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## WOGG COMMUNITY ISSUES 2Q 2015

**GOVERNMENT** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The City of Jeannette Fire Department is asking residents to be vigilant after a second small explosive was recently discovered. In a statement on their Facebook page, the department says a plastic bottle with a suspicious substance was found by city garbage collectors on South Seventh Street yesterday morning.

**ECONOMY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Paychecks are getting bigger for thousands of Walmart workers today. The world's biggest retailer is beginning a pay raise to nine dollars an hour for its lowest-paid workers.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A teen is in police custody following a traffic stop in Washington County. Authorities stopped a vehicle in Washington City last night for a registration violation. After getting consent to search the vehicle, authorities found half a pound of marijuana.

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**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The Jeannette High School student accused of killing a classmate in Westmoreland County then allegedly taking a selfie with the dead body, is going to trial. Maxwell Morton was in court for his preliminary hearing yesterday.

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A fire that tore through a restaurant and bar in Jefferson Hills is under investigation. No one was in the building when the three-alarm fire erupted at the Old Large Hotel around 3 a.m. Wednesday. There was even a two-hour delay for the West Jefferson Hills School District.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Washington man is facing drug and gun charges after a raid on his Canton Township motel room. Police served a search warrant at the Red Roof Inn last week and found two rifles, a shotgun, a revolver, a stolen pistol, ammunition and heroin in Richard Watts' room. Watts has a previous felony conviction and is not allowed to have a firearm.

4/3/15

CRIM E

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A standoff in Smithfield is over. Police were engaged in a two-hour standoff with a Fayette County man who was allegedly threatening to shoot family members. Kenneth Ernest Warman was taken into custody without incident on Main Street in Smithfield yesterday afternoon.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Clairton Police are looking for a man who went missing earlier this week. Leonard Jones went missing from the United Hands Personal Care Home on Mitchell Avenue Wednesday evening. Jones has been without his medication for days.

**CRIME** 

Donora couple is facing charges after their children were found in deplorable conditions. Kristy Thompson and Christopher David were arrested Wednesday and the children, who are between two and ten-years-old, are with child protective services. The couple's McKean Avenue home was full of dog feces, garbage, used stamp bags and syringes.

4/6/15

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A family is displaced following a house fire in Westmoreland County. The fire started yesterday morning at a home on Wardentown Road in East Huntingdon Township. It took firefighters several hours to put out the blaze. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Authorities are investigating a fire in McKeesport. The fire started yesterday evening inside a building on Wesley Street. No injuries were reported

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SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Monessen police officer is undergoing testing after getting stuck with a hypodermic needle during a drug arrest. A car pulled into the BP station on Grand Boulevard last week and sat at the pumps for a several minutes with no activity. Police questioned the driver, and a search of the vehicle found multiple bags of heroin. The officer was stuck with the needle while executing the search.

4/7

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A West Virginia attorney is looking for volunteers who live near the former U.S. Steel plant in Donora. Attorney Michael Jacks has been researching the history of the plant's zinc spelter furnace and needs up to 20 people, who live within a mile of where the plant was located, to allow testing on their homes and soil.

AGRICULTURE WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The Greene County Conservation District is holding two free workshops for local farmers. The sessions will cover manure management plans and will be held at the 4-H Building at the Greene County Fairgrounds. The first workshop will be held on April 16th and the second on April 20th. The final day to register is Thursday. Go to <a href="http://www.co.greene.pa.us/www.co.greene.pa.us/">http://www.co.greene.pa.us/www.co.greene.pa.us/</a>

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A retired Fayette County district judge is going to be on probation for 18 months. Dwight Shaner pleaded guilty yesterday in Harrisburg to a misdemeanor charge of hindering apprehension. He was accused of "fixing" a drunken-driving case for the nephew of a former assistant district attorney

4/8 SAFETY

A Fayette City man is dead following a car accident in Perry Township. The crash happened on Barney's Road around four o'clock yesterday afternoon. Eighty-one-year-old Herold Lester failed to negotiate a turn and struck a fence before going into a ditch.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Westmoreland County are looking for whoever is responsible for stealing catalytic converters off several parked vehicles. Catalytic converters were cut off cars in the Westmoreland Mall movie theatre parking lot, on Route 22 in Derry Township, and outside a home in Salem Township over the past several days.

GOVERNMENT

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

President Obama's executive action on immigration is being held up by a Texas federal judge. On Tuesday, District Judge Andrew Hanen denied a request by the Obama administration to implement executive action on immigration

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**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A reported alligator sighting in the Monongahela River is being investigated. A man says he saw what he believed to be an alligator around midnight Wednesday in the Belle Vernon area. The Coast Guard and Pittsburgh Zoo officials are assisting police in the investigation.

**EDUCATION** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The Connellsville Area School District is getting a new business manager. The board unanimously voted to approve the hiring of Philip Martell. Martell currently works in the same position in the Wilkinsburg School District.

GOVERNMENT

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The mayor of North Charleston, South Carolina says the city is ordering body cameras for all of its police after an officer was charged with murder in the death of an unarmed black man.

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PUBLIC INTEREST

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The music director at Connellsville Area Senior High School has died. Henry Molinaro passed away at the age of 58, after a battle with cancer. The report says Molinaro has produced and directed the high school musical for the past nine years.

CRIME

A Plum High School teacher awaiting trial is being allowed to remain free. A judge made the ruling today in the case of the 38-year-old man who's accused of having sex with a student. Allegheny County prosecutors wanted his bail revoked after he tried to contact the alleged victim's best friend.

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Parts of the central U.S. look like a war zone this morning after a string of tornadoes tore through the region. One person was killed when a huge tornado touched down in Fairdale, Illinois.

4/13

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Authorities are investigating a house fire in Westmoreland County. The fire started on the back porch of a house n Hancock Avenue in Vandergrift. No one was home when the fire started.

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A West Virginia teenager is dead after an ATV accident in Washington County. Eighteen-year-old Chase Crow reportedly wrecked the vehicle yesterday on Bartleyville Road. He stopped breathing at the scene and was Pronounced dead a short time later.

**POLITICS** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Now that she's officially in the race for president, Hillary Clinton is on her way to lowa. The Tuesday visit to the important primary battleground state will be the first official campaign stop in her bid to take the White House in 2016

4/14

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A man is behind bars after police say he tried to lure an eleven-year-old girl into his SUV in Plum. Charles Mallory Jr. pulled up next to the girl who was walking on McAllister Drive near Sardis Road on Sunday and started yelling at her to get in his car. The girl ran away and called 9-1-1.

**POLITICS** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Two people are running for the Democratic nomination for Fayette County controller. They are Scott Abraham and Joby Palumbo. Abraham is a Fairchance councilman and has several years as a financial planner, while Palumbo is a Uniontown councilman and is a teacher in the Laurel Highlands School District.

POLITICS

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Florida Senator Marco Rubio is running for president. The Republican launched his White House bid during a rally in Miami yesterday.

4/15

Pennsylvania Crime Stoppers is offering a reward for information leading to an arrest in a reported rape in Cross Creek County Park. The 17-year-old victim told police she met the suspect online and arranged to see him at the park last week. When she got there, he reportedly hit her in the head, dragged her into the woods and raped her.

**ECONOMY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Greensburg is welcoming a new student housing project. City Council approved a decision Monday that will allow the 27-unit residence to be built on College Avenue. The building will house 58 students and is expected to open by August.

**TECHNOLOGY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Apple is buying an Israeli camera technology company. The "Wall Street Journal" is reporting the deal to buy LinX Computational Imaging is for about 20-million dollars.

4/16

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Heroin packets stamped with the word "predator" and a photo of a shark are being analyzed. Police say the packets were found at the scene of some overdoses. There was one death among several overdoses in the city Tuesday. A police commander says it's hard to predict if the heroin is more potent or if it's laced with something else.

GOVERNMENT

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Pennsylvania is ranked 31st for return on taxpayer investments. The WalletHub.com survey of states includes infrastructure, education, health, safety, economy and pollution.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Aaron Hernandez is likely to spend the rest of his life in prison after being found guilty of murder. A Massachusetts judge did the expected yesterday, setting the mandatory sentence for the former New England Patriots star

SAFETY

**WOGG OLIVER** 

The body of the man who fell into the water at Ohiopyle State Park in Fayette County, has been found. The body of Michael Davila Jr. was pulled from the Youghiogheny River late yesterday afternoon about five miles downstream from where he fell in.

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A second grader is in critical condition after she was hit by a school van while walking home from school. It happened on Arlington Avenue yesterday afternoon. Several reports say the girl's mother was walking to meet her daughter, and witnessed the entire accident unfold.

**GOVERNMENT** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The Obama administration is asking a federal appeals court today to overturn a preliminary injunction issued by a Texas judge against the President's immigration plan.

4/20

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A section of Second Street in Smithton could be shut down as early as today, as crews work to repair a landslide. The affected area will be between Smithfield Street and Fitz Henry Road. PennDOT says the work is expected to last through May 15th.

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Two pedestrians are injured, at least one critically, following an accident in Duquesne. A vehicle hit two people near the intersection of Route 837 and Commonwealth Avenue late Saturday night.

CRIME

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A person carrying what authorities described as a suspicious package is under arrest after scaling the White House fence last night. The intruder was reportedly able to clear the nearly eight-foot fence and landed on the South Lawn.

4/21

**HEALTH** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A suspected heroin overdose left one woman dead inside a restaurant in Washington County. Authorities responded to the Long John Silver's/ A&W fast food restaurant in South Strabane Township Sunday afternoon.

CRIME

Authorities are trying to find the woman who police say robbed a Walmart in East Huntingdon Township. Surveillance footage shows the woman walking around the store putting items in her cart and then crossing them off her list. She then allegedly walked out of the store and used her shopping cart like a getaway car.

**MILIOTARY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The U.S. Navy has an aircraft carrier and a guided missile destroyer off the coast of Yemen. The carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt and missile destroyer USS Normandy are there reportedly to block weapon shipments from Iran to Shiite rebels in Yemen

4/22

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

There's tighter security at South Park Middle School. A letter containing a credible threat was discovered Monday. A search of the building found nothing unusual. Students' belongings were checked this morning as they entered the building.

PUBLIC INTEREST

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Some students at McGuffey High School in Claysville are supporting their lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender classmates. They rallied Monday in response to so-called "Anti-Gay Days" staged by other students last week. The McGuffey School District superintendent says accusations of harassment that surfaced last week are being investigated.

**ECONOMY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Data released by the government shows the Lone Star State led the nation in job losses with over 25-thousand. Texas saw job declines mostly in the gas and oil industry, and the effects of low oil prices have spread to other industries.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Six people are under arrest for allegedly traveling to Syria to support the terrorist group ISIS over the past year. Federal officials announced late Sunday that they had busted the suspects during a terrorism probe in San Diego, California and Minneapolis

4/23

**CRIME** 

An apparent murder-suicide in Washington County is being checked out. Authorities went to a home on Lakeview Drive in Bentleyville to check on a couple after a care giver said she hadn't heard from them. When they arrived on scene, they found Carmine and Caryn Verno dead from gunshot wounds to the head.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Another teacher from the Plum Borough School District is facing charges. Drew Zoldak is charged with intimidating a witness. He allegedly pointed out a victim in his class. This comes following an investigation into allegations that some teachers at the high school had inappropriate relationships with students.

LEGAL ISSUES

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The family of an unarmed black teenager killed by a police officer in Ferguson, Missouri is filing a lawsuit today. Lawyers for the family of Michael Brown say family members will announce the suit at the St. Louis County Courthouse.

4/24

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Everyone is safe after escaping from a burning tour bus in Washington County. It happened around 6:30 Thursday morning on I-70 near Buffalo Township. The passengers were middle school students and some parents from a school in LaGrange, Kentucky. They were headed home from a field trip to Washington, D.C., and New York City.

HEALTH

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

\An investigation is underway after a patient died Wednesday from Legionnaires' disease at the VA hospital in Oakland. A spokeswoman for the Veterans Affairs Pittsburgh Healthcare System says the man had pneumonia when he arrived on Monday. She says it's likely a community-acquired case, not tied to the VA.

**ECONOMY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

First-time claims for unemployment benefits are up slightly. This morning's report from the Labor Department shows 295-thousand people filing claims last week.

4/27

SAFETY

A teenager is dead after crashing his car into a house in Hempfield Township. Nineteen-year-old Aaron Koring was on Skidmore Road early Saturday morning when he lost control and hit the concrete porch of the home. He died of blunt force trauma to the head and neck.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Two Hempfield Area High School students are facing charges of sending sexually explicit pictures to each other. The exchange involved a 14-year-old girl and a 16-year-old boy and did not happen on school grounds. Both will be charged with transmitting sexually explicit images.

**HEALTH** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Rescue workers in Nepal are near collapse from working non-stop after a massive earthquake struck over the weekend. More than 33-hundred people are dead and more than six-thousand are injured

4/28

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Police have seized four thousand dollars' worth of heroin following a drug bust in Westmoreland County. Authorities searched an apartment on Fifth Avenue in Arnold and found several bricks of heroin, over four thousand dollars in cash, a couple hundred prescription pills and the drug K2.

**PUBIC INTEREST** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A woman who says she didn't know she was pregnant is now the mother to a brand new baby boy. She gave birth to the baby in a car in the Wendy's parking lot on Browns Hill Road in Hazelwood yesterday morning. Paramedics were called in and took the two to the hospital.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

After a day and night of unrest in Baltimore the family of Freddie Gray is calling for an end to the violence. Fredericka Gray says her twin brother would not have wanted it this way.

4/29

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

New security measures are in place at the Fayette County courthouse following the theft of a handgun that was later used in a suicide. The gun was recovered at the victim's residence after his death earlier this month.

**CRIME** 

A convicted sex offender is back behind bars after allegedly exposing himself to children who were riding on a school bus. The bus driver and several Uniontown elementary school students saw Richard Harbaugh standing in his window completely naked three days in a row last week.

PUBLIC INTEREST

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The NFL is giving up its tax-exempt status. The "Sports Business Journal" reports the league will change its status to taxable after being granted exempt status nearly 50 years ago in 1966. The NFL faces a good amount of criticism for being a tax-exempt organization

4/30

**JOBS** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Pittsburgh-based U.S. Steel expects to lay off more workers this year. The company's CEO says the job cuts are needed to reduce costs due to a drop in demand for steel. The company has laid off 28-hundred people at its plants in North America since the beginning of the year. U.S. Steel has notified nine-thousand employees warning they could be laid off.

CRIME

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Burgettstown man is facing charges after allegedly selling heroin to an undercover informant. John Boyer was arrested yesterday for the 2014 sales. The informant allegedly bought 20 stamp bags of heroin from Boyer last May during two transactions.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Tempers are growing short in Nepal days after a devastating earthquake left thousands without food and shelter. Angry villagers blocked trucks carrying supplies to victims Wednesday as they demand more aid from the government.

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**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The discovery of a weapons stash in Westmoreland county is being investigated. About 60 guns, knives, bayonets and swords were discovered Tuesday in an abandoned house in Laurel Mountain Township. The stash was found when officers responded to a reported break-in and located five kids who'd broken into the house and taken some of the weapons.

**CRIME** 

A Fayette County man is facing charges in connection with a deadly car accident in South Union Township. Thomas Adams Rich was arraigned yesterday on several charges including homicide by vehicle. Authorities accused Rich of texting while driving right before slamming into Brian Humbert's motorcycle, killing him.

PUBLIC INTEREST

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Today is May Day. Events on the day also known as International Workers Day often call attention to the working class and minorities and this May Day is focusing on Freddie Gray.

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**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Canonsburg man is going to prison for having inappropriate contact with a child. Raymond Shook pleaded guilty last week and received a two- to four-year sentence. Shook touched the child inappropriately multiple times between 2002 and 2006, beginning when she was just six-years-old. Shook will also have to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A man is facing multiple charges after a police chase in Washington. Officers attempted to stop Martel Johnson on Allison Avenue Friday because they knew he was wanted on drug charges. Johnson took off at a high rate of speed and crashed into a garage on Woodland Avenue before jumping out of the car and running. Police caught him a short time later.

TERRORISM

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

There are reports this morning that ISIS is claiming responsibility for the attack on an anti-Muslim event in Texas.

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BUSINESS

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Washington Health System is buying Southwest Regional Medical Center. The sale was announced yesterday although the financial specifics were not released. The company says it will maintain services at Southwest Regional and honor existing union contracts. The transaction will provide Greene County with more convenient access to a wider range of services and providers.

**CRIME** 

A man is facing charges for allegedly having a sexual relationship with a teenager. Christopher Sieradzki was arrested Friday for having sex with the 14-year-old North Strabane girl in 2012. Sieradzki allegedly told police he was drinking the first time they had contact and doesn't remember, but officers say it happened multiple times.

**ECONOMY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The average price of a new car is on the rise. That's according to new data from Kelley Blue Book. For the month of April, the price of a new car rose to just over 33-thousand dollars

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**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Autopsy results have been released in the death of a Ligonier Township police officer. The Westmoreland County Coroner announced last night that Lieutenant Eric Eslary died of blunt force trauma to the head, chest and extremities. Eslary died in a wrong-way collision on Route 30 in front of Idlewild Park Tuesday morning.

**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

An 18-year-old man was killed yesterday in Washington County. Robert Kovalcik died at the hospital shortly after crashing his car into a building in Monongahela. The coroner says he died from blunt force trauma to the head and trunk.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Attorney General Loretta Lynch says the federal investigation into Freddy Gray's death will take some time to conclude. Meanwhile, Lynch says the Justice Department is committed to helping Baltimore rebuild from a week of unrest.

5/7

PIBLIC INTEREST

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Officials with the Pennsylvania Turnpike are apologizing after the police processional carrying fallen Ligonier Township officer Lieutenant Eric Eslary were told they were not allowed to use the Turnpike toll free.

PUBLIC INTEREST

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The funeral for a Ligonier Township police officer is on Saturday. Lieutenant Eric Eslary was killed in a head-on crash early Monday morning. Visiting hours at the McCracken Funeral Chapel in Ligonier are Friday from 2-to-4 p.m. and 7-to-9 p.m. The funeral service is Saturday at 11 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Ligonier.

SAFETY

WOGG

OLIVER

15 SECS

Oklahoma is dealing with the one-two punch of tornadoes followed by heavy rains that caused flash flooding. At least one person died in the flooding that hit Oklahoma City on Wednesday and about 13 injuries were reported.

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SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

More details about an accident that killed a Ligonier Township police officer. Lieutenant Eric Eslary's patrol SUV collided with a van on Route 30 early Tuesday. The men in the van had been drinking beer before the accident. Clair Fink and Derek Gifford allegedly had almost an 18-pack before they got on Route 30 going the wrong way and hit Eslary. Gifford has been released from the hospital, Fink is not doing well.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

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TRANSPORTATION WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The Fayette County Airport Authority is asking for advanced funding for the construction of its new two million dollar hangar project at the Joseph A. Hardy Connellsville Airport. The money will be used as a loan to help pay for preliminary engineering costs until their grant is received

**CRIME** 

## WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Police are investigating a deadly shooting at an auto parts store in Rostraver. Someone walked into Minniti Motor Sports along Tri County Lane yesterday and shot Drew Molinari multiple times. Initial reports suggest the gunman targeted Molinari but police say it is too soon to speculate on the motive.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Pittsburgh man is awaiting sentencing after being found guilty of killing his ex-girlfriend. A Washington County jury yesterday convicted Jordan Clemons of homicide, assault and related counts. Officials say he slit Karissa Kunco's throat and then tried to hide her naked body in the woods in Mt. Pleasant in 2012.

5/13

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A missing Lower Burrell woman has been found dead. Eighty-six-year-old Sheila Creevey was found early yesterday in a neighbor's pickup truck. The coroner says Creevey, who was recently diagnosed with dementia, died of natural causes. She had been missing since Friday.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Police are investigating an accident that killed a Connellsville man. An Abel Brothers truck, carrying a New York police bomb squad unit, crashed into Gregory Detar's SUV yesterday on Route 31 in Bullskin Township. Detar J

**JOBS** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A new report is showing that job openings were down in March. That's according to the latest figures from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, which put the number of jobs added for March at about five million. That's down 100-thousand from February's number

5/14

**GOVERNMENT** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Ligonier Township is looking for a new supervisor. Tim Komar resigned Tuesday, saying he can no longer work with people he doesn't trust. Komar claims other supervisors lied to him and held a secret meeting to discuss how to legally get rid of him. He also says there was deception involved in the elimination of his job as roadmaster.

Safety

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Preliminary autopsy results find no signs of foul play in the death of a toddler in Washington County. Other testing is pending, but the county coroner says there are no signs of trauma. Police in South Strabane were called to a home late Tuesday afternoon for a report of a 17-month-old boy dead in his crib. The death remains under investigation.

Hackers are targeting Starbucks gift card holders. According to CNBC, criminals are able to steal money from customers bank accounts by using Starbucks auto-reload function after exhausting the stored value of their gift cards.

5/15

POLITICS

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The race is on in Connellsville. Six candidates are running for five open seats on the Connellsville Area School District Board of Directors. Five of the six candidates are running for re-election.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 1

15 SECS

Video from a camera on the front of the Amtrak train that crashed in Philadelphia Tuesday night shows it was speeding up in the minute before it derailed. Robert Sumwalt of the NTSB said the video indicates the train was accelerating until the emergency brakes were applied in the final seconds.

**PUBLIC INTEREST** 

WOGG OLIVER 15

15 SECS

A local church in Fayette County is celebrating a special milestone. St. Rita of Cascia Roman Catholic Church in Connellsville is celebrating its 100th anniversary on Sunday. A special mass will be held to commemorate the event.

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SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

People in Washington County are cleaning up after strong storms moved through the area over the weekend. Several communities, including Charleroi, experienced flooding after it rained twice in a matter of hours. Officials say some drainage systems just couldn't handle that amount of water in such a short amount of time.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

Police are looking for whoever is responsible for shooting and killing a 14-year-old boy in East Hills. Authorities say Kelvin Lovelace was shot early yesterday morning, he was pronounced dead at the hospital. No arrests have been made at this time.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Authorities are investigating a deadly stabbing in Braddock. Police say a man was stabbed Saturday morning at a home on Pine Way. The man was taken to the hospital where he was pronounced dead

SAFETY

## WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Ruffsdale man is recovering after being hit by a tractor-trailer in Derry Township. Albert Caralli suffered multiple upper body injuries Sunday morning when the truck backed into him and pinned him against his vehicle. He is in the intensive care unit.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Charleroi man is facing charges in connection to a deadly accident on Interstate 70 in South Strabane Township. Bryan Anthony was arraigned yesterday for the crash that killed Brian Anselmino and injured his 13-year-old son last year. Anthony's vehicle crossed the median and hit Anselmino's sport utility vehicle.

BUSINESS WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A new report studying the relationships between automakers and suppliers found continued problems for Detroit's Big Three. The group Planning Perspectives published their 15th annual report and found General Motors and Fiat-Chrysler are at their lowest point ever in the survey and trail their Japanese and German counterparts.

5/20

POLITICS WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The majority of voters in two boroughs in Western Pennsylvania are in favor of overturning the ban on liquor licenses. In local referendums yesterday they supported lifting the decades-old bans in Bellevue and Wilkinsburg.

HEALTH WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

There are two confirmed cases of MRSA [[ MER-suh ]] in the Ligonier Valley School District. It's a staph infection usually spread by skin-to-skin contact or direct contact with contaminated surfaces. The infected students are in separate grades at the R.K. Mellon Elementary School.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The Florida man accused of landing a gyrocopter on the grounds of the U.S. Capitol last month faces serious prison time if convicted. A federal grand jury indicted Douglas Hughes on six charges including the violation of national defense airspace.

5/21

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Pittsburgh Crime Stoppers is offering an up to one-thousand dollar reward for any information that leads to the arrest of a man accused of stabbing a man in Monroeville. Authorities say the incident happened over the weekend. The report says a man in his 60's was waiting at a bus stop when he was randomly attacked and stabbed around 30 times.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

One man is dead following a shooting in Homestead. Authorities say the shooting happened yesterday morning on Mifflin Street. Authorities say the victim was walking down the street when a car pulled up and two people opened fire.

GOVERNMENT WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

American and Cuban diplomats will focus on opening embassies in Washington and Havana in a meeting set for today at the State Department. Negotiators for both countries say they've made progress in previous sessions, but normalizing relations won't be simple.

5/22

POLITICS WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Scott Putnam may be the only candidate on both ballots in the November election for Washington mayor. It appears as if Putnam received the Republican write-in nomination and also defeated current Mayor Brenda Davis on the Democratic ballot on Tuesday. Putnam reportedly got more than the 100 write-ins needed for the nomination while Davis fell short.

PUBLIC INTEREST WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Greene County's three public swimming pools are opening for the season. The Alpha Aquatic Center, the Carmichaels Pool and the Mon View Pool will all open Saturday for the Memorial Day weekend. The pools will then close for the rest of the week and reopen daily on May 30th.

JOBS WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Unemployment claims are up by ten-thousand this week, but there's still plenty of good news to report. The Labor Department's latest look at first time claims for jobless benefits shows 274-thousand Americans filing claims.

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PUBLIC INTEREST

The Westmoreland Veterans' Monument is unveiled in Greensburg. The unveiling took place during a rededication ceremony yesterday. The monument is dedicated to those who made the ultimate sacrifice for this country.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Authorities are investigating an attempted case of child luring in Hazelwood. The suspect approached a young girl on Second Avenue around six o'clock last night. He tried to get the girl to get in his red pickup truck. She ran away.

A dozen people are reported missing in Hays County, Texas after record-setting rainfall. Officials fear the missing could be dead.

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CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Fayette County man is headed to trial after he allegedly exposed himself to children on passing school buses. Richard Harbaugh Jr. was in court for his preliminary hearing yesterday. Harbaugh stood naked in his bedroom window while school buses passed on Locust Street in Uniontown.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Two women are facing charges as the result of a prostitution sting in Banksville. The undercover operation was prompted by complaints of prostitution at a motel on Banksville Road. Police made contact with the two women through a website ad.

SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The devastating flooding in Houston might not be over yet. Forecasters expect more heavy rain in Texas this week. Most rivers in and around Houston are back within their banks but flooding affects just about every part of the nation's fourthmost populous city

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CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

There's been a security breach at Jefferson Hospital. Around 800 people treated in the hospital's ER over the last two years may have had their personal information compromised. Federal investigators say an employee of an external billing company copied patients' private details and possibly shared it with a third party. That information included names, birth dates and Social Security numbers.

JOBS WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Forty teachers are being furloughed in the Connellsville school district. The resolution was adopted at a board meeting this week after a review of the district's enrollment figures. A decline in students, paired with an almost five-million-dollar deficit, led to the move.

**ECONOMY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Many Americans will find themselves short on cash when it's time to retire. A new Federal Reserve survey out today shows nearly a third of all working adults have no savings or pension plan

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SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Wet weather is causing flooding in some parts of western Pennsylvania. Triblive.com reports heavy rains hit portions of Beaver and Butler counties yesterday, causing flash flooding and downed trees.

**PUBLIC INTEREST** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Seniors at Frazier High School are getting ready for graduation. Seventy-eight students will walk across the stage during the commencement ceremony in Perryopolis tomorrow evening.

**GOVERNMENT** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

President Obama is offering his condolences to the Biden family following the death of the vice president's son. Beau Biden died over the weekend from brain cancer at the age of 46.

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SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A woman is in the hospital after she says a man fell on her at the Kenny Chesney concert over the weekend. A man standing behind Joelene Hess allegedly fell on top of her during the concert and broke her back. Hess was taken to the hospital and has to wear a brace while her injuries heal, and won't be able to work.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

Duquesne Police are searching for missing 15-year-old girl. Dayjamonae Kidd has been missing since Friday afternoon. Kidd was last seen at West Mifflin Area High School.

**GOVERNMENT** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

FEMA is getting heat for skipping a scheduled town hall with Houston flood victims. The government workers didn't show up to last night's meeting which was supposed to tell victims where they could get government help.

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**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Authorities are on the lookout for a black bear in Monessen. The bear was spotted yesterday roaming around the city near Eastgate Manor and the city garage.

**PUBLIC INTEREST** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

The Class of 2015 will be graduating from Connellsville Area High School later this week. The 345 seniors will walk across the stage Friday evening at Falcon Stadium. The last day of school is also Friday.

**GOVERNMENT** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The National Security Agency no longer has the authority to keep Americans' phone data. President Obama signed the USA Freedom Act yesterday, which modifies the NSA's bulk collection of citizens' phone data allowed by the Patriot Act

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**GOVERNMENT** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Pennsylvanians think Attorney General Kathleen Kane should resign. The new poll from Trib Total Media released yesterday shows more than 33-percent said she should resign and 17 percent said she should remain.

LEGAL

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Apex Energy is suing Penn Township for the right to drill two Marcellus shale gas wells. The company filed the suit this week claiming the township added conditions to its zoning permit to prevent the drilling until another lawsuit is settled.

**LEGAL** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The attorneys for the people suing General Motors over the automaker's delay in recalling vehicles with faulty ignition switches will question its former CEO in September. Rick Wagoner led GM until 2009 when he was dismissed by the Obama Administration during the company's bankruptcy.

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**GOVERNMENT** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The Westmoreland County 9-1-1 system is going to get a ten-million-dollar upgrade. County commissioners approved the project yesterday. The upgrades are expected to be completely online by the end of the year. The system was last upgraded in 2003.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Turtle Creek woman is accused of invoking the name of God to steal nearly 300-thousand-dollars from a fellow churchgoer. Allegheny County prosecutors said yesterday that 35-year-old Judith Irvin told the acquaintance that God wanted her to have expensive jewelry. The victim reportedly has a post-concussion syndrome that made her more susceptible to being scammed.

**JOBS** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The nation's economic productivity is down. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports this morning that productivity in the nonfarm business sector fell three-point-one percent for the first quarter.

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SAFETY

Authorities are identifying a man killed in a car accident in Washington County. George Jucha Jr. was killed after a wrong way driver collided with him on Route 22 in Robinson Township early yesterday morning.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

A Sheraden fire is being checked into. The flames started yesterday afternoon on Slope Street near Stadium.

A Texas police officer is on leave after a video posted on social media showed him pulling a gun on a group of unarmed teens at a pool party. A statement from the city of McKinney says the video "raised concerns that are being investigated."

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**EDUCATION** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

A Plum School District board member is resigning over a "difference of opinion" when it comes to how the district handled allegations of teacher misconduct, according to a news release on the district's website.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

A pickup truck rolled off a dock into the Yough River in McKeesport around ten o'clock Monday morning. Divers from Monroeville responded to hook tow lines to the truck, which sank in about eight feet of water. An environmental concern was the possibility of fuel leaking into the river.

CRIME

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

Supporters and opponents of the Texas police officer who was caught on video shoving a teen girl to the ground and pulling his gun on other unarmed teens are making their voices heard. Hundreds of people attended protests last night.

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**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

Authorities are investigating a bizarre incident in Westmoreland County. Thieves stole the doors and interior of a classic car belonging to Smithton Volunteer Fire Chief Joel Ribniscky. The '67 Firebird was sitting in Ribniscky's driveway when the alleged theft happened.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

A deadly shooting has occurred in North Braddock. Twenty-one-year-old Desmond Nowlin was shot near the intersection of Jones and Baldridge avenues around six o'clock last night. He was taken to the hospital where he was pronounced dead.

**CRIME** 

WOGG OLIVER

15 SECS

The McKinney, Texas Police Chief is blasting a now resigned cop for how he responded to an incident at a pool party. Chief Greg Conley says Corporal Eric Casebolt was out of control when he swore at people at the party, threw one teen girl to the ground and pulled out his weapon.

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**GOVERNMENT** 

The state Ethics Commission is not investigating Fayette County Commissioner Vince Zapotosky. Last August, Commissioner Al Ambrosini indicated Zapotosky was being looked at for an ethics violation, but officials confirmed yesterday that was not the case. Zapotosky claimed all along that he was never notified of an investigation.

**HEALTH** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

There's been a surge of Lyme disease cases in Western Pennsylvania. In Allegheny County, there were 822 confirmed cases last year, up from 145 in 2013.

**ECONOMY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A lot more Americans are borrowing money to buy and refinance homes. The Mortgage Bankers Association reports mortgage applications are at a six-month high.

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**LEGAL** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

An Eighty Four couple is suing Sunoco Pipeline for fraud and negligence. Bradley and Amy Simon filed the lawsuit this week in Washington County Court. The suit claims their 21-acre property along Lakeview Lane was damaged in the construction of the Mariner East project. The suit also claims Sunoco lied about having eminent domain authority over the property.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

West Newton officials are considering establishing a flood fund. Council discussed the plan this week, saying a two-dollar fee could be added to the borough's sewage bills to get the fund going. No official action was taken.

**BUSINESS** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Whole Foods is introducing its new millennial-focused store -- "365 by Whole Foods Market." The new stores will Open next year and will focus on bringing customers natural and organic foods at lower prices.

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**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Communities in western Pennsylvania are cleaning up after strong storms made their way through the area. A flash flood watch is in effect for several western Pennsylvania counties including Armstrong, Butler, Beaver and Fayette. A flash flood warning is in effect for Westmoreland and Allegheny Counties.

SAFETY

## WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Two people are in the hospital following a head on car crash in Westmoreland County. It happened in Lower Burrell Township. The driver of one vehicle and a passenger in another were taken to the hospital.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER

There are more details coming out about how two convicted killers escaped from a maximum security prison in upstate New York. Richard Matt and David Sweat broke out more than a week ago with help from former prison worker Joyce Mitchell

15 SECS

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CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Police are looking for a man who allegedly attacked his pregnant girlfriend in Greensburg. Azeez Akintayo went to the victim's West Otterman Street apartment Friday night, choked her and held a knife to her stomach. The woman managed to escape and Akintayo took off. Anyone with information on his whereabouts is asked to call police.

GOVERNMENT WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

House leaders may make another run at passing President Obama's trade agenda this week. The issue stalled last week with aggressive opposition from more than 70 House Democrats.

HEALTH WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Officials are confirming that there will be no displays with chickens, ducks or turkeys at the Fayette County Fair this year. The Pennsylvania Department of Agricultural has suspended avian competitions throughout the state to prevent the spread of avian flu. There have been no outbreaks in Pennsylvania and the move is just a precaution. The suspension of avian displays will affect all avian competitions at state-approved agricultural fairs in 2015 and the 2016 Pennsylvania Farm Show.

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SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Several communities in western Pennsylvania are cleaning up after strong storms moved through the area last night. Parts of Allegheny, Beaver, Washington and Westmoreland counties were under a flash flood warning.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

One man is in custody in connection with a shooting at Bayne Park in Bellevue. Authorities arrested 17-year-old Brandon Lee Cerra and charged him as an adult with attempted murder.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The man accused of fatally shooting nine people in a South Carolina church is scheduled to appear in court this afternoon for a bond hearing. Twenty-one year-old Dylann Roof is suspected of killing six women and three men at a Wednesday night Bible study class in the historic Emanuel AME Church in Charleston.

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SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Pennsylvania State Trooper is in the hospital following a motorcycle crash in Allegheny County. The incident happened yesterday afternoon on Interstate 79 in Franklin Park Borough.

SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A deadly rollover accident is being investigated in Westmoreland County. The one car crash happened on Sand Hill Road in Unity Township yesterday afternoon. The passenger, 18-year-old Parker Eckman was killed when he was thrown from the vehicle.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The search continues for two escaped killers in upstate New York and it's shifting locations once again. People in Mountain View, New York are reporting increased police activity in their area. David Sweat and Richard Matt have been on the run for more than two weeks

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CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A man is dead following a shootout with police along Route 51 in Pittsburgh. Officers were called to Jucunda Street yesterday for a report of shots fired. A few minutes later, there was a carjacking and more shots fired on Rochelle Street. When police spotted the stolen vehicle, the suspect, later identified as Tyrone Harris Jr., began firing.

SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Police are cracking down on drunk driving as the Fourth of July holiday approaches. Officers will be out in force over the next few weeks conducting DUI checkpoints and roving patrols in Western Pennsylvania.

SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

.Strong currents are being blamed for a drowning in Uniontown. Officials say Charles Swift was pulled down by currents in the Youghiogheny River last night. Swift's girlfriend and another friend tried to pull him out, but they were almost pulled under too.

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PUBLIC INTEREST WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A GoFundMe account is being set up to help the Robinson Township Volunteer Fire Department. Several hundred thousand dollars' worth of equipment was damaged in a fire that ripped through the department in Robinson Township late Saturday night into early Sunday morning.

EDUCATION WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

The Mt. Pleasant Area School District is approving a tax increase. The board approved the tax increase as part of its final budget earlier this week. The tax increase for the upcoming 2015-2016 school year means the average tax payer will have to pay around 35 additional dollars.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

State Senator and Pastor Clementa Pinckney will lie in state at the rotunda of the South Carolina capitol today. The 41-year-old Pinckney was conducting a Bible study session at the historic Emanuel AME Church in Charleston when he and eight other African-Americans were shot to death last Wednesday night.

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SAFETY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A State Police Fire Marshall is investigating a fire in Westmoreland County. The fire started yesterday afternoon in St. Clair. The two story home on Route 711 and Shannon Creek Road went up in flames and was heavily damaged.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

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CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Funerals begin today for the nine people killed in a historic Charleston, South Carolina church last week. City officials are planning to keep protesters from disrupting the memorial services.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Pittsburgh Police are asking the public for help locating a missing teenage boy. Thirteen-year-old Kasuantae Moore was last seen Monday morning on North St. Clair Street. He is known to frequent East Liberty, Garfield and the Larimer Avenue areas.

CRIME

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Fayette County man is facing charges after allegedly firing an AR-15 rifle into a home in Connellsville. Sedrick Holman was standing outside his house on Eighth Street yesterday morning, when he started firing rounds from the rifle.

**TECHNOLOGY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak [[ waaz-NEE-ack ]] predicts robots will one day be in charge of things and will treat humans like pets. He told an audience at a technology conference this week that robots being in charge probably won't happen until hundreds of years from now

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**SAFETY** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

Authorities are investigating after a single engine plane slid off the runway at the Allegheny County Airport. The plane slid off the runway after it landed Saturday night. Four people and a dog were on board at the time, but no one was hurt.

**PUBLIC INTEREST** 

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A local fire chief is being called a hero after rescuing a teen stranded in a creek. The chief of the New Castle Fire Department was in the right place at the right time when he helped rescue the 16-year-old boy from Big Run Creek Saturday evening. The teen was not hurt.

SAFETY

WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

New York Governor Andrew Cuomo says upstate New York's nightmare is over. The three-week hunt for two escaped killers ended Sunday when a State Police officer shot and captured convicted killer David Sweat about 20 miles from the Canadian border. Sweat is reported in critical condition

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CRIME

WOGG OLIVER

A new charge has been filed against a Plum High School teacher accused of having sex with a student. Yesterday Joseph Ruggieri was arrested and charged for a second time with witness

intimidation. Ruggieri sent his victim cryptic emails from a school provided laptop allegedly trying to persuade her not to testify against him.

CRIME WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

A Fayette County mother is facing charges after allegedly leaving her unattended young daughter in a hot car. Tammy Lynn Price was in court yesterday where she was offered a plea deal that she turned down. She is facing several charges including child endangerment and drug possession.

ECONOMY WOGG OLIVER 15 SECS

President Obama is proposing a new rule that would give millions of Americans a raise. In an op-ed piece for the Huffington Post, Obama detailed a plan that would make around five-million more people eligible for overtime pay