

**KFSN-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT**  
**FIRST QUARTER 2003**

From January 1, through and including March 31, 2003, KFSN-TV presented 19-1/2 hours of regularly scheduled local news programs a week, in addition to public affairs programs and syndicated programs. KFSN also broadcast programs and public service announcements provided by the ABC Television Network. Attached is the ABC-TV Network Second quarter news and public affairs program information report.

KFSN, through its programming, addressed the following issues of concern for communities that make up the six-county area served by ABC-30:

1. AIR POLLUTION
2. EFFECTS OF WAR WITH IRAQ
3. EDUCATION & TEACHER LAYOFFS
4. CRIME
5. HEALTH
6. EMPLOYMENT
7. CONSUMER REPORTING
8. MISCELLANEOUS

Programs, program segments, and local newscasts broadcast by KFSN that provided significant treatment to the issues are the following.

**ACTION NEWS**

**ACTION NEWS AM LIVE**

Monday through Friday, 5:00-7:00AM, 2 hours, Local

This morning news program provides viewers with late-breaking local, national, and international news, sports, weather, medical, financial, and Consumer Reports.

**ACTION NEWS MIDDAY**

Monday through Friday, 11:00AM-11:30AM, 30 min., Local

Up-to-date local news coverage is offered, as well as national and international news. Also included are medical, consumer, and financial reports.

**ACTION NEWS LIVE AT FIVE**

Monday through Friday, 5:00-5:30PM, 30 min., Local

This half-hour news program reviews the day's news events, local, national, and international. Also covered are sports and weather. Included are medical, education, and Consumer Reports.

**ACTION NEWS AT SIX**

Monday through Sunday, 6:00-6:30PM, 30 min., Local

This half-hour news program reviews the day's news events, local, national, and international. Also covered are weather and sports. Friday's newscast features the Action News Person of the Week.

**ACTION NEWS LIVE AT ELEVEN**

Monday through Sunday, 11:00-11:35PM, 35 min., Local

This half-hour news program reviews the day's news events, local, national, and international. Also covered are sports and weather; Consumer Reports are included.

**VALLEY FOCUS**

Sunday, 10:30AM – 11:00AM, 30 min., Local/Public Affairs

Half-hour weekly local talk/interview program dealing exclusively with issues and local affairs.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR :30 SECOND PSA**

TUESDAY – FRIDAYS

DURING ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, MIDDAY, 6PM NEWS

Thirty-second PSA featuring an Action News anchor delivering information about upcoming non-profit events in our community.

**CHILDREN FIRST**

*Children First* is in its fifth year of production. This year-long effort focuses on the challenges, problems, and opportunities facing children living in Central California. The program concentrates on how the average person can make a difference in a child's life and highlight local news organizations that work with children and youth. *Children First* includes local news produced half-hour programs, :30 vignettes, public service announcements, and special stories on Action News.

**CHILDREN FIRST VIGNETTES/PSAs AIRED**

**Gottschalks, Fresno County Office of Education and Children's Hospital Central California partner to air these Children's First PSAs and Vignettes in rotation:**

**CHCC/IMAGE: :30 SEC. (aired aprx 30 times)**

Innovations of modern medicine have been a tradition of caring for kids at Children's Hospitals of Central California. The healing and practice of helping children is at the heart of what they do. Children's Hospitals of Central California has the largest pediatric facility in the country, protecting children's future with a commitment of caring.

**PARTNERS/CHILDREN FIRST: LEARNING TO LEAD :30 SEC., (AIRED 5)**

This spot was a follow-up from the "Learning to Lead" program that Channel 30 produced and aired. It sent viewers to our website where they can obtain more information on the half hour program and tips for parents and youth on leadership.

**PARTNERS/CHILDREN FIRST: SERVICE LEADERS: :30 SEC., (AIRED 7)**

This spot gave viewers information about how they could serve their community.

**PARTNERS/ CHILDREN FIRST: LOCAL LIBRARY :30 SEC., (AIRED 50)**

Action News Anchor Warren Armstrong tells viewers to visit their local library where the price of admission hasn't changed. It promotes reading in the youth.

**PARTNERS/CHILDREN FIRST: MENTORING :30 SEC., (AIRED 16)**

Action News Anchor Warren Armstrong tells viewers that time with a child is a precious commodity, so be a mentor.

### AIR POLLUTION

ASK THE MAYOR, 1/12/03, 5PM, :30 MINUTES, LOCAL

ASK THE MAYOR, 2/22/03 5PM, :30 MINUTES, LOCAL

Hosted by ABC 30 Anchor Gene Haagenon, this half hour program featured Fresno Mayor Alan Autry who was live on call to answer questions from the public. During the Ask The Mayor program, topics ranged from gangs to graffiti to garbage pick-up, but viewers had tough questions about a fire that's been out for almost two weeks. Mayor Autry said the long-term solution is beating back Fresno's 15-percent unemployment rate, creating jobs, and growing the tax base.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/23/03, LENGTH :26 SEC., LOCAL

A state of emergency has been declared, and a town hall meeting is being held this evening. Two major developments tonight for the huge wood pile fire polluting the valley air. The fire's burning at a company called Archie Crippen excavation.

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 1/30/03, LENGTH :24 SEC., LOCAL

Dusty roads mean dirty air. That's what environmental groups are claiming in a lawsuit filed against the EPA. The groups are suing to force the government to require better dust control measures on the valley's rural roads. They claim federal regulations exempting tractors and other farm equipment are putting too many small dust particles in the air.

NEWSCAST 5PM. 2/05/03, LENGTH :21 SEC., LOCAL

A local lawmaker held a special hearing at the State Capitol to try to find ways to improve the valley's air quality. Valley parents told State Senator Dean Florez how their children must take daily medications to battle asthma. They say the air pollution only makes it worse. Florez says legislators need to quickly come up with a solution.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 2/12/03, LENGTH :20 SEC., LOCAL

State regulators are requiring General Motors to extend its fuel injector warranty coverage on about 700,000 thousand light- and medium-duty sport utility vehicles, trucks and vans dating from the 1996 model year. State regulators say it will protect air quality by helping vehicle owners repair fuel injection systems that can cause more pollution if not working properly. The company says most owners have had no problems, or the problems can be easily fixed. GM is notifying vehicle owners that the warranty is being extended to ten years or 200,000 miles with repairs at no cost.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 2/18/03, LENGTH 3:10 MIN., LOCAL

A groundbreaking study is revealing just what valley air could be doing to your body. It focuses on Hispanic men, and shows dust in Fresno County has led to some clear changes in their lungs. While the study keyed on people who might be exposed to the worst air, as

Action News reporter Gerrick Brenner discovered, it also provides the first indication of what valley air could be doing to all of us. The air pollution control district has long been concerned about smog, but is now focusing more and more on trying to reduce particulates in the air we all breathe. This study gives the first scientific indication that dust can cause permanent problems. On a related note, the state legislature will hold a special session tomorrow on the rising rate of asthma in California's kids.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/10/03, LENGTH :25 SEC., LOCAL

Many around the nation are blaming California in part, for the rising cost of gas. The nationwide average is now up to \$1.75 a gallon, and is expected to rise even higher. Industry experts say part of the problem is the Golden State's mandate to reduce air pollution by 2004, the change from M T B E to ethanol, a grain-based fuel, is causing a refining shortage. The cheapest gas in the nation is in Atlanta, at an average of \$1.51 a gallon.

NEWSCAST 11PM. 03/13/2003 LENGTH 2:10 MIN., LOCAL

At an average of 2 dollars and 10 cents a gallon, the cost of gas is at record levels. Dealers say as gas prices go up, consumers' interest in larger SUV's may be going down. But to the SUV faithful, fuel efficiency runs a distant second to the lure of power and prestige. The 50-thousand-dollar-plus Hummer H2 is America's latest status symbol. Environmentalists say it's not just gas -- they say there are plenty of other reasons to keep Hummers and other large-sized SUV's off the road altogether, especially in the Central Valley.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/07/03, LENGTH :23 SEC., LOCAL

If you're buying a new home in Fresno, you won't get to "cozy up" in front of a crackling wood fire. In a five to two vote, the Fresno city council voted to "ban" wood-burning stoves and fireplaces in newly built homes. The move was a collaborative effort between new councilman Henry T. Perea and area contractors. They want to help make valley air cleaner by eliminating wood smoke from fireplaces.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/12/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

A clear and sunny day in Fresno except for the huge plume of smoke coming from a fire southwest of the city. The blaze started yesterday in a giant pile of construction debris near Marks and Nielson. The mountain of wood and other junk from demolished buildings started burning yesterday. Firefighters believe it was a case of spontaneous combustion. The owner of the property is trying to dig a path with heavy equipment to cut the pile in half so firefighters can get to the burning debris.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/16/03, LENGTH :38 SEC., LOCAL

Get ready for another day tomorrow of dirty, smokey, unhealthy air around Fresno. A massive woodpile fire in southwest Fresno burns on, but the feds are getting in position to attack it. The first results from the EPA smoke tests are due in the morning. Heavy equipment is already moving in to fight the blaze and the bad air forced Fresno Unified to cancel indoor and outdoor activities for its 80,000 students through Tuesday. Central and Clovis Unified have not canceled events.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/16/03, LENGTH :26 SEC., LOCAL

No sports, games or practices for Fresno Unified students. The district has cancelled outdoor activity because of that wood fire that's been burning for nearly a week in southwest Fresno. Some people found out last night when they showed up to a scheduled Bullard high school basketball game and the doors were locked and the gym empty. Fans were disappointed, but thought the district's decision was a good idea.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/19/03, LENGTH :20 SEC., LOCAL

Smoke from the wood fire that's been burning for over a week in southwest Fresno is not toxic. EPA officials say there are small amounts of carcinogens, which can cause cancer. But they say the concentrations are so small, it's not a threat. City officials say the area is safe. But local environmental advocates say the smoke is still a health hazard.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/21/03, LENGTH :35 SEC., LOCAL

A new effort tonight to battle the woodpile fire that's polluting the valley's air and a new warning for people breathing that air. The fire is burning in southwest Fresno. Tonight the air district has issued another health advisory, especially for people living west of Highway 41 in Fresno. Many Fresno area schools are still keeping kids off the playground.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/23/03, LENGTH 2:16 LOCAL

The city's expecting quite a turnout tonight because the fire has affected a lot of people. Local officials, both city and county, saying it's impossible to put out the blaze without working together, and now they're asking for outside help as well. This fire has been burning for a week and a half within a pile of debris that's the size of a football field and two or three stories high. A third of the Fresno Fire department has been devoted to fighting it. Today Fresno County officially declared a state of emergency and it would help accomplish several things, such as give the county access to additional resources and help recover the costs from fighting this fire, which has so far cost \$575,000.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/31/03, LENGTH :27 SEC., LOCAL

Children living near the woodpile fire in southwest Fresno will be given free health checkups. Assembly member Sarah Reyes will introduce legislation that would require solid waste facility owners to be responsible for their sites. The fire at the Crippen excavation site has been burning for weeks and has polluted the valley air.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 2/11/03 LENGTH 1:39 SEC., LOCAL

A city task force will look into why a private yard permitted to recycle only concrete and asphalt ending up burning wood and other junk for almost a month.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/05/03, LENGTH :38 SEC., LOCAL

That massive debris fire in southwest Fresno may be out, but discussion over how it started is far from over. The fire broke out January 11 at the Archie Crippen excavation site at Nielsen and Marks. Last night was the first public meeting of Mayor Alan Autry's task force. The committee is made up of city leaders and community members. They

want to know how the fire was handled and why Crippen was allowed to store much of the material on his property when his "conditional use" permit did not allow it. They also want to know why the fire department initially left this fire.

### **EFFECTS OF WAR WITH IRAQ**

#### **NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/17/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL**

The people of Lemoore have mixed feelings about the possible war with Iraq. But they have no reservations when it comes to supporting their loved ones overseas. One is on an army base somewhere in Kuwait, another is a sailor aboard the USS Lincoln. With nearly half of the 6,000 active duty personnel at Lemoore Naval Air Station currently deployed, nearly everyone in Lemoore knows or is related to someone serving overseas.

#### **NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/17/03, LENGTH :20 MIN., LOCAL**

Friends and family of local military personnel now overseas also have strong emotions about the war protests here at home. Amalia Sepulveda is a student at Fresno City College. She's good friends with 22-year-old Teancum Ampong, an Army private from Madera now stationed in Kuwait. Ampong was assigned to the Middle East for 6 months, Air Force Lieutenant Walter Miller for just 90 days. Both have stayed past their original assignments and are now on indefinite deployments.

#### **NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/17/03, LENGTH :41 SEC., LOCAL**

A portion of President Bush's speech was directed at the Iraqi people, promising them food, medicine and liberation. Retired General Edward Munger, a Fresno native with extensive knowledge of the Middle East, was surprised that Mr. Bush also sent a message to the Iraqi military. General Munger called the warning "unprecedented" and believes it will have much greater effect than the informational leaflets that were dropped by airplane over Iraq.

#### **NEWSCAST MIDDAY, 3/16/03, LENGTH :15 SEC., LOCAL**

In the valley, we saw demonstrations both for and against a war in Iraq. Dozens of anti-war protestors gathered at one end of a block and called for peace. Different signs carried different messages.

#### **NEWSCAST 5PM, 3/18/03, LENGTH 1:42 SEC., LOCAL**

Even without a war, gas prices already have people fighting mad. The price here is \$2.15 for regular unleaded and if that number goes up, it could hurt people who make a living on the road the most. But with war around the corner, Carl Nichols is watching gas prices at every turn in Fresno. His company is absorbing the extra cost now. The owner says her costs were up almost \$1,500 last month, but she says they can't take the hit.

#### **NEWSCAST 5PM, 3/18/03, LENGTH :31 SEC., LOCAL**

With war in Iraq seemingly inevitable, officials in Washington D.C. and here in the valley are taking steps to prevent new terrorist attacks. Homeland security secretary Tom

Ridge raised the nation's terror status from elevated. Action News reporter Eric Rasmussen showed us how war could drive up prices of goods and services.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/17/03, LENGTH :27 SEC., LOCAL

Thousands of pilots and sailors from the Lemoore Naval Air Station are currently deployed in the Persian Gulf, and their families have much at stake in the president's ultimatum. Many in Lemoore still have mixed feelings about the possible war with Iraq, but have no reservations when it comes to supporting their loved ones overseas. With nearly half of the 6,000 active duty personnel at the base currently deployed, nearly everyone in Lemoore knows someone serving overseas.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/17/03, LENGTH :32 SEC., LOCAL

Many parents around the valley stopped what they were doing to hear the President make his case for war. Lattice Williams is a Fresno bus driver. The threat of war is very close to home for her, since her son is on the front lines. James Williams is a medic with the Marine Corps heavy haulers, and his mother fears he'll be in battle soon.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/18/03, LENGTH :22 SEC., LOCAL

In the wake of war with Iraq, Governor Gray Davis is stepping up homeland defense in our state. Governor Davis says he is doubling security at major buildings, bridges and ports in preparation for possible terrorist reprisals. Davis ordered the highway patrol to begin working 12-hour shifts and to use air patrols around the clock to defend possible targets.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 3/18/03, LENGTH :25 SEC., LOCAL

Local law enforcement agencies are also reacting to the increased terrorism threat assessment triggered by possible war. The Fresno County sheriff's department has identified about 150 local sites as possible targets, including dams, waterways, and even Harris Ranch. The county's "emergency operations center" will open 12 hours a day to coordinate with law enforcement around the state, and all highway patrol officers have moved from 8 to 12 hour shifts.

NEWSCAST AM LVIE, 3/18/03, LENGTH :17 SEC., LOCAL

The war debate heated up at Fresno City Hall. Members of a group called "Peace Fresno" asked the city council to pass a resolution supporting peace. They say Fresno would have a lot to lose in a war with Iraq, including lives and taxpayer money. But the council decided not to take any action on the resolution.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/19/03, LENGTH :18 SEC., LOCAL

The war with Iraq is already impacting the summer tourist season. European tour groups have started canceling trips to Yosemite and the Bay Area. That affects the communities around the park and even Fresno, where foreign visitors often stay on their way to and from Yosemite.



NEWSCAST 5PM, 3/20/03, LENGTH :23 SEC., LOCAL

The Air National Guard Base in Fresno remains on a higher alert status as a result of the war. The F-16's at the base have flown missions over Iraq's no-fly zones, but today, they're committed to homeland security. Their primary mission since September 11<sup>th</sup> has been defending the western United States against air attack or hijacked planes. Any increased activity at the base is related to those missions, and not the war.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 3/20/03, LENGTH 2:27 MIN.,LOCAL

When we asked some seniors at Fresno High school how many of them would volunteer to serve in the military, not many raised their hands, but when asked if they would serve if called on, most were willing. Crystal, a Fresno High Student, says patriotism among her peers is lacking. In the class of 320 seniors, this young woman is the only student planning to go into the military after graduation. Many say they won't volunteer because they're afraid to die.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/20/03, LENGTH :14 SEC., LOCAL

Hundreds of valley families have loved ones fighting the war with Iraq. Heather Bender's husband left to serve on the USS Lincoln as a public information officer over eight months ago. She knows he won't be experiencing combat, but she is still worried.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/19/03, LENGTH :19 SEC., LOCAL

The attack on Iraq has drawn mixed reaction here in the valley. Within an hour of the attack, protestors gathered on the corner of Blackstone and Shaw to express their opposition. A handful of war supporters also showed up glad that America finally bombed Iraq.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/21/03, LENGTH 2:05 MIN.,LOCA

The loss of human life is the biggest cost of war. You can't put a price tag on that. But what could this war really cost, and what is it that costs so much? You may be surprised. When the New York Times asked White House budget director Mitch Daniels how much this war could cost, he said about \$50 billion.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 3/22/03, LENGTH :14 SEC., LOCAL

The first Saturday of the war brought out hundreds of protestors in Fresno. Many marched to oppose military action, but not everyone who carried a picket sign was on the same side.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 3/22/03, LENGTH :13 SEC., LOCAL

The war in Iraq is far from home, but the Red Cross wants us to be prepared. They held an emergency preparedness training session in Fresno. Red Cross volunteers demonstrated how to plan for disasters. The idea is, it never hurts to be prepared.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 3/24/03, LENGTH 1:52 MIN., LOCAL

In our continuing e-mails from the USS Nimitz, the Navy is allowing a senior chief of one of the Lemoore squadrons to correspond with Action News. The Nimitz is headed to

the Persian Gulf and the men and women of NAS, Lemoore are watching the war with Iraq just as we are.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 3/26/03, LENGTH :16 SEC., LOCAL

The Red Cross put out a plea for volunteers today to help with the armed forces emergency services. The agency provides a variety of services to members of the military and their families, including acting as a liaison for emergency communications. But the war has stretched their resources to the limit.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/25/03, LENGTH :24 SEC., LOCAL

If you're part of a military family whose loved one has gone off to war and you're concerned about making ends meet, there are programs to help. Some, like the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act, force creditors to lower interest rates and protect military families from eviction and delay civil court actions like bankruptcy and foreclosure. The military also has volunteer coordinators to help. Contact your base for more assistance.

OPRAH 2/05/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

Should the U.S. attack Iraq? - President Bush has said that disarming Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is a crucial part of the war on terror. But does this mean we must go to war with Iraq? Oprah talked to people who explain their viewpoint.

OPRAH, 2/07/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR SYNDICATION

Should the U.S. Attack Iraq? - Every day we feel the uncertainty, the anxiety, and the tension of America on the verge of war. Oprah continued her discussion about whether or not an attack on Iraq is necessary

OPRAH, 3/18/03, 4PM LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

Anti-Americanism - Why Do So Many Dislike The US? Experts joined Oprah to explain what Americans don't know about our role in the world and answer some big questions such as why so much of the world hates the United States.

OPRAH, 3/27/03, 4PM LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

Reporters On The Frontlines in Iraq -- For the first time since Vietnam, reporters are traveling with the military. They are also bringing us live pictures from the war zone. Oprah talked to reporters who are covering the war in Iraq. We heard from CNN's Nic Roberts, who was one of the only reporters to remain in Baghdad during the initial bombing. We also heard from ABC's Peter Jennings, CNN's Aaron Brown and NBC's Ann Curry as they shared their thoughts on covering the war.

HISPANICS TODAY, 2/16/03, 5:30AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

Segment #1 – The Few and The Proud: Hispanic Marines – Thousands of American troops stand ready as the threat of war against Iraq looms closer. We chronicle the development of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Force Services Support Group from Camp Le Jeune, NC, home to over 40 thousand members of the United States Marine Corps.

## EDUCATION

### NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/01/03, LENGTH 2:05 MIN., LOCAL

More than a thousand new laws took effect in California and here's a look at some you may not yet know about. Gun owners will now have to pass a written safety test and demonstrate they know how to safely use a firearm and gun makers will lose a special immunity from lawsuits against product negligence. Another new law makes it easier for police to get court orders to wiretap suspected terrorists. California's is moving forward in science by challenging the federal government's position on stem cell research. One new measure encourages research using human embryos and yet another bans human cloning. Nurses and physicians assistants will now also be able to dispense the abortion-inducing pill. Tenants also have new rights. Renters can ask for an itemized list of repairs up to two weeks before moving out, and another measure extends no-fault eviction notices from 30-days to 60-days. Farm workers are also better protected and one law extends the statute of limitations for Bracers trying to collect lost wages. Another controversial measure allows workers to settle labor disputes through mediation. The Department of Education now has to look at ways to reduce textbook weight as a way to prevent spinal injuries for children. Schools can decide whether to allow cell phones on campus... And students can also use sun block at school without a prescription. California's bicycle helmet law now extends to scooters, skateboards and skates, and to children under 18 not wearing a helmet

### NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/04/03, LENGTH :34 SEC., LOCAL

Daddy Boot Camp is the collaborative effort of Children's Hospital, Community Medical Center, St. Agnes, and Kaiser and classes are held several times a year. It only costs ten dollars to participate in the class.

### NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/08/03, LENGTH :14 SEC., LOCAL

President Bush is giving federal approval to a handful of state education plans today. It has been one year since Bush signed a measure requiring annual testing and awarding more control to families with children in poorly performing public schools.

### NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/09/03, LENGTH :29 SEC., LOCAL

Getting an education is about to get tougher for thousands in the valley. Fresno City College administration is cutting back because of the state budget crisis. FCC was the first community college in the state. Twenty-two thousand students attend the school, making it the largest in the valley, and it has a 53 million dollar budget. But several million dollars are about to get cut.

### NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/10/03, LENGTH :24 SEC., LOCAL

The state's empty pockets mean each and every citizen will have to dig deeper into theirs. Governor Gray Davis solemnly revealed his plan to deal with the state's staggering 35-billion-dollar deficit, including a one percent sales tax increase that would cost the typical family an estimated \$225 a year. An extra \$1.10 per pack of cigarettes and an income tax increase for the wealthy. One of the biggest cuts will come to education, where nothing including things we take for granted like librarians or music teachers, are safe.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/10/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

Educators are trying to be optimistic, but at the same time bracing for what they say is inevitable because no school program will be immune from the cuts. Teachers are bracing for the worst because when there are cuts, music programs are often the first to suffer. The teachers say it won't just affect them; it will impact all 12,000 students in their district.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/12/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

Fresno's mayor heard from the public tonight and it was the first installment of a live call-in show called Ask the Mayor. The live questions came in over the phone on a wide range of topics.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/14/03, LENGTH :25 LOCAL

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/15/03, LENGTH :34 LOCAL

Help is on the way for the struggling west Fresno school district. The assembly education committee will examine a bill written by assembly member Sarah Reyes. The legislation is designed to allow the state to step in and take over the district. It's expected to pass through both houses quickly before landing on Governor Gray Davis' desk, and he says he'll sign it despite opposing the same bill last year. The governor has set aside two million dollars to pull the district out of financial trouble. The bill was prompted after board members asked for an emergency loan last October.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/21/03, LENGTH 2:19 SEC., LOCAL

University officials say everyone will have to pitch in with cuts and fee increases across the board, but they will do all they can to make sure their students' education doesn't suffer. But in his state of the university address, Fresno State president Dr. John Welty had to break some bad news. Because the governor's proposed budget calls for more than 326 million dollars in cuts to the California State University system, everyone on campus, from students to staff, will feel the sting. Other proposals include cutting back on professional travel, delaying some scheduled improvements to this campus and reducing the number of classes offered.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/22/03, LENGTH 1:31 MIN., LOCAL

For the first time since the 2000 census, the government has released a breakdown on race and ethnicity in the United States. However, the numbers don't indicate which racial or ethnic group is the largest in the country. The census bureau reported that almost 37 million Americans are Hispanic. And that just over 36 million people said they were black. The problem is that since they allow people to list more than one -- there is likely some overlap, as in the case of some Puerto Ricans

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/22/03, LENGTH :24 SEC., LOCAL

More discussion about a state takeover of the west Fresno school district. County school superintendent Pete Mehas and a group will meet with the state assembly. Last week, Mehas met with the assembly education committee as it examined a bill written by assemblymember Sarah Reyes for the takeover. The bill was prompted after board

members asked for an emergency loan last October and Governor Gray Davis says he will sign it.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 2/03/03, LENGTH :37 SEC., LOCAL

A new study has some disturbing news about valley students. The Central Valley higher education consortium released its first ever "Central Valley report card." They found when compared to their peers statewide, San Joaquin valley students would graduate from high school at a lower rate. They're also less likely to complete college prep courses required by UC and CSU schools. The consortium will be holding a series of "cash for college" workshops, designed to help parents and students apply for financial aid.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 2/24/03, LENGTH :29 SEC., LOCAL

Parents of some students at Lowell Elementary say Fresno Unified is not treating them fairly. The Mexican-American Political Association says the district has not provided special education services to Spanish speaking students as their parents requested. The organization also says many Spanish speaking parents have been discriminated against and faced retaliation. The parents have filed a complaint against the district and plan to talk publicly about it this afternoon.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 2/25/03, LENGTH :17 SEC., LOCAL

One of the items on the budget cutting block is alternative education and for many students, places like Fresno Unified's community day school is the only thing that keeps them from dropping out.

NEWSCAT AM LIVE, 2/27/03, LENGTH :27 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno Unified school district is some \$40 million in the hole. Last night the board passed a plan for budget cuts. Now hundreds of teachers have the potential of being fired and kids are likely to lose some of their favorite classes. With protesters outside, the Fresno Unified school district board made some tough decisions starting with jobs, and 417 managers will be pink slipped and 422 teachers released. That means fewer teachers for children

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/06/03, LENGTH :33 SEC., LOCAL

A grassroots effort to preserve the music programs in Fresno schools is underway and music classes could be eliminated because of budget cuts. Some students faced that realization yesterday when the state treasurer visited Susan B. Anthony School in Fresno. Treasurer Phil Angelides told them even in tough economic times, education is one of the last places lawmakers should look to save money. Fresno Unified alone is facing \$30 million in cuts, and one possible solution involves employees paying more for medical benefits.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/08/03, LENGTH :20 SEC., LOCAL

A job fair for teachers attracted hundreds of people in the south valley today, even as state budget woes put some education positions in jeopardy. More than 30 districts from Tulare and Kings counties met with applicants at the Visalia convention center. Some

people on the job hunt say teaching positions seem scarce because many districts are cutting back.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/11/03, LENGTH 1:19 SEC., LOCAL

After six hours of public testimony last night, the board of trustees approved the cuts. The state has left the College of the Sequoias in a difficult position financially. And many students took the news hard. Finding a seat proved difficult as parents, teachers, and students poured their emotions before the board. Over 400 classes will be cut and 85 full-time teachers fired. Some departments are impacted more than others, such as English-literature losing 10.8 faculty positions, business 8.7, and nursing 7.5.

UNCF AVENUE OF THE STARS 1/5/03, LENGTH 4 HOURS, SYNDICATION

This 4-hour program helped raise money for the United Negro College Fund that promotes higher education.

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VALLEY FOCUS, 1/12/03, 5:00AM & 10:30am, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #4: Fresno Metropolitan Museum, Edward Hopper & Urban Realism

Joining the show was Jon Carroll. Jon is the associate director of The Fresno Metropolitan Museum here to discuss the upcoming exhibit by Edward Hopper that will be on display through March 30.

VALLEY FOCUS, 1/15/03, 10:30AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #3: Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Central Valley

Credit Classes/Credit Errors. Martha Lucey, President, CCCS was here to talk about how viewers can get good credit advice. If you need help with late bills, creditors calling and bounced checks the CCCS can help put your financial life in order. For more information on their upcoming credit errors classes, viewers can call or visit their website.

VALLEY FOCUS, 1/15/03, 10:30AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #4: San Joaquin River Parkway: Bald Eagle Tours/Nature Walks. We were joined by Steve Spratt, Outdoor Activities director for the San Joaquin River Parkway.

Their mission is to preserve and restore San Joaquin River lands having ecological, scenic or historical significance, to educate the public on the need for stewardship, to research issues affecting the river, and to promote educational, recreational and agricultural uses consistent with the protection of the river's resources. The San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust is offering guided Bald Eagle Tours on Millerton Lake. They also offer Guided Nature Walks on the Reserve.

VALLEY FOCUS, 03/02/03, 9:30AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #3: Radio Bilingual: Viva el Mariachi Festival. Diana Hernandez, Regional Development Director Radio Bilingual, an educational broadcast network, proudly presents their annual Viva El Mariachi Festival on March 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Selland Arena. The festival will celebrate cultural and artistic, heritage that has brought families together for many years. Premiere and renowned mariachi troops from Mexico as well as the United States are to perform at the event.

VALLEY FOCUS, 3/02/03, 9:30AM, :30 MIN LOCAL

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HISPANICS TODAY, 1/05/03, 11AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

HISPANICS TODAY, 1/26/03, 5:30AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

Segment #1- White House Educational Initiative - President Bush is trying to close the gap between young Latinos and their white classmates, with the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanic American. We got a glimpse of that program for students and their parents as they strive to achieve their academic dreams.

Segment #2- Pew Hispanic Center Director One-On-One – Following segment one, the director of the Pew Hispanic Center, Robert Suro, joined the show to reveal some surprising new "good news/bad news" research regarding the increasing number of Latinos who enroll in higher education, but also what trends to happen once they get to their chosen university.

HISPANICS TODAY, 1/12/03, 5:30AM & 11AM, LENGTH :30 MIN, SYNDICATION

Segment #1- U.S.H.C.C. Convention and Business Exp – This annual event, the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Convention and Business Expo is a chance for the Latino business community to flex its muscle, from business training sessions to the annual gala and awards ceremony.

HISPANICS TODAY, 1/12/03, 5:30AM & 11AM, LENGTH :30 MIN, SYNDICATION

Segment #2- BizFest Finals – One of the many big events at the convention this year in LA was the wrap-up of the 2002 installment of "Bizfest"- the U.S.H.C.C. Foundation's year-long set of regional training sessions and competitions geared toward getting young adults interested in entrepreneurship. We found out what some of these ambitious, intelligent teens came up with for business ideas and who the final winners were.

HISPANICS TODAY, 2/2/03, 5:30AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

Segment #3- The National Hispana Leadership Institute- A report in 1987 revealed that, for many professional women, there exists a glass ceiling, a barrier that prevents them from moving to the next level in their career. The National Hispana Leadership Institute seeks to break through that ceiling and forever remove the barriers that prevent women, Latinas, from accomplishing their goals and living their dreams.

**CRIME**

NEWCAST 6PM, 1/02/03, LENGTH 1:13 MIN., LOCAL

Hanford police are looking for two to three more suspects involved in the rape of a fourteen-year-old girl. Action News anchor Juanita Stevenson reports that two young men have already been arrested in connection with the crime. Police say the incident happened at a New Year's Eve party on Bengston Avenue in south Hanford. Fifty to one hundred young people had gathered there to party at a private residence. Police say the fourteen-year-old girl was sexually assaulted by at least five young men. They don't know yet if she had been drugged.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/03/03, LENGTH :15 SEC. ,LOCAL

One of the men suspected of raping a 14-year-old at a south valley New Year's party says he's innocent. Nineteen-year-old Darrell curry pleaded not guilty today to three sex crime charges. At least two others are behind bars and police are searching for at least two more suspects.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/03/03, LENGTH 1:33 MIN., LOCAL

North valley police have hit a dead end with one of their possible leads in the disappearance of an expectant mother. Police had said they were looking to see if there was a connection between burglaries right across the street from Laci Peterson's house and her disappearance. They now believe Peterson vanished two days before the theft. An anonymous tip has led officers to two suspects who've been arrested in the burglary and they now say there's no link between the two incidents. Among the people they're investigating is Laci's husband Scott. He told them he went fishing at the Berkeley marina the day his wife vanished.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/05/03, LENGTH 2:04 MIN., LOCAL

There are no suspects and little is known about this crime tonight as police try to figure out why someone killed a Fresno cab driver. Although the victim has not been identified, his friends at the cab company say his name is Rinaldo. The victim's cab was found just



after three this morning. Investigators say a passing truck driver spotted the car in the industrial district. It had its engine on, lights off and had crashed into a chain link fence. The driver inside the car was found dead. His boss at Indio Cab Company says he was shot. Investigators are now left to try and figure out why this cab drivers work shift ended so tragically.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/06/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

Rumaldo Estrada's family is now here at the Rescue Mission hoping a witness will come forward and help in the case. His wife doesn't understand how anyone could hurt the man she loved. Ernestina Sandoval and her eight children are now living at the Rescue Mission. She's brought them here out of fear the person who killed her husband will come looking for them. The family is living in one room with five beds. Ernestina is trying her best to stay positive for her kids.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/07/03, LENGTH 1:36 MIN., LOCAL

The U.S. Postal Service considered halting mail delivery today out of concern for postal carriers and the public, but later decided just to issue a word of warning. Madera's postal inspector says the explosions were likely pranks, isolated incidents. Authorities say someone mixed acid and another substance inside sealed plastic soda bottles. The increasing pressure ultimately causing the explosions that ripped the mailboxes apart. Investigators say there were no fuses and no triggers on the homemade bombs.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/12/03, LENGTH :36 SEC., LOCAL

Mayor Alan Autry heard questions from viewers tonight on the disbanding of the violent crime suppression unit in Fresno, a move he supported. The next Ask the Mayor program is expected in about a month.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/15/03, LENGTH :24 SEC., LOCAL

It took seven months for Merced police to complete their investigation. They say it took patience and the help of forensic science to solve their case. It was a crime that horrified and angered the town of Merced, but police would not be rushed. A lab in Colorado determined microbes in the victim's stomach matched the water in a fountain, not the creek where he was found.

NEWSCAST 6PM., 1/24/03, LENGTH 2:02 MIN., LOCAL

It was a brutal murder that shocked the valley more than three years ago. Now, suspect Jeremie Overstreet is getting his day in court. Action News reporter Martha Guzman looked at the beginning of what's expected to be a long and emotional trial. Defense attorney Richard Windmiller attempted to cast a shadow of doubt over the ex-husband and says investigators have the wrong person.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/29/03, LEMGTH 1:22 MIN., LOCAL

Clovis police say a relative found the bodies of a woman and her boyfriend shortly after 9:30 this morning at the Woodside apartments. The victim's names have not been released, pending notification of the families. Police are investigating other possibilities, but if indeed this is a murder-suicide, it's the third murder in Clovis this year.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/30/03, LENGTH 1:53 MIN., LOCAL

For the last month, Andrew has been at the Children's Hospital of California where he is undergoing therapy. Neighbors came together to talk about the crime committed against him and what they can do to prevent it from happening again. All of these people have something in common. They live in southwest Fresno and want to rid their neighborhood of crime. They met with city and state leaders and police to talk about making improvements.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/31/03, LENGTH :24 SEC., LOCAL

An elderly Fresno couple is recovering after a horrifying crime this morning, in their home on Fedora near Channing. Police say the attacker came through the garage, tied up the couple, and beat them with a handgun. Marsha and Ron Pauls both suffered head injuries. The attacker then stole a number of valuables, and the couple's car.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 2/07/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

Police have filed a crime report on Assemblyman Steve Samuelian for loitering for the purpose of prostitution. The incident in question happened Saturday night. Samuelian has not been arrested nor cited, but this is a road Samuelian has been down before. Police questioned Assemblyman Samuelian at this Texaco station. Police say he was driving in a manner consistent of someone looking for a prostitute. Samuelian's press secretary says the assemblyman was lost. The Fresno Bee is reporting this morning the police report recommends the district attorney file charges.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 2/11/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

The latest crime statistics from the California attorney general are out. The numbers could have Fresno city and county residents feeling safer. Statewide, the crime rate for January through September 2002 compared to 2001 increased by more than five-percent. In the city of Fresno, crime dropped by more than eleven percent during the same time period and in Fresno County, it dropped by a whopping 52.8 percent. The news was not so good in Tulare County, where the crime rate increased by more than 28 percent.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 2/18/03, LENGTH :19 SEC., LOCAL

Fresno County's new district attorney is targeting a crime she says needs immediate attention. Today she announced the formation and implementation of our comprehensive political corruption task force. DA Elizabeth Egan showed the public how they can help find and prosecute public officials who have abused their power.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 2/24/03, LENGTH :25 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno County Sheriff's Department announced it would begin recognizing a new form of personal identification. Sheriff Richard Pierce says his office will now accept the Matriculate Consular ID card for Mexican nationals. Pierce says it will be helpful in identifying crime victims. Several other California City and County agencies are already using the card. It's also accepted as an official form of identification by many banks and other businesses.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 2/24/03, LENGTH :25 SEC., LOCAL

A controversial new bill is calling for sexual criminals to be tracked by satellite. GOP lawmakers want to use global positioning technology and to keep tabs on high-risk sex offenders. Another bill would make certain types of child molestation a "one-strike and you're out" crime with an automatic 25-year to life sentence. Those bills will face legislative hearings this spring

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 2/26/03, LENGTH :25 SEC., LOCAL

A plan to weaken California's Three Strikes law passed its first legislative test. The Assembly Public Safety Committee approved a measure that would stop non-violent offenses from counting as a third strike. Assemblywoman Jackie Goldberg says the current law is too tough. She says Californians have been sentenced to 25-to-life for minor crimes like petty theft. But the man who wrote the Three Strikes law says the measure has successfully reduced crime.

NEWSCAST MIDDAY, 3/05/03, LENGTH :34 MIN., LOCAL

A crime law that originated here in the valley got the thumbs up from the highest court in the land. The US Supreme Court has upheld California's Three Strikes and You're Out law. The court ruled this morning that a prison term of 25 years to life is not too harsh for a small-time thief who shoplifted golf clubs. It was his third strike. The court says California's law does not lead to unconstitutionally cruel and unusual punishment, even though a relatively minor crime can yield a life term if the criminal has a felony record.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 3/14/03, LENGTH :25 SEC., LOCAL

Crime has been cut in half at an apartment complex, which has also been given a complete facelift, and that prompted the Fresno police department to give the complex an award of excellence. Management had to raise the rent a couple hundred dollars a month to help pay for the renovations. They wouldn't say how many families were priced out of the complex.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/12/03, LENGTH :40 SEC., LOCAL

A happy ending tonight, but the real challenge may lie ahead for Elizabeth Smart and her family, the emotional recovery. Our team coverage continues with Action News reporter Anita Kissee live in the newsroom, with why one local crime expert says Elizabeth's emotional scars may last a lifetime.

OPRAH, 1/15/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

The Governor Who Emptied Death Row – Just hours before leaving office, Illinois Governor George Ryan emptied his state's death row. Over 150 men and women who had been sentenced to die have been spared. Oprah heard from the families of their victims and met with the three men - fully pardoned - who now walk free. The former governor at the center of it all shared his perspective on the highly published decision.

OPRAH, 1/16/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

Victim's Family Message To The Governor Who Emptied Death Row - Oprah continued her conversation with outgoing Illinois Governor George Ryan and his decision to empty

death row just hours before leaving office. We heard from family member of victims, who had emotional messages for Ryan. Oprah also talked to the makers of a new documentary, "Two Towns of Jasper," for which two film crews, one black and one white, set out to document the aftermath of this shocking brutal murder by following the subsequent trials of the local men charged with the crime.

OPRAH, 1/23/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR SYNDICATION

What Should We Do When Families Turn Violent? – For years it has been believed that family violence was a social problem with only one solution: men who are violent should be punished, and women are helpless and should leave. But new voices are now challenging how we see and treat violence in the family. We took viewers to a domestic violence shelter in Minneapolis – an innovative center that strives to heal the whole family and where Oprah talked candidly to battered women and abusive men.

OPRAH 1/24/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR SYNDICATION

More advice For Violent Families – Oprah continues her conversation with experts who face off about some controversial views on how to deal with the complex issue of family violence. How should we hold accountable and how can we heal the whole family so that we can end the cycle of abuse.

OPRAH, 2/25/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR SYNDICATION

Confessions of a Child Molester - Oprah talked with a convicted child molester who spoke candidly about his crimes. He also shared his opinion about Megan's Law, a federal law which requires local law enforcement agencies to notify communities about potentially dangerous sex offenders in their midst. We found out why he thinks it is important for child molesters to register and comply with this law.

OPRAH, 2/25/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR SYNDICATION

Bowling For Columbine - Sniper rampages, school shooting massacres...why is our society so violent? Oprah welcomed filmmaker, author and rabble-rouser Michael Moore, who was here to discuss his award-winning new film "Bowling For Columbine," which looked at America's obsession with guns and violence. We also heard from an expert who addresses the reasons why he believes Americans are so afraid and so in need of the reassurance of guns.

**HEALTH**

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/02/03, LENGTH :27 SEC., LOCAL

There's a new effort to protect valley residents from the dangers of dirty air. The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District will now include information on ultra fine particulate matter in the daily air quality report. These are particles in the air that measure 128<sup>th</sup> the diameter of a strand of hair. They pose a higher health risk than larger particles because they bypass even the best filtering methods of the nose and become lodged in the lungs.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/08/03, LENGTH :22 SEC., LOCAL

A counselor at Fresno County's Workforce Connection says that most valley residents prefer jobs with health benefits to those that pay well. Factory jobs are most readily available. One valley resident says they had been putting in applications and faxing resumes, but are not receiving any return phone calls for interviews.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/09/03, LENGTH :28 SEC., LOCAL

Counties all over the state are feeling the budget pinch and Fresno is no exception. The governor's budget solution, when announced tomorrow, is expected to make an already tight budget situation even worse. The state is also expected to shift the cost of at least 6-billion-dollars in mandated health and social programs to the counties. For Fresno County, that will force some difficult decisions in other departments including layoffs and cuts.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/13/03, LENGTH :35 SEC., LOCAL

The air pollution control district has called a health advisory because of smoke from a fire that began over the weekend. The blaze in southwest Fresno could burn for several days. Investigators say spontaneous combustion in a pile of construction material and debris sparked the fire. The mountain of junk was so big, firefighters had a hard time reaching the flames. While there's nothing toxic in the debris, smoke from the fire could aggravate problems for valley residents with breathing difficulties. A health advisory means you should restrict your outdoor activities both tonight and tomorrow.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/14/03, LENGTH :15 SEC.,LOCAL

Experts say many factors contribute to the rising cost of health care, including rapidly rising hospital and medicine bills, an aging labor force and increasing medical malpractice costs.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/15/03, LENGTH :14 SEC., LOCAL

The company that owns this land is being fined daily and those fines run in the thousands. But the effects of this fire go beyond dollars, it's affecting our health. So the San Joaquin Valley Air District has put out a cautionary advisory. The air district is encouraging people to stay indoors and avoid strenuous activities.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/16/03, LENGTH 1:59 SEC., LOCAL

The smoke has been filling the valley's air since last weekend. Now the Environmental Protection Agency has stepped in to test the particles that fill the air. They're chemicals that we commonly see in everyday life, but if they're coming off of the fire in concentrations that are high enough that we need to be concerned about them, we want to have that information right away. The EPA has set up eight test units around the fire. Each unit measures the amount of particles in the air.

NEWSCAST MIDDAY, 1/20/03, LENGTH :29 SEC., LOCAL

A new study has revealed that cigarette smoking costs California taxpayers about 16 billion dollars a year. That's despite the fact that the number of smokers continues to drop. The UC San Francisco study says there are 4.7 million people in the state that

smoke. Forty-three thousand smokers die every year as a result of their addiction. The study found health care costs related to smoking are about \$3,000 dollars a smoker or five hundred dollars for every person living in California.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/20/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

A Hanford man received a boost in his effort to raise thousands of dollars for a medical procedure. Ian Ivie needs a kidney transplant and health insurance is paying for medical expenses. He and his wife need to go to the bay area for the operation and stay there two months while Ian recovers. They've been selling items on the Internet trying to raise eight thousand dollars.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/23/03, LENGTH :23 SEC., LOCAL

Hundreds of valley students may have been exposed to tuberculosis and have been asked to get tested for the disease. Madera Unified official's say a contagious student with TB may have exposed as many as 200 students. They are asking kids to get tested on Monday at the north campus and Tuesday at the south campus. The testing is free. Those who can't make either test date can call the Madera County health department.

NEWSCAST MIDDAY, 1/29/03, LENGTH :23 SEC., LOCAL

A new report has found that an alarming number of California children are losing their state provided health insurance. The study found that more than 100 thousand children lost their coverage because of confusing enrollment rules. Some parents complained that the state lost their premium payments. One state lawmaker says he'll draft legislation to streamline the process.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 2/10/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

The California Highway Patrol kicked off a special campaign today designed to keep your family safe on the road. Local CHP officers joined valley health agencies to announce the start of national child passenger safety awareness week. Throughout the week, officers will be at different valley locations to make sure child safety seats are properly installed. They will also make sure parents are aware of new California laws regarding child seats.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 2/14/03, LENGTH 2:04 MIN., LOCAL

Like many other counties in the valley, Tulare has tried program after program to prevent teen pregnancies. Officials hope their latest effort will finally make a dent in what is a huge problem. Teenage parents know better than anyone the consequences of becoming a mother too soon. Finding out you're pregnant at 14 can be devastating. Research went into the creation of a program that shows that teen parents listen to their peers. There is a program called Keep your Freedom, Keep your Dreams, and it trains young parents to be public speakers. The program is a year old and with this class, has graduated 29 public speakers.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 2/18/03, LENGTH 3:40 MIN., LOCAL

A recent study of mostly farmworkers shows dust in Fresno County has dramatically affected their lungs. Action News reporter Gerrick Brenner reports it's a sign of how

valley air could be affecting everyone. A new study is shining some a light inside our lungs that breathe valley dust. Kent Pinkerton is director of the center for health and the environment at U.C. Davis. He's gathered over 100 sets of human lungs from Fresno County's coroner. All are from Hispanic men who lived at least 10 years in Fresno County and then died suddenly from car wrecks, work accidents, and other sudden causes. The state legislature will hold a special session on the rising rate of asthma among children.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/02/03, LENGTH 2:06 MIN., LOCAL

One scientist says multi-tasking is poisoning our lives. The number one cause of early death, he says, is toxic success. Paul Pearsall is a psychoneuron-immunologist, and author of the book Toxic Success. He says today's lifestyle destroys lives. When you're at work you want to be with your kids, and when you're with your kids you feel guilty because you're not at work. Pearsall calls this way of living a mass affection deficit disorder. Too busy to love, too tired to care. He says the solution is simple and that is to sit down, shut up and be where you are.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/10/03, LENGTH: 15 SEC., LOCAL

The effort to get more California kids covered by health insurance moved today to Fresno. More than one million children in the state don't have health insurance and it's called "the baby gap". Children's health experts stumped today in Fresno to draw attention to the problem.

NEWSCAST MIDDAY, 3/12/03, LENGTH 1:56 MIN., LOCAL

One in every eight children in the valley does not have health insurance, but now new evidence shows people without insurance may be at risk for more than severe financial hardship. As Jane Watrel reports, many doctors believe the uninsured have a greater chance of dying prematurely. Most people think emergency rooms are for treating sudden health crises. But as Doctor Susan Owens has seen, many uninsured patients end up in the ER because they have had to delay care that is long overdue.

UCP OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA: SMALL STEPS/BIG REWARDS, 3/30/02, LENGTH 1 HOUR. LOCAL

Featured United Cerebral Palsy of Central California and the people it serves. From the Hanford site, which has students from ages 0 to 3, to the Fresno site, which helps adults with disabilities, this show empowered viewers: showing them that just because people have disabilities, it doesn't mean they cannot contribute or be productive members of society. It showed viewers the caring and compassion of its staff members and how they help students become more independent. We learn how to get involved by donating money, time, etc to this worthy cause. We showcased the art and technology center, which helps people with disabilities learn skills, become creative and become more independent.

ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

1/25/03 7PM, 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

3/8/03 7PM, 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

Brings awareness to the St. Jude's Hospital program.

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VALLEY FOCUS, 1/12/03, 5:00AM & 10:30AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1, #2, & 3: Children's Hospital Central California: Health Related Issues of Children With Asthma: Guests from the hospital include Monica Dibble, Respiratory Therapists & Asthma Specialist & Lori Perry, Supervisor, Mobile Asthma Care Program. The subject was about bad air in the San Joaquin Valley and contributors included products of fireplace ash, agriculture, traffic and congestion. The combination can make it difficult to breathe, especially for kids with asthma. One out of six kids in the valley have this lung disease. A new study is underway locally, which may shed light on how to improve conditions of asthmatics and pinpoint what is causing the most damage. Smoke may be one of the reasons so many more kids have asthma. Researchers at U.S.C. targeted a group of children who are genetically susceptible to the effects of smoke and the group and it was larger than expected. Viewers can call CHCC for information on asthma classes and other general class information.

VALLEY FOCUS, 1/15/03, 10:30AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1 & #2: Central California Public Health Partnership: Multicultural Public Health Conference. We were joined by Brad Maggy, Assistant Director, Fresno Co. Community Health Dept & Dr. Benjamin Cueller, Dean, College of Health & Human Services of CSUF. They were here to talk about local health issues. The Central California Public Health Partnership is hosting a multicultural public health conference at the end of January. This one-day conference will address specific issues related to reducing health disparities in the public health sector. Guests will join other health care and social services professionals as you learn about regional planning and public health strategies.

VALLEY FOCUS, 03/02/03, 9:30AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1: Children's Hospital of Central California: Over Information on Lay-offs and Programs. We were joined by Dan Kimball, Director of Sustaining Funds, here to talk about the announced layoffs of hospital personal.

Segment #2: Children's Hospital of Central California: Kids Day. Last year Kids Day brought together volunteers from all over the valley to hit the streets with a special edition of the Fresno Bee benefiting Children's Hospital of Central California. More than



\$154,000 was raised in newspaper sales and more than 1.3 million dollars has been raised since the inception of Kids Day. For more information on volunteering, viewers can call or go to their website.

VALLEY FOCUS, 3/30/03, 9:30AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1, # 2, & #3: UCP of Central California: Small Steps, Big Rewards: We were joined by Melisha Hedrick, Director of Development-Foundation who was here to talk about the one hour special devoted to UCP and produced by ABC30. We heard about several stories that will be covered in the one-hour program that aired late that same day. The UCP Center in Hanford has been helping children since 1984. From birth to 3 years, kids with disabilities are making remarkable progress and overcoming obstacles. It's the caring, compassion and commitment that is changes lives everyday. The center provides more than physical therapy, it offers support to parents who oftentimes struggle with their own emotions. At the family resource center parents can get information, talk about their children and relax in a home-like setting.

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OPRAH, 1/08/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

Life as An Obese Person – They are victims of prejudice and discrimination. They are laughed at, ridiculed, and endlessly taunted. Oprah talked to several overweight individuals who hate to leave their homes, but bravely agreed to sit down for the cameras. They gave us a look inside their lives, share what it's really like to be fat, and explain how their obesity affects their lives, including how they are treated by other, how their families have contributed to their size, and how it affects their relationships.

OPRAH 2/03/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1HOUR SYDNICATION

Medical Miracles – On today's show, Oprah shares stories of amazing medical technology. From a contact lens that is giving sight to the blind, to a genius invention that stops stuttering, we'll tell you about some remarkable new medical advances that are changing millions of lives. Our cameras were there as one women, blind for years, actually got her sight back and how a master of disguise is helping people with severe burns and deformities get their looks back.

OPRAH, 2/10/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1HOUR SYNDICATION

Incredible Weight Loss Stories - Oprah welcomed some inspiring people who shared their encouraging stories of weight loss success. After years of struggling to shed the pounds, they finally found the courage and the commitment to do it, including one man who lost an almost unbelievable 560 pounds, and other weight loss stories.

OPRAH, 3/11/03, 4PM LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

Balance Your Energy/Balance Your Life – Oprah took a look at a new way to increase your energy. You can look better, feel better and live better. Find out how to end the exhaustion in your life when the experts explain their breakthrough idea to help you have more energy, more zest, and more life all day long, plus how to eat for peak performance.

HISPANICS TODAY, 2/23/03, 5:30AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

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Segment #3- Child Safety Seats – More than seventy percent of children who die in car crashes are not in approved car safety seats. Too many parents do not use child seats in cars, don't know how to properly install them, or place their children at risk by allowing them to ride in the front of the vehicle. These simple facts can mean life or death to a child and sadly, millions of children die each year because of a lack of education

**EMPLOYMENT**

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/02/03, LENGTH :20 SEC., LOCAL

With the state facing a 35-billion dollar deficit, the budget ax will soon strike city governments. New city council president Brad Castillo says they're in the best position to help trim the fat at city hall. He wants employees to come forward with ideas on how to cut costs before the city starts to cut jobs.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/05/03, LENGTH :15 SEC., LOCAL

California's economy will be the focus when Governor Gray Davis is inaugurated this midday. Davis enters his second term facing a nearly 35 billion-dollar deficit. It's likely he'll raise some taxes and issue cuts to close the budget gap. Davis is expected to focus on the need for new jobs in his "State of the State" address.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/06/03, LENGTH 1:17 SEC., LOCAL

House Democrats will unveil their economic stimulus plan. House minority leader Nancy Pelosi says it will create jobs and won't cost as much as President Bush's proposal to expand tax cuts. Mr. Bush is expected to announce his own package tomorrow.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/06/03, LENGTH 2:21 MIN., LOCAL

Nurses are becoming a rare breed. There are many reasons for the shortage. Nurses work twelve hour days, on their feet, enduring intense emotional and physical strain and their pay is a fraction of a physician's salary. Nurses make on average \$48,240 a year; less than a third that of doctors and little changed over the past decade. During that time, their work became more grueling. Their patients are older and sicker, needing more care. One study says a fifth of nurses are thinking about leaving their jobs within a year. Also contributing to the workload: hospitals are shortstaffed.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE 1/07/03, LENGTH: 22 SEC., LOCAL

Counselors at Fresno County's Workforce Connection say most valley residents prefer jobs with health benefits over those that pay well. Factory jobs are the most readily available.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 01/08/03, LENGTH 2:02 MIN., LOCAL

Just about every valley county has double-digit unemployment. We found a Fresno man who's unemployed and on top of that he's homeless. He and others are counting on the governor's promise to create new jobs. The governor hopes to create 500,000 new jobs in four years. He wants to fast track the construction of schools, housing and other projects funded by voter approved bond money. Some unemployed people say they'll believe it when they see it.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/14/03, LENGTH :21 SEC., LOCAL

As many as 35,000 people will lose their jobs in K-Mart's latest round of closings. The company announced it will close another 326 stores in 44 states. Last year, K-Mart shut down 283 locations. The company must close the stores while under bankruptcy protection. It will still operate about 1,500 outlets across the country. K-Mart will not close any stores in the Central Valley.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/15/03, LENGTH :22 SEC., LOCAL

A new business brings the promise of new jobs to a south valley community and they're sorely needed. Porterville has a population of more than 41,000. The unemployment rate for the city is 19.2 percent. That's even higher than the county's 16.2 percent, but the situation could be improving. Porterville city leaders say a new business is going to bring economic vitality to the area. Pro Forms says it hopes to initially employ 50 people and that number could eventually jump to 250.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/16/03, LENGTH :20 SEC., LOCAL

Librarians, school nurses, counselors, all jobs that some valley districts may cut due to budget problems. Teachers have been left off the chopping blocks until now. Visalia Unified says more than a dozen teachers could be let go. There are 32,000 students in the district and 1,250 teachers on staff with an annual budget of between 160 and 180 million dollars.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/27/03, LENGTH 2:11 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno County district attorney's office must cut eleven jobs within the department, including several investigators, and that's caused some to sound the alarm. The next day unit to lose investigators could be the welfare fraud unit, responsible for recovering \$4 million dollars in fraud a year. Supervisor Bob Waterston says the county is well aware of the importance of the district attorney's office and will do everything it can to save it

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/28/03, LENGTH :25 SEC., LOCAL

School districts all across the state are dealing with this budget crisis and in Visalia, it's no different. In fact, an entire department may close down and the people who work there may be laid off. These are the tough decisions and no superintendent likes to make

the choice to cut jobs to balance the books. All of the services that we provide for the kids, staff, the community, are services that have been well intentioned and have served the district well.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 1/29/03, LENGTH :27 SEC., LOCAL

ABC 30 Listens came to Porterville tonight, and we heard a lot about how the Eagle Mountain Casino has impacted the area. ABC-30 managers and members of our South Valley Bureau met with people at the Porterville library. The big concern in the community is getting more jobs. More will come with the current expansion of the nearby Indian casino. It has 600 workers now, and will add 75 more when its expansion is complete next summer. The casino has had a huge impact on the Tule River tribe.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 2/08/03, LENGTH :23 SEC., LOCAL

Thousands of people from across the valley gathered at Grizzlies Stadium in downtown Fresno and they were there in hopes of landing one of about 400 seasonal jobs. The openings were in several departments, including: security, merchandise, housekeeping, and concessions. The Grizzlies also have a job information line, that number is 320-2575.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 2/12/03, LENGTH :38 SEC., LOCAL

Dozens of workers at Children's Hospital in Madera will soon lose their jobs. It's part of a number of cost cutting measures announced by the facility this morning. Hospital officials say they're closing the urgent care centers in Clovis and Fresno, along with a cardiology center in Bakersfield. About 100 employees, including some doctors, will be affected by the cuts. Children's Hospital CEO William Haug says the cuts must be made in order to protect the long-term health of the hospital.

NEWSCAST MIDDAY, 2/18/03, LENGTH :18 SEC., LOCAL

Seven Fresno Unified Administrators will lose their jobs as the district prepares for state budget cuts. Superintendent Santiago Wood laid out a budget plan last night. It would spare programs, but also prepare for the loss of 25 million dollars in state funds with cuts at the top level.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 2/23/03, LENGTH 2:27 SEC., LOCAL

During the Ask The Mayor program, topics ranged from gangs to graffiti, to garbage pick-up, but viewers had tough questions about a fire that's been out for almost two weeks. Mayor Autry said the long-term solution is beating back Fresno's 15 percent unemployment rate, creating jobs, and growing the tax base.

NEWSCAST 6PM. 2/26/03, LENGTH :19 SEC., LOCAL

The district must send out layoff notices by March 15th. The district has told the union to decide whether to raise benefit costs or sacrifice jobs by then.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE 2/27/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

Fresno Unified is sending layoff notices to over 800 employees and cutting millions in programs. But school officials say they hope they won't have to actually follow through.

The cuts are to help solve a 40 million dollar budget deficit. Fresno Unified says it wants to keep the cuts away from classrooms. But it can't do that without help from employees. Their benefits will cost 80 million dollars next year. The district says if each teacher and staff pitched in another 90 dollars a month, some jobs and programs could be spared.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 2/27/03, LENGTH 1:56 MIN., LOCAL

Clovis Unified school district has to cut about three million dollars. But it is doing everything to avoid a large teacher layoff. Officials say it's all in the planning. Clovis Unified has 34,000 students and a budget of 230 million dollars. And now, like many districts across the valley, it faces budget cuts.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/06/03, LENGTH :33 SEC., LOCAL

Fresno Mayor Alan Autry has announced a new plan, to try and curb the high unemployment rate in the valley and he unveiled the key components this morning, acknowledging that 15 percent unemployment or anything similar is unacceptable. Second component is to set goals, and plan to reduce that number, and the first step is 25,000 new jobs in the next five years. Mayor Autry says a summit meeting will be held in September to pool resources, and get the plan moving.

NEWSCAST 6PM, 3/10/03, LENGTH :26 SEC., LOCAL

The budget crisis is forcing a local iron foundry to close for good. Kearney Iron in southeast Fresno has been in business for more than 30 years. Twenty-six employees were told they were losing their jobs in two weeks. The Kearney Iron foundry makes castings for ag, food processing and auto parts. Kearney's co-owner says many factors led to the painful decision to close for good.

NEWSCAST MIDDAY, 3/14/03, LENGTH :22 SEC., LOCAL

In equal jobs, women still earn less than men, but according to new analysis by the US Census Bureau, women are gaining ground and even surpassing men in key areas. Women's wages. The number of women getting college degrees... Voting at the polls, and participation in the country's workforce all are climbing relative to men.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/20/03, LENGTH :30 SEC., LOCAL

War is emotional for the families of those called to active duty. It can also be stressful. Families often see incomes cut in half and benefits lost. But there are some protections. Large companies like Pfizer and IBM pay the difference between guard and reservist pay and employee pay. Small businesses can rarely afford to do that. But law for those called to active duty protects jobs. They have access to lower interest rates on loans and mortgages and they're protected from legal action and eviction.

HISPANICS TODAY, 3/2/03, 5:30AM & 4:30PM, LENGTH :30 MIN.,  
SYNDICATION

President Bush's Economic Plan - U.S. Secretary of Labor, Elaine Chao, recently met with Hispanic business leaders in New York City to address issues including unemployment, taxes and federal deficit.

**CONSUMER WATCH**

NEWSCAST 6PM, 1/22/03, LENGTH 2:47 MIN., LOCAL

The telephone is a handy tool for con artists. A valley mother and son found that out recently after they almost became victims of phone fraud. It's probably the time you dread the most each month, bill paying time. Lots of folks are trying online bill paying to dump the paperwork and gain some convenience. At the same time, more people complain that the "e" in 'e-payments' doesn't stand for "electronic" but for "error". Consumer advocates advise using online bill paying only for things that usually remain constant from month to month, like your mortgage, insurance or rental payments.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/20/03, LENGTH 2:29 MIN., LOCAL

All over the country families are snapping up wireless video cameras to use as "nanny cams" an extra set of eyes that offer peace of mind. But those cameras are an open window for eavesdroppers. Predators or even thieves can easily peer into homes or businesses and see who and what is inside. Most wireless cameras and receivers cost under a hundred dollars. For about twice that much money. You can buy a system that's encrypted meaning a more secure link between the camera and the receiver.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/31/03, LENGTH 2:29 MIN., LOCAL

Long-distance phone rates are heading up. AT&T has raised its prices. So have MCI and Sprint. Rates for local service are also going up. If your family's communication costs are soaring, tonight's consumer report can help. If you have a cell phone plan, take advantage of the free long-distance minutes on nights and weekends.

NEWSCAST 5PM, 1/31/03, LENGTH 1:35 MIN., LOCAL

It's found in many foods, but it's not listed in the nutrition facts on the package. That's one of the reasons some health experts refer to trans fat as "stealth fat." Consumer Reports says there's evidence trans fat is even worse for your heart than saturated fat. Consumer Reports found Nabisco wheat thins, which boasts "no cholesterol" contains two grams of trans fat per serving. I Can't Believe It's Not Butter also has two grams of trans fat per tablespoon. And Kellogg's Cracklin' Oat Bran cereal has one-and-a-half grams per serving. Until trans fat labeling is required, Consumer Reports say the best you can do is check the ingredients list. Look for oils that are partially hydrogenated.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 02/19/03, LENGTH 2:43PM, LOCAL

Action News Consumer Watch reporter Chad Pradelli looks at a new device called the "Tele-Zapper", and tells you if it really works. The majority of telemarketing calls are

computer dialed at random. When you answer your phone, the computer connects you to a live telemarketer. The Tele-Zapper supposedly deletes your number from the telemarketers' computer system to prevent future calls.

NEWSCAST 1/31/03, LENGTH 2:06 MIN., LOCAL

Over the last few years, herbs have been a hot commodity. Grocery store managers are filling up their shelves with them and of course, you have the health food stores which seemingly have every herb known to man, but taking them is not always safe. They can be dangerous when mixed with other drugs. If you're on a prescription medication, before getting an herbal remedy, check with your doctor.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 3/04/03, 2:02 MIN., LOCAL

There's a new breed of sport utility vehicle now on the road that tackles concerns about safety and poor gas mileage. Action News consumer reporter Chad Pradelli has the results of recent tests by the auto engineers of "Consumer Reports". All the automakers now have car-based SUVs, from Ford, General Motors to the Japanese and European import brands. Consumer Reports has tested almost 20 of these car-based SUVs at its test facility in Connecticut. Director of auto test David Champion says they have a lot of the appeal of traditional SUVs. Car-based SUVs can't handle serious off-roading, like this truck-based SUV, but they're good in wet or snowy conditions. They also have some of the benefits of regular cars, like a comfortable ride and good handling. Their design may also make them safer. So if you're considering a SUV, Consumer Reports say car-based SUVs offer distinct advantages over their truck-based predecessors.

NEWSCAST 2/03/03, LENGTH 2:20 MIN., LOCAL

Wars have been fought over it, and it's the fastest growing segment of the beverage industry in the United States. Tea is increasingly popular, but there are many brands. In this Consumer Watch report, the teas are put to the test. This tea store in New York City's Chinatown has a lot of different teas to choose from. There's black tea, oolong tea, and green tea. Americans are realizing what eastern cultures have known for thousands of years - tea is good for you. Green tea has generated more buzz than other kinds, and you'll now find it in supermarkets and health food stores. Consumer Reports just looked at 19 green teas to find the tastiest. Testers looked at loose tea, which can be brewed using strainers, as well as teas that come already bagged.

NEWSCAST AM LIVE, 1/13/03, LENGTH :17 SEC., LOCAL

They're intrusive & unwanted few things entice the kind of backlash associated with online pop-ups. A new technology breakthrough means you may have more control over what does and doesn't make it onto your computer screen.

NEWSCAST 3/03/03, LENGTH 1:42 MIN., LOCAL

Remember when calling directory assistance didn't cost a thing? Now you have to pay, and those charges can really add up. Action News Consumer Reporter Chad Pradelli says there is ways to find the number you want and not spend a dime. Mari McQueen, who investigates telecommunication issues for Consumer Reports, says calls you make from home to directory assistance can really add up, too. Dialing directory assistance at 555-

1212 can cost a dollar or two per call and many local carriers are charging for 411. Consumer Reports' employees are now using Internet phone directories. It's meant big savings there and could mean big savings at your home, too.

NEWSCAST 11PM, 3/25/03, LENGTH 2:13 MIN., LOCAL

From home sales to consumer spending, throughout the economy, there are signs that people are pulling back, bracing for how this war might affect their pocketbooks. What should be the height of the dinner rush hour at the Mediterranean corner restaurant in Clovis, tonight, like many other nights since the war started in Iraq, the customers are few and far between. Consumer confidence dropped for the fourth consecutive month in March, driven lower by worries about the economy and the war in Iraq. The consumer confidence index fell from 64.8 in February to 62.5 in March, the lowest it's been since October 1993 as the country was slowly recovering from the 1991 recession. Consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of U.S. economic activity. The big concern is that a prolonged war, mounting casualties or another terrorist attack could prompt shoppers, to pull back, sending the economy back into recession.

OPRAH, 1/10/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

What Can You Really Afford – This show talked to viewers who need help determining how much they can spend, and how much debt they can afford, based on their current income levels. We'll share our best advice on how to spend your money more wisely.

OPRAH, 2/12/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR SYNDICATION

Only the Best – We took viewers behind the scenes of “Consumer Reports”, the non-profit organization that tests everything from popcorn to dishwashers, and a rare look into their secret testing fortress.

HISPANICS TODAY, 2/2/03, 5:30AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

HISPANICS TODAY, 3/16/03, 5:30AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

Segment #1- Diversity Marketing – One key market that auto manufacturers like General Motors Corporation hope to attract is the Hispanic market. Facts reveal that Hispanic consumer buy 8% of the new vehicles purchased in the U.S.

HISPANICS TODAY, 2/2/03, 5:30AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

Segment #4- Jackson Hewitt Tax Service Presents Top Ten Tax Tips 2003.

The Tax professionals at Jackson Hewitt Tax service have prepared a helpful solution to tax woes, giving advice on numerous subjects from how to avoid mistakes on your W-2 form to what new deductions you may be able to claim.



## MISCELLANIANCE

### WE HAVE A DREAM, 2/16/03, 4PM, 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

This one hour unhosted Magazine special profiles inspirational African Americans who have achieved the American Dream by succeeding in the fields of entertainment, business, science, and the arts and humanities.

### NON- AIR FORUM: 1/29/03

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### VALLEY FOCUS, 3/ 30/03, 9:30AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #4: West Fresno Coalition For Economic Development: We were joined by Keith Kelly, Executive Director here to talk about a special study by The West Fresno Coalition for Economic Development is holding a crucial community vision and planning event called "Charrette." It started Friday and will continue through tomorrow.

### OPRAH, 1/07/03, 4:00PM LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

The Secret Thoughts of Fathers – This show had insightful conversation about a side of fatherhood that's rarely discussed. Oprah talked with dads who shared their secret thoughts about the complexities and frustrations of fatherhood. From finding a balance between work and family life, to learning how to be the dad they really want to be.

### OPRAH, 1/19/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR, SYNDICATION

Mothers Respond To The Secret Thoughts of Fathers – Recently, Oprah talked to dads who shared their secret thoughts about the complexities and frustrations of fatherhood. On this show, mothers respond to some of the statements that were made on the previous program. We also shared some suggestions on how to keep the lines of communication open with your own spouse.

### OPRAH, 1/20/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR SYNDICATION

The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. – As America faces terrorism, violence and hatred, the ideas, beliefs, and actions of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. take on a whole new significance. His words are just as powerful now as they were 40 years ago. Coretta King shared some memories of her husband. We also hear the haunting words he spoke the night before he was assassinated.

OPRAH, 1/21/03, 4PM, LENGTH 1 HOUR SYNDICATION

The Two Towns of Jasper – When James Byrd Jr., an African – American, was chained to a pick-up truck and dragged to his death by three white men, the town of Jasper, Texas was forever changed and the news of this vicious murder shocked the nation. Oprah

HISPANICS TODAY, 1/19/03, 11AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

Segment #3- Colonel Sam Calderon- Why does America seem to ignore the contributions of Hispanic men and women to the victories this country has had since World War II. We meet Colonel Sam Calderon of the American G.I. Forum, an organization whose mission is to take a stand for the rights of Hispanic war veterans, as we find out about an upcoming multi-media project to pay tribute to Hispanic military

HISPANICS TODAY, 2/16/03, 5:30AM, LENGTH :30 MIN., SYNDICATION

Segment #2- Parent Power: Padres Promotores de la Educacion – Educating our children from instilling the thirst for knowledge, navigate the system and build marketable skills. One program in Santa Ana, Ca is training Latino parents how to tackle these issues not only for themselves, but also to provide the answer to parents in their own community.

**ACTION NEWS COMMUNITY CALENDAR**  
**:30 SECOND AIRING DURING 6AM, 11AM, 6PM NEWS**

1/1/03-1/3/03

Kaiser Permanente/Children's Hospitals: Boot Camp For Dads  
Central Valley Bridal Association: Winter Bridal Showcase  
Millerton Lake: Bald Eagle Tours

1/7/03-1/10/03

Arts Visalia Bon Voyage Reception: Sofa Arts Goes "Round The World"  
Fresno Dixieland Society: Port City Jazz Band  
The Tule and Mineral Society: Jamboree 2003

1/14/03-1/17/03

Central Library: Job Search Class  
Tower Theatre: The Stars Return  
Clovis Area Recreation: Youth Indoor Soccer

1/21/03-1/24/03

Roosevelt High School: The Three Musketeers  
University Medical Center: Child Safety Seat Program  
Reedley High: Maynard Ferguson in Concert

1/28/03-1/31/03

Fresno's Chinatown: Chinese New Year's Parade  
University High School CSU Fresno: Open House  
Immanuel High School: A Winter's Eve

2/04/03-2/07/03

Porterville Community Doll Club: Valentine Doll Show and Sale  
San Joaquin Clay Association: Art Under The Arbor  
Citrus Donation Day: Plant A Row For The Hungry

2/11/03-2/14-03

Downtown Fresno: YMCA Youth Basketball  
Encore Theatre Company: Little Women  
Clovis Veteran's Memorial: Valentine Dinner Dance

2/17/03-2/21/03

Couples Conference: North side Christian Church  
Selma Branch Library: Antique Appraisal Clinic  
Hispanic Economic Development Agency: Leadership Through Education Conference

2/24/03-2/25/03

Fresno Art Museum: An Evening In Monte Carlo: Carnival  
Tulare Community Auditorium: Tulare Union High "Fame"  
American Red Cross: CPR on Saturdays

3/04/03-3/07/03

Veterans Memorial Auditorium: Season's Dance: The Fresno Ballet  
Sun Maid Kennel Club: AKC Dog show  
Tulare and Kings County: Teacher Recruitment Fair

3/10/03-3/14/03

Fresno Philatelic Society: Stamp Show  
Hoover Event Center: Celebrity Basketball Game: Raiders Vs CVYMCA All-Stars  
Knights of Columbus: Crab Feed

3/17/03-3/20/03

Central California Ballet: Cinderella  
Old Town Clovis: Antique and Collectible Fair  
Radio Bilingual: Mariachi Festival

3/25/03-3/28/03

Merced County Office of Education: Teacher Recruitment Fair  
Fresno City College: Career and Education Conference  
Fowler Spring Fest Chili Cook-off

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:30 TREE: LEMONADE  
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:30 AD FED/DO THE ZOO/KANGAROO  
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:30 CHILDREN HOSPITALS: KIDS DAY  
:30 AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY: DAFFODIL DAYS  
:30 VIVA EL MARIACHI FESTIVAL/WORKSHOPS  
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