

## CHANNEL ONE NEWS SHOW SCRIPT 1/30/08

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JESSICA: HEY EVERYBODY, IT'S WEDNESDAY JANUARY 30<sup>TH</sup>. I'M HERE IN MIAMI BEACH IN MY HOME STATE OF FLORIDA WHERE THE PRIMARY RESULTS ARE IN. BUT FIRST CHECK OUT THESE HEADLINES FROM CHANNEL ONE NEWS.

ANNOUNCER: A SEVERE SNOW STORM HAS HIT CHINA. THE WORST THE COUNTRY'S SEEN IN 50 YEARS.

ANNOUNCER: THE WEATHER HAS LEFT THOUSANDS WITHOUT POWER AND CRIPPLED CHINA'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.

ANNOUNCER: AN ESTIMATED HALF MILLION PEOPLE ARE STRANDED AT AIRPORTS AND TRAIN STATIONS.

ANNOUNCER: THE BAD WEATHER IS BEING BLAMED FOR THE DEATHS OF NEARLY 50 PEOPLE. AND AT LEAST 25 PEOPLE WERE KILLED YESTERDAY IN A BUS CRASH ON AN ICY ROAD.

ANNOUNCER: THE STORM COMES DURING A PARTICULARLY BUSY TIME FOR TRAVEL IN CHINA. CHINESE NEW YEAR BEGINS NEXT WEEK AND ABOUT 2 BILLION PEOPLE PLAN TO TRAVEL FOR THE HOLIDAY.

TONY: PRESIDENT BUSH CONTINUES TO PUSH FOR FEDERAL MONEY TO HELP SEND YOUNG PEOPLE FROM LOW INCOME FAMILIES TO PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

TONY: IT'S A CAUSE THAT'S BEEN ON MR. BUSH'S AGENDA FOR A LONG TIME, BUT THIS WEEK HE ASKED CONGRESS FOR 300 MILLION DOLLARS TO FUND THE PROGRAM, WHICH HE CALLS PELL GRANTS FOR KIDS.

TONY: THE PLAN IS MEANT TO ENCOURAGE COMPETITION AMONG SCHOOLS, BUT CRITICS SAY SENDING STUDENTS TO PRIVATE SCHOOLS WON'T FIX THE PROBLEMS IN THE EDUCATION SYSTEM. THEY SAY THE PLAN WOULD TAKE AWAY MUCH NEEDED MONEY FROM URBAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

ANNOUNCER: AN ARCHIVIST FOR THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IS FACING CRIMINAL CHARGES FOR STEALING HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS AND SELLING THEM ON EBAY.

ANNOUNCER: OFFICIALS SAY DANIEL LORELLO STOLE HUNDREDS OF ITEMS, INCLUDING A FOUR PAGE LETTER WRITTEN BY VICE PRESIDENT JOHN C. CALHOUN IN 1823.

ANNOUNCER: THE THEFT WAS UNCOVERED BY A HISTORY BUFF FROM VIRGINIA WHO NOTICED THE LETTER WAS FOR SALE, AND IT STRUCK HIM AS STRANGE.

ANNOUNCER: LORELLO APPEARED IN COURT YESTERDAY. HE COULD FACE UP TO 25 YEARS IN JAIL.

(SOT: Andrew Cuomo) "This crime is especially repugnant because it's dealing with historic documents which is literally stealing the legacy of the state of New York."

TONY: A NORTH CAROLINA TEEN HAS TURNED BUBBLE WRAP INTO A WINNING INVENTION.

TONY: HANNAH HAAS USED BUBBLE WRAP TO MAKE WALLPAPER FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH AUTISM.

TONY: THE GOAL IS TO STIMULATE BRAIN ACTIVITY BY TOUCHING THE BUBBLE WRAP WALL PAPER.

TONY: HAAS BEAT OUT MORE THAN 14 HUNDRED OTHER STUDENTS TO WIN TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND THE TITLE OF "AMERICA'S NEXT GREAT INVENTOR".

(SOT: Hannah Haas) "It's the coolest thing ever to know that someone likes your idea. But honestly, I think all of them easily could have won. They were so good and it must have been really hard to choose."

ANNOUNCER: DO YOU HAVE A GREAT IDEA AND WANT TO SHARE IT WITH THE WORLD? HEAD TO CHANNEL ONE DOT COM AND CLICK ON HOW TO BE AN INVENTOR FOR TIPS ON GETTING YOUR GREAT INVENTION TO THE MASSES.

COMMERCIAL

JESSICA: FROM THE COLD WEATHER CAUCUS IN IOWA TO THE PRIMARY IN THE SUNSHINE STATE OF FLORIDA, HOW DO THE RESULTS COMPARE? CHRIS BROWNE SHOWS US WHO'S GAINING GROUND ON THE COMPETITION.

CHRIS: ON THE REPUBLICAN SIDE, IT WAS A KNOCK DOWN; DRAG OUT FIGHT FOR THE SUNSHINE STATE.

CHRIS: FRONT-RUNNER JOHN MCCAIN, HOPING TO FOLLOW UP A BIG WIN IN SOUTH CAROLINA ENTERED THE DAY NECK AND NECK WITH MITT ROMNEY FRESH OFF VICTORIES IN NEVADA AND MICHIGAN.

CHRIS: ALSO JUMPING INTO THE FRAY, IOWA WINNER MIKE HUCKABEE AND RUDY GIULIANI. GIULIANI MOSTLY IGNORED OTHER PRIMARY STATES, AND WAS LOOKING TO FLORIDA TO REVIVE HIS CAMPAIGN.

CHRIS: AND WHEN THE DUST SETTLED,

(SOT: John McCain) "Our victory, might not have leached landslide proportions, but it is sweet nonetheless."

CHRIS: SO WHY WAS SENATOR MCCAIN'S WIN SO BIG FOR HIS CAMPAIGN? WELL, 57 DELEGATES ARE UP FOR GRABS IN FLORIDA AND THAT'S MORE THAN DOUBLE ANY OTHER STATE SO FAR.

CHRIS: ANOTHER REASON MCCAIN WAS SMILING TUESDAY NIGHT, HISTORY. SINCE 1972, NO REPUBLICAN HAS WON THE PARTY'S NOMINATION WITHOUT FIRST WINNING FLORIDA.

CHRIS: SO WHAT ABOUT THE DEMOCRATS? WELL IF THE FLORIDA REPUBLICAN PRIMARY WAS A BATTLE, THE DEMOCRATIC RACE, WAS MORE LIKE A BEAUTY CONTEST.

CHRIS: AND EVEN THOUGH SHE NEVER OFFICIALLY CAMPAIGNED IN FLORIDA, SENATOR HILLARY CLINTON CAME OUT ON TOP.

(SOT: Hillary Clinton) "Thank you Florida! Thank you Florida Democrats!"

CHRIS: ALTHOUGH FLORIDA WAS A NICE BOOST FOR CLINTON, IT DOESN'T HELP HER SECURE HER PARTY'S NOMINATION. JESSICA WILL HAVE MORE ON THAT LATER IN THE SHOW. REPORTING FROM NEW YORK, CHRIS BROWNE, CHANNEL ONE NEWS

JESSICA: SO YOU MAY BE WONDERING WHY IT WAS THE REPUBLICANS AND THE DEMOCRATS MAKING THE BIGGEST WAVES IN FLORIDA? I'LL HAVE MORE ON THAT AND HOW YOUNG PEOPLE FEEL ABOUT IT WHEN WE COME BACK.

JESSICA: BUT FIRST, I CAUGHT UP WITH RUDY GIULIANI HANGING OUT AT A DINER HERE YESTERDAY. HERE'S WHAT HE HAD TO SAY.

JESSICA: WHAT DID YOU DO AS A TEEN TO GET YOURSELF IN THE POSITION THAT YOU ARE IN TODAY?

(SOT: Rudy Giuliani) "Gosh as a teen you don't know all the position you are going to get yourself in the future, I guess the best advice I can give is to study hard, pursue the things that your interested in, get a very good education, then there are all sorts of possibilities."

JESSICA: IT'S BEEN A REALLY GREAT EXPERIENCE REPORTING FROM MY HOME STATE OF FLORIDA. SO GO TO CHANNEL ONE DOT COM AND CLICK ON REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK TO SEE SOME BEHIND THE SCENES VIDEOS YOU WON'T SEE ON THE SHOW.

COMMERCIAL

CHRIS: HERE'S ONE FACT YOU MAY NOT KNOW, FLORIDA HAS THE 4TH LARGEST POPULATION BEHIND CALIFORNIA, TEXAS, AND NEW YORK.

JESSICA: YOU KNOW THE WINNER FROM LAST NIGHT ON THE REPUBLICAN SIDE OF THE RACE TO THE WHITE HOUSE. BUT WHY DIDN'T THIS PRIMARY REALLY MATTER FOR THE DEMOCRATS?

JESSICA: DON'T YOU HATE IT WHEN PEOPLE BUTT IN FRONT OF YOU IN LINE OR WHEN EVERYONE IS ELBOWING TO BE FIRST?

JESSICA: THAT'S SIMILAR TO WHAT HAPPENED LAST SPRING WHEN STATES BEGAN FIGHTING TO MOVE THEIR PRIMARY ELECTIONS AHEAD OF EVERYONE ELSE.

JESSICA: IT STARTED WITH CALIFORNIA, WHEN IT MOVED ITS PRIMARY DATE FROM JUNE TO FEBRUARY 5TH,

JESSICA: THEN FLORIDA MOVED UP THE DATE FROM MARCH ELEVENTH TO JANUARY TWENTY-NINTH AND THAT STARTED A WAVE OF STATES LEAPFROGGING TO BE THE FIRST TO THE POLLS.

JESSICA: THE REASON? THE STATES HOPE THE EARLIER THEY VOTE IN THE PRIMARY, THE MORE POWER THEY HAVE DECIDING THEIR PARTY'S CANDIDATE.

JESSICA: YOU SEE, LAST TIME IN 2004 JOHN KERRY WAS ALREADY EXPECTED TO WIN THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION BY THE TIME FLORIDA VOTERS GOT TO THE POLLS.

JESSICA: THE PROBLEM? SEVERAL OF THE STATES, INCLUDING FLORIDA MADE THE CHANGE WITHOUT GETTING AN OKAY FROM THE DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN NATIONAL PARTIES.

JESSICA: AND THE NATIONAL PARTIES WEREN'T HAPPY WITH FLORIDA'S DECISION TO "BUTT IN LINE." AS PUNISHMENT, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY TOOK AWAY HALF OF FLORIDA'S DELEGATES MEANING ITS VOTE CARRIES ONLY HALF THE WEIGHT.

JESSICA: BUT DEMOCRATS WENT EVEN FURTHER AND TOOK AWAY ALL OF FLORIDA'S DELEGATES.

(SOT: ) "It is frustrating because the democratic point of view isn't portrayed."

(SOT: ) "You set a date, you should stick with that date. You're taking away these people's vote. It's totally not American."

JESSICA: THAT MEANS EVEN THOUGH HILLARY CLINTON WON IN FLORIDA, SHE WON'T RECEIVE ANY DELEGATES AT THE NOMINATING CONVENTION MAKING THIS DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ESSENTIALLY MEANINGLESS.

JESSICA: LOTS OF PEOPLE QUESTION THIS DECISION BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. THAT'S BECAUSE WINNING IN FLORIDA IS CONSIDERED KEY NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF ITS 27 ELECTORAL VOTES, BUT ALSO BECAUSE IN NOVEMBER'S GENERAL ELECTION, FLORIDA'S CONSIDERED A SWING STATE.

JESSICA: THESE ARE STATES THAT "SWING" BETWEEN VOTING REPUBLICAN AND VOTING DEMOCRATIC. SWING STATES OFTEN MAKE THE DECIDING VOTES IN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS. AND IN 2000 AND 2004, FLORIDA HELPED "SWING" THE ELECTION IN FAVOR OF PRESIDENT BUSH.

(SOT: ) "For Democrats who fought so hard to make Florida's votes count in 2000, to sort of be not counting those votes now is a tragic mistake."

JESSICA: BECAUSE THE FLORIDA VOTE IS UP FOR GRABS BY EITHER PARTY, SOME SAY THE REPUBLICANS NOW HAVE A HEAD START OVER DEMOCRATS BECAUSE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN CAMPAIGNING HERE, AND THE DEMOCRATS HAVEN'T.

(SOT: Susan MacManus) "We know for sure that people tend to vote for candidates that they've seen in person, and the only people they've seen in person across Florida have been Republican."

JESSICA: AND MOMENTUM FROM A VICTORY IS ONE THING THAT COUNTS ON BOTH SIDES, EVEN IF IT'S MOSTLY SYMBOLIC.

JESSICA: RIGHT NOW, WE'RE GOING TO HEAD BACK TO NEW YORK CITY WHERE TONY ANDERSON IS STANDING BY.

TONY: THANKS JESSICA. NOW HERE'S A STORY WE HAD TO SHARE WITH YOU. IT'S ABOUT A TEEN WHO FOUGHT A BURGLAR.

(SOT: Michael Six) "It just really scared me. My adrenaline was running."

TONY: 14-YEAR-OLD MICHAEL SIX WAS HOME ALONE, UNTIL

(SOT: ) "911. Emergency?"

(SOT: Michael Six) "My house is being robbed."

TONY: LOCKING HIMSELF INTO HIS BEDROOM, THE 9TH GRADER HID IN THE CLOSET AND CALLED 911 AFTER POLICE SAY, HE SAW SOMEONE BREAKING INTO HIS LOS ANGELES HOUSE.

(SOT: ) "Did you hear glass break or what?"

(SOT: Michael Six) "No, they broke in at the bottom. I don't know."

TONY: THE BURGLAR MOVED INTO THE ROOM RIGHT ACROSS THE HALL. CLOSER AND CLOSER.

(SOT: ) "Did you hear footsteps?"

(SOT: Michael Six) "Yeah. They're breaking into my mom's room."

TONY: CROUCHING IN THE CLOSET, MICHAEL GRABBED A BASEBALL BAT AND GOT READY. THE BURGLAR NOW AT HIS OWN BEDROOM DOOR.

(SOT: ) "Are you still locked in your room?"

(SOT: Michael Six) "They're breaking in!"

(SOT: ) "In your room? You need to get out the window!"

(SOT: Michael Six) "I can't."

(SOT: ) "Please!please!please!"

(SOT: Michael Six) "Sorry man."

TONY: THE BURGLAR FLED AFTER MICHAEL HIT HIM WITH THE BASEBALL BAT AND THEN MICHAEL MADE A RUN FOR IT HIMSELF.

(SOT: Michael Six) "I need to get outside."

(SOT: ) "We have officers outside, what does he look like? Michael, are you hurt?"

(SOT: MICHAEL SIX) "YES. I'M GOING TO THE COPS!"

TONY: MICHAEL SWUNG HIS WAY TO SAFETY, AND KNOCKED THE ALLEGED BURGLAR RIGHT INTO THE HANDS OF THE POLICE. TONY ANDERSON, CHANNEL 1 NEWS.

JESSICA: THAT DOES IT FOR CHANNEL ONE NEWS. I'M JESSICA KUMARI FROM FLORIDA, I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW.