health.

June 5, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)

Interview and fitness demonstration with Kristian Wilson, founder of Abundant Fitness. Wilson shared his abdominal strengthening workout for men.

June 28, 2023 (9am/4 minutes length)

Interview with Dr. Willie Jolley, a motivational speaker, author, and singer. Dr. Jolley focuses on men's mental health and gave us his steps to turn your setbacks into comebacks.

# CBS TELEVISION NETWORK PUBLIC AFFAIRS BROADCAST April 2023

#### **FACE THE NATION**

04/02/23

**Guests:** Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (2); Senator Chris Murphy (D-CT) (3); Michael Cohen, Donald Trump's former personal attorney (4); Rikki Klieman, CBS legal analyst (5); Preet Bharara, former U.S. attorney, Southern District of New York (6); John Bolton, former national security adviser, Trump administration (7); Emma Tucker, editor-in-chief, *The Wall Street Journal* (8)

**Guest Correspondent:** Robert Costa, CBS News chief election & campaign correspondent (4)

- 1) a report from Wynne, AR on the tornadoes that tore through the South, Midwest and mid-Atlantic on Saturday, leaving at least 26 dead
- 2) a report from Nashville, TN on last week's shooting at The Covenant School in Nashville the latest city to be associated with gun violence
- 3) Topics include: mass shooting in Nashville, which killed three children and three adults / possible steps forward in gun control legislation / red flag laws / Texas Senator Ted Cruz' proposed legislation for new security measures, such as armed guards
- 4) a discussion with Mr. Costa and a recorded excerpt from his Saturday interview with Mr. Trump's former fixer, Michael Cohen, a key witness for the New York City district attorney Alvin Bragg, whose office was investigating the circumstances of an alleged "hush money" payment made by Mr. Cohen to adult film star Stormy Daniels. Mr. Trump is the first president to be indicted.
- 5) a discussion on what to expect when former President Donald Trump is arraigned on criminal charges in New York on Tuesday
- 6) Topics include: insight into Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg and his reasoning for bringing a case against the former President / reaction to former Trump Attorney General Bill Barr's remarks about the case against Mr. Trump / Republican attacks of Mr. Bragg
- 7) Topics include: political mistake being made by Republicans in attacking Mr. Bragg and aligning themselves with Mr. Trump / weaponization of the Justice Department under President Trump / concern that the case will benefit Mr. Trump / refusal to support the former President if he is the Republican nominee / his possible presidential run / disappointment in Ron DeSantis' comments about Ukraine
- 8) a discussion on last week's detainment of American *Wall Street Journal* reporter Evan Gershkovic in Russia

04/09/23 PREEMPTION

04/16/23

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (1); Asa Hutchinson, former Arkansas governor, 2024 Republican presidential candidate (2); Senator Mark Kelly (D-AZ) (3); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (4); Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham (D-NM) (5); Representative Mike Turner (R-OH), chair, House Select Committee on Intelligence (6); Christine Lagarde, president, European Central Bank (7)

- 1) a report from Atlanta on gun violence and abortion rights, including new CBS News poll results on those issues
- 2) Topics include: reasons behind his candidacy; gun violence / bipartisan Safer Communities Act / fixing the connection between mental health and mass shootings / red flag laws
- 3) Topics include: gun violence / bipartisan Safer Communities Act / reaction to Republican proposals addressing gun violence / red flag laws; his trip to Ukraine / evaluating Ukraine's request for F-16s
- 4) a discussion on abortion access, federal court ruling on the FDA approved abortion pill Mifepristone and whether or not the Supreme Court will hear the case on the drug
- 5) Topics include: protecting abortion rights / just signed law codifying right to abortion, abortion care and access, as well as gender affirming care / late-term abortions / abortion access on sovereign land; water crisis and the debate over the Colorado River
- 6) Topics include: scale of damage caused by the leak of classified material by suspected Pentagon leaker 21-year-old Jack Teixeira / systematic failures which gave the suspected leaker access to classified material / praise by some Republicans for the suspected leaker; classified documents found at the homes of President Biden, Mr. Trump and Mr. Pence; access granted by the White House to the classified after action report on Afghanistan
- 7) Topics include: global economic recovery / recent bank failures / predictions that the U.S. could default on its national debt / competition between the U.S. and Chinese economies

04/23/23

**Guests:** David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (1); Senator Chris Coons (D-DE) (2); Jan Crawford, CBS News chief legal correspondent (3); Mike Pence, former vice president, Trump administration (4) (6); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (5); Quinton Lucas, mayor, Kansas City, MO (7); Benjamin Netanyahu, prime minister, Israel (8)

**Guest Correspondent:** Robert Costa, CBS News chief election & campaign correspondent (4) (6)

1) a discussion on Saturday's evacuation of government personnel by U.S. special forces from Khartoum, Sudan

- 2) Topics include: conditions in Sudan / Saturday's evacuation of U.S. nationals from the embassy in Khartoum / American citizens still in Sudan; IRS agent seeking whistleblower status regarding the Hunter Biden investigation / his confidence in Attorney General Merrick Garland
- 3) Topics include: Friday's Supreme Court decision, preserving access to Mifepristone, a widely used abortion pill / what will happen next in the case; scrutiny of Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas for code of conduct violations
- 4) an excerpt from yesterday's interview, discussing Friday's Supreme Court decision on Mifepristone and putting "the interests of the unborn first"
- 5) a report from Orlando, FL on the impact the latest string of deadly shootings has had on an anxious nation
- 6) an additional excerpt from yesterday's interview with the former Vice President, discussing the spate of gun violence in recent weeks, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment, his yet-to-be scheduled appearance before the special counsel's grand jury investigating January 6<sup>th</sup> and possible presidential candidacy
- 7) Topics include: shooting of an unarmed 16-year old Ralph Yarl, after he went to the wrong house in Kansas City / working with a Republican controlled board to tackle gun violence / culture of fear and paranoia
- 8) Topics include: protests in opposition to the government's plans to overhaul the judicial system, currently paused / opposition expressed by President Biden / questionable members of his government / Gallup poll results indicating Democrats, for the first time, are likelier to sympathize with Palestinians than with Israelis

04/30/23 Guests: Representative Ro Khanna (D-CA) (1); Representative Nancy Mace (R-SC) (2); Representative Tony Gonzales (R-TX) (3); Gary Cohn, vice chairman, IBM, former president, Goldman Sachs, former top economic adviser, Trump administration (4); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6)

Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (5) (7)

- 1) Topics include: efforts to save California-based bank First Republic / big banks buying up little banks / poor management at Silicon Valley Bank / changes to the regulatory system and laws / confidence in Chair Powell and Mary Daly at the San Francisco Fed; debt ceiling
- 2) Topics include: abortion rights / need for the Republican party to find a "middle ground" on abortion / compassion for rape victims while also finding common ground on abortion / Republican presidential candidate Nikki Haley and other Republican candidates' views on abortion; debt ceiling
- 3) Topics include: situation at the border as the health emergency restriction Title 42 is set to expire on May 11<sup>th</sup> / upcoming House vote on a border bill / his vote to lift the debt ceiling, despite the cuts to customs and border protection / detaining families who cross the border illegally

- 4) Topics include: First Republic's likely sale / changes to the regulatory system and laws / FDIC insurance / bank regulators / Fed Chairman Powell's attempts to slow the economy down
- 5) a focus group discussion with parents from Indiana, Ohio and Arkansas about the impact that gun violence is having on their children
- 6) a report from Dnipro, Ukraine, as Russian forces launched another deadly offensive into Ukraine; preparations are underway for Ukraine's spring counter-offensive
- 7) At the annual White House Correspondents' Dinner, President Biden struck a somber tone as he hailed the free press as a "pillar of a free society" and called for the release of imprisoned journalists Austin Tice and Evan Gerskovich

#### **60 MINUTES**

04/02/23

**"MTG"** – an interview with Georgia Republican Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene. She discusses her upbringing in Georgia, the influence she's gained in her two years in Congress, and her protesting of former President Donald Trump's indictment. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Richard Bonin)

"The Secretary and the Border" — an interview with homeland security secretary Alejandro Mayorkas. He discusses his own family's fleeing from Cuba, immigration reform and attacks from those who have called for his impeachment. Includes interviews with Karina Breceda, executive director of a women's shelter at the border; Guadalupe Vazquez, who is attempting to get an appointment to legally enter the U.S.; and Christina Coronado, who runs a food program in Juarez, Mexico. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi — P: Andy Court)

"Land of Fire and Ice" – a report on the 2021 eruption of the Geldingadalir volcano in Iceland. Through studying the event and the landscape it created, Icelandic scientists have discovered new methods of forecasting potential eruptions. Includes interviews with Kristin Jonsdottir, seismologist and head of earth sciences at Iceland's Meteorological Office; Freysteinn Sigmundsson, geophysicist at the University of Iceland; Ed Marshall, a Texas trained geophysicist; and Matthew Pritchard, Cornell geophysicist. (See also: "Geldingadalir", OAD: 05/23/21; Rebroadcast: 08/22/21) (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Heather Abbott)

**The Last Minute** – Donald Trump is the first ex-President in history to face criminal charges. On Tuesday, he is expected to be arraigned on a multiple-count indictment. At the center of this story is Stormy Daniels, who spoke with 60 MINUTES in 2018. (See also: "Stormy Daniels", OAD: 03/25/18) (C: Lesley Stahl)

04/09/23 60 MINUTES (7:48 – 8:48p)

"The Origin of Everything" – a report on new images captured by NASA's James Webb Space Telescope. Astrophysicists and astronomers discuss the largest telescope ever flown and its ability to discover previously unfathomable depths of space. Includes interviews with Brant Robertson, astrophysicist; Amy Lo, Northrop Grumman engineer;

Matt Mountain, who leads Webb's operations as president of the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy; Dan Milisavljevic, astronomer at Purdue University; Alyssa Pagan and Joe DePasquale, astronomers and science imagers for the Space Telescope Science Institute; and Erica Nelson, astrophysicist at the University of Colorado, Boulder. (See also: "Let There Be Light", OAD: 12/12/21) (C: Scott Pelley – P: Aaron Weisz)

"Sportswashing" — a report on sportswashing. As Saudi Arabia is being accused of attempting to cover up political repression and authoritarian rule through entertainment, its government claims to be diversifying the economy. Includes interviews with Prince Abdulaziz bin Turki Al Saud, member of the Saudi royal family and motorsports enthusiast; Nick Kyrgios, Australian tennis player; Rasha Al Khamis, Saudi Arabia's first female certified boxing coach; Lina al-Hathloul, whose sister Loujain was imprisoned for leading the Saudi woman-to-drive movement; and Jerry Inzerillo, who was appointed as CEO of the Diriyah Gate Development Authority by the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia. (C: Jon Wertheim — P: Michael H. Gavshon)

"The Resurrection of Notre Dame" – a report on the restoration of the Notre Dame cathedral in Paris, France. Nearly destroyed by a 2019 fire, the medieval structure and historic monument is slowly being recreated with close to 1,000 workers involved in the detailed process. Includes interviews with General Jean-Louis Georgelin, Great Chancellor of the French National Order; Philippe Villeneuve, Notre Dame's chief architect; Agnes Poirier, journalist and author who lives across the River Seine from Notre Dame; and Danae Leblond, Mathilde Maire and Aude Massimi, restorers working on the cathedral. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Rome Hartman)

The Last Minute – Houses of worship are houses of refuge, hospitality. (C: Bill Whitaker)

04/16/23 60 MINUTES (7:03 – 8:03p)

"The Revolution" – a report on the upsurge of artificial intelligence. Google executives at the DeepMind research lab discuss advancements in and the future of the innovative technology. Includes interviews with Sundar Pichai, CEO of Google; Sissie Hsiao, Google Vice President; James Manyika, Google Senior Vice President; Raia Hadsell, Vice President of Research and Robotics at DeepMind; Demis Hassabis, CEO of DeepMind; and Vincent Vanhoucke, Senior Director of Robotics at DeepMind. (C: Scott Pelley – Producer for Part I: Denise Schrier Cetta; Producers for Part II: Denise Schrier Cetta, Katie Brennan) DOUBLE LENGTH SEGMENT

"The Unlikely Adventures of David Grann" – an interview with journalist and author David Grann. He discusses his new book *The Wager*, and his research process for the shipwreck saga. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Nathalie Sommer)

**The Last Minute** – selected viewer comments on two of last week's segments: "The Origin of Everything" and "The Resurrection of Notre Dame". (C: Scott Pelley)

04/23/23

"Healing and Hope" – a report on the White Helmets, or the Syria Civil Defense. The volunteer organization is currently hoping to rebuild southern Turkey and northwest Syria after devastating earthquakes, while criticism of international humanitarian response to the situation continues. Includes interviews with Dr. Samer Attar, an orthopedic surgeon from Chicago who volunteers for the Syrian American Medical Society; Amany Jaqlan, a SAMS nurse; Abdo Tarek and Sameh Fakhori, volunteers; Zainab Ali Al-Najib, who lost family to Assad's attacks; and Dr. Mufaddal Hamadeh, a Chicago oncologist and former president of SAMS. (See also: "The White Helmets", OAD: 12/18/16, Rebroadcast: 06/18/17) (C: Scott Pelley – P: Nicole Young)

**"Who Is Ray Epps?"** – a profile of Ray Epps, a Trump supporter who participated in the January 6<sup>th</sup> Capitol Riots. He now claims to be the target of a right-wing conspiracy stating he turned the insurrection from peaceful to violent. Includes interviews with Robyn Epps, Ray's wife; and Tom Joscelyn, a researcher and author who helped the January 6<sup>th</sup> Committee author its final report. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Graham Messick)

"Nicolas Cage" – an interview with actor Nicolas Cage. He discusses his extensive career, his pet African crow and his latest starring role in the new movie *Renfield*. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Michael Karzis)

The Last Minute – an update on "Dominion", OAD: 10/23/22. (C: Bill Whitaker)

04/30/23

"The Domino Effect" – a report on the maternal healthcare crisis in the United States. After last summer's abortion ban, the country continues to have one of the highest rates of maternal death in the developed world. Includes interviews with Dr. Rebekah Gee, OB-GYN, founder of Nest; Theresa Dubois and Brittany Cavalier, both mothers; Latona Giwa, co-founder of New Orleans' Birthmark Doula Collective; Christy Turlington, model, founder of a maternal advocacy group; Kaitlyn Joshua, a community organizer and mother; and Dr, Jennifer Avegno, an ER doctor and current Director of the New Orleans Health Department. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Ashley Velie)

"Out of Thin Air" — a report on the effects of carbon dioxide on climate change. With oil and gas emissions at record highs, the first potential commercial solution is being tested by scientists in Iceland. Includes interviews with Carlos Haertel, Chief Technology Officer for Climeworks; Sandra Osk, a geologist with Carbfix; Kari Helgason, an astrophysicist with Carbfix; and Vicki Hollub, CEO of Occidental Petroleum. (C: Bill Whitaker — P: Heather Abbott)

"An American Down Under" – a report on Australian rules football player Mason Cox. The only American in the league, he has become a celebrity as the star player for the Collingwood Magpies. Includes interviews with Tom Mitchell, Jack Crisp, Darcy Moore, Collinwood teammates; Marcus Smart, an NBA player for the Boston Celtics; and Craig McRae, head coach of Collingwood. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Jacqueline Williams)

**The Last Minute** – an update on "Prince Charles", OAD: 10/30/05. (C: Bill Whitaker)

#### **48 HOURS**

04/01/23 PREEMPTION

04/08/23

48 HOURS: "Katrina Brownlee: The Good Cop" (9:00 – 10:00p) – an interview/profile of Katrina Cooke Brownlee, who retired in 2021 as one of the New York City Police Department's top-ranked detectives. In her first primetime television interview, Brownlee details the abuse she suffered, how she met the so-called blue wall of silence, how she fought to live and how she vowed to be a good police officer. When she was 22-years-old, Brownlee, a mother to two daughters, lived with her then-fiancé, Alex Irvin, a New York City correction officer at Rikers Island. She says that every time she called the police after Irvin abused her, they would leave without taking action. On January 9th, 1993, a pregnant Brownlee met Irvin at the Medford, Long Island home they formally shared. Irvin, she says, had a weird look on his face. He shot Brownlee five times, reloaded his gun and shot five more times. A family friend of Irvin's who happened to stop by saw Brownlee bleeding and insisted on taking her to the hospital. Investigators initially thought Brownlee would die, but she survived. Irvin eventually pled guilty to all charges and was sentenced to only 5 to 15 years in prison; he was released after serving 10 years. It would take months, but Brownlee learned how to walk again. During that time Brownlee decided to change the system that let her down and became a police officer in 2001. Brownlee became a top-ranked detective and one of the few Black women in the NYPD chosen to protect a New York City mayor; she even kept her history of being abused from then-Mayor Bill de Blasio until their last meeting together. Brownlee continues to work on her organization, "Young Ladies of Our Future". Original on-screen text graphic: Katrina has just finished a book about her life that she's calling, "And Then Came the Blues." On-screen text graphic for the 04/08/23 rebroadcast: Katrina wrote a book about her life called, "And Then Came the Blues." Interviewed: Katrina Brownlee; Keri Herzog, former assistant district attorney; and Raymond Blasko, lead detective. (This hour was part of CBS News and Stations' ongoing reporting for Black History Month/February 2022.) (Anchor: Michelle Miller, co-anchor, CBS SATURDAY MORNING – Producers: Liza Finley, Lauren A. White) (OAD: 02/26/22)

04/08/23

48 HOURS: "Kassanndra's Secret" (10:00 – 11:00p) - a report on the August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 disappearance and murder of 33-year-old Kassanndra Cantrell of Tacoma, WA and how her ex-boyfriend, Colin Dudley, was involved. Kassanndra Cantrell was supposed to meet her best friend, Alexandra McNary, on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020, but never showed up. Cantrell had vanished and her family and friends had no idea where she had gone. Three days after her disappearance, police located her car in an industrial area near downtown Tacoma; they also discovered surveillance footage of a mysterious man in a fedora leaving her car, later identified as Colin Dudley, an ex-boyfriend Cantrell met in 2006. Investigators questioned Dudley and he insisted he hadn't seen Cantrell in years, even though Cantrell had told McNary that she was pregnant and that Dudley was the father. Further investigation and digital evidence, including data from the black box of Dudley's truck, led investigators to Cantrell's body in a ravine on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020; Dudley was arrested later that night and charged with first-degree murder. Two years later, family and friends were angry to hear that prosecutors were considering a plea deal due to the lack of physical evidence. Eventually, Colin Dudley agreed to plead guilty to

murder in the first degree and formally entered his guilty plea on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022; he was sentenced to 26 years in prison. Cantrell's family would like a law in Washington State that if someone is guilty of knowingly killing a pregnant woman, they would automatically get a life sentence. On-screen text graphic: Kassanndra Cantrell's family has filed a wrongful death lawsuit against Colin Dudley. It is scheduled to go to trial in August 2023. Interviewed: Alexandra McNary, Kassanndra's friend; Marie Smith, Kassanndra's mother; Detective Franz Helmcke, detective, Pierce County Sheriff's Department; Kristi Sinclair, Marie Smith's friend; Cheri Mueller, produced a local production of "Rocky Horror Picture Show" that Cantrell and Dudley appeared in; Rob Cantrell, Kassanndra's twin brother; Brent Van Dyke, detective sergeant, Pierce County Sheriff's Department; Steve Ammann, former friend of Colin Dudley, wrote a letter protesting the prison sentence to the judge; Ryan Salmon, detective, Pierce County Sheriff's Department; and Brian Wasankari, Pierce County deputy prosecutor (Patrick Vincent, Pierce County deputy prosecutor, appeared on camera during interview - did not speak). (Contributor: Natalie Morales – Producers: Betsy Shuller, Paul La Rosa, Lauren Clark)

04/15/23

48 HOURS: "Christy and Hilda's Last Dance" - On Friday, November 12th, 2021, model Christy Giles and her friend Hilda Marcela Cabrales-Arzola went to a warehouse party in Los Angeles, CA. The next afternoon, both women were left at separate hospitals by two men in a car with no license plate, who in each instance claimed to have found a woman "passed out on the curb somewhere nearby": Christy at Southern California Medical Center and Hilda at Kaiser Permanente Hospital. Christy died of a drug overdose; Hilda spent two weeks on life support, before her family decided to donate her organs. The police suspected foul play and made use of the digital trail left behind. Christy's phone led investigators to the apartment of David Pearce, who passed himself off as a Hollywood producer; surveillance footage tied him, his roommate Brandt Osborn and their friend, photographer Michael Ansbach, to the crime. Three weeks after Hilda's death the men were arrested; Brandt and Michael were released, but David was held on four unrelated sexual assault charges. When news of David's arrest was made public, more women came forward. In May 2022, the prosecution added three more counts of sexual assault against David; he is currently charged with eleven counts, seven counts of drugging and sexually assaulting, forcibly raping and/or sodomizing several women, two counts of murder and two counts of providing a controlled substance, that being Fentanyl. So far, the prosecution has "declined" to charge Michael Ansbach; he's cooperating with prosecutors and will likely testify against his two friends. This broadcast features the first primetime television interview with Jan Cilliers, the husband of Christy Giles, as well as the parents and friends of Hilda Marcela Cabrales-Arzola. Onscreen text graphic: A trial date has not been set for David Pearce or Brandt Osborn. Interviewed: Barry Telis, retired homicide detective, Los Angeles Police Department, CBS News consultant; Mary Fulginiti, former prosecutor and defense attorney; Fernanda Cabrales-Arzola, Hilda Marcela's sister; Jan Cilliers, Christy's husband; Dr. Hilda Marcela Arzola-Plascencia, Hilda Marcela's mother; Dusty and Leslie Giles, Christy's parents; Misty Weldon, Christy's sister; Luis Cabrales, Hilda Marcela's father; Fernanda Cantisani and Alan Betancourt, Hilda Marcela's friends; Erica Bergman (aka Erykah Poe), assaulted by David Pearce and tried to warn others about him on "The Dirty" blog; and Josh Ritter,

former Los Angeles assistant district attorney, practicing defense attorney, advising Jan Cilliers on legal issues. Brandt Osborn, charged as an accessory to murder after the fact, responded to a question from Greg Fisher, a 48 HOURS producer, outside of court. (Contributor: Jonathan Vigliotti – Producer: Liza Finley)

04/22/23

48 HOURS: "Crosley Green's Hard Time" (9:00 – 10:00p) - an updated rebroadcast, containing the most recent reporting on the case of Crosley Green. In 2021, Crosley Green's release from prison was featured in "Crosley Green Comes Home", OAD: 04/17/21, an update to the original 2020 broadcast of "Crosley Green's Hard Time", which was an update to "Last Chance for Freedom" (OAD: 05/30/15; updated 08/19/17), a follow-up to both "Reasonable Doubt" (OAD: 11/01/99); and its retitled rebroadcast, which included an update: "Impossible Mission" (OAD: 07/10/00). Recently, the Florida man who was free from prison for two years, was sent back for a murder he swears he didn't commit. 48 HOURS has been covering this questionable conviction for 24 years. Despite his claims of innocence, Green was convicted and sentenced to death in 1990 for the April 1989 murder of Charles "Chip" Flynn in a Titusville, FL orange grove. Green has spent decades trying to prove his innocence. At the time of the murder, he was a small-time drug dealer who said he was two miles away when Flynn was killed. Green was arrested after Flynn's former girlfriend, Kim Hallock, told police that she and Flynn had been carjacked by a Black man with a gun and driven to a remote orange grove. Flynn was killed, but Hallock escaped. She identified Green from a photo lineup. Green's nine state appeals are exhausted, but his current attorneys Keith Harrison, Bob Rhoad and Jeane Thomas, along with an original private investigator Joe Moura (now a 48 HOURS consultant) have one last hope, federal court. They believe they have enough evidence to prove that the conviction is part of a distinct pattern and practice of government misconduct in Brevard County. Three other men, - Bill Dillion, Juan Ramos and Wilton Dedge - have had their convictions overturned; two of them were also prosecuted by Christopher White. Green's attorneys believe what makes this case different is the great deal of evidence. At the heart of their case are notes from White's meeting with officers Mark Rixey and Diane Clarke (who spoke to 48 HOURS for the first time for the 05/30/15 broadcast). Green's lawyer says that their notes say they think the girl (former girlfriend Kim Hallock) killed Flynn. In June 2017, the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Federal Court of Appeals said it would allow Green's attorneys to argue in person why his case should not have been dismissed. The Florida Attorney General's Office continues to fight to uphold Crosley Green's conviction, claiming Green failed to meet a filing deadline for his appeal. Original 04/18/20 UPDATE: In July 2018, a federal judge ruled that withholding prosecutor notes from Green's defense violated his right to a fair trial. His conviction was overturned and a new trial was ordered. The state of Florida appealed. On March 12, 2020, the Federal Appeals Court in Jacksonville heard from Green's defense team and state attorneys. Original on screen text graphic: 48 Hours will continue to follow Crosley Green's case. 04/17/21 UPDATE, featured in "Crosley Green Come Home": In March 2021, due to the coronavirus pandemic and Green's diagnosis of latent tuberculosis, his attorneys filed a motion for his immediate release, which the court granted. A decision from the Federal Appeals Court is still pending. (No on screen text graphic for the 04/17/21 broadcast.)

**04/22/23 UPDATE:** In March 2022, the U.S. Court of Appeals came back with a decision; the court ruled that those notes Christopher White failed to turn over to Crosley's defense would not have changed the outcome of his trial and his conviction was reinstated. Crosley's last hope to was to ask the U.S. Supreme Court to take this case. In February 2023, the attorneys gathered the Green family together to break the bad news - the Supreme Court will not hear his case and Crosley has run out of legal options. On April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, two years after Crosley's conditional release, he was returned to prison. On screen text graphic for the 04/22/23 updated rebroadcast: Crosley Green's only remaining options for freedom are to seek parole or clemency. New interviews for the 04/22/23 updated rebroadcast: Crosley Green; Keith Harrison and Jeane Thomas, Green's attorneys; and Katharine Spikes, Crosley's fiancé. Also contains interviews from prior broadcasts: Crosley Green; Keith Harrison and Jeane Thomas, Green's attorneys; Diane Clarke and Mark Rixey, Brevard County officers; David Stroup, Chip's friend (1999); Christopher White, prosecutor (2015); Charles and Peggy Flynn, Chip's parents (1999); Tim Curtis, who sold the car to Chip; Lisa DiMeo, criminalist; Sheila Green, Crosley's sister (1999); Kenneth Nunn, University of Florida law professor; O'Connor Green, Crosley's brother; Degrah Green, Crosley's sister; Shuma Green, Crosley's son; Shirley Green, Crosley's sister. (See also: "Reasonable Doubt", OAD: 11/01/99; its retitled rebroadcast, which included an update: "Impossible Mission", OAD: 07/10/00; 48 HOURS: "Last Chance for Freedom", a follow-up to both prior broadcasts, OAD: 05/30/15 - an updated rebroadcast aired on 08/19/17; and 48 HOURS: "Crosley Green Comes Home", OAD: 04/17/21 - an update to "Crosley Green's Hard Time".) (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Asena Basak) (OAD: 04/18/20)

04/22/23

48 HOURS: "Alisa Mathewson's Night Terrors" (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the 55hour ordeal Alisa Mathewson suffered at the hands of her estranged husband, Trevor Summers, who manipulated his children into believing he just wanted to get back together with his estranged wife and their mother. Just after midnight on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Trevor drove to Alisa's home in Valrico, FL and entered through a window, left open by their 14-year-old daughter Arden, whom Trevor manipulated into believing he wanted to reconcile and make the family whole again. Once inside the house, Trevor woke up Alisa by dripping water on her head and told Arden to drive her siblings to his house and wait. Trevor tied Alisa with a string of holiday lights, kidnapped her, sexually assaulted her and then tried to kill her; he even used Alisa's phone to record bizarre messages, admitting to his crime. Trevor was arrested on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017, after police received a 911 call from a Walgreens' employee who saw a woman attempting to flee from an SUV. Trevor's trial began in August 2022; he was found guilty of all 11 charges and the judge sentenced him to three life sentences, followed by 224 years of prison. In a wide-ranging interview, Alisa discussed her experience and the trial, in which she faced her ex-husband, who acted as his own attorney, while on the stand. On-screen text graphic: Trevor Summers declined our request for an interview, citing his decision to appeal his convictions. If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic violence, contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233. Interviewed: Alisa Mathewson; Arden Summers, Alisa and Trevor's daughter; Jennifer Johnson and Jessica O'Connor, prosecutors, Hillsborough County State Attorney's Office; Anthony Marchese, Trevor Summers' court-appointed attorney (Trevor fired him before he was set to crossexamine Alisa and took over his own defense); Sgt. Christopher Steele and Sgt. Edward Remia, Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office; and Jeff Mathewson, Alisa's husband (married in 2018). (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Ruth Chenetz, Murray Weiss, Lauren Clark)

04/29/23

48 HOURS: "Lamar Johnson: Standing in Truth" – a report on the case against Lamar Johnson of St. Louis, MO, who spent almost three decades in prison for the murder of his friend, Markus Boyd. In 1994, 20-year-old Lamar worked at Jiffy Lube and attended community college; he also sold small amounts of crack cocaine for extra cash. On October 30th, 1994, 25-year-old Markus, who worked at a printing company and sold drugs on the side, was shot to death by two masked gunmen on his St. Louis porch. Named as a possible suspect by Markus' girlfriend and his photo selected by witness Greg Elking, who later chose Lamar in a police lineup, Lamar was arrested along with his friend Phillip Campbell, on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1994. Though he had an alibi – Lamar was miles away with his girlfriend and daughter – he went on trial in July 1995; it took the jury two hours to reach a guilty verdict, primarily based on Greg's testimony. Between his trial and sentencing, Lamar exchanged letters with the other suspect, Phillip Campbell, who admitted Lamar was not involved and named the other shooter: James "B.A." Howard. In September 1995, Lamar was sentenced to life in prison without parole. The Midwest Innocence Project discovered that Greg later wrote a letter to a clergyman, admitting he had lied at Johnson's trial. In 2018, St. Louis Circuit Attorney Kimberly Gardner agreed to look at Lamar's case. Convinced of his innocence, she attempted to get Lamar's conviction overturned, but was denied by the Missouri courts. In 2021, the Missouri Legislature passed a law, giving prosecutors the power to bring cases of innocence to court. On December 12th, 2022, Lamar Johnson and his legal team gathered in a St. Louis courtroom for a week-long hearing; Greg Elking testified he felt pressured by lead investigator Joe Nickerson to choose Lamar in the lineups. In February 2023, Lamar's murder conviction was overturned; the judge also found there was clear and convincing evidence of Johnson's innocence. After more than 28 years behind bars, 49-year-old Lamar Johnson was finally exonerated. On-screen text graphic: Under current law, Johnson is not entitled to compensation from the state of Missouri. Interviewed: Lamar Johnson; Brittany Johnson, Lamar's daughter; Kiera Barrow, Lamar and Erika's daughter; Erika Barrow, Kiera's mother, Lamar's former girlfriend; Greg Elking, lone eyewitness to Markus Boyd's murder; Ricky Kidd, Lamar's friend, met while serving a life sentence for murder before Ricky was exonerated; Lindsay Runnels, Lamar's attorney; Dwight Warren, original prosecutor; Kimberly Gardner, St. Louis circuit attorney; Robert Ogilvie, chief investigator, Circuit Attorney's office; Jonathon Potts and Charlie Weiss, attorneys appointed by Kimberly Gardner to handle Lamar's case; and Tony Messenger, columnist, <u>St. Louis Post-Dispatch</u>. (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Marcelena Spencer, Emily Wichick)

# CBS TELEVISION NETWORK PUBLIC AFFAIRS BROADCAST May 2023

#### FACE THE NATION

05/07/23

Guests: Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Nicole Sganga, CBS News homeland security and justice reporter (2); Alejandro Mayorkas, Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, Biden administration (3); Senator Kyrsten Sinema (I-AZ) (4) (6); Representative Patrick McHenry (R-NC), chairman, House Financial Services Committee (7); Governor Roy Cooper (D-NC) (8); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (9)

- 1) a report from Allen, TX on Saturday's mass shooting at a shopping mall near Dallas; police later killed the suspect, but investigators have not yet released a possible motive
- 2) a report from Laredo, TX, as South Texas prepares for the end of Title 42
- 3) Topics include: Saturday's mass shooting in Texas; end of Title 42 on May 11<sup>th</sup> / Biden administration's preparations and programs / criticism from Arizona's governor and senior senator / immigration reform / his criticism of the bipartisan solution proposed by Congress
- 4) Topics include: recent bill introduced to grant a temporary two year authority to expel migrants / immigration crisis in Arizona / criticism of the Biden administration
- 5) a look back at what the late Senator John McCain had to say about immigration on FACE THE NATION in 2007
- 6) Topics include: standoff over the debt ceiling / Republican leaders of the House and Senate, Kevin McCarthy and Mitch McConnell
- 7) Topics include: debt ceiling negotiations; failure of smaller banks / stability of the banking sector
- 8) a discussion on his state's Republican-led legislature's passing of a 12-week abortion ban and what can be done to "continue to work to protect women's reproductive freedom in North Carolina"
- 9) a report from Dnipro, Ukraine as Russia launches airstrikes ahead of Ukraine's planned spring counteroffensive

05/14/23

Guests: Nikki Haley, 2024 Republican presidential candidate, former governor of South Carolina, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations (1); Representative Tony Gonzales (R-TX) (2); Oscar Leeser, mayor (D-El Paso, TX) (3); Dr. Victor Trevino, mayor (Nonpartisan - Laredo, TX) (4); Lael Brainard, director, National Economic Council (5); Representative Lauren Underwood (D-IL) (6)

- 1) Topics include: migration crisis at the U.S. southern border / need to view the current conditions as a national security issue / separating children from their families; abortion rights; former President Trump being found legally liable for sexually abusing a woman
- 2) Topics include: video from his recent visit to a Customs and Border Protection facility in El Paso / need to focus on legal immigration / building relationships with the countries people are fleeing / partisan fighting / immigration reform / using his vote to lift the debt ceiling
- 3) Topics include: aid and resources from the federal government to deal with the end of Title 42 / impact on city and health services in El Paso / assistance given to migrants
- 4) Topics include: current conditions in Laredo with the end of Title 42 / health situation for the migrants / immigration reform / immigration crisis an "American problem"
- 5) Topics include: state of negotiations over the debt ceiling / "default is something that Congress knows how to avoid."; American banking system
- 6) Topics include: "Momnibus", her evidence-based legislation to end the maternal mortality crisis / "pathway" to getting legislation signed into law this year / factors contributing to maternal deaths; recent death of two unaccompanied migrant children in U.S. custody
- O5/21/23 Guests: Representative Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA), co-chair, Problem Solvers Caucus (1); Representative Josh Gottheimer (D-NJ), co-chair, Problem Solvers Caucus (1); Eric Adams, mayor (D-New York, NY) (2); Francis Suarez, mayor (R-Miami, FL) (3); Robert Gates, chancellor, College of William & Mary, former Secretary of Defense, former director, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) (4); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, board member, Pfizer, former commissioner, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) (5)
  - 1) Topics include: current state of the negotiations as the U.S. heads closer to the debt default date of June  $1^{st}$  / differing viewpoints regarding June  $1^{st}$  as a 'hard deadline' / national and global risks and repercussions for the United States / sticking points for House Speaker McCarthy and President Biden
  - 2) Topics include: migrant crisis in New York City / insufficient federal help received by the city / busing migrants elsewhere in New York State / need for comprehensive immigration reform; choking death of Jordan Neely, a homeless man who struggled with mental health, by fellow subway rider Daniel Penny
  - 3) Topics include: migrant crisis in Miami / lack of federal help received / new Florida law making it a felony to knowingly and willfully transport an undocumented person; his possible 2024 run for president / Donald Trump
  - 4) Topics include: global repercussions of the debt ceiling negotiations; polarization and lack of civility as the biggest threats to the United States; relationship with China / China's aggression towards Taiwan; criticism of the White House for being 'slow' to send weapons to Ukraine / importance of supporting Ukraine / Russia's unlikely use of a tactical nuclear weapon; concern over former President Trump's 2024 presidential candidacy

5) Topics include: medication shortage in the U.S. / how to ramp up domestic drug manufacturing / generic drugs; end of the COVID federal health emergency on May 11<sup>th</sup>

05/28/23

Guests: Representative Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY), Democratic Leader (1); Representative French Hill (R-AR) (2); Austan Goolsbee, president, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, former White House economic adviser, Obama administration (3); Brad Smith, president and vice chair, Microsoft (4); Christopher Krebs, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Trump administration, CBS News cybersecurity expert and analyst (5)

- 1) Topics include: this afternoon's White House briefing on the debt ceiling agreement with the House Democratic Caucus / his conversations with House Leader Kevin McCarthy over the debt ceiling negotiations / expectation of Democratic support for the debt ceiling deal announced late Saturday
- 2) Topics include: his confidence in securing enough Republican votes for the debt ceiling deal / opposition from the House Freedom Caucus / goals of House Republicans contained in the debt ceiling deal
- 3) a discussion on the 11<sup>th</sup> hour debt ceiling deal, including potential consequences for the financial system and for the broader economy as a whole
- 4) Topics include: benefits and risks associated with artificial intelligence / A.I. regulation / protecting the next presidential election against deepfakes and misleading ads / support for a new federal agency to oversee A.I.
- 5) Topics include: discovery of malware from a state-sponsored Chinese actor embedded in U.S. critical infrastructure / China's hacking capabilities / vulnerability of the U.S. infrastructure; support for a new federal agency to oversee A.I. / regulating artificial intelligence

# **60 MINUTES**

05/07/23

"This Ancient Atrocity" – a report on illegal child labor in the United States. An investigation by the Department of Labor, prompted by concerns from a Nebraska middle school, revealed children forced to work overnight in slaughterhouses nationwide. Includes interviews with Shannon Rebolledo, a Labor Department investigator; Jessica Lima, an adult worker for PSSI; and Jessica Looman, who heads the Labor Department's Wage and Hour Division. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Henry Schuster, Sarah Turcotte)

**"Lithium Valley"** – a report on new developments in the manufacturing of electric vehicles. With a switch to lithium batteries, automakers race to find new sources of the metal. Includes interviews with Eric Spomer, CEO of EnergySource Minerals; Mark Stewart, head of Stellantis North America; David Deak, who worked for Tesla; Rod Colwell, CEO of Controlled Thermal Resources; and Frank Ruiz, the Audubon Society's local program director. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Sara Kuzmarov)

"James Nachtwey" — a profile of war photographer James Nachtwey. Having photographed every major conflict for the last 40 years, the 75-year-old continues to work in the dangerous field. (C: Anderson Cooper — P: Denise Schrier Cetta)

**The Last Minute** - Next Sunday on 60 MINUTES, new correspondent Cecilia Vega reports on sperm whales. (C: Scott Pelley)

05/14/23

"The Church's Firm" – a report on the \$100 billion fortune amassed by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. With allegations of misused funds, whistleblower David Nielsen discusses his role as a former senior portfolio manager at the church's secretive investment firm. Includes interviews with Christopher Waddell, one of three church bishops who oversees finances; and Phil Hackney, who worked in the Office of Chief Counsel of the IRS and teaches tax law. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Guy Campanile)

"The Sperm Whales of Dominica" – a report on sperm whales off the coast of Dominica. Efforts to protect the whales continue as scientists fear sound and trash pollution make the animals increasingly vulnerable. Includes interviews with Enric Sala, director of National Geographic's Pristine Seas project; Francine Baron, a Dominican politician, attorney, and the Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs from 2014 to 2019; Captain Curt Benoit, who has been in the whale tourism business for more than two decades; and Shane Gero, a National Geographic explorer who started The Dominica Sperm Whale Project. (C: Cecilia Vega – P: Michael Rey)

"Yannick Nézet-Séguin" — an interview with conductor Yannick Nézet-Séguin. As the music director for three major orchestras: in Philadelphia, in his hometown of Montreal and at the Metropolitan Opera in New York, he focuses on works by modern composers which he hopes will draw a new, larger audience to the traditional art. Includes interviews with jazz trumpeter and composer Terence Blanchard, a seven-time Grammy winner and the first Black composer in the Met's history; Latonia Moore, soprano singer; Serge P. Seguin and Claudine Nezet, his parents; and Pierre Tourville, his partner. (C: Jon Wertheim — P: Nathalie Sommer, Kaylee Tully)

The Last Minute – an update on "Great White", OAD: 09/29/19. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi)

05/21/23

"Price Gouging" – an interview with Shay Assad, who served as Director of Defense Pricing for the United States Army. He feels the Pentagon and American taxpayers are being taken advantage of by U.S. defense contractors, claiming the systems accountability is lacking. Includes interviews with Chris Bogdan, Retired Air Force Lieutenant General; and Julie Smith, Mark Owen, and Kathryn Foresman, who are part of the downsizing. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Sam Hornblower)

"Targeting Seniors" — a report on online scammers who target the elderly. Cyber scammers are utilizing Al and apps to target older users, as victims and tech consultants attempt to protect seniors. Includes interviews with Susan Monahan and her daughter Tamara Thomas, Judy Attig and her husband Ron, Ester Maestre, Steve Savage, who were all victims of scamming; Scott Pirrello, a deputy district attorney who runs San Diego's Elder Justice Task Force; Rachel Tobac, an "ethical hacker"; and Hari Ravichandran, CEO of Aura. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi — P: Oriana Zill de Granados, Emily Gordon)

"Jeff Koons" – a profile of artist Jeff Koons. The polarizing artist discusses his sculptures and paintings, his New York studio, and pushing the boundaries of taste. Includes an excerpt from Morley Safer's segment "Yes...But Is It Art?" (OAD: 9/19/93), criticizing Koons' artwork. Includes interviews with Robert Storr, former curator at the Museum of Modern Art in New York; and Ayami Aoyama, who works for Koons. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Nichole Marks)

The Last Minute – 60 MINUTES' 55<sup>th</sup> season comes to an end. (C: Bill Whitaker)

05/28/23

"Radio Free Europe" – a report on Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty from the RFE headquarters in Prague. Funded by the U.S. government, the editorially independent station's reports focus on human rights and democracy. Includes interviews with Maryan Kushnir, a Ukrainian war correspondent with RFE; Jamie Fly, President and CEO of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty; Pavel Butorin, who runs RFE's 24/7 Russian-language television channel, Current Time; Ksenia Sokolyanskaya, anchor of Current Time's nightly news program; Sergei Dobrynin, Natalya Dzhanpoladova, Anastasia Tishchenko, Alexey Alexandrov, investigative reporters; and Natalie Sedletska, host and executive producer of an investigative news series. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Graham Messick, Jack Weingart) (OAD: 01/01/23)

"Return to Gorongosa" – a report on Gorongosa National Park in Mozambique. After three decades of war, the country aims to restore the historic park's wildlife and environment. Includes interviews with Greg Carr, an American entrepreneur and philanthropist; Antonio Paolo, park veterinarian; Larissa Sousa, who runs the Girls Club; and Mercia Angela, veterinarian. (See also: "Gorongosa", OAD: 10/26/08) (C: Scott Pelley – P: Henry Schuster, Sarah Turcotte) (OAD: 12/04/22)

"The Guru" – a profile of Rick Rubin. The prolific music producer discusses his creative approach to collaborating with artists. Includes interviews with Chuck D, rapper; and Kesha, singer. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Nichole Marks) (OAD: 01/15/23)

### 05/28/23

**60 MINUTES PRESENTS: 'Revisiting The Past"** (8:00 – 9:00p)

"Canada's Unmarked Graves" – a report on Canada's history of residential schools, which forcibly held more than 150,000 Indigenous children in inhumane conditions. Includes interviews with Leona Wolf, Chief Wilton Littlechild, Chief Cadmus Delorme, and Ed Bitternose, who were all sent to the residential schools; and Kisha Supernant and Terry Clark, archaeologists. (See also: "Killing The Indian", OAD: 05/08/01, Rebroadcast: 04/10/02 – both on 60 MINUTES II) (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Michael H. Gavshon, Nadim Roberts) (The 02/12/23 rebroadcast includes an update.) (OAD: 02/06/22; 1st Rebroadcast: 06/05/22; 2nd Rebroadcast: 02/12/23 on 60 MINUTES PRESENTS: "Revisiting The Past")

"Sharswood" – an interview with Fred Miller. The Miller family, who recently bought a large southern home, have come to realize their ancestors were enslaved on the very same plantation. Includes interviews with Adam Miller, Tonya Miller Pope, Debra Coles, Karen Dixon-Rexroth; Betty Dixon, Brenda Miller, Dexter Miller, Sonya Womack-Miranda, Marian Keyes, all members of the Miller family; Bill Thompson, whose family formerly owned the farm; Dennis Pogue and Doug Sanford, historic preservationists; and Karice

Luck-Brimmer, a local historian and genealogist. (Part 1. C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shari Finkelstein/Part 2. C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shari Finkelstein and Braden Cleveland Bergan) DOUBLE LENGTH SEGMENT (The 02/12/23 rebroadcast includes an update.) (OAD: 05/15/22; 1<sup>st</sup> Rebroadcast: 08/28/22; 2<sup>nd</sup> Rebroadcast: 02/12/23 on 60 MINUTES PRESENTS: "Revisiting The Past")

The Last Minute – Revisiting Sharswood and Canada's Residential Schools resurrected painful and shameful eras. But other parts of those stories pointed ways to progress and healing. (C: Lesley Stahl) (OAD: 02/12/23 on 60 MINUTES PRESENTS: "Revisiting The Past")

# **48 HOURS**

05/06/23

48 HOURS: "Eric Smith: Gambling On A Killer" (9:00 – 10:00p) – an update on the case of Eric Smith who, in August 1993, when he was 13-years-old, murdered 4-year-old Derrick Robie in Savona, NY. Smith was tried and convicted as an adult; he was sentenced nine years to life and ultimately served 28 years in prison. He was eligible for parole starting in 2002, but it wasn't until his 11<sup>th</sup> appearance in October 2021 that parole was granted. Smith was released in February 2022 to live in Queens, NY. Onscreen text graphic: Eric Smith will remain on parole for the rest of his life. This broadcast contains extensive excerpts/interviews from Dan Rather's 1994 and 2004 reports on the case for 48 HOURS. Archival interviews: Dale and Doreen Robie, Derrick's parents; John Tunney, prosecutor; Charles Wood, lead investigator; Red and Edie Wilson, Eric Smith's grandparents; and John Hibsch, investigator. Interviewed for the 03/26/22 broadcast: Dale and Doreen Robie; John Tunney; and Joni Johnston, clinical forensic psychologist, asked by 48 HOURS to look at Eric Smith's case. (See also: Why Did Eric Kill?, OAD: 08/17/94, Rebroadcasts: 08/31/95 and on 04/21/98, as part of a compilation of repeat broadcasts with updates focusing on kids who kill and whether it's too late to reform them; and 48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Why Did Eric Kill?", OAD: 12/11/04, Rebroadcast: 07/02/05 - a followup to "Why Did Eric Kill?", OAD: 08/17/94) (C: Jim Axelrod – P: Judy Tygard, Lisa Freed, Chris Young Ritzen) (OAD: 03/26/22)

05/06/23

**48 HOURS: "Where Is Diana Duve?"** (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the 2014 death of Diana Duve, a 26-year-old nurse, who vanished one night in Vero Beach, FL. Diana was last seen leaving a bar on June 20th with her on-again, off-again boyfriend, 32-year-old Michael (Mike) Jones, who worked in wealth management at PNC Bank. Witnesses reported that the couple seemed to be having a good time, but also told police at one point it looked like Diana was upset. She never returned home; her mother knew something was wrong when her daughter didn't call her, something she did every day. Investigators looked into Mike Jones and learned he was well educated, had gone to law school and thrived at his job as a wealth manager at PNC Bank; they also learned he told outlandish lies and was a convicted felon on probation for threatening to kill an exgirlfriend near Fort Lauderdale in 2012. Initially unable to locate Mike, investigators found his car in a Hampton Inn parking lot in the Fort Pierce area; he claimed to not know of Diana's location. Three days after she had gone missing, further investigation led to the discovery of Diana's car in a Publix parking lot in Melbourne; her body was in the trunk. Two days after Diana's body was found, Mike Jones was charged with her murder; he pleaded not guilty. In October 2019, his trial began in Vero Beach;

prosecutors sought the death penalty. After seven days of testimony, the case went to the jury, who found Mike guilty in less than an hour. Nearly a month after the verdict, the penalty phase began; Mike ultimately received a life sentence. **On-screen text graphic:** If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic violence, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233. Interviewed: Lena and Bill Andrews, Diana's mother and stepfather; Lieutenant Matt Harrelson, Vero Beach Police Department; Sergeant Brad Kmetz, Vero Beach Police Department; Ellie Sexton, Mike's former girlfriend; Stewart Pierce, Mike's former friend; Thomas Bakkedahl, state attorney; Brian Workman, assistant state attorney; Chelsea DiMaio, Diana's best friend and former roommate, testified about the April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 domestic dispute between Diana and Mike; and the former cab driver who drove Mike from Melbourne to Vero Beach (appeared on camera, asked not to be identified by name). (Contributor: Michelle Miller – Producer: Chris Young Ritzen)

05/13/23

48 HOURS: "Lori Vallow Daybell: Guilty" - an update on the case against Lori Vallow Daybell, who was found guilty on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, by a Boise, ID jury for murdering her two children, JJ Vallow and Tylee Ryan, and conspiring in the murder of her husband's ex-wife, Tammy Daybell. Lori's husband, Chad Daybell, a former gravedigger-turned-doomsday novelist and podcaster, will be tried later. Chad and Lori were charged in May 2021 with murdering her children, 7-year-old JJ Vallow and 16year-old Tylee Ryan, who disappeared in September 2019, shortly after the family moved to Idaho, from Arizona. Tylee was last seen in Yellowstone National Park with her family on September 8th, 2019; JJ vanished on September 23rd, 2019. In June 2020, their bodies were found in shallow graves on Chad Daybell's property, just outside of Rexburg, ID. The Daybells pleaded not guilty to the murder charges. During the trial, prosecutors argued that Lori's true motive was money; the defense claimed she did not commit the murders and suggested that Lori was manipulated by Chad. After 60 witnesses and four weeks of testimony, the prosecution rested its case; the defense declined to call any witnesses. The jury deliberated for seven hours over the course of two days; Lori appeared emotionless as the guilty verdicts were read. She will be sentenced at a later date. On-screen text graphic: Chad Daybell may stand trial as early as June 2024. He has pled not guilty. Lori Vallow Daybell may also face trial in Arizona in connection with the death of her former husband, Charles Vallow. Interviewed: Morgan Loew, investigative reporter, CBS News consultant. Interview excerpts from prior broadcasts: April Raymond, Lori's former friend; Summer Shiflet, Lori's sister; Vaisia Itaaehau, Tylee's best friend; and Garth Daybell, Chad and Tammy Daybell's son. Also includes audio excerpts / testimony from the proceedings – featured: Lindsey Blake, prosecutor; Jim Archibald, Lori's defense attorney; Melanie Gibb, Lori's friend; Zulema Pastenes, Lori's friend, who later married Alex Cox, Lori's brother; Rachel Smith, prosecutor; Doug Hart, FBI agent; Nathan Duncan, detective; Nicole Heideman, FBI specialist; Alice Gilbert, Chad's neighbor; Ray Hermosillo, detective; Garth Warren, forensic pathologist; Summer Shiflet, Lori's sister; Spencer Rammell, prosecutor; Audrey Barattiero, Lori's former friend; Tawnya Rawlings, prosecutor; Colby Ryan, Lori's son; and Rob Wood, prosecutor. (See also: 48 HOURS: "The Missing Children of Lori Vallow Daybell", OAD: 05/16/20; 48 HOURS: "The Final Days of JJ and Tylee", OAD: 10/03/20, 1st Rebroadcast: 05/29/21 – a follow-up to "The Missing Children of Lori Vallow

Daybell"; and 48 HOURS: "The Secrets of Chad Daybell's Backyard", OAD: 09/01/21; 1<sup>st</sup> Rebroadcast: 07/23/22) (C: Jonathan Vigliotti – P: Liza Finley, Stephanie Slifer)

05/20/23

48 HOURS: "The Plot to Kill Jamie Faith" (9:00 – 10:00p) - a report on the murder of American Airlines manager Jamie Faith. Jamie and his wife, Jennifer, set out from their Oak Cliff neighborhood in Dallas, TX for an early morning dog walk on October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Moments after they left home, Jamie was shot dead; Jennifer was unharmed. The murder stunned their friends and neighbors and the community rallied around Jennifer, raising more than \$60,000 in a GoFundMe account to help her and her daughter make up for Jamie's lost income; they also provided meals for the grieving family. Investigators learned that starting in April 2020, Jennifer had been in constant contact with a man she dated in high school, Darrin Lopez. Darrin drove the same make and model as the gunman's getaway truck in Jamie's murder; text messages between Darrin and Jennifer, cell phone data and GPS coordinates further linked him to the crime. Darrin was arrested on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, in Dickson, TN and charged with a federal gun crime and, at the state level, charged with murder; he pleaded not guilty to both charges. On February 24<sup>th</sup>, Jennifer was arrested on obstruction of justice charges. Along with other evidence, prosecutors discovered an email account in Jamie's name, in which Jennifer pretended to be Jamie, in order to taunt Darrin. In September 2021, Jennifer was charged with murder-for-hire. On February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Jennifer appeared in a Dallas courtroom and pleaded guilty to one count of use of interstate commerce in the commission of murder-for-hire. In exchange for the guilty plea, prosecutors agreed to take the death penalty off the table and recommended a life sentence. Original onscreen text graphic: Jennifer Faith is scheduled to be sentenced on May 26. Darrin Lopez's trial date has not been set. GoFundMe offered full refunds to anyone who donated to the Faiths' account. Who do you think is more responsible for Jamie Faith's death? On-screen text graphic for the 05/20/23 rebroadcast: Jennifer Faith was sentenced to life in prison. Darrin Lopez's trial is scheduled for June 26, 2023. GoFundMe offered full refunds to anyone who donated to the Faiths' account. Who do you think is more responsible for Jamie Faith's death? Interviewed: Steve Pickett, reporter, CBS 11 in Dallas-Fort Worth (KTVT-TV); Shamona Jackson and her wife Melisa Gonzales, former neighbors; Theresa and Ross Jensen, Jamie's friends; Jennifer Svelan, resides in the Oak Cliff neighborhood; Jenna Wilson, resides in the Oak Cliff neighborhood; Jim Holland, retired Texas Ranger, CBS News consultant; Christy Jack, Texas defense attorney, asked by 48 HOURS to review the case; Sgt. Joseph Calhoun, Dickson County Sheriff's Office, Dickson, TN; and Rick Urlaub, Jennifer's former husband, married to her in the early 2000s. (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Paul LaRosa, Dena Goldstein, Josh Yager) (OAD: 04/09/22)

05/20/23

**48 HOURS: "A Stabbing in Colts Neck"** (10:00 – 11:00p) - a report on Donna Ongsiako's story of survival and her ongoing efforts to help other victims of random violence. In early July 2013, Donna was alone in her Colts Neck, NJ home after midnight, when she heard a noise downstairs near the door. Donna thought that she forgot to let the cat in; when she opened the door, a young man with a knife pushed his way in and repeatedly stabbed her. He asked for her car keys and a lighter, stabbed her one last time in the chest and left her for dead. Although it was later determined she lost three quarters of

the blood in her body, Donna made her way upstairs to where her phone was charging and dialed 911; she was able to give a description of her attacker. A tip from one of the assailant's relatives led investigators to 16-year-old Brennan Doyle, a local teen with no criminal record. In September 2013, investigators obtained a warrant for Brennan's DNA, fingerprints and photos. The results indicated a fingerprint match and his DNA was found in Donna's recovered car; the knife used in the attack was found in early October 2013 and was matched to another knife police had taken from the Doyle home a few months prior to Donna's attack, when police responded to an altercation between Brennan and his brother. A new search of the Doyle residence turned up the rest of the knife set and Brennan was arrested in late October 2013. He pleaded not guilty and claimed he was under the influence of hallucinogenic mushrooms the night of July 6th, early morning July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013. In August 2015, Brennan Doyle agreed to a plea deal; in October 2015, he was sentenced to 15 years in state prison. Donna continued to struggle with PTSD and unable to find support groups for victims of random attacks, she created her own in 2015 - Survivors of Violent Crimes, a peer support group. **On-screen** text graphic: Donna filed a civil suit against Brennan Doyle and his father. She was awarded \$5 million. Donna has yet to receive payment. Brennan Doyle will be eligible for parole in 2027. He will be 30 years old. Interviewed: Donna Ongsiako, victim; Kiersten Ongsiako, Donna's daughter; Sharon Sharpe, Donna's friend; Andrea Tozzi, detective, Monmouth County, NJ; Laurie Gerhardt, former assistant prosecutor, Monmouth County, NJ; Matt Troiano, defense attorney, CBS News consultant; Tiffany Ott, Survivors of Violent Crimes; and Dana Richards, Survivors of Violent Crimes. (Contributor: Jim Axelrod – Producers: Susan Mallie, Kat Teurfs)

05/27/23

48 HOURS: "Gabby Petito: The Untold Story" - a reedited and updated rebroadcast of "What Happened to Gabby Petito?" (OAD: 09/25/21), which takes a deeper look at the murder of 22-year-old "van life" vlogger Gabby Petito, as well as raising awareness about the warning signs of domestic violence. Petito went missing in August 2021 during a cross-country trip with her fiancé, Brian Laundrie. Laundrie returned home to North Port, FL on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021; he and his parents did not speak to police. On September 17<sup>th</sup>, his parents reported that he left for a hike at the Carlton Reserve on the 14th and that they didn't know where he was. Petito's remains were found inside Bridger-Teton National Forest in Wyoming on September 19th, 2021. 09/17/22 UPDATE: After a massive manhunt, Laundrie's remains were found on October 20th, 2021; an autopsy revealed he had died from a self-inflicted gunshot to the head. A notebook was found belonging to Laundrie; his writings claimed that Petito's death was a mercy killing by him of her because she was suffering after an accident. Petito's parents are suing Laundrie's estate for wrongful death, and his parents for intentional infliction of emotional distress; they are in the process of filing a lawsuit against the Moab Police Department in Utah, related to how they handled the domestic violence stop in 2021. An independent review of the officers' actions that day found fault and recommended more training. Original on-screen text graphic: Gabby's parents have formed the Gabby Petito Foundation, which has partnered with the National Domestic Violence Hotline. If you or a loved one are a victim of domestic violence, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233. On-screen text graphic for the 05/27/23 rebroadcast: Gabby Petito's family was awarded \$3 million in their wrongful death lawsuit against

Brian Laundrie's estate. Gabby's parents have formed the Gabby Petito Foundation, which has partnered with the National Domestic Violence Hotline. If you or a loved one are a victim of domestic violence, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233. New interviews for the 2022 broadcast: Mary Fulginiti, former federal prosecutor and defense attorney, CBS consultant; Dr. Kris Mohandie, forensic psychologist; Brian Stewart, attorney; and Patrick Riley, attorney. Also includes interviews from the 2021 broadcast: Rose Davis, Gabby's friend; Nichole & Jim Schmidt, Gabby's mother and step-father; and Jenn & Kyle Bethune, reported seeing the van in the Tetons to the FBI. (See also: 48 HOURS: "What Happened to Gabby Petito?", OAD: 09/25/21) (C: Jericka Duncan – P: Liza Finley, Lauren Clark, Paul La Rosa, Chuck Stevenson, Chris Young Ritzen, Ruth Chenetz, Mary Ann Rotondi) (OAD: 09/17/22)

# **CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT**

05/06/23

CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT: CBS NEWS: The Coronation of King Charles III (5:00 -9:58a) – live coverage of the coronation of King Charles III. The 74-year-old will be the 40<sup>th</sup> monarch to be crowned at Westminster Abbey. Today's ceremony is the first to take place on a weekend since 1902 and is the first time broadcast live in color. Coverage includes: (1) "The King's Procession" to Westminster Abbey in the Diamond Jubilee State Coach; (2) Coronation Ceremony and Crowning; (3) "The Coronation Procession" to Buckingham Palace in the Gold State Coach; and (4) balcony wave and reduced military flyover, due to the weather. Also includes interviews with: (1) Ayesha Hazarika, columnist, London Evening Standard, political commentator, comedian (C: Dana Jacobson, at Buckingham Palace); (2) Ambassador Jane Hartley, U.S. ambassador to the United Kingdom (C: Dana Jacobson, at Buckingham Palace); (3) Francis Dymoke, whose family has held the role of the King's champion since the Middle Ages (C: Jeff Glor, Michelle Miller and Tina Brown, at Westminster Abbey); (4) Kristy Yankee and Diana Griffin, two Americans who travelled from Boston, MA to watch the coronation (C: Chris Livesay, in London); (5) Colleen Harris, former royal household press secretary, who was also the first Black member of the royal household (C: Michelle Miller and Jeff Glor, at Westminster Abbey); (6) Tony Juniper, co-author with then Prince Charles, "Harmony: A New Way of Looking at Our World", co-author with King Charles III, "A Ladybird Book: Climate Change" (C: Jeff Glor, Michelle Miller and Tina Brown, at Westminster Abbey); (7) Akeme Cox, winner, 2020 Prince's Trust Global Award (C: Jeff Glor and Michelle Miller, at Westminster Abbey); and (8) Italian tenor Andrea Bocelli (via remote), who will be performing at Sunday night's coronation concert at Windsor Castle (C: Dana Jacobson, at Buckingham Palace). Correspondents / Contributors: Michelle Miller, co-anchor (Westminster Abbey); Jeff Glor, co-anchor (Westminster Abbey); Dana Jacobson, co-anchor (Buckingham Palace); Mark Phillips, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (Buckingham Palace); Tina Brown, CBS News royal contributor (Westminster Abbey); Wesley Kerr, royal expert & broadcaster (Westminster Abbey); Holly Williams, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (Westminster Abbey); Imtiaz Tyab, CBS News foreign correspondent (The Mall); Chris Livesay, CBS News foreign correspondent (London); Julian Payne, CBS News royal contributor, former communications director for Charles, Prince of Wales (Westminster Abbey).

# CBS TELEVISION NETWORK PUBLIC AFFAIRS BROADCAST JUNE 2023

#### **FACE THE NATION**

06/04/23

**Guests:** Representative Garret Graves (R-LA) (1); Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (2); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (3); Brian Moynihan, CEO, Bank of America (4); Caitlin Huey-Burns, CBS News political correspondent (5); Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (5); Robert Costa, CBS News chief election and campaign correspondent (5); Oksana Markarova, Ukraine's ambassador to the United States (6)

- 1) Topics include: his role in negotiating the bipartisan deal to cut federal spending and suspend the nation's debt ceiling / erosion of trust within the Republican Party / goals of the Republicans who voted against the debt ceiling deal / refusal to rule out a government shutdown / status of Speaker McCarthy's position / spending reforms / getting rid of the debt ceiling / defense budget
- 2) Topics include: bipartisan deal to cut federal spending and suspend the nation's debt ceiling / Mountain Valley Pipeline, an energy project included in the deal; refusal to endorse President Biden at this time / his political future
- 3) a report from Atlanta on the good news about the job market and the possible economic headwinds on the horizon
- 4) a discussion on the economy after the nation averted a debt crisis
- 5) CBS News political panel on what voters can expect as the GOP race for president intensifies, including the classified documents case against Mr. Trump, abortion rights as a 'galvanizing political force' and President Biden's campaign
- 6) Topics include: war in Ukraine; Ukraine's NATO aspirations / American support

06/11/23

Guests: Robert Costa, CBS News chief election and campaign correspondent (1); Catherine Herridge, CBS News senior investigative correspondent (2); Rikki Klieman, CBS News legal analyst (2); Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (3) (6); Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH) (4); Governor Doug Burgum (R-ND), 2024 Republican presidential candidate (5); Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent (6); Amy Walter, *Cook Political Report* (6)

**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent

- 1) a discussion on Mr. Trump's reaction to the federal criminal charges for his mishandling of classified materials, potential impact to his campaign and how his GOP rivals are reacting
- 2) Topics include: magnitude of detail in the indictment / risk assessment of the documents in Mr. Trump's possession / crime-fraud exception in the indictment, forcing

his former lawyers to testify / legal consequences for a 'regular old Joe' who mishandle classified materials / differences between Mr. Trump's mishandling of classified materials versus Hillary Clinton's 2016 email investigation

- 3) CBS News poll results indicating Republican primary voters are more concerned that former President Trump's indictment is politically motivated than his alleged conduct being a national security risk
- 4) Topics include: indictment against Mr. Trump / continuing Republican support for Mr. Trump / public's skepticism concerning the Department of Justice / his opinion that the Trump indictment is not political; 2024 GOP presidential candidates
- 5) an interview with the governor on how his experiences influence his presidential campaign, his promise to visit the southern border if elected and the values he feels America needs to return to
- 6) CBS News political panel discussion on the state of the 2024 race amid the historic Trump indictment

Guests: William Barr, former U.S. attorney general, Trump administration (2); Chris Christie, former governor (R-NJ), 2024 Republican presidential candidate (3); Mark Strassmann, CBS News senior national correspondent (4); General H.R. McMaster (retired), CBS News foreign policy and national security contributor, former national security adviser, Trump administration (5); Senator Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) (6); Caitlin Huey-Burns, CBS News political correspondent (7); Nikole Killion, CBS News

correspondent (7)

Guest Correspondent: Margaret Brennan, moderator, FACE THE NATION (1) (5)

Guest Moderator: Robert Costa, CBS News chief election and campaign correspondent

congressional correspondent (7); Catherine Herridge, CBS News senior investigative

- 1) a report and discussion on U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken's trip to China, the first U.S. diplomatic mission to that country in five years
- 2) Topics include: legitimacy of the federal indictment against former President Trump for his mishandling of classified documents / Mr. Trump's conduct / Presidential Records Act / Republican criticism of the Justice Department and the FBI / ongoing Republican support for the former President / danger of another Trump presidency / other legal challenges and investigations facing the former President: January 6<sup>th</sup> and Georgia voting investigation
- 3) Topics include: federal indictment against former President Trump for his mishandling of classified documents / Mr. Trump's conduct / Republican criticism of the Justice Department and the FBI; his history with Mr. Trump; Mr. Christie's 2024 presidential candidacy; Biden administration's dealings with China
- 4) a report from Atlanta on the 'mixed signals' state of the U.S. economy, as the Fed pauses interest rate hikes for the first time in 15 months

06/18/23

- 5) Topics include: messages China is sending through their aggressive actions by the People's Liberation Army / Secretary Blinken's trip to China / how the U.S. relationship with China is "worse" than the Cold War relationship between U.S. and Russia
- 6) Topics include: the merger between the PGA Tour and the Saudi Arabian-backed LIV golf league / Senate investigation into the PGA-LIV merger / national security implications
- 7) CBS News political panel topics include: charges against former President Donald Trump / how the Republican party is reacting / what could come next in the investigations into the former President
- 06/25/23
- Guests: lan Lee, CBS News London correspondent (1); Antony Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State, Biden administration (2); Representative Mike Turner (R-OH), chairman, House Intelligence Committee (3); Debora Patta, CBS News foreign correspondent (4); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (5); John Sullivan, former U.S. ambassador to Russia, CBS News contributor (5); Representative Veronica Escobar (D-TX), co-chair, President Biden's re-election bid (6); Cindy McCain, executive director, United Nations World Food Program (7)
- 1) a report from Dnipro, Ukraine on the uneasy calm in Moscow after a deal was struck between Russia, the Wagner mercenary group and their leader, Yevgeny Prigozhin, who will head to Belarus and will not be charged after their rebellion
- 2) Topics include: Wagner group's rebellion against Russia / Russia's nuclear stockpile / Wagner leader Yevgeny Prigozhin / impact of the uprising on Russia's war in Ukraine; his diplomatic trip to Beijing / China's relationship with Russia
- 3) Topics include: Wagner rebellion / U.S. intelligence community's awareness of the conflict between Prigozhin and Putin / impact of the uprising on Putin's control of Russia; relationship between China and Russia; origins of the Coronavirus pandemic
- 4) a report from Johannesburg, South Africa on Wagner group head Yevgeny Prigozhin, his rise and where Wagner's off-the-books mercenary group soldiers have started showing up around the globe
- 5) a discussion on the Wagner mutiny, the march toward Moscow, and the deal between Russian President Vladimir Putin and Wagner group chief Yevgeny Prigozhin
- 6) a discussion on abortion rights, amid the one-year anniversary of the Supreme Court decision that overturned Roe v. Wade
- 7) a discussion on the global hunger crisis and why more needs to be done

# **60 MINUTES**

06/04/23

"Suing Social Media" – a report on the effect of lawsuits against social media companies. Many parents say the platforms have had a negative impact their children. Includes interviews with Kathleen, Jeff, and Alexis Spence, who are suing Meta; Matt Bergman, the attorney representing the Spence family; and Toney and Brandy Roberts, who lost their daughter. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Ashley Velie) (OAD: 12/11/22)

"Prince Harry" – an interview with Prince Harry, Duke of Sussex. In his first U.S. television interview, he discusses his upcoming memoir, *Spare*. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Draggan Mihailovich) DOUBLE LENGTH SEGMENT (OAD: 01/08/23)

# 06/04/23 **60 MINUTES SPECIAL EDITION** (8:00 – 9:00p)

"Crisis" – a report on the rising rates of mental health issues in youth. As instances of suicide, self-harm and depression continue to increase, the CDC fears a lack of resources may be to blame. Includes interviews with Dr. Michelle Pickett, emergency room doctor at Children's Hospital in Milwaukee; Sophia Jimenez, Neenah Hughes and Austin Bruenger, who dealt with mental health during the pandemic; Melissa Bruenger, Austin's mother; Tammy Makhlouf, child therapist; and Dr. Brilliant Nimmer, the first pediatrician in Milwaukee to create a therapist's office inside her office. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Ashley Velie) (OAD: 05/08/22; Rebroadcast: 09/04/22)

"Land of Fire and Ice" – a report on the 2021 eruption of the Geldingadalir volcano in Iceland. Through studying the event and the landscape it created, Icelandic scientists have discovered new methods of forecasting potential eruptions. Includes interviews with Kristin Jonsdottir, seismologist and head of earth sciences at Iceland's Meteorological Office; Freysteinn Sigmundsson, geophysicist at the University of Iceland; Ed Marshall, a Texas trained geophysicist; and Matthew Pritchard, Cornell geophysicist. (See also: "Geldingadalir", OAD: 05/23/21; Rebroadcast: 08/22/21) (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Heather Abbott) The 06/04/23 rebroadcast includes an update. (OAD: 04/02/23)

"Survival Of The Friendliest" – a report on the links between the evolution of dogs and humans. Includes interviews with Brian Hare, an evolutionary biologist and author at Duke University; Peggy and Meg Callahan, who run the Wildlife Science Center in Minnesota; Bridgett vonHoldt, a geneticist at Princeton; Ben Monkaba, who has Williams Syndrome and met Morley Safer in 1997, while he was doing a story for 60 MINUTES; and Terry Monkaba, Ben's mom. (See also: "A Very Special Brain", OAD: 10/19/97) (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Denise Schrier Cetta) (OAD: 11/27/22; Rebroadcast: 03/12/23 on 60 MINUTES PRESENTS: "Tales of Four-Legged Friends")

# 06/11/23 60 MINUTES (7:39 – 8:00p)

"David Byrne" – a profile of David Byrne. The artist and musician discusses creativity, his band Talking Heads, and translating his art into theater. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Michael H. Gavshon) (OAD: 03/05/23)

"Please Let Me Die" – a report on the thousands of Ukrainian prisoners of war being held captive by Russia. Three women soldiers who served in Mariupol and were recently released discuss their time as POWs in camps that the U.N. condemned for torture. Includes interviews with Sergeant Iryna Stogniy, Captain Mariana Mamonova, and Sergeant Anastasia Chornenka, recently released prisoners of war; and Andriy Yermak, chief of staff to President Volodymyr Zelenskyy. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Maria Gavrilovic) (OAD: 03/05/23)

"Taiwan" – a report on Taiwan. As the nation prepares for a possible Chinese invasion, tensions continue to rise. Includes interviews with Admiral Lee Hsi-min, former head of

Taiwan's armed forces; Wang Ting-yu, a parliamentarian from southern Taiwan; Morris Chang, TSMC's founder; Jack Yao, a Taipei coffee vendor; and Enoch Wu, a former special forces soldier. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shachar Bar-On, Jacqueline Williams) The 06/18/23 rebroadcast includes an update. (OAD: 10/09/22)

"Red Hot Chili Peppers" – an interview with Red Hot Chili Peppers. The band discusses their formation, influences and current tour. Interviewed: bassist Michael Balzary, known universally as Flea; drummer Chad Smith; guitarist John Frusciante; and lead singer Anthony Kiedis. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: John Hamlin, Kara Vaccaro) (OAD: 02/05/23)

06/25/23

"Convoy Of Life" – a report on Russian attacks on Ukrainian hospitals and its effect on children with cancer. Includes interview with Roksolana Semeraz, Zhasmin Alkadi, refugees; Dr. Lesia Lysytsia, who specializes in eye cancer; and Dr. Marta Salek, of St. Jude who helped organize the triage center in Poland. (Includes footage from Scott Pelley's September 2022 interview with Ukraine's First Lady, Olena Zelenska.) (C: Scott Pelley – P: Kristin Steve, Nicole Young) (OAD: 12/18/22)

"Sportswashing" – a report on sportswashing. As Saudi Arabia is being accused of attempting to cover up political repression and authoritarian rule through entertainment, its government claims to be diversifying the economy. Includes interviews with Prince Abdulaziz bin Turki Al Saud, member of the Saudi royal family and motorsports enthusiast; Nick Kyrgios, Australian tennis player; Rasha Al Khamis, Saudi Arabia's first female certified boxing coach; Lina al-Hathloul, whose sister Loujain was imprisoned for leading the Saudi woman-to-drive movement; and Jerry Inzerillo, who was appointed as CEO of the Diriyah Gate Development Authority by the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Michael H. Gavshon) The 06/25/23 rebroadcast includes an update. (OAD: 04/09/23)

"A Hans Zimmer Score" – a profile of Hans Zimmer. He discusses composing for film and his upcoming tour. Includes interviews with Jim Brooks, film director; and Pedro Eustache, flautist and collaborator. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Richard Bonin) (OAD: 01/08/23)

## **48 HOURS**

06/03/23

**48 HOURS: "Death Hits Home: The Hargan Killings"** (9:00 – 10:00p) - a report on the July 2017 murders of millionaire mother Pamela Hargan and her adult daughter Helen who were discovered by police in their Fairfax County, VA home, after Helen's boyfriend in Dallas, TX, Carlos Gutierrez, alerted authorities. Hours after the bodies were found in separate locations with a rifle near Helen, police informed the family and then went public with their murder-suicide theory. Pamela's other daughters, Ashley and Megan - who along with her 8-year-old daughter Molly was living with Pamela and Helen while her husband was in the military - both described Helen as struggling emotionally. Soon, Helen's autopsy report revealed that someone else pulled the trigger, casting doubt on the murder-suicide theory; further investigation revealed that Megan attempted to steal money from Pamela's account to purchase a home by impersonating her over the phone. In November 2018, Megan was arrested in West Virginia. At her trial, the defense argued that the prosecution's forensics were inconclusive and that Helen shot their mother and then took her own life by pulling the trigger with her toe. In March

2022, Megan Harman was found guilty of two counts of first degree murder; the jury recommended a sentence of life in prison on each murder count. Original on-screen text graphic: Megan Hargan and her husband divorced. Their daughter Molly is living with her father in another state. Megan Hargan is scheduled to be sentenced on October 28<sup>th</sup>. On-screen text graphic for the 06/03/23 rebroadcast: In November 2022, the judge overturned Megan Hargan's double murder conviction because of juror misconduct. A juror disobeyed the judge's instruction not to do outside research and shared her findings with other jurors. Hargan's re-trial is scheduled for September 5, 2023. Interviewed: Brian Byerson, lead detective; Julia Elliott, crime scene detective; Michelle Sigona, CBS News; Tami Mallios, former neighbor; Erin Roughneen, Helen's friend; Rebecca Wolfe, Megan's friend; Whitney Gregory, prosecutor; Tyler Bezilla, prosecutor; Iris Graff, crime scene reconstructionist, hired by the prosecution; and Matt Troiano, attorney, hired by 48 HOURS to review the file. (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Josh Yager, Lauren A. White) (OAD: 10/01/22)

06/03/23

48 HOURS: "The Case of the Poison Cheesecake" (10:00 – 11:00p) – an update to 48 HOURS: "Red Notice For Murder" (OAD: 10/21/17; Rebroadcast: 07/07/18), focusing on the 2016 attempted murder of beauty stylist Olga Tsvyk by her client, Viktoria Nasyrova, who went to Olga's Queens, NY home for eyelash extensions. Viktoria poisoned Olga by giving her a piece of cheesecake laced with Phenazepam, a sedative primarily used in Russia. Investigators realized both women bear an uncanny physical resemblance and determined identity theft as the motive. Viktoria was arrested on March 20th, 2017. Due to delays caused by the Coronavirus pandemic, Viktoria remained in custody for nearly six years; her trial began in January 2023. Found guilty of attempted murder in the second degree; the judge sentenced Viktoria to a 21-year sentence with credit for time served. Nadia and Olga, who met because of Viktoria's crimes, have become friends. (This broadcast includes extensive footage and interviews from 48 HOURS: "Red Notice For Murder", which detailed the international search conducted by Nadia Ford and private detective Herman Weisberg for Viktoria, suspected of the 2014 murder of Ford's mother, Alla Aleksenko, in her Russian hometown and of stealing her money and other valuables, as well as the victims from the crimes she committed in America -- from a man who met her on a dating site, to a woman with similar looks who believes she was out to kill her and steal her identity.) On-screen text graphic: In 2018, Viktoria Nasyrova sued New York City for negligence in the Rikers Island jail attack. The city settled the case, paying Nasyrova \$325,000. Interviewed: Olga Tsvyk, victim (2017 & 2023); Nadia Ford (2017 & 2023); Viktoria Nasyrova, interviewed at Rikers Island, NY (2017); Kevin Rodgers, New York police detective (2023); Herman Weisberg, private investigator, former New York City detective (2017 & 2023); Dino Litourgis, assistant district attorney (2023); Ruben Borukohov, dry cleaner / victim (2017); and Melinda Katz, district attorney, Queens, NY (2023). (See also: 48 HOURS: "Red Notice For Murder", OAD: 10/21/17; Rebroadcast: 07/07/18) (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Josh Yager)

06/10/23 **48 HOURS: "The Dexter Killer"** (9:00 – 10:00p) - a reedited and updated rebroadcast of 48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Screenplay for Murder" (OAD: 02/11/12; Rebroadcast: 07/10/12), a report on Canadian filmmaker Mark Twitchell, whose obsession with the *Showtime* 

television series "Dexter" turned to reality and led to murder. His film, "House of Cards", was about a male serial killer who created a fake online profile as a woman, lured men from a dating website to his garage -- and then killed them. Police became interested in Twitchell when they were investigating a missing persons case, 38-year-old computer enthusiast John Altinger, and were led to the garage where he had just wrapped shooting his movie. A Facebook page where he compared himself to the serial killer "Dexter" and the discovery of a secret journal, which was essentially a blueprint for murder, allowed Edmonton police to eventually link Twitchell to the 2008 murder of Altinger and to the attempted murder of 33-year old Gilles Tetreault -- both of whom had answered an online dating ad. In March 2011, Twitchell went on trial for the murder of Johnny Altinger; he was sentenced to 25 years to life. UPDATE: Twitchell began correspondence with journalist Steve Lillebuen before he was convicted in 2011. Lillebuen wrote a book on the case; he sold the rights to a film company. In 2023, Twitchell will be eligible to apply for early parole. Tetreault, who escaped from him nearly 14 years ago, is worried that Twitchell could come after him. Includes interviews from the 2012 original broadcasts with: Gilles Tetreault, victim; Bill Clark, Edmonton Police homicide detective; Gary Altinger, John's older brother; and Renee Waring, Twitchell's Facebook friend. Includes new interviews with: Julia Crowley, retired FBI criminal profiler, spoke with Detective Clark and reviewed Twitchell's writings and letters for 48 HOURS; Gilles Tetreault, victim; and Steve Lillebuen, college professor, investigative journalist, author, The Devil's Cinema: The Untold Story Behind Mark Twitchell's Kill Room. (See also: 48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Screenplay for Murder", OAD: 02/11/12; Rebroadcast: 07/10/12) (C: Troy Roberts – P: Asena Basak, Lourdes Aguiar, Anthony Venditti) (OAD: 04/23/22)

06/10/23

48 HOURS: "The Shooting of Lauren Kanarek" (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the case against Michael Barisone, a former Olympic equestrian and trainer, for the attempted murder of former student Lauren Kanarek and her boyfriend, Robert Goodwin. Barisone and Kanarek's paths first crossed in March 2018, when Barisone hosted a clinic at his Florida horse farm. Soon, Kanarek was being trained and housed by Barisone and his staff at Hawthorne Hill, his Long Valley, NJ training center and farm. Their relationship eventually soured over the level of training Barisone provided personally to Kanarek, who retaliated by posting messages on Facebook branding him a bully, racist and antisemitic – allegations Barisone denies. The posts rattled and unnerved Barisone to the point where he called 911 four times and told police he "feared" for his life. Kanarek also filed a complaint with SafeSport, a watchdog group authorized by Congress. On August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, he confronted Kanarek and shot her in the chest; she managed to call 911 and after emergency surgery, survived. Charged with attempted murder and weapons charges, Barisone went on trial in March 2022; his attorney argued Barisone was driven temporarily insane by Kanarek's attacks and then snapped. Kanarek testified during the trial that Barisone bullied her. The jury found Barisone not guilty by reason of insanity. Barisone claims to recall Kanarek's social media posts about him but has no memory of the shooting; Kanarek and her family do not believe his story. Original onscreen text graphic: Michael Barisone was evaluated at the psychiatric hospital. Just last week, a judge ruled he should be transferred to a less restrictive facility. In six months, another hearing will be held to check his progress. No on-screen text graphic for the

06/10/23 rebroadcast. Interviewed: Michael Barisone (his first television interview since the end of his trial); Lauren Kanarek; Jonathan Kanarek, Lauren's father, retired Wall Street attorney; Christopher Schellhorn, prosecutor; Ed Bilinkas, defense attorney; Chris Deininger, defense attorney; Michael Poulin, rider, Olympic medalist; Phillip Dutton, rider, Olympic medalist; Boyd Martin, rider, Olympian; Jordan Osborne, former student; Lara Osborne, Jordan's mother, former student, Barisone's girlfriend; Chelsea Westra, former student; Corporal Derek Heymer, police officer; Dr. Steven Simring, forensic psychiatrist for the defense; and Dr. Charles Hasson, forensic psychiatrist for the defense. (Contributor: Nikki Battiste – Producer: James Stolz) (35<sup>th</sup> SEASON PREMIERE) (OAD: 09/17/22)

06/17/23

48 HOURS: "Please Don't Tell" (9:00 - 10:00p) – a report on the case against Vincent Simmons, who was released from a Louisiana prison earlier this year after serving 44 years. In 1977, Simmons was convicted of two counts of attempted aggravated rape of identical 14-year-old twins, Karen and Sharon Sanders, who lived with their grandparents in Marksville, LA. Simmons was sentenced to 100 years in prison. The Sanders sisters say their cousin, Keith Laborde, was driving them when he gave Simmons a ride. They claim Simmons directed Laborde to a desolate area of Little California Road and then forced him into the trunk; he then raped them. The Sanders sisters also say Simmons warned them not to tell anyone about what had happened and they initially intended to keep it a secret, but Karen Sanders decided to confide in a family member. The police soon found out and Simmons was arrested, convicted and sentenced to prison. The sisters don't doubt that they picked the right man out of the lineup. Simmons' attorney, Justin Bonus, believes the twins are lying to protect Keith Laborde. Laborde's cousin, Dana Brouillette, told a private investigator and swore in an affidavit in 2020 that Laborde admitted to her that Simmons was never with them that night. Instead, she said in the affidavit that Laborde told her "he had consensual sex with one of the girls and locked the other in the trunk." Laborde denied ever having sex with them. This year, Simmons was released after a judge vacated his conviction after finding he didn't get a fair trial. The court did not rule on his innocence or guilt, and the district attorney declined to retry him. Original on-screen text graphic: Vincent Simmons intends to go back to court to seek compensation for wrongful imprisonment. Under Louisiana State law, if he is unable to present clear and convincing evidence of his innocence, he is entitled to nothing. On-screen text graphic for the 06/17/23 rebroadcast: Vincent Simmons filed a federal civil rights lawsuit accusing officials of fabricating evidence against him and suppressing other evidence that could have prevented his conviction. Interviewed: Karen Sanders; Sharon Sanders; Charles Riddle, district attorney; Vincent Simmons; Justin Bonus, Vincent Simmons' defense attorney; Jason Flom, recording industry executive, criminal justice advocate, and host, "Wrongful Conviction" podcast; Brian Andrews, private investigator in Louisiana; Diane Prater, Ione surviving juror and the only African American on the jury; Keith Laborde (via telephone); and Judge William Bennett. Also includes excerpts from: (1) "The Farm", a documentary which profiled inmates at Angola; (2) documentary footage from the late 1990s, when Simmons and the Sanders sisters agreed to a reconciliation meeting; and (3) Brian Andrews' videotaped interview with Dana Brouillette, Keith Laborde's cousin.

(Contributor: David Begnaud – Producers: Stephanie Slifer, Sarah Prior, Murray Weiss) (OAD: 05/21/22)

06/17/23

**48 HOURS: "The Strange Death of Professor Shockley"** (10:00 – 11:00p) - a report on the death of Marianne Shockley, a popular University of Georgia professor. After a day of barhopping, Marianne and her boyfriend Marcus Lillard ended up at the Milledgeville, GA home of former psychologist Clark Heindel, to use his hot tub; all three of them took ecstasy (MDMA). Marcus exited the hot tub and when he returned, Marianne wasn't breathing. Marcus and Clark delayed in calling the police and attempted to perform CPR on Marianne. Sheriff's deputies arrived at Clark's home in the early morning hours of May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019; Marianne was pronounced dead at the scene. While deputies investigated, Clark slipped into the house and took his own life. Autopsy results indicated Marianne "died as a result of asphyxia due to strangulation". Within a day, Marcus was charged with his girlfriend's murder. Marcus was formally indicted in March 2021 and charged with four counts; he was ordered held without bond. Largely due to the COVID pandemic, the trial was delayed until April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Prosecutors maintained that Marcus strangled Marianne during sex and they included the testimony of six former girlfriends; the case went to the jury on April 8th, 2022. Marcus was found not guilty on all counts, but the judge found that he violated his probation for his 2015 drug conviction and he was remanded to prison. On-screen text graphic: Marcus could remain in prison until October 2030. But it's likely he'll be released sooner. Marianne's children settled a wrongful death lawsuit against Clark Heindel's estate for \$500,000. There was no admission of liability or fault. This story discusses suicide. If you or someone you know is having thoughts of suicide, please contact the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at 988. Interviewed: Marcus Lillard; Ayla Crippen, Marianne's younger sister; Penny Dearmin, creator of "Blood Town", a podcast about the Marianne Shockley case; Carson Lillard, Marcus' son; Shakara Maggitt, Marianne's student; Bill Massee, sheriff, Baldwin County, GA; Matt Tucker, defense attorney; Tammy Coffey, assistant district attorney; and Tyisha Davis, juror #11. (Contributor: Jonathan Vigliotti – Producer: Paul LaRosa) (OAD: 10/15/22)

06/24/23

48 HOURS: "A Man With A Past" – a report on the disappearance of Lori Slesinski and the case against her killer, Derrill Richard Ennis, aka Rick Ennis. Slesinski, a recent college graduate, disappeared on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006, from Auburn, AL. Four days after Slesinski vanished, her car was found engulfed in flames on a deserted street; she was nowhere to be found. Her friend, Rick Ennis, claimed Slesinski had gone to make a big drug deal. Investigators found no evidence of a drug deal and suspected Ennis, who police believed was the last person to be with her before she disappeared. Ennis moved away from Auburn after his third police interview and the case went cold. Investigators learned Ennis murdered his mother Dolly Flowers and stepfather Eddie Joe Flowers in 1993, when he was 12-years-old; he later claimed his mother molested him. It took 12 years before authorities made a case against him. In 2018, Ennis was charged with Slesinski's murder, even though her body was never found. Delayed by the pandemic, Ennis went on trial for the offense of capital murder and was found guilty almost 16 years after Lori Slesinski's disappearance. He was sentenced for a term of life without the possibility of parole. On-screen text graphic: Arlene Slesinski gained a new companion in 2021. Her

dog, Daisey. Interviewed: Arlene Slesinski, Lori's mother; Jessica Ventiere, prosecutor; Lindsay Braun, Lori's friend; Mark Whitaker, special agent, Alabama State Bureau of Investigation; John Clark, former Alabama state trooper; Eddie Joe Flowers' daughters and Ennis' stepsisters: Angela Flowers, Tina Sexton and Donna Furr; JW Barnes, agent, Alabama State Bureau of Investigation, Mark Whitaker's partner; Sharon Morley, Rick Ennis' former employer; Alana Atkinson, Rick Ennis' fiancée; Terry Booth, Rick Ennis' former friend; and Rick Ennis (by phone). (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Murray Weiss) (OAD: 09/24/22)

# **CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT**

06/02/23

**CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT** (7:00 - 7:18p) – *initial chyron ID: President Biden Delivers Oval Office Address On Bipartisan Debt Ceiling Deal* - live coverage of President Biden's first Oval Office address to the nation. Tonight's topic: Congress' agreed upon plan to raise the debt ceiling. The bipartisan legislation narrowly averts a catastrophic default. Origination: Oval Office, White House. Address preceded and followed by correspondents' commentary. Correspondents: Norah O'Donnell (anchor, Washington, DC); Nancy Cordes (White House); and Margaret Brennan (Washington, DC).