

January 1, 2023

**DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST
SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES
10/1/22 – 12/31/22**

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.

4th Quarter 2022 “Georgia Focus” Public Affairs Issues/Clearance

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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, Author Henry Ball discusses the trial, aftermath and current efforts to get Chapel’s conviction overturned. October 1-2.

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. .

Henry Ball – Michael Chapel Part 2

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 2, Author Henry Ball discusses the trial, aftermath and current efforts to get Chapel’s conviction overturned. October 8-9.

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

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Edwin Horowitz from Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta discusses new Cell therapies.

Gov. Brian Kemp, ELKS Drug Awareness Program

Gov. Brian Kemp discusses the 2020 elections and his bid to be reelected Governor. Producer Bob Sabouni talks about the Awkward Conversations podcast series the ELKS Drug Awareness programs. Available October 15-16.

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

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Lucky Jain from Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta discusses recently received funding to support research in a number of areas.

Chase Oliver for Senate / American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

Dr. Karen Knudsen, CEO of the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, discusses their campaign called Cancer Votes to encourage candidates to support initiatives to cure cancer. Chase Oliver, Libertarian candidate for US Senate talks about this campaign and goals if he is elected. Available October 22-23.

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

GA Focus Extra: iSeth Ingram, Executive Director of the Rome International Film Festival, talks about this year’s events.

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Veteran’s Music Project

ASF’s Veterans Music Project, started in 2019, walks local Veterans through the process of writing and recording original songs. Leveraging the vast network of music professionals in and around Atlanta, ASF gives Veterans the opportunity to tell their stories of service and sacrifice using the power of music. Jaye Budd, Founder and Executive Director of Alchemy Sky Foundation and others talk about their work. Available October 29-30.

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

GA Focus Extra: Georgia Public Library Service’s Fox in a Box program

US Senate Candidates – Raphael Warnock & Herschel Walker

US Senate candidates Democrat Raphael Warnock and Republican Herschel Walker outline their vision for Georgia and in the weekend before the November 8th election. Available November 5-6.

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

GA Focus Extra: Andres Villegas from Georgi Forestry Association.

Americorps

Linda Thompson from AmeriCorps Georgia discusses their programs and opportunities for volunteerism throughout the state of Georgia. Available November 12-13.

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

GA Focus Extra: Carolyn Salvador from enduring Hearts discusses GA Gives Day.

Atlanta Community Food Bank

The Atlanta Community Food Bank works with more than 700 nonprofit partners—including food pantries, community kitchens, childcare centers, shelters and senior centers—to distribute over 67 million meals to more than 1 million people estimated to be food insecure in 29 counties across metro Atlanta and north Georgia. CEO Kyle Waide discusses the needs in Georgia. Available November 19-20.

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

GA Focus Extra: Grainne Owen for Curing Kids Cancer talks about eh Little Hearts for Cures event.

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GA Gives Day

GA gives on #GivingTuesday offers every Georgia nonprofit the chance to be part of a worldwide end-of-year giving-season kickoff, and the tools to make it a revenue-generating success. The Georgia Center for Nonprofits serves as Georgia's official #GivingTuesday community campaign organizer and Karen Beavor, GCN President and CEO, and Tiffany Cadogan from Southern Crescent Habitat for Humanity, discuss this year's campaign. Available November 26-27.

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.

Community Interest – Health and Money – Available December 2-3

Matt McClure speaks with a number of newsmakers as a best of type Georgia Focus. Save money holiday shopping, Trey Bodge of AARP is guest. Young People Mental Health. CHOA John Constantino, Psychiatrist. World Aids Day. Lara Chiever Health Resources and Services Administration. Staying Warm and Saving Money. Kevin Doyle Southeast Director Consumer Energy Alliance.

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

GA Focus Extra: CHOA's Dr. Edwin Horowitz speaks about Pediatric Medicine.

Life As Santa Clause – Available December 9-10

Scott Kimbler spoke with Derek Dugan about living everyday life as Santa. Dugan is a longtime Santa appearing in the Southeast and became Santa while at a low point in his career. After connecting with people, he has never turned back

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

GA Focus Extra: Roadside icon Stuckey's has been repurchased by the granddaughter of the founder and on the journey to a comeback, this third-generation owner aims to revitalize the company and the American Road Trip.

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The Return of Stuckey’s and The American Road Trip. – Available December 16-17.

E. Stephanie Stuckey is the granddaughter of the founder of Stuckey’s, a once popular road side stop based in Georgia, but located in several southern states. The company fell on hard times and nearly disappeared. Stephanie Stuckey bought the company and has expanded the base operation and is spearheading a new way of marketing the brand and has also added new jobs in East Georgia on the way to not only relaunching and franchising the brand, but also resurrecting the American Road-Trip. Stuckey speaks with Scott Kimbler.

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

Georgia Focus Extra: Derek Dugan speaks with Scott Kimbler about living as Santa year-round.

Black Housing Study – Available December 24-26

Scott Kimbler speaks with Tamarus Pete of American Enterprise Housing Institute about a study of home appraisers who may be using racial bias as a tool when valuing homes for sale. Atlanta was used as a test market to present to Feds for further data review.

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

Georgia Focus Extra: Scott Kimbler speaks with lender Elizabeth Rose on lender survival during the downturn in the housing market.

Dangers of Lead Exposure – December 31-January 1

Scott Kimbler speaks with Flor Mendoza of the Georgia Department of Public Health about the dangers of lead, even in modern homes, children’s toys and products and other places lead may be found. Also how and when should be tested for exposure and what to do to lessen the risks inside the home.

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

Georgia Focus Extra: Matt McClure speaks with Antrell Tyson Regional Director of Georgia Health and Human Services on how to get together for holidays but, with Covid and other dangers, still stay safe.