

CHANNEL ONE NEWS SHOW SCRIPT 10/14/07

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CHRIS: HEY GUYS, IT'S MONDAY- OCT 15, AND YOU'RE WATCHING CHANNEL ONE NEWS.

JESSICA: AN ISRAELI ATTACK ON SYRIA LAST MONTH MAY HAVE TARGETED THE SITE OF A PARTIALLY-CONSTRUCTED NUCLEAR REACTOR, ACCORDING TO THE NEW YORK TIMES. ISRAEL AND SYRIA BORDER ONE ANOTHER, AND LAST MONTH'S AIR STRIKE WAS THE LATEST IN A LONG HISTORY OF TENSE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

JESSICA: ISRAELI OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN SECRETIVE ABOUT WHAT PROVOKED LAST MONTH'S ATTACK. UNTIL NOW, SYRIA'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM HAS BEEN CONSIDERED MINIMAL. ACCORDING TO U-S AND FOREIGN OFFICIALS, THE REACTOR WAS STILL YEARS AWAY FROM COMPLETION. SYRIAN PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD SAID THE ISRAELIS ATTACKED AN 'UNUSED MILITARY FACILITY.'

JESSICA: THE NEW YORK TIMES ALSO REPORTS, THE NUCLEAR SITE MAY HAVE BEEN MODELED AFTER A FACILITY IN NORTH KOREA.

CHRIS: MYCHAL BELL, ONE OF THE JENA SIX TEENS, IS BACK IN JAIL. BELL SPENT EIGHT MONTHS IN JAIL FOR HIS ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT IN THE BEATING OF A WHITE CLASSMATE IN DECEMBER 2006-- THIS AFTER A NOOSE WAS FOUND ON A TREE OUTSIDE JENA HIGH SCHOOL. HE MADE BAIL LAST MONTH AND WAS RELEASED FROM JAIL.

CHRIS: ON FRIDAY, A DISTRICT COURT JUDGE SENTENCED BELL TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS IN JAIL FOR VIOLATING PROBATION. THE JUDGE SAID BELL'S LATEST SENTENCE WAS UNRELATED TO THE JENA 6 INCIDENT.

JESSICA: IF YOU DON'T LIKE TO TRY NEW FOODS -- YOU MAY HAVE YOUR PARENTS TO BLAME. SCIENTISTS AT UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON FOUND PICKY EATING HABITS ARE LARGELY DETERMINED BY GENETICS.

JESSICA: THE SCIENTISTS STUDIED WHY PEOPLE FEAR TRYING NEW FOODS-- ALSO KNOWN AS THE PHENOMENON OF NEOPHOBIA. THEY FOUND PICKY EATING IS 78-PERCENT GENETIC AND 22-PERCENT ENVIRONMENTAL.

CHRIS: GREEK OFFICALS HAVE BEGUN MOVING ARTIFACTS FROM THE ACROPOLIS IN ATHENS TO A NEW MUSEUM THAT WILL BE OPENED NEXT YEAR. THE ACROPOLIS IS A TEMPLE LOCATED ON A HILL ATOP ATHENS. IT CONTAINS SOME OF THE MOST CELEBRATED ART OF THE ANCIENT WORLD.

CHRIS: THE ARTIFACTS ARE MOSTLY FROM THE 5TH AND 6TH CENTURY B-C AND HAVE NEVER BEEN MOVED FROM THEIR HOME AT THE ACROPOLIS. THE FIRST PIECE TO BE MOVED? A 2-POINT-FIVE TON MARBLE BLOCK FROM THE PARTHENON FRIEZE. IT WILL TAKE 35 WORKERS, 3 CRANES AND A MONTH AND A HALF TO COMPLETE THE MOVE.

JESSICA: SEVEN BOOT CAMP GUARDS AND A NURSE WERE ACQUITTED FRIDAY IN THE DEATH OF A 14 YEAR OLD WHO WAS BEATEN WHILE IN A BOOT FLORIDA CAMP. A SECURITY TAPE CAUGHT GUARDS BEATING 14-YEAR OLD MARTIN LEE ANDERSON IN JANUARY 2006. THE CAMP WAS A MILITARY-STYLE FACILITY THAT WAS RUN BY THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

JESSICA: ANDERSON WAS SEVERELY INJURED BY THE BEATING AND DIED ONE DAY LATER. THE GUARDS AND NURSE WERE ON TRIAL FOR MANSLAUGHTER. LAWYERS FOR THE GUARDS ARGUED THEY WERE USING APPROVED TACTICS AND ANDERSON'S DEATH WAS A RESULT OF A PRE-EXISTING BLOOD DISORDER. THE INCIDENT CAUSED OUTRAGE IN FLORIDA -- AND ALL OF THE STATE'S BOOT CAMPS HAVE SINCE BEEN SHUT DOWN.

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[COMMERCIAL]

CHRIS: ON FRIDAY, FORMER VICE PRESIDENT AL GORE AND A UNITED NATIONS NETWORK OF SCIENTISTS WERE AWARDED THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE FOR THEIR WORK IN SPREADING AWAREMNESS OF MAN-MADE CLIMATE CHANGE. TODAY, WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT HOW THIS FORMER POLITICIAN BECAME AN ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVIST.

CHRIS: AL GORE HAS BEEN A CONGRESSMAN, A SENATOR, AND THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. AND ON FRIDAY, GORE ADDED YET ANOTHER TITLE TO HIS RESUME--NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNER.

(SOT: AL GORE) "This is a chance to elevate global consciousness about the challenges that we face now."

CHRIS: GORE SHARED THE PRIZE WITH AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL OF SCIENTISTS TASKED WITH RESEARCHING THE RISKS OF GLOBAL WARMING.

CHRIS: THE NOBEL COMMITTEE PRAISED GORE FOR QUOTE, STRENGTHENING THE STRUGGLE AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE.

CHRIS: IT'S A CAUSE THAT'S GAINED A LOT OF MOMENTUM AFTER THE RELEASE OF his 2006, OSCAR-WINNING DOCUMENTARY-- "AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH." THE FILM HELPED BRING INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION TO THE ROLE HUMAN BEINGS HAVE PLAYED IN CAUSING CLIMATE CHANGE.

(SOT: AL GORE) "Temperature increases are taking place all over the world, and that's causing stronger storms."

CHRIS: IT ALSO SPARKED A LOT OF DEBATE IN WASHINGTON, WHERE MANY OF GORE'S POLITICAL OPPONENTS REMAIN SKEPTICAL. STILL, THE NOBEL PRIZE REPRESENTS AN IMPORTANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GORE'S TAKE ON THE GLOBAL WARMING ISSUE. AND MANY ARE DEMANDING THE U.S. TAKE A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN LIMITING ITS PRODUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GASES, WHICH MANY SAY, ARE THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF GLOBAL WARMING. IT'S BEEN A BUSY YEAR FOR GORE. A NOBEL PRIZE, AND A WORLD-WIDE CONCERT CALLED "LIVE EARTH," WHICH HE HELPED ORGANIZE.

(SOT: AL GORE) "Today we are gathered on all seven continents, in eight giant concerts."

CHRIS: WITH ALL THE ATTENTION, SOME ARE CALLING FOR GORE TO MAKE A 2008 PRESIDENTIAL RUN. GORE HAS SAID THAT HE HAS NO PLANS TO DO THAT, BUT EVEN IF HE DID RUN AND WIN, HE WOULDN'T BE THE FIRST PRESIDENT WITH A NOBEL PRIZE. IN FACT, HE'D BE THE FOURTH. SINCE THE PRIZE WAS FIRST AWARDED IN 1901, THREE AMERICAN PRESIDENTS HAVE WON IT. THEODORE ROOSEVELT IN 1906, WOODROW WILSON IN 1919, AND JIMMY CARTER IN 2002.

CHRIS: ALFRED NOBEL IS MOST FAMOUS FOR CREATING THE NOBEL PRIZE FOUNDATION WHICH RECOGNIZES OUTSTANDING WORK IN PHYSICS, CHEMISTRY, MEDICINE, LITERATURE AND PEACE. BUT HE ALSO INVENTED SOMETHING THAT MIGHT JUST BLOW YOUR MIND. WHAT IS IT?

CHRIS: HERE'S YOUR QUESTION: WHAT DID ALFRED NOBEL INVENT?

CHRIS: YOU HAVE TEN SECONDS.

CHRIS: THE ANSWER IS B - DYNAMITE. IN THE LATE 1860'S, ALFRED NOBEL INVENTED AND PATENTED DYNAMITE. LATER USED AS A POWERFUL WEAPON IN BATTLE, NOBEL CAME TO REGRET HIS INVENTION. IN THE HOPES OF LEAVING A MORE POSITIVE LEGACY, HE CREATED THE NOBEL PRIZE FOUNDATION IN 19-01.

ANNOUNCER: MEET OTHER WINNERS OF THIS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD. GO TO CHANNEL ONE DOT COM AND CLICK ON THE NOBEL PRIZE PAGE.

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TONY: WE KNOW MANY OF YOU GUYS ARE DOING A LOT OF AWESOME THINGS AROUND THE COUNTRY, AND WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT IS YOU'RE DOING. SO PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SEND US YOUR SUBMISSIONS, AND YOU COULD WIN OUR TAKE ACTION ONE CUP, WHICH IS RIGHT HERE--IT'S PRETTY BIG.

TONY: GO TO CHANNEL ONE DOT COM WHERE YOU CAN FIND OUT EXACTLY WHERE TO SEND YOUR VIDEOS. BUT FIRST, WE WANT YOU TO SEE A STORY. IT'S ABOUT A VOLUNTEER PROJECT THAT TURNED INTO A BEST FRIENDSHIP FOR TWO TEENS. CHECK IT OUT.

KELLY: MY NAME IS KELLY, I'M A SENIOR AT WOOLTON HIGH SCHOOL IN CONNETICUT. I MET ANNA WHEN I WAS A FRESHMAN IN HIGH SCHOOL THROUGH AN ORGANIZATION CALLED BEST BUDDIES. ANNA AND I WERE PAIRED IN A ONE-ON-ONE FRIENDSHIP.

KELLY: ANNA HAS DOWN-SYNDROME WHICH IS AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY. ALTHOUGH ANNA HAS DOWN SYNDROME, IT DOESN'T PREVENT HER FROM DOING ANYTHING ANYONE ELSE WOULD DO SOCIALLY. SHE HAS THE CAPABILITY OF HAVING A FRIENDSHIP AND COMMUNICATING WITH OTHER PEOPLE.

KELLY: I CONSIDER ANNA TO BE ONE OF MY BEST FRIENDS. ANNA IS A CARING AND COMPASSIONATE PERSON. BUT WHAT MAKES ANNA SO COMPASSIONATE AND SO UNIQUE AND SO SPECIAL IS HER GOOFINESS. JUST LIKE YOU WOULD WITH ANY OF YOUR OTHER FRIENDS, ANNA COMES OVER A GREAT DEAL JUST TO HANG OUT.

(VIDEO ANNA AND KELLY HANGING OUT, BAKIGN COOKIES)

KELLY: WE ACTUALLY LOVE TO DANCE TOGETHER. WHEN I FIRST JOINED BEST BUDDIES, I REALLY THOUGHT I WAS GOING IN WITH THE PURPOSE OF BENEFITING ANNA, HELPING ANNA TO GROW AS A PERSON AND GIVE ANNA A FRIEND. BUT ONCE

I GOT GOING, I REALIZED IT WOULD ALSO BENEFIT ME. I'VE LEARNED TO BE PATIENT, I'VE LEARNED TO WORK WITH A DIFFERENT GROUP OF PEOPLE. IVE GOTTEN A GENUINE FRIEND--ANNA'S A GENUINE FRIEND OF MINE. THAT'S ALL I COULD REALLY ASK FOR.

TONY: THERE'S ESTIMATED THAT 2 POINT 5 MILLION AMERICANS ARE LIVING WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES. IF YOU'D LIKE TO GET INVOLVED WITH BEST BUDDIES AND MAYBE EVEN MAKE A NEW FRIEND, LOG ON TO THE VOLUNTEER PAGE AT CHANNEL ONE DOT COM.

TONY: AND WHILE YOU ARE THERE--YOU CAN LEARN MORE ABOUT THE TAKE ACTION ONE CUP. IF YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS ARE DOING SOME POSITIVE THINGS FOR THE COMMUNITY, YOU COULD WIN THIS FOR YOUR SCHOOL.

CHRIS: THANKS FOR WATCHING CHANNEL ONE NEWS. I'M CHRIS BROWNE, AND I HOPE YOU HAVE A GREAT DAY.