

October 1, 2022

**DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST
SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES
7/1/22 – 9/30/22**

WTHO-FM Thomson, Georgia

“Georgia Focus” is a Georgia News Network program airing Sunday mornings at 6:30 a.m. that is thirty minutes in duration. It is an in-depth look into issues of personal, community and local interest, often with a background report and interviews with key personalities involved with the issue. The following pages represent some of the guest line-ups for “Georgia Focus” that provide the most significant treatment of community issues this quarter.

“The Old Time Radio Show” is a locally produced interview style community issues program airing Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. that is two hours in total duration. Hosted by Cooper Gunby the show features weekly guests from a variety of backgrounds in McDuffie County who are involved in community events, local civic projects, politics and programs of special interest to our listeners. Additionally, we produce and air special long form news reports on topics of significant local interest.

WTHO-FM’s news department writes, produces and broadcasts five-minute local newscasts six times per day, including morning drive, mid-day, and afternoon drive. These newscasts feature local news exclusively and feature stories on all topics of interest including local government, education, crime, and sports. Stories are from 30 to 90 seconds in length. Additionally live spot news broadcasts are aired when events warrant and on Saturdays WTHO-FM frequently hosts a five-minute interview program with local government leaders to address issues relevant to our audience.

“Public Service Announcements” promoting local community events, issues, resources and activities are broadcast twice per hour. They are rotated frequently giving maximum coverage at no cost to a large number of community groups, churches, and other organizations that focus on assisting the underserved. Theme projects such as the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, United Way Campaigns, Safety and Anti-Drug and Alcohol Awareness are recorded in participants’ voices and aired according to a pre-approved schedule to enhance visibility of these special events. Frequently we host representatives of such concerns on a half-hour long “Guest D.J.” show which airs each Friday from 12:15 until 12:45.

The following pages outline all of the topics and guests from “Georgia Focus” that provided the most significant treatment of community issues during this quarter.

3rd Quarter 2022 "Georgia Focus" Public Affairs Issues/Clearance

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Carepatrol

CarePatrol is a FREE service that helps seniors find Assisted Living, Memory Care, In-home Care, Independent Living, Personal Care, and other senior care options. They are the nation's largest Placement company with 170 offices across the U.S. including 5 in GA. Tammy Brewer and Kandi Romano from Carepatrol discuss the services. Available July 2-3.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: CHOA's Dr. Ashley Brullet discusses stress fractures. .

Something in the Water

The history of Macon has an exceptional soundtrack. For generations, talented musicians have been born in or passed through Macon's confines. Some lived and died in obscurity, while others achieved international stardom. Ben Wynne writes about Macon's illustrious music history in *Something in the Water*, a lively narrative of the city's musical past from its founding in 1823 to 1980. Available July 9-10.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Miss Georgia 2022 Kelsey Hollis.

Whaddaya Got, Loran?: Dispatches from Georgia

Most Georgians know Loran Smith from Saturday afternoons and Georgia Bulldog football. Larry Munson would oftentimes say after a play, "Whaddaya got, Loran?" His colorful responses and chemistry with Munson made listening to the game an absolute joy. But, for decades Loran Smith has also either written or spoken about the things that interest us. Loran talks about his new book, *Whaddaya Got Loran?: Dispatches from Georgia*, along with his career. Available July 16-17.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Bob Cantu, Physical Therapy Faculty Lead at Brenau University discusses their efforts to provide healthcare to migrant worker sin south Georgia.

Alzheimer's Association

According to the Alzheimer's Association, older Black Americans are twice as likely to develop Alzheimer's disease than White Americans. They're also less likely to receive a timely diagnosis, with many receiving a diagnosis much later in the disease, when medical needs are greater. Dr. Carl Hill, Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer at the Alzheimer's Association, discusses these findings. Available July 23-24.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Ashley Broulette from Children's Healthcare of Atlanta discusses heat-related illnesses.

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Addictive Diseases

The Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities provides treatment and support services to people with behavioral health challenges due to addictive diseases. Director of the Office of Addictive Diseases, Cassandra Price, talks about their programs. Available July 30-31.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Tips for keeping kids with Autism engaged during the summer months.

Paradise Gardens

Reverend Howard Finster, a self proclaimed “Man of Visions”, was one of America’s most widely known and prolific self-taught artists. Today, his home and outdoor art exhibit known as Paradise Gardens, in Summerville, has been preserved and is open to visitors. The Paradise Garden Foundation works to preserve, maintain and showcase Paradise Garden and Tina Cox, Executive Director and Howard Pousner, board member, discuss the garden. Available August 6-7.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Maya Eady from Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta about the summer COVID surge and the importance of getting kids vaccinated.

HERO - Highway Emergency Response Operators

Highway Emergency Response Operators (HEROs) are dispatched to traffic-related incidents in metro Atlanta with the primary duty to clear roads so that normal traffic flow is restored. HEROs also assist stranded motorists with flat tires, dead batteries, fuel and other services. Tori Brown, Communications Officer for GA Dept of Transportation and HEROs Frank Salazar and Terrell Brown take listeners on a ride on Atlanta’s highways. Available August 20-21.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Winston Price talks about the future of COVID.

Dragoncon 2022

GNN’s Wes Carroll previews Dragoncon 2022 including interviews with organizers on the economic and charitable impact of the popular festival that comes to Atlanta annually. Available August 27-28.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Robert Bruce with Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta discusses scoliosis.

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Loran Smith - Story of the Georgia Bulldogs

In his new book, Return To Glory – The Story of the Georgia Bulldogs, UGA broadcasting legend and author Loran Smith delivers a narrative about the beloved Bulldogs that have been an integral part of his life for over 50 years. Available September 3-4.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Benjamin Watkins with Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta discusses a new drug for the prevention of GVHD.

Governor’s Office of Highway Safety

Allan Poole, Director of the Governor’s Office of Highway Safety and Lt. Maurice Raines of the Georgia State Patrol discuss safety on Georgia’s roadways and remind drivers to be mindful of all traffic laws when out on the roads. Available September 10-11.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta research efforts with respect to Emergency Medicine.

Stacey Abrams – National Recovery Month

GNN’s Matt McClure talks with Democratic Gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams about the 2022 campaign and her positions on the issues. September is National Recovery Month and iHeart’s Ryan Gorman discusses addiction and recovery with Dr. Christopher Jones of the CDC. Available September 17-18.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Benjamin Watkins from Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta discusses a new drug to benefit cancer patients.

Henry Ball – Michael Chapel Part 1

Michael Chapel is the true story of a former Gwinnett County police officer convicted in 1995 for the armed robbery and murder of Emogene Thompson, a Sugar Hill grandmother. Chapel has maintained his innocence and a team of investigators have uncovered a mountain of evidence that suggests Chapel is innocent. In part 1 of 2, Author Henry Ball discusses events leading up to the trail of Michael Chapel. September 24-25.

This show aired Sunday from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Camille Russell Love from the City of Atlanta – Mayor’s Office of Cultural Affairs talks about the 2022 ELEVATE Arts Festival.