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Prologue

Back story

This piece has its origins in the first Gulf War; when CNN was showing the war unfold in real time and in graphic detail. The pre-war propaganda and the “news” following this had a profound impact on my life here in Canada. Over the course of the two decades since, the news has evolved from being truly news with in-depth analysis to editorial commentary and even worse, infotainment.

We are reading about the world’s history in real-time, the news story’s ebb and flow. This piece is attempting to encapsulate one year of this history by gathering the headlines of the day using various media outlets. These headlines are presented in seven day periods with four weeks to a month panel, twelve panels to make the year, resulting in a modern twist on a tapestry.

On each panel is a on background image capturing one main news item that dominated the time period. The four vertical panels superimposed on top of these images are the four weeks of headlines. The main story lines are “woven” together by threads of various colors to allow the viewer to trace the events over time. The color palette represents five main categories: politics; conflict; science; money and people. The color palette reflects the view from my windows, beautiful sunrises and sunsets. The font is purposely chosen to reference your typical newspaper text style. It is also intended to reference this period of time where we are seeing the demise of printed media.

The background image is determined by the dominant story of the “month”. This main story line is then highlighted with the threading running continuously under these headlines. The other headlines are only underlined with their respective colors. This story will then be continued to be threaded in this fashion throughout the 12 panels. This allows the viewer to see how this story ebbed and flowed over time.

Having gotten several months under my belt, so to speak, before beginning the process of “weaving” this tapestry, I also was able to thread the stories leading up to the month where they would be the background image.

As I have been gathering these headlines over these past months, I think about how tuned in the population really is about current affairs. Do we understand the references these headlines allude to? What topics are we following on a daily basis? What dominated the year, crisis or money or something else entirely?

Original Thoughts

- Largest font is loudest sound
- Each day is a stanza of poem/song
- Possibly get different people to say the words and record each and repeat as necessary
- Interestingly that the loudest words aren't necessarily the most important news item, which is troubling in of itself
- Thinking about the noise of our lives and these news items are just one noise which corresponds to our stress levels
- These news items are not taken from one source but rather from the different places I look at info, it doesn't matter if this is a Canadian perspective or an international perspective because what matters is the noise
- Specifically not including regional weather issues and no entertainment/sports news
- A very interesting development while doing this poem is the number of words I have to add to dictionary

Starting Parameters

Headlines

These headlines were taken from websites that I read; CBC, MSNBC, BBC, Al Jazeera, Wired Science, and Slate. This project could be done in many different ways, for instance; you could just do Canadian headlines, maybe only from one source.

I have also made a point to copy the headlines as written by the various news outlets. This proved to be a very interesting aspect to this project as each organization has its own style. A case in point was how each would refer to ISIS, or ISIL or IS or Islamic State.

I tried not to editorialize my choices but rather take from the pool of headlines and pick the most relevant and talked about issues. As the year progressed, however, I did choose to follow-up on the main story-lines that had emerged.

Topics

I came up with a list of about 34 topics that I thought would be worthy of following over the course of the year. I had to make an educated guess about what topics would show up in the year so I could get enough thread colors. There are also the topics that weren't defined because of the physical limitation of colors available for me to choose from.

Again another choice I made was what topic I wouldn't select i.e. entertainment topics. I was also faced with the Ukraine issue changing from a "political" one to a "conflict".

These topics were then grouped into five categories;

Politics

1. Tea Party
2. Republicans
3. Democrats
4. China
5. North Korea
6. Russia
7. Brazil
8. USA
9. Gay issues
10. EU
- 10A. Ukraine
- 10B Thailand

Conflict

11. Syria
12. CAR
13. Iraq/ISIS
14. Sudan
15. Egypt
16. Iran
17. Kenya/Al Shabab
18. Libya
- 18A. Afghanistan
- 18B. Nigeria/Boko Haram
- 18C. Israel/Palestinians

Science

19. Fukushima/radioactive

20. Space science
21. Food
22. Climate
23. Fracking
24. Disease/Ebola
- 24A. MH370

Money

25. DOW
26. Bitcoins
27. Banks

People

28. Pope
29. Nelson Mandela
30. Rob Ford
31. Manning/Snowden
32. Malala
33. Berlusconi
34. Khodorkovsky
35. Schumacher

Thread Colors

Now in any other artist project I would be able to know the finished picture and choose the colors accordingly. Having made the decision to start this project in real-time it did not allow for this. The tapestry was written for me by history and which threads sat next to one another was determined by that history. Not being able to control this has been challenging as an artist because some colors just don't look good together and others do.

I also made a very conscious decision to not pick a palette that had a high-contrast to it but rather a softer more homogenous tonal quality. Now had I waited for the year to end and then select a palette, things would and could look quite different.

1. Politics - Blue
2. Conflict - Red
3. Money - Green
4. Science - Pink

5. People - Purple

Visual/Written Project

It is always very important to remember that any artistic endeavor starts with a blank something, canvas, space or whatever. It takes a vast amount of choices to fill that blank in and once it is filled there are many aspects that as an artist you agonize over and many aspects that delight you.

Art should provoke a dialogue but one should always consider that criticism is not a productive method of dialogue. All of us would make different choices but in making those choices and allowing the public to engage in them is a very difficult and courageous journey. As a viewer of art, you should always ask yourself what blank would you fill in and how.

So what started out as a poem became a visual exploration of these headlines. When I decided to block the headline into a weekly format, I then placed four of these weekly panels to make a “month” of a calendar. Trying several different text heights and background colors and screening levels, the 36” x 36” size was the result with a 50% screened grey-scale background image.

This did leave the remaining days after the 48 weeks that comprised the visual calendar. I knew from the start that there would be a written companion to this project that would include the full 365 days. I would also break out each of the twelve main stories and create the written thread of these stories over the full year.

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Transgender inmates go to extremes

Stocks drift after NASDAQ glitch

China's arsenic contamination risk is assessed

Insanely tasty heirloom corn being revived

Disease could wipe out the US citrus

August 24, 2013

Protests against fracking hit Europe

US weighs action in Syria

UN in Syria to seek attack enquiry

Money never sleeps

How teens view sexting

Leaked Climate Report Points to Technology's Lack of Progress

August 25, 2013

UN to visit site where hundreds died

Donald Trump sued for fraud

Spain's millennial's in despair

Greece "may need 10bn Euros more"

Iraq rocked by deadly attacks

Syria chemical attack probe 'too late to be credible'

Snowden "doc" shows proof

Topless women march in Vancouver for gender equality

August 26, 2013

UN inspectors shot at in Syria

The European power that keeps things in the family

Trump rips NY AG for charges

Stocks rise as stimulus worries ease

Zurich introduces drive-in sex

Fukushima situation called “deplorable”

Kerry: Syria images “shock the conscience of the world”

Pressure on Syria hits stocks

August 27, 2013

US readies missile strikes against Syria

Get ready to pay more for – everything

Stocks decline on Syria tensions

China hit by” biggest” cyber attack

Haboob hubbub in Phoenix

Sources: US may hit Syria with three days of missile strikes

August 28, 2013

Mosque spying operations revealed

Dozens killed in Iraq bombings

Syria attack contained chemical “substance”, UN envoy says

UK drafts Syrian UN resolution

Would foreign intervention be legal?

Twerking makes Oxford dictionary

Artist paints Putin in undies, flees

Fort Hood gunman sentenced to death for 2009 rampage

Obama “sure Syria behind attack”

The Saudi Prince who is trying to topple Syria’s President

August 29, 2013

Can't sleep? You're not alone

UK wrangling throws wrench in US plan for Syria strike

Unease over Syria intel

Paraguayans in crucifixion protest

"The face of Buddhist terror"?

Syria's Assad will defend "against any aggression"

"Lessons of Iraq" make UK back delay Syria strike

British parliament votes against striking Syria

August 30, 2013

Tooth Fairy taking bigger bite

"No doubt" on Syrian chemical weapons

France backs US on Syrian action

UK vote leaves bruises in US

Bush: Obama has "tough choice to make"

Obama mulling limited action against Syria

Kerry: Syrian leader a "thug"

Iraq besieged by bloodshed

How Fukushima's artificial permafrost will work

Iraqi militia warns US about Syrian attack

August 31, 2013

Experts: Strike targets likely narrowed down

UN team leaves Syria as Obama mulls strike
Putin challenges US on Syria claims
Pope Francis makes key appointment
Mandela remains hospitalized
Obama: “We are prepared to strike”
40% of top-paid CEO’s busted, bailed out or booted, study says
Obama to seek Congress vote on Syria
Fukushima’s radioactive ocean plume due to reach US waters in 2014

September 1, 2013

Congress begins to tackle Syria question
Mandela released from hospital
US has evidence that Sarin gas was used, Kerry says
Fukushima radiation levels spike
Will Assad “ride it out” or go on “killing spree”?
Egypt to try ex-president Morsi
Arabs states call for international action against Syrian regime

September 2, 2013

Nimitz group rerouted for possible Syria help
6.2 million Syrians now displaced by war
Syria asks UN to halt “any aggression” by US
French MPs to get Syria “evidence”
Assad: West has no chemical-attack proof

Syrian regime” led chemical attack”

Why it’s still a man’s world

September 3, 2013

Rodman in N. Korea to visit Kim

McCain: Obama “playing difficult game”

Israel missile tests amid Syria fears

The silent generation

Study reveals “true costs” of imports

Japan to fund Fukushima “ice wall”

Hillary Clinton: Obama making the right Syria call

Syria resolution limits US force to 90 days

Rumsfeld slams Obama on Syria

September 4, 2013

Ohio kidnapper found hanging in his cell

How ice barrier will seal off Fukushima ruins

Putin warns US over Syrian action

Power cut affects most of Venezuela

Syrian official: “World War III” won’t sway us

Fracking caused Ohio quakes

September 5, 2013

Castro had been on suicide watch

Syria's chemical weapons shrouded in secrecy
Syria clash looms at G20 summit
Taxing problem
Obama faces Syria showdown with Putin
Syria's chemical weapons arsenal remains a menacing mystery
Brutality of Syrian rebels poses a dilemma
Kerry: Not hitting Syria will feed extremism
G20 "split" as US hits out at Russia
Weighty issue: China now has the highest number of diabetics in the world

September 6, 2013

US evacuates Lebanon staff
Obama pushes for support on Syria
War-weary US wary of Syria plan
Thousands vanish at Gulag (N. Korea)
Russia and US no closer on Syria
Iran minister sends tweet to Jews
Fake emails: US is attacking Syria

September 7, 2013

Obama faces uphill battle on Syria
Europe urges US to hold off on Syrian military strike
Tokyo to host 2020 Olympics

September 8, 2013

McDonough: Attack on Syria would warn Iran

Kerry meets Arab leaders

Syria a “test” for America

Syria’s Assad says “no evidence” of chemical weapons use

Syria “crossed global red line”

“The border has disappeared”: Turks feel strain of refugees

Official: US would notify Israel “hours” before Syria attack

September 9, 2013

Syria says Obama is backing terrorists

Rodman has news from N. Korea

Todd: White house worried

US will pay for strike – Assad

US and France heal Iraq wounds

Ally: Hand over chemical weapons

Syria welcomes Russian plan to turn in its chemical weapons

Zimmerman detained in Florida, wife alleges threats with gun

(Hillary) Clinton speaks on Syria proposal

September 10, 2013

Syria agrees to hand over weapons

Live: Kerry quizzed on Syria

US warning on Syria chemicals plan

Obama finds reason to pause
US to discuss Syria handing over weapons
Wrangling looms over UN Syria motion
Putin: Deal won't work with threats of strikes
Source: Obama will pursue plan & also argue for force
US income inequality at record high

September 11, 2013

Solemn ceremonies on 9/11 anniversary
Vatican may discuss clerical celibacy
How would Syrian weapons deal work?
Blast rocks Benghazi
Obama delays strike vote in favor of diplomacy
China economy "at crucial stage"
Kenya discovers huge water source
Exotic arsenal heading to Syria?

September 12, 2013

"Doable, but difficult" task ahead for Kerry
Why Putin is backing Assad's bloody regime
Assad confirms chemical arms plan
N. Korea reactor "nearing operation"
Japan anger over French Fukushima cartoon
Molasses spill devastates Hawaii harbor

US, Syria disagree on chemical weapons timeline

Tense talks in bid for Syria deal

Voyager probe “leaves solar system”

Twitter tweets plan for IPO

September 13, 2013

Death penalty for India gang rape

Kerry: Syria weapons talk “constructive”

Lance Armstrong hands back Olympic medal

Afghan Taliban attack US consulate

Deadly bomb attack on Iraqi mosque

When smart phones do a Doctor’s job

Zimmerman concerns police chief

Syria chemical use likely to confirmed in UN report, Ban Ki-moon says

September 14, 2013

US & Russia reach deal on Syria

US, China rivalry shows signs of softening

Will Syria’s Assad play fair?

Despite deal, troubling questions remain

September 15, 2013

Syria reels after weapons deal

Finding Mr. Right in Kabul

Syria hails weapons deal “victory”

Japan halts last nuclear reactor

Would married priests help Catholic Church?

Fresh wave of bombs hit Iraq cities

Syria “lesson” for Iran-Obama

September 16, 2013

UN to report on chemical attack

Costa Concordia salvage operation underway off Italy coast

Shooting at Washington navy yard

Footage claims to show Iranians in Syria

US shares rise on Summers withdrawal

UN confirms gas “war crime” in Syria

Costa Concordia freed from rocks

CDC threat report: “We will soon be in a post-antibiotic era”

September 17, 2013

Deadly brain amoeba infects US tap water for the first time

Costa Concordia pulled upright

Pakistan outrage over child rape

France and Russia admit Syria rift

Six years to fix Greece-Samaras

Navy yard shooting: Americans “sick and tired” of mass shootings

Public enemy’s: Social media fueling gang wars in Chicago

September 18, 2013

Syria “proof” of rebel chemical use

Brazil moves to shield data from US

US Fed to make key stimulus decision

Bullied dead girl’s image used in dating ad on Facebook

DOW hits record on Feds news

Assad: “One year to destroy weapons”

Iran “will never build nuclear weapons”

September 19, 2013

Iran’s Rouhani blames Israel for “instability”

McCain rips Putin in op-ed

JP Morgan pays \$920m to regulators

Egyptian forces raid pro-Morsi town

CDC report: Yes, agricultural antibiotics play a role in drug resistance

Next steps on Arsenic and rice

Pope: Church must be more accepting

Putin “confident” on Syrian plan

Billionaire: Feds move is “fantastic” for the rich

NASA’s plutonium problem could end deep-space exploration

September 20, 2013

Knox on retrial: “Everything’s at stake”

Louisiana shaken by brain-eating amoeba
Gov't shutdown looms: What you need to know
Buffet: Debt fight "damn dumb"
Will Germany vote for "Mummy" Merkel again?
Syria "submits chemical arms data"
Militants kill 18 Afghan police
Attacks on Yemen army "kill 40"
Blasts strike Sunni mosque in Iraq
US textile plants return, with floors largely empty of people
Homeless, unemployed and surviving on Bitcoins
Shutdown threat slams stocks

September 21, 2013

Blackberry takes huge loss as sales collapse
US plane in 1961 nuclear "near miss"
Kenya mall shooting kills at least 22
Sri Lanka Tamil north holds key vote
Capturing and storing carbon dioxide in one simple step
Iraq bomb, attacks kill at least 65
Al-Shabab claims Nairobi attack

September 22, 2013

Kenyan standoff: at least 59 dead
NRA's LaPierre calls for more armed guards

Pakistan church blast kills dozens
Bo Xilai found guilty of corruption
Russia offers troops for Syria plan
Bo's life term is political death sentence as Xi martial's power
Kenyan officials: "Major" assault underway to end siege
Merkel victory in German election
Economy worships "god of money", Pope says
FBI probes terrorist claims of American ties in Kenyan mall siege

September 23, 2013

3 large explosions heard at Kenyan mall
Egypt's court bans Brotherhood "activities"
Kenya forces storm Westgate center
Who are al-Shabab?
Tales of explosions as explosions rock mall
Fairfax to buy Blackberry for \$4.7 billion
Stakes "very high" at UN general assembly
Apple sells 9 million new iPhones
"We are in control": Police retake mall
My Mother died

September 24, 2013

Militants say Kenyan hostages alive
Americans among attackers

Iran's Rouhani a no-show at UN luncheon

Obama urges diplomatic push on Iran

Brazil attacks US over spy claims

Rouhani: Iran no threat; sanctions are "violent"

Benedict denies abuse cover-up

Left with questions and no answers

September 25, 2013

Obama care as little as \$11 a month, for some

Are you feeling the economic recovery?

Kenya mourns mall attack victims

Senator's marathon health law speech

Pakistan earthquake creates new island

Rouhani calls Holocaust a crime

Wal-Mart whacks market

CCTV shows naval gun yard attack

Did Cruz err on "Green Eggs"?

September 26, 2013

Somalia to world: Arm us so we can fight terror

Revenue Canada corruption feared over \$400K cheque to Mafia

Iran wants "nuclear deal" in months

Qatar 2022 appalled by work conditions

Deadly blast hits Baghdad market

Kenya seeks “white widow” arrest
Sources: Nations reach Syria deal
Hackers steal Michelle Obama ID data
Canadian populations surpasses 35 million

September 27, 2013

New Syria chemical claims probed
Blackberry loses \$965M in 2nd quarter
Global warming 95% likely to be man-made, UN panel says
Deal reached on Syria arsenal
Obama, Iran leader have historic chat

September 28, 2013

Afghan luxury building boom
Rouhani tweets about call
Greece far- right party leaders arrested
NSA collecting social- connection data
Berlusconi resignations spark crisis

September 29, 2013

Obama-care to give workers reason to quit?
Dozens die in Nigerian college attack
Deadly blast hits Pakistan market
Shanghai free-trade zone launched

Bombings hit Iraqi city of Irbil
Israel PM counters Iran “sweet talk”
Italian president to tackle crisis
Dozens dead in Syria air strike
\$1.3B medical marijuana free market coming to Canada
Silvio Berlusconi backpedals on collapsing coalition
Gun battle erupts in northern Mali
Leaders agree need for Kashmir calm

September 30, 2013

Knox a no-show at new trial
Popes to be declared saints in April
Deadly car bomb strikes Baghdad
World’s first quantum metamaterial unveiled
Syria condemns “foreign terrorists”
Gunmen shut down Libyan gas facility
US shares hit by shutdown threat
Obama: “No options off the table” with Iran
UFO seen over Indian Ocean?
Marine generals forced out over deadly attack
Owners say army looted shops

October 1, 2013

No deal: Government agencies shut down

Pope Francis digs at Vatican's narcissism

Stocks edge up amid shutdown

Syrian chemical weapons clean-up a "Herculean" task Canadian inspector says

Shutdown puzzles other nations

UN presses Spain on Franco crimes

Plastic ingredient spied on Titan

Distant planet's clouds are mapped

Closed! Shutdown ripples across the US

Israel PM: Iran leader is "wolf in sheep's clothing"

Arab spring south? Protests erupt in Sudan

October 2, 2013

Growing food near Fukushima?

"Why I gave up my US passport"

Russia charges Greenpeace "pirates"

Letta wins after Berlusconi U-turn

Viral marketing successfully modeled by network theorists

Why the lawmakers now fear a 143-year-old law

Media hit by Syrian hackers

US stocks drop as shutdown lingers

Somali-Canadian accused of beheading his four children

Feds arrest alleged "Dread Pirate Roberts" the brain behind the Silk Road drug site

Obama now fully "exasperated"

October 3, 2013

IMF says US must solve debt crisis

“No end in sight”

Down but not out

Inside Greece’s neo-Nazi party

Worker error causes Fukushima leak

BP wins reprieve over Gulf payouts

Capitol locked down after shots fired

October 4, 2013

Sources: DC chase driver may have feared Obama was a stalker

“Poop” pill can treat *C. difficile*, Calgary doctor says

How “toxic” is Sugar?

US shutdown: Obama cancels Asia trip

Netanyahu warns of “immortal Iran”

New shape-shifting metals discovered

GOP negotiations: a gun “to the head”

4 dead as Egyptian clashed erupt

Study: “Chicken” nugget surprise

October 5, 2013

Officials ID 4 attackers in Nairobi mall attack

Bitcoin will bounce back from Silk Road scandal, users say

Blackberry hit with shareholder lawsuit

Iran's Khamenie backs president
Shutdown" could affect US standing"
Twitter plans to raise \$1bn in IPO
US raids al Shabaab stronghold in Somalia

October 6, 2013

Police tap social media behavior
Syria chemical arms removal begins
US captures Al Qaeda leader
Libya calls for US raid explanation
Kerry: Terrorists can "run but they can't hide"
Fresh clashes in Egypt "kill 51"
No end in sight for shutdown gridlock

October 7, 2013

Top terror suspect to be interrogated at sea
Rattled DC eyes next crisis
Kerry defends US Libya capture
Malala: we must talk to the Taliban
China warns US to agree debt deal
Shaba fighters deploy after US raid
Pakistan bomb targets polio campaign
Karzai: NATO has caused suffering
Iraq hit by series of deadly blasts

Light-control drugs to fight bugs
US credit rating in downward danger
How the SEAL raid on Somalia went bad

October 8, 2013

N. Korea warns US of “disaster”
Deadly gold rush in Darfur
The jellyfish are coming
Higgs boson wins Nobel physics prize
Libya summons US envoy over raid
EU calls for big migrant sea mission
Fusion milestone passed at US lab
Obama: Republicans using “extortion”
Suit: UN in cholera cover-up

October 9, 2013

Obama to nominate new Fed chief
Taking over at the top?
US “to suspend Egyptian military aide”
Pakistan Taliban “open to talks”
Kochs: Fret over debt ceiling, not Obamacare
Discovery “could hold key to Alzheimer’s treatment”

October 10, 2013

Stocks soar on hopes of budget deal
China overtakes US to become biggest oil importer
Alice Munro wins Nobel Literature prize
Freed Libyan PM calls for calm
Snowden's father arrives in Russia
US army plans "Iron Man" armour
World adopts landmark mercury treaty
Madagascar bubonic plaque warning
Malala Yousafzai wins Sakharov prize
Scholar has contentious Jesus theory
US and UN decry Libyan PM abduction
"We are not Big Brother"

October 11, 2013

Syria monitors win Nobel Peace Prize
Kerry in Afghanistan for key talks
Sen. Cruz ramps up rhetoric against Obama
Internal rifts hurting GOP
Iraq executes 42 people
New migrant tragedy off Sicily

October 12, 2013

US in partial Afghan security deal
Mediterranean becoming a "cemetery"

Anti-GMO, Monsanto marches around the world

October 13, 2013

Many dead in India temple stampede

Long Gaza tunnel found in Israel

World Bank warns on US debt crisis

Drones safe for US skies?

Red Cross team kidnapped in northern Syria

Man sought in McCann disappearance

World temperatures go off the chart by 2047, study says

October 14, 2013

China blasts US crisis, calls for new order

Canada to again fund clearing of cluster bombs in Laos

Arms team in Syria short-truce plea

Malaysia court rules on "Allah" use

Italy steps up migrant boat patrols

Cancer costing Europe "billions"

GM "golden rice" opponents wicked

Taliban attack Bagram airfield

October 15, 2013

Iran makes pitch at nuke talks

Is lightning the future of clean energy?

Washington's truly dangerous cliff hanger

Sicily declares migrant emergency

Starving Syrians "can eat dogs"

Pope appoints new right-hand man

Report: Arafat poisoned?

Filner admits to three crimes

Conservative Catholics fret over Pope Francis

Libyan denies US embassy bombings

Fitch warns on US credit rating

Pope's views revolutionary?

October 16, 2013

The world is watching: Will the US default?

Iran "may" allow snap nuclear checks

Meteorite pulled from Russian lake

Canada and EU reach tentative free-trade deal, sources say

US Senate reaches fiscal deal

DOW soars on budget deal

US Congress approves debt deal

October 17, 2013

Where Hyenas are used to treat mental illness

Will Congress ever learn its lesson?

All pain, no gain for GOP

The panda cam comes back
Syria inspectors “turned back”
Air pollution causes cancer-WHO

October 18, 2013

Good sleep scrubs brain clean
Canada and Europe sign historic trade deal
Indian police arrest crew of US ship
Saudi Arabia turns down UN seat
No secret files in Russia-Snowden
US warns of new terror target
Google share prices rise above \$1000

October 19, 2013

Deadly Somali bomb targets soldiers
Two-year office ban for Berlusconi
JP Morgan “faces record \$13bn fine”

October 20, 2013

Deadly truck bombs rocks Syrian city
Peek-a-boo: the secrets of baby laughter
The most expensive capital in the world

Suicide bombers hit Iraqi officials
Syria's terrifying new refugee crisis
Egypt police clash with students
Baghdad café hit by suicide bombing
US quietly restarts aide to Pakistan
Scientists tap cows for natural gas

October 21, 2013

Smog shuts city of 11 million
“Ugly truth” radicals rely on to incite terrorism
French outrage of US spying claims
Kenya CCTV “show soldiers looting”
Cheney: Heart implant hack credible
Syria: Polio outbreak fears

October 22, 2013

Report: Drones violate law
All eyes on Apple event
Saudis to “shift” away from US
Syrian opposition urged to join talks
Exoplanet tally soars above 1,000
White House admits drones killed civilians
US agency “hacked French diplomats”
Deep disapproval

Syria: Polio epidemic fears grow

October 23, 2013

Military exercises ignited largest of Australian wildfires

Amputation, stoning among penalties in Brunei's new criminal law

US: French tapping claims "false"

Light as Air

Vatican suspends "bishop of bling"

Detroit's bankruptcy case in court

Prince George being christened at Chapel Royal

Merkel concern at "US phone spying"

Explosion near airport in Damascus

BoA found liable for 2008 fraud

October 24, 2013

Corruption, massive protests. Is Eastern Europe coming undone?

US Ambassador summoned in Merkel row

Pakistan "endorsed US drone strikes"

Portuguese police reopen McCann case

Merkel hits out over spying scandal

Pirates kidnap two Americans near Nigeria

Seven-planet solar system found

October 25, 2013

No leads in hunt for US sailors
US spying “may harm terror fight”
FBI on the hunt for eBay “fraudster”
Twitter float could raise \$1.4bn
German spy chiefs set to visit US

October 26, 2013

Cruz: Govt shutdown was worth it
New title for Kim Jong Un (Dr. Leader)
Warning signs of bubbly stocks
Iran “hangs 16 rebels” in reprisal
Serbia state funeral for Tito widow
Some Saudi women defy driving ban
Cruz on Cheney shooting: “It happens”
Residents sue DuPont over cancer
Japan will “stand up to China” – Abe
Syria: Kurds seize border crossing
US “bugged Merkel’s phone from 2002”

October 27, 2013

Kill a rhino for “Save the Rhino”
Little reflection for GOP after shutdown
Marchers protest NSA spying
New reports deepen US-Merkel spy row

Car bombs cause Baghdad carnage

Syria meets key deadline in chemical weapons destruction program

Pope marks 10M Twitter followers

US reportedly spying in Spain, more

Obama “not told of Merkel bugging”

October 28, 2013

US tries to sooth allies over NSA spying

Spain: US must explain “monitoring”

SA wants ANC off US terror list

Penn State to pay \$59.7 million

US kills 2 in Kenyan mall terror group

October 29, 2013

Chernobyl’s aftermath: Evacuating Pripyat

War-weary Iraqis scared to leave home

Spy chiefs to face Congress

Why America doesn’t work

Polio outbreak in Syria confirmed

Japan banks in yakuza gangster probe

Rabobank fined \$1bn over Libor

Starved Syrians flee Damascus suburbs

Captain’s lover on Concordia bridge

Turkey tunnel links Europe and Asia

Soldiers jailed for Westgate looting

DOW Jones hits record high

Intel chief: We've spied on our friends for years

October 30, 2013

Obama no longer the world's most powerful

Little boy's rare, sweet moment with the Pope

The Snowden leaks explained

Germans in US talks over spy claims

Forgotten Bitcoins buy man home

"Kate Middleton" of N. Korea

World faces "global wine shortage"

October 31, 2013

Syria chemical equipment destroyed

Russian job for whistleblower Snowden

Fannie Mae sues bank over Libor

Poultry markets "huge bird flu role"

Google outrage at "NSA hacking"

Israel hits Hezbollah's missiles from Russia

November 1, 2013

Syria chemical equipment destroyed

Kerry admits spying went too far

Germany “third” gender becomes law

US cuts food aide benefits for poor

Gunman opens fire at LAX

Taliban leader killed in US drone strike

Germany wants Snowden spying details

Barclay suspends currency traders

Iraq leader asks US for help

November 2, 2013

Malaysia protests in spying row

Germany and Brazil in UN spy draft

Egypt’s satirist TV show suspended

Mehsud killing: “death of peace plan”

Pussy riot prisoner “gone missing”

Tortured Chilean wins compensation

Journalists taken and killed in Mali

November 3, 2013

Lawsuits claim Love Canal still oozing

Did Syria’s Assad get away with gas attack?

Polio in Syria: global setback

Kerry urges stability on Egypt visit

Schumer backs Hillary for 2016

Climate change draft report predicts war, heat waves, starvation

No clemency for Snowden

November 4, 2013

Call hurts US-Saudi alliance

Christie faces fork in the road for 2016

Blackberry sales halted

Morsi tells judge "I am president"

Habitable planets in billions

UN: Millions more Syrians need aid

November 5, 2013

Masters' unknown works in Nazi trove

Don't let a windfall sink you

DR Congo: Peace in our time

India launches spacecraft to Mars

US voters head to bellwether polls

North Korea reveals warship sinking

Toronto mayor admits smoking crack

Spy claims: Berlin calls in UK envoy

Pope Francis' latest surprise: a survey on the modern family

November 6, 2013

Democrats win NYC and Virginia polls

Deadly blast hits central Damascus

Explosions by China Communist office

Embattled Toronto mayor “to stay on”

Widow: Arafat was poisoned

Arafat “may have been poisoned”

DOW closes at all time high

November 7, 2013

Saudi nuclear weapons “on order” from Pakistan

Arafat polonium findings confirmed

Syria army retakes key rebel enclave

Japan to remove Fukushima fuel rods

Spy chief: Terrorists gleeful

FDA wants to ban trans fats

“Drunk” Toronto mayor in murder rant

\$1.2 M hack shows why you should never store Bitcoins on the Internet

November 8, 2013

“Most powerful storm ever to hit landfall”

World powers try to seal Iran deal

Israel “rejects” Iran deal

Palestinians eye Israel over Arafat

Kristallnacht: 75 years on

Anti-Semitism “on the rise in Europe”

Toronto mayor “may seek treatment”

Europe a “polio risk” from Syria

November 9, 2013

Super Typhoon death toll estimates hit “1200”

Pirate plunder: US ship spotted in Nigeria

Powers must “seize moment” on Iran

Lung cancer cases soar in Beijing

Thai planes raise Cambodian tension

November 10, 2013

Authorities: Death toll could reach thousands

No nuclear deal with Iran

Deadly clashes in Saudi capital

Hague: Iran nuclear deal can be done

Pakistani schools ban Malala’s book

“It was like a tsunami”: Philippines stunned by Typhoons devastation

Kenya to repatriate Somali refugees

November 11, 2013

Kerry: Deal struck on Iran

“Venezuela’s Best Buy” seized

Philippines devastations is bedlam

Will France make paying for sex a crime?

Iran “backed out of nuclear deal”

Disputed temple land “is Cambodian”
Indian Mars mission hits a snag
DOW hits another record
Polio strain in Syria spreading in region
Public health crisis growing in Philippines

November 12, 2013

“The rest of the world needs to get mobilized”
Poll: Christie no sure thing for GOP in 2016
Iran blames West for talk failures
Egypt “worst in Arab women’s rights”
Chinese leaders unveil reforms
Poll: Trend look good for Clinton in 2016
Egypt lifting state of emergency
Sudan polio vaccination “blocked”
Indian Mars mission snag “resolved”
Death toll may be far less grim than thought

November 13, 2013

Anarchy in Philippines
Aftermath a “staggering mess”
Officers call for Navy yard hearings
Ford bought drugs in last two years
Afghan opium harvest at record high

World's oldest animal found, killed

November 14, 2013

US carrier boosts typhoon effort

Hundreds held over Canada child porn

Emissions drive oceans "acid trip"

Bombs strike Iraqi Shia processions

Jailed Pussy Riot singer "found"

Toronto mayor sorry again

Typhoon death toll surges past 4,400

Comet ISON now visible

November 15, 2013

China to loosen one-child policy

Syrian rebel "beheaded by mistake"

Female genital mutilation "rising"

Toronto mayor's obscene outburst

Council votes to cut Ford's power

Albania shuns Syria chemical weapons

US & Iran "close" to nuke deal

Feds reveal what the really think about Bitcoins

November 16, 2013

Why wasn't Philippines better prepared?

Typhoon aide trickles in
Sri Lanka leader warns of hypocrisy
US quietly offer Benghazi bounty
Corruption's role in Philippine disaster

November 17, 2013

Aquino criticizes typhoon response
Kerry to Israel for talks
Huge bomb hits Syria government site
Qatar workers "treated like animals"

November 18, 2013

City budgets in tatters, with help from Wall St.
Why JFK conspiracies endure
DOW tops 16,000: S&P cracks 1,800
Europe tut-tuts while African migrants die at its doorstep
Bored? Hunt for dark matter
Toronto mayor to lose more powers
Top Syrian rebel commander dies
Fukushima begins fuel rod removal
NASA's Maven Mars mission launches
"Selfie" named word of the year

November 19, 2013

“It is unlikely that we will ever know total typhoon toll”

Rob Ford: “I haven’t touched a drop of alcohol for three weeks”

Twin blasts hit Iran Beirut embassy

As China looms, the US ponders ways not to destroy Bitcoins

Afghan war may be nowhere near over

Toronto mayor: “I’m not perfect”

Ford loses TV show after one day

November 20, 2013

Iran warning ahead of nuclear talks

Beirut on edge

JP Morgan in record \$13bn settlement

Syrian army captures town of Qara

November 21, 2013

Volcanic eruption raises new island

Afghan leader: I don’t trust US

“Trying to be strong”: Typhoon victims struggle

“Why we don’t use condoms”

Is Yoga religious?

Dozens killed in Iraq car bombing

Women “held as slaves for 30 years”

When we lose antibiotics, here is everything else we’ll lose too

Drone kills alleged Taliban

Israelis hardnosed about Iran
Extraterrestrial neutrinos detected on Earth
Is Snapchat taking over social media?
You can now pay your university tuition with Bitcoins

November 22, 2013

Why Kennedy's death still haunts Americans
Did Kennedy die at the hands of the mob?
Philippines typhoon death toll tops 5,200
Psychological impact of the deadly typhoon
China "flies first stealth drone"
Slave case pair arrested in the 1970s
US-Afghan clash on pact timetable
Berlusconi was "director" of sex parties, court docs say
Kerry to join Iran nuclear talks

November 23, 2013

"Monkey" taunt rocks France
Could DOW really hit 20,000?
"Slavery" women met in "collective"
"Narrow gaps" at Iran nuclear talks
Egypt expels Turkish ambassador
Teachers seized in Pakistan
Last minute deal saves climate talks

Pope warns against money in sport
Iran nuclear talks down to “fine print” stage
Food waste, overeating threaten global security
Officials: Iran nuclear deal reached

November 24, 2013

Obama: Iran deal “first step” toward solution
Afghan president wants “peace” first
Cuba communism-free zones?
Iran agrees to curb nuclear activity
Syrian children “targeted by snipers”
Possible date set for Scotts independence

November 25, 2013

Israel dismayed over dangerous deal
Syria peace talks set for January
Bitcoin is flawed but it will still take over the world
Iran curbs “may be eased next month”
Slave suspects “ex-Maoists activists”
Thai capital rocked by protests
Could Putin-pope visit signal end of rift?

November 26, 2013

US to Karzai: Sign deal or else troops will leave

Scotland sets own course

Has Brazil bitten off more than it can chew?

Pope calls for radical church reform

Mexorcism

Thai protestors surround ministries

UN demands action on CAR “chaos”

Pontiff attacks “idolatry of money”

Spies fear Snowden “doomsday”

US planes challenge China air zone

Modern life “turning people off sex”

November 27, 2013

“Armed Islamists” arrested in Moscow

China “monitored” path of US bombers

NSA “plan to shame web-porn users”

Thai protestors close crime agency

3 dead in World Cup stadium collapse

US, China flex muscles amidst growing strain

Parliament expels Berlusconi

The magic number: Bitcoin prices top \$1000

Steel colossus

DOW, S&P hit new highs

Thailand coup is “not imminent”

US, China rattle sabers

November 28, 2013

Canada “allowed” NSA spying at G20
Political world already tired of 2016 buzz
Hunger crisis grips Syria
Putin rewriting history books?
How I lost a \$7.5M Bitcoin fortune
More nations defy China’s air zone
Why did the Pope resign?
Why does Bitcoin have value?
No plans to move World Cup – FIFA
Thai PM urges protest end after vote
Comet ISON set to graze the Sun
China sends warplanes to air zone
Plan to destroy Syria weapons at sea
Comet ISON “destroyed in Sun path”

November 29, 2013

Oil boom brings gas prices down in US
German policeman “eats” another man
Eighteen abducted Iraqis found dead
EU rejects Russia “veto” on Ukraine
Thai PM rules out early election
Hope still for “dead” Comet ISON

Dengue fever risk for World Cup fans

China air force on “high alert”

Comet ISON not dead yet

Mali Tuareg group ends “cease-fire”

Is Bitcoins future in China?

November 30, 2013

Russia “rust-belt” suffers

US to destroy Syria chemicals

How art can make us happier

Shots fired at Thailand protests

India probe begins journey to Mars

December 1, 2013

Chinese parents say no to 2 kids

Actor Paul Walker, 40, dies in car crash (*ironic as he was the star of the Fast and Furious movies*)

“People’s coup” in Thailand

Why is Putin always late?

Suicide bomber hits funeral in Iraq

Clashes as huge rally grips Kiev

Thai PM “given two-day ultimatum”

China launches Moon rover mission

Croatia “to ban same-sex marriage”

“Memories” pass through generations

December 2, 2013

Why Karzai plays \$4B poker game with US

UN implicates Assad in war crimes

Thai PM rejects resignation demand

Kiev protestors blockade key sites

Ukraine PM sounds coup warning

December 3, 2013

Terror suspects sue Poland over CIA (*rendition*)

Men and Women “wired differently”

Detroit given bankruptcy protection

Arafat “probably not poisoned”

Thai police remove key barriers

BP gets Gulf payouts suspended

Americans see US in decline-survey

December 4, 2013

Syrian rebels turn homes into weapon factories

Hezbollah senior commander killed

Biden bid to ease China tensions

Radioactive truck “stolen in Mexico”

Mandela in fight from “deathbed”

Stolen nuclear hauler found

Leg bone gives up oldest human DNA

Biden urges Chinese to test leaders

December 5, 2013

Radioactive container found opened

Big majority of Afghans fear American troops

Biden: Talks direct with China

Pope sets up child abuse committee

US fast-food workers in strike

Double attack on key Yemen ministry

Radiation may kill thieves

Rob Ford scandal: Why haven't charges been laid?

Bitcoin trade ban for Chinese banks

Anti-apartheid icon Mandela dies at 95

Warning of genocide in CAR

December 6, 2013

World mourns "icon of icons" Nelson Mandela

Al-Qaeda claims Yemen ministry raid

My Dad died today

Police block Mexico hospital, report: six may have radiation

Huge alien planet found

Russia and Ukraine seek partnership

December 7, 2013

US labeled Mandela a terrorist until '08

Strikers starve for immigration reform

Is N. Korea a meth hub?

SA to hold daily Mandela cortege

WTO agrees global trade agreement

Court frees pro-Morsi protest women

Arrests over Mexico radiation truck

Syrian Jihadists "use Turkey bases"

French reinforcements fan out in CAR

Huge African troop surge for CAR

Russia-Ukraine "closer on gas price"

December 8, 2013

Mandela remembered with day of prayer

Huge pro-EU protest in Ukraine

Thai opposition MPs pledge to resign

French troops reach tense CAR town

S Korea expands air defense zone

December 9, 2013

World leaders head to S. Africa

Police dismantled Kiev protest camps

Thai PM Yingluck calls election

Security headache as world leaders gather

Ex-San Diego mayor sentenced

US orders planes to Africa

Huge memorial service for Mandela

Goodbye Uncle

December 10, 2013

Mandela lauded as a “giant of history”

Two French soldiers killed in CAR

S Korea says North in “terror reign”

Diplomats bid the end Ukraine crisis

Deadly Argentina looting spreads

Obama shakes hands with Cuba’s Castro

Will Rodman ad drive his friend Kim Jong Un nuts?

Did Kenya shooters get away?

Madagascar village “hit by plague”

December 11, 2013

Thousands line up to view Mandela casket

Time chooses Pope Francis as Person of the Year

India court reinstates gay sex ban

Ukraine police abandon stand-off

US and UK suspend Syria rebel aid

Putin orders Arctic military boost

Bitcoins rise constrained by heists and lost fortunes

RSB fined \$100m by US regulators

US considers sanctions against Ukraine

December 12, 2013

Australia bans gay marriage

Villagers fear stolen cobalt-60

SA probes Mandela interpreter checks

Ukraine leader “still wants EU deal”

Spain to block Catalonia referendum

Problem hits ISS cooling system

Mandela interpreter speaks out

Bangladesh hangs Islamist leader

Former Icelandic bank bosses jailed

North Korea executes Kim Jong Un’s uncle

Loophole helps arm baddies?

US captive in Iran said to be CIA

December 13, 2013

Muted impact of wage protests

N Korea purge sparks stability fears

“Set the country ablaze”

EU failing Syrian refugees-Amnesty

Mandela viewing ends with final rush

Ukrainian court frees protestors
Pakistan polio attacks-three dead
Tibetans displaced “amid mining”
Belgian senate votes to extend euthanasia to children
Iraq pipeline attack kills Iranians
“Rebel attack” kills Syria civilians

December 14, 2013

Mandela makes final journey home
Is virtual mining for Bitcoins a good idea?
N Korea summons “people from China”
China puts Jade Rabbit rover on Moon
Ukraine president suspends mayor
Iran claims it has captured MI6 spy
Mali attack kills UN peacekeepers
Iran “sends second monkey to space”

December 15, 2013

Pope Francis: I’m no Marxist
Nelson Mandela buried at ancestral home
Kim Jong Un’s aunt promoted
EU halts work on Ukraine trade deal
“Barrel-bombs” fall on Syrian city
McCain: US can act on Ukraine-Russia ties

December 16, 2013

Libyans confident despite rise of militias

NSA considering Snowden amnesty

Explosive alert evacuates Harvard

Troops shot on Israel-Lebanon border

Huge poll win for Chilean left

South Sudan “quashes coup attempt”

UN launches record Syria aid appeal

Judge: NSA program unconstitutional

White House rejects Snowden amnesty

Russian missile reports sparks fears

UK Afghan mission accomplished-PM

Iraq suffers day of deadly violence

December 17, 2013

South Sudan clashes: “Dozens killed”

India-US diplomat row escalates

The next Mandela

Russia slashes Ukraine gas price

Snowden offers to help Brazil spying probe

Aleppo hospitals “overwhelmed”

Pope shakes up his Bishops

NASA orders urgent spacewalk

Diplomats arrest & search called “barbaric”

December 18, 2013

Bitcoin price plunges

India MP’s “fury at envoys US arrest”

Candy Crush addiction

“I’m not keeping a dime of it”

Morsi faces Egypt terrorism charge

China confirms US warship incident

Half UK “suitable for fracking”

Who owns the world’s biggest Bitcoin wallet? The FBI

Report calls for overhaul of NSA tactics

Stocks soar as Fed trims stimulus

For sale: US green cards

Kerry “regrets” India diplomatic row

Ukraine saved from bankruptcy – PM

Fighting spreads in South Sudan

Russia approves prisoner amnesty

December 19, 2013

Putin: Russian Punk duo to be freed

Syria’s young: Hungry, hopeless and homeless

Putin to pardon “Khodorkovsky”

India demands US apology over row

Rebels take key South Sudan town
Yanukovich tells West to keep out
South Sudan fighters storm UN base

December 20, 2013

Report: N Korea makes threat via fax
Deadly growing pains in world's newest country
Uganda enacts life in jail for gays
S Sudan on precipice, Obama warns
Khodorkovsky "flying to Germany"
Canada prostitution laws struck down
UN condemns deadly S Sudan attacks
Court rules on 9-11 lawsuits: Families can sue Saudi Arabia
Red Lobster in hot water
Amish cash out, flee oil boom in Ohio

December 21, 2013

Astronauts start critical space station repairs
Thai opposition to boycott elections
S Sudan evacuation aircraft fired on
Morsi to face third criminal trial
China denounces Japan military plans
First repair spacewalk ends safely
S Sudan rebels "control key state"

Bomb attack kills officers in Iraq

Syria rebels explode huge bomb

December 22, 2013

Protestors swarm Thai capital

Khodorkovsky vows to help prisoners

Libya first suicide bomb kills seven

Pope's most powerful phrase of the year (*Who am I to judge?*)

Canada's newsmaker of the year: Rob Ford

Egypt jails three leading activists

Melt water reservoir lurks under ice

December 23, 2013

Russia frees jailed Pussy Riot pair

S Sudan army readies for new assault

Al-Qaeda apologizes for Yemen attack

Thai protestors block poll stadium

UN warns over South Sudan violations

Foursquare's new money means Facebook isn't everything

Creator of Kalashnikov rifle dies

How AK-47 rewrote the rules of modern warfare

December 24, 2013

Snowden says "mission accomplished"

Egypt suicide blast kills 12

“Mass grave” found in South Sudan

Royal pardon for code breaker Turing

Branson calls for Uganda boycott

Thousands dead in S Sudan UN says

Lampedusa migrant centre cleared

Khodorkovsky applies for Swiss visa

December 25, 2013

Bombs kill at least 37 in Baghdad

Pope wishes for “better world” in address

Pope urges aide access to Syria

Christian areas hit by Baghdad bombs

Bitcoin Santas drop big money on hackers who have been nice

Egypt declares Brotherhood “terrorist group”

End mass surveillance, says Snowden

Astronauts repair space station pump

December 26, 2013

Anger over Japan PM’s visit to war shrine

Thailand rejects election delay call

Crisis talks held in South Sudan

CAR unrest kills Chad peacekeepers

Russia says Arafat not poisoned

December 27, 2013

S Sudan government “agrees to truce”

Japan close to esc lawful, judge says

Bitcoin exchanges shutdown in India after government warning

China reforms one-child policy

December 28, 2013

Cairo campus torched amidst protests

Strike on Syria market “kills 21”

Iraq troops arrest MP in deadly raid

India steps up US diplomatic row

Assad sends secret message to Pope

S Sudan rebel youths in war march

Chadians evacuated from CAR conflict

Are state gay-marriage bans in jeopardy?

December 29, 2013

Suicide bomber hits Russia station

Barrel bombs “kills 517 in Aleppo”

S Sudan “wildcard” army worries UN

Saudi “\$3bn grant” for Lebanon army

Thousands join fresh Ukraine protest

Fears for S Sudan children

December 30, 2013

Rush-hour blast kills 14 in Russia

“Millionaire tax” looms in France

Michael Schumacher in critical condition after ski accident

DR Congo “repulses terror attacks”

Lebanese troops fire at Syrian jets

Third deadly attack in four days rocks Russia

IOC “confident” despite Russia bombs

Schumacher family in bedside vigil

S Sudan Kiir rules out power share

December 31, 2013

“Slight improvement” of racing legend

S Sudan rivals to open peace talks

Children “beheaded” in CAR conflict

Putin vows to “destroy terrorists”

US hails Guantanamo “milestone”

N Korea leader hails purge of uncle

January 1, 2014

Schumacher critical but stabilized

UN calls for truce in S Sudan

Latvia joins the euro zone

Pope urges tolerance to end violence

Deadly car bomb hits Mogadishu hotel

January 2, 2014

Schumacher critical but stabilized

Security forces fight Iraq militants

South Sudan fighting ahead of talks

Colorado cannabis customers swarm

Five killed in Beirut car bomb

Schumacher a “fighter”- family

Pope nearly triples Vatican crowds

Toronto mayor runs for re-election

January 3, 2014

Gruesome death for Kim’s uncle

Report: Jang eaten alive by dogs

Inside our childhood asthma epidemic

Militants “still hold Iraq cities”

Vigil to mark Schumacher birthday

South Sudan ceasefire talks begin

Facebook sued over message “scan”

Pope: Culture creates “little monsters”

Israel tests missile shield

Ted Cruz still Canadian as immigration lawyers express confusion

Number of displaced in CAR nearly “doubles”

Massive meth sting in China

Schumacher helmet camera “examined”

First S Sudan talks “fruitful”

New bid to collect Syrian toxic arms

Sticker shock on legal pot

January 4, 2014

“Mother lode of cold” may shatter records

Schumacher health reports irk family

Talks on South Sudan truce delayed

Special zone for Sochi protests

Violence as Bangladesh poll looms

South Sudan ceasefire talks open

Iraq government “loses Fallujah”

Al-Qaeda under attack in north Syria

January 5, 2014

Kerry: US won’t send troops to Iraq

Protecting Putin’s Olympics

South Sudan general killed in ambush

Clashes in boycotted Bangladesh poll

Pope Francis to visit Holy Land

New York “to relax marijuana laws”

States confirm pollution from drilling
Residents flee Fallujah amidst blitz
Khodorkovsky arrives in Switzerland
Triple star system “can reveal secrets of gravity”

January 6, 2014

Rodman back in N Korea
Bitcoin crosses \$1000 on Zynga move
Iraq PM urges militants’ expulsion
Sudan president in Juba for talks
Utah same-sex marriage put on hold
N Korea execution report likely false
Yellen confirmed as next Fed chair
Sudans “consult on oilfield force”

January 7, 2014

US speeds up Iraq military support
Schumacher’s wife in privacy appeal
Spanish princess summoned over fraud
First chemical weapons leave Syria
“No Aids, no beer”
JP Morgan to pay \$1.7bn over Madoff
Syria “too dangerous” to count the dead: UN
Threat to “massacre” al-Qaida

January 8, 2014

Rodman sings Happy Birthday to Kim

Rebel Jihadist Aleppo HQ “seized”

Could a Civil-war era law stamp out Bitcoin?

Thousands flee South Sudan oil city

Emails tie Christie to scandal

Space station life “to be extended”

UN warns of CAR humanitarian crisis

H5N1 bird flu death confirmed in Alberta, 1st in North America

US intel: Osama bin Laden avatar could recruit terrorists online for centuries

January 9, 2014

Five questions Christie needs to answer

MEP seek video link with Snowden

Germany to destroy Syria weapons

EU bee shortage threatens crops

Universe measured to 1% accuracy

“Like Darfur, plus anarchy” (CAR)

Japan plans nuclear meltdown for research

Russia alert after discovery

After crackdown, a new Bitcoin King immerses in China

Christie fires aide for “bridgegate”

Afghan “Taliban inmates” to be freed

S Sudan army moves on rebel cities
Diplomat indicted and asked to leave US
In Norway, everyone is now a millionaire, thanks to oil

January 10, 2014

Marijuana shortage in Colorado
Six questions linger in Christie's bridge fiasco
US jobless rate at five year low
S Sudan troops "recapture oil city"
CAR interim president resigns
China "overtakes" US as top trader
Bitcoin stares down impending apocalypse (again)
Feds will recognize Utah gay marriages
Target breach affected 70 million
US diplomat to leave Delhi embassy
Christie sued over bridge scandal
"World's first" Bitcoin insured vault

January 11, 2014

Former Israeli Prime Minister Sharon dies
Christie official went to watch bridge closure
Egypt army chief eyes presidency bid
"No stand-off" with US says India
Former CAR leader "goes into exile"

S Sudan urges to release prisoners
Gunman fire on Bangkok protestors
Impeachment risk for Christie?

January 12, 2014

Republicans stand by Christie-for now
New Russia scare: five arrested
BP loses bid over Gulf oil payouts
UN concern over besieged Syrians
New pro-EU rally held in Ukraine
Iran, world powers agree on nuclear deal
CAR residents “hug” in truce hopes

January 13, 2014

Did Christie misuse Sandy relief money?
Protestors launch Bangkok “shutdown”
CAR cannibal “ate man as revenge”
India hails polio-free “milestone”
Pope decries “horrific” abortions
Burial service held for Sharon
Teen sexter convicted for child porn
Car bomb kills at least 21 in Iraq
Octomom Suleman charged with welfare fraud
US-UK “may rethink Syria support”

New CAR leader says chaos is over

January 14, 2014

Christie tries to change the subject

Egypt holds vote on new constitution

Inside China's animal cloning factory

Many drown fleeing S Sudan fighting

Fears over Nigeria's new anti-gay laws

Pine Island Glacier's retreat "irreversible"

Madoff costs hurt JP Morgan profits

Lions "facing extinction in West Africa"

US slams Israeli remarks on Kerry

Christie: "Mistakes were clearly made"

Federal court guts net neutrality rules

Israel apologizes for Kerry comment

January 15, 2014

"Half of Syrians" in urgent need

Global economy "at turning point"

Dozens killed in Iraq bomb attacks

Judge strikes down Oklahoma's Gay marriage ban, calls Supreme Court's bluff

Pope cleans house at bank

Benghazi attack "preventable"

"High turnout" in Egypt referendum

Heat stops play at Australian Open
A real estate “bubble”?
Vatican to face UN sex abuse panel
Philippines web abuse ring smashed
Birds “V formation” mystery finally solved

January 16, 2014

UN slams Vatican for sex abuse “cover up”
Smog cloud chokes Beijing
Christie,, Clinton in tough spot
Defiant Taliban eye return to power
Nigerian gets 20 lashes for gay acts
NSA “collected 200m texts per day”
Sacramento Kings crowned first pro sports team to accept Bitcoins
CAR bloodshed could turn in genocide: UN

January 17, 2014

Fears grow Schumacher won't wake
Obama to impose restrictions on NSA
Syria proposes prisoner exchange
Uganda leader blocks anti-gay law
Blast targets Bangkok protest rally
Silk Road forfeits \$28m in Bitcoins
Pope defrocked 400 for sex abuse

Kabul restaurant attack “kills 14”

Ukraine anti-protest bill made law

Putin cautions gay visitors to Sochi

The science of the Selfie

January 18, 2014

Putin to gays: leave kids alone

Security probe after Kabul attack

“Aid enters” besieged Damascus camp

Army “retakes key South Sudan city”

Syrian opposition to attend Geneva II

His Holiness auctions his Harley

Egyptians approve military backed constitution

“Gay marriage to blame” for floods

January 19, 2014

Somali pirates seize ship

Obama tries to woo back Germans, Merkel

More claims against Christie

Cyberattack hits more retailers

Clashes in Kiev after protest ban

Assad: Quitting not up for debate

Putin “friendly” with gay people

New attack on Thai protest camp

Obama: Pot no more dangerous than alcohol

UN invites Iran to Syrian peace talks

Bodies burnt in street in CAR

Berlusconi makes political comeback

January 20, 2014

Sochi “surprise”: Video threat to Olympics

Iran halts most uranium work

Iran invite threatens Syria talks

Snowden “may have had Russian help”

CAR elects mayor as new leader

At least 21 die in Baghdad blast

Huge data theft hits South Korea

Vietnam to execute 30 over drugs

Cosmic “web” seen for first time

World’s 85 richest have as much wealth as half the planet’s population

Iran cannot go to Syria talks – US

Hotel where Pope lives went Kosher

Iran invite to Syrian talks withdrawn

January 21, 2014

Trump may seek 2016 nomination

Sochi alert: Russia IDs more terror suspects

Obama to meet Pope in March

Farmers frustrated as grain stuck in railway bottleneck

Syria accused of systematic torture

Vatican cleric “laundered millions”

Thailand imposes state of emergency

Russia: Ukraine “out of control”

EU wants big fines for data breaches

Snowden makes university rector bid

Iraq executes 26 for “terrorism”

Ford explains video, Jamaican accent

January 22, 2014

IOC says threats aren’t credible

Bird flu spikes in China

Hundreds of Syria kids killed by crossfire

Bitter exchanges as Syria talks open

First killings in Ukraine protest

Thai “red-shirt” protest leader shot

Russia hunts suspected Sochi bomber

Row over rabbit in Mandela statue

GOP’s golden boys stumble

New Rob Ford video leaves council members frustrated and stunned

Gulf over Assad blights Syria talks

Ukraine opposition issues ultimatum

New radioactive water leak at Fukushima plant

Monsanto is going organic in a quest for the perfect veggie

January 23, 2014

Pope: Internet is “gift from God”

Crisis talks after Ukraine bloodshed

South Sudan rivals “to sign truce”

UN seeks to bridge Syria divide

Burma mobs “kill 30 Rohingyas”

Powerful super PAC backs Clinton

Ukraine protests spread beyond Kiev

Fukushima fears in BC fuel demand for potassium iodide

US “would engage” with Snowden

Cramer: China’s bad news is bad

South Sudan rivals sign ceasefire

Snowden clemency: “Too far”

January 24, 2014

N. Korea calls for end of hostilities

How does Snowden hide?

Syria threatens to quit Geneva talks

Deadly blasts hit Egypt’s capital

Snowden sees no chance of a fair trial

Protestors seize Ukraine offices

Iraq fighting “displaces 140,000”

Fracking will boost UK economy-PM

Syria foes “to meet face-to-face”

JP Morgan’s Dimon gets \$20m pay

Rodman in trouble with N. Korea gifts?

DOW plummets 318 points

January 25, 2014

Ukrainian President meets opposition

Egypt anniversary clashes kill 29

Thai activists “will not block vote”

French leader, first lady split

Humanitarian issues top Syria agenda

Ukraine President offers opposition PM position

January 26, 2014

Ukrainian opposition rejects offer

Thai protestors block early voting

Ancient Europeans had dark skin, blue eyes

Homs deal at Syria peace talks

Ukraine protests “spread eastward”

Arizona GOP: McCain too liberal

NSA “spied on companies”-Snowden

No gay people in city, says mayor (*Sochi*)

January 27, 2014

Vial of Pope's blood stolen

Lung disease kills "Marlborough Man"

Egypt army "backs Sisi candidacy"

"Impasse" on Syria power transfer

Turkey in emergency meeting over lira

China's moon rover hits trouble

Angry Birds may be watching: Snowden docs suggest NSA uses phone apps

Ukraine "to scrap anti-protest law"

US make Bitcoin exchange arrest

CAR crisis getting even worse – UN

"Eating grass to survive"

January 28, 2014

Poll: Christie's numbers tanking

Ukraine's PM and government quit

Cancer fighting purple tomatoes harvested in Leamington

British officials warn terror attack in Sochi "very likely to occur"

Hong Kong culls chickens over H7N9

January 29, 2014

Ukraine "on brink of civil war"

Schumacher "stable" one month on

Stem cell "major discovery" claimed

Multiple sclerosis “linked to food bug”

Neanderthals gave us disease genes

Facebook revenue surges 63%

Ukraine passes protest amnesty law

“Nothing substantive” from Syria talks

January 30, 2014

Ukraine leader defiant amid turmoil

Schumacher’s doctors work to end coma

Homes “deliberately razed” in Syria

Archbishops criticize anti-gay laws

Death sought in Boston bombing

US “concern” at Syria weapon delay

Amanda Know guilty of Kercher murder

Stolen case of Pope blood empty

Mafia hit on tot stuns Italy

January 31 2014

Stocks tumble on global fears

UK nuke plant tells workers to stay home

Report: Sochi most costly ever

Ukraine activist “was tortured”

CAR clashes “kills 35” in Bangui

Bitcoins fate in the hands of clueless regulators

Cops recover pope's blood vial
Syria talks end in recrimination
Kercher convict found near border
Ex-official says gov. new of lane closures
CDC: Biggest virus outbreak in years
Conrad Black stripped of the Order of Canada
Warships, agents head to Sochi

February 1, 2014

Bridgagate: new twist to pressure Christie
Know might be sent back
Speak of the Devil
Power clash over Ukraine at summit
Gun battle erupts before Thai poll
Typhoon victims: Don't forget
"Food needed" for 3.7m in S Sudan

February 2, 2014

Protests disrupt Thai elections
Income inequality hurting Americans
Ukraine rally targets Yanukovich
Barrel-bombs "kill dozens" in Aleppo
Beaten protestor "to leave Ukraine"

February 3, 2014

Starvation and death plaque Syria camp

Christie tries to save his job

Corruption across EU “breathtaking”

Stocks dive again on signs of weak growth

Russia warns Ukraine opposition

US abortion rate “continues decline”

Abortion bill finds Spain a changed country

Baghdad car bombings leave 14 dead

February 4, 2014

Games rattle Sochi residents

Delhi losing its clean air war

World facing cancer “tidal wave”

France opens landmark Rwanda trial

Ukraine MPs seek constitution change

“Live” Bitcoin clothes tag shown off

Mysterious theme park is the talk of Sochi

BP boss warns of Scottish uncertainty

Libya “destroys all chemical arms”

February 5, 2014

Hackers attack Sochi sites in revenge

UN report: Policies allowed priests to rape children

CSEC's collection of metadata shows ability to "track everyone"

Koreas agree to family reunions

US store chain (CVS) to halt sales of tobacco

Gay protests target Sochi games

New strain of "deadly" flu virus

Shaun White pulls out of slopestyle

The new Snowden revelation is dangerous for anonymous – and for us all

Railway grain backlog prompts farmers to demand action

US warns airlines of toothpaste bombs

How our gadgets track our every move

February 6, 2014

Rocky start in Sochi: Skiing session halted

Syria denies chemical weapons delay

Hundreds rescued by Italian navy

US meddling in Ukraine - Putin aide

Pussy Riot members disown pair

Salmon born with "magnetic map"

Where are all the foreign fans?

Sochi: Is Putin's rumored flame lighting flame?

Leaked Ukraine call embarrasses US

How Amazon forced CVS to stop selling cigarettes

Smile for the hidden bathroom camera?

Guilty verdict in epic insider trading case

CDC: New virus strain caused cruise outbreak

February 7, 2014

Homs evacuation finally starts

Californians asked to power down

Merkel condemns US over EU insult

Sochi prepares for opening ceremonies

Holy spokes

Earliest footprints outside Africa found in Norfolk

Scottish independence: Seven months to save UK, Cameron says

Virus outbreak hits historic resort

Subprime home loans are back

Icelanders to enjoy virtual cash giveaway

The Jewish fear of intermarriage

Bitcoins oldest exchange, now in shambles, suspends payouts

February 8, 2014

Sochi protests linked to historic genocide

Olympic gaffe already on t-shirts

Two quakes strike near Fukushima as US Sailors sue over cleanup

Mortar fire breaks Homs truce

Aid convoy fired on in besieged Homs

Feds to extend same-sex benefits

Iran sending warships close to US border

February 9, 2014

Swiss immigration vote “split 50-50”

Ukraine places forces on alert

Benedict “at peace” after leaving papacy

Paul slams Hillary ‘16

CAR Muslims “could all have to flee”

“Hundreds” evacuated from Syria city

February 10, 2014

Clinton buzz hurts others Dems

Thai protest leader arrested

Hope of new Homs truce as talks end

Flood-swollen Thames threatens houses

Bitcoins political problems

Bitcoin dogged by tech troubles

Car bomb teacher accidentally kills 21 students

Alarm as Kabul records polio case

February 11, 2014

China and Taiwan hold historic talks

Huge hack ugly “sign of future”

US official: Karzai won’t OK bill

US-Italy mob busted

Building a new space age in Mojave Desert

UN concerned about Homs detainees

“Mask” virus aims at governments

“First UK suicide bomber” in Syria

Drone strike mulled to kill American

French and US “trust restored”

Are Sochi’s problems overstated?

Where is it illegal to be gay?

Serbs found guilty of Kosovo murders

Vultures: Halting killer diseases

February 12, 2014

China’s Jade Rabbit lunar rover dies on the moon

Spain abortion bill challenge fails

UN sends more aid into Homs

“Ethnic cleansing” of CAR Muslims

Anbar violence “displaces 300,000”

CAR leader “declares war” on militias

Cyber- attack disrupts Bitcoin trades

Five arrested in dark net crackdown

Nuclear fusion hits energy milestone

February 13, 2014

NSA employee let Snowden use log-in

Prisoners in US-Afghan row freed

Putin backs Sisi “presidency bid”
Syrian rebel stronghold bombarded
Cruz move puts GOP in bind
Belgium approves child euthanasia
Italian PM Enrico Letta resigns
DOW rises; bad news ignored

February 14, 2014

NSA workers disciplined over leaks
Silk Road 2 loses \$2.7m in Bitcoins
Matteo Renzi set to be Italian PM
Virginia gay marriage ban overturned
France to boost CAR military force
Somalia arms “diverted to al-Shabab”
Geneva talks on Syria “deadlocked”
Record Cesium levels recorded at reactor 1 (again)

February 15, 2014

Syria’s US-born rebels a security “nightmare”
UN sorry over Syria talk failures
Troops try to disarm militia in CAR
Merkel proposes secure European web
Syria blamed for talks failure

February 16, 2014

Morsi lawyers walk out of trial
Ukraine protestors end occupation
Deadly bombing hits Egypt tour bus
Barosso: Scot EU bid “difficult”
Kerry urges climate change action
Four dead in Tunisia militant attack
Ukraine amnesty to come into force
NSA allies “spied on US law firm”
Push to legalize pot hits Latin America
Obama warns Uganda over anti-gay law
Boko Haram “in village massacre”
Report: Christie pal monitored traffic

February 17, 2014

Kerry: Assad “stonewalling”
N. Korea crimes “must be punished”
New GM potatoes can resist blight
Renzi asked to form Italy government
Russia to give Ukraine new tranche
Chicago goes to war with Asian carp

February 18, 2014

Activist rockers accused of theft

IOC: Sochi was in crisis mode
“Deadly” clashes erupt in Ukraine
Iran nuclear talks open in Vienna
Thai police clash with protestors
Fighting “ends” S Sudan ceasefire
Waves of Iraq blasts “kills many”
Police storm main Kiev protest camp
Venezuela protest leader in custody
Snowden gets his own action figure

February 19, 2014

Americans in Kiev told to stay put
West vs. Russia tug-of-war: 25 dead in Ukraine
Talk of revolution in Kiev
Why Russia wants Ukraine
US warship never got to Sochi
Alarm at worst Kiev violence
Bitcoin exchange prices plummet as investors brace for bankruptcy
Violence spreads beyond Kiev
Ukraine Presidents sacks army chief
US: Ukraine may face “consequences”
Ukraine president agrees truce

February 20, 2014

Calif. water supplies dangerously low

At least 21 protestors dead in Kiev

Ukraine truce comes to a violent end

Two Koreas hold family reunions

Fukushima leaks radioactive water

Ukraine unrest: EU sanctions imposed

Lemurs in peril: “Extinctions could be very soon” if nothing done

Is Ukraine opposition taking a radical turn?

February 21, 2014

NM officials say nuke waste leak plugged

Ukraine rivals agree early election

Convoy of terror

Ukraine credit rating cut by S&P

No water for Calif. Farmers

Obama meets Dalai Lama

Fed failed to grasp 2008 crisis

Detroit files bankruptcy plan

CNN “expelled from Venezuela”

Obama Dalai Lama chat irks China

Protests at Arizona “anti-gay” bill

February 22, 2014

Old and new popes have historic first

CDC: 1 dead, 7 ill from cheese

Ukraine president leaves capital

Ukraine MPs vote to oust president

Ukraine ex-PM Tymoshenko released

Ukraine president decries “coup”

Mystery deepens in Ukraine: Where is the president hiding?

UN agrees resolution on Syria aid

February 23, 2014

Russia closes costliest Olympics

Ukraine appoints interim president

Deadly attack hit rallies in Thailand

Afghan troops die in Taliban attack

Syria hospital hit by car bomb

Kiev square becomes shrine for the dead

Morsi “leaked secrets to Iran”

Mugabe marks his 90th birthday

Toronto major runs into hydrant celebrating hockey win

Polio-like illness paralyzes 5 kids in Bay area

Ukraine’s acting leader plots path to EU

China’s lunar rover snoozes

Russians rally to back Ukraine

Russia on top as 2014 Games end

Tiny crystal is oldest known piece of earth

February 24, 2014

Ukraine arrest warrant for ex-leader

Egypt cabinet resigns unexpectedly

California fears endless drought

Russia steps up Ukraine rhetoric

Pentagon “to downsize army”

Museveni signs Uganda anti-gay bill

“A touch of self-deprecation”

Will Ukraine’s economy collapse?

“We’re dying here”

February 25, 2014

29 boys killed in Nigeria school attack

Bitcoin exchange site vanishes

Rob Ford discusses drinking

Ukraine leader warns of separatism

US presses Iraq on Iran “arms deal”

Scientists track Fukushima plume

Beijing on alert over smog

US “planning full Afghan pull-out”

Uganda tabloid names “homosexuals”

Co. county reports \$1m in pot sales

February 26, 2014

California reservoir now almost dry
Al Qaeda hunts for a new bin Laden
Rival rallies in Ukraine's Crimea
Syrian forces "kill many rebels"
Ukraine currency hits 10 year low
Troubled MtGox Bitcoin boss emerges
Putin OKs military drills amid Ukraine chaos
Credit Suisse "aided" US tax evaders
Key crops head to "doomsday vault"
"Shocking" scene in Syria refugee camp
Good news about Schumacher
Pope worried over Venezuela violence
Kerry to Putin: "This is not Rocky IV"
Kepler bags huge haul of planets
US plans \$1B loan to Ukraine

February 27, 2014

N. Korea fires four missiles
Ukraine warns of Russia "aggression"
Syria Christians get Jihadist rules
Bribery tapes rock Turkey
West warns Russia amid Crimea threat
13 workers exposed to radiation in NM waste dump

UK spies “intercepted webcam images”

February 28, 2014

World markets muted on Ukraine

Russian forces blocking Sevastopol airport, Ukraine says

Ukraine ex-leader vows fight back

MtGox files for bankruptcy

Migrants storm into Spanish enclave

Russia mulls new land- grab law

Stocks push into record territory

Pope softens tone on divorce

Experts: It’s over for ousted Ukraine leader

Russia “troops aim to provoke Kiev”

March 1, 2014

Putin asks parliament to use military in Ukraine

Polio workers fatally attacked

Russia defies US, OKs Ukraine military action

Ukraine: Thousands of troops have crossed the border

UN calls for Haiti cholera compensation

Ukraine on “highest alert” as Russian troops move in

US tells Russia to withdraw forces

“Many dead” in twin Nigeria blast

Ukraine army on full combat alert

March 2, 2014

Ukraine calls reserves to be “combat ready”

Russian gunmen surround Ukraine base as crisis deepens

GOP: Whitehouse is “naïve” about Russia

Pope Francis: Pray for Ukraine

Ukraine PM says Russia’s maneuvers are a “declaration of war”

New Ukraine navy chief defects

New Nigeria massacre comes to light

March 3, 2014

Russian troops “to stay” in Ukraine

Russian ruble hits new all-time low

Surrender or face “storm”, Russia says

Russia demands 2 Ukrainian warships surrender

Buffett unfazed by Ukraine

US: Russia broke international law

Yanukovich “asked Russia for troops”

March 4, 2014

Russian leader: Coup caused crisis

Kerry arrives in Ukraine

US court rejects BP payment appeal

Russia test-fires dummy warhead

Injectable may block AIDS
Did markets make Putin blink?
Sisi hints at Egypt president bid
Syria “to ship chemicals by April”

March 5, 2014

Top diplomats seek Ukraine solution
Pope: Child abuse criticism not fair
Shale gas estimate revised upwards
Snowden to speak at South by Southwest
Bitcoin firm CEO found dead
UN envoy forced out of Crimea
WHO: Sugar intake “should be halved”
Clinton on Putin: “Tough guy, ... thin skin”

March 6, 2014

Pope effect? Catholics praying more, poll says
Crimea MPs decide to join Russia
Winklevoss twins to become astronauts thanks to Bitcoins
Reclusive Bitcoin creator found?
“Illegal” Crimean vote condemned
Obama warns against breaking law in Crimea
Pope says he stole from dead priest
Hillary Clinton says Putin using energy resources as weapon

“Two years” to overcome Snowden leak

Interpol gets Yanukovich alert

Malaria spreads to higher altitudes

Bitcoin not a currency says Japan

March 7, 2014

Putin won't back down on Ukraine crisis

Crimea vote “will not be recognized”

Anwar gets jail term for sodomy

Turkey PM warns social media sites

Frack you Putin!

Dalai Lama: Gay union OK

“Bitcoin creator” denies involvement

Armed men “seize Sevastopol base”

Brotherhood “terrorists”, say Saudis

Landmark default in China solar firm

Why Bitcoin doesn't want a real Satoshi Nakamoto

Contact lost with Malaysia airplane

March 8, 2014

US probing terror concerns regarding missing Malaysian Airlines jet

China draws red line on Korea

Rival protests roil Crimea

Asian states search for missing jet

Shots as Crimea observers stopped
Warning over hospital super bug rise
Tomorrow's Apps will come from brilliant (and risky) Bitcoin code
"Oil slick seen" in missing jet hunt

March 9, 2014

Missing plane "may have turned back"
Ukraine activists attacked in Crimea
Italy up in arms over David advert
Iran sees nuclear "deal in months"
Assange hints at more leaks
Minibus bomb kills 32 in Iraq
Crimea's Muslims fearful
Palin reads Seuss at CPAC
Ukraine PM to come to US
Official: No terror group claims credit
Object found in water may be door of missing Malaysia Airlines plane
New threat to ozone layer identified

March 10, 2014

Investigators: Oil slick not from missing plane
US nuke agency hid fears about Fukushima
Ukraine "lawlessness" angers Russia
Syrian rebels free kidnapped nuns

Assad forces “starving” refugee camp
Hackers steal data from MtGox boss
Shots fired during Crimea base raid
Snowden says NSA “set fire” to the internet
Kim wins 100% of vote
Malaysia “must intensify jet search”
NATO jets to monitor Ukraine border
“Russia troops” take Crimea hospital
Stem cells: Scientist asks for research to be withdrawn

March 11, 2014

More test positive for radiation (NM)
Japan stockpiling plutonium
“Law and order has broken down”
Missing airliner “changed course”
“It’s survival mode” for Syria’s children
EU sets deadline for Russia
McCain wants CIA Senate spying probed
Snowden: Senator is a hypocrite
Polio suspected in refugee
“Little green men”

March 12, 2014

Schumacher expected to wake up

Syria's kids live in boxes and eat weeds
G7 warns Russia on "annexing" Crimea
Missing plane: Last message revealed
Chinese satellite image might be missing jet debris
Obama meets Ukraine PM, warns Russia
Leak outs NSA hack methods
Ocean's worth of water stored deep in Earth
Charges against Indian diplomat dropped

March 13, 2014

China's lost plane image "a mistake"
"Fracking" could harm wildlife
Russia holds war games
DOW tumbles amid Ukraine fears
Sources: Early "pings" were detected from jet
Russia "does not want" Ukraine war
Scores killed in Nigeria attack

March 14, 2014

Radioactive experts en route to Halifax after cargo scare
Radar evidence suggests that Malaysia Airlines flight deliberately diverted
Pope defends "slum priests"
Report: Target was warned of attack
Crimea to vote on future

US-Russia in Ukraine crisis talks
“Hundreds” attack Nigeria city
Time to honour Syria “promises”
UBC traders tried to rig key rate
Could the missing plane have landed?
Kerry: We won’t recognize Crimea vote
Militants “attack Nigeria barracks”
US accuses 16 banks of Libor fraud
Nuclear site fire “was preventable”

March 15, 2014

Malaysia Airliner’s movement suggest “deliberate action”
Scientists expect traces of ocean radiation soon
Big Moscow rally against Crimea move
Six soldiers shot dead in Cairo
Venezuela accuses Kerry of “murder”
Russia isolated in UN Crimea vote
Pollution prompts Paris car ban

March 16, 2014

Crimea votes in referendum
Missing jet sought in huge Asia arc
Malaysia jet pilot’s flight simulator examined
Report: 93% of Crimea voters back union with Russia

Syria “recaptures rebel border town”

Obama to Putin: US will punish Russia for Ukraine vote

Final words from lost airplane came after shutdown of systems

March 17, 2014

Ukraine calls up 40K reservists

Who uses food stamps? Millions of kids

EU imposes sanctions over Crimea

A “mockery” of democracy

Plane co-pilot spoke last words

Why would a pilot own a flight simulator?

Putin signs decree recognizing Crimea

Revealed? Big Bang secrets

DOW soars as Ukraine fears ease

McCain rips Obama’s “timidity”

Meet the 11 Putin allies the US hit with sanctions

March 18, 2014

Kenya seizes two “with bombs in car”

China “has halved its TB problem”

Putin slams US, says “it crossed the line”

Another Bush running for president?

Missing jet’s first turn made using computer

15 killed by rickshaw bomber

Russian storm military bases
Ukraine officer “killed in Crimea”
“Waves” detected on Titan’s lakes
Ed Snowden meets father of the web

March 19, 2014

Berlusconi office ban upheld
Huge US child porn ring dismantled
Texas hit with 1000-foot-high dust storm
Crimea’s gays anxious
Pro-Russians seize Crimea naval base
Israel attacks Syrian army sites
Ukraine to withdraw troops from Crimea
Fed news spooks market
Australia sees possible plane debris
Obama: No “military excursion” in Ukraine
Alison Redford resigning as Alberta premier

March 20, 2014

Russia ready to absorb Crimea
Syria ships 45% of chemical weapons
Are Bitcoins the future?
Uruguay wants Canadian pot
Are Bitcoins a scam?

Which other countries should fear Russia?

Rob Ford files defense in jailhouse beating lawsuit accusations

Chernobyl's trees won't decay, increasing risk of nuclear forest fire

March 21, 2014

Mt. Gox finds \$120 million worth of missing Bitcoins

Why Turkey leader has blocked Twitter

Hotel bloodbath in Kabul

EU seals closer ties with Ukraine

Renewed hunt for debris

How "God hates fags" was spread

Putin inks law officially annexing Crimea

Clinton's schedule gets busier

Female Kenyan MPs blast polygamy law

Iran building fake US aircraft carrier

Ukraine border on alert after annexation

Stop doing evil, Pope tells mafia

March 22, 2014

Malaysia: Possible jet debris spotted by Chinese satellite

North Korea reportedly launches rockets

Ukraine conflict could look like World War I

Ukrainian military bases targeted in Crimea

Families: Malaysia is fooling the world

Ebola caused “Guinea fever deaths”

Crusader castle has Syria war scars

March 23, 2014

French satellite may show plane debris

Turkey shoots down Syrian plane

“Sizeable” Russia forces at border: NATO chief

Clinton still mulling her future

N Korea steps up missile launches

How do we know if a pilot is mentally fit?

Obama heads to shaken Europe

Lawmaker slams Snowden

Deadly Ebola reaches Guinea capital

Study tracks drug-resistant TB

March 24, 2014

“Circular”, “Rectangular” objects spotted at sea

529 sentenced to death in Egypt

Ukraine orders Crimea withdrawal

Missing MH370 “Ended” in Indian Ocean, Malaysia PM says

“We accept the news of the tragedy. It is fate.”

China wants explanation on US spying

Academics spy weaknesses in Bitcoin’s foundation

Report: Review clears Christie

Why are satellite analysts now certain Flight 370 went down?

G7 leaders put G8 on hold “until Russia changes course”

Russia and Ukraine hold first talks

How much Wal-Mart relies on food stamps

Race is on to find Flight 370 black boxes

WHO: Pollution kills 7M a year

March 25, 2014

Ebola-like virus seen in Canada man

China families vent plane fury

Ukraine far-right leader killed

Oil well safety warning for fracking

Families deserve fair payout from \$1.5B Policy

Why GM may never pay in liability claims

Ebola ruled out for ill Canadian

Cold War 2?

Bat-eating ban to curb Ebola virus

IRS: Bitcoin isn't a currency

March 26, 2014

Satellite images show “122 potential objects”

First lady feeds pandas

Leaders' haircut for all N Korea men

Ukraine to dominate Obama EU talks

Candy Crush firm valued at over \$7bn
Living materials could grow products
The fierce battle for the soul of Bitcoin
How Tesla's fight with car dealers could decide the next president
Germany's "Bishop of bling" resigns
Astronomers surprised to find asteroid with rings
Families skeptical of Malaysian plane probe
Egypt army head runs for presidency
Michigan quashes same-sex marriages
Red rain coat, missing 8 years, finally found

March 27, 2014

Thai satellite spots 300 objects
President a "great admirer" of Francis
Tymoshenko to run for Ukraine leader
IMF close to deal on Ukraine aid
World now 80% polio free, WHO says
Comet probe spots its target
UN declares Crimea vote illegal
Guinea confirms Ebola in capital

March 28, 2014

New Malaysia plane search area turns up objects
Obama: Russia must pull back troops

Synthetic DNA advance is hailed

Blackberry post \$5.9bn annual loss

N Korea tells UN to back off

“Do it for Denmark” launched

Pope breaks confession protocol

Brits to hold same-sex weddings

March 29, 2014

Afghan forces surround besieged building

Russia vows no Ukraine invasion

Chinese ships search new plane zone

Protestors restart Bangkok rallies

New MH370 navy search draws blank

Study: Soft drinks linked to heart disease, death

“One million” flee S Sudan fighting

Ebola crisis spreads

March 30, 2014

Female circumcision on rise in US

China families vent fury in Malaysia

Russia and US set for crisis talks

Chadian troops “kill eight” in CAR

Ebola could become global crisis: experts

Is Russia really ramping up troops?

Vatican stops “trillion Euro fraud”
US-Russia deadlock on Ukraine crisis
PM says no “time limit” on jet search
Future of gun sales? Maker takes Bitcoin
Climate impacts “overwhelming”-UN

March 31, 2014

Objects seen in jet search aren't plane
Residents in shelters as Koreas trade fire
Russian PM Medvedev in Crimea
Bitcoin is pointless as a currency, but it could change the world anyways

Quake could be worse than the “Big one”
UN's dire climate change report- “We're all sitting ducks”

Missing jets new “final words”
DOW rises on Yellen's comments
Russia in “partial” border pullout
Deadly explosions in Kenyan capital
Ebola outbreak unprecedented-MSF
“Anyone but Rob Ford” signs are out

April 1, 2014

“Low confidence of finding anything”
“No sign” of Russian troop pullout
Nato suspends Russia co-operation

“Al-Shabab recruiter” shot in Kenya
UK submarine joins search for plane
Nigeria suicide bomb “kills 21”
“No handshakes, no sex” (*Ebola in Guinea*)

April 2, 2014

Massive earthquake rocks Chile coast
Flight passengers “cleared” of hijack role
Focus turns to two pilots
N. Korea sent model drone?
Ousted Ukraine leader regrets annexation
Putin officially divorces wife
How flight 370 may change flying forever
Report: FBI Finds “Nothing Suspicious Whatsoever” on MH370 Pilot's Personal Flight Simulator
Germany approves first minimum wage
4 killed, 11 hurt in Fort Hood shooting

April 3, 2014

“Heroic” cop ended the Fort Hood shooting
DOW, S&P hit new highs
“Police snipers” shot Kiev activists
“Million Syrian refugees” in Lebanon
Malaysia “will not give up” on search
No US deaths in Afghanistan in March

EU set to roll out big space project

Pope greets UK queen

Toronto police divided on Rob Ford crack investigation

Mozilla boss resigns after gay-marriage storm

April 4, 2014

Schumacher “awakening” after crash

Subsurface black box search begins

Fort Hood mystery: Why did he do it?

Fed-up Kerry heads home

Has Rob Ford been cleared?

Afghan poll: Foreign reporters shot

Saturn’s “great lake” of water

Gay couples to be recognized in Ohio

Mali on alert over Ebola fears

April 5, 2014

Chinese ship searching for missing jet detects “pulse”

Afghans vote in historic election

Ukraine rejects Russia gas bill hike

Priests, nuns taken hostage in Cameroon

Thai “red shirts” warn of civil war

Leaders hail Afghan poll “success”

April 6, 2014

US sending warships to Japan over N. Korea

Snowden on TV at event

Plane search signal “important lead”

President godmother to gay couple

Deadly clash in Syrian refugee camp

Pro-Russian storm Ukraine offices

Bush to make '16 call in '14

“Dozens” die in Nigeria gun attack

April 7, 2014

Malaysia won't rule out survivors

Hero priest killed in Syria

Donetsk “people's republic” declared

Plane search has “best lead so far”

Northern Europe hit by most bee deaths – EU study

Cosmos speed-check probes dark energy

Ping discovery prompts new phase in plane search

US warns Russia over Ukraine tension

April 8, 2014

Fear grows over Syria's “vacationing terrorists”

Pinger search “to take days”

Ukraine in bid to retake buildings

Egypt jail four men for gay acts
Hunt for jet costing millions
US guns-for-hire in Ukraine?
Nato warns Russia over Ukraine
World “needs Plan B” on climate-UN
Kerry-Russia may have new Ukraine plot
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Huge investor demand for Greek bond
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First sub search for plane cut short
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“Mass abduction” at Nigerian school
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Ukraine military column “disarmed”
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Could bananas go extinct?

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Did Assad use chlorine gas?
Ukraine move draws Putin threat
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Inside the “DarkMarket” prototype, a Silk Road the FBI can never seize

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Pope cross crushes man

Russia accuses West of Ukraine plot

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Sub found nothing in 14 dives

Mandela’s historic win turns 20

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Muslims leave CAR capital Bangui

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US imposes sanctions on Putin’s “inner circle”

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East Ukraine mayor shot and wounded

Seoul condemns N Korea “foul” slurs

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26 more cases of MERS virus

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14 killed in Damascus

Syria blast kills dozens in Homs

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Amanda Know “delivered fatal blow”

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China economy set to top US

Wreckage isn’t missing plane

Kiev “helpless” in east Ukraine

“Child recruits” in South Sudan war

Drug resistance “global threat”

Ohio bans buying booze with Bitcoins

Toronto’s Rob Ford “to go to rehab”

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McCann’s mom won’t stop searching

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Plane search may take a year
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“Many dead” in Ukraine offensive
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Thai opposition urges election delay
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Push to find Nigerian girls

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“I abducted your girls” says Boko Haram
Looking in right place? Time to double check
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Rodman: Kim didn't kill uncle

Only "handful" of subs capable of hunting jet

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Sisi vows Brotherhood "won't exist"

Beyond honeybees: Now wild bees and butterflies may be in trouble

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Thai prime minister ousted

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Syria rebels begin evacuating Homs

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Putin says troops pulled back

Police digging at Portugal resort

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ANC wins huge South Africa victory
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Leaders to hold key S Sudan talks

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Berlusconi begins community service
Tear gas fired at Thai protestors
US, UK teams help Nigeria seek girls
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Doug Ford says he’ll prove that Rob Ford is getting treatment
Nigeria “ignored” school warning
Our sun has a sister

South Sudan rivals agree peace deal

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20th anniversary: Nelson Mandela sworn in

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Drone “almost collided with plane”

Pope sets Paul VI on sainthood path

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Ukraine president warns of “step into abyss”

Many dead in fresh wave of violence in Iraq

Saudi Arabia reports more MERS deaths

UN slaps sanctions on CAR’s ex-president

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Ukraine rebels hold “self-rule” vote

“Ceasefire violate” in S Sudan

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Stocks hit fresh record

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Measles outbreak biggest since '96

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Columbus' Santa Maria wreck "found"

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Factories burnt in Vietnam-China row

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Villagers “repel Boko Haram attack”
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Christie: Scandal a footnote
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Qatar announces changes to labor law

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Google receives “forget me” requests
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New York dedicates 9/11 museum
Brazil hit by widespread protests
West warns Russia not to disrupt Kiev polls
Biggest NSA leaks are still to come

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Florida officials warn about painful new virus
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Kim Jong Un not so powerful?
Leaders declare “war” on Boko Haram
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Why Boko Haram is poised to get bigger
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“Biggest dinosaur ever” discovered

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Syria’s air chief “dies in clashes”

Reports of heavy gunfire in Libyan capital

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US charges Chinese with hacking

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Antarctic ice losses double

Armed group attacks Libyan parliament

Iraq's Maliki "set to win elections"

Oregon allows gay marriage

China denounces cyber-theft charges

Thailand army declares martial law

No Russia border pullout, says Nato

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Jet's satellite data to be released

Credit Suisse helped "tax cheats"

Bee researchers raise more warning flags about neonicotinoid pesticides

UK spy plane to Nigeria breaks down

Is N Korea close to developing nukes?

Nigerian city rocked by twin blasts

Workers "fled" at peak of Fukushima

Prostate cancer linked to "sex bug"

DOW's worst Tuesday in 7 months

"Modern slavery" generates profits of \$150B a year, says UN

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GOP brass beats Tea Party

Thai army to rivals: Let's talk

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China and Russia sign huge gas deal

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Charles "compared Russia to Nazis"

Water goes "missing" with snow loss

Snowden's first move against the NSA was a party in Hawaii

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Rob Ford's Escalade impounded

Blast in Chinese market kills 31

Hunt for missing jet resumes

Now it's a coup: Thai army take control

Deadliest attack on Ukraine troops

Syria "breaks Aleppo's prison siege"

Brian Williams grills Snowden

Thailand under curfew after army takeover

Shia pilgrims killed in Iraq bombings

Immune children aid malaria fight

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Did kitty litter cause radiation leak?

Putin on Obama: Who is he to judge?

A less violent world? Tell that to 48 million refugees

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Rehab facility confirms Toronto mayor is a patient

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Can Pope Francis bring peace to the Middle East?

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Iraqi Kurdistan makes first oil sale

Iran hangs man for huge bank fraud

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Pope Francis blasts arms dealers

Protestors defy Thai military rulers’ warning

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Obama makes surprise Afghan visit

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Nigeria: Girls location known

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US to citizens: Leave Libya

US gives \$5bn to global terror fight

Chechnya "has no troops in Ukraine"

Farm drugs being used like "sweets"

Russia warns of "fratricidal war" in Ukraine

This is what happens when you hack and extort the “Bitcoin Jesus”

Deadly pig virus raises concerns

4 girls escape Boko Haram, officials say

“I’d like to go home”, Snowden says

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“Pings” site ruled out in jet search

Snowden’s motive: He can “sleep at night”

Emails back Snowden claim

Ukraine helicopter downed - 14 dead

Nigeria’s leader vows “total war”

US economy shifts into reverse

CAR church attack leaves 15 dead

Doctors struggle to contain Ebola outbreak

S&P climbs to new peak

Snowden: I shared snooping concerns

Snowden: I no longer have NSA documents

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Aleppo barrel bomb toll nears 2,000

Ukraine vows to bring peace to east

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Thai forces stifle protests
Deadly blasts hit north Nigeria

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Measure seeks to split California in two
EPA sets new rules for carbon emissions
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Ukraine border guard centre attacked
Japan Fukushima ice wall work starts
Syria rebels step up attacks before elections
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Strong sandstorm kills 4 in Iran
“Godzilla of Earths” discovered
Snowden asylum bids

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Sham? Syrians vote in presidential election
Tea Party set for big upset
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“Heavy fighting” in east Ukraine
Staff leave Sierra Leone over Ebola
Deadly attacks and shelling hit Iraq
Saudis find new MERS cases
Suicide bomber in Iraq part of wider jihadi base in Calgary

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Snowden “probably” not Russian spy
US pledges more Ukraine aide
Obama condemns Russia “dark tactics”
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Militants raiding villages in Nigeria
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Ceremonies mark 70 years since D-day
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Stocks hit record high
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Hezbollah leader says war on Assad has failed

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Sunni militants vow to take Baghdad

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President: "I don't rule out anything" in Iraq

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ISIL vows to march on Iraq's capital
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Heavily armed groups near Baghdad
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Iran "ready to help neighbor" Iraq
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S Sudan children face hunger death
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Iraq forces fight over oil refinery

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Paedophiles “flocking to dark net”

US government leaks Bitcoin buyers

Rosetta: Icy quarry coming into view

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Afghan candidates spar over fraud claims

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President advances transgender rights
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Pope gives Mafia the boot

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US moves to stop using landmines

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2,400 Iraqis killed in June violence

Ukraine launches new offensive

Dozens reported killed by car bomb in Nigeria

Indian Shias sign up to fight in Iraq

ISIS issues call to arms

West Africa Ebola toll rises to 467

DOW, S&P close at records

Crisis meeting as Ebola toll rises

July 2, 2014

Nearly every GM model touched by recall

“Iran aiding Iraq” with fighter jets

Ukraine hits 100 rebel sites

Rob Ford: Drug use “ran the full gamut”

Rob Ford: I was drunk, never high at work

Hopes rise for new Ukraine cease fire

“Worst Ebola outbreak in history”

Iraqi PM offers amnesty to rebel Sunni tribes

The VC who bought the Silk Roads \$19M Bitcoin cache

July 3, 2014

Saudis deploy troops to Iraq border
DOW Jones hits 17,000 for the first time
China bans Ramadan fasting in Muslim province
Al-Shabab gunmen kill Somali MP
Ukraine president vows to end army corruption
W Africa ministers hold emergency Ebola talks
Ukraine's army to "win back Crimea"
Wastewater "triggers US quake surge"
Iraq's Kurds push for independence referendum
Islamic State "seizes key Syria oil field"
Imperiled Amazon Indians make first contact with outsiders

July 4, 2014

African states agree Ebola strategy
Iraq air raids hit "rebel positions in Baiji"
Ukraine seeks talks as fighting rages
Mayor Rob Ford hires sobriety coach after rehab

July 5, 2014

Ukraine: Victory in rebel stronghold
Suicide blast hits Saudi border post
Ugandan troops kill CAR rebels "in error"
Car bomb targets Somali parliament complex
Chinese Uyghurs defy Ramadan ban

No end in sight: Boko Haram's bloody legacy

Pope calls destruction of nature a modern sin

Isis chief appears in first video

July 6, 2014

Attacks on trouble-hit Kenyan coast

Ukraine rebels regroup in Donetsk

US breadbasket faces dire water crisis

African terror groups trade tips

Ordinary people "caught in NSA net"

July 7, 2014

Pope meets abuse victims at Vatican

"State of horror" grips Baghdad

Ukraine to besiege regional centres

Swiss firm linked to Schumacher sale

US man tested for Ebola in Ghana

More than 60 abducted women and girls escape Boko Haram

Iraq facing political deadlock

Pope begs forgiveness for Church sex abuse

Gaza on brink of war as violence builds

ISIS bogged down in Iraq: Official

July 8, 2014

Israel vows “lengthy” offensive in Gaza
Abdullah calls Afghanistan run-off “rigged”
US begins to destroy Syria’s chemical weapons
Dead cells banned on planes
Ebola deaths up by 25 in West Africa
Fighting rages at Somali presidential palace
Ukraine signals offensive as rebels regroup
Officers scold Rob Ford’s sobriety coach for “kicking” shirtless protestor
Israel bombards Gaza as violence grows
“Forgotten” US smallpox found in a box
Nigeria: “Good news” on girls soon
Iraq says “terrorists” seize ex-chemical weapons site

July 9, 2014

Could Mideast unrest explode into war?
Fukushima gets giant ice wall
Israel and Hamas attacks intensify
Fifty bodies found south of Baghdad
Latest Snowden leaks: FBI targeted Muslim-American lawyers
Bird decline linked to pesticide use
Snowden seeks to extend stay in Russia

July 10, 2014

Iraq “seize nuclear material”

Schumacher's wife lauds progress

Famine looms for South Sudan

Markets hit by Portuguese bank fears

Death toll climbs as Israel bombards Gaza

Donetsk separatists: Prepare for "several hundred thousand refugees"

HIV re-emerges in "cured" US girl

July 11, 2014

Tel Aviv airport now a target

Death toll in Gaza "reaches 100"

Iraqi Kurds seize two oilfields

"Rockets" kill soldiers in Ukraine

Portugal seeks to calm bank fears

Ebola claims more lives in West Africa

Billionaires rip Congress in op-ed piece

Israel: World won't stop us

Ukraine vows action over army deaths

July 12, 2014

Ukraine jets strike rebels

Iraq forces "killed Sunni prisoners

Singapore bans gay penguin book

Aerial attacks in Gaza enter fifth day

Putin pours billions into Russia World Cup

UN calls for Israel-Gaza ceasefire
Gunmen kill 29 in Baghdad attack
Rockets ravage Ukraine city suburb

July 13, 2014

Israeli ground troops raid Gaza
Pope promises “solutions” to celibacy
Pope: 1 in 50 clergy are paedophiles
Ukraine forces “storming Luhansk”
Russian warning after deadly Ukraine shelling
Germany beats Argentina 1-0 in extra time

July 14, 2014

Citi to pay \$7B penalty for “wrongdoing”
Pope’s words about priests stuns
Web giants urge net neutrality
Ukraine says plane shot down by rocket from Russia
Malala meets Nigerian leaders
Israel says it has downed drone from Gaza
Costa Concordia wreck refloated
Church of England backs women bishops
Inspectors find more Anthrax violations
Fighting rages over Iraqi town

July 15, 2014

Afghanistan suicide bomb kills 89

Israel resumes shelling after Hamas rejects ceasefire

Nigeria acrimony over abducted girls

Rosetta's target is "double" comet

Airstrike in Ukraine kills 11

BRICS nations to create \$100bn bank

Fed warns on social media stocks

Ivorian refugees blocked over Ebola

Iraqi army launches assault on Tikrit

Rob Ford rejoins mayoral debates after rehab stint

UN "to help Haiti fight cholera"

July 16, 2014

Germany accuses Russia over Ukraine

Israel intensifies bombing on Gaza

Rebels repel Iraqi attempt to retake Tikrit

Dutch liable for some Srebrenica deaths

DOW reaches another record

US widens sanctions against Russia

Israel declares "humanitarian truce"

UN: Seven million people need aid in Sudan

Istanbul may force Syrian refugees into camps

Afghanistan's Kabul airport under attack

July 17, 2014

Humanitarian ceasefire ends

Putin: US ties near dead end

Malaysian passenger airline crashes in Ukraine

Ukraine says Malaysian airliner shot down, 295 dead: agency

Israel orders ground offensive in Gaza

Snowden: NSA staff shares nude photos

Manning to begin gender treatment

Ukraine, Mideast hammer stocks

July 18, 2014

UN: 5,000 civilians killed in Iraq

20 killed as Israeli troops push into Gaza

Ukraine rebels "allow crash access"

MH17: Ukraine releases alleged intercepts

ISIS turns attention to Syria

Berlusconi sex conviction overturned

Malaysia Airline's future in doubt

Iraq Christians told to convert or face death

Scores of AIDS experts killed on Malaysia jet

First Mandela Day observed worldwide

Obama condemns Russia after MH17

NASA: We'll discover aliens in next 20 years

Deaths reported in Boko Haram raid in Nigeria

July 19, 2014

Ukraine; Rebels are destroying evidence

Islamic state killed 270 in Syrian siege

Israel pushed into Gaza

Seven killed in Kenyan bus attack

Iraqi Christians flee Mosul

Pope demands justice for Amia attack

At least 27 killed in Baghdad bombings

Reports: Syria trying to retake gas field

Thousands in Europe rally for Palestinians

July 20, 2014

Gaza “under most intense” shelling

Ukraine rebels take bodies from crash site

Islamic state claims bombings in Baghdad

Low-key Dutch seething with anger in MH17 disaster aftermath

US outlines evidence against Russia

Deadly fighting rages on in east Ukraine

How a flood of kids upended the immigration debate

Bodies from downed jet piled in boxcars

July 21, 2014

Dutch experts examine MH17 bodies
Iran eliminates uranium stockpile
Deaths as Israeli tanks shell hospital
Ukraine launches assault on Donetsk rebels
S Sudan rebels launch attack despite truce
Stocks slide amid global conflicts
Obama: Putin directly responsible
UN chief decries Islamic State's ultimatum
Ukraine rebels hand over black boxes
Thousands displaced by Boko Haram assault

July 22, 2014

MH17 bodies leave Ukraine rebel area
"Exciting" drug flushes out HIV
Texas deploys troops to US border
Chinese researchers stop wheat disease with gene editing
Boko Haram attacks hometown of missing girls
Israeli soldier reported missing in Gaza
China seals off city after man dies of Bubonic Plague
ISIS torches Mosul church

July 23, 2014

Ukraine military jets shot down
Israeli forces pummel Gaza Strip

Chief Ebola doctor gets virus
MH17 victims begin long journey home
UN warns of Israel Gaza “war crimes”
Costa Concordia on final voyage to scrap yard
Dozens dead in Baghdad suicide blast

July 24, 2014

Christian woman leaves Sudan
Islamists planning imminent attack in Norway
Militants order female genital mutilation in Iraq: UN
Shelling “kills 15 in Gaza shelter”
Sudan “apostasy” woman meets Pope
Fighting continues near Ukraine crash site
Official: Air Algerie crashed
Call for end to “throwaway society”
Peace Corp pulls Kenya staff

July 25, 2014

Gaza death toll passes 800 mostly civilian
Billions wasted in Afghanistan
Deadly fungus spreads in Everglades, killing trees
Isis “overruns” Syrian military base
Ukraine and Russia claim border crossfire
Israel rejects Gaza ceasefire plan

“No survivors” in Air Algerie crash
CAR rebel leader rejects ceasefire

July 26, 2014

US evacuates embassy in Libya
Nigeria on “red alert” over Ebola
Palestinian death toll surpasses 1000 as bodies recovered amid ceasefire
Cancer blood test moves closer after promising results
“Syrian troops beheaded” in Raqqa
EU to toughen Russia sanction over Ukraine
Iraqi Sunni politician seized in Baghdad
Pope surprisingly dines in cafeteria
SEC seeks \$1B from tycoons

July 27, 2014

Nigeria death shows Ebola can spread by air travel
Mediterranean fish seen in North Sea
Benghazi clashes kill “at least 36”
 Hamas agrees to 24-hour ceasefire in Gaza
Egypt says fighters killed in Sinai clashes
Boko Haram kidnap wife of Cameroon’s vice PM
Fighting intensifies nears MH17 site
US claims Russia fired into Ukraine
Banks named in silver-fix lawsuit

July 28, 2014

3 killed for “objectionable” Facebook post

Liberia shuts borders to curb Ebola

Syrian army retakes gas field from fighters

UN Chief: Gaza in critical condition

Fears over massive Libya fuel fire

N. Korea threatens nuclear strike on White House

MH17 jet downed by “shrapnel”

Tripoli fuel fire “out of control”

Doctor’s family not showing Ebola signs

Israel warns of “prolonged” Gaza war

Ebola spreading as people “resist” treatment

July 29, 2014

Israel strikes symbols of Hamas power

Karzai’s cousin killed in “turban bomb” attack

US says Russia violated nuclear treaty

Civilian deaths mount in eastern Ukraine

US tries to calm fears as Ebola virus spreads

Islamic State evicts Iraq farmers

Dozens dead after China mob attack

Lost in Afghanistan: US can’t track weapons it sent

West Africa flight ban over Ebola

EU widens sanctions against Russia

Liberia bans football over Ebola

Top Ebola doctor dies of virus

July 30, 2014

Ukraine seizes key town near Donetsk

Argentina hours away from default

Somali “killed for not wearing veil”

Ebola virus a threat to UK

Ebola: Liberia shuts all schools

Peace Corps pulled over Ebola

“Offer rejected” on Argentine debt

Anger mounts as Gaza toll rises

Tripoli burns, violence escalates

July 31, 2014

Netanyahu vows to destroy Gaza tunnels

Sierra Leone declares Ebola emergency

Argentina blames US for debt default

Drug resistant malaria “widespread”

Pope Francis’s 10 happiness tips: Turn off the TV and don’t try to convert others

US stocks fall sharply

Snowden’s asylum status expires

WHO sounds alarm over W Africa Ebola

Forensic scientists reach MH17 site

August 1, 2014

Ebola “spreading too fast” - WHO

Truce crumbles as 50 killed in Gaza

Uganda: Anti-gay law invalid

Stocks drop on Portugal worries

Kenyan leader orders seizure of coastal zone

Ukraine troops ambushed by pro-Russia rebels

Tunisia seals Libya border after violence

Pope slips out of Vatican, joins Jesuits for lunch

Russian soldier’s selfies backfire

S&P 500’s worst week since 2012

August 2, 2014

Fresh Gaza strikes amid soldier hunt

Ukraine rebels admit “executions”

Islamic State loses oil-rich areas in Syria

Ukraine clashes hamper MH17 probe

Israel says missing soldier is dead

Syrian rebels raid Lebanese town

August 3, 2014

Ukraine rebel cities “facing siege”

Islamic State takes over Iraq towns

Scores die in gun battles in Libyan capital

Toxins from Lake Erie suspected of fouling Toledo, Ohio water

Israel strikes Gaza, troops to redeploy

August 4, 2014

Nigeria Ebola doctor contracts the virus

Hundreds of Ukraine troops cross in Russia

Lebanon army hits Syrian fighters in Aarsal

Islamic State fighters seize Iraqi dam

Leaders to mark WWI outbreak

Israeli airstrike kills militant leader in Gaza

US to send 50 experts to fight Ebola

August 5, 2014

China “investigating” Canadian couple

Israeli forces withdraw from Gaza

World Bank pledges \$200m to fight Ebola

Iraqi Yazidis caught in Islamic State advance

UN warns of “massive exodus” from Ukraine

Afghan attack kills US major general

“Heavy fighting” erupts in Donetsk

BA suspends flights amid Ebola alert

US: New mole leaking government documents

“Dead zone” in the Gulf of Mexico the size of Connecticut

August 6, 2014

Gaza cease-fire holds for second day

Hackers steal 1.2B passwords

Rosetta goes into orbit around comet

WHO starts emergency talks on Ebola

Politician begs world to help Iraq’s Yazidis

Nurse dies of Ebola, says health officials

Ebola death toll hits 932

Man arrested in connection with Schumacher record theft found dead

Russia could be poised to invade Ukraine, NATO says

Putin orders retaliatory sanctions

Search halted for MH17 crash victims

Saddam’s allies move corpse

August 7, 2014

Russia bans food from West

Russia extends Snowden residency

Christian exodus as Iraqi town falls

West Africa erects Ebola blockades

Top Khmer Rouge leaders guilty of crimes against humanity

Obama mulling US airstrikes in Iraq

Stocks slide on Ukraine jitters

Pentagon: No US airstrikes have taken place in Iraq

No Ebola drug for Africans

FDA lifts hold on experimental Ebola drug

UN calls for international help for Iraq

Obama authorizes airstrikes in Iraq targeting ISIS

Official: US drops food, water over Iraq

August 8, 2014

Gaza rocket fired as truce expires

US air strike on militants in Iraq

Ebola “an international emergency”

Malaysia Airlines in state “takeover”

Bitcoin heist diverts net traffic

US launches another round of Iraq bombing

Doctor, aid worker with Ebola are on the mend

Nigeria declares national emergency over Ebola

August 9, 2014

US drops aid as crisis in Iraq worsens

More Gaza deaths as violence resumes

Egypt bans Muslim Brotherhood party

Obama vows to stop jihadist state

Kiev dismantles last barriers

Afghan poll rivals sign unity government deal

Sewage swamps S Sudan refugees in UN camp

Obama: Iraq “will be a long-term project”

Guinea shuts borders against Ebola

Ukraine forces surround Donetsk

August 10, 2014

Ebola vaccine by 2015?

Ukraine pounds rebels in Donetsk

US hits more ISIS targets as Yazidi “mass graves” reported

Palestinians, Israel accept cease-fire

Pope outrages at Iraq violence

25 years ago, Ebola broke out in a US office park

France bombs Islamists in northern Mali

Iraqi Kurds asks for arms to fight ISIS

Liberia buckles under Ebola strain

Iraqi PM resists resignation calls

August 11, 2014

ISIS tightens grip on Syria, resisters crucified, beheaded

Spain to test Ebola drug on priest

Iran bans vasectomies in bid to boost birth rate

Iraqi president calls for new PM

Ukraine prepares for “final” Donetsk push

Australian jihadist tweets photo of son posing with head of Syrian soldier

Rob Ford bomb threat: “Leave office or city hall will blow”

CAR president appoints first Muslim PM

Putin: Russia to send aid convoy to Ukraine

US “to send” untested Ebola drug to Liberia

August 12, 2014

Priest with Ebola died

US directly arms Kurds

The US behind IS? New conspiracy sweeps Lebanon

Ebola death toll reaches 1,000 mark

Obama welcomes move to name new Iraq PM

“Thousands” trapped by Iraq rebels

Military wives protest Boko Haram deployment

Egypt offers proposal to end war in Gaza

US sends more advisors to Iraq

August 13, 2014

Ebola survivor shunned

France to give arms to Iraqi Kurds

Great Barrier Reef outlook “poor”

Kenya at “high risk” of deadly Ebola

Iraq PM “will not quit” without court ruling

Snowden: I left the NSA clues, but they couldn’t find them

US troops may hit the ground in Iraq

Another top Ebola doctor dies
US troops hit the ground in Iraq
 Hamas agrees to extend cease-fire
 IS fighters capture towns in Syria's north
 Canada sends trial Ebola vaccine to W Africa

August 14, 2014

Ukraine death toll spikes
 UN declares major emergency in Iraq
 Pope urges dialogue between Koreans
 Eurozone growth slow to a halt
 Guinea declares Ebola emergency
 US-led Iraqi rescue unlikely
 Liberia ponders who should get Ebola drug
 Ukraine rebel head Strelkov "quits"
 Obama: We broke siege in north Iraq
 Iraq's PM steps down
 Study: Glacial retreat is on us
 Ebola outbreak "vastly underestimated", WHO says
 A war zone in the US south; from Ferguson to "Fergustan"

August 15, 2014

Islamic State fighters profit from oil sales
 Boko Haram abduct boys

Ukraine to inspect Russian convoy
Control of Ebola “six months” away
Imran Khan convoy shot at in Pakistan
Pope warns S Korea of affluence “cancer”
Iraq’s new PM urges country to unite
Officials: Ebola spreading too fast
European Union pledges aid to Iraq
Ukraine says it destroyed Russian military vehicles crossing the border
Yazidi villagers “massacred” in Iraq

August 16, 2014

Chad frees Boko Haram captives
Mayor: 34 killed in CAR attacks
Airstrikes near Iraq dam
Pope beatifies South Korean martyrs

August 17, 2014

Pope urges dialogue with China
Kurds “advance” on Mosul dam
Cameron warns of IS threat to UK
Kenya bars travelers from Ebola-hit countries
Ferguson tense after state of emergency declared
Finding Ebola source presents problem
Ukraine says troops entered rebel-held city

Syria targets Islamic State

Liberia: Ebola fears rise as clinic is looted

Kurds “break IS hold on Mosul dam”

US expands it’s air campaign in Iraq

Reports of genetic abnormalities in birds, insects, plants near Fukushima

August 18, 2014

Assange: I’m leaving embassy

National Guard called to Ferguson

“Refugee convoy hit” in east Ukraine

Syria jets hit Islamic State targets in Raqqa

Islamic State message for US: “we will drown all of you in blood”

Liberia admits Ebola patients lost

Elephant poaching deaths reach tipping point in Africa

Pope OK with protecting Iraq

NASDAQ closes at 14 year high

August 19, 2014

Police come under fire in Ferguson protests

Gaza truce extended by 24 hours

Ebola death toll passes 1200

Iraq army advances towards rebel-held Tikrit

Islamabad braces for mass protest march

Airstrikes launched after Gaza rocket fire

Islamic State claims it killed journalist

August 20, 2014

Attorney General heads to Ferguson

Liberia seals slums over Ebola

Fierce fight for east Ukraine city

Israel strike “targeted Hamas chief”

Texas governor charged with corruption

North Korea insults Kerry over looks

Greenland ice sheet loss doubles

US mulls sending more troops to Iraq

UN begins huge aid drop in Iraq

Tepco fails to create ice wall to stem radioactive water flow

50K sealed off in slum by Ebola scare

Month #1 Syrian Chemical Weapons Attack

August 21, 2013

Syrian army uses chemical weapons

August 22, 2013

France mulls force against Syria

August 23, 2013

1 million kids refugees in Syria

Obama: Syrian chemical weapons grave concern

August 24, 2013

US weighs action in Syria

UN in Syria to seek attack enquiry

August 25, 2013

UN to visit site where hundreds died

Syria chemical attack probe 'too late to be credible'

August 26, 2013

UN inspectors shot at in Syria

Kerry: Syria images "shock the conscience of the world"

Pressure on Syria hits stocks

August 27, 2013

US readies missile strikes against Syria

Stocks decline on Syria tensions

Sources: US may hit Syria with three days of missile strikes

August 28, 2013

Syria attack contained chemical “substance”, UN envoy says

UK drafts Syrian UN resolution

Would foreign intervention be legal?

Obama “sure Syria behind attack”

The Saudi Prince who is trying to topple Syria’s President

August 29, 2013

UK wrangling throws wrench in US plan for Syria strike

Unease over Syria intel

Syria’s Assad will defend “against any aggression”

“Lessons of Iraq” make UK back delay Syria strike

British parliament votes against striking Syria

August 30, 2013

“No doubt” on Syrian chemical weapons

France backs US on Syrian action

UK vote leaves bruises in US

Bush: Obama has “tough choice to make”

Obama mulling limited action against Syria

Kerry: Syrian leader a “thug”

Iraqi militia warns US about Syrian attack

August 31, 2013

Experts: Strike targets likely narrowed down

UN team leaves Syria as Obama mulls strike

Putin challenges US on Syria claims

Obama: “We are prepared to strike”

Obama to seek Congress vote on Syria

September 1, 2013

Congress begins to tackle Syria question

US has evidence that Sarin gas was used, Kerry says

Will Assad “ride it out” or go on “killing spree”?

Arabs states call for international action against Syrian regime

September 2, 2013

Nimitz group rerouted for possible Syria help

6.2 million Syrians now displaced by war

Syria asks UN to halt “any aggression” by US

French MPs to get Syria “evidence”

Assad: West has no chemical-attack proof

Syrian regime” led chemical attack”

September 3, 2013

McCain: Obama “playing difficult game”

Israel missile tests amid Syria fears

Hillary Clinton: Obama making the right Syria call

Syria resolution limits US force to 90 days

Rumsfeld slams Obama on Syria

September 4, 2013

Putin warns US over Syrian action

Syrian official: “World War III” won’t sway us

September 5, 2013

Syria’s chemical weapons shrouded in secrecy

Syria clash looms at G20 summit

Obama faces Syria showdown with Putin

Syria’s chemical weapons arsenal remains a menacing mystery

Brutality of Syrian rebels poses a dilemma

Kerry: Not hitting Syria will feed extremism

G20 “split” as US hits out at Russia

September 6, 2013

US evacuates Lebanon staff

Obama pushes for support on Syria

War-weary US wary of Syria plan

Russia and US no closer on Syria

Fake emails: US is attacking Syria

September 7, 2013

Obama faces uphill battle on Syria

Europe urges US to hold off on Syrian military strike

September 8, 2013

McDonough: Attack on Syria would warn Iran

Kerry meets Arab leaders

Syria a “test” for America

Syria’s Assad says “no evidence” of chemical weapons use

Syria “crossed global red line”

“The border has disappeared”: Turks feel strain of refugees

Official: US would notify Israel “hours” before Syria attack

September 9, 2013

Syria says Obama is backing terrorists

Todd: White house worried

US will pay for strike – Assad

Ally: Hand over chemical weapons

Syria welcomes Russian plan to turn in its chemical weapons

(Hillary) Clinton speaks on Syria proposal

September 10, 2013

Syria agrees to hand over weapons

Live: Kerry quizzed on Syria

US warning on Syria chemicals plan

Obama finds reason to pause

US to discuss Syria handing over weapons

Wrangling looms over UN Syria motion

Putin: Deal won't work with threats of strikes

Source: Obama will pursue plan & also argue for force

September 11, 2013

How would Syrian weapons deal work?

Obama delays strike vote in favor of diplomacy

Exotic arsenal heading to Syria?

September 12, 2013

“Doable, but difficult” task ahead for Kerry

Why Putin is backing Assad's bloody regime

Assad confirms chemical arms plan

US, Syria disagree on chemical weapons timeline

Tense talks in bid for Syria deal

September 13, 2013

Kerry: Syria weapons talk “constructive”

Syria chemical use likely to confirmed in UN report, Ban Ki-moon says

September 14, 2013

US & Russia reach deal on Syria

Will Syria's Assad play fair?

Despite deal, troubling questions remain

September 15, 2013

Syria reels after weapons deal

Syria hails weapons deal "victory"

Syria "lesson" for Iran-Obama

September 16, 2013

UN to report on chemical attack

Footage claims to show Iranians in Syria

US shares rise on Summers withdrawal

UN confirms gas "war crime" in Syria

September 17, 2013

France and Russia admit Syria rift

September 18, 2013

Syria "proof" of rebel chemical use

Assad: "One year to destroy weapons"

September 19, 2013

Putin “confident” on Syrian plan

September 20, 2013

Syria “submits chemical arms data”

September 22, 2013

Russia offers troops for Syria plan

September 26, 2013

Sources: Nations reach Syria deal

September 27, 2013

New Syria chemical claims probed

Deal reached on Syria arsenal

September 29, 2013

Dozens dead in Syria air strike

September 30, 2013

Syria condemns “foreign terrorists”

October 1, 2013

Syrian chemical weapons clean-up a “Herculean” task Canadian inspector says

October 2, 2013

Media hit by Syrian hackers

October 6, 2013

Syria chemical arms removal begins

October 11, 2013

Syria monitors win Nobel Peace Prize

October 13, 2013

Red Cross team kidnapped in northern Syria

October 14, 2013

Arms team in Syria short-truce plea

October 15, 2013

Starving Syrians “can eat dogs”

October 17, 2013

Syria inspectors “turned back”

October 20, 2013

Deadly truck bombs rocks Syrian city

Syria’s terrifying new refugee crisis

October 21, 2013

Syria: Polio outbreak fears

October 22, 2013

Syrian opposition urged to join talks

Syria: Polio epidemic fears grow

October 23, 2013

Explosion near airport in Damascus

October 26, 2013

Syria: Kurds seize border crossing

October 27, 2013

Syria meets key deadline in chemical weapons destruction program

October 29, 2013

Polio outbreak in Syria confirmed

Starved Syrians flee Damascus suburbs

October 31, 2013

Syria chemical equipment destroyed

November 1, 2013

Syria chemical equipment destroyed

November 3, 2013

Did Syria's Assad get away with gas attack?

Polio in Syria: global setback

November 4, 2013

UN: Millions more Syrians need aid

November 6, 2013

Deadly blast hits central Damascus

November 7, 2013

Syria army retakes key rebel enclave

November 8, 2013

Europe at "polio risk" from Syria

November 11, 2013

Polio strain in Syria spreading in region

November 15, 2013

Syrian rebel "beheaded by mistake"

Albania shuns Syria chemical weapons

November 17, 2013

Huge bomb hits Syria government site

November 18, 2013

Top Syrian rebel commander dies

November 20, 2013

Syrian army captures town of Qara

November 24, 2013

Syrian children “targeted by snipers”

November 25, 2013

Syria peace talks set for January

November 28, 2013

Hunger crisis grips Syria

Plan to destroy Syria weapons at sea

November 30, 2013

US to destroy Syria chemicals

December 2, 2013

UN implicates Assad in war crimes

December 4, 2013

Syrian rebels turn homes into weapon factories

December 7, 2013

Syrian Jihadists “use Turkey bases”

December 11, 2013

US and UK suspend Syria rebel aid

December 13, 2013

EU failing Syrian refugees-Amnesty

“Rebel attack” kills Syria civilians

December 15, 2013

“Barrel-bombs” fall on Syrian city

December 16, 2013

UN launches record Syria aid appeal

December 17, 2013

Aleppo hospitals “overwhelmed”

December 19, 2013

Syria’s young: Hungry, hopeless and homeless

December 21, 2013

Syria rebels explode huge bomb

December 28, 2013

Strike on Syria market "kills 21"

Assad sends secret message to Pope

December 29, 2013

Barrel bombs "kills 517 in Aleppo"

December 30, 2013

Lebanese troops fire at Syrian jets

January 2, 2014

Schumacher critical but stabilized

Security forces fight Iraq militants

South Sudan fighting ahead of talks

January 3, 2014

New bid to collect Syrian toxic arms

January 4, 2014

Al-Qaeda under attack in north Syria

January 7, 2014

First chemical weapons leave Syria
Syria “too dangerous” to count the dead: UN
Threat to “massacre” al-Qaida

January 8, 2014

Rebel Jihadist Aleppo HQ “seized”

January 9, 2014

Germany to destroy Syria weapons

January 12, 2014

UN concern over besieged Syrians

January 13, 2014

US-UK “may rethink Syria support”

January 15, 2014

“Half of Syrians” in urgent need

January 17, 2014

Syria proposes prisoner exchange

January 18, 2014

“Aid enters” besieged Damascus camp
Syrian opposition to attend Geneva II

January 19, 2014

Assad: Quitting not up for debate
UN invites Iran to Syrian peace talks

January 20, 2014

Iran invite threatens Syria talks
Iran cannot go to Syria talks – US
Iran invite to Syrian talks withdrawn

January 21, 2014

Syria accused of systematic torture

January 22, 2014

Hundreds of Syria kids killed by crossfire
Bitter exchanges as Syria talks open
Gulf over Assad blights Syria talks

January 23, 2014

UN seeks to bridge Syria divide

January 24, 2014

Syria threatens to quit Geneva talks

Syria foes “to meet face-to-face”

January 25, 2014

Humanitarian issues top Syria agenda

January 26, 2014

Homs deal at Syria peace talks

January 27, 2014

“Impasse” on Syria power transfer

“Eating grass to survive”

January 29, 2014

“Nothing substantive” from Syria talks

January 30, 2014

Homes “deliberately razed” in Syria

US “concern” at Syria weapon delay

January 31 2014

Syria talks end in recrimination

February 2, 2014

Barrel-bombs “kill dozens” in Aleppo

February 3, 2014

Starvation and death plaque Syria camp

February 6, 2014

Syria denies chemical weapons delay

February 7, 2014

Homs evacuation finally starts

February 8, 2014

Mortar fire breaks Homs truce

Aid convoy fired on in besieged Homs

February 9, 2014

“Hundreds” evacuated from Syria city

February 10, 2014

Hope of new Homs truce as talks end

February 11, 2014

UN concerned about Homs detainees

“First UK suicide bomber” in Syria

February 12, 2014

UN sends more aid into Homs

February 13, 2014

Syrian rebel stronghold bombarded

February 14, 2014

Geneva talks on Syria “deadlocked”

February 15, 2014

Syria’s US-born rebels a security “nightmare”

UN sorry over Syria talk failures

Syria blamed for talks failure

February 17, 2014

Kerry: Assad “stonewalling”

February 22, 2014

UN agrees resolution on Syria aid

February 23, 2014

Syria hospital hit by car bomb

February 24, 2014

“We’re dying here”

February 26, 2014

Syrian forces “kill many rebels”
“Shocking” scene in Syria refugee camp

February 27, 2014

Syria Christians get Jihadist rules

March 4, 2014

Syria “to ship chemicals by April”

March 10, 2014

Syrian rebels free kidnapped nuns
Assad forces “starving” refugee camp

March 12, 2014

Syria’s kids live in boxes and eat weeds

March 14, 2014

Time to honour Syria “promises”

March 16, 2014

Syria “recaptures rebel border town”

March 19, 2014

Israel attacks Syrian army sites

March 20, 2014

Syria ships 45% of chemical weapons

March 22, 2014

Crusader castle has Syria war scars

March 23, 2014

Turkey shoots down Syrian plane

April 3, 2014

“Million Syrian refugees” in Lebanon

April 6, 2014

Deadly clash in Syrian refugee camp

April 7, 2014

Hero priest killed in Syria

April 8, 2014

Fear grows over Syria’s “vacationing terrorists”

April 9, 2014

Car bombings “kill 25” in Homs

April 12, 2014

Claims of new gas attack in Syria

April 19, 2014

Syria-held French journalists freed

April 20, 2014

Pope prays for Ukraine, Syria

April 21, 2014

Syrian chemical arsenal probed

April 22, 2014

Chemical weapons used again in Syria?

April 24, 2014

Did Assad use chlorine gas?

April 27, 2014

Syria “still holds chemical weapons”

Iraq hits “jihadist convoy” in Syria

April 28, 2014

Aleppo gripped by barrel bomb fears

April 29, 2014

14 killed in Damascus

Syria blast kills dozens in Homs

May 1, 2014

Deadly airstrike on Aleppo market

May 2, 2014

Syrian rebels to “pull out of Homs”

May 7, 2014

Syria rebels begin evacuating Homs

May 8, 2014

Huge blast “destroys Aleppo hotel”

Crucifixion emerges in Syria

May 14, 2014

Obama meets Syria opposition leader Jarba

May 15, 2014

Deadly blast hits Syria-Turkey border

May 18, 2014

Syria's air chief "dies in clashes"

May 22, 2014

Syria "breaks Aleppo's prison siege"

May 30, 2014

Aleppo barrel bomb toll nears 2,000

May 31, 2014

Syrian troops hit in Aleppo tunnel bombing

June 2, 2014

Syria rebels step up attacks before elections

June 3, 2014

Sham? Syrians vote in presidential election

June 4, 2014

Syria's Assad wins in landslide

June 7, 2014

Hezbollah leader says war on Assad has failed

June 18, 2014

Chemical use in Syria “systemic”

June 20, 2014

Car bomb “kills dozens” in Syria

June 21, 2014

Militants seize Iraq-Syria border post, kill 30

June 23, 2014

Israeli air strikes target Syria

Final cargo of chemical arms leaves Syria

June 26, 2014

Iraqi PM welcomes Syria airstrikes

June 28, 2014

Dozens of casualties in Syrian market blast

June 29, 2014

ISIL declares new “Islamic caliphate”

Iran “ready to use Syria methods” in Iraq

July 3, 2014

Islamic State “seizes key Syria oil field”

July 9, 2014

Could Mideast unrest explode into war?

July 16, 2014

Istanbul may force Syrian refugees into camps

July 18, 2014

ISIS turns attention to Syria

July 19, 2014

Islamic state killed 270 in Syrian siege

Reports: Syria trying to retake gas field

July 25, 2014

Isis “overruns” Syrian military base

July 26, 2014

“Syrian troops beheaded” in Raqqa

July 28, 2014

Syrian army retakes gas field from fighters

August 2, 2014

Islamic State loses oil-rich areas in Syria

Syrian rebels raid Lebanese town

August 4, 2014

Lebanon army hits Syrian fighters in Aarsal

August 11, 2014

ISIS tightens grip on Syria, resisters crucified, beheaded

Australian jihadist tweets photo of son posing with head of Syrian soldier

August 13, 2014

IS fighters capture towns in Syria's north

August 17, 2014

Syria targets Islamic State

August 18, 2014

Syria jets hit Islamic State targets in Raqqa

Syrian Crisis

This first day of headlines would reveal to the world that Syria had indeed used chemical weapons against its citizens in its ongoing civil war. This story would dominate the next coming weeks and continue throughout the year. It was an issue that had the world on the brink of another Middle East War.

These headlines paralleled the previous tenor that led up to the American invasion of Iraq, which is what created this whole project in the first place. I started this project quite arbitrarily on August 21, 2013, having no idea what would come of any of the stories that followed.

During those first few weeks, how to deal with these chemical weapons and the Assad regime, consumed the news. When Russia suggested that a solution could be found by destroying said weapons, Kerry scoffed at the idea as impractical and requiring too much time. As it turned out this was indeed the path taken to avert a military solution. It was also accomplished within the year without issue.

This is a very clear lesson to us all that other solutions can and should be brought to bear in the crisis that confront our world. Military action should be the last resort.

But this Syrian crisis would contribute to a later issue in the form of ISIL. So what solutions were not being brought to bear in the early days of the Syrian civil war would be too little and too late for the emergence of the splinter group ISIL, whom even Al Qaeda felt were too extreme for them.

This proxy war that was being played out in Syria with Iran and Saudi Arabia pulling the strings showcases the complexity of what is really behind the ongoing unrest in the whole of the Middle East. It already begins with the understanding that Islam is divided into sects and these sects have deeply entrenched reasons for discord.

Month #2 Kenyan Mall Attack – Al Shaba

September 21, 2013

Kenya mall shooting kills at least 22

Al-Shabab claims Nairobi attack

September 22, 2013

Kenyan standoff: at least 59 dead

Kenyan officials: “Major” assault underway to end siege

FBI probes terrorist claims of American ties in Kenyan mall siege

September 23, 2013

3 large explosions heard at Kenyan mall

Kenya forces storm Westgate center

Who are al-Shabab?

Tales of explosions as explosions rock mall

“We are in control”: Police retake mall

September 24, 2013

Militants say Kenyan hostages alive

Americans among attackers

September 25, 2013

Kenya mourns mall attack victims

September 26, 2013

Kenya seeks “white widow” arrest

September 30, 2013

Owners say army looted shops

October 5, 2013

Officials ID 4 attackers in Nairobi mall attack

October 21, 2013

Kenya CCTV “show soldiers looting”

October 28, 2013

US kills 2 in Kenyan mall terror group

October 29, 2013

Soldiers jailed for Westgate looting

November 10, 2013

Kenya to repatriate Somali refugees

December 10, 2013

Did Kenya shooters get away?

January 1, 2014

Deadly car bomb hits Mogadishu hotel

March 18, 2014

Kenya seizes two “with bombs in car”

March 21, 2014

Female Kenyan MPs blast polygamy law

April 1, 2014

“Al-Shabab recruiter” shot in Kenya

April 23, 2014

Deadly car bomb strikes Nairobi

May 3, 2014

Twin explosions rock Kenyan cities

May 16, 2014

Ten dead in Kenya bombings

May 24, 2014

Al-Shabab attacks Somali parliament complex

June 15, 2014

“Islamists” attack Kenyan coast town

June 16, 2014

Dozens massacred in Kenya attack

June 17, 2014

“Women abducted” in Kenyan attack

June 18, 2014

Kenya arrests suspects after twin attacks

June 23, 2014

Report: Kenyan air strikes target al Shabab

July 3, 2014

Al-Shabab gunmen kill Somali MP

July 6, 2014

Attacks on trouble-hit Kenyan coast

African terror groups trade tips

July 19, 2014

Seven killed in Kenyan bus attack

July 24, 2014

Peace Corp pulls Kenya staff

August 1, 2014

Kenyan leader orders seizure of coastal zone

August 13, 2014

Kenya at “high risk” of deadly Ebola

August 17, 2014

Kenya bars travelers from Ebola-hit countries

Al-Shabab/Kenyan Mall Shooting

A group of terrorists that I had certainly never heard of before, who were the people involved in this attack on a mall in Nairobi, Kenya. One of the first things about this incident that struck me was how diverse the people were in the pictures; this could have been a mall anywhere in North America. The same stores and layout we are all familiar with. The same look of fear as any of us would have in the same situation, protecting our children and looking for a way out.

This group of terrorists had followers in western countries just like ISIL. Thankfully this incident didn't spread like a virus but it did continue to fester within the Horn of Africa, with home bases in Somalia.

There was a quiet response from the rest of the world to this group but apparently the Americans were actively working to destroy members of this group as detailed in this headline that came out shortly after this project's year had come to an end:

September 5, 2014

Terror Leader in Kenya Mall Attack Killed by U.S. Strike

Ahmed Abdi Godane, the leader of the Islamic militant organization behind the siege on a mall in Kenya last year, was killed in a U.S. military strike earlier this week, the prime minister of Somalia said Friday on Facebook. A source also confirmed the death to NBC News.

You know it is a big story when HBO does a TV movie of it for the one year anniversary.

I also reported on headlines that had to do with Kenya in general just to help put a bit of context to this mall shooting incident.

Month #3 Rob Ford

November 5, 2013

Toronto mayor admits smoking crack

November 6, 2013

Embattled Toronto mayor “to stay on”

November 7, 2013

“Drunk” Toronto mayor in murder rant

November 8, 2013

Toronto mayor “may seek treatment”

November 13, 2013

Ford bought drugs in last two years

November 14, 2013

Toronto mayor sorry again

November 15, 2013

Toronto mayor’s obscene outburst

Council votes to cut Ford’s power

November 18, 2013

Toronto mayor to lose more powers

November 19, 2013

Rob Ford: "I haven't touched a drop of alcohol for three weeks"

Toronto mayor: "I'm not perfect"

Ford loses TV show after one day

December 5, 2013

Rob Ford scandal: Why haven't charges been laid?

December 22, 2013

Canada's newsmaker of the year: Rob Ford

January 2, 2014

Toronto mayor runs for re-election

January 21, 2014

Ford explains video, Jamaican accent

January 22, 2014

New Rob Ford video leaves council members frustrated and stunned

February 25, 2014

Rob Ford discusses drinking

March 20, 2014

Rob Ford files defense in jailhouse beating lawsuit accusations

March 31, 2014

“Anyone but Rob Ford” signs are out

April 3, 2014

Toronto police divided on Rob Ford crack investigation

April 13, 2014

Ford fiasco

April 17, 2014

Rob Ford to launch re-election bid

April 18, 2014

A Rob Ford repeat?

April 30, 2014

Toronto’s Rob Ford “to go to rehab”

May 1, 2014

Rob Ford enters rehab

May 2, 2014

“He let his family down” (Rob Ford)

May 6, 2014

Toronto major turned away from US

May 7, 2014

Rob Ford: “Rehab is amazing, like camp”

May 9, 2014

Doug Ford says he’ll prove that Rob Ford is getting treatment

May 10, 2014

Rob Ford in rehab, doctor confirms

May 16, 2014

Rob Ford spotted in Ontario cottage country

May 22, 2014

Rob Ford’s Escalade impounded

May 23, 2014

Rehab facility confirms Toronto mayor is a patient

June 17, 2014

Rob Ford will return to mayor's job on June 30 after rehab

July 2, 2014

Rob Ford: Drug use "ran the full gamut"

Rob Ford: I was drunk, never high at work

July 4, 2014

Mayor Rob Ford hires sobriety coach after rehab

July 8, 2014

Officers scold Rob Ford's sobriety coach for "kicking" shirtless protestor

July 15, 2014

Rob Ford rejoins mayoral debates after rehab stint

August 11, 2014

Rob Ford bomb threat: "Leave office or city hall will blow"

Rob Ford

The headline this morning (September 18, 2014) in the BBC refers to Rob Ford as the most well-known mayor in the world and indeed they would be right. He also was named the news story of the year 2013 here in Canada.

As this story unfolded, I would not have imagined that it would, in the end, become that significant. I had an inkling of this shift when the late-night talk shows and comedy shows took this story and ran with it.

During the unfolding details of Mayor Rob Ford, there must have been a lot of eye-rolling of addiction councilors every time he denied having a “problem”. I saw this man as a cautionary tale, in trying to deceive and still remain in power, it would not end well. This was also another example of a politician-wife who had to endure public humiliation, the price of power.

This story took a very “karmic” turn of events after the end of this project in that Rob Ford was diagnosed with an aggressive, malignant tumor. This once again, had him making headlines around the world as I referenced at the beginning of this section.

Month #4 Nelson Mandela

August 31, 2013

Mandela remains hospitalized

September 1, 2013

Mandela released from hospital

December 4, 2013

Mandela in fight from “deathbed”

December 5, 2013

Anti-apartheid icon Mandela dies at 95

December 6, 2013

World mourns “icon of icons” Nelson Mandela

December 7, 2013

US labeled Mandela a terrorist until ‘08

SA to hold daily Mandela cortege

December 8, 2013

Mandela remembered with day of prayer

December 9, 2013

World leaders head to S. Africa
Security headache as world leaders gather
Huge memorial service for Mandela
Goodbye Uncle

December 10, 2013

Mandela lauded as a “giant of history”

December 11, 2013

Thousands line up to view Mandela casket

December 12, 2013

SA probes Mandela interpreter checks
Mandela interpreter speaks out

December 13, 2013

Mandela viewing ends with final rush

December 14, 2013

Mandela makes final journey home

December 15, 2013

Nelson Mandela buried at ancestral home

December 17, 2013

The next Mandela

January 22, 2014

Row over rabbit in Mandela statue

April 27, 2014

Mandela's historic win turns 20

May 7, 2014

South Africa in post-Mandela vote

May 8, 2014

ANC wins huge South Africa victory

May 10, 2014

20th anniversary: Nelson Mandela sworn in

July 18, 2014

First Mandela Day observed worldwide

Nelson Mandela

A man for the ages, a man who suffered enormous hardships and showed that the best of humanity's traits can rise above them. Forgiveness, his real and active act of forgiveness saw him become the leader of South Africa and change a country.

My Father happened to die a couple of days after Nelson Mandela and as my friend so aptly put it; "He was no Nelson Mandela!" I would have to agree. Which to me, speaks about what I feel that most impacted me about this man; how many of us can say that we even aspire to be a person of conviction. I mean positive conviction, really living and breathing this.

I have always considered the concept of forgiveness to be meaningless, after all what is my forgiveness going to do to change another person's actions. Nelson Mandela lived his forgiveness and he had known suffering. So hopefully he was able to show the world that good can come from bad.

In his image I see deep, loving eyes that give me hope for humanity. Our world needs many more like him, we have enough violence and death, we need peace.

Month #5 Bitcoin

September 20, 2013

Homeless, unemployed and surviving on Bitcoins

October 2, 2013

Feds arrest alleged “Dread Pirate Roberts” the brain behind the Silk Road drug site

October 5, 2013

Bitcoin will bounce back from Silk Road scandal, users say

October 30, 2013

Forgotten Bitcoins buy man home

November 7, 2013

\$1.2 M hack shows why you should never store Bitcoins on the Internet

November 15, 2013

Feds reveal what the really think about Bitcoins

November 19, 2013

As China looms, the US ponders ways not to destroy Bitcoins

November 21, 2013

You can now pay your university tuition with Bitcoins

November 25, 2013

Bitcoin is flawed but it will still take over the world

November 27, 2013

The magic number: Bitcoin prices top \$1000

November 28, 2013

How I lost a \$7.5M Bitcoin fortune

Why does Bitcoin have value?

November 29, 2013

Is Bitcoins future in China?

December 5, 2013

Bitcoin trade ban for Chinese banks

December 11, 2013

Bitcoins rise constrained by heists and lost fortunes

December 14, 2013

Is virtual mining for Bitcoins a good idea?

December 18, 2013

Bitcoin price plunges

Who owns the world's biggest Bitcoin wallet? The FBI

December 25, 2013

Bitcoin Santas drop big money on hackers who have been nice

December 27, 2013

Bitcoin exchanges shutdown in India after government warning

January 6, 2014

Bitcoin crosses \$1000 on Zynga move

January 8, 2014

Could a Civil-war era law stamp out Bitcoin?

January 9, 2014

After crackdown, a new Bitcoin King immerges in China

January 10, 2014

Bitcoin stares down impending apocalypse (again)

"World's first" Bitcoin insured vault

January 16, 2014

Sacramento Kings crowned first pro sports team to accept Bitcoins

January 17, 2014

Silk Road forfeits \$28m in Bitcoins

January 27, 2014

US make Bitcoin exchange arrest

January 31 2014

Bitcoins fate in the hands of clueless regulators

February 4, 2014

“Live” Bitcoin clothes tag shown off

February 7, 2014

Bitcoins oldest exchange, now in shambles, suspends payouts

February 10, 2014

Bitcoins political problems

Bitcoin dogged by tech troubles

February 12, 2014

Cyber- attack disrupts Bitcoin trades

February 14, 2014

Silk Road 2 loses \$2.7m in Bitcoins

February 25, 2014

Bitcoin exchange site vanishes

February 19, 2014

Bitcoin exchange prices plummet as investors brace for bankruptcy

February 26, 2014

Troubled MtGox Bitcoin boss emerges

March 5, 2014

Bitcoin firm CEO found dead

March 6, 2014

Winklevoss twins to become astronauts thanks to Bitcoins

Reclusive Bitcoin creator found?

Bitcoin not a currency says Japan

March 7, 2014

“Bitcoin creator” denies involvement

Why Bitcoin doesn't want a real Satoshi Nakamoto

March 8, 2014

Tomorrow's Apps will come from brilliant (and risky) Bitcoin code

March 10, 2014

Hackers steal data from MtGox boss

March 20, 2014

Are Bitcoins the future?

Are Bitcoins a scam?

March 21, 2014

Mt. Gox finds \$120 million worth of missing Bitcoins

March 24, 2014

Academics spy weaknesses in Bitcoin's foundation

March 25, 2014

IRS: Bitcoin isn't a currency

March 26, 2014

The fierce battle for the soul of Bitcoin

March 30, 2014

Future of gun sales? Maker takes Bitcoin

March 31, 2014

Bitcoin is pointless as a currency, but it could change the world anyways

April 11, 2014

Offer: Mt. Gox for one Bitcoin

April 16, 2014

Source: Mt. Gox to liquidate

April 24, 2014

Inside the “DarkMarket” prototype, a Silk Road the FBI can never seize

The world’s first Bitcoin debit card is almost here

April 29, 2014

“Dark Wallet” is about to make Bitcoin money laundering easier than ever

April 30, 2014

Ohio bans buying booze with Bitcoins

May 28, 2014

This is what happens when you hack and extort the “Bitcoin Jesus”

June 5, 2014

Bitcoin isn't the only way to mine a digital fortune

June 11, 2014

The Bitcoin app that could create a black market for leaked data

June 12, 2014

Expedia to accept Bitcoin payments

June 13, 2014

US to sell seized Silk Road Bitcoins

June 18, 2014

Rise of powerful mining pools forces rethink of Bitcoin design

June 19, 2014

US government leaks Bitcoin buyers

June 29, 2014

Calif. governor pro Bitcoin

July 2, 2014

The VC who bought the Silk Roads \$19M Bitcoin cache

August 8, 2014

Bitcoin heist diverts net traffic

Bitcoin

Mt. Gox, Satoshi Nakamoto, Silk Road, these are words, illusions, concepts, all built around the cyber-currency Bitcoin. If you haven't paid attention, it is time you do. This crypto-currency has redefined the concept of the value of currency for all of us. No longer are we tied to what our country values its currency at but a nebulous group of computer programmers who launched a whole new way of creating, distributing and valuing money.

It may have started as an obscure, nerdy concept but it has blossomed into a mainstream reality, you can even pay your college tuition using it. It has also created a method of untraceable payments for illegal drugs, weapons and even assassinations. Tor, the dark web, Evolution, Agora, Silk Road₂, unfamiliar terms that have empowered large numbers of individuals to do real harm to society; activities that thrive beyond the grasp of the law as we know it.

We definitely live in a global economy and our concept and use of currency will undergo a huge transformation as a result of the creation and implementation of Bitcoin. This is no longer a nerdy concept. Just today (September 24, 2014) it was announced that PayPal will accept Bitcoins.

Month #6 Pope Francis

August 22, 2013

Benedict; “God told me to quit”

August 31, 2013

Pope Francis makes key appointment

September 11, 2013

Vatican may discuss clerical celibacy

September 15, 2013

Would married priests help Catholic Church?

September 19, 2013

Pope: Church must be more accepting

September 22, 2013

Economy worships “god of money”, Pope says

September 24, 2013

Benedict denies abuse cover-up

September 30, 2013

Popes to be declared saints in April

October 1, 2013

Pope Francis digs at Vatican's narcissism

October 10, 2013

Scholar has contentious Jesus theory

October 15, 2013

Pope appoints new right-hand man

Pope's views revolutionary?

October 23, 2013

Vatican suspends "bishop of bling"

October 27, 2013

Pope marks 10M Twitter followers

October 30, 2013

Little boy's rare, sweet moment with the Pope

November 5, 2013

Pope Francis' latest surprise: a survey on the modern family

November 23, 2013

Pope warns against money in sport

November 25, 2013

Could Putin-pope visit signal end of rift?

November 26, 2013

Pope calls for radical church reform

Pontiff attacks “idolatry of money”

November 28, 2013

Why did the Pope resign?

December 5, 2013

Pope sets up child abuse committee

December 11, 2013

Time chooses Pope Francis as Person of the Year

December 15, 2013

Pope Francis: I’m no Marxist

December 17, 2013

Pope shakes up his Bishops

December 22, 2013

Pope's most powerful phrase of the year (*Who am I to judge?*)

December 25, 2013

Pope wishes for "better world" in address

Pope urges aide access to Syria

December 28, 2013

Assad sends secret message to Pope

January 1, 2014

Pope urges tolerance to end violence

January 2, 2014

Pope nearly triples Vatican crowds

January 3, 2014

Pope: Culture creates "little monsters"

January 5, 2014

Pope Francis to visit Holy Land

January 13, 2014

Pope decries “horrific” abortions

January 15, 2014

Pope cleans house at bank
Vatican to face UN sex abuse panel

January 16, 2014

UN slams Vatican for sex abuse “cover up”

January 17, 2014

Pope defrocked 400 for sex abuse

January 18, 2014

His Holiness auctions his Harley

January 20, 2014

Hotel where Pope lives went Kosher

January 21, 2014

Obama to meet Pope in March
Vatican cleric “laundered millions”

January 23, 2014

Pope: Internet is “gift from God”

January 27, 2014

Vial of Pope's blood stolen

January 30, 2014

Archbishops criticize anti-gay laws

Stolen case of Pope blood empty

January 31 2014

Cops recover pope's blood vial

February 5, 2014

UN report: Policies allowed priests to rape children

February 9, 2014

Benedict "at peace" after leaving papacy

February 26, 2014

Pope worried over Venezuela violence

February 28, 2014

Pope softens tone on divorce

March 5, 2014

Pope: Child abuse criticism not fair

March 6, 2014

Pope effect? Catholics praying more, poll says

March 14, 2014

Pope defends “slum priests”

March 21, 2014

Stop doing evil, Pope tells mafia

March 26, 2014

Germany’s “Bishop of bling” resigns

March 27, 2014

President a “great admirer” of Francis

March 28, 2014

Pope breaks confession protocol

March 30, 2014

Vatican stops “trillion Euro fraud”

April 3, 2014

Pope greets UK queen

April 9, 2014

Pope in “pain” over priests slaying

April 11, 2014

Pope begs forgiveness for priest’s abuse

April 17, 2014

Pope washes feet of elderly

April 18, 2014

Pope leads Good Friday services

April 20, 2014

Pope Francis’ full floral Easter

Pope prays for Ukraine, Syria

April 25, 2014

Pope cross crushes man

April 27, 2014

2 Popes made saints in historic canonization

April 29, 2014

Pope Francis’ tweets that “inequality is the root of social evil”

May 10, 2014

Pope sets Paul VI on sainthood path

May 12, 2014

Orthodox Jews to protest pope

May 23, 2014

Vatican says UN will clear it of torture

May 24, 2014

Can Pope Francis bring peace to the Middle East?

May 25, 2014

Pope Francis blasts arms dealers

May 26, 2014

Pope visits Jerusalem holy sites

June 5, 2014

Pope fires watchdog board

Church horrified by mass grave

June 8, 2014

Holy history: Israeli, Palestinian leaders pray at Vatican

June 20, 2014

Pope Francis slams legal pot

June 21, 2014

Pope gives Mafia the boot

June 29, 2014

Pope reappears in public

July 5, 2014

Pope calls destruction of nature a modern sin

July 7, 2014

Pope meets abuse victims at Vatican

Pope begs forgiveness for Church sex abuse

July 13, 2014

Pope promises “solutions” to celibacy

Pope: 1 in 50 clergy are paedophiles

July 14, 2014

Pope’s words about priests stuns

July 19, 2014

Pope demands justice for Amia attack

July 24, 2014

Sudan “apostasy” woman meets Pope

July 26, 2014

Pope surprisingly dines in cafeteria

July 31, 2014

Pope Francis’s 10 happiness tips: Turn off the TV and don’t try to convert others

August 1, 2014

Pope slips out of Vatican, joins Jesuits for lunch

August 10, 2014

Pope outrages at Iraq violence

August 14, 2014

Pope urges dialogue between Koreas

August 15, 2014

Pope warns S Korea of affluence “cancer”

August 16, 2014

Pope beatifies South Korean martyrs

August 17, 2014

Pope urges dialogue with China

August 18, 2014

Pope OK with protecting Iraq

Pope Francis

Only the second time in history is the Catholic Church having two Popes at the same time, Benedict, a scholarly German and Francis, an Argentinean man of the street. Two very different approaches to their position and I have to say that I am very pro-Francis.

I describe my religious affiliation as being a free agent, I'm a very spiritual person but I don't believe in any God-like beings. That being said, my husband was raised a Catholic and one of his best friends is a Bishop who has just been to Rome to have a meeting with Pope Francis. I had him send a message from me telling Pope Francis how impressed I am with his work so far.

From my perspective, any religion has to work for the people in their space and time. Not some distant, historical rhetoric that simply doesn't apply in a world that has gained vast amounts of knowledge in all fields. We no longer need to worship some entity to ensure a good harvest.

Pope Francis has studied science and lived in a country whose people have wealth and extreme poverty, a problem faced by too much of the world. The Catholic faith was born in this kind of environment and Jesus hoped to help humanity be truly humane.

In just the first few weeks of this project Pope Francis highlighted such issues as; clerical celibacy, to be more accepting, worshipping the "God of money" and the Vatican's narcissism. I am very impressed; the same old, same old is not going to help with the problems faced by modern society.

I was reading this morning a poll on MSNBC asking whether religion should play a greater part in our daily lives. By definition, if you belong to any religion, it should be a part of your daily life so why would I have to decide that. Separation of Church and State, definitely, but in one's own life, this is where your faith should be the core of your life.

All religions speak to the same fundamental values of living as good people; it is us humans who rewrite these principals to suit. We must always strive to be good people, the simple do unto others as you would want to be done to. Nobody wants to be killed, persecuted, abused; we all want to live a decent life.

Month #7 Ukraine Crisis

December 1, 2013

Clashes as huge rally grips Kiev

December 2, 2013

Kiev protestors blockade key sites

Ukraine PM sounds coup warning

December 6, 2013

Russia and Ukraine seek partnership

December 7, 2013

Russia-Ukraine “closer on gas price”

December 8, 2013

Huge pro-EU protest in Ukraine

December 9, 2013

Police dismantled Kiev protest camps

December 10, 2013

Diplomats bid the end Ukraine crisis

December 11, 2013

Ukraine police abandon stand-off
US considers sanctions against Ukraine

December 12, 2013

Ukraine leader “still wants EU deal”

December 13, 2013

Ukrainian court frees protestors

December 14, 2013

Ukraine president suspends mayor

December 15, 2013

EU halts work on Ukraine trade deal
McCain: US can act on Ukraine-Russia ties

December 17, 2013

Russia slashes Ukraine gas price

December 18, 2013

Ukraine saved from bankruptcy – PM

December 19, 2013

Yanukovych tells West to keep out

December 29, 2013

Thousands join fresh Ukraine protest

January 12, 2014

New pro-EU rally held in Ukraine

January 17, 2014

Ukraine anti-protest bill made law

January 19, 2014

Clashes in Kiev after protest ban

January 21, 2014

Russia: Ukraine “out of control”

January 22, 2014

First killings in Ukraine protest (*this is where it changes from a political story to a crisis*)

Ukraine opposition issues ultimatum

January 23, 2014

Crisis talks after Ukraine bloodshed

Ukraine protests spread beyond Kiev

January 24, 2014

Protestors seize Ukraine offices

January 25, 2014

Ukrainian President meets opposition

Ukraine President offers opposition PM position

January 26, 2014

Ukrainian opposition rejects offer

Ukraine protests “spread eastward”

January 27, 2014

Ukraine “to scrap anti-protest law”

January 28, 2014

Ukraine’s PM and government quit

January 29, 2014

Ukraine “on brink of civil war”

Ukraine passes protest amnesty law

January 30, 2014

Ukraine leader defiant amid turmoil

January 31 2014

Ukraine activist “was tortured”

February 1, 2014

Power clash over Ukraine at summit

February 2, 2014

Ukraine rally targets Yanukovich

Beaten protestor “to leave Ukraine”

February 3, 2014

Russia warns Ukraine opposition

February 4, 2014

Ukraine MPs seek constitution change

February 6, 2014

US meddling in Ukraine - Putin aide

Leaked Ukraine call embarrasses US

February 9, 2014

Ukraine places forces on alert

February 16, 2014

Ukraine protestors end occupation
Ukraine amnesty to come into force

February 17, 2014

Russia to give Ukraine new tranche

February 18, 2014

“Deadly” clashes erupt in Ukraine
Police storm main Kiev protest camp

February 19, 2014

Americans in Kiev told to stay put
West vs. Russia tug-of-war: 25 dead in Ukraine
Talk of revolution in Kiev
Why Russia wants Ukraine
Alarm at worst Kiev violence
Violence spreads beyond Kiev
Ukraine Presidents sacks army chief
US: Ukraine may face “consequences”
Ukraine president agrees truce

February 20, 2014

At least 21 protestors dead in Kiev
Ukraine truce comes to a violent end

Ukraine unrest: EU sanctions imposed
Is Ukraine opposition taking a radical turn?

February 21, 2014

Ukraine rivals agree early election
Ukraine credit rating cut by S&P

February 22, 2014

Ukraine president leaves capital
Ukraine MPs vote to oust president
Ukraine ex-PM Tymoshenko released
Ukraine president decries “coup”
Mystery deepens in Ukraine: Where is the president hiding?

February 23, 2014

Ukraine appoints interim president
Kiev square becomes shrine for the dead
Ukraine’s acting leader plots path to EU
Russians rally to back Ukraine

February 24, 2014

Ukraine arrest warrant for ex-leader
Russia steps up Ukraine rhetoric
Will Ukraine’s economy collapse?

February 25, 2014

Ukraine leader warns of separatism

February 26, 2014

Rival rallies in Ukraine's Crimea

Ukraine currency hits 10 year low

Putin OKs military drills amid Ukraine chaos

US plans \$1B loan to Ukraine

February 27, 2014

Ukraine warns of Russia "aggression"

West warns Russia amid Crimea threat

February 28, 2014

World markets muted on Ukraine

Russian forces blocking Sevastopol airport, Ukraine says

Ukraine ex-leader vows fight back

Russia mulls new land- grab law

Experts: It's over for ousted Ukraine leader

Russia "troops aim to provoke Kiev"

March 1, 2014

Putin asks parliament to use military in Ukraine

Russia defies US, OKs Ukraine military action

Ukraine: Thousands of troops have crossed the border

Ukraine on “highest alert” as Russian troops move in

US tells Russia to withdraw forces

Ukraine army on full combat alert

March 2, 2014

Ukraine calls reserves to be “combat ready”

Russian gunmen surround Ukraine base as crisis deepens

GOP: Whitehouse is “naïve” about Russia

Pope Francis: Pray for Ukraine

Ukraine PM says Russia’s maneuvers are a “declaration of war”

New Ukraine navy chief defects

March 3, 2014

Russian troops “to stay” in Ukraine

Russian ruble hits new all-time low

Surrender or face “storm”, Russia says

Russia demands 2 Ukrainian warships surrender

Buffett unfazed by Ukraine

US: Russia broke international law

Yanukovich “asked Russia for troops”

March 4, 2014

Russian leader: Coup caused crisis

Kerry arrives in Ukraine
Russia test-fires dummy warhead
Did markets make Putin blink?

March 5, 2014

Top diplomats seek Ukraine solution
UN envoy forced out of Crimea

March 6, 2014

Crimea MPs decide to join Russia
“Illegal” Crimean vote condemned
Obama warns against breaking law in Crimea
Hillary Clinton says Putin using energy resources as weapon
Interpol gets Yanukovich alert

March 7, 2014

Putin won't back down on Ukraine crisis
Crimea vote “will not be recognized”
Frack you Putin!
Armed men “seize Sevastopol base”

March 8, 2014

Rival protests roil Crimea
Shots as Crimea observers stopped

March 9, 2014

Ukraine activists attacked in Crimea

Crimea's Muslims fearful

Ukraine PM to come to US

March 10, 2014

Ukraine "lawlessness" angers Russia

Shots fired during Crimea base raid

NATO jets to monitor Ukraine border

"Russia troops" take Crimea hospital

March 11, 2014

"Law and order has broken down"

EU sets deadline for Russia

March 12, 2014

Obama meets Ukraine PM, warns Russia

March 13, 2014

Russia holds war games

DOW tumbles amid Ukraine fears

Russia "does not want" Ukraine war

March 14, 2014

Crimea to vote on future

US-Russia in Ukraine crisis talks

Kerry: We won't recognize Crimea vote

March 15, 2014

Big Moscow rally against Crimea move

Russia isolated in UN Crimea vote

March 16, 2014

Crimea votes in referendum

Report: 93% of Crimea voters back union with Russia

Obama to Putin: US will punish Russia for Ukraine vote

March 17, 2014

Ukraine calls up 40K reservists

EU imposes sanctions over Crimea

A "mockery" of democracy

Putin signs decree recognizing Crimea

DOW soars as Ukraine fears ease

McCain rips Obama's "timidity"

Meet the 11 Putin allies the US hit with sanctions

March 18, 2014

Putin slams US, says "it crossed the line"

Russian storm military bases
Ukraine officer “killed in Crimea”

March 19, 2014

Crimea’s gays anxious
Pro-Russians seize Crimea naval base
Ukraine to withdraw troops from Crimea
Obama: No “military excursion” in Ukraine

March 20, 2014

Russia ready to absorb Crimea
Which other countries should fear Russia?

March 21, 2014

EU seals closer ties with Ukraine
Putin inks law officially annexing Crimea
Ukraine border on alert after annexation

March 22, 2014

Ukraine conflict could look like World War I
Ukrainian military bases targeted in Crimea

March 23, 2014

“Sizeable” Russia forces at border: NATO chief

Obama heads to shaken Europe

March 24, 2014

Ukraine orders Crimea withdrawal

G7 leaders put G8 on hold “until Russia changes course”

Russia and Ukraine hold first talks

March 25, 2014

Ukraine far-right leader killed

March 26, 2014

Ukraine to dominate Obama EU talks

March 27, 2014

Tymoshenko to run for Ukraine leader

IMF close to deal on Ukraine aid

UN declares Crimea vote illegal

March 28, 2014

Obama: Russia must pull back troops

March 29, 2014

Russia vows no Ukraine invasion

March 30, 2014

Russia and US set for crisis talks
Is Russia really ramping up troops?
US-Russia deadlock on Ukraine crisis

March 31, 2014

Russian PM Medvedev in Crimea
Russia in “partial” border pullout

April 1, 2014

“No sign” of Russian troop pullout
Nato suspends Russia co-operation

April 2, 2014

Ousted Ukraine leader regrets annexation

April 3, 2014

“Police snipers” shot Kiev activists

April 4, 2014

Fed-up Kerry heads home

April 5, 2014

Ukraine rejects Russia gas bill hike

April 6, 2014

Pro-Russian storm Ukraine offices

April 7, 2014

Donetsk “people’s republic” declared
US warns Russia over Ukraine tension

April 8, 2014

Ukraine in bid to retake buildings
US guns-for-hire in Ukraine?
Nato warns Russia over Ukraine
Kerry-Russia may have new Ukraine plot

April 9, 2014

Is Russia ready to move into eastern Ukraine?
Crunch talks announced on Ukraine
Ukraine ultimatum to east activists

April 10, 2014

Putin warns Europe of gas shortages

April 11, 2014

Ukraine in offer to troubled east
US condemns Russia gas warnings

April 12, 2014

Gunmen take Ukraine police buildings

US urges nations to assist Ukraine

April 13, 2014

Ukraine to fight pro-Russia forces

April 14, 2014

Russia jets buzz US ships

Fresh pro-Russia attack in Ukraine

Russian jets move a “provocative action”

West eyes more Russia sanctions

April 15, 2014

UN: East Ukraine next Crimea

Ukraine “begins anti-terror action”

Ukraine says its troops have retaken control of the eastern airport

April 16, 2014

Ukrainian troops stopped in town

Putin building “new Berlin wall”

Russian Lada “chases Ukrainian tank”

NATO: We’ll fend off Russia

Ukraine military column “disarmed”

April 17, 2014

Putin cautions on force in Ukraine

3 killed in Ukraine attack

Deal struck to calm Ukraine crisis

April 18, 2014

Eastern Ukraine militants snub deal

Kiev reaches out to eastern rebels

April 19, 2014

Ukraine calls Easter truce in east

April 20, 2014

US could deploy soldiers in Europe

Russia: Kiev not disarming

Pope prays for Ukraine, Syria

Ukraine probes death in tense east

April 21, 2014

Biden arrives in Ukraine with deal in flux

Russia says Kiev "breaking accord"

Photos show "Russia army" in Ukraine

April 22, 2014

Biden gives \$50m to Ukraine
Ukraine alert as politician “killed”
Ukraine “on verge of being torn apart”

April 23, 2014

Russia in new Ukraine attack threat
US troops in Poland for exercises

April 24, 2014

Russian warship near UK
Ukraine move draws Putin threat
Russia “destabilizing” Ukraine-US

April 25, 2014

Russia accuses West of Ukraine plot
Ukraine PM: Russia wants to start WWIII

April 26, 2014

G-7 nations agree on Russia sanctions
Kerry urges Russia to help observers

April 27, 2014

Ukraine rebels show seized observers
Slovakia and Ukraine agree over gas supply

Military observers freed in Ukraine
Pro-Russians seize east Ukraine state TV

April 28, 2014

US imposes sanctions on Putin's "inner circle"
East Ukraine mayor shot and wounded
Masked men with bats attack pro-Ukraine rally

April 29, 2014

Rebels seize regional Ukraine HQ

April 30, 2014

Kiev "helpless" in east Ukraine

May 1, 2014

Kiev holds "spying" Russia diplomat
IMF approves \$17bn Ukraine bailout
Ukraine reinstates conscription

May 2, 2014

Why Merkel could be key to reigning in Putin
Putin: Peace hopes over
Rebels down Ukraine helicopters
"Many dead" in Ukraine offensive

Putin warns Ukraine about new offensive

May 3, 2014

Abducted Ukraine observers released

Riots in Ukraine leave 42 dead

May 4, 2014

Ukraine PM blames Odessa police

Odessa detainees freed after protest

May 5, 2014

Rebels “retreating” in Sloviansk

Ukraine soldiers killed in Sloviansk

Russia rips Ukraine tactics

May 7, 2014

Rebels seize back Ukraine city hall

Putin says troops pulled back

Putin “backs” Ukraine election

May 8, 2014

East Ukraine rebel vote to go ahead

May 9, 2014

Putin praises Russia's "all-conquering power"

May 10, 2014

Ukraine president warns of "step into abyss"

May 11, 2014

Ukraine rebels hold "self-rule" vote

May 12, 2014

West rejects eastern Ukraine voting results

Ukraine rebels seek to join Russia

May 13, 2014

"Troops killed" in Ukraine ambush

May 14, 2014

Ukraine to hold brokered talks

Ukraine weighs power share

May 15, 2014

West warns Russia not to disrupt Kiev polls

May 16, 2014

UN warns on Ukraine human rights

May 18, 2014

Crimea's Tatars defy rally ban

May 19, 2014

Putin orders troop pullback

No Russia border pullout, says Nato

May 22, 2014

Deadliest attack on Ukraine troops

May 23, 2014

Putin on Obama: Who is he to judge?

20 insurgents dead in latest Ukraine violence

May 25, 2014

Ukrainian presidential election begins

Poroshenko claims Ukraine presidency

May 26, 2014

Ukraine standoff at Donetsk airport

May 27, 2014

Ukraine army recaptures airport

May 28, 2014

Chechnya “has no troops in Ukraine”
Russia warns of “fratricidal war” in Ukraine

May 29, 2014

Ukraine helicopter downed - 14 dead

May 30, 2014

Ukraine vows to bring peace to east
Russian-led rebels dig in for Ukraine attack
Russia pulls troops from Ukraine border

June 2, 2014

Ukraine border guard centre attacked

June 3, 2014

US unveils \$1bn Europe security plan
“Heavy fighting” in east Ukraine

June 4, 2014

US pledges more Ukraine aide
Obama condemns Russia “dark tactics”
Rebels take bases in east Ukraine

Ukraine crisis to dominate G7 summit

June 6, 2014

Putin meets Ukraine's new leader

June 7, 2014

Ukraine leader sets out peace plan

June 9, 2014

Ukraine clashes "must end this week"

June 11, 2014

Ukraine orders civilian corridors in the east

June 12, 2014

Russia accused of sending tanks to Ukraine

Russian bombers threaten US airspace

June 13, 2014

Ukrainian forces win back port city

June 14, 2014

49 die as Ukraine jet downed

Explosive near Ukraine president's office

June 15, 2014

Ukraine faces halt of gas supply

June 16, 2014

Russia halts gas supply to Ukraine

June 17, 2014

Ukraine suspects terrorism in pipeline explosions

June 18, 2014

Ukraine leader "to order ceasefire"

June 19, 2014

Battles rage in eastern Ukraine

Ukraine to sign EU deal this month

NATO warns of Russia army boost near Ukraine

June 20, 2014

Ukraine peace plan is revealed

Ukraine leader declares ceasefire

June 21, 2014

Ukraine fighting rages despite truce

June 22, 2014

Putin backs Ukraine ceasefire

June 23, 2014

Ukraine separatists “to join truce”

June 24, 2014

Ukraine army helicopter shot down

June 28, 2014

Ukraine troops killed in fresh attack in east

June 30, 2014

Ukraine and Russia to work on truce

Ukraine President: “We will attack”

July 1, 2014

Ukraine launches new offensive

July 2, 2014

Ukraine hits 100 rebel sites

Hopes rise for new Ukraine cease fire

July 3, 2014

Ukraine president vows to end army corruption

Ukraine's army to "win back Crimea"

July 4, 2014

Ukraine seeks talks as fighting rages

July 5, 2014

Ukraine: Victory in rebel stronghold

July 6, 2014

Ukraine rebels regroup in Donetsk

July 7, 2014

Ukraine to besiege regional centres

July 8, 2014

Ukraine signals offensive as rebels regroup

July 10, 2014

Donetsk separatists: Prepare for "several hundred thousand refugees"

July 11, 2014

"Rockets" kill soldiers in Ukraine

Ukraine vows action over army deaths

July 12, 2014

Ukraine jets strike rebels
Rockets ravage Ukraine city suburb

July 13, 2014

Ukraine forces “storming Luhansk”
Russian warning after deadly Ukraine shelling

July 14, 2014

Ukraine says plane shot down by rocket from Russia

July 15, 2014

Airstrike in Ukraine kills 11

July 16, 2014

Germany accuses Russia over Ukraine
US widens sanctions against Russia

July 17, 2014

Putin: US ties near dead end
Malaysian passenger airline crashes in Ukraine
Ukraine says Malaysian airliner shot down, 295 dead: agency
Ukraine, Mideast hammer stocks

July 18, 2014

Ukraine rebels “allow crash access”

MH17: Ukraine releases alleged intercepts

Scores of AIDS experts killed on Malaysia jet

Obama condemns Russia after MH17

July 19, 2014

Ukraine; Rebels are destroying evidence

July 20, 2014

Ukraine rebels take bodies from crash site

Low-key Dutch seething with anger in MH17 disaster aftermath

US outlines evidence against Russia

Deadly fighting rages on in east Ukraine

Bodies from downed jet piled in boxcars

July 21, 2014

Dutch experts examine MH17 bodies

Ukraine launches assault on Donetsk rebels

Obama: Putin directly responsible

Ukraine rebels hand over black boxes

July 22, 2014

MH17 bodies leave Ukraine rebel area

July 23, 2014

Ukraine military jets shot down
MH17 victims begin long journey home

July 24, 2014

Fighting continues near Ukraine crash site

July 25, 2014

Ukraine and Russia claim border crossfire

July 26, 2014

EU to toughen Russia sanction over Ukraine

July 27, 2014

Fighting intensifies nears MH17 site
US claims Russia fired into Ukraine

July 28, 2014

MH17 jet downed by “shrapnel”

July 29, 2014

US says Russia violated nuclear treaty
Civilian deaths mount in eastern Ukraine
EU widens sanctions against Russia

July 30, 2014

Ukraine seizes key town near Donetsk

July 31, 2014

Forensic scientists reach MH17 site

August 1, 2014

Ukraine troops ambushed by pro-Russia rebels

Russian soldier's selfies backfire

August 2, 2014

Ukraine rebels admit "executions"

Ukraine clashes hamper MH17 probe

August 3, 2014

Ukraine rebel cities "facing siege"

August 4, 2014

Hundreds of Ukraine troops cross in Russia

August 5, 2014

UN warns of "massive exodus" from Ukraine

"Heavy fighting" erupts in Donetsk

August 6, 2014

Russia could be poised to invade Ukraine, NATO says

Putin orders retaliatory sanctions

Search halted for MH17 crash victims

August 7, 2014

Russia bans food from West

Stocks slide on Ukraine jitters

August 9, 2014

Kiev dismantles last barriers

Ukraine forces surround Donetsk

August 10, 2014

Ukraine pounds rebels in Donetsk

August 11, 2014

Ukraine prepares for “final” Donetsk push

Putin: Russia to send aid convoy to Ukraine

August 14, 2014

Ukraine death toll spikes

Ukraine rebel head Strelkov “quits”

August 15, 2014

Ukraine to inspect Russian convoy

Ukraine says it destroyed Russian military vehicles crossing the border

August 17, 2014

Ukraine says troops entered rebel-held city

August 20, 2014

Fierce fight for east Ukraine city

Ukraine Crisis (Goodbye Crimea)

This story became the number one story of the year. What started out as a vote on joining the European Union devolved into civil war and the annexing of the Crimean peninsula by Russia, who would have thought!?

At the same time as this crisis was unfolding, the situation in Thailand was also heading south. It was a very tight race to determine which of these stories would end up being a panel. I also expected the worst outcome for Thailand and the Ukraine story to end quickly enough. How wrong was I?

This political story became a crisis story, leaving me to figure out how to thread this story. Do I change the blue thread into a red thread or twist the two colors together?

This story also involved a lot of undercurrent; past ownership of Crimea, the Russian population in eastern Ukraine, Europe's dependence on Russian oil (fracking), NATO, Putin's ambitions and legacy, just to name a few.

Apparently those warships and naval bases in Crimea didn't actually contain any weaponry as not a single shot was fired to defend against the Russians, only potted plants that were liberated by the staff as they marched their belongings back to the Ukraine.

I was amused by how the Russian soldiers who had indeed crossed the border into the Ukraine had taken a Selfie and posted it on Facebook; you have to love the GPS locator on your phone.

Poor Malaysia Airlines, another plane brought down in the most unbelievable circumstances, statistically improbable.

The impotent West, taken advantage of by the sly Putin.

Month #8 Malaysia Flight MH370

March 7, 2014

Contact lost with Malaysia airplane

March 8, 2014

US probing terror concerns regarding missing Malaysian Airlines jet

Asian states search for missing jet

“Oil slick seen” in missing jet hunt

March 9, 2014

Missing plane “may have turned back”

Official: No terror group claims credit

Object found in water may be door of missing Malaysia Airlines plane

March 10, 2014

Investigators: Oil slick not from missing plane

Malaysia “must intensify jet search”

March 11, 2014

Missing airliner “changed course”

March 12, 2014

Missing plane: Last message revealed

Chinese satellite image might be missing jet debris

March 13, 2014

China's lost plane image "a mistake"

Sources: Early "pings" were detected from jet

March 14, 2014

Radar evidence suggests that Malaysia Airlines flight deliberately diverted

Could the missing plane have landed?

March 15, 2014

Malaysia Airliner's movement suggest "deliberate action"

March 16, 2014

Missing jet sought in huge Asia arc

Malaysia jet pilot's flight simulator examined

Final words from lost airplane came after shutdown of systems

March 17, 2014

Plane co-pilot spoke last words

Why would a pilot own a flight simulator?

March 18, 2014

Missing jet's first turn made using computer

March 19, 2014

Australia sees possible plane debris

March 21, 2014

Renewed hunt for debris

March 22, 2014

Malaysia: Possible jet debris spotted by Chinese satellite

Families: Malaysia is fooling the world

March 23, 2014

French satellite may show plane debris

March 24, 2014

“Circular”, “Rectangular” objects spotted at sea

Missing MH370 “Ended” in Indian Ocean, Malaysia PM says

“We accept the news of the tragedy. It is fate.”

Why are satellite analysts now certain Flight 370 went down?

Race is on to find Flight 370 black boxes

March 25, 2014

China families vent plane fury

Families deserve fair payout from \$1.5B Policy

March 26, 2014

Satellite images show “122 potential objects”

Families skeptical of Malaysian plane probe

March 27, 2014

Thai satellite spots 300 objects

March 28, 2014

New Malaysia plane search area turns up objects

March 29, 2014

New MH370 navy search draws blank

March 30, 2014

China families vent fury in Malaysia

March 31, 2014

Objects seen in jet search aren't plane

Missing jets new “final words”

April 1, 2014

“Low confidence of finding anything”

UK submarine joins search for plane

April 2, 2014

Flight passengers “cleared” of hijack role

Focus turns to two pilots

How flight 370 may change flying forever

Report: FBI Finds "Nothing Suspicious Whatsoever" on MH370 Pilot's Personal Flight Simulator

April 3, 2014

Malaysia “will not give up” on search

April 4, 2014

Subsurface black box search begins

April 5, 2014

Chinese ship searching for missing jet detects “pulse”

April 6, 2014

Plane search signal “important lead”

April 7, 2014

Malaysia won't rule out survivors

Plane search has “best lead so far”

Ping discovery prompts new phase in plane search

April 8, 2014

Pinger search “to take days”
Hunt for jet costing millions

April 9, 2014

Search “regains missing jet signal”

April 10, 2014

Pings heard from oceans depth

April 11, 2014

Abbott confident over plane signals

No pings heard in 24 hours

April 12, 2014

Abbott: Plane signal rapidly fading

News: jet co-pilot reportedly tried to make call

Malaysian official denies report

April 13, 2014

Bad sign for missing jet search

April 14, 2014

Robotic sub to search for MH370

Jet families skeptical of search crews’ updates

April 15, 2014

First sub search for plane cut short

Mini-sub resumes search for plane

April 16, 2014

“Technical issue” hits robo-sub

Will jet victims remains ever be found?

April 17, 2014

Hopes dashed again in jet search

Oil slick near pings tested

April 18, 2014

Deep down no sign of jet

April 19, 2014

Current jet hunt could end in days

Jet hunt to be “intensified”

April 21, 2014

Robo-sub two-thirds done

MH370 hunt “still drawing blank”

April 23, 2014

Material washes up on Australian shore
Titanic twist in hunt for missing Boeing 777
Cost “no issue” in plane search

April 25, 2014

95% scanned no jet seen
Search for Malaysia plane to widen

April 26, 2014

Hunt for flight 370 extended

April 27, 2014

Sub found nothing in 14 dives

April 28, 2014

Larger jet search zone scoured
Aus PM: jet may not be found

April 29, 2014

Possible jet debris 3000 miles away

April 30, 2014

Wreckage isn't missing plane

May 1, 2014

Malaysia releases missing jet report: new recordings, details revealed

MH370 families told to return home

Jet's audio may have been edited

May 2, 2014

Plane search may take a year

May 4, 2014

Cops deny MH370 terror links

May 8, 2014

Experts pore over jet data

May 9, 2014

Missing jet victim pal's ordeal

May 10, 2014

Jet search heads to site of "ping"

May 11, 2014

Inmarsat offers free airline tracking

May 14, 2014

“Communication problems” halt jet search

May 16, 2014

Malaysian Airline losses worsen

May 20, 2014

Jet’s satellite data to be released

May 22, 2014

Hunt for missing jet resumes

May 27, 2014

Malaysia releases MH370 satellite data

May 29, 2014

“Pings” site ruled out in jet search

June 4, 2014

Is noise new plane lead?

June 8, 2014

MH370 families set up crowdfunding campaign to raise \$5m whistleblower fund

June 9, 2014

Missing jet search cost \$8.6M

June 13, 2014

MH370 families get \$50,000 payments

June 20, 2014

3 month search for jet begins

June 24, 2014

New reports on MH370 pilot's simulator
Malaysian Airline boss MH370 hunt will take "decades"

June 26, 2014

Controversial face of MH370 hunt loses job

June 27, 2014

MH370 crew incapacitated

July 18, 2014

Malaysia Airline's future in doubt

August 8, 2014

Malaysia Airlines in state "takeover"

Malaysia Flight MH370

I was a big fan of the TV series “Lost” and this missing flight could have been the inspiration for the series. The drama that followed this story sent every conspiracy theorist into nirvana. Was it a terrorist plot, a suicidal pilot, who, what, how!?

Technology, huge amounts of technology at play here. We all have a GPS locator on our phones but an airline can opt for the economy tech package where this feature is disabled, why? The Americans, Russian and Chinese all have tones of satellites orbiting every corner of this globe and they either didn't see anything or they won't reveal they did.

During this story I discovered a website that tracks the world's ocean-going traffic. I knew the names of the ships that were being used in these searches, so I would go and look up where they were at any given time. I would read headlines proclaiming that ships were actively looking for this and that, in fact they were not and it was easy to prove as this website clearly showed them parked in the naval facility in Perth. This speaks to one of those points that struck me about the news way back when in the Iraq wars, the news can claim anything because do any of us actually fact check what we are told.

There will be a lot of good science coming out of this disaster in the form of ocean floor mapping in a part of the world that would never have had resources put towards it. These mappings have already discovered undersea volcanoes.

Hopefully, eventually, I will read a headline declaring that this missing airline was found. I especially feel for the family of the pilot and co-pilot that might never know what truly happened to send this flight crashing into the southern Indian Ocean.

Month #9 Boko Haram

February 16, 2014

Boko Haram “in village massacre”

February 25, 2014

29 boys killed in Nigeria school attack

March 1, 2014

“Many dead” in twin Nigeria blast

March 2, 2014

New Nigeria massacre comes to light

March 14, 2014

Militants “attack Nigeria barracks”

April 1, 2014

Nigeria suicide bomb “kills 21”

April 14, 2014

More than 70 killed in Nigeria blast

April 15, 2014

“Mass abduction” at Nigerian school

May 1, 2014

Nigerian terror group sells kidnapped girls

May 3, 2014

Nigeria “shutdown” for top gathering

May 4, 2014

Push to find Nigerian girls

May 5, 2014

“I abducted your girls” says Boko Haram

May 6, 2014

Eight more Nigerian girls abducted

We’re in: US to help find Nigerian girls

May 7, 2014

Pressure builds to find schoolgirls

Malala to Nigerian girls: “Never lose hope”

May 8, 2014

Nigerian president vows to defeat terrorism

Boko Haram attacks kills hundreds in Nigeria

May 9, 2014

US, UK teams help Nigeria seek girls
Nigeria “ignored” school warning

May 10, 2014

Nigeria ramps up search for missing girls

May 11, 2014

Nigeria abducted girls “sighted”

May 12, 2014

Boko Haram offers trade for schoolgirls
200 plus girls are now Muslim

May 13, 2014

US in aerial search for Nigeria schoolgirls

May 14, 2014

Villagers “repel Boko Haram attack”

May 16, 2014

Nigerian leader nixes trip to girls’ kidnap town

Nigeria's president cowering

May 17, 2014

Will Nigeria's girls ever be saved? What's next

Leaders declare "war" on Boko Haram

Why Boko Haram is poised to get bigger

May 20, 2014

UK spy plane to Nigeria breaks down

Nigerian city rocked by twin blasts

May 26, 2014

Nigeria: Girls location known

May 27, 2014

Dozens killed in Nigeria attack

May 28, 2014

4 girls escape Boko Haram, officials say

May 29, 2014

Nigeria's leader vows "total war"

June 1, 2014

Deadly blasts hit north Nigeria

June 2, 2014

Gunmen kill several in Nigeria church attack

June 4, 2014

Militants raiding villages in Nigeria

June 5, 2014

Nigeria "Preachers kills dozens"

Witnesses: Boko Haram killed 200

June 10, 2014

Women reported kidnapped in northern Nigeria

June 11, 2014

Nigeria gunmen burn churches and kill villagers

June 12, 2014

Nigeria axes Cup viewings

June 17, 2014

Blast at Nigeria World Cup venue

June 22, 2014

Dozens killed in Nigeria attacks

June 24, 2014

Militants “seize women” in Nigeria

June 25, 2014

Explosion in Nigerian shopping mall kills 21

June 26, 2014

Snakes flush out Boko Haram

June 29, 2014

“Villages attacked” in northern Nigeria

Nigeria: Missing girls, silent government

July 1, 2014

Dozens reported killed by car bomb in Nigeria

July 5, 2014

No end in sight: Boko Haram’s bloody legacy

July 6, 2014

African terror groups trade tips

July 7, 2014

More than 60 abducted women and girls escape Boko Haram

July 8, 2014

Nigeria: “Good news” on girls soon (*never did amount to anything*)

July 14, 2014

Malala meets Nigerian leaders

July 15, 2014

Nigeria acrimony over abducted girls

July 18, 2014

Deaths reported in Boko Haram raid in Nigeria

July 21, 2014

Thousands displaced by Boko Haram assault

July 22, 2014

Boko Haram attacks hometown of missing girls

July 26, 2014

Nigeria on “red alert” over Ebola

July 27, 2014

Nigeria death shows Ebola can spread by air travel

Boko Haram kidnap wife of Cameroon's vice PM

August 8, 2014

Nigeria declares national emergency over Ebola

August 12, 2014

Military wives protest Boko Haram deployment

August 15, 2014

Boko Haram abduct boys

August 16, 2014

Chad frees Boko Haram captives

Boko Haram

#saveourgirls became the Twitter trend as a result of this group kidnapping over 200 girls from their school in Nigeria. Another example of religious violence in a country divided between Muslims and Christians. A country whose leader is Goodluck Jonathan, could there be a more ironic name?!

Despite his optimistic first name, it would take more than good luck to solve this crisis. The only real impact to dampen this group's zeal had been the snakes in the jungle where the group took refuge that drove them back out into the open. Otherwise, this group has continued to terrorize the citizens in Nigeria and beyond.

This group is also primed to ally itself with ISIL, along with Al-Shabab in the east of Africa. These types of terror groups are spreading like Ebola.

An interesting tidbit was revealed after this calendar year was finished; the face of this group apparently died several years ago and he has been replaced by a number of look-a-likes.

Month #10 Edward Snowden (Whistle Blowers)

August 21, 2013

Manning given 35 years

August 22, 2013

Manning wants to live as a woman

August 23, 2013

Manning wants to marry

Transgender inmates go to extremes

August 25, 2013

Snowden “doc” shows proof

September 18, 2013

Brazil moves to shield data from US

September 24, 2013

Brazil attacks US over spy claims

October 10, 2013

Snowden’s father arrives in Russia

“We are not Big Brother”

October 18, 2013

No secret files in Russia-Snowden

October 21, 2013

French outrage of US spying claims

October 22, 2013

US agency “hacked French diplomats”

Deep disapproval

October 23, 2013

US: French tapping claims “false”

Merkel concern at “US phone spying”

October 24, 2013

US Ambassador summoned in Merkel row

Merkel hits out over spying scandal

October 25, 2013

US spying “may harm terror fight”

German spy chiefs set to visit US

October 26, 2013

US “bugged Merkel’s phone from 2002”

October 27, 2013

Marchers protest NSA spying
New reports deepen US-Merkel spy row
US reportedly spying in Spain, more
Obama “not told of Merkel bugging”

October 28, 2013

US tries to sooth allies over NSA spying
Spain: US must explain “monitoring”

October 29, 2013

Intel chief: We’ve spied on our friends for years

October 30, 2013

The Snowden leaks explained
Germans in US talks over spy claims

October 31, 2013

Russian job for whistleblower Snowden
Google outrage at “NSA hacking”

November 1, 2013

Kerry admits spying went too far
Germany wants Snowden spying details

November 3, 2013

No clemency for Snowden

November 26, 2013

Spies fear Snowden “doomsday”

November 27, 2013

NSA “plan to shame web-porn users”

November 28, 2013

Canada “allowed” NSA spying at G20

December 16, 2013

NSA considering Snowden amnesty

Judge: NSA program unconstitutional

White House rejects Snowden amnesty

December 17, 2013

Snowden offers to help Brazil spying probe

December 18, 2013

Report calls for overhaul of NSA tactics

December 24, 2013

Snowden says “mission accomplished”

December 25, 2013

End mass surveillance, says Snowden

January 9, 2014

MEP seek video link with Snowden

NSA “collected 200m texts per day”

January 17, 2014

Obama to impose restrictions on NSA

January 19, 2014

Obama tries to woo back Germans, Merkel

January 20, 2014

Snowden “may have had Russian help”

January 21, 2014

Snowden makes university rector bid

January 23, 2014

US “would engage” with Snowden

Snowden clemency: “Too far”

January 24, 2014

How does Snowden hide?

Snowden sees no chance of a fair trial

January 26, 2014

NSA “spied on companies”-Snowden

January 27, 2014

Angry Birds may be watching: Snowden docs suggest NSA uses phone apps

February 5, 2014

CSEC’s collection of metadata shows ability to “track everyone”

The new Snowden revelation is dangerous for anonymous – and for us all

How our gadgets track our every move

February 13, 2014

NSA employee let Snowden use log-in

February 14, 2014

NSA workers disciplined over leaks

February 16, 2014

NSA allies “spied on US law firm”

February 18, 2014

Snowden gets his own action figure

February 27, 2014

UK spies “intercepted webcam images”

March 5, 2014

Snowden to speak at South by Southwest

March 6, 2014

“Two years” to overcome Snowden leak

March 10, 2014

Snowden says NSA “set fire” to the internet

March 11, 2014

McCain wants CIA Senate spying probed

Snowden: Senator is a hypocrite

March 12, 2014

Leak outs NSA hack methods

March 18, 2014

Ed Snowden meets father of the web

March 23, 2014

Lawmaker slams Snowden

March 24, 2014

China wants explanation on US spying

April 6, 2014

Snowden on TV at event

April 11, 2014

Report: NSA used Heartbleed to siphon passwords for two years

April 14, 2014

NSA story takes Pulitzer Prize

April 17, 2014

Snowden quizzes Putin on TV

April 23, 2014

Manning name change OK'd

May 15, 2014

Biggest NSA leaks are still to come

May 21, 2014

Snowden's first move against the NSA was a party in Hawaii

May 22, 2014

Brian Williams grills Snowden

May 27, 2014

Edward Snowden: "I was trained as a spy"

May 28, 2014

Snowden: US to blame for him living in Russia

Kerry calls Snowden a "coward" & "traitor"

"I'd like to go home", Snowden says

May 29, 2014

Snowden's motive: He can "sleep at night"

Emails back Snowden claim

Snowden: I shared snooping concerns

Snowden: I no longer have NSA documents

May 30, 2014

Snowden: Obama broke vow

June 1, 2014

NSA capturing millions of facial images a day
More oppose Snowden than support him

June 2, 2014

Snowden asylum bids

June 4, 2014

Snowden “probably” not Russian spy
NSA whistleblower Snowden seeks Brazil asylum

July 9, 2014

Latest Snowden leaks: FBI targeted Muslim-American lawyers
Snowden seeks to extend stay in Russia

July 17, 2014

Snowden: NSA staff shares nude photos
Manning to begin gender treatment

July 31, 2014

Snowden’s asylum status expires

August 7, 2014

Russia extends Snowden residency

August 13, 2014

Snowden: I left the NSA clues, but they couldn't find them

August 18, 2014

Assange: I'm leaving embassy

Edward Snowden (Whistleblowers)

In my mind one of the most influential people of the year, a man who was first portrayed by the US government as a High School drop-out, low-level nobody. I found that hard to believe from the beginning as he wouldn't be put in a position to have the kind of access he had to get all of the information he had.

I hoped that he would become a panel sometime in the year and it happened as a result of the interview he had with Brian Williams of NBC news. This interview clearly showed that Edward Snowden was a very intelligent, capable person with a strong moral conviction that guided his actions. I am an admirer; it is people like him that the world needs more of.

His story has been made into a documentary which the BBC described as a must view. It has also come to light that there is yet another unidentified whistleblower leaking more information that the US government isn't happy about.

The information and the subsequent fall-out have rippled across the world and across many governments. It has also exposed the systematic obliteration of civil rights in the US. This should have caused so much more outrage than it has. Which really causes me to pause and ask how is it that the US, which prides itself in being an open, democratic, freedom-loving country, has been as complacent as one by one, their rights have been erased.

The whole concept of a "terrorist" has given many governments carte blanche to label anyone and anything by this label and scare the citizenry into waiving their civil rights. They even labeled Edward Snowden a traitor because he had the courage to expose the depth of intrusion his government has sanctioned in their efforts to combat "terrorism".

The book "1984" was written as a future cautionary tale long before the actual year and here we are 30 years later and it is our reality. Big Brother is watching and listening in to everything.

Month #11 ISIS/Iraq

August 25, 2013

Iraq rocked by deadly attacks

August 28, 2013

Dozens killed in Iraq bombings

August 30, 2013

Iraq besieged by bloodshed

Iraqi militia warns US about Syrian attack

September 9, 2013

US and France heal Iraq wounds

September 13, 2013

Deadly bomb attack on Iraqi mosque

September 15, 2013

Fresh wave of bombs hit Iraq cities

September 20, 2013

Blasts strike Sunni mosque in Iraq

September 21, 2013

Iraq bomb, attacks kill at least 65

September 26, 2013

Deadly blast hits Baghdad market

September 29, 2013

Bombings hit Iraqi city of Irbil

September 30, 2013

Deadly car bomb strikes Baghdad

October 7, 2013

Iraq hit by series of deadly blasts

October 11, 2013

Iraq executes 42 people

October 20, 2013

Suicide bombers hit Iraqi officials
Baghdad café hit by suicide bombing

October 27, 2013

Car bombs cause Baghdad carnage

October 29, 2013

War-weary Iraqis scared to leave home

November 1, 2013

Iraq leader asks US for help

November 14, 2013

Bombs strike Iraqi Shia processions

November 21, 2013

Dozens killed in Iraq car bombing

November 29, 2013

Eighteen abducted Iraqis found dead

December 13, 2013

Iraq pipeline attack kills Iranians

December 16, 2013

Iraq suffers day of deadly violence

December 21, 2013

Bomb attack kills officers in Iraq

December 25, 2013

Bombs kill at least 37 in Baghdad
Christian areas hit by Baghdad bombs

December 28, 2013

Iraq troops arrest MP in deadly raid

January 2, 2014

Security forces fight Iraq militants

January 3, 2014

Militants “still hold Iraq cities”

January 4, 2014

Iraq government “loses Fallujah”

January 5, 2014

Residents flee Fallujah amidst blitz

January 6, 2014

Iraq PM urges militants’ expulsion

January 7, 2014

US speeds up Iraq military support

January 13, 2014

Car bomb kills at least 21 in Iraq

January 15, 2014

Dozens killed in Iraq bomb attacks

January 20, 2014

At least 21 die in Baghdad blast

January 21, 2014

Iraq executes 26 for “terrorism”

January 24, 2014

Iraq fighting “displaces 140,000”

February 3, 2014

Baghdad car bombings leave 14 dead

February 10, 2014

Car bomb teacher accidentally kills 21 students

February 18, 2014

Waves of Iraq blasts “kills many”

February 25, 2014

US presses Iraq on Iran “arms deal”

March 9, 2014

Minibus bomb kills 32 in Iraq

April 27, 2014

Iraq hits “jihadist convoy” in Syria

April 28, 2014

Iraq suicide bomb at rally kills 30

April 30, 2014

Iraq holds key election amid strife

May 11, 2014

Militants “kill 20 Iraqi soldiers”

May 13, 2014

Deadly blasts hit Baghdad Shia areas

May 19, 2014

Iraq’s Maliki “set to win elections”

May 22, 2014

Shia pilgrims killed in Iraq bombings

May 24, 2014

Iraqi Kurdistan makes first oil sale

June 3, 2014

Deadly attacks and shelling hit Iraq

June 7, 2014

Car bomb kills 52 in Iraq

June 10, 2014

Militants seize Iraq's second city

June 11, 2014

Half a million flee Iraq's Mosul

Iraqi insurgents "seize new city"

UN condemns Iraqi militant attacks

Under-siege Iraq asks US for air strikes

June 12, 2014

Sunni militants vow to take Baghdad

Iraq delays vote on emergency powers

President: "I don't rule out anything" in Iraq

Drone hits group that took soldier

ISIL vows to march on Iraq's capital

Lawmakers urge Obama action in Iraq

June 13, 2014

ISIS now world's richest terrorist group

Heavily armed groups near Baghdad

Iraq cleric issues Shia call to arms

Obama won't send troops to Iraq

June 14, 2014

Iran "ready to help neighbor" Iraq

Defiant Maliki vows to defeat Iraq rebels

US aircraft carrier to go to Arabian Gulf

June 15, 2014

Blair says Iraq turmoil inevitable

Kurds advance in Iraq

Iraqi forces hit back at militants

Images "show massacre in Iraq"

String of deadly explosion rock Baghdad

June 16, 2014

Kerry says US may work with Iran on Iraq

Militants “seize” Iraq’s Tal Afar

Photos released of Iraq “mass execution”

Iraq jets attack ISIS

US ramps up naval presence in Gulf

US deploying more troops to Iraq

June 17, 2014

Deadly Iraq fighting edges closer to Baghdad

US discusses Iraq plan with longtime foe

Iraq’s largest refinery closed

Iraq accuses Saudis of spurring genocide

June 18, 2014

Iraqi militants “planning to attack” UK

Militants besieged Iraq’s largest oil refinery

Iraq formally seeks US air strikes

Obama “to bypass Congress on Iraq”

June 19, 2014

Petraeus warns against Iraq invasion

Iraq forces fight over oil refinery

Cheney: Obama “so wrong” on Iraq

Obama: US ready for “targeted” action in Iraq

June 20, 2014

Fierce battles for key Iraqi sites
Iraq troops mass for offensive against rebels

June 21, 2014

Militants seize Iraq-Syria border post, kill 30
Iraqi Shia groups rally in show of power
Reports: Rebels capture Iraq oil refinery
Iraqi Christians flee militants

June 22, 2014

“Critical moment”: Kerry arrives in Cairo
ISIS grabs three more Iraq towns
Iraq “loses western border controls”
Iran leader: US must stay out of Iraq

June 23, 2014

Kerry’s “high-stakes mission” to Iraq
Iraq: Worst crisis in 11 years
US vows “intense” support for Iraq

June 24, 2014

Bomb blitz feared as militants near Baghdad

US advisor troops arrive in Iraq

June 25, 2014

Iraq rejects unity government
Will al Qaeda be eclipsed as “brand”?
Insurgents: “Baghdad will fall”

June 26, 2014

Iraqi PM welcomes Syria airstrikes
ISIS killing and fear spread in Iraq
Maliki: Russian jets will turn tide

June 27, 2014

Iraqi military battle for control of Tikrit
ISIS reportedly kidnaps 150 students
Armed drones fly over Iraq

June 28, 2014

Iraq army “routs rebels in Tikrit”

June 29, 2014

Fresh clashes in battle for Tikrit
Iraq takes delivery of Russian jet fighters
ISIL declares new “Islamic caliphate”

Iran “ready to use Syria methods” in Iraq

June 30, 2014

Fresh fighting around Iraq’s Tikrit

US sends 300 troops to Iraq

July 1, 2014

2,400 Iraqis killed in June violence

Indian Shias sign up to fight in Iraq

ISIS issues call to arms

July 2, 2014

“Iran aiding Iraq” with fighter jets

Iraqi PM offers amnesty to rebel Sunni tribes

July 3, 2014

Saudis deploy troops to Iraq border

Iraq’s Kurds push for independence referendum

Islamic State “seizes key Syria oil field”

July 4, 2014

Iraq air raids hit “rebel positions in Baiji”

July 5, 2014

Isis chief appears in first video

July 7, 2014

“State of horror” grips Baghdad

Iraq facing political deadlock

ISIS bogged down in Iraq: Official

July 8, 2014

Iraq says “terrorists” seize ex-chemical weapons site

July 9, 2014

Could Mideast unrest explode into war?

Fifty bodies found south of Baghdad

July 10, 2014

Iraq “seize nuclear material”

July 11, 2014

Iraqi Kurds seize two oilfields

July 12, 2014

Iraq forces “killed Sunni prisoners

Gunmen kill 29 in Baghdad attack

July 14, 2014

Fighting rages over Iraqi town

July 15, 2014

Iraqi army launches assault on Tikrit

July 16, 2014

Rebels repel Iraqi attempt to retake Tikrit

July 17, 2014

Ukraine, Mideast hammer stocks

July 18, 2014

UN: 5,000 civilians killed in Iraq

ISIS turns attention to Syria

Iraq Christians told to convert or face death

July 19, 2014

Islamic state killed 270 in Syrian siege

Iraqi Christians flee Mosul

At least 27 killed in Baghdad bombings

Reports: Syria trying to retake gas field

July 20, 2014

Islamic state claims bombings in Baghdad

July 22, 2014

ISIS torches Mosul church

July 23, 2014

Dozens dead in Baghdad suicide blast

July 25, 2014

Isis “overruns” Syrian military base

July 26, 2014

“Syrian troops beheaded” in Raqqa
Iraqi Sunni politician seized in Baghdad

July 29, 2014

Islamic State evicts Iraq farmers

August 2, 2014

Islamic State loses oil-rich areas in Syria

August 3, 2014

Islamic State takes over Iraq towns

August 4, 2014

Islamic State fighters seize Iraqi dam

August 5, 2014

Iraqi Yazidis caught in Islamic State advance

August 6, 2014

Politician begs world to help Iraq's Yazidis

Saddam's allies move corpse

August 7, 2014

Christian exodus as Iraqi town falls

Obama mulling US airstrikes in Iraq

Pentagon: No US airstrikes have taken place in Iraq

UN calls for international help for Iraq

Obama authorizes airstrikes in Iraq targeting ISIS

Official: US drops food, water over Iraq

August 8, 2014

US air strike on militants in Iraq

US launches another round of Iraq bombing

August 9, 2014

US drops aid as crisis in Iraq worsens

Obama vows to stop jihadist state

Obama: Iraq “will be a long-term project”

August 10, 2014

US hits more ISIS targets as Yazidi “mass graves” reported

Pope outrages at Iraq violence

Iraqi Kurds asks for arms to fight ISIS

Iraqi PM resists resignation calls

August 11, 2014

ISIS tightens grip on Syria, resisters crucified, beheaded

Iraqi president calls for new PM

Australian jihadist tweets photo of son posing with head of Syrian soldier

August 12, 2014

US directly arms Kurds

The US behind IS? New conspiracy sweeps Lebanon

Obama welcomes move to name new Iraq PM

“Thousands” trapped by Iraq rebels

US sends more advisors to Iraq

August 13, 2014

Iraq PM “will not quit” without court ruling

US troops may hit the ground in Iraq

US troops hit the ground in Iraq

IS fighters capture towns in Syria's north

August 14, 2014

UN declares major emergency in Iraq

US-led Iraqi rescue unlikely

Obama: We broke siege in north Iraq

Iraq's PM steps down

August 15, 2014

Islamic State fighters profit from oil sales

Iraq's new PM urges country to unite

European Union pledges aid to Iraq

Yazidi villagers "massacred" in Iraq

August 16, 2014

Airstrikes near Iraq dam

August 17, 2014

Kurds "advance" on Mosul dam

Cameron warns of IS threat to UK

Syria targets Islamic State

Kurds "break IS hold on Mosul dam"

US expands it's air campaign in Iraq

August 18, 2014

Syria jets hit Islamic State targets in Raqqa

Islamic State message for US: “we will drown all of you in blood”

Pope OK with protecting Iraq

August 19, 2014

Iraq army advances towards rebel-held Tikrit

Islamic State claims it killed journalist

August 20, 2014

US mulls sending more troops to Iraq

UN begins huge aid drop in Iraq

ISIL/Iraq

ISIL, the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant. Also known as ISIS or IS or anything that doesn't include the word Levant. A very important word and by omitting it, a great disservice to understanding the full depth and breadth of what ISIL hopes to accomplish.

*The **Levant** (/lə'vænt/), also known as the Eastern Mediterranean, is a geographic and cultural region consisting of the "eastern Mediterranean littoral between Anatolia and Egypt". The Levant today consists of Cyprus, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Syria, and part of southern Turkey (the former Aleppo Vilayet).*

Puts a bit of a different slant on it, doesn't it? It is now time for the British (and all of those other Imperial nations) to watch what it looks like to carve up an existing territory into new arbitrary borders. Paybacks a bitch!

This group ISIL, which started with a couple of hundred fervent followers, is suddenly able to overrun vast swathes of territory and major cities, encountering next to no resistance. How is that possible? How can this minor group of terrorists suddenly possess the power and ability to take over the huge city of Mosul and sell millions of dollars worth of oil to pay for their efforts?

How is it that any other military force requires serious training on how to use the various weapons of war and this group simply showed up at the munitions building in an army base and drove off with all of the military hardware? Who do they trust to drive a tanker full of millions of dollars worth of oil and sell it on the black market only to return with the cash in hand?

With only a single beheading they get the US and its coalition to head back into Iraq to mount a defense. It strikes me as completely absurd to watch a very expensive bomb being dropped on a single truck, carrying four people. Where are the Iraqi military with a shoulder mounted missile doing the job for far less money and effort? What exactly did the Americans spend all of those trillions of dollars on in Iraq?

So what I see is a whole lot more to this story than we, the public, are being told. The irony, for me, is that this whole project began with what happened during the first Gulf War. I very arbitrarily pick a day to begin this project, twenty plus years after its genesis and the year ends where it all began, in Iraq.

Month #12 Ebola

March 22, 2014

Ebola caused “Guinea fever deaths”

March 23, 2014

Deadly Ebola reaches Guinea capital

March 25, 2014

Ebola-like virus seen in Canada man

Ebola ruled out for ill Canadian

March 27, 2014

Guinea confirms Ebola in capital

March 29, 2014

Ebola crisis spreads

March 30, 2014

Ebola could become global crisis: experts

March 31, 2014

Ebola outbreak unprecedented-MSF

April 1, 2014

“No handshakes, no sex” (*Ebola in Guinea*)

April 4, 2014

Mali on alert over Ebola fears

April 8, 2014

Guinea “Ebola deaths pass 100”

May 26, 2014

Five dead in Sierra Leone Ebola outbreak

May 29, 2014

Doctors struggle to contain Ebola outbreak

June 3, 2014

Staff leave Sierra Leone over Ebola

June 4, 2014

Ebola death toll hits 208 in Guinea

June 8, 2014

Workers fear Ebola outbreak

June 10, 2014

Sierra Leone Ebola deaths “double”

June 17, 2014

Seven die in Monrovia Ebola outbreak

June 19, 2014

Ebola outbreak spreads as toll reaches 337

June 20, 2014

Official: Ebola is out of control

June 24, 2014

West Africa Ebola deaths pass 300

June 26, 2014

“Drastic” action needed on Ebola

June 27, 2014

Ebola “threatens more West African nations”

June 30, 2014

Liberia warning on Ebola patients

July 1, 2014

West Africa Ebola toll rises to 467

Crisis meeting as Ebola toll rises

July 2, 2014

“Worst Ebola outbreak in history”

July 3, 2014

W Africa ministers hold emergency Ebola talks

July 4, 2014

African states agree Ebola strategy

July 7, 2014

US man tested for Ebola in Ghana

July 8, 2014

Ebola deaths up by 25 in West Africa

July 11, 2014

Ebola claims more lives in West Africa

July 23, 2014

Chief Ebola doctor gets virus

July 26, 2014

Nigeria on “red alert” over Ebola

July 27, 2014

Nigeria death shows Ebola can spread by air travel

July 28, 2014

Doctor’s family not showing Ebola signs

Ebola spreading as people “resist” treatment

July 29, 2014

US tries to calm fears as Ebola virus spreads

West Africa flight ban over Ebola

Liberia bans football over Ebola

Top Ebola doctor dies of virus

July 30, 2014

Ebola virus a threat to UK

Ebola: Liberia shuts all schools

Peace Corps pulled over Ebola

July 31, 2014

Sierra Leone declares Ebola emergency

WHO sounds alarm over W Africa Ebola

August 1, 2014

Ebola “spreading too fast” - WHO

August 4, 2014

Nigeria Ebola doctor contracts the virus

US to send 50 experts to fight Ebola

August 5, 2014

BA suspends flights amid Ebola alert

August 6, 2014

WHO starts emergency talks on Ebola

Nurse dies of Ebola, says health officials

Ebola death toll hits 932

August 7, 2014

West Africa erects Ebola blockades

No Ebola drug for Africans

FDA lifts hold on experimental Ebola drug

August 8, 2014

Ebola “an international emergency”

Doctor, aid worker with Ebola are on the mend

Nigeria declares national emergency over Ebola

August 9, 2014

Guinea shuts borders against Ebola

August 10, 2014

Ebola vaccine by 2015?

25 years ago, Ebola broke out in a US office park

Liberia buckles under Ebola strain

August 11, 2014

Spain to test Ebola drug on priest

US “to send” untested Ebola drug to Liberia

August 12, 2014

Priest with Ebola died

Ebola death toll reaches 1,000 mark

August 13, 2014

Ebola survivor shunned

Kenya at “high risk” of deadly Ebola

Another top Ebola doctor dies

Canada sends trial Ebola vaccine to W Africa

August 14, 2014

Guinea declares Ebola emergency

Liberia ponders who should get Ebola drug
Ebola outbreak “vastly underestimated”, WHO says

August 15, 2014

Control of Ebola “six months” away
Officials: Ebola spreading too fast

August 17, 2014

Kenya bars travelers from Ebola-hit countries
Finding Ebola source presents problem
Liberia: Ebola fears rise as clinic is looted

August 18, 2014

Liberia admits Ebola patients lost

August 19, 2014

Ebola death toll passes 1200

August 20, 2014

Liberia seals slums over Ebola
50K sealed off in slum by Ebola scare

Ebola

This story began in early March and as of today (October 25, 2014) there are over 10,000 people infected and nearly half have died. This is one of those stories that I categorize as an “over there” problem. You know the problems, issues and wars that happen over there, way far away from “us”.

Apparently the concept of globalization still needs to be made clear to “us” over here. There is no over there, it is all here on one precious planet. We are no longer able to be ignorant about what happens in other places, it comes to us via the internet or by plane.

Despite loud voices appealing to the rest of the world to step up and help those poor, poor people in West Africa, the world community has failed. I found myself thinking about how our beliefs are rooted in Hollywood movie versions of real-life events. In any movie about viruses running amok, there is always some government organization at the ready to deploy the necessary equipment and people to contain it, apparently not so much in real life.

This week a doctor who treated Ebola patients in Africa returns to New York City and proceeds to go out and about until he gets a fever only to find out that he has contracted the illness. Two things come to mind; first, I expect Jon Stewart to host his show tomorrow wearing a full blown hazmat suit and second, how is it that there is no mandatory quarantine for any health-care worker upon their return from West Africa.

What does it say about the dog-loving westerner that I am that one of the things that sticks out most for me is that the Spanish authorities killed the Ebola infected nurse’s dog for fear that it would transmit the disease.

I also want to comment on how amazed and impressed I am about how the people in West Africa are coping with this horrific disease and its impact on families. We here in the west need therapy after anything resembling a trauma in our lives.

Extra - CAR

November 26, 2013

UN demands action on CAR “chaos”

December 5, 2013

Warning of genocide in CAR

December 7, 2013

French reinforcements fan out in CAR

Huge African troop surge for CAR

December 8, 2013

French troops reach tense CAR town

December 26, 2013

CAR unrest kills Chad peacekeepers

December 28, 2013

Chadians evacuated from CAR conflict

December 31, 2013

Children “beheaded” in CAR conflict

January 3, 2014

Number of displaced in CAR nearly “doubles”

January 8, 2014

UN warns of CAR humanitarian crisis

January 9, 2014

“Like Darfur, plus anarchy” (CAR)

January 10, 2014

CAR interim president resigns

January 11, 2014

Former CAR leader “goes into exile”

January 12, 2014

CAR residents “hug” in truce hopes

January 13, 2014

CAR cannibal “ate man as revenge”

New CAR leader says chaos is over

January 16, 2014

CAR bloodshed could turn in genocide: UN

January 19, 2014

Bodies burnt in street in CAR

January 20, 2014

CAR elects mayor as new leader

January 27, 2014

CAR crisis getting even worse – UN

January 31 2014

CAR clashes “kills 35” in Bangui

February 9, 2014

CAR Muslims “could all have to flee”

February 12, 2014

CAR leader “declares war” on militias

February 14, 2014

France to boost CAR military force

February 15, 2014

Troops try to disarm militia in CAR

March 30, 2014

Chadian troops “kill eight” in CAR

April 9, 2014

“At least 30 dead” in CAR violence

April 10, 2014

UN approves peacekeepers for CAR

April 28, 2014

Muslims leave CAR capital Bangui

May 10, 2014

UN slaps sanctions on CAR’s ex-president

May 13, 2014

French journalist killed in CAR

May 29, 2014

CAR church attack leaves 15 dead

May 30, 2014

Protestors demand CAR government resigns

June 6, 2014

UN report disputes genocide claims in CAR

June 13, 2014

Many dead in fresh CAR clashes

June 24, 2014

More than a dozen killed in CAR attack

July 5, 2014

Ugandan troops kill CAR rebels “in error”

July 25, 2014

CAR rebel leader rejects ceasefire

August 16, 2014

Mayor: 34 killed in CAR attacks

CAR (Central African Republic)

I included this extra story from the year as it, by all rights, should have been a panel, but it wasn't. Other stories always seemed to supersede it. A single beheading gets the US back into Iraq while the beheadings of children and the cannibalization of enemies didn't illicit the same global condemnation.

This conflict brewed for most of the year, another example of religious divide and domination. A country rich in resources, whose destiny should be so bright and fortunate.

This conflict made Boko Haram, Al Shabab and ISIL look like pussies and the people of CAR could only hope that their problem was only Ebola.

Epilogue

August 20, 2014 the final day in the year of the headline calendar project, amazing. Personally it was not a very good day for me as the day started by finding out that the herpetic lesion on my eyelid had now spread to my cornea. Then I went to pick up my new glasses happy in the idea that my existing pair had actually remained intact before the new ones arrived for the first time ever only to find out that the glasses were not going to work out, therefore giving my glasses time to break. The weather was bleak and cold, feeling more like fall than summer.

We all seem to feel that time rushes now that we are older but I have to say that this past year has seemed like several years. When I think back to that first headline and the Syrian chemical weapons attack, it can't possibly be only one year. Of all the main story-lines, the only one that has ended is Nelson Mandela's death. The rest of the stories are all still ongoing.

I have felt overwhelmed by the totality of this past year's history. I have also become addicted to writing these headlines down every day and I am going to be hard-pressed to stop cold turkey.

I also wonder how the threads of these stories will play out in the future and how far into the future are they going to ripple. Am I going to look back on one innocent headline and see that it changed the world ten, twenty years later? Will they ever find flight MH370?

Even though I will officially stop recording the headlines today, I know I will always be noting the subjects that I followed for many more years to come.

PS This project's genesis began in the 1991 Iraq war and as this project comes to an end, Iraq has come full circle.

Artist's Op-Ed

Individuals make a difference

In showing people this series, they often lament “What can I as an individual do?” in the face of all of this mayhem and grief. I have often wondered the same thing and I have tried in my own way to make differences in the situations I have encountered. What has become apparent over the year covered in this project is that out of twelve months, there have been four individuals taking centre stage.

Rob Ford taking center stage for all of the wrong reasons but still making an impact, his is a cautionary tale.

Nelson Mandela changed a country and stood as a symbol of forgiveness.

Pope Francis has brought his Christian faith to the people in a real and tangible way, not some ecclesiastical white paper stuck in the past. I am able to actually send the Pope a personal message via our friend Mar Bawai who will be having a meeting with him in September.

Edward Snowden has the strength and intelligence to expose the degradation of all of our civil liberties in countries who, on the surface, pride themselves for being the better nations. All the while these nations are treating their citizenry as criminals and making “Big Brother” a reality.

Ted Cruz

One of the first headlines of the first day in this project was about Ted Cruz renouncing his Canadian citizenship. A man who hopes to be a nominee for the Republican Party's presidential bid, whose father is Cuban and immigrated to the States and his mother, a Canadian and he being born in Calgary, thus giving him dual citizenship, Canadian-American.

He is making this overt gesture out of the fear that he will not be seen as American enough for his Tea Party base. After all, Obama is still considered a Kenyan by many on the right.

This story also epitomizes for me, how a headline is made and the actual event may not be followed through as one is led to believe. It is made with the

understanding that the public won't follow-up on this claim but simply take as a fact and move on. This is one of those points over the years that has rankled me because as in this case the following headline came out months later;

January 3, 2014

Ted Cruz still Canadian as immigration lawyers express confusion

Not only that but it took until this headline to become a reality, not just a headline;

June 10, 2014

Ted Cruz, Tea Party favorite, renounces Canadian citizenship

Funniest headline

June 26, 2014

What to do with Pablo Escobar's feral hippos?

March 7, 2014

Frack you Putin!

Most Ironic headline

March 18, 2014

Putin slams US, says "it crossed the line" (*re: Ukraine crisis*)

December 1, 2013

Actor Paul Walker, 40, dies in car crash (*he was the star of the Fast and Furious movies*)

What will become of these headlines?

March 28, 2014

Synthetic DNA advance is hailed

This headline refers to a lab in the UK that has managed to insert an X and a Y into our DNA and have it replicate itself, thus creating an entirely

unique life form on this planet. The lab assures the public that the new life will not be able to survive beyond the confines of the lab. This troubles me, maybe I've seen one too many sci-fi movies.

July 18, 2014

NASA: We'll discover aliens in next 20 years

I sure hope so because they might be able to help fix the mess we're in.

New Words

November 18, 2013

"Selfie" named word of the year

Now that the word "Selfie" has been added to the dictionary, it makes me think about how this self-obsession has impacted the world. We have become very good at taking care of my stuff and very good at not taking care of all of our stuff. Subjects like climate change and refugees would qualify as our stuff.

August 27, 2013

Haboob hubbub in Phoenix

The word "Haboob" is an Arabic word for dust storm, I find this interesting to note how many English words are derived from Arabic and especially using this word in a state where immigration issues are not looked at with an open heart. It also has me concerned about why I have never heard of dust storms in Phoenix before now.

Fallout from banking crisis in terms of conflict

If I had done this project the year before, it would have had lots and lots of green threads. The banking crisis, the Greek debt, the rest of the "PIGS", mortgage woes, you name it. All of those issues quieted down considerably during this year, not that the problems were solved and the economy was back in great shape.

Instead, the year was dominated by crisis and I can't help but see a direct correlation between the preceding financial crisis and its fallout into the world. Even so far as to lure western youth to join a group like ISIL. If we don't see our future, we are willing to die for a cause that gives our life the meaning it lacks in countries that are struggling to maintain a viable middle class.

This also ties back into the concept of "Selfie", the problems the world faces are impacting all of us and we must all work together to solve them. It is not good enough to make a few selves rich. These financial crises have also impaired the world's ability to provide needed aid in times of crisis involving food and disease. All of the money has been spent on killing people.

Even Pope Francis has directly referenced this issue;

September 22, 2013

Economy worships "god of money", Pope says

The missing raincoat

I inserted a few personal headlines that occurred during the year, one of them being about finding a missing raincoat. I have only lost one item in my entire life and that was when I was a child but then there came to be the case of the missing raincoat from eight years ago.

This was a very lovely red raincoat used only for working around the barn and with the horses and it hung by the door to the barn. But one day, Zaia heads out to the barn and needs this red raincoat and it is nowhere to be found. The house-wide search ensues and nothing. We scratch our heads and look in the most unlikely places and still nothing. We even consider the possibility that someone has absconded with it and still no clear answer. We know when we saw it last, clear as anything. We also know it was when we had two of Zaia's cousins staying with us having emigrated from Syria and still nothing.

Many years go by and we catch ourselves asking that befuddling question; "Where is that red raincoat?" Until one fine day I decide to do a major clean of the greenhouse. Not that I haven't done this many times over the years but this time I am reorganizing locations of cabinets and the such-like. The cabinet in question has always been placed in the one corner. I know what is inside of it, the fishing tackle box and nothing else, or so I thought. To move the cabinet

meant emptying it out and so I grab the fishing tackle and then I see this sports bag on the bottom shelf and I don't recognize it at all. I pull it out and it feels like there might be something in it so I unzip it and low and behold, the red raincoat rolled into a tight bundle spills forth!

No wonder we never found it, even in the most unlikely of places to look this would never have been on our radar. The cousin who was staying with us put it there after having gone fishing on a rainy day. We had completely forgotten about having loaned him the coat on that day way back when but nonetheless we were completely tickled pink about finally solving this long outstanding mystery.

Africa in the news

Before I began this project, I read an article from the BBC talking about how under-reported the African continent is in the world news arena. They claimed it only accounted for 10% of the overall news. I would have thought this to be an accurate report but in looking over this past year, I would say that is was not accurate.

The attack on the mall in Kenya made one panel, Nelson Mandela another panel, Boko Haram yet another panel and finally Ebola. So out of twelve months, four were from Africa.

Nuclear commentary

March 20, 2014

“Chernobyl's trees won't decay, increasing risk of nuclear forest fire”

This will happen, this forest will burn and it will carry with it in the radiation in the smoke and ash. These forests aren't decaying because the nuclear radiation has completely wiped out the microbial life needed for the process of decay to happen. This microbial life won't return for thousands of years. Yeah, it's going to burn!

I am very troubled by the nuclear news from around the world, Fukushima being top on that list. When Fukushima went boom, the news reported this as a hydrogen explosion and not a core meltdown. It was also reported that

Chernobyl was far worse than this because there was no meltdown. Really!?! How about three of the four reactors melting down, does that not qualify as being worse than Chernobyl? They still don't know the extent of the damage beneath the reactors because of these cores having melted through the base of their containers. There is contaminated water flowing under these buildings mixing with the groundwater and heading straight into the Pacific Ocean.

Anticipating the News

As I started collecting these headlines, I created a list of topics that I felt would warrant a thread designated to them. I also had to think ahead in the year and anticipate topics that would come up, such as the Sochi Olympics and the World Cup Soccer held in Brazil.

These two topics did represent "sports" stories, which I had decided from the beginning wouldn't be covered but nonetheless the stories leading up to these events in these particular countries would, I felt, be worth following.

As it turned out, the Sochi Olympics ended up being a story about how many gays are in the village ala the British comedy show "Little Britain". Much to my surprise, the Brazil World Cup didn't crash and burn in the favelas of Rio de Janeiro and the stadiums remained intact.

With the American midterm elections coming up in November, I expected to be inundated with party politics. Surprisingly that topic remained very quiet in the latter half of the year.

Conclusion

What I really hope this project will achieve is to get the viewer thinking. I have my opinions and perspective but I want these headlines to start a conversation within oneself. Consider how you connect with the world around you, do you stay local or does your interest draw you further afield. Do you read past the headline into the body of the story?

I could have chosen to only consider Canadian headlines or I could have chosen to pick only Entertainment news. I could have also collected all of the headlines of the year and then created the way in which I wanted them to be shown. This project was a journey through time and history as it unfolded.

So if you are asking why I did this or that, ask yourself what would you have done. That is the most important conversation to be had. If this leads you to consider your role or potential role in the history of life, I will be very pleased.

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Headline Calendar Thread Color Legend

Politics

1. Tea Party	Lt. Blue #1
2. Republicans	Mineral Supreme #95
3. Democrats	Lt. Turquoise #2
4. China	Duck #60
5. North Korea	Peacock Supreme #103
6. Russia	Dp. Turk. #42
7. Brazil	Nassau #23
8. USA	Yale Blue #63
9. Gay issues	Cobalt Blue #75
10. EU	Quarry #147
10A. Ukraine	Navy Blue #
10B Thailand	Midnight Supreme #66

Conflict

11. Syria	Garnet #24
12. CAR	Wine #17
13. Iraq/ISIS	Lipstick #32
14. Sudan	Red Hot #132
15. Egypt	Sangria #130
16. Iran	Cayenne #131
17. Kenya/Al Shabab	Burnt Orange #149
18. Libya	Indies #114
18A. Afghanistan	Red #12
18B. Nigeria/Boko Haram	
18C. Israel/Palestinians	

Science

19. Fukushima/radioactive	Tea #70
20. Space science	Lt. Pink #14
21. Food	Rea El. #82
22. Climate	Oleander #80
23. Fracking	Wisteria #88
24. Disease/Ebola	Dk. Fuchsia #56
24A. MH370	Quince #128

Money

25. DOW

26. Bitcoins

27. Banks

Jade #55

Mountain Supreme #98

Scarab #53

People

28. Pope

29. Nelson Mandela

30. Rob Ford

31. Manning/Snowden

32. Malala

33. Berlusconi

34. Khodorkovsky

35. Schumacher

Purple Passion #142

Purple #27

Grotto #81

Deep Lavender #93

Wine Tone #73

Iris #11B

Deep Purple #120

Magenta #102