

Broad View discussion topics for March 31, 2012

1 Obamacare in front of the Supreme Court

Supporters of President Obama's health-care reform law were confident the court would rule it constitutional. It appears the predictions were off the mark.

2 House votes down President Obama's budget 414-0

Minutes earlier, the House also defeated Mr. Obama's own budget, submitted last month, on a 414-0 vote arranged by Republicans to embarrass the president and officially shelve his plan.

3 House staffers find additional \$17 trillion unfunded costs in Obamacare

Senate Republican staffers continue to look though the 2010 health care reform law to see what's in it, and their latest discovery is a massive \$17 trillion funding gap.

4 Earthquake in Chile

A magnitude-7.2 earthquake struck central Chile on Sunday night, prompting authorities to urge evacuations for a long stretch of the coast as a precaution against a tsunami.

5 Sharpton threatens to "escalate" in Sanford, Florida

The Rev. Al Sharpton said Friday his National Action Network will "move to the next level" if George Zimmerman is not arrested in the shooting death of Trayvon Martin. Sharpton called for an escalation in peaceful civil disobedience and economic sanctions...

6 Current TV dismisses Keith Olbermann - he threatens lawsuit #

Current said on Friday afternoon that it had fired Mr. Olbermann — one of the nation's most prominent progressive speakers — just a year into his five-year, \$50 million contract. It was the culmination of months of murky disputes between Mr. Olbermann and the channel...

7 Lawsuit over "service horses" - certain dogs banned from United Airlines #

A horse is a horse, of course. That's why business owners are getting nervous about a new federal regulation requiring a particular breed of horse to be allowed into shops and restaurants across the country.

8 Iranian female ninjas sue Reuters

The Iranian government today revoked press credentials for Reuters staff in Tehran after a group of Iranian female martial artists protested a Reuters report that described them as "assassins."

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1 Snow storm by tomorrow

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A storm system moving through the area could drop up to 18 inches of snow in the Sierra by Sunday. But what most people will notice is the wind, the National Weather Service reports.

2 Man saved by bear in Paradise

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He wrestled with the cat, striking it in the head with a rock pick. The cat screamed when it was hit with the pick, but didn't let go, Biggs said. Before he knew it, the mother bear came from behind and pounced on the cat, tearing its grip from the backpack.

3 Sparks adopts same food truck rules as Reno

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Sparks put together the mobile food vendor rules primarily out of concern that the food trucks were taking business away from restaurants in the city. After much debate, Reno had adopted similar rules in February.

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Sports

1 Tiger Woods finally wins again

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Two weeks after another injury scare, and two days before his former coach's book goes on sale, Woods looked dominant as ever in that red shirt on Sunday to win the Arnold Palmer Invitational. It was his first PGA Tour victory since a sex scandal at the end of 2009...