Teens-Youth Public File April 2014

Date=4/1/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=ERASER CHALLENGE

THE CHALLENGES SPREAD ONLINE. REMEMBER THE "CINAMMON CHALLENGE"? NOW ANOTHER TROUBLING ACTIVITY AMONG TEENS THAT SEEMS TO HAVE BEGUN IN CONNECTICUT IS MORE WIDESPREAD. IT'S CALLED THE "ERASER CHALLENGE." JOINING US FROM OUR BEACON HILL STUDIO IS HARVARD PSYCHOLOGIST, DR. ELLEN BRAATEN.

Date=4/1/2014 Time=4:30 Slug=KIDS/PLAY INTVW.

SURE, TODAY'S KIDS ARE PLAYING. BUT FOR MORE AND MORE KIDS, PLAY TIME IS TAKING PLACE ONLINE. A NEW MOVEMENT IS HOPING TO CHANGE THAT AND GET BACK TO BASICS, HEPLING KIDS LEAD ACTIVE AND BALANCED LIVES. I RECENTLY SPOKE WITH DARELL HAMMOND, CEO OF THE NATIONAL NON-PROFIT KABOOM ABOUT WHAT THEY'RE DOING TO MAKE KIDS AND FAMILIES MORE PLAYFUL.

Date=4/1/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=TRACKING KIDS ONLINE

THEY MAY BE HOME BY NINE, BUT DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR KIDS GO OUTSIDE OF THEIR CURFEW? KEEPING TRACK OF WHERE YOUR CHILDREN SPEND TIME ONLINE IS CHALLENGING. OUR NEXT GUEST UNDERSTANDS THE PRESSURE AND THAT'S WHY HE DEVELOPED A NEW TOOL TO HELP.

Date=4/4/2014 Time=4:30 Slug=TEEN SUICIDE TALKBACK

THREE NEWTON TEENAGERS HAVE TAKEN THEIR LIVES IN RECENT MONTHS, AND TWO NEWTON SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS ARE HOPING EVERYONE WILL LEARN FROM WHAT HAPPENED. THEY'VE RELEASED THIS RAP SONG ON YOUTUBE CALLED "PROMISE TOMORROW" IN MEMORY OF ONE OF THEIR FRIENDS WHO COMMITTED SUICIDE IN FEBRUARY. SUICIDE IS THE THIRD LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH OF PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 15 AND 24, ACCORDING TO MASSACHUSETTS COALITION FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION.

Date=4/8/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=NO TEXTING

IT'S A DIFFICULT VIDEO TO WATCH. BUT THAT IS THE POINT. A DISTURING NEW PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE GOVERNMENT TO TRY AND GET THE ATTENTION OF TEENS AND STOP THEM FROM TEXTING AND DRIVING. WE'RE GOING TO SHOW YOU THE AD NOW. BUT WE WANT TO WARN YOU THAT IT "IS" GRAPHIC. JOINING US THIS MORNING TO TALK ABOUT DISTRACTED DRIVING IS JOHN DONOHUE. HE'S THE CEO ARBELLA INSURANCE GROUP. ARBELLA HAS A LOCAL PROGRAM WITH A SIMILAR MESSAGE.

Date=4/8/2014 Time=1:53 Slug=RI POT CANDY SICKNESS

STUDENTS GETTING SICK. SOME EVEN FACING CHARGES. ALL OVER CANDY LACED WITH DRUGS THAT TURNED UP IN AN AREA SCHOOL. FOX 25'S ERICA RICCI IS HERE WITH A LOOK.

Date=4/9/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=KIDS & GLASSES

WHEN HER DAUGHTER WAS FITTED FOR GLASSES AT 15 MONTHS OLD A LOCAL MOM SEARCHED HIGH AND LOW TRYING TO FIND A BOOK THAT TALKED ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING YOUR GLASSES IN PLACE, A SIMPLE CONCEPT FOR GROWN UPS, BUT NOT FOR A 1 YEAR OLD WITH A TINY ATTENTION SPAN. SO ALISON JOYCE DECIDED TO WRITE HER OWN BOOK FOR LITTLE KIDS WITH GLASSES CALLED I SEE YOU, SEE, WE ALL SEE. SHE JOINS US IN STUDIO ALONG WITH HER NOW 2 AND A HALF YEAR OLD DAUGHTER EMMA.

Date=4/11/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=VIOLENCE PREVENTION

IT'S NATIONAL YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION WEEK AND SOME TALENTED TEENS ARE TAKING A STAND AGAINST VIOLENCE, THROUGH MUSIC. BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TOOK PART IN A HIP-HOP VIDEO CONTEST TO COME UP WITH A POWERFUL ANTI-VIOLENCE MESSAGE. HERE IS A CLIP FROM THE WINNING VIDEO.

Date=4/14/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE STRESS

AFTER YEARS OF COMPETING FOR GRADES, OVERSCHEDULING AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, AND INTENSE PARENTAL COACHING, MANY HIGH SCHOOL KIDS ARE LEARNING WHICH COLLEGES HAVE ACCEPTED THEM AND WHICH HAVE BROKEN THEIR HEARTS. AND IF THEY'RE LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE CHOICES, THEY'RE FACING WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD WILL BE THE MOST IMPORTANT DECISION OF THEIR LIVES -WHERE TO ATTEND COLLEGE IN THE FALL. BUT WHAT IS THE COST OF THIS PRESSURE? LAUREN STILLER RIKLEEN, AUTHOR OF "YOU RAISED US- NOW WORK WITH US", JOINS US TO DISCUSS.

Date=4/25/2014 Time=4:15 Slug=PROMS OUT OF CONTROL PROM SEASON IS UPON US. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE GEARING UP IN ANTICIPATION OF THE BIG DAY. BUT IT'S NOT JUST A BIG DANCE ANYMORE. GONE ARE THE DAYS OF JUST GETTING A DATE, GETTING A DRESS AND BE HOME BY MIDNIGHT. IT'S FULL-FLEDGED EVENT PLANNING WITH HIGH EXPECTIONS AND MAJOR STRESS. WE BRING IN DIANE MCNAMARA, PRESIDENT OF FIRE IT UP PR.

Date=4/29/2014 Time=:30 Slug=WALSH SUMMER JOBS

BOSTON MAYOR MARTY WALSH TAKES TO THE PHONES TO GET SUMMER JOBS FOR KIDS LIVING IN THE CITY. THE BOSTON GLOBE REPORTS JUST ONE IN THREE BOSTON TEENAGERS HAVE SUMMER EMPLOYMENT. WALSH IS HOPING TO CHANGE THAT. HE WANTS TO FIND WORK FOR 12-THOUSAND TEENS, BEATING THE RECORD SET BY FORMER MAYOR TOM MENINO. THE MAYOR AND HIS STAFFERS COLD-CALLED 70 BOSTON COMPANIES YESTERDAY AND ASKED THEM TO OFFER SUMMER JOBS TO THE CITY'S YOUTH. IT'S UNCLEAR HOW MANY COMPANIES SAID "YES". THE MAYOR IS EXPECTED TO TALK ABOUT THE INITIATIVE TONIGHT IN HIS FIRST SPEECH TO THE GREATER BOSTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Date=4/30/2014 Time=4:30 Slug=THE FISHING ACADEMY

THE "FISHING ACADEMY" IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE GREATER BOSTON AREA, ESPECIALLY UNDER PRIVILEDGED CHILDREN, THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE THE OUTDOORS AND LEARN LIFE-SKILLS LIKE TEAMWORK, PATIENCE, DISCIPLINE, SELF-CONFIDENCE AND RESPECT, ALL THROUGH THE SPORT OF FISHING. JOINING ME NOW TO TALK ABOUT THEIR 10TH ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISER ARE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JOHN HOFFMAN AND CAPTAIN RALPH WILKINS FROM NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC'S WICKED TUNA SHOW.

Date=4/30/2014 Time=6:10 Slug=TV SHOW KID-PETER LABRANCH

MOST OF US HAD DREAMS WHEN WE WERE KIDS OF WHAT WE WANTED TO DO WHEN WE GROW UP.. WHO WE WANTED TO BE. WELL I MET A YOUNG MAN FROM LYNN WHO'S DREAM IS TO PRODUCE HIS OWN TELEVISION SHOW. and USUALLY WHEN I GO OUT TO DO MY REAL PEOPLE REAL STORIES I LIKE TO GO INTO THE PERSONS HOME, SEE WHERE THEY LIVE, MEET THEIR FAMILY. BUT THIS TIME IS DIFFERENT. WHEN I HEARD 10 year old PETER LABRANCHES DREAM WAS TO BE A TV SHOW HOST, WELL, I HAD PETER COME TO *OUR* HOME. RIGHT HERE INSIDE OUR FOX 25 STUDIOS. WHAT BETTER WAY TO HELP MAKE THIS BEAUTIFUL LITTLE BOYS DREAM COME TRUE.