BEASLEY MEDIA GROUP, LLC
ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT
FOR STATION WMGC-FM
3rd QUARTER, 2023
July 1st THROUGH September 30th

ISSUES OF CONCERN TO THE STATION WMGC-FM ADDRESSED IN RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING IN THE THIRD-QUARTER, 2023

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMS

WMGC PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES

Inside Detroit (Sunday – 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.)

Mildred Gaddis Show: Locally-produced Public Affairs Recap Show aired Saturday mornings focusing on Metro Detroit issues such as Detroit policies, homelessness, victories, and defeats.

THIRD QUARTER 2023

INSIDE DETROIT July 2nd, 2023

TIME: 6:00am – 7:00am
TOPIC: LOCAL BUSINESSES

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Detroit City Councilwoman Angela Whitfield-Calloway. They discussed the Detroit City Council passing an ordinance for businesses to accept cash payments during transactions. Whitfield-Calloway explained the 'Cashless Business Ban' applies to vendors at Ford Field, Comerica Park and Little Caeser's Arena. She also highlighted that businesses who don't comply would be fined up to \$500 for not accepting cash. Listeners called in to weigh in on the topic.

LENGTH: 25 Minutes

LENGTH: 15 Minutes

TOPIC: MICHIGAN POLITICS LENGTH: 25 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Detroit News columnist, radio talk show host, and author, Bankole Thompson. They discussed the most recent WCCCD Global Conversations Speaker Series featuring actor and humanitarian, Hill Harper. Thompson explained Harper honored the late Harry Belafonte, as well as his plans to run for the Senate seat held by Sen. Debbie Stabenow. Listeners called in to weigh in on the topic.

INSIDE DETROIT July 9th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am – 7:00am
TOPIC: SOCIAL JUSTICE

Mildred Gaddis discussed the United Supreme Court's ruling to end affirmative action in higher education. The decision overturned a four-decade precedent that allowed colleges and universities to consider applicants' race in their admissions processes. Listeners called in to weigh in on the topic.

TOPIC: LOCAL NEWS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Pastor Lorenzo Sewell and attorney Todd Perkins of The Perkins Law Group. They discussed Sewell's legal situation regarding ownership of his church. He explained that he was a victim of a "church-jacking". He and Perkins shared that members of the congregation falsified documents to take the church from Sewell. Listeners called in to weigh in on the topic.

TOPIC: MICHIGAN POLITICS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis discussed the upcoming special election for the newly formed 12th Congressional District of Michigan. She shared voters would weigh their votes would be counted in real-time. Several listeners called in to weigh their opinion on the topic.

INSIDE DETROIT July 16th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am - 7:00am

TOPIC: COMMUNITY OUTREACH LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Karter Johnson, a 12-year-old entrepreneur. They discussed his non-profit program, Popcorn and Books, designed to help children learn how to read. He shared that he was inspired to start the program after participating in a school project. Listeners called in to commend him.

TOPIC: CURRENT EVENTS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Michael Joseph, President of the Detroit Chapter of the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists. They discussed the organization's efforts to combat human trafficking in the city of Detroit. Joseph shared with listeners the signs to be on the lookout for to combat the issue. Listeners called in to weigh their opinion on the topic.

TOPIC: MICHIGAN POLITICS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Kevin Tolbert, the newly elected Democratic Party Chair of Michigan's 12th Congressional District. They discussed his reaction to the election and his plans for the district. Mildred commended Tolbert for running an amazing campaign and wished him much success. Listeners called in to commend him on his win.

INSIDE DETROIT July 23rd, 2023

TIME: 6:00am - 7:00am

TOPIC: COMMUNITY OUTREACH LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Kristen Sokul, Senior Director of Communications for Gleaners Food Bank. They discussed her organization's 13th annual Hunger Free

Summer campaign. Sokul explained that Citizens Bank would be matching donations to ensure that children of the Metro Detroit Area do not go hungry. Mildred commended Sokul for her work. Listeners called in for donation information.

TOPIC: ICON TRIBUTE LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis discussed the legacy of Civil Rights icon, Pastor, Professor, Radio legend, and former Detroit City Councilwoman, Dr. Joann Watson. Watson passed away at the age of 72. Mildred explained she was the first woman to Executive Director of the Detroit Chapter of the NAACP. Mildred Gaddis interviewed Rev. Wendell Anthony, current Executive Director of the NAACP. Several listeners called in to pay their respects to the Detroit Legend.

TOPIC: ICON TRIBUTE LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis discussed the recent announcement of the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson retiring from being the head of his Rainbow/PUSH Coalition. She shared with listeners over the years Jackson had dealt with a many of health issues, including Parkinson's Disease. She shared some of his most famous speeches. Listeners called in to weigh their opinion on the topic.

INSIDE DETROIT July 30th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am – 7:00am TOPIC: JUSTICE SYSTEM

Mildred Gaddis interviewed political strategist and public relations expert, Greg Bowens. They discussed his recent article he penned in The Detroit News that explained Black Judges deserving to be treated fairly by the same justice system they serve. Listeners called in to weigh in on the topic.

LENGTH: 15 Minutes

TOPIC: CURRENT EVENTS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed author and award-winning journalist Denise Crittendon. They discussed her latest novel, "Where it Rains in Color". Crittendon explained her novel is based in afro-futurism and shared excerpts of the story with listeners. She also shared that her novel may soon become adapted into a movie. Mildred commended Crittendon for her novel, sharing it was a real page-turner. Listeners called in to get more information on the book.

TOPIC: LOCAL NEWS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Pulitzer Prize and Emmy-Award-winning journalist, M. L. Elrick. They discussed his recent Detroit Free Press article explaining a lawyer, busted with guns and drugs by Detroit Police, was later hired by the city. Elrick explained the city of Detroit officials knew nothing of her case. Mildred expressed her disbelief that something like this could happen. She also shared audio of the traffic stop that sparked the whole thing. Listeners called in to weigh in on the topic.

TOPIC: EDUCATION LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Dr. Jeffrey Robinson, principal of the Paul Robeson/Malcolm X Academy for the Detroit Public Schools Community District. They discussed the new Florida teaching standards that now explains to students African Americans received some "personal benefit" from slavery. Robinson explained the standards, which were unanimously backed by the state Board of Education, are part of the controversial 2022 law regulating how race can be taught in schools. He also shared the standards teach that some Black people benefited from slavery because it taught them useful skills. The policy has been criticized by the state teachers' union as a "step backwards". Mildred highlighted, Vice President Kamala Harris has also criticized the policy, calling it an "insult" to Black Americans. Listeners called in to weigh their opinion on the controversial topic.

INSIDE DETROIT August 6th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am - 7:00am

TOPIC: COMMUNITY OUTREACH LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Pat Pearson, Executive Director of The Family Tree, a community-based organization that helps people become self-sufficient in their own homes. They discussed her organization's "Diamond Girls Program", a program designed to promote financial literacy to women and girls to break the cycle of poverty. Mildred commended Pearson for her work. Listeners called in to get more information on the program.

TOPIC: NATIONAL POLITICS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Congresswoman Rashida Talib. They discussed the recent announcement of President Joe Biden establishing the Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley National Monument across three sites in Illinois and Mississippi. Talib explained the monument includes the Roberts Temple Church of Christ in Chicago, where thousands gathered to mourn Till's death. She also shared the monument also includes Graball Landing in Glendora, Mississippi, the area where Till's body was recovered from the Tallahatchie River. Mildred highlighted Biden signed the proclamation to create the monument on the 82nd anniversary of Till's birth. Listeners called in to weigh their opinion on the topic.

TOPIC: CURRENT EVENTS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis held an open-line forum for listeners to discuss previous topics on the day's show as well as current news. Mildred shared an excerpt from a Detroit Free Press article highlighting the "no-show bus crisis" in Detroit. Mildred explained the crisis is fueled by an ongoing shortage of drivers. She also shared the impact of "no-show" buses has been devastating for transit. SMART and DDOT are both running 20-30% less service than pre-pandemic and riders still suffer through regular no-show buses. She highlighted Transportation Riders United urged the Detroit City Council to boost DDOT's funding to make driver pay more competitive and solve the bus no-show crisis. Listeners called in to weigh in on the current topics.

INSIDE DETROIT August 13th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am – 7:00am

TOPIC: CURRENT EVENTS

LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Megan Owens, Executive Director of Transportation Riders United. Transportation Riders United is a nonprofit organization that advocates for better public transit in the Detroit region. Owens explained she coordinates and oversees all TRU's advocacy, education, fundraising, and engagement, all dedicated to improving transit. They discussed the "No-Show Bus Crisis" inflicting commuters in the Metro Detroit Area. Owens explained buses not showing up for riders is due to drivers wanting more pay amongst other things. Listens called in to weigh their opinion on the topic.

TOPIC: ICON TRIBUTE LEGNTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis honored the legacy of Rev. Jesse L. Jackson and his contribution to the Civil Rights Movement. She interviewed Rev. Dr. Vernon L. Howard, Jr., President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference – Greater Kansas City Chapter, and Ken Coleman, 2-times Best Selling Author and Senior Reporter at Michigan Advance. They both shared how synonymous Jackson was to the Movement and commended him for his work. Mildred highlighted Jackson recently retired from being the head of his Rainbow/PUSH Coalition. Listeners called in to share their opinion on the legacy of Rev. Jesse Jackson.

TOPIC: NATIONAL NEWS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Attorney and Law Professor, Florise Neville-Ewell. They discussed what is next in the latest Federal indictment of former US President Donald Trump. Neville-Ewell explained the Justice Department indicted former President Donald Trump on four criminal counts related to the January 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol. She also highlighted the charges include conspiracy to defraud the United States and conspiracy to obstruct an official proceeding. Mildred shared that the indictment also lists six unnamed co-conspirators, including Trump allies Eastman, Giuliani, Powell, and Clark. Listeners called in to share their opinion on the topic.

INSIDE DETROIT August 20th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am - 7:00am

TOPIC: SPECIAL EDITION SHOW LENGTH: 60 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis aired a special edition of The Mildred Gaddis Show, highlighting some of her best recent interviews. She shared excerpts from her interview with actor and humanitarian Hill Harper, as he announced his run for Michigan Senate. She also shared audio from Rev. Jesse L. Jackson's speech at the 1988 Democratic National Convention, where he was the key speaker.

INSIDE DETROIT August 27th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am – 7:00am

TOPIC: DETROIT POLITICS

LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Detroit City Councilmember Angela Whitfield-Calloway. They discussed the amendment she voted against that would expand where cannabis businesses can be located. She explained the amendment reduces the distance cannabis retailers, microbusinesses and consumption lounges must be from "controlled uses" — like liquor stores — from 1,000 feet to 750 feet. She also shared the amendment also reduces the distance cannabis businesses are allowed to be from each other from 1,000 feet to 500 feet. Listeners called in to weigh their opinions on the controversial topic.

TOPIC: CURRENT EVENTS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis discussed the viral news story of "The Montgomery Brawl", a fight that occurred on a riverfront dock in Montgomery, Alabama. Mildred explained the brawl started as a dispute over a dockside parking spot. She shared, a group of white boaters attacked Damien Pickett, a Black riverboat co-captain, who was trying to clear a berth for his vessel. She highlighted the fight quickly escalated into a widespread brawl. She shared three white men have been charged with assault for attacking the ship's co-captain. According to one witness, a racial slur was used during the brawl. The brawl also featured a group of Black people coming to Pickett's defense. Listeners called in to discuss the viral topic.

TOPIC: DIGITAL MEDIA LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Sterling McKinley, Digital Coach for Google, and Joel Boykin, Videographer and Executive Producer. They discussed the ever-changing world of digital media, as well as the benefits it holds. McKinley explained to Mildred how a 3-hour show can generate over 3 months of content online. They also discussed some upcoming workshops listeners can join to get a better understanding of the digital media world. Listeners called in for information as well as questions for the guests.

INSIDE DETROIT
September 3rd, 2023

TIME: 6:00am - 7:00am

TOPIC: LOCAL NEWS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Paul Egan, Reporter and Lansing Bureau Chief for the Detroit Free Press. They discussed his recent Detroit Free Press article where he explained a Michigan corrections investigator was discovered to have been living

double life as a prostitution ringleader. Egan explained the investigator was ousted by his wife who discovered the evidence while washing his clothes.

TOPIC: COVID-19 LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed radio host, minister, and retired physician, Dr. Jimmy Womack. They discussed COVID-19 hospitalizations being up nearly 25% in the wake of the CDC no longer tracking coronavirus infections. Womack explained the CDC announced in May, that they would stop tracking levels of COVID in communities around the country. Womack charged listeners to be safe and if they are sick to stay home. Listeners called in to weigh their opinions on the topic and with questions for Dr. Womack.

TOPIC: NATIONAL NEWS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis shared with listeners that recently thousands of supporters converged on Washington D.C. to commemorate the 60th anniversary of The March on Washington, started by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King and other civil rights leaders. She explained the event was held at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC. She also highlighted the original march took place on August 28, 1963. She also shared audio from the speech of Martin Luther King Jr.'s only grandchild, who was among those who gathered the 60th anniversary of the March on Washington, a prominent moment in the Civil Rights Movement that saw King deliver his historic "I Have a Dream" speech. Listeners called in to discuss the topic.

INSIDE DETROIT

September 10th, 2023 TIME: 6:00am – 7:00am TOPIC: NATIONAL NEWS

Mildred Gaddis interviewed lawyer and former deputy mayor of Detroit, Anthony Adams. They discussed the recent report of Florida Governor, Ron DeSantis suspending Florida State Attorney, Monique Worrell, citing neglect of her duty to prosecute crime in her jurisdiction. Adams highlighted Worrell is the second African American elected to the position and she was also the only Black woman serving as a local prosecutor. Mildred shared Worrell explained in a report, her removal was political and not about her performance, highlighting DeSantis' timing was to distract from a stagnant presidential campaign. Mildred also shared

LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Worrell vowed to seek reelection next year. Listeners called in to weigh their opinion on the topic.

TOPIC: MICHIGAN POLITICS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed political activist, Robert Davis. They discussed his filing to disqualify Trump from the 2024 ballot in Michigan. Davis explained he urged Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson to declare that under the U.S. Constitution's 14th Amendment, Trump is prohibited from appearing on the ballot next year. Davis shared the 14th Amendment is a Civil War-era addition to the Constitution. He highlighted Section 3 of the amendment prevents those who "engaged in insurrection or rebellion" against the U.S. from holding office. Davis cited that Trump's role in the Jan. 6th riot, his repeated attempts to overturn the election, and his continued financial support for people charged in the U.S. Capitol attack amount to engaging in an insurrection or rebellion. Listeners called in to weigh their opinion on the controversial story.

TOPIC: LAW ENFORCEMENT LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed attorney Todd Perkins of The Perkins Law Group. They discussed the fatal shooting of Ta'Kiya Young, a 21-year-old pregnant woman from Ohio who was accused of shoplifting from a grocery store. Perkins explained a single gunshot was fired at Young by police after their repeated demands of her to get out of her car. Mildred shared that according to reports and the release of bodycam footage, Young was fired upon after putting her car in gear and attempting to run over one of the officers. She also highlighted it was reported her unborn child did not survive. Listeners called in to weigh their opinion on the viral story.

TOPIC: LOCAL NEWS LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed the co-owner and partner of Detroit-based restaurant, Sloppy Chops, Gerald Goodwin. They discussed the fatal shooting of 30-year-old lead bartender, Alex Johnson. Mildred explained Johnson was struck by a stray bullet while working at the restaurant. Goodwin explained two groups fighting nearby fired multiple shots at each other, with a stray bullet going into the restaurant and killing Johnson, who was simply inside doing her job. He shared the restaurant has been closed since the shooting. Listeners called in to pay their respects to Alex Johnson and for information on how they can support the business.

INSIDE DETROIT

September 17th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am - 7:00am

TOPIC: LOCAL NEWS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Emmy Award Winner and Business Editor for WDIV Local 4, Rod Meloni. They discussed the ongoing negotiations between the UAW and the Big Three U.S. automakers. Meloni explained the current four-year labor agreements were set to expire soon. He also shared the UAW has promised to strike if new labor agreements are not settled before the contracts expire. Meloni explained they're asking for a 46% increase in pay and a 32-hour workweek with 40 hours of pay among other demands. Mildred highlighted a strike against one or more of the automakers could send already-inflated car prices even higher. Listeners called in to weigh in on the topic.

TOPIC: DETROIT POLITICS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Detroit Councilmembers Angela Whitfield-Calloway and Mary Waters. They discussed their upcoming Town Hall Hybrid Meeting at the Northwest Activities Center. Waters explained the topic of discussion would be the Land Tax Value Proposal. Whitfield-Calloway explained Detroit's Land Value Tax Plan is a way for Detroit voters to decide whether to cut homeowners' taxes by an average of 17% and pay for it by increasing taxes on abandoned buildings, parking lots, scrapyards, and other similar properties. Listeners called in for more information on the meeting as well as questions for the city council members.

TOPIC: LOCAL BUSINESSES LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Aaron Sanders, owner of Heavenly Chicken and Waffles. They discussed the recent grand opening of "Whatcha Wanna Eat Food Hall" located in Detroit. Sanders explained Heavenly Chicken and Waffles is just one of many restaurants featured at the unique destination. He shared patrons can discover culinary delights, connect with fellow food lovers, and become part of a movement that values cultural preservation and community empowerment. Mildred commended Sanders on business' success. Listeners called in for more information on the food hall.

INSIDE DETROIT

September 24th, 2023

TIME: 6:00am - 7:00am

TOPIC: COMMUNITY OUTREACH LENGTH: 15 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Rev. Rhonda Thomas, Executive Director of Faith in Florida. Faith in Florida is a nonpartisan organization that represents 800 congregations, 35 counties, and 160,000 families in Florida. Thomas explained their mission is to build a multicultural network of community organizations to address gun violence, voter suppression, and systemic racial and economic issues. They discussed her organization's efforts to teach Black history to their congregations in response to the state's controversial education changes. Mildred commended Thomas for her work. Listeners called in for information on Thomas' organization and with questions on how to bring the program to Michigan.

TOPIC: NATIONAL NEWS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Chief Judge Bill McConico of the 36th District Court. They discussed the legal issues surrounding former President Donald Trump's efforts to disqualify U.S. District Judge Tanya Chutkan from presiding over his election conspiracy case. McConico explained Trump's lawyers filed a legal motion asking Chutkan to step aside from the case, arguing that her prior statements raised questions about her impartiality and would taint the proceedings. Listeners called in to share their opinions on the topic.

TOPIC: LOCAL NEWS LENGTH: 20 Minutes

Mildred Gaddis interviewed Emmy Award Winner and Business Editor for WDIV Local 4, Rod Meloni. They discussed the update to the ongoing UAW Strike. Mildred reminded listeners that the United Auto Workers (UAW) union called a strike against General Motors, Ford, and Stellantis after negotiators failed to reach a last-minute deal on a new contract. Meloni explained the union is asking for a 36% raise for members over the duration of their four-year contract. He highlighted Ford and GM are offering 20%, and Stellantis is offering 17.5%. Listeners called in to share their opinion on the topic.

WMGC 105.1 PSA Activity

Each of these PSA's aired July 1^{st} , 2023 – September 30^{th} , 2023, between the hours of 12 a.m. - 12 midnight.

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