

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

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/6/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:56	Texas A&M receives World War One service flags from the state historical museum in Austin.
4/11/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:11	Dean of Texas A&M Mays Business School comments about a new \$25 million dollar gift from school founders Lowry and Peggy Mays.
4/17/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:26	Texas A&M System announces a third contract with a cell phone provider, T-Mobile, allowing customers to access wireless services inside Kyle Field.
4/27/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:30	At the request of the Texas A&M system chancellor, the chairman of the board of regents removes from the board meeting agenda consider of the chancellor's contract extension.
4/28/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:37	Texas A&M system board of regents approves the construction of a new \$70 million dollar Texas Transportation Institute headquarters building.
5/3/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:07	Texas Transportation Institute and TxDOT are conducting a public survey about the future reconstruction of the intersection of George Bush Drive and Wellborn Road next to Olsen Field and near Kyle Field.
5/8/2017	WTAW News	6:05 a.m.	:15	The Texas Senate approves the governor's choices for two reappointments and one new appointment to the Texas A&M system board of regents.
5/24/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:18	Bryan and College Station city councils are asked to support a Texas A&M application for a \$20 million dollar grant application to study 5-G wireless service.
5/26/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:20	Texas A&M announces the creation of a new vice president of enrollment and academic services.
6/1/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:40	Texas A&M Health Science Center enters resident physician agreement with Ft. Hood's Army Medical Center.
6/5/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:52	Texas A&M police announce the activation of its first ever K-9 unit.
6/12/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:51	Texas A&M system officials hold the ceremonial topping of the A&M campus \$143 million dollar hotel and conference center north of Kyle Field.

6/13/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:58	Texas A&M system reports the next state budget gives more money for Texas A&M University, the A&M Health Science Center, and three of the system's seven state agencies.
6/16/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:27	Groundbreaking of the Texas A&M Transportation Institute's \$70 million dollar headquarters building.
6/19/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:07	Texas A&M system taking requests from those interested in building an operating a multi-generational facility taking care of pre-school students and retirees.
6/20/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:17	Texas A&M University announces a new provost and executive vice president.
6/21/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:58	Texas A&M system chancellor announces taking requests from those interested in building and operating a data center for private companies on the RELLIS campus.
6/29/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:29	Groundbreaking is held on the new general aviation terminal at Easterwood Airport, which is owned by the Texas A&M system.

(2) Movement to Increase Workforce Training opportunities in Brazos County

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/19/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:18	Research Valley Partnership postpones its submission of petition signatures calling for an election to establish a Brazos County community college focused on workforce training, and a Brazos County commissioner announces her opposition to the petition drive.
4/20/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:21	Blinn College trustees are told new workforce training programs at the Texas A&M System's RELLIS campus will start in June.
4/25/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:20	The Texas Workforce Commission announces Blinn College receiving grants for training new plumbers and carpenters at the Texas A&M System's RELLIS campus.
4/26/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:03	Research Valley Partnership submits more than 10,000 petition signatures calling for an election to establish a Brazos County community college focused on workforce training.
5/10/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:07	The Brazos County elections administrator announced the Research Valley Partnership's petition drive fell 399 signatures short of having an election to consider establishing a new community college focusing on workforce training.

(3) Issues involving Blinn College Brazos County campuses

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/3/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:30	Groundbreaking on Blinn College's \$34 million dollar building at the Texas A&M system's RELLIS campus.
4/18/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:10	Blinn College trustees consider a 250 page concealed weapon policy that starts August 1.
4/20/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:11	Blinn College trustees approve a second phase of a beautification plan for the Bryan campus.
5/31/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:31	Announcement of the death of Dr. Barbara Pearson, who led the Blinn College Bryan campus for 21 years.
6/20/2017	WTAW News	8:30 a.m.	:21	Preview of Blinn College trustees action to spend \$242,000 on maintenance items on the Bryan campus and seek bids on \$6 million of items at the new RELLIS campus.
6/22/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:43	Blinn College trustees change the name of the school's top administrator from president to chancellor.

(4) Business and Economic Development news in Bryan and College Station

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/6/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:25	The closure of more than 400 Payless Shoe Source stores does not include locations in Bryan or College Station.
4/7/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:33	The company that owns Stripes convenience stores, including six in Bryan/College Station, announces a sale to 7-11 Corporation.
4/12/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:45	Officials with the Bryan/College Station Convention and Visitors Bureau changes its name to Experience B/CS and announces changes involving its marketing and internal organization.
4/17/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:36	Union Pacific Railroad announces local projects and no date has been set for the construction of a \$200 million dollar railyard north of Bryan that was unveiled five years ago.
4/28/2017	WTAW News	8:30 a.m.	:43	Ribbon cutting to open the expanded FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies plant, which the College Station mayor says will add 250 jobs.
5/9/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:20	The new owner of Gander Mountain announces the College Station store will remain open.
6/8/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:03	The new president of Blue Bell Creameries, the first not to be a member of the Kruse family, is the guest speaker at the Bryan/College Station chamber of commerce Leadership Brazos alumni luncheon.

6/12/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:23	The mayors of College Station and Bryan announce the possibility of stopping city hotel occupancy tax revenue to the agency formerly called the Convention and Visitors Bureau, and reaction from the board chairman of Experience B-C-S.
6/15/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:47	24 th Bryan Rotary 10 business performance awards luncheon is held. Featured speaker was a member of the governor's office of economic development and tourism.
6/20/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:25	Bryan city council is notified of a new townhome development on Red River Drive near Villa Maria and a new convenience store at 29 th and Villa Maria.
6/30/2017	WTAW News	5:06 p.m.	1:47	The board governing the agency formerly known as the Convention and Visitors Bureau agrees to draft new bylaws in order to continue receiving hotel occupancy tax money from the cities of College Station and Bryan.

(5) Capital Improvement Projects in the Bryan and College Station School Districts

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/20/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:20	The Bryan school board approve a \$2.2 million dollar contract to renovate the technology services building.
5/16/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:47	Bryan school board approves the \$1 million dollar installation of artificial turf and related improvements at the Stephen F. Austin football field, with savings from other projects approved in a 2014 bond issue.
6/22/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:50	Bryan school board awards a \$3 million dollar contract to expand Rudder High School.
6/26/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:28	College Station school board awards a nearly \$2 million dollar contract to convert the district's former purchasing building into new technology offices.

(6) College Station school board considering new campus attendance zone boundaries

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
5/23/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:09	College Station school board holds fourth meeting on developing a policy on how campus attendance zones will be changed in the future.
6/23/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:01	College Station school board plans to take final action in July after holding its fifth meeting on developing a policy on how campus attendance zones will be changed in the future.

(7) Transition of Bryan ISD Superintendent position

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/4/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:02	Bryan school board approves hiring of Christie Whitbeck as superintendent and hosts a public reception.
4/10/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:60	Bryan school board president recaps extra work by central office administrators while the superintendent's search was taking place.
6/14/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:27	KBTX reports former Bryan school superintendent Tommy Wallis was forced to resign following 14 allegations from former co-workers accusing Wallis of immoral conduct, arrogant disregard of district policies, and inappropriate use of taxpayer dollars.
6/20/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:06	Bryan school board met behind closed doors for three hours with their lawyer, possibly to discuss its voluntary separation agreement and lawsuit filed by former superintendent Tommy Wallis.
6/27/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:46	Bryan school board votes to hire outside legal assistance in the lawsuit and a contempt of court motion filed against the district by former superintendent Tommy Wallis.
6/29/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:39	After the first day of testimony in a contempt of court hearing, the source is not revealed of leaked documents about the job performance of former Bryan school superintendent Tommy Wallis.
6/30/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:51	A judge denies a contempt of court motion sought by former Bryan school superintendent Tommy Wallis against individuals but has taken under advisement whether to cite the district for not protecting court-protected documents that were leaked...of which the source of the leak was not identified during a two day hearing.

(8) Regulating new "stealth dorms" and other high density housing in residential neighborhoods

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/12/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:31	Bryan city council agrees to consider new regulations on the location of "stealth dorms" and related new residential structures holding more than two unrelated occupants.
4/13/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:50	The College Station mayor announces plans to build high density housing in an established residential neighborhood has been withdrawn, following opposition by area homeowners.

4/14/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:59	Members of the College Woodlands Neighborhood Association ask the College Station city council to close a loophole in development regulations that could allow the construction of high density housing in protected single family home neighborhoods.
4/26/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:60	Preview of a city of Bryan public hearing to gather information about new regulations on the construction of "stealth dorms" in neighborhoods of single family homes.
5/15/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:06	College Station city council closes a loophole in development regulations sought by the College Woodlands Neighborhood Association that had allowed the construction of high density housing in protected single family home neighborhoods.
5/17/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:39	Bryan city council directed the planning and zoning commission to look at changing regulations to close loopholes on the construction of high density housing in protected single family home neighborhoods.
6/9/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:11	Homeowners in College Station's Southside neighborhood asks the city council for regulations to stop the construction of high density housing.

(9) Public Safety

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
6/7/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:47	A Bryan policeman who resigned in May is arrested six weeks later on a charge of making an invasive video without the victim's permission.
5/3, 5/23, and 6/28/2017	5 p.m. News Hour	5:15 or 5:40 p.m.	~5:00	Interviews with Bryan police officers covering department events and public safety topics.
4/13, 5/11, and 6/8/2017	5 p.m. News Hour	5:15 p.m.	~8:00	Interviews with Bryan deputy fire marshal William Bouse updating cases and sharing fire safety information.

(10) Local political activity

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/20/2017	6:30-8 p.m.	Live broadcast of Congressman Bill Flores multimedia town hall meeting, moderated by WTAW's Scott Delucia.		
5/9/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:34	Bryan citizens committee called "Bryan New Directions" organizes a petition campaign for potential changes to the city charter in this November's election.
5/17/2017	WTAW News	6:05 a.m.	1:18	Bryan city council establishes a charter review committee, which follows the start of a community petition campaign calling for ten proposed changes to the charter.

6/19/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:33	City of College Station announces workshops for those interested in running for city council in this November's election.
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(11) National political updates from Congressman Bill Flores (R-Bryan)

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4/5, 4/12, 4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 6/7, 6/15, 6/21, and 6/28/2017	Infomaniacs	7:40 a.m.	~7:00	Live interviews with the latest information on Congressional and national politics.

(12) State government updates

6/9/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	19:06	Live interview with Texas Governor Greg Abbott.
4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25, 5/3, 5/9, and 5/16/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~7:00	Live interviews during the Texas legislative session with Brazos County state senator Charles Schwertner.
4/5, 4/12, 4/19, 4/26, 5/4, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, and 6/1/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~7:00	Live interviews during the Texas legislative session with Brazos County state representative John Raney.
4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/28, 5/5, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25, and 6/2/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~7:00	Live interviews during the Texas legislative session with Brazos County state representative Kyle Kacal.

(13) College Station city updates from elected officials

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/12, 4/26, 5/10, 5/24, and 6/7/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~7:00	Interviews with Mayor Karl Mooney.
4/21/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	9:12	Interview with Councilwoman Linda Harvell.
5/19/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	13:39	Interview with Councilman Barry Moore.
6/16/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	15:48	Interview with Councilman Jerome Rektorik.

(14) Bryan city updates from elected officials

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
4/5, 4/19, 5/17, 5/31, and 6/14/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~10:00	Interviews with Mayor Andrew Nelson.
5/3/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	11:09	Interview with Councilman Greg Owens.
5/22/2017	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	13:22	Interview with Councilman Mike Southerland.

(15) Activities of United Way of the Brazos Valley

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
6/20/2017	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:49	United Way of the Brazos Valley community campaign falls \$175,000 short of its goal, but agencies will be fully funded after one program is dropped.
4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19, and 6/26/2017	5 p.m. News Hour	5:15 or 5:40 p.m.	~7:00	Interviews with staff and agency representatives for United Way of the Brazos Valley, which covers Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Robertson and Washington counties. Topics are related to the 2016-17 community campaign and agency programs.