

Quarterly Issues for station-FM 90.3 WJTL  
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### Section I Issues

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- A. Pornography Addiction-A conversation with a person who stopped porn addiction after many years and then started an outreach to help people overcome this addiction.
- B. Protecting Information-A series discussing how we can keep our online records safe.
- C. Homelessness-Interviews with residents and the President of Water Street Ministries about their outreach to the homeless and low-income families.
- D. Protecting Second Amendment-A series on the background of the Second Amendment, why it was added, and how it applies today.
- E. Drug Abuse and Teens-A look at the trends of drug abuse among teens today and what parents can do for prevention.
- F. Get Out of Debt-A series that offers practical ideas for getting out of debt.

## Section II Responsive Programming

The station has broadcast programming dealing with each of the above-referenced issues in the following ways:

### A. Pornography Addiction:

Get Up and Go Show-On November 7<sup>th</sup>, Reese Crane visited the Junction Center Studio to discuss his outreach to those who are struggling with pornography addiction. He shared his own personal journey of recovery after 35 years of addiction. He explained that addiction to pornography is often a symptom of something deeper. As a counselor, he demands abstinence of those seeking help so that they can work on the deeper issues. Pornography affects millions, and causes deep-seeded shame. Reese sees more and more people being willing to face this addiction.

His outreach is involved in setting up accountability groups, counseling individuals addicted to porn, and helping churches to set up ministry so they know how to address the problem. Opportunity was given for listeners to contact Reese for help in any of these areas.

There were two conversations. The first conversation was at 7:20 a.m. and was 5 minutes in length. The second conversation was at 7:50 a.m. and was 2 minutes in length.

### B. Protecting Information:

Stewardship For Life-3 minute program (Monday through Friday at 1:20 p.m.) In September 2017, Equifax announced a massive data security breach that exposed personal identification data of 143 million consumers. That amounts to 55% of Americans 18 or older. In the aftermath of this data breach, Amanda Rock shared practical steps for protecting personal data:

1. Establish fraud alerts with the three major credit reporting agencies.
2. Freeze credit.
3. Check credit reports. (Free copies are available from each of the major credit agencies)
4. Review bank and credit card statements regularly, and look for suspicious transactions.
5. Watch out for cons and phishing scams. Confirm legitimacy of the identity of institutions by checking online reviews and its standing with Better Business Bureau.

Amanda added that there are 4 main ways to protect personal information.

1. Know who you share information with.
2. Store and dispose personal info. securely, especially social security number.
3. Ask questions before deciding to share personal information.
4. Maintain appropriate security on computers and electronic devices.

Amanda discussed various ways to keep personal information safe offline and online.

Offline example-shredding important documents.

Online example-Don't give out personal information on the phone, through the mail, or on the internet unless you have initiated the contact.

(Feature aired November 27-30).

### C. Homelessness:

Get Up and Go Show-Lisa Landis was on location at Water Street Ministries, an outreach to the homeless, on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, the day of their great Thanksgiving Banquet. She interviewed Jack Crowley, President of Water Street Ministries and several residents who were benefitting from their services. She gave five reports.

6:20 a.m.-President Jack Crowley talked about the great Thanksgiving Banquet, and the effort that is involved to make this event possible. Conversation was 3 minutes in length.

6:50 a.m.-Resident (Jimmy) shared what he was thankful for, expressing gratitude for how Water Street enabled him to let go of anger and accept himself and love others. Conversation was 4 minutes in length.

7:50-Resident (Gary) talked about how he came out of an opioid addiction and divorce. He was thankful for receiving a prosthetic leg. President Jack Crowley explained times when the Thanksgiving banquet would be open to the community. Conversation was 4 minutes in length.

8:20 a.m.-President Jack Crowley talked about the family atmosphere created at Water Street over the holiday season. Conversation was 4 minutes in length.

8:50 a.m. –Lisa spoke with the cook (Carmen) who talked about the menu and the volume of food she was preparing for the community. Conversation was 4 ½ minutes in length.

#### D. Protecting The Second Amendment:

Probe-3 minute program, Monday through Friday at 11:20 a.m. (October 30-November 03). Feature discussed that the gun violence of the Aurora movie theater and Newton school bring us sorrow and stir us to pray. After such violence, the issue of gun control is discussed in the public forum. According to Feature, some say the way to prevent these tragedies is to remove the right for individuals to own and carry firearms. Others argue that firearms carried by responsible individuals could prevent such carnage. Feature highlighted two interpretations of the Second Amendment.

The individual right theory contends that individuals have a constitutional right to keep and bear arms.

The collective rights theory contends that “a well-regulated militia” means that it was only intended to restrict Congress from legislating away a state’s right of self-defense.

According to feature, a recent Supreme Court ruling in 2008 sided with individual rights to possess a firearm for traditionally lawful purposes such as self-defense. The underlying purpose of the Second Amendment is to ensure that our freedoms are never trampled on by the federal government or others.

The question was raised: If guns are freely available to the citizenry, does the harm outweigh the value envisioned by the Second Amendment? One group argues that if private ownership was illegal and strictly enforced, it would severely limit gun violence. An opposing view believes the problem is made worse by the lack of gun ownership by the public. The host of the feature suggested that if more law-abiding citizens carried weapons, this approach would create deterrence against the insane, the criminal, and a future government gone amok.

#### E. Drug Abuse and Teens:

Youth Culture Today-Daily 1-minute feature (Monday-Friday at 12:20 p.m.)

Feature cited statistics related to teens and drug abuse. Programs included content on the following topics:

**Opioid Addiction**-A CDC report indicates that drug overdoses among teenagers are rising after several years of decline. Three times as many teens died from heroine overdoses in 2015 than died from heroine overdoses in 1999. Host Walt Mueller urged parents to keep eye on kids and discourage them from using gateway drugs such as alcohol and marijuana. (Feature aired October 05)

**Binge Drinking**-A study at the University of Michigan cited adolescents are binge drinking less than they once did. The incidents decreased from 1991 to 2015. One of the most important factors leading to decline was push to educate kids about the risks of heavy alcohol use. Parents were urged to set clear boundaries along with clear understanding of consequences for crossing those boundaries. (Feature aired October 19)

**Damage of Alcohol**-Introducing alcohol into system alters consciousness and chemistry of the brain. When kids indulge in binge drinking, they do real damage o their brain. Researches are finding more connections between teen drinking and issues related to brain development. Parents were urged to help teens understand the importance of practicing good stewardship of their bodies. (Feature aired November 15)

**Drug Abuse Dangers**-Host Walt Mueller recalled an encounter with a teen 40 years ago who was in a psychiatric ward after suffering brain damage from smoking marijuana laced with PCP. He said the memory highlights how decisions made in teenage years can change their lives and the lives of others in an instant. Parents were advised to warn kids about physical dangers related to drug abuse. (Feature aired November 22)

**Opioid Deaths**-Statistics reveal upward trend of opioid overdose deaths nationwide.

In 2014, there were 29,000 deaths.

In 2015, there were 33,000 deaths.

In 2016, there were 65,000 deaths.

Because of opioids, drug overdoses are most common cause of deaths among people under 15 years of age. Parents were urged to be proactive in talking with their kids about pressures to use drugs and dangers of using drugs. (Feature aired December 06)

**Pharm Parties**-A gathering of kids who combine prescription drugs they collected from home into a common bowl. Everyone then takes a handful in order to get high. Feature reported that more mixed overdoses are being treated in emergency rooms. Feature was intended to educate parents of this trend and to urge them to keep a close eye on their prescription drugs over the holiday season. (Feature aired on December 18).

#### F. Get Out of Debt:

Stewardship For Life-3 minute program (Monday through Friday at 1:20 p.m.)

Amanda Rock started this series stating that in our nation, debt is considered normal and is a major burden to large numbers of Americans. Based on a recent survey by Northwestern Mutual, interviews with more than 2,700 adults reveal that nearly three-fourths of them said they were struggling with debt.

Amanda identified five strategies that financial advisors use for helping clients with large amounts of debt to improve their financial outlook.

- 1) Change mindset and imagine life debt free.
- 2) Take inventory of debt and prioritize. Take inventory of all balances owed, the interest rates carried, and minimum payments required for avoiding higher interest charges. With a clear picture of personal situation, the person in debt can prioritize which debt to attack first.
- 3) Create a realistic budget. It's about understanding money so smarter choices can be made. Amanda Rock offered general guidelines for creating and maintaining a budget.
- 4) Go back to cash. Change spending habits. Using cash gives tangible sense of the payment being made, and will often prompt consumer to decide NOT to make the purchase.
- 5) Consider credit counseling.

(Feature aired December 18-21)