RADIO STATION WNCC-FM

Issues / Programs List

First Quarter-2024

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WNCC RADIO FIRST QUARTER 2024 ISSUES OUTLINE

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SECTION A: NEWSCAST OVERVIEW AND QUARTERLY ISSUES ADDRESSED

WNCC-FM airs four local newscasts during its broadcast day, Monday through Friday at 7:03am, 8:03am, 12:02pm, and 5:02pm, following three to ten minutes of world and national news from ABC Radio News. WNCC reports local and area news events and issues on an ongoing basis.

News Treatments: The nominal length of each of our lead or feature news stories described below is between 30-seconds and one minute 30 seconds.

Some of the issues covered in these newscasts and programs during the **first** quarter are as follows:

1-Public Health

News Treatments: Jan 5, 10, : Feb 6, 20 : Mar 5, 21

Throughout the winter all across our listening area the flu continues to be a big issue in the news during the first quarter. Our newscasts informed the public on the spread of influenza at a local level, and provided ways that the community could slow the spread of the virus.

2-Employment

News Treatments: Jan 4, 11,18 : Feb 20 : Mar 7, 22

The first quarter continued to experience changes in the unemployment rate in Macon, Jackson, and Swain Counties, with unemployment levels maintaining a lower level and employment opportunities becoming competitive. There were also additional jobs created and eliminated across the listening area. We connected listeners to job opportunities and employment resources during some of our newscasts.

3- Education / Schools

News Treatments: Jan 2, 11, 17, 18: Feb 14, 15: Mar 12, 13

Throughout the first quarter, more funding on the new High School continued in Franklin. Additional facility improvements were also discussed. We kept the community informed about any and all potential changes that were made to the local schools as well as curriculum policy changes and other educational information.

4- Public Safety

News Treatments: Jan 5, 10, 18, 19, 23, : Feb 12, 20 : Mar 5, 26

Public Safety continued to be a concern in the first quarter with the event of construction around the region as well as some road hazards in the area. Throughout the first quarter, we kept citizens informed of road closures due to mass construction and torrential weather in addition to severe weather related power outages.

5-Critical Information to Citizens

News Treatments: Jan 2, 4, 17, 23: Feb 8, 9, 20, 27: Mar 4, 12

Policies and regulations once again changed that affected the listening area in the first quarter on many issues. We provided critical information not necessarily obtained easily for our listeners. Some of the topics included a no panhandling ordinance and other government issues, transportation projects, and new or changing regulations. Issues mentioned during our news casts have an impact to Macon County and its residents, so it is paramount to connect our listeners with what they need to know.

6-Food Insecurity

News Treatments: Jan 10, 18, 23 : Feb 20

With the region struggling with a slow economy, high inflation costs, and children not able to receive lunch, food insecurity and homelessness continued to be an issue in the first quarter. We reminded residents about the need in the community to help spur donations to food banks Carenet and The Community Table. We also provided information about events and places residents could check with to get food, as well as the local school system's meal delivery plans.

7-Crime / Police

News Treatments: Jan 18, 19, 23, 30 : Feb 13, 27, Mar 15, 18

Crimes continued to plague the region through the first quarter, along with sentencing for earlier crimes. We kept the community informed of the crimes and sentencing throughout the entire first quarter.

SECTION B:WEB SITE

WNCC HAS ITS OWN WEB SITE. LISTENERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO VISIT 1041 WNCC.COM TO SEE UPDATES ON WEATHER, AND MORE.

SECTION C: LONG FORM PROGRAMS
*Citizens Making a Difference" public affairs program airs Saturday Mornings at 8am on WNCC.

- Jan 6 Macon County Medical Assistance
- Jan 13 Nikwasi Initiative
- Jan 20 SCC Update
- Jan 27 Author Susan Pepper
- Feb 3 Appalachian Animal Rescue
- Feb 10 Local Animal Stories from Local Writers
- Feb 17 Macon County Update
- Feb 24 SCC Update
- Mar 2 Together We Can Foster care
- Mar 9 Women's History Trail
- Mar 16 No Wrong Door Organization
- Mar 23 SCC Update
- Mar 30 Handy Helping Hands

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SECTION D: SHORT-FORM PROGRAMS

Organization:

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

Program:

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY COMMENTARY

Description:

Program Length is one and a half minutes

Focus on the Family Commentary is designed to provide your listeners with daily tips on the keys to stronger marriages, effective parenting, deeper relationships and a more satisfying life. Common sense answers to the challenges facing today's families are offered with an easy humor and sensitivity. Five different programs air once each day Monday through Friday at 740am

COMMUNITY CALENDAR AND PSAs

The Community Calendar is a regularly scheduled listing of various community events. These announcements are responsive to community issues and are approximately 30-seconds in length and aired on an R-O-S basis. This is only a sampling of the community groups & events that have benefited from these announcements.

Group	<u>Event</u>
West Franklin Church	Gospel Singings
Alzheimer's Association Support Group	Group Facilitator Sessions
Serving Spoon	Free Community Meals
Macon County Senior Services	Volunteers Needed
Crawford Senior Center	Hosting Zoom Classes
Swain Cancer Support Group	Meeting Announcements
Medication Assisted Recovery Anonymous	Meeting Announcements
Carenet	l Need of Donations and Volunteers
Cartoogechaye Church of God	Free Meal Boxes