

WNWO-TV

QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROGRAMMING ISSUES OF COMMUNITY IMPORTANCE

For The Period

October 1 – December 31, 2008

FOURTH QUARTER 2008

DESCRIPTION OF WNWO(TV) PROGRAMS THAT DEAL WITH COMMUNITY ISSUES

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Local News		
NBC24 Today	Monday through Friday	4:56 – 7:00am
NBC24 at Eleven	Monday through Friday	11:00 – 11:30am
NBC24 at Six	Monday through Sunday	6:00 – 6:30pm
NBC24 at Seven	Monday through Friday	7:00 – 8:00pm
NBC24 Tonight	Monday through Sunday	11:00 – 11:35pm
NBC24 Saturday at Six	Saturday	6:00 – 6:30pm
NBC24 Saturday at Seven	Saturday	7:00 – 7:30pm
NBC24 Saturday at Eleven	Saturday	11:00 – 11:30pm
NBC24 Sunday at Six	Sunday	6:00 – 6:30pm
NBC24 Sunday at Eleven	Sunday	11:00 – 11:30pm

All of the above programs are locally produced news programs presenting a mix of news, weather and sports, including issue-responsive and multi-part segments.

Dateline NBC	Fridays	8:00pm
	Sundays	7:00pm

This is an NBC network program often featuring investigative reporting on controversial issues facing the American public. The program usually has multiple segments, 8-12 minutes in duration.

Meet The Press	Sundays	11:00am
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This NBC News interview program usually has one or more guests being questioned about subjects in the news by moderator Tom Brokaw, David Gregory, and other reporters.

NBC News Today	Monday through Friday	7:00 – 11:00am
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These NBC network news programs offer a mix of news, weather and features, including interviews and in-depth reports on issues of current concern.

NBC Nightly News	Monday through Sunday	6:30 – 7:00pm
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This NBC network news program provides a roundup of the day's major news events, as well as in-depth reports on issues of public concern.

Faces of Faith	Sunday	11:00pm
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NBC24's Arielle Berlin profiles religious and spiritual stories from northwest Ohio every Sunday night in this exclusive series.

Get A Job Monday	Monday	7:00 – 8:00pm
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On the first Monday of each month, NBC24 welcomes representatives from The Source into our studios to take phone calls from viewers seeking jobs. The Source provides NBC24 with a listing of hot jobs for that month. We also profile what industry is offering training to help people find work.

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- Fugitive of the Week** Tuesday 11:00pm
NBC24 in an exclusive agreement with the Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force, profiles the Fugitive of the Week. Our exclusive partnership has resulted in the arrest of over 130 fugitives profiled through September 30, 2008
- Green Report** Wednesday 7:00pm
Friday 11:00am
Every Wednesday and Friday, NBC24's Michael Schlesinger investigates the latest developments and stories related to green technology.
- Labor Report** Wednesday 7:00pm
NBC24's Jennifer Taylor reports on news and other events surrounding the unions throughout northwest Ohio in this exclusive series.
- Sell It @ 7** Thursday 7:00pm
With the housing market in a slump, NBC24 is working with viewers who are trying to sell their home. Every Thursday night at 7pm, we profile a home that is up for sell.

PROGRAMMING DEALING WITH THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY ISSUES:

COMMUNITY OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

October – December 2008

Food Drives for Area Food Banks / Shelters /Charities

Multiple Reporters / Multiple Stories / Various Lengths

With the increase in need for food banks, shelters, and charities, NBC24 covered extensively the fight to help feed the needy in northwest Ohio. NBC24 worked with the Northwest Ohio Food Bank, Toledo SeaGate Food Bank, Cherry Street Mission, Salvation Army, and others to help increase donations. It was estimated that through the fourth quarter of 2008, the need increased by 40 percent, but donations were down by 60 percent. Here is an example of coverage:

The Cherry Street Mission is in need of food items as it continues to serve more people than ever before.

The mission serves an average of 650 meals each day to men, women and children in downtown Toledo. Dan Rogers, President and CEO of the Cherry Street Mission Ministries says he hasn't seen the cupboards and refrigerators this bare for quite some time. Items needed by the mission to help serve those who come to Cherry Street are as follows:

- Chicken
- Beef
- Sausage
- Grits
- Eggs
- Milk
- Butter
- Salad dressing
- Mayonnaise
- Oil
- Oatmeal
- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Beans (any variety, preferably in cans)
- Gravy (cans)
- Coffee
- Juice

Gift cards are also welcome. Donations are accepted Monday through Sunday from 7:00a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Madison Street Food Services and Community Center, 1919 Madison Street.

COMMUNITY (CON'T)
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October 8, 2008

Sen. Brown holds Senate hearing at UT on Midwest jobs

Reporter: Rob Packard

Package / 1:30

Ohio Sen. Sherrod Brown held a hearing Wednesday to discuss strategies to rebuild communities in the Midwest. Testimony from area workers, local leaders and experts in Ohio's economy were used to examine current economic policies, job losses and the potential for job creation in Ohio. Since 2001, Ohio has lost more than 200,000 manufacturing jobs. Ohio's unemployment rate of 7.4% is also well above the national unemployment rate of 6.1%. Brown is working on short-term solutions for Ohio workers such as extending unemployment insurance as well as strengthening Trade Assistance Authority for workers who lose their jobs due to unfair trade. He is also working with the Toledo community on public-private partnerships that encourage investment in local businesses and foster development of new technology and industry. Wednesday's hearing was held at the University of Toledo's Clean Energy Incubator. "As we revamp our nation's failed trade policy, we must also take full advantage of what's happening right here," Brown said. "Toledo is ready for revitalization. Now it's time for the federal government to step up to the plate." Testifying at the hearing were: Tieshetta Price, Worker, Toledo, OH; Craig Goshe, Former Employee, American Standard, Tiffin, OH; Eric Walker, Director, Lucas County Jobs Center, Toledo, OH; Dan Kildee, Treasurer of Genesee County, Flint, MI; Susan Helper, Professor, Weatherhead School of Management, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH; Frank Calzonetti, Vice President, Research & Development, University of Toledo Business Incubator, Toledo, OH.

October 17, 2008

TARTA seeks public's input

VOSOT / :40

TARTA has begun a six-month study to evaluate its route structure, services, funding and coverage area. The Comprehensive Operational Analysis will make recommendations to improve the transit authority's service to the region. TARTA is encouraging public input as part of this study. The public is asked to attend public meetings and voice their opinions of the transit system's services and how they may be improved to better serve the community. The following public meetings will be held:

- Wed. Oct. 22: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the SeaGate Convention Centre, 3rd Floor, 401 Jefferson Ave., Toledo
- Wed. Oct. 22: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Perrysburg Way Public Library, 101 E. Indiana Ave., Perrysburg
- Wed. Nov. 5: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Sylvania Branch Library, 6749 Monroe St., Sylvania

COMMUNITY (CON'T)
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November 1, 2008

Tent City for Toledo Homeless

Reporter: Rebecca Solomon

Package: 1:30

Thousands of people spent the day at the Annual Tent City Homeless Awareness Project this weekend. The project has been around since 1990. The effort is entirely volunteer and is a reminder to the community that many people have lost their homes and many others are just one step away from being homeless. "Basically what we want to do is make everyone understand that they really do matter, we'll be that someone that matters to those who matter, everybody comes together to provide resources that will enhance one's dignity, enhance one's motivation to move from unhoused to housed state," says organizer Ken Leslie. People were given haircuts, medical services, ID's, job referrals and housing.

December 1, 2008

AIDS Awareness Week activities at the University of Toledo

Multiple Reporters / Multiple Stories / Various Lengths

The University of Toledo is displaying panels of the AIDS Memorial Quilt during AIDS Awareness Week, the first week of December. The quilt began in 1987 and is the largest ongoing community project in the world. Each section measures around 12 square feet and consists of eight individual panels sewn together. More than 40,000 colorful panels memorialize those who lost their lives to AIDS. Sections of the quilt are on display in the Student Union Auditorium on the Bancroft Street campus:

Monday, Dec. 1 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 2 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 3 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

In addition to the quilt display, UT will host three other AIDS Awareness week activities this week: Free HIV Testing Wednesday, Dec. 3, in Student Union Rooms 2574, 2579 and 2591 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Members of the AIDS Coalition of Toledo-Northwest Ohio will administer the tests. "Shawn and Gwen: A Boy, A Girl, A Virus" Wednesday, Dec. 3, in the Student Union Auditorium at 7 p.m. Shawn has HIV and Gwen does not; hear how the couple handles their committed relationship. Second Annual HIV/AIDS Walk Saturday, Dec. 6, at the UT Student Recreation Center from noon to 3 p.m. The cost is \$5 for students and \$10 for non-students.

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December 12, 2008

Red Cross Battle of the Badges

Multiple Reporters / Multiple Stories / Various Lengths

Firefighters and police officers often are close to the need for blood, responding to emergency situations throughout the year. Starting December 15th, officers will join forces at the American Red Cross, Donor Center, in Toledo, to kick off their annual Battle of the Badges campaign with a press conference at 8:00am. The 15th annual rivalry will begin with a radio remote by Star 105.5. Co-chairs Police Chief Mike Navarre, Chief of Fire Michael Wolever and special guest Aaron and Jackie Frisch will be attending the event in support of the campaign. Battle of the Badges is held each year to help the Red Cross maintain blood levels during the holiday season. It is a friendly competition between fire and police officers to see who can bring in the most blood donations and votes. In the end, hospital patients in need are the real winners. The Battle continues at the Donor Center through January 4, 2008, and donors can cast their ballot to show support for the police or fire departments. During the campaign, anyone who presents to donate blood will receive a special commemorative t-shirt along with a coupon for a free breakfast at Uncle John's Pancake House, located at the corner of Central and Secor in Toledo. "Donating blood at a battle drive is a great way for everyone in the community to show support for local heroes. Once again we are very excited about supporting the Red Cross during this critical time of year," says Toledo Police Chief Navarre.

The Donor Center Hours:

Monday, December 15	7am-7pm
Tuesday, December 16	7am-7pm
Wednesday, December 17	7am-7pm
Thursday, December 18	7am-7pm
Friday, December 19	7am-4pm
Saturday, December 20	7am-2pm
Sunday, December 21	10am-2pm

Public Service Announcements

The station aired various Public Service Announcements pertaining to Community and Green Report issues in varying lengths (:10, :15; :20; :30; :60 and :90); each PSA aired multiple times between October 1 through December 31, 2008.

EDUCATION
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

October – December 2008

COSI Levy

Multiple reporters / multiple stories

Various packages & lengths

In October and November, NBC24 provided extensive coverage as COSI supporters and area businesses fought for the third time to get a levy passed to reopen the science museum. In one story, COSI supporters were back on foot again to try and convince people to vote yes on their levy in November. The goal was to distribute 700 COSI signs in six hours. Volunteers said helping out today was important to them because they've seen the difference COSI has made in the lives on children in the area. Betsy Ononye, COSI supporter says, "Any experience that a kid has with COSI just ignites a passion for learning, for education and for really expanding their knowledge and ability to interact with the world around them" The COSI levy will be issue 37 on the November ballot. It will cost the average homeowner \$5.21 per year. Lucas County homeowners have already rejected financial support for COSI twice. The levy passed. NBC24 afterwards covered stories on the pace to reopen COSI by late 2009

October 2008

Swanton School Contract Battle

Multiple reporters / multiple stories

Various packages & lengths

In October 2008, NBC24 provided repeat coverage to the battle between the Swanton Education Association, and the Swanton School board, as the two sides tried to reach a new contract for teachers, as well as support staff. Eventually, the Swanton School Board voted 3-2 to ratify a new teacher's contract. The union approved the deal. Under the contract teachers would receive a three percent raise each of their first two years. This also includes a signing bonus. "This is a victory for the students, the parents, and the community," Steve Brehmer-Swanton Teacher's Union spokesperson.

EDUCATION (CON'T)
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October 6, 2008

Training future officers at OCC

Reporter: Aaron Brillbeck

Package: 1:30

The peace officers training course at Owens Community College is not for everyone. The training can be grueling, pushing you to your physical and mental limits. "I've had so many people come to me and say, 'I don't know how you do it. How can you go out there, day after day and do what you do?'. You have to have a passion for it. You have to know what the job entails. It's not some weekend thing you do to get out of the house. It's something that you live for," says Luke Jackstetter, Owens Police cadet. Another cadet echoed those sentiments, "Pretty demanding, mentally and physically. There's a lot to learn. A lot of little things that turn out to be big things. You have to be dedicated or you're not going to make it," says Ellsworth Hickerson. At Owens, cadets learn self defense, driving skills and how to shoot. In the classroom, they learn the law. "You can easily blow an investigation out of the water just by missing a little thing. And you have to...they make sure they teach you every little thing you need to know to make sure you earn it. You don't want to be the officer that blows an investigation over a minor detail." An officer's starting pay ranges from \$20,000 to \$50,000 per year plus benefits. With the economy the way it is right now, your chances of getting a job locally right out of Owens are slim. "If you're willing to go where the jobs are, I feel you can find a job. If you're Northwest-Ohio born and bred and want to stay in this area, it may be difficult to find a job at first. But you can't stop looking," says Gary Brinker, Police Academy Commander.

EDUCATION (CON'T)
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October 8, 2008

Toledo Planning Comm. could decide fate of schools

Reporter: Jennifer Taylor

Package: 2:00

Thursday the Toledo Planning Commission will vote on new restrictions for schools in Toledo. Opponents to the plan say the passage could hinder the future development and/or expansion of community schools. The proposed minimum facility requirements would be reviewed as part of the special use permit application process. The requirements would be applicable to new public, private and charter schools. Existing schools would be exempt unless the building size is increased by more than 10-percent. Those associated with charter schools believe this is an effort by the Toledo Public School Supporters to destroy the charter school movement in Toledo. "We are who we are and our environments are different because they're supposed to be. So legislating our environment to look like a traditional school, I fear, might result in us giving traditional results to our families. They come to us because they want different results with their children," Renee Marazon-Superintendent Maritime Academy and Victory Academy Charter Schools. City of Toledo officials say this is a matter of safety. "All this legislation is asking is that all schools, including charter schools, and new schools, be held to the same accountable standards as public and private schools for the benefits our students, parents and leaders," Michael Ashford-Toledo City Council member.

Minimum Facility Requirements:

- A. An outdoor play area with at least 50-square feet of play area per student capacity in grades K through 5.
- B. A media center (may include library and computer lab) with a minimum size equal to 10-percent of the school's student capacity in grades K through 12 multiplied by 30-square feet.
- C. One dedicated science laboratory classroom and one dedicated art and/or music classroom for schools serving any or all grades 6 through 12.
- D. A gymnasium with a minimum size of 3,500 square feet.
- E. A student dining area (may be in combination with an auditorium) with a minimum size equal to one third of the school's student capacity in grades K through 12 multiplied by 15-square feet.

The Toledo Planning Commission intends to examine the issue further before giving a recommendation to city council. There is another hearing on this issue scheduled for December 4th.

The State of Ohio does not require guidelines the City of Toledo is trying to enact as legislation.

EDUCATION (CON'T)
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October 21, 2008

Taking a walk through the 'game of life' at UT

VOSOT / :40

More than 700 local high school students began their walk through the 'game of life' Tuesday morning. Students from 14 area high schools participated in "Finances 101: Walk the Walk, Talk the Talk" at the University of Toledo. Participants were given 'life' situations in order to learn about buying decisions, what it costs to run a household, and how to prevent spending beyond their means. Students' 'life' experiences included:

- Salary-based jobs
- Having children
- Buying a home and car
- Acquiring insurance
- Paying utilities

Some participants got unexpected costs such as car accidents or childcare expenses while others received a pleasant surprise of winning the lottery. Schools attending the walk-through included: Anthony Wayne, Bowling Green, Cardinal Stritch, Clay, Maumee, New Riegel, Northwood, Notre Dame, Penta Career Center, Rossford, Springfield, Start, Whitmer and Woodward.

December 15, 2008

Free tuition for Lucas Co. residents, with no tax hike

Reporter: Aaron Brilbeck

Package / 1:35

Lucas County Commissioner Ben Konop will propose a plan Monday to fund \$70 million worth of college tuition for students and displaced workers in Lucas County - without raising taxes. Under Konop's proposal, county departments would switch to a four day work week, adopt energy efficient measures, open source software and a privatized EMS ambulance service. Together, these measures would allow \$4 million a year to be dedicated to a bond issuance which would then fund the scholarship program. Students and displaced workers could only receive the scholarship money by agreeing to return to Lucas County for a period following graduation. "In the 21st Century, the best way to truly get our economy moving again, and get our people back to work, is to invest in college education for all Lucas County residents," Konop said. "We are at the critical juncture in our community's history. If we are really serious about putting people to work and improving the local economy long term, we have to invest, right now, in Lucas County's best asset - it's people." Other states have adopted similar measures to provide residents with scholarship money. You can check them out below.

Public Service Announcements

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GREEN REPORT
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October 1, 2008

Paint your nails green!

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / :40

SYLVANIA, OHIO -- Lets face it, each week the NBC24 Green Report can be a "nail biting" experience. But there's a local salon in Sylvania where Mother Nature works along side the manicurist to get the job done. Lisa Rupe of Lisa's Manicure and Pedicure Spa believes in the "au-natural" way of doing things. She only works on customer's nails, no acrylics. This way, she feels, the customer can save some money and even avoid the risk of fungus or infection. A typical manicure and pedicure together will cost you \$45. That's comparable to other places. Also, if you do get acrylics elsewhere, make sure the nail salon has a business license and is following all the correct health codes, such as individual tools for each client. The number to Lisa's Manicure and Pedicure Spa is 419-517-0092.

October 8, 2008

Green Report heads to the Great White North

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 2:15

TOLEDO -- Starting later this week, NBC24's Michael Schlesinger be on the trip of a lifetime. He's going to the Arctic to study polar bears for a week. And he's not alone. Michael's actually following a local high school senior from St. Ursula Academy. Her name is Kasey Rahn. This 17-year old is like most other 12th graders. But there's one difference. Her deep love of the wildlife, especially polar bears and their plight. These creatures are considered to be a "threatened" species as the ice caps continue to melt, preventing them from catching their prey at sea. Kasey recently made a video presentation on why she should be picked as the Toledo Zoo's 2008 Arctic Ambassador for the Polar Bears International Leadership Camp. Her words got the judges' attention, and they chose her. Sixteen kids from all around the world, including Kasey, are part of a weeklong expedition to Churchill, Manitoba. This is located on the western part of Hudson bay and is considered to be "ground zero" for polar bear habitation. Kasey adds just because most of us aren't going with her, there's something we all can do right here at home, like recycling and less water usage, to better the earth. Maybe even carpooling. Kasey says she hopes to someday be a field biologist studying large mammals, maybe bears or wolves. She has no doubt what this trip studying those "mighty sea bears" means to her. We should mention this is the first time Kasey has ever traveled on a plane. I'll be with her every step of the way on this exclusive trip and will bring you frequent updates through blogs and special reports. So, stay tuned to NBC24 and NBC24.com for this arctic adventure, the first of its kind for any local television station.

November 5, 2008

The afterlife of pop cans and paper

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 1:20

(Toledo)--We tend to recycle roughly half of what we use. So have you ever wondered where that pop can or office paper ends up? State Paper and Metal Company in West Toledo processes paper and non-ferrous metals. Non-ferrous metal is anything but steel. The company also brokers as well. Paper and aluminum cans are brought in, placed on a conveyor belt, and then pushed through a hydraulic bale. From there, they can go to refineries and paper mills. A ton of paper can be worth \$50. A pound of cans is valued at fifty cents. If you want to bring paper or cans to State Paper & Metal Company, you can call 419-243-5567.

GREEN REPORT (CON'T)
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November 12, 2008

A maneuver of manure at Bridgewater Dairy Farm

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 1:28

The phrase "waste not, want not" has a new meaning in this week's Green Report. One local dairy farm in Williams county is where cow manure is worth its weight in gold. Or in this case electricity. Operations Manager Chris Weaver took us on a tour and explained how it all works. Basically, cow dung is collected and contained in a vat, or digester, for several months. The waste is heated to 100 degrees. From there, methane is created to power the farm's two generators. They, in turn, supply electricity to feed Northern Western Electric Cooperative Lines. The power is then sent back to power the farm. This "green" energy is a perfect example of how this 35-hundred acre farm conserves. Weaver says even though the odor is just about impossible to contain, the process really minimizes any smelly stench as a nearly odor-free fertilizer is produced. This is in addition to the methane. What's interesting, some of the worst smells apparently come on days when the wind isn't blowing, and the air is quite heavy. I'm told this \$3 million operation is the first of its kind for northwest Ohio. When everything is fully operational, there should be enough electricity to supply 400 homes. Not bad for an idea that literally started from the ground up. Several thousand cows are part of this project at Bridgewater Dairy. At least 500 kilowatts of "green" energy can be produced a day. That's about five truck loads of cow patties to you and me.

November 19, 2008

Reading on the roof of the library

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 1:03

TOLEDO, OHIO -- I've done my research with this week's Green Report. I've found a great escape from the hustle and bustle of Toledo with a natural setting, right in the heart of the downtown area. And it might surprise you where it is. Bobbie Patridge works at Toledo's Main Branch library. And any chance she gets, she goes up on the roof to get a little closer to the outside world. The landscaped rooftop is called the Civic Plaza. It gives you a panoramic view of the city. the park-like setting consists of a one-half acre of grass, safe walkways, attractive benches, and plenty of room for events. In fact, President-Elect Obama made a campaign stop here. This rustic roof is really one of a kind here and across the nation. But as project organizers tell you, there's plenty of "smarts" coming out of a library and what goes into one as well. If you want to find out more about the Civic Plaza, or perhaps, rent out the space, feel free to call 419-259-5282. The area can hold up to 500 people.

GREEN REPORT (CON'T)
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November 26, 2008

Klumm Bros. builds a solid foundation for the Green way

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 1:15

TOLEDO, OHIO -- One local excavating and contracting company has experience "pounding the pavement" to get out the word on recycling and reusing, and the message has been easy to spread. We all saw how happy the Frisch family members were with their Extreme Makeover dream home. They were on cloud nine. However, something you couldn't see was the solid foundation they were standing on, quite literally. It's recycled concrete made by the Klumm Brothers in Toledo. The mobile machine that makes this type of stone is called the Eagle 1200 Concrete Recycling Plant. Four foot wide concrete is loaded into a feeder where the dirt is separated. It's then crushed and screened with steel and rebarb carefully removed. Typically about two thousand pounds can be produced a day. And at six bucks a ton, not bad for a day's work. Work done all across the area, including the Port Authority and BGSU. Bob Klumm tells me he wants his half-a-million dollar investment to get greater exposure all across Lucas County.

December 3, 2008

Klumm Bros. builds a solid foundation for the Green way

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 1:09

TOLEDO, OHIO -- Toledo's transit authority wants to make sure it's ahead of the game when it comes to improving the environment. So, it's rolled out an eco-friendly bus. Tarta's BH-1 is like nothing you've ever seen before. and it's mission is to create one of the cleanest types of transportation modes around. The bus runs on hydrogen, diesel, and bio-fuel. It's estimated this special substance can improve fuel economy by some 25%. and this is a savings transferred right to the rider, who's most likely been affected by the recent economic downturn. Right now, hydrogen is used mainly as a supplement to help with fuel efficiency. But developers behind this project want to see it more as a role with how this bus operates. This type of bus typically carries ten passengers, including those with disabilities. It's used mostly for the Call-A-Ride service. Government funding is paying for a good portion of this 3-year project. You can go to www.tarta.com for more information.

December 10, 2008

Shattering the myths of glass recycling

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 1:25

PERRYSBURG -- Even though the value of glass is a lot less compared to aluminum cans, those in the glass industry want to shatter the myth there's little worth in recycling it. In fact when it comes to glass itself, the experts say you can't get much better. It's 100% recyclable with no waste by-products. Then there's the debate as to what tastes better. Glass, paper, or plastic. Some say the choice is easy. They say glass is less permeable, so what's containing the liquid has less of a chance of seeping into the actual product. Glass itself is made up of limestone, sand, and recycled glass known as cullet. The hope is by 2013, five years from now, 50% recycled glass will go into the manufacture of new glass bottles and jars. Meanwhile, those in the glass business want to stress there's a real difference between the recycle industry and the waste industry. They say one doesn't necessarily compliment the other. With waste management, more money is made for everything added to the landfill. However, those in the recycling business say they want the original product in their possession to reuse. Here are some other interesting facts about glass recycling. If you recycle one glass bottle, I'm told, you can keep a computer on for a half-hour or power a 60-watt bulb for four hours.

GREEN REPORT (CON'T)
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December 17, 2008

Great green holiday tips!

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 1:11

Are you dreaming of a "green" Christmas? Experts say the holiday season is the most wasteful time of year. In fact, an additional five million tons of waste is generated. But there are some green alternatives! Lets start with the holiday cards. I'm told cards sold during the season can fill a football field 10 stories high!. If you're looking for a green alternative when it comes to holiday cards, you might consider going electronic. Consider sending emails or directing friends and family to your blog. If you must use an actual hard copy, try re-using cards you've got in the past. Cut them down into postcards and it will save you in postage and in envelopes. Next the lights. Try using the environmentally friendly "LED" lights. They produce almost no heat, eliminating fire dangers. Also, something else eliminated, the cost eventually. LED lights are actually 90 percent more efficient than traditional holiday lights, so they might cost more, anywhere from \$10 to \$15 for a string of 100 lights, but your payback is likely in the first year. Remember too if you use traditional lights, put them on timers and unplug your lights before going to bed. And obviously you need light for wrapping presents. And while you're at it, become creative since most wrapping paper isn't recycled and ends up in landfills. Consider re-using things you have around the house. Do you have artwork your kids made in preschool, for example, that you can use to wrap Grandma's present? Also, you can consider shredding old papers and magazines to use as packaging material. If you are going to be buying holiday paper, look for recycled paper. Here are some other tips. If you choose a real tree, find one without pesticides or chemical fertilizers. Then recycle it after the holidays. Many cities collect them to mulch. Also, if you choose disposable plates to use for parties, pick recyclable paper, not plastic or styrofoam.

December 24, 2008

Local magician wants environmental problems to vanish

Reporter: Michael Schlesinger

Package / 1:30

(Archbold, OH) -- Jania Taylor from Archbold is a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians. And this sister act is proving her magic is no "hocus pocus" when it comes to teaching students the importance of caring for the earth. Just like most magicians, cards are a part of Jania's routine. But she actually has some more important tricks up her sleeve. What gets top priority?? The importance of recycling and conserving water. Important messages geared toward kids, such as this group from Archbold Elementary. This magic maven hits a couple of points pretty hard. For instance, she says by turning water off when you brush your teeth you save five gallons a day. Plus a ton of paper can save 17 trees. Jania has been a magician for a quarter of a century. She says she wants to keep it up for years to come. If you're interested in hiring her for kids' parties or even a science lesson, you can call her at 419-445-1405 or e-mail her at magicjat@magicbyjaniam.com. Her website is magicbyjaniam.com.

Public Service Announcements

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GOVERNMENT
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

October – December 2008

Mayor's Fight to shutdown City offices for three days

Multiple reporters / Multiple stories

Various Packages / Lengths

In the fourth quarter of 2008, NBC24 covered extensive the battle between Mayor Carty Finkbeiner and city unions, as the mayor wanted to shutdown city government for three days in a effort to save money in the 2008 city of Toledo budget. Here is an example of the coverage.

Toledo is shutting down all city government offices for three days later this year in an effort to save money. Mayor Carty Finkbeiner announced the plan after the loss of a second shift at Chrysler's Toledo North Assembly Plant. The mayor says the layoffs will cost the city over \$1 million dollars in tax revenues. Finkbeiner also says a projected \$10 million deficit is forcing the shutdown of city offices. "Were paying a rather small sacrifice in asking that three days be taken off without pay compared to the 825 Jeep workers who are losing their jobs," says Mayor Finkbeiner. All non-emergency city departments will be closed on the day before Thanksgiving, the day after Christmas and on New Year's Eve. The mayor said Thursday that the city will save about \$1 million. Workers will also be given four unpaid days off in 2009.

October 16, 2008

Carty uses city money to thank Obama

Reporter: Arielle Berlin

Package: 1:40

Mayor Carty Finkbeiner is using your money to essentially endorse Senator Barack Obama. The mayor took out a full page ad in the Toledo Blade, thanking Obama for spending the last few days in the Glass City. It's written on City of Toledo stationary, and in multiple places it speaks for the entire city of Toledo. For example, the last line says: "We wish you good health and wisdom as you move forward in this campaign." The ad says it's paid for by Toledo Pride. According to the city's website, Toledo Pride is a, "citywide initiative designed to implement programs and events that boost community pride and raise civic awareness." But this letter doesn't do any of those things. Instead, it gives a partisan thank you to a presidential candidate using your money. The letter also angered unions who represent city workers. "When you see that they're spending money in the last couple of weeks like drunken sailors it's a little disconcerting when they won't negotiate a contract yet they're spending tens of thousands of dollars," says Dan Wagner, President of the Toledo Police Patrolman's Association. A call to Carty's office was not returned today. The Blade says an average full page ad costs over \$9,000.

GOVERNMENT (CON'T)
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

October 27, 2008

Mayor: Mission causes homeless problems

Reporter: Aaron Brilbeck

Package: 1:30

In a closed door meeting, Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner blasted the Cherry Street Mission for doing its job too well. The mayor believed, because of the services offered by the mission, homeless people were migrating from Detroit to Toledo, breaking into cars and begging for money. "Our police department felt that there was evidence that representatives of, say, the homeless community in Detroit were coming to Toledo to participate in panhandling", the mayor says. But it turns out, it's not true. "We do a daily census of the men and women that spend the night here and there's nothing to substantiate that", says Rodney Schuster, the Vice President of Development for the Cherry Street Mission. So we confronted the mayor. Now, he says, there's no evidence that any homeless people are migrating from Detroit to Toledo because of the services the mission provides. "Basically, everything is back to normal.", Finkbeiner says, "And no, I don't have any concerns at this point in time that that was the case".

November 16, 2008

2009 Toledo city budget cuts deep The proposed 2009 budget worries the community

Reporter: Rebecca Solomon

Package: 1:37

Mayor Finkbeiner proposed his [2009 budget](#) Saturday night with cuts across the board. Forty city employees will be laid off and there will be no police or fire class. Even the Mayor himself promises to cut his own salary by 15 percent. Nearly every city in America is hurt by the unfriendly economy. And here in Toledo, a manufacturing city, the pain is searing. So that's why Mayor Carty Finkbeiner says he proposed a 2009 budget that delivers deep cuts and job losses. He says, "We have to tighten our belts, live within our means and ask those employees that remain with us and fortunately to work hard and smart and be more productive. In this time, it's essential." Among the [budget proposals](#), cancelling planned police cadet and new firefighter classes, to save just over five million dollars. Toledo City Councilman, Michael Collins says, "The priority of a municipal government is the safety of its citizens and to approach this with such a cavalier attitude and then deliver a budget at the absolute final moments of the day is unacceptable." Collins estimates over 100 officers will retire from the end of this year to 2011. And as a police officer, it's a prediction he fears. "They have done everything to disrupt the credibility of the city of Toledo in terms of safety forces." Mayor Finkbeiner says the economy will shape up in the future. But for now, he says, "Rather than weep or feel how could this happen to us, we have to realize that this is happening in many other cities, we have to understand that life is bright and positive day and the very next day, life can be overcast and less positive."

GOVERNMENT (CON'T)
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December 16, 2008

Commissioners clash

Reporter: Aaron Brillbeck

Package: 1:30

Lucas County Commissioners voted 2-1 Tuesday morning to increase the tax for selling property. But the move didn't come without some barbs. "One commissioner is clearly putting his political well being ahead of the taxpayers well being by supporting this completely inappropriate tax," Commissioner Ben Konop said of Commissioner Pete Gerken. Gerken is a supporter of the Lucas County Improvement Corporation, and \$800,000 of the proceeds from the tax increase is expected to go toward the agency, nearly doubling it's annual budget. "We're taking hundreds of dollars out of the hands of working families and into an organization that has no accountability measurements; that has really demonstrated no results and has doubled their budget in the course of a year," Konop says, "No business or organization in the country is doubling their budget," he added. Gerken responded, "Commissioner Konop's operating philosophy is to attack rather than contribute. It's unfortunate. I've been around government a long time and I think that people who collaborate, work together are better for their community. I left my name calling days back in the sandbox."

December 21, 2008

Community without power turns to fire departments help --- Ice storm leaves one town without power and heat

Reporter: Rebecca Solomon / Aaron Brillbeck

Multiple Packages / Length 1:30

You can almost feel today's freezing temperatures from inside- and for the people of Cygnet, they are. Mayor Nancy Myers says, "Hopefully we'll have power as soon as possible." But for now, the entire town's been without power since 5:30 this morning, thanks to Mother Nature's ice. Myers says, "There's some power line, that one of the parts that needs repaired before we get power back." Until then, the Cygnet fire department is opening its doors for the entire community. Here, you'll find food, friends, and thankfully generated heat. The only thing is, most people aren't interested. Myers says, "There hasn't been a whole lot of people, most people don't want to come out...it's slippery and dangerous." Fire Chief Luke Swartz says, "It's not very comfortable but at least it's warm and they have food for them. I'm enjoying the heat too." To each their own, some colder than others, and all without power.

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LEADERSHIP
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

October – December 2008

Joe The Plumber Coverage

Primary Reporter: Ryan Fowler

Multiple stories / Packages / Lengths

In the historic election year of 2008, NBC24 provided repeat coverage of the plight of Joe Wurzelbacher, who became famous as “Joe The Plumber” following a campaign question he asked then presidential candidate, Barack Obama. NBC24 covered his rapid rise to fame, unauthorized searches into his background, his hiring a Nashville public relations firm, as well as his new career as a war correspondent for PJTV.com

November – December 2008

Keith Wilkowski Mayoral Campaign

Various Reporters / Multiple stories

During the fourth quarter of 2008, NBC24 covered Keith Wilkowski, as a leading challenger for the office of mayor of Toledo. He laid out plans in November and made his official announcement in December. Wilkowski is a former Toledo city councilman, former Lucas County Commissioner, and a practicing attorney.

November 2008

UT Coach Tom Amstutz

Reporter: Ryan Fowler / Multiple stories

Various Lengths

Three weeks after beating Michigan, Toledo coach Tom Amstutz said Monday that will step down at the end of the season. The Rockets have won just two games this year and are on their way to a third straight losing season. One of those two victories - a 13-10 win at Michigan on Oct. 11 - was the highlight of another dismal season for Toledo. Athletic Director Mike O'Brien wouldn't say on Monday why Amstutz resigned, but he did acknowledge that the coach was not offered an extension on his contract, which expires next year. "It was a mutual agreement," O'Brien said. "It was a very easy decision." Amstutz has won two Mid-American Conference titles in eight seasons and took the Rockets to four bowl games in his first five years. During his tenure, they've also beaten five Top 25 teams along with BCS-conference opponents Pittsburgh, Minnesota and Kansas. "I'm proud of the body of work I've had," he said Monday at a brief news conference where it was announced he will take a position in the university's alumni office. But losses and off-field troubles have piled up the last two years. Running back Harvey "Scooter" McDougle Jr. was charged in 2007 with recruiting Toledo players to take part in a point-shaving scheme orchestrated by a Detroit area gambler. The charges were dropped and no other football players have been accused of doing anything wrong. Amstutz withstood the scrutiny that came along with the gambling investigation, but he could not survive the three losing years, something that had not happened at Toledo since 1976-78 seasons. He said all coaches understand their jobs are temporary. "Everybody knows that, of course, except Joe Paterno," he said. Amstutz is 57-38 at Toledo. The Rockets (2-6) play Akron on Wednesday night. His tenure will be remembered for big victories, including the one at Michigan that brought him to tears on the field, and his love of trick plays. He once called for his kicker to run a fake field goal that he called "nerd up the middle." Nearly all of his coaching career has been at Toledo where he also played offensive guard. He spent 21 seasons as an assistant coach with the Rockets and was defensive coordinator when he was hired in 2000 to replace Gary Pinkel who left for Missouri. Amstutz had no head coaching experience yet he led Toledo to a Mid-American Conference championship and a No. 23 final ranking in his first season.

LEADERSHIP (CON'T)
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November 18, 2008

Toledo's Wagoner chosen as Ohio Senate majority whip

VO / :40

Ohio Senate Republicans have voted to keep Bill Harris of Ashland as the chamber's president. The GOP on Tuesday chose the team that will lead them in the next General Assembly, which starts in January. Harris has served as Senate president since 2006. Rounding out the leadership team are Tom Niehaus of New Richmond as president pro tempore, Keith Faber of Celina as majority floor leader and Mark Wagoner of Toledo as majority whip. Niehaus previously served as majority floor leader. Faber and Wagoner are serving in Senate leadership positions for the first time. Republicans kept their 21-12 majority in the Senate in the Nov. 4 election, but will be working with a Democratic-controlled House and Gov. Ted Strickland, also a Democrat.

December 19, 2008

Mercy Health Partners names new CEO for St. V's

VO / :40

Imran Andrabi, MD, senior vice president of operational transformation at St. Vincent and chief academic officer for Mercy Health Partners, has been named the new president and chief executive officer for the St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center. He began his new position on December 15. "Imran's ability to connect with individuals at all levels throughout the organization, as well as physicians throughout our community, will enable him to continue the momentum he has already begun to position St. V's for success well into the future," said Steven L. Mickus, President and CEO of Mercy Health Partners. "As a highly regarded physician in the community as well as a proven leader within St. Vincent and Mercy Health Partners, Imran is extremely dedicated to providing the highest quality healthcare and to furthering the Mercy mission," Mickus added. As president and CEO of St. Vincent, Dr. Andrabi will oversee operations, work to enhance the patient experience, and further service line development and growth opportunities. In addition, he will work closely with physicians in the efforts by continuing to build relationships and explore opportunities for collaboration.

LEADERSHIP (CON'T)
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December 25, 2008

Injured soldier gets house for Christmas

Reporter: Aaron Brilbeck

Package / 2:00

A local soldier, who lost his legs and almost his life while serving in Iraq gets a special gift: A new home filled with family and friends. Back in 2006, Cpl. Shane Parsons of Fostoria was driving a humvee near Baghdad when he it hit a roadside bomb. At first, he didn't even realize he had been hurt. "Then all the sudden the pain kicked in and I didn't know what was going on.", Parsons says "It was just excruciating pain". He checked on his buddies, then on himself. "I was looking around. Looking around." Parsons says "I look down and my legs were just a mess. Looked like a meat grinder". Parsons was taken to a hospital in Germany where his legs were amputated. His mother, Cindy, joined him as the 23-year old soldier fought for his life. And while she was there, tragedy struck again--this time at her Fostoria home. A water leak caused so much black mold, the home had to be destroyed. Family members broke the news. "They sat me down and told me and at that point I looked at them. I couldn't really react. It was almost a shock type of thing", Cindy Parsons recalls. That's when the Coalition to Support American Heroes stepped in--offering to build the family a new home. Today, they spent their first Christmas there together. "I'm, I'm just so happy that these people did this for me.", Cpl. Parsons says, "I honestly, for a minute I was scared. I'm like, why? Why you want to be helping me?". His mother adds, "To me this is my best Christmas right here. Just being together in our home for the first time. This is the best Christmas."

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YOUTH
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

October 1, 2008

Kids prime target for ID theft. Are yours protected?

Reporter: Jennifer Taylor

Package: 2:00

We're all learning to protect ourselves from identity theft, but what about our kids? Most parents assume their kids are safe. But the fact is, kids are prime targets for identity thieves because parents rarely check their credit status. He never knew it, but when 22 year old Zach Friesen was just a little boy he bought a boat. "When I was 17 I went to apply for a job and student loan for college I was denied both. That's when I found out when I was 7, 10 years earlier, someone stole my identity and used it to buy a houseboat in my name putting me about \$40,000 in debt over the course of 10 years," said Friesen. How did it happen? Someone got a hold of Zach's social security number. Experts say kids can be easy targets because they're not making purchases or checking their credit, allowing thieves to buy time and whatever else they choose. "There is this period of dormancy so to speak in their actual, real credit history and that's what's being exploited by these criminals," said Joel Lisker of Lifelock. What can you do as a parent to protect your family?

Some suggestions.

- Shred documents that contain personal information.
- Don't give out personal information over the phone or Internet unless you know who you're dealing with.
- Don't use obvious passwords like your birth date.
- Keep personal information in a secure place at home.
- And inspect credit reports and financial statements.

That's a point Zach re-enforces, saying if he and his parents had known sooner it could have been easier to clear up. "My information was already out there, they knew I wasn't going to check. So in those 10 years I had no way of knowing because they gave a false p.o. box number for all the bills and I didn't have any activity on the grid. There's a lot of things people can do to keep themselves safe but the biggest thing is just to check," said Zach. Another piece of advice, officials say be alert for signs of suspicious activity. For example unexpected credit cards or denials of credit showing up for no apparent reason.

YOUTH (CON'T)
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October 7, 2008

Monroe students strip searched

Reporter: Arielle Berlin

Package / 1:30

Martha Feller's twelve year old daughter is devastated and humiliated. "She's having a hard time sleeping, she cries," Feller says. It's all because she was forced to strip her clothes off in front of at least one female teacher at Trinity Lutheran School in Monroe. Several parents filed police reports saying three seventh grade girls were strip-searched after another student reported \$42.00 missing. "Some were taken down to their bra and panties and some just had to pull their shirts out and shake them," said Feller. Parents say the teacher was taking orders from the school's principal, John Hilken. Hilken wouldn't talk to us, but the day after the incident he did send out a letter to parents saying that he probably had acted in bad judgment and that the girls should never have been subjected to that kind of a search. Back in 2005, federal judges in Michigan ruled that a strip-search of students at a Detroit high school was unconstitutional. But police in Monroe say the law there is complicated. They still need to interview one more girl before they turn their investigation over to the prosecutor's office.

October 19, 2008

Memorial for Oregon Student

Reporter: Aaron Brilbeck

Package 1:30

Family and friends in Oregon gathered today to remember Austin Takacs. The 11-year-old was killed Wednesday when police say he was chasing down his school bus. He tripped over his book bag and fell under the wheels of the bus. Austin played football, and teammates and his coach spent part of their day remembering him. Joe Kiss, Austin's coach says, "He community came out with strong support, very proud of em all, the organization that went down in a short time was amazing and it came off perfect, beautiful day to honor the young man." The bus driver was not cited. School Officials say it was a tragic accident.

November 11, 2008

Students honor veterans with surprise gift

Reporter: Jennifer Taylor

Package: 2:00

Members of the Greatest Generation received an unexpected gift this Veteran's Day. The hope is to send even more World War II vets to Washington, D.C. We all know the many sacrifices veterans make for this country. That's why Tuesday, the Bowling Green community not only wanted to say thanks, they wanted to give something back to those who've given so much. More than 60 vets attended a Veteran's Day celebration at Bowling Green Junior High. Before it was over, the community presented a 2-thousand dollar check to Honor Flight of Northwest Ohio. The non-profit organization makes it possible for World War II vets to travel to Washington, D.C., free of charge, to see the WWII Memorial. For many who have already made the trip it was an experience they will never forget. "That was the most wonderful thing that ever could have happened. It was something I could never visualize in my wildest dreams that I ever could be able to go," Al McEwen-WWII Vet. "The stars got to me. I had a brother killed in service and one of the 4-thousand stars, of the 100 in each star, he's one of them. That kind of got to me a little bit. All the rest of it is really worth seeing," Leroy Frankforther-WWII Vet. Former NBC 24 Sports Director Jim Tichy is a major organizer of Honor Flights here in Northwest Ohio. This year, 142-veterans made it to D.C. during Honor Flight's first session. Click below to find out more about the next session, and how you can get involved.

YOUTH (CON'T)
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December 4, 2009

Toledo sorority releases holiday album for charity
Third Chair Live Appearance on the 11 a.m. Newscast
VOSOT / :40

The University of Toledo's Delta Delta Delta sorority chapter is releasing a full-length holiday CD for charity. All proceeds from the album titled "Hope for the Holidays" will go to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Tri Delta raises money for the Memphis-based charity each year through various fundraisers. This year's CD project marks a new chapter in the sorority's fundraising partnership with the charity, founded by Toledo native Danny Thomas. The album will be released with a live concert at UT's Student Union on Saturday, Dec. 6 at 7:00 p.m. The first single on the album, "December Don't Go", is an original track written and produced by producer/musician John Andosca. The track features vocals from the women of Tri Delta. Eleven classic songs like "White Christmas", "Silent Night", and "Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas" highlight the album. The sorority hopes to raise over \$25,000 for the hospital this year.

December 18, 2008

Sylvania woman dies Christmas show accident
VOSOT / 1:00

A Christmas pageant actor who was suspended by an overhead rope fell headfirst about 25 feet onto a concrete church floor and died, authorities said Thursday. Keri Shryock, 23, and two other actors were playing wise men on their way to Bethlehem in Wednesday night's opening performance at Crossroads Community Church. The three actors were approaching a star when Shryock fell into an aisle in the audience portion of the theater, audience members told The Cincinnati Enquirer. "Toward the ending of the song she came loose," Daniel Doepke, 55, of Middletown, told the newspaper. "I can't describe how heart-wrenching it was, her fall to a hard concrete surface." Shryock was taken to University Hospital, where she died Thursday morning. A hospital spokesman declined to describe her injuries. Cincinnati police were assisting the Hamilton County coroner in an investigation, a police spokeswoman said. There was no immediate explanation of how the accident occurred, or if there was an equipment failure. "Our prayers and heartfelt sympathies go out to her family during this incredibly difficult time," the church said in a statement. "We are shocked and deeply grieved by this tragic accident." Spokesman Matt Chandler said the church had no further comment. He said no one involved with the production would be available to talk about the staging, which the church characterized as a contemporary Nativity story. "It was a figurative and artistic version of the Christmas story found in the book of Luke," Chandler said. Ten remaining performances of the show "Awaited" were canceled. The nondenominational church planned an evening of prayer, reflection and worship Thursday night to "to provide everyone involved with space to continue in the grieving process," the statement said. The church also planned to provide grief counseling for people who were at the opening night performance and witnessed the fall. The mega-church was founded in 1996 and has grown to a membership of about 10,000, Chandler said. It is known for dramatic and musical presentations at weekend services. The church's Web site said "Awaited" was seen by more than 20,000 people when it first was presented last year. Shryock, from Sylvania, Ohio, near Toledo, had graduated from Bowling Green State University this year and was an assistant in the Office of Commuter Services and Off Campus Living at Xavier University in Cincinnati. A co-worker, Angie Kneflin, said that Shryock designed computer programs for commuters, but declined to talk about her "out of respect for the family." Xavier's Web site said the commuter department produces monthly newsletters and provides other services for students who live off campus.

YOUTH (CON'T)
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FAMILY
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

October 2, 2008

Family grieves over double tragedy

Reporter: Aaron Brillbeck

Package: 1:30

It's more pain than any family should ever have to deal with. On Friday, while she was out of town with her husband, Sue Salhoff of Maumee got the call every parent fears. It was the police. "He said, do you have a son, Jay? I said, yes I do. He said, well I need to inform you that your son's been killed in a motorcycle accident. So I started to cry. And scream. And throw myself all over the place", Mrs.. Salhoff says. She and her husband began to head home to plan her 23-year old son's funeral when tragedy struck again. Hours after Jay Salhoff Sr. Learned his son had died, he had a fatal stroke. "The medical report will state that he died of a hemorrhagic stroke. In my mind, he died of a broken heart.", she says. Now, the family is holding a double funeral. "It should be us three brothers burying dad, not us three burying them.", 16-year old Jeremy Salhoff says, referring to his mother and brother, "It shouldn't have to be that way".

October 9, 2008

Bowsher H.S. bone marrow drive

Reporter: Ryan Fowler

Package: 1:45

Bowsher High School senior Chayla Wright is spending her final year of high school at home. "Sometimes I feel tired, sleepy most of the time," Chayla said. The 17-year-old was diagnosed with severe aplastic anemia this past summer. The condition prohibits her body from producing new blood cells. She spends two days a week at the doctors receiving blood transfusions. "They've been difficult," Chayla said. "I wasn't expecting this." Now thanks to some classmates and teachers at Bowsher, Chayla might take a step towards recovery. The high school is hosting a bone marrow drive on Friday October 10th from 8 am to 6 pm. There is a major need for minorities to attend this drive. "We don't have that many minorities helping out on the registry," Chayla's mom, Felicia Childress said. "That's what we need because it's hard to find a match." Felicia knows somebody is looking out for her and her family. "It really feels good," Felicia said. "I'm really blessed that she's at Bowsher because Bowsher is like family."

BONE MARROW DRIVE

WHERE: BOWSHER HIGH SCHOOL - 2200 ARLINGTON AVE.

WHEN: FRIDAY OCTOBER 10TH, 2008 - 8AM - 6PM

YOU MUST BE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18 AND 60

November 17, 2008

Frisch family makes their national debut

Reporter: Rob Packard

Package: 2:00

Toledo's famous Frisch family joined hundreds gathered at Whitmer High School Sunday to watch the family's episode of Extreme Makeover: Home Edition. Viewers got to see, for the first time, inside the brand new Frish home on Edgedale Circle in West Toledo. The Frischs got to see, for the first time, the hundreds and thousands of people who came out in support of them as their new home was being constructed. "I'm overwhelmed with the gratitude and appreciation for my city that I live in. Toledo, I love you guys. You guys are the true heroes," said Jackie Frisch. The University of Toledo also awarded all eleven Frisch boys with full-ride scholarships to the university.

FAMILY (CON'T)
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

November 25, 2008

Husband wins care rights for stricken wife in Toledo

Reporter: Jennifer Taylor

Package: 2:00

The husband of a woman in Ohio who has been in a persistent vegetative state since early September has won a battle with his wife's family over guardianship. Both sides reached an agreement Tuesday that will allow Robert Lavers to have control over his 38-year-old wife's medical care. Lavers applied for guardianship after his wife's sister made the same request. He said he feared that his sister-in-law would discontinue life support if she was given guardianship. The short-lived fight over guardianship between a husband and his wife's family drew the inevitable comparisons to the right-to-die struggle over another Florida woman - Terri Schiavo. Schiavo's husband wanted her feeding tube removed against her parents' wishes and won his case in a fight that went before President George W. Bush and the Supreme Court. Unlike that case, it was never clear that anyone wanted to end life support for Heather Lavers. The case also ended quickly before it could grow into a bigger issue. Both sides agreed to visitation rights and to a stipulation that Heather Lavers can not be moved out of Ohio without a court order or an agreement from both sides. Robert Lavers said Tuesday that he was relieved that he will continue to have control over his wife's care. "All we have to do is wait for Heather to wake up," he said. Heather Lavers has been in a persistent vegetative state since she had a heart attack while sleeping at her home in Gibsonton, Fla. Doctors have said it's unlikely that she will awaken. Her sister, Heidi Kaczala, filed a request in Lucas County Probate Court for guardianship after Heather Lavers was moved to a hospital in Ohio so she could receive better care and be near her parents. Heather Lavers' mother, Patricia Kaczala, said her other daughter had no interest in ending life support if she was given guardianship. Patricia Kaczala said her son-in-law can't properly care for his wife because he is disabled and out of work, and that's why Heidi Kaczala was seeking guardianship. Patricia and Heidi Kaczala declined to comment Tuesday after the agreement was reached. Robert Lavers said he is certain that his wife of 17 years would want to stay on life support. He said they talked about this after hearing about the Schiavo case. But neither of them have a living will or written directives about who should dictate their care. Robert Lavers has since moved to Toledo with the couple's three children so that he could be near his wife, who is now in a nursing home, and be her guardian.

December 24, 2008

Area woman photographs families in need

Local photographer will give a family in need the chance to smile into the New Year

Reporter: Rebecca Solomon

Package: 1:20

Jennifer Mott says there's nothing like making special moments into everlasting memories. So this holiday season - she wants to give away a free photo session to a family in need. Jennifer says, "Some of these families are dealing with terminal cancer, job losses, a lot of bad things happening now in this city, it's something special they can't afford now." Jennifer is giving the family in need \$1300 worth of photographs. That's equivalent to a full session with her. So you may be wondering, how can she do this in tough economic times? She says, "It's something I've wanted to donate, I've done really well, I've had outstanding response with a lot of families and I wanted to give back to the community." Thanks to Jennifer, one family in need will start the new year with a smile. Jennifer says she is taking nominations for families in need until New Year's Eve. Then on New Year's Day, she'll choose one family most deserving of a free photo session.

FAMILY (CON'T)
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December 30, 2008

Family shattered by drunk driver one year ago

Reporter: Arielle Berlin

Package /1:30 with Live Shot

Tuesday marks the one-year anniversary of one of Lucas County's most tragic accidents. On December 30, 2007, a drunk driver killed five people in I-280. Michael Gagnon was driving the wrong way on the interstate when he crashed into a van near the Manhattan Boulevard overpass. Five members of the Griffin family were killed. The Maryland family was travelling from Michigan after the Christmas holiday. Gagnon's blood alcohol level was more than twice the legal limit. Three other members of the Griffin family were hurt in the crash. Michael Gagnon was found guilty in May of aggravated vehicular assault and aggravated vehicular homicide. He is now serving a 43-year prison sentence.

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ECONOMY

OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

October 6, 2008

First Solar expanding

Reporter: Aaron Brillbeck

Package: 2:15

With a turn of the dirt from some high powered Ohio dignitaries, the expansion of First Solar in Perrysburg is under way. The company, one of the largest producers of solar panels in the world, hopes to nearly double its manufacturing and development plant over the next two years. And that means "We're creating jobs," boasts company president Bruce Sohn. "134 at least on top of the seven hundred jobs that we have operating here in Perrysburg Ohio". But the expansion means more than jobs. It could make Ohio a leader in alternative energy. And that's creating some energy of its own. "Advanced energy can not only power American's homes.", Ohio Governor Ted Strickland (D) says, "It can power our economy as well. And today's groundbreaking here at first solar is but one more powerful example." The expansion is expected to take about two years to complete.

October 8, 2008

How can we make money?

Reporter: Arielle Berlin

Package: 1:35

In this economy with stocks tumbling and investments crumbling, how can we make any money? Financial advisor Dock Treece says we are about half-way through a recession. He says it began back in December and by mid-summer next year, we should be on the other side. "What you need to do today is figure out where you can position yourself so that when the market and the economy does come back, you can make money," Treece says. Treece says investments that benefit from high inflation may be the best places to put your money now. Those include real estate, precious metals and natural resources. But there are also three things you'll want to do:

- First - determine what your position is in the market.
- Second - decide whether to ride it out or get out.
- Third - look for investments that will benefit you in the future.

October 9, 2008

Expert advice to help sell your home

Reporter: Shenikwa Stratford

Package: 1:20

In a special edition of Sell It at Seven, we spoke with real estate expert Michelle Hudson about selling your home in this tough economy. She says, after the election, the housing market may begin to really turn around. And, the market is not as bad as it seems Hudson says, because there are so many homes for sell, that means there are a lot of people who are looking to buy. She gave us these three tips to keep in mind:

First, do your research. Find out how much your home is really worth.

Two, think of your home as a product. Make sure it's good and market it well.

And, three, get pre-qualified for a home loan so when your home sells, you are ready to go.

ECONOMY (CON'T)
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November 9, 2008

Black Sunday Sales Up

Reporter: Rebecca Solomon

Package: 1:30

Who doesn't love a good sale? Especially in tough economic times, it seems more and more people are buying what they need versus what they want. And retailers are taking advantage of early bird sales, well before the Post Thanksgiving day rush. They are finding great deals around Toledo. Harvey Collins says, "We heard there were some good sales today and we were curious about getting a new one. Our old one is not working so well, so it's time to upgrade." He heard right. Today is Black Sunday, a day of sales, minus the overwhelming crowds. "I think we came at a good time- I think people are holding their money and now is a good time to shop," says Collins. Best Buy Employee Ashley Burgess says, "Everybody loves a good sale because the economy is down and everybody is just trying to save money any way they can." And when it comes to the economic crisis, it seems like a sale makes the deal even better. Some companies are trying to help in any way they can. K-Mart shoppers can use layaway, scoring good Black Sunday sales now and pay later. Store manager, Joe Bachman says, "Layaways just hoppin. Just can't get out of layaway which is good cause that's helping our sales and we certainly aren't complaining." Anything to save a buck this season and still keep that holiday shopping spirit alive. You still have until 10:30 Sunday night to check out some of the more popular items this year at Best Buy in Holland.

November 18, 2008

Donate plasma and make money

Reporter: Arielle Berlin

Package: 1:20

Every day the beds at Talecris Plasma Donation Center are filled. More people wait in the lobby. All for the chance to donate their plasma. "With the current state of the economy, anything as simple as stopping in for a few hours a day to donate plasma certainly is going be great," says Center Manager Andrew Oliver. This plasma donation center has been open since May and in an average week 500 people come through. The motivation is money. You can donate twice a week for \$55.00. If you add that up, you can make a couple thousand dollars a year. Troy Furstenberg goes twice a week. He says, "it helps me with groceries when I need it and helps me get back and forth to work on the bus and stuff." The process is pretty simple. The plasma is removed from your body and collected in a jug. Then, your blood is routed back into your veins. The whole process takes about 45 minutes. Once it's collected, the plasma is used for medical research and acts as medication for people with certain immune system illnesses. If you're interested in donating, you can get a physical at Talecris Plasma Donation Center at 625 Dorr Street.

ECONOMY (CON'T)
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December 2, 2008

Chrysler holds town hall meeting in Toledo

Reporter: Aaron Brilbeck

Package 2:00

Chrysler's President and Vice Chairman Tom LaSorda was in Toledo Wednesday to rally support for the U.S. auto industry. LaSorda held a community town hall meeting with Chrysler's Executive Vice President of Manufacturing, Frank Wasyshyn. The company's top brass wanted to make the case that a strong and healthy auto industry is vital to the nation's local communities, economy and security. The meeting offered area residents a chance to voice their opinions about what Congress and the general public should know about the deep impact the auto industry has on the local Toledo community. The Chrysler executives were joined at the town hall meeting by UAW Local 12 President, Bruce Baumhauer; Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner; Executive Director and CEO of the Toledo Zoo, Dr. Anne Baker; Vice President of Sales and Marketing - Fleet Car Carriers, Brian J. Daly; and Director of Public Affairs (Ohio) - CSX Transportation, Rusty Orben.

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LABOR REPORT
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October 1, 2008

Labor Report: Local 92 on the campaign trail

Reporter: Jennifer Taylor

Package: 1:35

One local union is using this pivotal election season to make sure the candidates know what they want. Not many people have the opportunity to voice their concerns face-to-face to a candidate. But that's exactly what members of the Toledo Firefighters Local 92 did when Democratic VP Nominee Joe Biden came to town. "You never know what you're going to get when they come down. We just went out there, and tried to put a good face forward for the community," Capt. James Martin-Local 92. Members of Local 92 used the few minutes to address issues they face as union members and regular Americans. "It's actually a working person's issues. As far as being able to get a fair wage, as far as being able to get healthcare available for the middle class, the people who are working." Daniel Desmond-Local 92. "The stuff that faces us locally is basically the same things that the country is facing. We need the economy to move forward not backwards. We need jobs," Martin. The hope is the messages from these chance meetings resonate to the White House, no matter who's elected Commander and Chief. "It's not like I'm looking, "Hay, where's my handout?" I'm just looking to be able to work and make a good living," Desmond. Local 92 members were chosen to meet Biden based on their support of the Obama campaign. Meanwhile, Senator John McCain supporters are welcomed to attend the Ohio bus victory tour. It's Wednesday, October 01, 2008 at 7 PM at the Lucas County Victory Center on South Superior.

October 29, 2008

Labor Report: AFSCME Local 7 plans to fight mayor's decision

Reporter: Jennifer Taylor

Package: 1:35

Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner's proposed three day government shutdown isn't sitting well with some union officials. The union representing 850-city workers plans to fight the plan if necessary. The American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Local 7 want residents to know just what they do for the city. "We're the people that people forget are the ones that do the water main breaks. We're the ones that do the sewer back-ups. I think people in this town need to start making calls to their council people and ask them what's going on with the money," Don Czerniak-AFSCME President. At years end, Toledo faces a potential 10-million dollar deficit. Local union president Don Czerniak says the proposed three day shutdown violates AFSCME's contract with the city. "The people that initially they were earmarking are people out of funds that will cost the city even more money and I don't believe this was carefully thought out," Czerniak. Mayor Carty Finkbeiner's office did not return our repeated calls for comment on this issue. AFSCME has already filed a petition with its state and national office. "I've asked for them to review it for, number one an injunction and then look at our language to see which additional steps we can take on this issue," Czerniak.

LABOR REPORT (CON'T)
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November 5, 2008

Labor Report: Will election bring local labor improvements?

Reporter: Jennifer Taylor

Package: 1:30

Barack Obama celebrated victory in Chicago with a top Toledo labor leader in the crowd. UAW local 14 President Ray Wood. "The feeling was not only yes we can, but yes we did." Wood spoke with NBC 24, after the celebration. He believes Toledo's auto industry has reason to celebrate. "We're excited, we're energized in ways that we haven't been in a long time. What been happening over the last 4-5 years doom and gloom," Obama met Toledo area labor leaders during his campaign. In October, he shook hands with workers at the Chrysler Machining Plant in Perrysburg. Wood is hopeful the President elect will make good on a promise: to put a 25-billion dollar loan to the auto industry on the fast track. Wood hopes the funds will be available in a few months, instead of a year. "I would like to strengthen up the Powertrain, Toledo Jeep, the Chrysler Machining plant to make sure we're in a position to have job security." Wood says he understands the reality. Ohio has lost countless auto jobs in the past few years. "I would say thousands." He agrees change won't come overnight. "We're going to continue to be concerned, but nevertheless now there's hope, now there's hope. We just want that opportunity."

November 12, 2008

Labor Report: More resources for the unemployed

Reporter: Jennifer Taylor

Package: 1:50

If you're out of work, you're not alone. That's why the Lucas County Workforce Development Agency is reaching out to the unemployed. The resources being offered could help you stand out during the job hunt. For nine years, Mark Price worked in the mortgage business. When that bubble burst, he found himself out of work and at a crossroads. "I went back to college for about a year and a half, finished up my associate's degree," Mark Price-job seeker. Now with a low bank account, but a degree in hand, the search for work is on. "Not very good, there are not a lot of jobs out there. What it is there's a lot of people fighting for the same jobs," said Price. That's why "The Source" is hitting the road, hosting a series of town hall meetings for the unemployed. "The jobs are there, it's just not in your face anymore. You kind of have to go into that hidden job market, do a little bit of digging and be willing to work full time looking for that job," Bobbie Headley-Oh Department of Job and Family Services. Wednesday's meeting in Holland showcased training programs, financial options, even continuing education classes. Mark Price plans to use every resource, including his own positive attitude, to stand out. "You got to be optimistic. If you're pessimistic just give it up. Just go crawl in a shell it's over," said Price.

LABOR REPORT (CON'T)
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December 3, 2008

Labor Report: Fired union supporters allowed back to work

Reporter: Rob Packard

Package: 2:00

MCCOMB, OHIO -- On Wednesday, workers welcomed Bill Lawhorn and Russ Teegardin back to Consolidated Biscuit Company in McComb. They were among seven people who were fired six years ago while trying to unionize the plant. "We had an election. I was fired the day after the election," said Lawhorn. An appeals court agreed that the company wrongfully fired Lawhorn and Teegardin for attempting to organize. The court ordered the company to re-hire them with six years back pay, plus interest. "I guess I go back with 17 years seniority now. They ordered them to give everything back," said Lawhorn. NBC24 attempted to get a response from management, but the company is not commenting. Meantime the formerly fired workers are already campaigning to unionize. Most employees voted against it six years ago. Dennis Closson is among the workers who don't support the idea. "No, I don't believe in unions. Look at the automobile business right now. Is it all union? No, but management had to go along with the union," he said. Lawhorn and Teegardin admit it's been an uphill attempt to unionize the cookie factory. "Was it worth it? Rough way to go... We just about lost everything we had," said Teegardin. Lawhorn says the fight is far from over, as he returns to his former job. "I'm sure they have a plan in place to fire me as soon as possible. They're ordered to put me back. They said I would never be back. Here I am. I'm sure they're going to fire me again. Supporters want to have another vote to unionize in March. [Read the entire NLRB ruling and complaints.](#)

December 11, 2008

Dozens of city workers to be laid off

Anchor Package: 1:20

TOLEDO -- Dozens of Glass City workers will soon be out of a job. Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner announced Wednesday that a number of city employees would be laid off. He said that in order to erase a \$3 million budget deficit, 45 city workers will have to be let go. The mayor says the jobs will be cut within the next week. Finkbeiner did not speak optimistically of 2009 at a press conference Wednesday. "The general wisdom that we're getting is that it's gonna be at least as tough a year. I think there's a possibility that at mid-year we might be looking at additional lost revenue...have to figure out how we're gonna deal with that lost revenue." The union president says he has not received any notice about the layoffs. He expects to receive notice Monday, but does not want to make any comments until then.

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RELIGION / FACES OF FAITH
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October 11, 2008

Local Priest Accused of Sexual Misconduct

VO / :30

A local Catholic Priest is on administrative leave after accusations of sexual misconduct with a minor. The Toledo Catholic Diocese says they put 75-year-old retired Priest, Lawrence Varney on leave after the allegations were investigated and appeared credible. They say the sexual abuse happened almost 30 years ago. Varney worked for many years as a teacher at Central Catholic High School.

November 15, 2008

People protest 'Proposition 8'

People for same-sex marriage rights want equality

Reporter: Rebecca Solomon

Package: 1:35

On election day, California voters put a stop to same sex marriage. This move brought about numerous protests from coast to coast- where thousands came together - speaking out against proposition eight. Evan Wolfson is an attorney and gay rights advocate. He says, "not everything should be put up to a vote, and the fundamental right of free speech, the fundamental right of religion and the fundamental right to marry are things that should not be put up to a vote." William Walker says he and his partner Jeffrey Dreiblatt are ready for marriage equality. "We need to get out there and be visible and show the country we're just like everyone else." The fight is brewing all across the country - even right here in Toledo. Today protestors gathered outside of the U.S. District Courthouse to say enough is enough. Steve Dhuey, organizer of the protest says, "Marriage won't be hurt by expanding it to include us, we're here to affirm marriage, not to hurt it." Like many other states, gay marriage is illegal here in Ohio. But protestors say they will continue to join others across the country - to fight for marriage equality. People protested Proposition 8 in Massachusetts today. That state was the first to allow same-sex couples to exchange wedding vows. Ohio bans gay marriage under a constitutional amendment adopted by voters in 2004.

December 1, 2008

Praying, candle lighting for victims of Mumbai Massacre

Reporter: Rebecca Solomon

Package

Prayers in Hebrew filled Pelham Manor tonight, in memory of those murdered at the Chabad Center in Mumbai last week. Rabbi Yassi Shemtov says, "It's such a tragedy and I can't see it being justified by any good that comes from it. But of course we don't understand Gods ways." Rabbi Shemtov runs the Chabad House in Toledo. Chabad is an ultra-Orthodox movement in the Jewish faith- but since the attacks in Mumbai, this community now mourns the loss of Rabbi Gavriel Holtzberg, his wife and the others killed at that Chabad center. Rabbi Shemtov says, "We hope and pray we should never have such lighting ceremonies." Rabbi Shemtov's wife, Raizel, says, " It's sad we live in a world where these things happen- innocent children had to give up their lives in this way." Lighting candles and praying won't bring back the victims of the attack...But for the Chabad community, light may be the only way to fight a dark time.

RELIGION / FACES OF FAITH (CON'T)
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December 8, 2008

Faces of Faith: Toledo Islamic Academy students practice Hajj

Reporter: Arielle Berlin

Package: 2:00

Students at the Toledo Islamic Academy simulated one of the pillars of Islam this week. It's called Hajj, a pilgrimage to Mecca that all Muslims must take in their lifetime. It's a showing of solidarity to the Muslim community and to Allah. Every year at this time, Muslims from around the world participate in the pilgrimage to Mecca. While they're there for Hajj they perform a series of rituals that these students played out in school. Pilgrims travel to Mecca in groups wearing simple clothes to show equality in the eyes of God and to symbolize purity. "It's really amazing how in every culture, a whole bunch of people unite in one place to revive their souls," said Toledo Islamic Academy student Moath El-Hady. On Monday, Muslims celebrate the festival of sacrifice, remembering how Abraham was commanded to kill his son, but instead, God sent him a lamb to slaughter. Teachers at the Toledo Islamic Academy say when students participate in their own version of Hajj, they learn what it'll be like when they finally go and they learn more about their religion.

December 31, 2008

Fr. Gerald Robinson Appeal Denied

VOSOT / 1:00

Ohio's highest court has turned down an appeal filed by a Toledo priest convicted of murdering a nun. The Ohio Supreme Court said Wednesday that it is declining to hear the appeal of the Rev. Gerald Robinson. Robinson was convicted in 2006 of killing Sister Margaret Ann Pahl. In 1980, her body was found Easter weekend in a hospital chapel where both worked. She had been strangled and stabbed 31 times in her face, neck and chest. Robinson, now 70, was a chaplain at the hospital at the time. The priest's attorneys argued that he did not get a fair trial because his arrest came so long after the killing. Robinson was sentenced to a mandatory term of 15 years to life in prison.

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CRIME
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October 3, 2008

Robert Bowman Arrest in 1967 Cold Case

Multiple Reporters / Various stories

Multiple Packages

Investigators in California have found a fugitive wanted in the 1967 murder of a 14-year-old high school freshman in Toledo, Ohio. Robert Bowman was arrested Thursday in Cathedral City after two Riverside County district attorney's investigators spotted him on a bicycle and believed he was wanted on an unrelated case. Cathedral City police later discovered the 72-year-old Bowman was wanted in Toledo for the murder of Eileen Adams. Bowman had been profiled on the "America's Most Wanted" television show last year. Bowman is being held in jail and faces a Monday extradition hearing. He is accused of kidnapping, raping and killing Adams after she stepped off a school bus on Dec. 18, 1967. Her frozen body was found a month later in a rural field in Michigan, with a telephone cord around her neck and nail in her skull.

October 31, 2008

Adrian teen gets life for poisoning grandmother

Reporter: Rob Packard

Package: 2:00

A southeastern Michigan teenager who killed her grandmother with morphine has been sentenced to life in prison with a chance for parole in 20 years. Kristina Adkins cried as she apologized Friday for poisoning 53-year-old Virginia Bentley of Lenawee County in 2006. She was 13 at the time. Probate Judge Margaret Noe chose an adult sentence for the 16-year-old Adkins. She could have placed her in a juvenile facility until age 21 and then evaluated whether prison should be appropriate. Adkins pleaded guilty to second-degree murder on Oct. 10. Her attorney claims Adkins was mistreated by Bentley. Court administrator David Stanifer says the allegations did not persuade the judge to change the sentence.

CRIME (CON'T)
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October 31, 2008

Trucker found guilty of killing co-workers

Reporter: Aaron Brilbeck

Package 1:45

A jury on Thursday convicted a truck driver of gunning down his boss and another man at a trucking company office near Toledo. Jurors deliberated for about six hours Thursday before convicting Calvin Neyland Jr. of two counts of aggravated murder in Wood County Common Pleas Court in northwest Ohio. Neyland, who had pleaded not guilty, could be sentenced to death. Neyland, of Findlay, was accused of fatally shooting Liberty Transportation manager Doug Smith and a second man, Thomas Lazar, after they fired him in August 2007. Lazar was a retired Pennsylvania state trooper sent to help fire Neyland. Smith's fiance testified earlier in the week that Smith was nervous before he was to meet with Neyland, and another man said Smith feared he was going to "get beat up or worse." Prosecutors said Neyland planned to kill his boss after finding out he was going to be fired. Neyland's attorneys did not dispute that he killed the men, but they tried to show that he had not planned the shootings. Neyland had worked at the trucking company for just over a year and had been warned that he was one violation away from being let go. He then had a traffic accident a week before the shootings that sealed his firing, assistant Wood County prosecutor Heather Baker told jurors during opening statements of the trial. Neyland went to the trucking office and first shot Lazar, Baker said. Neyland then shot Smith, who was sitting by himself in a second-floor office, she said. Two men working at a window company next door testified that they heard the first gunshots, watched Neyland go into the office and then heard a few more shots. Both identified Neyland as the man they saw with a gun. Neyland was arrested about three hours after the slayings in a motel parking lot in Temperance, Mich., about 15 miles north of where the shooting took place. His motel room was stocked with weapons, and police found a handgun and a will in an envelope addressed to Neyland's in his truck, Baker said. Tests showed that bullets from the gun matched those found at the trucking company, she said.

December 9, 2008

Northwood woman admits to killing man

Reporter: Rob Packard

Package: 2:00

One person has been arrested for the death of a Northwood man found inside a burned home. Sarah Bunch, 20 sat quietly as she was charged with murder. Wood County Prosecuting Attorney Paul Dobson said bunch confessed to police that she shot Robert Porter. He was 60. Investigators are not releasing a motive of the killing. Northwood firefighters were putting out a blaze on West Andrus Monday when they discovered the victim. A neighbor Kelly Reynolds told NBC 24, Bunch grew up with relatives behind the victim's house. "Bob was a heck of a nice person. Outgoing, No one ever said anything about the guy. Heck, I'm in shock over that. Hard to believe," said Kelly Reynolds. Bunch is being held in the Wood County Jail on \$300,000 bond. She told the judge she has no money for a lawyer. Northwood's Fire Chief said the incident is surprising. "Northwood is a small community that we are. We don't have a lot of structure fires. To have a fire fatality is very rare for us. I can't remember the last time, probably about 20 years," says Northwood Fire Chief Tim Romstadt. "This neighborhood's usually quiet. Police check on houses. This is definitely a shock to find this out," says Jennifer Keister.

CRIME (CON'T)
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December 12, 2008

Jones sentenced for murdering bicyclist

Dounche Jones gets 18 years to life for murdering an East Toledo bicyclist biking to work to save gas money

Reporter: Aaron Brillbeck

Package: 2:00

Dounche Jones was sentenced Friday in Lucas County Court to 18 years to life for the murder of bicyclist David Babcock last July. Babcock, 46, was shot in the head on July 15, 2008 as biked to work from his East Toledo home to his workplace in South Toledo. The shooting happened in the 200-block of Western Avenue about 5:30 a.m. The single shot went through his left thumb and severed an artery in neck. Family members said it was the first day of a new plan to ride his bike to work to save money on gas. Babcock was also a cancer survivor. Judge James Jensen sentenced Jones after family members had a chance to read statements Jim Babcock, the victim's brother, said his brother was a simple man who lead a simple life. "He worked at the same job for 26 years and never missed a day except for radiation treatment for brain cancer. Dounche Jones did to my brother what the cancer could not," he said. Jones offered no apology in court.

December 30, 2008

Local cruise ship mystery remains unsolved

Toledoan Tammy Grogan disappeared from a Carnival cruise ship in 2006, and the case is still a mystery

Reporter: Arielle Berlin

Package: 2:00

Boarding the Carnival Cruise ship two years ago, Bonnie Grogan never imagined how her life would be turned upside down. Several days into the cruise, a night of drinking turned deadly. "Next thing I know, I wake up in bed 11 o'clock the next morning and I was in my robe in bed," says Bonnie. Bonnie is pretty sure she and her daughter Tammy were drugged that night. But only Bonnie survived. Her daughter Tammy disappeared. "As far as they were concerned it was a suicide, but I kept saying no," Bonnie said. Tammy's 14-year-old son Jimmy was on that cruise. And so was a man named Craig Morgan, who had been spending a lot of time with Jimmy and in Bonnie's opinion had him brainwashed. She believes that Jimmy and Craig threw Tammy overboard so they could live together.

"I didn't want to think that she hurt in anyway, that maybe she was so out of it that she didn't know what happened," Bonnie said. Now, two years later, Bonnie hears the news of another woman disappearing off a cruise and the horrible memories come rushing back. In Bonnie's opinion, officials with Carnival Cruise Lines swept the disappearance under the rug. Authorities didn't collect much evidence. Here in Toledo, Bonnie says police found the date rape drug at Craig Morgan's apartment, but still can't prove anything. So now, two years later, all Bonnie can hang on to are some pictures and the memories of their last days together on board that ship. "All I can do is hope that before I leave this earth, I can see them go away," says Bonnie. Bonnie's grandson Jimmy is now living with his paternal grandfather. She no longer speaks to him or anybody else who was on that cruise. Bonnie says Toledo police are still working on this case and she hopes they can have some resolve soon.

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**FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK (FOTW)
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October 1, 2008

FOTW: Dale Griffin

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package 1:20

TOLEDO -- Police say Dale Griffin was on the right track. He was enrolled in college and headed for a successful life until they say he gave it all up and turned to robbing others of what they've worked for. U.S. Marshals say after he dropped out of college, Dale Griffin joined a gang. "The Manor Boys, in the Moody Manor, commits not only an armed robbery, but now an aggravated burglary. It's a case I don't understand," says Deputy U.S. Marshal Rodney Hartzell. On Sept. 11, police say Griffin, along with other gang members, held a woman who lives in Moody Manor at gunpoint. "Demanded money. Then shortly after Dale Griffin decides he was going to start doing burglaries in the Moody Manor," says Hartzell. Police have been searching for Griffin for some time now and need your help to put him behind bars. Authorities believe family members are helping him hide. "I just can't understand why Dale Griffin would have the opportunity to go to college and ruin it by committing armed robberies and aggravated burglaries... Threw away an opportunity at an education. Maybe he can get his education in jail somewhere," says Hartzell. Dale Griffin is 20-years-old, 5'10" tall and weighs 165 pounds. He has brown eyes and black hair. He now has braids below his ears and also carries a long rap sheet. If you know where Griffin is hiding you are asked to call 1-866-4-WANTED. Remember, you can always remain anonymous and your tip can lead to a cash reward.

October 1, 2008

FOTW: Dale Griffin Captured

Reporter: Kylie Conway

VO :30

TOLEDO -- After seeing himself profiled on NBC24 Tuesday, this week's Fugitive of the Week, Dale Griffin turned himself in. Griffin, 20, surrendered early Thursday morning. Police say Griffin had a dropped out of college and joined a gang. He was wanted on aggravated robbery charges. Griffin is the 135th fugitive caught as part of our exclusive Fugitive of the Week series.

October 7, 2008

FOTW - Russell Watson CAPTURED

Reporter: Kylie Conway

VO :30

TOLEDO -- Another NBC24 Fugitive of the Week is behind bars. U.S. Marshals say Russell Watson was picked up by Toledo Police Tuesday. Watson is accused of robbing his neighbor of the down payment for his home. He had over ten warrants out for his arrest. Toledo Police arrested Watson along Airport Highway.

FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK (FOTW) (con't)
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October 8, 2008

FOTW - Victor Savage

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:20

TOLEDO -- This week's fugitive's criminal career started off petty and over time turned much more serious. "Victor Savage started his criminal career in 1993 stealing bicycles and has moved up to CCW, assault on a police officer, aggravated robbery and now shooting," says Deputy U.S. Marshal Rodney Hartzell. Savage, 30, is now wanted for robbery, assault, and a recent shooting that took place just this month. "October 1st, two men were arguing in the 2000-block of Upton when Victor Salvage for no apparent reason walked up behind one of the men and shot him and left," says Hartzell. Savage has been on the run ever since. Victor Savage stands 6'0" tall and weighs 240 pounds. He has two large tattoos on both his inner arms. Authorities believe he is a real threat to the community. "This morning I went into my office and I pulled up Victor Savage's FBI wrap sheet. He is well known to law enforcement... That's why we've profiled Victor Savage as one of Toledo's most violent," says Hartzell. If you know Savage's whereabouts please call 1-866-4-WANTED. Remember you can remain completely anonymous and your tip can lead to a cash reward.

October 21, 2008

FOTW - Victor Savage CAPTURED

VO Update: :30

Another NBC24 Fugitive of the Week is behind bars Tuesday. US Marshals say Toledo Police arrested Victor Savage around midnight Friday, Oct. 17. He was spotted by police at 914 South Byrne. Savage, 30, was wanted for robbery, assault, and a recent shooting that took place just this month.

October 22, 2008

FOTW -- Frank Richardson

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:20

This week's fugitive served seven years for raping his 11-year-old daughter. Now he is on the run. U.S. Marshals need your help to catch Frank Richardson. He was sentenced in 1999 for gross sexual imposition. Richardson was released from jail last year to a city mission in Toledo. He never showed up. Now police say he is a threat to other and want him behind bars immediately. "Of course he's a danger. He's going back," says Rodney Hartzell, Deputy U.S. Marshal. Frank Richardson is 6'2" tall and weighs 185 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes. If you know where Richardson is, call 1-866-4-WANTED. Your tip can lead to a cash reward.

October 22, 2008

FOTW -- Frank Richardson Captured

Reporter: Kylie Conway

VO Update :30

Frank Richardson was profiled as the NBC24 Fugitive of the Week Tuesday night. As of Wednesday morning, he was behind bars. Richardson, 49, turned himself in to police at 7:40 a.m. Wednesday. He has been on the run since being released from jail to a Toledo mission last year. Richardson had served seven years for raping his 11-year-old daughter. Richardson is the 138th fugitive caught as part of NBC24's exclusive series.

FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK (FOTW) (con't)
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October 29, 2008

FOTW -- Brandon Lewis

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:20

SOUTH TOLEDO -- This week's fugitive is wanted for posing as a drug dealer and robbing potential clients. He sets up drug dealers but never plans to sell anything. Police say Brandon Lewis, 27, met two people wanting to buy marijuana at Airport and Wenz. The victim says he handed Lewis \$200 for the drugs and that's when Lewis apparently brandished a gun and took off. Deputy U.S. Marshall Rodney Hartzell says when Lewis goes to deliver, he delivers what's called a rip. He says Lewis is very dangerous and wants him off the streets of Toledo. Brandon Lewis is 5'7" tall and weighs 180 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes. He has three tattoos: on the right side of his neck, his upper right arm and on his forearm. Lewis' last known address is 1118 Wenz Road. If you know where Brandon Lewis is hiding you are asked to call 1-866-4-WANTED. Remember you can always remain anonymous and your tip can lead to a cash reward.

November 5, 2008

FOTW -- Alfonzo Johnson

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:20

TOLEDO, OHIO -- Police want this week's fugitive behind bars because they say they successfully bought crack cocaine from him several times, arrested him and now he's on the lam. Police say Alfonzo Johnson, 32, sold them crack cocaine in April of last year. They say it wasn't the first time. Johnson was arrested for the delivery and manufacturing of cocaine. "Trafficking narcotics is inherently dangerous for everybody involved...could always be dangerous," says Christopher Hodge, Deputy U.S. Marshal. Johnson posted a \$75,000 bond and on April 24 police say he didn't show up for his sentencing. Police say they want him caught because they have a potentially dangerous Monroe, Michigan cocaine trafficker who is likely to be living in the Toledo area. Alfonzo Johnson is 5'10" tall and weighs 225 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes. If you know where Johnson is hiding you are asked to call 1-866-4-WANTED. Remember, you can always remain anonymous and your tip can lead to a cash reward.

November 12, 2008

FOTW -- Alfonzo Johnson

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:20

TOLEDO, OHIO -- This week's fugitive has failed to comply with the terms of his release. He has not registered himself on the sexual offender list in a year. Now police need your help to make sure he doesn't commit any more crimes against innocent minors. In 1999, Robert Moore was found guilty of gross sexual imposition. The act is too graphic to describe in detail, but the action of his crime was against his son's 15-year-old friend who awoke in the middle of the act. Now Moore is on the run and has not registered on any sexual offender list. Police say this is one of the most dangerous kinds of fugitives because you never know when he could strike again. They believe he may be in the Toledo area or that he may have fled to Rhode Island or California. Robert Moore is 52-years-old, 6'1" tall and weighs 190 pounds. He has brown eyes and black hair. If you know where Robert Moore is hiding you are asked to call 1-866-4-WANTED. Remember, you can always remain anonymous and your tip can lead to a cash reward.

FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK (FOTW) (con't)
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November 14, 2008

FOTW -- Teofilo Hardesty Captured

Reporter: Kylie Conway

VO Update :30

Another arrest has been made for NBC24's Fugitive of the Week series. Teofilo Hardesty, 27, has become the 138th fugitive captured in our exclusive series. He was arrested Thursday in St. Louis. Hardesty was caught with the girlfriend he has been accused of nearly killing.

November 26, 2008

FOTW -- Alfonzo Johnson

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:20

TOLEDO, OHIO -- This week's fugitive is accused of holding one of his friends at gunpoint to rob him of what little cash he had on him. Now, police want this habitual criminal behind bars. U.S. Marshals say late in the night of Nov. 10, 23-year-old Laronie Lampkin stuck a pistol in his friend's face, stole \$21 and then punched him in the face. "I would say he's more than a thief. As you can see he's a very dangerous person. One minute you're hanging out with somebody and the next minute they're stealing all your money," says Deputy U.S. Marshal Christopher Hodge. The crime happened in the area of Ontario and Magnolia, but Lampkin is now believed to be living somewhere in North Toledo near Mulberry. Laronie Lampkin is 5'9" tall and weighs 180 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes. If you know where Lampkin is hiding you are asked to call 1-866-4-WANTED. You can remain anonymous and your tip can lead to a cash reward.

FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK (FOTW) (con't)
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

December 10, 2008

FOTW --- Anthony Brown

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:45

TOLEDO, OHIO -- U.S. Marshals say Anthony Brown is very dangerous and quick to pull the trigger. Now they want your help to put this 21-year-old behind bars. Police say that on Oct. 25, Brown walked up to a victim sitting in a car. Brown apparently knew he was carrying cash, and he opened the passenger side door. "He said, 'Do you know what time it is?' Anthony Brown shot this victim six times with the full intentions of killing him," says Rodney Hartzell, Deputy U.S. Marshal. The victim miraculously survived and gave police Brown's description. Brown is now wanted for attempted murder. U.S. Marshals believe he fled the state and need your help in finding him. "If we find out anyone has helped him/assisted him leave the state... Again, we have 100% conviction rate. You'll be charged and you'll go to jail over the holidays," says Hartzell. Anthony Brown is 21-years-old, 6'3" tall and weighs 190 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes. Brown also has several tattoos, two most recognizable are on his cheeks:

- Under right eye - "slave"
- Under left eye - "the game"
- Right hand - "bread"
- Left hand - "brazy"
- Right forearm - "blood hound"
- Left Forearm - "blood in, blood out"

Hartzell says tipsters have a chance for a bonus this holiday season if they can provide information on Brown. "You call us tonight and we'll call this case "Christmas bonus." Because whatever Crimestopper gives you, we'll give you more on top of that." If you have any idea where Anthony Brown is hiding you are asked to call 1-866-4-WANTED. Remember, you can always remain anonymous and your tip can lead to a cash reward.

FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK (FOTW) (con't)
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

December 17, 2008

FOTW --- Neals McIntosh

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:40

The U.S. Marshalls are calling this week's fugitive, "the loser of the year." Police say 31-year-old Neals McIntosh deliberately robbed an innocent woman of her medication, which was crucial to her fight against cancer. Rodney Hartzell, Deputy U.S. Marshall said, "Neals McIntosh went to a bar. It was a robbery set-up and robbed a cancer patient of her drugs." Police say that someone at the Tavern Bar, located at 531 Oak Street, knew the victim carried narcotics on her due to her condition. He then called McIntosh when he saw the woman at the bar. McIntosh showed up and followed the victim to her car, where he assaulted her, stole her purse, money and most of her medication. "Neals McIntosh, you're my loser of the year. You had the guts to call TPD and tell them you're not coming in? I'm not going to give you the choice. With the help from the viewers, we're coming after you," Hartzell said. Police say McIntosh is about 6 feet tall and weighs around 250 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes. Police also want to re-profile 21-year-old Anthony Brown. After Brown was featured on Fugitive of the Week, he made a statement. "Anthony sent us a message stating blood in blood out. He wants to go down in a blaze of glory...we're not looking for a gun battle," Hartzell said. Brown is 6 feet 3 inches tall, and weighs 190 pounds with black hair and brown eyes. He also has several tattoos, the two most recognizable being on his cheeks. If you know where either 31-year-old Neals McIntosh or 21-year-old Anthony Brown are hiding, you are asked to call 1-866-4-WANTED. The tip can always remain anonymous and can also lead to a cash reward.

December 24, 2008

FOTW --- James Kenneth Valentine, Jr.

Reporter: Kylie Conway

Package: 1:40

This week's fugitive is an unregistered sex offender on the loose. James Kenneth Valentine, Jr. was convicted, in 1991, of raping a five-year-old girl. He spent eleven years behind bars for the crime. Now authorities say Valentine is stealing credit cards. He has ties to the Defiance area and police want him off the street. James Valentine, Jr. is 36-years-old and stands, 5'10" tall and weighs 190 lbs. He has brown hair and brown eyes. If you know the whereabouts of Valentine you are asked to call 1-866-4-WANTED. Your tip can be anonymous and you could earn a cash reward.

FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK (FOTW) (con't)
OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

December 31, 2008

FOTW --- Anthony Brown Captured

Reporter: Kylie Conway

VO Update :30

TOLEDO, OH -- Anthony Brown, who was re-profiled this week on NBC24's exclusive Fugitive of the Week series, was apprehended Wednesday by authorities after receiving a tip, Toledo police said. Tuesday night, NBC24 re-profiled five fugitives still wanted by U.S. Marshalls. They included James K. Valentine Jr., Neals McIntosh, Laronie Lampkin, Alfonzo Johnson, and Anthony Brown. Brown was initially profiled on December 9, after he shot a victim six times. Miraculously the victim survived and was able to provide authorities with a description. Authorities tell NBC24 that on October 25, Brown walked up to a victim who he apparently knew was carrying cash and opened the passenger side door, shooting his victim. Brown was wanted for attempted murder. Brown made a statement after NBC24 first profiled him. "Anthony sent us a message stating "blood in, blood out.". He wanted to go down in a blaze of glory. We are not looking for a gun battle," said Christopher Hodge, U.S. Marshall. In the end, Brown did not get his battle. After receiving the tip that Brown was staying at an apartment on Ottawa Cove in West Toledo, authorities surrounded the location. They got a key to the apartment, made a swift entry, and quickly took Brown into custody while he slept. Brown was questioned by police and later booked in the Lucas County Jail. He is scheduled to be arraigned in Toledo Municipal Court on Friday morning. If you have any information on the other fugitives still wanted by U.S. Marshal's call 1-866-4-WANTED. You can always remain anonymous and your tip can lead to a cash reward.

Public Service Announcements

The station aired various Public Service Announcements pertaining to our exclusive Fugitive of the Week Series in varying lengths (:10, :15; :20; :30; :60 and :90); each PSA aired multiple times between October 1 through December 31, 2008.

Fourth Quarter 2008 station involvement in the community various events

Go Red For Women Campaign

NBC24's Shenikwa Stratford participated in the annual Toledo Goes Red for Women sponsored by St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center. The mission was to raise women's awareness that heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women. The American Heart Association called for nominations of local women to represent the Toledo Goes Red for Women movement as a feature Go Red Ambassador in 2008.

Let's Read You and Me

NBC24 has partnered with the United Way of Greater Toledo, Panera Bread, and Garden Smiles by Carruth to encourage reading among pre-school and elementary school students, and their families in the community.

NBC24's Biggest Loser

SuperFitness and NBC24 are calling out to all residents in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan to help viewers lose weight. NBC24's Kelly Heidbreder profiles the steps some viewers are taking to battle the pounds

WNWO-TV Scholarship Program with the Ohio Center for Broadcasting

The amount of the scholarship is \$500 awarded on a one time per winner basis towards the tuition cost of the estimated 39 week OCB program. The scholarship will be awarded to a student who is a resident of a county within the recognized DMA of the Toledo Market. The selection of the winner will be based on the following: A written essay from each applicant on why they are pursuing a broadcasting education and their goals for their broadcasting career. A personal interview with Management representatives of WNWO. Every applicant must have a High School Diploma or GED certified by OCB. Every applicant must have already been accepted by OCB for admission. The scholarship will be publicized by OCB both at their locations (Cleveland and Cincinnati) and their web site. WNWO will publicize on their web site, possible news story mention and on site applications. WNWO and OCB will develop a scholarship publicity folder with application.

Adopt America

At Adopt America Network, we have made it our mission to find good families for the children who wait in foster care. We believe that home and family are essential to the well being of every child. Each of us needs the experiences and memories of being a loved member of a family. Adopt America Network is different from other adoption organizations because in addition to the staff at national headquarters in Toledo, Ohio, we have a volunteer network of Adoption Specialists spread across the nation willing to help other families learn how to adopt a child and eager to help them find the right family for each child. These trained volunteers are all parents of adopted children with various special needs. Go to our [Contact us page](#) and click on your state to send a staff member an e-mail or call a staff member at the Toledo Headquarters to find out more about adopting.

Local American Red Cross Blood Drives

On going throughout the first quarter 2006, WNWO, NBC24, and NBC24.com provided information on the upcoming blood drives for the Western Lake Erie Blood Region of the American Red Cross. This list broken down by county and then the date with a phone number provided for additional information and a link to their website www.redcrostoledo.org

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NBC24 Home Refinance Hotline

Ohio led the nation in foreclosures last year, and Lucas County had the fourth highest rate in the state. Its a huge issue, and many blame the problem on sub-prime loans and predatory lenders. NBC24 teamed up with area experts and state officials to help those struggling to save their homes.