

## Quarterly Issues and Programs List for Station WTAW-AM/College Station TX

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### (1) Issues involving Texas A&M University and the A&M System

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/6/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:19	Commission on Presidential Debates has started reviewing applications, which includes Texas A&M.
4/14/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:24	Texas A&M Provost announces Veterans Park will not be the new location of the "Get to the Grid" bus shuttle to and from home football games.
4/15/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:20	Texas A&M announces the new location of the "Get to the Grid" bus shuttle to and from home football games is Momentum Plaza at University and Copperfield.
4/17/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:46	Texas A&M system chancellor sends a letter to top leadership on the flagship campus to submit open ended resignation letters to new president Michael Young.
4/17/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	6:27	Interview with Texas A&M system chancellor about the letter he sent to top leadership to submit open ended resignation letters to new president Michael Young.
4/27/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:48	Kyle Field phase two construction update includes the Texas A&M System giving the city of College Station \$1 million to upgrade the city's traffic signal system to reduce delays in entering and exiting the football stadium area.
4/29/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:56	Texas A&M Board of Regents scheduled to approve naming a new Dean of Liberal Arts of the flagship campus and naming a building for a graduate of the class of 1886 and was an administrator.
4/29/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:34	Texas A&M Board of Regents scheduled to approve nearly \$28 million of construction projects on the flagship campus.
4/30/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:36	Interim Texas A&M President Mark Hussey receives a proclamation from the Board of Regents for his service.
5/1/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:33	Texas A&M Provost updates the Faculty Senate on measures taken after faculty and student teacher social security numbers were released.
5/1/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:10 p.m.	5:11	Interview with Blinn College board of trustees president inviting public to attend forums for the four finalists for district president.

5/1/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	9:02	Comments from new Texas A&M President Michael Young and his Marti, who met with reporters on their first official day at work.
5/4/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:54	New Texas A&M President Michael Young visits with reporters on his first day on the job.
5/22/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:33	Texas A&M System chancellor announces a new health benefit, giving enrollees 24 hour access to online medical assistance.
5/28/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:24	Personnel actions approved by the Texas A&M System board of regents affecting the flagship campus includes a new Vice President of Student Affairs.
5/28/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:25	The Texas A&M Health Science Center receives a grant of nearly \$6 million from the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.
6/1/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:15 p.m.	7:31	First portion of interview with former CEO of Texas A&M Health Science Center who says he was forced to resign by the new Texas A&M president.
6/1/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	11:01	Remainder of interview with former CEO of Texas A&M Health Science Center who says he was forced to resign by the new Texas A&M president.
6/2/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:58	CEO of Texas A&M Health Science Center says he was forced to resign by the new Texas A&M University president.
6/10/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:10	Texas A&M System and University officials explain why this was the best legislative session ever for both.
6/17/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:57	New Texas A&M University president fields questions from the Faculty Senate for the first time.
6/18/2015	WTAW News	5:06 p.m.	:35	Death of John David Crow, Texas A&M's first Heisman Trophy winner who returned as Athletic Director.
6/18/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	5:07	Interview with R.C. Slocum on the death of John David Crow.
6/22/2015	WTAW News	5:06 p.m.	:50	Changes to traffic patterns in and out of Texas A&M's Northside Garage.
6/23/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:17	Texas A&M University announces a new Vice Provost.
6/23/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:15 p.m.	5:41	1 <sup>st</sup> portion of speakers at the Celebration of Life memorial service for John David Crow.
6/23/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	8:42	2 <sup>nd</sup> portion of speakers at the Celebration of Life memorial service for John David Crow.

6/24/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:54	Celebration of Life memorial service for John David Crow, Texas A&M's first Heisman Trophy winner who returned as Athletic Director.
6/25/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:24	Texas A&M University announces a new Dean of the College of Science.
6/25/2015	WTAW News	5:06 p.m.	:41	Construction crews are recognized for their work on the redevelopment of the west side of the Kyle Field project.
6/29/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	9:05	Interview with the executive director of Texas A&M Transportation Services about changes at Northside Garage.
6/30/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:54	Update given on \$1 million Texas A&M System grant to improve traffic movement in College Station before and after Texas A&M home football games.

## **(2) Issues involving Blinn College Brazos County campuses**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/2/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:45	Blinn College trustees continue to lobby state lawmakers against a bill expected to pass out of a House committee that would restrict spending revenue to the campus where it is generated.
4/2/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	5:38	Recap of comments from the Blinn College trustees meeting regarding proposed state legislation that would restrict spending to the campus where it is generated.
4/8/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:24	Blinn College trustees vote to not accept a compromise offered by a lawmaker on proposed legislation to restrict spending revenue to the campus where it is generated.
4/8/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	7:03	Summary of comments from the Blinn College trustees special meeting defeated a motion to accept a compromise offered by a lawmaker on a proposed legislation to restrict spending revenue to the campus where it is generated.
4/9/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:24	Lawmaker wants Blinn trustees to hold another vote on a compromise he has offered on proposed legislation to restrict spending revenue to the campus where it is generated.
4/13/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:23	Bryan mayor announces negotiations to acquire land to build a new north entrance to the Blinn campus from Villa Maria and Nash.
4/20/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:50	Reaction to the resignation of a Blinn board of trustee member brokering a compromise with a state lawmaker who wants to restrict spending revenue to the campus where it is generated.

4/20/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	6:14	Interview with state representative John Raney following the resignation of a Blinn board of trustees member after her compromise attempt between the board and Raney failed.
4/22/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:60	Supporters and opponents to proposed legislation restricting how revenue is spent to the campus where it is generated spoke at the Blinn board of trustees meeting.
4/24/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:53	Texas House Higher Education Committee takes testimony on proposed legislation to appoint two Brazos County residents to the Blinn College board of trustees.
4/27/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:22	Four finalists are named for Blinn College district president.
5/4/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:34	Four finalists for Blinn College district president hold public forums the next two days in Bryan and Brenham.
5/7/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:42	Blinn College trustees approve new software to expedite application and enforcement of parking permits.
5/7/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:35 p.m.	13:21	Comments from six lawmakers as the Texas House defeats proposed legislation requiring revenue to be spent on the campus where it was generated.
5/8/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:58	Texas House defeats proposed legislation requiring revenue to be spent on the campus where it was generated.
5/8/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	6:52	Interview with the Blinn College board of trustees president after the Texas House defeats proposed legislation requiring revenue to be spent on the campus where it was generated.
5/14/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:41	Blinn College trustees receive update on renovation of the Bryan campus and relocation of offices to the Tejas Center.
5/19/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	4:48	Summary of comments by Blinn College and city of Bryan officials about Blinn's new campus in west Bryan.
5/20/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:22	Blinn College trustees select its new district president.
5/20/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:35	Blinn College trustees hire two firms to develop master plan for new campus in west Bryan.
5/26/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:02	Comments from the Bryan mayor and a Blinn administrator about planning the area where the new west Bryan campus will be located.

5/28/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:38	The Texas House sends to the Senate legislation that would add two appointed Brazos County members to Blinn's board of trustees, a budget rider restricting state revenue based on location of student contact hours, and posting budgets on the Blinn website.
6/11/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	8:29	Interview with Blinn College spokesman about an application to expand a workforce education center in Brenham.
6/12/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:54	Blinn College joins a group application to expand a workforce education center in Brenham.

### **(3) Business and Economic Development news in Bryan and College Station**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/28/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:56	Bureau of Labor Statistics releases annual wage report for the Bryan-College Station area, where the mean wage for all occupations is \$2.62 per hour under the national average.
4/30/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:32	St. Joseph Regional Health System and Texas A&M Health Science Center announces the development of a senior living community in west Bryan.
5/14/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:37	Chamber of Commerce representatives taking annual trip to Washington D.C. to meet with federal lawmakers.
5/14/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	9:02	Interview with Chamber of Commerce board chairman about annual trip to Washington D.C. to meet with federal lawmakers.
5/15/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:34	Brazos Valley Farmers Market announces move to downtown Bryan.
5/15/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:41	Suddenlink announces conversion to all digital cable June 9 <sup>th</sup> , requiring some customers to get new equipment.
5/21/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:18	Announcement that a majority interest of Suddenlink Communications is being sold to a European corporation.
6/3/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:43	A divided College Station city council approves rezoning 63 acres of land for a new housing development along an extended Victoria going southwest to Greens Prairie Road.
6/3/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:51	The Bryan city council receives an update economic development recruiting from the Research Valley Partnership.
6/4/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	5:38	Interview about a youth soccer tournament with 2,000 participants that was moved from San Marcos to College Station due to floods.

6/5/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:08	Youth soccer tournament with 2,000 participants moved from San Marcos to College Station due to floods.
6/10/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	7:44	Interviews with some of the winners and a portion of the comments from the featured speaker at the Newman 10 awards for the fastest growing small businesses in Brazos County.
6/11/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:30	Recap of the Newman 10 Awards for the fastest growing small businesses in Brazos County.
6/17/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:40 p.m.	9:22	Interview about the results of the annual Chamber of Commerce Survey Day event.
6/18/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:39	Results of a record 720 businesses responding to the annual Chamber of Commerce Survey Day event.
6/26/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:03	College Station city council majority opposes multimillion dollar student housing complex due to additional traffic impact but postpones final action for a month.

#### **(4) Capital Improvement Projects in the Bryan School District**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/1/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:54	Bryan school board selects construction manager for the \$53 million dollar makeover of Stephen F. Austin middle school.
4/21/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:10	Bryan school board receives update on the design process of the new Sul Ross elementary, expanding Davila Middle School, and renovations at Rudder High and the Bryan Civic Auditorium.
6/9/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:54	Bryan school board starts discussion of new school attendance zones due to passage of bond issue which included closing one elementary school and creating two intermediate and two middle schools.
6/9/2015	WTAW News	5:40 p.m.	8:41	Comments from a consultant to the Bryan school board about drawing new attendance zones due to passage of a bond issue last November.
6/16/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:03	Bryan school board approves design of the new Sul Ross elementary and press box at Merrill Green stadium and a demolition contract to prepare the Civic Auditorium for renovation.

#### **(5) College Station school board considering next bond issue**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary:</b>
5/21/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:36	A citizens committee recommends a CSISD bond package this November of approximately \$140 million dollars.

## **(6) 2015 City of College Station bond issue**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/3/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:29	A citizens committee holds the third and final forum to gather public input in a possible city of College Station bond issue this November.
5/29/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:09	A citizens committee recommends a City of College Station bond package this November that if all items are included would total \$182 million dollars.
6/4/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:41	College Station city manager says replacing City Hall was not part of November 2015 bond issue recommendations because it may be part of a public-private redevelopment plan.
6/30/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:43	Only one College Station councilmember offers comments when staff proposes \$60 million in street work and \$2.5 million in parks improvements as part of a proposed November 2015 bond issue.

## **(7) Parks and Recreation issues in the City of Bryan**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/2/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:49	The Bryan city council is told negotiations are underway for a design contract to replace the pool at Sadie Thomas Park and updated work at Scurry and Crescent Parks.
4/16/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:58	Bryan council awards a contract to design and build a replacement pool at Sadie Thomas Park.
4/23/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:27	Bryan mayor says the city council is looking to replace former skatepark at Williamson Park with a larger skatepark.
5/13/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:32	Bryan city council approves building a new skatepark at Williamson Park.
5/18/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:36	City of Bryan starts survey and other events to gather public opinion about the design of the new Sadie Thomas Park pool.
6/18/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:45	Bryan mayor provides update on the development of a "superpark" on the first anniversary of introducing the idea.
6/22/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:45 p.m.	2:37	Interview previewing City of Bryan meeting to receive public comment about a new skatepark at Williamson Park.
6/22/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:32	Preview of an upcoming City of Bryan meeting to receive public comment of a new skatepark at Williamson Park.

## **(8) Impact of Blue Bell listeria outbreak**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/6/2015	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:26	For the third time in less than a month, Blue Bell ice cream announced issues in a manufacturing facility.
4/8/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:12	Blue Bell recalls products made from its plant in Broken Arrow, OK.
4/21/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:34	Blue Bell expands recall to all plants due to listeria bacteria contamination.
4/27/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:38	Blue Bell produces video with employee testimonials following plant closures due to listeria bacteria contamination.
5/8/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:38	Blue Bell president announces it will be “several months at a minimum” before products return to store shelves due to listeria bacteria contamination.
5/15/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:43	Blue Bell reaches agreements with state officials in Texas and Oklahoma on what has to be done before production resumes.
5/15/2015	5 p.m. Newshour	5:15 p.m.	1:11	Played audio from Blue Bell website from the company president providing an update on addressing listeria contamination that closed all production plants.
5/21/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:19	Blue Bell is sued by the family of a Houston man who claims he contracted listeria-based meningitis after eating Blue Bell ice cream.
6/2/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:13	Blue Bell reports delivery trucks still on the road are not delivering ice cream but are in contact with retail customers.
6/11/2015	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:27	The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announces it has ended its investigation of listeria contamination at all Blue Bell plants.

## **(9) Public Safety**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/7, 4/14, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2, and 6/24/2015	5 p.m. News Hour	5:15 or 5:40 p.m.	~5:00	Interviews with Bryan police officer Kelley McKethan covering department events and public safety topics.
4/10, 4/21, and 5/8/2015	5 p.m. News Hour	5:15 or 5:40 p.m.	~4:30	Interview with College Station police Lt. Chuck Fleeger covering department events and public safety topics.
4/9 4/23, 5/14, 5/23, and 6/25/2015	5 p.m. News Hour	5:15 or 5:40 p.m.	~5:00	Interviews with Bryan deputy fire marshal William Bouse updating cases and sharing fire safety information.



### **(10) National political updates from Congressman Bill Flores (R-Bryan)**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/1, 4/8, 4/16, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3, 6/17, and 6/24/2015	Infomaniacs	7:40 a.m.	~7:00	Live interviews with the latest information on issues from Capitol Hill.

### **(11) Texas Legislature updates from those representing Brazos County**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/2, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 5/1, 5/7, 5/14, 5/21, and 5/29/2015.	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	~5:00	Interviews with District 5 senator Charles Schwertner.
4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 5/1, 5/8, 5/22, and 6/5//2015.	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	~5:00	Interviews with House District 12 representative Kyle Kacal.
4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27, and 6/3/2015.	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	~5:00	Interviews with House District 14 representative John Raney.

### **(12) College Station city updates from elected officials**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/15, 4/29, 6/10, and 6/24/2015	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	~5:00	Interviews with Mayor Nancy Berry.
4/17/2015	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	17:26	Interview with Councilman John Nichols
5/22/2015	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	18:00	Interview with Councilwoman James Benham.
6/19/2015	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	18:41	Interview with Councilwoman Blanche Brick.

### **(13) Bryan city updates from elected officials**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>	<b>Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):</b>
4/8, 4/22, 5/6, 5/20, and 6/17/2015	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	~5:00	Interviews with Mayor Jason Bienski.
5/21/2015	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	12:02	Interview with Councilman Chuck Konderla.
5/27/2015	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	14:02	Interview with Councilman Mike Southerland.
6/3/2015	Infomaniacs	8:20 a.m.	7:52	Interview with Councilman Art Hughes.