

WJAR 4th Quarter Issues and Problems Report

October 1-December 31, 2003

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| 10/14/2003 | 3:00 | Police Rally: A battle between Warren police officers and the chief is bringing in support tonight from officers across the state. | NBC 10 @ 6 PM | Law Enforcement |
| 10/17/2003 | :20 | Lawyers for abuse victims are confident they have the 80 percent approval they need for the settlement to go forward with the Archdiocese of Boston. The Archdiocese has agreed to pay 85-million dollars to people who claim they were abused by members of the clergy. Settlements are expected to range from 80 -thousand to 300-thousand dollars. | NBC 10 @ 6 PM | Religion |
| 10/21/2003 | 2:15 | RIPTA Cutbacks: The cutbacks will fall on the state's poorest citizens who can NOT afford cars. Bus service after nine on weekDAYS--and after 7 on weekENDS would be eliminated. No more Summer bus services from cities to the beaches and an end to trolley service in Providence. | NBC 10 @ 6 PM | Public Transportation |
| 10/22/2003 | 2:00 | It's only mid- autumn and temperatures are cool, but seasonable. Still, local shelters are already full. NewsChannel 10's Ted Daniel has one family's story. | NBC 10 @ 5:30 PM | Homeless |
| 10/23/2003 | 28:25:00 | Timelines: A look back at the history of weather forecasting shows that we take the weather pretty seriously here in Southern New England. There is no denying that the science of meteorology has taken tremendous strides over the years. The equipment that was used in years past now seems ancient when you compare it to today's space age technology. The ultimate goal has remained the same - to provide a reliable forecast on a regular basis. And despite the use of satellites and computers the accuracy of that forecast will rely in large part on the knowledge and experience of the individual who is making the forecast. | 7:00 PM | Weather |
| 10/23/2003 | 2:00 | More and more families around Southern New England are turning to homeless shelters because of rising cost of housing. In Rhode Island critics say a change to the state's affordable housing laws would make things worse, not better. | NBC 10 @ 6 PM | Affordable Housing |
| 10/25/2003 | 28:25:00 | FireWatch: Keep Southern New England Safe: 30 minutes fire safety program | 7:00 PM | Fire Safety |

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| 10/28/2003 | 1:35 | Fake Twenties: Well it didn't take long for someone to figure out how to counterfeit the brand new twenty dollars bills. The fake twenties have already turned up in Massachusetts. | NBC 10 @ 11 PM | Crime |
| 10/28/2003 | 2:10 | Hospital Survey: More than five thousand Rhode Islanders responded to the survey. They were patients who stayed for at least one night in eleven of the state's general hospitals between December and March and in two specialty care hospitals...between April and July. | NBC 10 @.11 PM | Healthcare |
| 10/28/2003 | :25 | Home Care Co-Pay: Senator Jack Reed is against a plan requiring medicare recipients to have co-pays for home care. It's part of a proposed Medicare reform bill. Reed made his announcement yesterday at the home of a woman who would be affected by the legislation. Reed says those relying on Medicare are already struggling to pay other health care costs. | Various | Healthcare |
| 10/29/2003 | :20 | CCRI Newport: After 40 YEARS of planning, it looks like Newport will finally get a permanent C-C-R-I campus. Groundbreaking ceremonies were yesterday.. Three years ago, voters approved an 11-million dollar bond issue to pay for the building. But cost and time overruns delayed the project. When its built, the new campus will complete the community college vision approved by the General Assembly in 19-60. | NBC 10 @ Sunrise | Education |
| 10/30/2003 | 1:40 | Propane Explosion: Residents were evacuated and roads closed in Coventry, after a propane storage tank exploded. | NBC 10 @ 5:30 PM | Public Safety |
| 10/30/2003 | 2:05 | Scouting for Food: Boy Scouts will be collecting food for pantries across the state. Newschannel 10's Bill Rappleye toured the Rhode Island Food Bankwarehouse to tell us about the drive. | NBC 10 @ 5 PM | Hunger |

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| 10/30/2003 | :40 | <p>Cape Wind Farm: The Army Corps of Engineers has released a list of alternative sites for that controversial proposed wind farm off Cape Cod. Cape Wind Associates wants to build 130 offshore power-generating wind turbines at Horseshoe Shoal on Nantucket Sound. At a public meeting yesterday, the Army Corps narrowed down its list of additional proposed sites. All of them will have to be studied as part of an environmental impact report.</p> <p>Shallow water sites include Horseshoe Shoal, as well as Tuckernuck Shoal off Nantucket, and Hankerchief Shoal. The deep-water proposal is the area south of Tuckernuck Island. An onshore alternative is the Massachusetts Military reservation on Cape Cod. And the Army Corps is also suggesting smaller collections of turbines, located in both Horseshoe Shoal, AND New Bedford Harbor.</p> | NBC 10 @ 5:30 PM | Energy |
| 10/30/2003 | :20 | <p>Union Rally: They say there's strength in numbers... Bagpipes kicked off a rally at the state house yesterday, where union members announced a new united front. Thousands of them are standing behind a new public relations campaign called "Working Rhode Island." The group will use t-v and radio spots to spread the word that workers deserve respect.</p> | NBC 10 @ 5:30 PM | Labor |
| 10/31/2003 | Various | <p>Young Verdict. Jurors returned their verdict. They found one Providence police officer did violate Young's civil rights--while the other involved in the shooting did not.</p> | All newscasts | Administration of Justice |
| 10/31/2003 | :45 | <p>Rhode Island adds its name to a growing list of states who've fired the Putnam Investment firm. Putnam is under investigation for inappropriate trading practices. General Treasurer Paul Tavares says the board that manages the Rhode Island retirement fund voted to fire Putnam today, but that the 651-MILLION dollars in the fund is well protected.</p> | NBC 10 @ 6 PM | State Investments |
| 11/2/2003 | 1:35 | <p>Some people in a Tiverton neighborhood worry about contamination buried in the soil years ago...that MAY be causing health problems now. And a new report can't seem to ease everyone's fears...even though the experts who conducted it call it solid.</p> | NBC 10 @ Sunrise | Environmental |

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| 11/2/2003 | :25 | Cranston police continue to look for clues in a home invasion. Police say someone attacked a woman in her own bathroom...with a four year old boy nearby. It happened Friday morning in the woman's apartment on Cranston Street. This morning there's no word on her condition--she was treated for facial injuries. Investigators think some jewelry may have been taken from the home. | NBC 10 @ Sunrise | Crime |
| 11/2/2003 | :45 | A New Hampshire sports arena is hosting a historic moment for the Episcopal Church today. Thousands are expected to attend the consecration of the first openly gay Episcopal bishop, Reverend Gene Robinson. Some Episcopalians in New Hampshire met last night at a Lutheran Church in Concord to consider forming a break-away church to protest the consecration. One Minister who attended the meeting says his group quote accepts sinners but says that doesn't mean sins no longer exist. | NBC 10 @ Sunrise | Religion |
| 11/15/2003 | 1:45 | A manufacturing company that's been in the Ocean State for almost two hundred years is staying put North Kingstown's Brown and Sharpe had been considering a move to the midwest. Instead, the company will now move just a short distance to Quonset. The Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation will build the new facility at an estimated cost of 11 million dollars -- and lease it to Brown and Sharpe. | NBC 10 @ Sunrise | Employment |
| 11/18/2003 | 2:40 | A news Channel 10 investigation found the bases of most Rhode Island bridges are not protected. . . which COULD be dangerous if hit by a boat. A two-part series looks at RI Bridge Safety. | NBC 10 @ 6 PM | Public Safety |
| 11/19/2003 | 1:00 | Money's tight for Rhode Island communities. And the state's not much better off. Political reporter Bill Rappleye shows us a first of its kind meeting to address the problems. | NBC 10 @ 5:00 PM | Municipal Finances |
| 11/20/2003 | 2:00 | Gay Marriage: The Massachusetts Supreme Court's decision to legalize gay marriage is expected to re-invigorate similar efforts in Rhode Island. A number of groups like GLAAD, the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, called the Massachusetts ruling a victory. Rhode Island Governor Don Carcieri opposed same sex marriage as a candidate... and says he still would oppose it. | NBC 10 @ 5:30 PM | Gay Rights |

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| 11/25/2003 | 2:00 | Mass Economic Package: Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney is about to sign an economic stimulus bill. Among the new laws: two tax free shopping days and liquor stores can open on Sundays. What impact will that have on Rhode Island? | NBC 10 @ 6 PM | Economy |
| 11/26/2003 | :45 | Racial Profiling: Providence mayor David Cicilline has a plan to stop racial profiling by police officers. The mayor says community outreach is one part of the plan. The other part includes diversity training for police officers. A study by Northeastern University has shown that racial profiling happened more in Providence than anywhere else in the state. | NBC 10 @ Sunrise | Racial Profiling |
| 12/19/2003 | 2:20 | Bank Rhode Island immediately started reaching out to customers after somebody stole a laptop computer. It contained up to 43-thousand names, addresses and social security numbers. | All newscasts | Identity Theft |
| 12/19/2003 | Various | More pressure on Rhode Island lawmakers to reveal their income sources. Senate President William Irons refuses to name the pharmacy company for which he works. During a taping of Ten News Conference, fellow Democrat Congressman Patrick Kennedy says Irons needs to tell the public. | All newscasts | Ethics |
| 12/23/2003 | Various | You'll notice the tighter security at TF Green this week. There are more officers around. Allow plenty of time for baggage checks. All of it just a stepping up of things since the new ORANGE alert. | All newscasts | Homeland Security |
| 12/24/2003 | :50 | Amid the heightened terror-alert, nationwide, this holiday season--Governor Don Carcieri ordered additional security at the Port of Providence. Today Carcieri sent soldiers from the 172-nd Mountain Infantry division of the Rhode Island national guard...to help with security already at the port. He put the unit under the command of the Providence police. The port stores huge amounts of fuel and natural gas...a potentially inviting target for terrorists. | NBC 10 @ 6 PM | Homeland Security |
| 10/30-31/03 | 2:30 | Uniforms, discipline and a demanding curriculum... just a few of the reasons some parents seek out a Catholic education for their kids. But now an increasing number of non-Catholic students are filling the desks at these schools. Kelley McGee explores the reasons why in our special report - a Mission in Education. | NBC 10 @ 5 PM | Private Education |
| December | Various | NBC10 Blood Drive: NBC 10 raises over 457 pints of blood to help with holiday shortages. | All newscasts | Blood Supply |
| November | Various | Pawtucket Mill Fire: Continuing coverage of the Pawtucket Mill Fire and the families left homeless in its wake. | All newscasts | Fire Safety & Homeless |

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| November | Various | 10 Thanksgiving: NBC10 teams up with Stop & Shop and the Salvation Army to pack Thanksgiving Day Dinner baskets for the needy. | All newscasts | Hunger |
| October | Various | Bank Robberies: A series of bank robberies affects Providence & Warwick. Continuous coverage. | All newscasts | Crime |
| Ongoing | Various | War In Iraq. Continuing coverage of the War In Iraq. Reports on local troops, their families & future deployments | NBC 10 @ Sunrise | War |
| On-going | Various | Pona Trial: Continuing coverage of the proceedings. | All newscasts | Administration of Justice |
| On-going | Various | Station Fire Victims & Club Owners: NBC 10 brings its viewers reports on the on-going investigation of the Station Nightclub Fire. | All newscasts | Administration of Justice |