

Broad View discussion topics for October 27, 2012

1 **Hurricane Sandy headed for northeast - October Surprise?**

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An extremely rare and dangerous storm will turn in from the Atlantic, putting 60 million people in its path and could lead to billions of dollars in damage.

2 **GDP growth this year 1.77% - less than a third what Obama predicted**

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The average GDP growth for the first three quarters of this year is 1.77 percent, according to data released by the the Bureau of Economic Analysis this morning.

3 **CIA operators were denied request for help in Benghazi**

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...an urgent request from the CIA annex for military back-up during the attack on the U.S. consulate and subsequent attack several hours later on the annex itself was denied by the CIA chain of command ...

4 **BBC pedophilia scandal blowing up**

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...more than 400 "lines of inquiry" have been reported to police. Some of the victims were students at a school for troubled girls and others said they were abused in Saville's dressing room at the BBC.

5 **53 opposition party members arrested in UK**

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The arrest of over 53 people in the United Kingdom is the beginning of the end for once-great Britain.

6 **Ted Turner calls suicide by troops "good"**

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Appearing on CNN's "Piers Morgan Tonight" on Wednesday evening, CNN founder Ted Turner said it is "good" that more U.S. soldiers are now dying by suicide than in combat.

Nevada - State & local news

1 **Sandra Fluke gives speech in Reno - 10 people show up**

Sandra Fluke, the woman at the center of a media firestorm earlier this year after Rush Limbaugh called her a "slut," spoke Saturday in front of about 10 people at the Sak 'N Save in north Reno.

2 **Harry Reid hospitalized after car crash in Las Vegas**

After a multi-car crash outside downtown Las Vegas, Senate Majority Harry M. Reid (D-Nev.) was taken to the hospital Friday afternoon as a precaution, his office said. The 72-year-old senator walked into University Medical Center Hospital under his own power.

Michigan - State & local news

1 **I-96 corridor gunman**

The good news: There haven't been any more I-96 corridor shootings since Oct. 18. The bad news: The shooter is still on the loose.

2 **One man has spent \$31 million fighting one ballot proposal**

Ambassador Bridge owner Manuel Moroun is more than a billionaire and... only private owner of a major bridge between... [to] Canada. He now has the distinction of spending more money than anyone ever has on a statewide ballot proposal -- more than \$31 million.

Sports

1 **Lance Armstrong stripped of his Tour de France trophies**

That decision to waive the right to take Armstrong's case to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, the highest court in sports, formally stripped Armstrong of the seven Tour titles he won from 1999 to 2005.