

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):
1/4/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:46	College Station's mayor says a 2013 agreement with Texas A&M diverting hotel occupancy tax money to help pay for the Kyle Field expansion will be reviewed sometime this year.
1/19/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:03	Progress report on the Texas A&M system's new RELLIS campus from the campus director includes the topping out ceremony of the new Texas Transportation Institute headquarters, the upcoming opening of the Center for Infrastructure Renewal, and the upcoming groundbreaking of the system's academic building.
1/23/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:52	Members of the Texas A&M Faculty Senate are opposed to a board of regents proposal eliminating the ability of faculty from blocking a recommendation to hire deans and other academic officials.
2/2/2018	WTAW News	5:06 p.m.	:27	The Texas A&M system announces the hiring of College Station city manager Kelly Templin to direct the system's new RELLIS campus.
2/9/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:59	Texas A&M system board of regents end the policy of allowing faculty blocking recommendations to hire deans and other academic officials, over the objection of the Texas A&M Faculty Senate.
2/21/2018	WTAW News	12:03 p.m.	:11	Spring enrollment has set another record at all Texas A&M university campuses, including the flagship location in College Station.
2/22/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:03	Texas A&M students, alumni, and employees are invited to share their college stories with the Library of Congress StoryCorps project.
2/28/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:58	Texas A&M posts a tweet following the mass shooting at a high school in Florida that prospective students who exercise free speech rights are not in jeopardy of not being admitted unless they break the law.
3/2/2018	WTAW News	7:30 a.m.	:21	Texas A&M system holds groundbreaking of its first academic building at its new RELLIS campus.
3/8/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:08	Texas A&M president Michael Young tells the Faculty Senate there is 45,000 applications for about 11,000 freshman openings.

3/9/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:53	Texas A&M system board of regents approves building a branch campus of the A&M veterinary school on the campus of West Texas A&M in Canyon.
3/14/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:46	There is an estimated \$500,000 dollar economic impact by hosting the NCAA women's basketball first and second round tournament games at Texas A&M, according to an assistant athletics director.

(2) Issues involving Blinn College Brazos County campuses

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/3/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:50	Brazos County commissioners select Jason Jennings to fill a vacancy on the Blinn College board of trustees.
1/11/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:16	Blinn College reports another record enrollment for the minimester period between the fall and spring semesters.
3/12/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:56	Blinn College's police chief says they are in compliance with the Governor's campus safety requirements.
3/21/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:41	Blinn College trustees name the schools academic building on the Texas A&M system's RELLIS campus for former administrator and Brenham community leader Walter Schwartz, whose son Charles chairs the system's board of regents.
3/21/2018	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:04	Blinn College trustees approve a combined increase of tuition and fees for the 2018-19 academic year of \$6.00 a credit hour for most students.
3/27/2018	WTAW News	5:06 p.m.	:18	Blinn College names its first dean of the school's new RELLIS campus.

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

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/6/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:48	The city of Bryan's development manager reports a record number of single family home permits were issued in 2017.
1/14/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:40	Advanta Seeds announces the opening of a research and development facility on the Texas A&M campus.

1/25/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:04	A record crowd at the Bryan/College Station chamber of commerce economic outlook conference heard about the continued strong local economy, but with warnings about the lack of affordable housing and how technology continues to replace workers doing repetitive tasks and earning less than \$40,000 dollars a year.
1/30/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:01	Construction starts on Union Pacific's \$200 million dollar railyard between Bryan and Hearne, more than five years after the project was first announced.
2/12/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:31	Two promotions at The Eagle follows the departure of Kelly Brown after eight years as editor and 21 years at the newspaper.
2/28/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:40	The Bryan/College Station chamber of commerce holds its annual community impact awards luncheon, recognizing minority owned local businesses.
3/29/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:47	The owners of four Bryan/College Station businesses tell U.S. Senator John Cornyn the benefits of federal tax reform.

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

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
2/7/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:31	The Bryan school board is asked to shift spending money from the 2014 bond issue to renovate and expand the M.C. Harris alternative school.
2/7/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:40	The College Station school board awards contracts to add flexible learning spaces at the district's two oldest intermediate schools and add a fire sprinkler system at the district's last campus without one. These are projects associated with the district's 2015 bond issue.
2/22/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:35	Bryan school board votes to change the location of new paved parking at Rudder High School, which is part of the 2014 bond issue.
3/2/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:40	The College Station school board learns that the new Wellborn Middle School will open for classes as originally scheduled this fall only after receiving special permission from the city to allow moving in furnishings before construction is officially completed.
3/6/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:01	The Bryan school board decides to move the district's special education department to the administration building, once those offices are moved to the former Stephen F. Austin building, which is part of the district's 2014 bond issue.

3/20/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:01	The College Station school district is paying the city of College Station an additional \$95,000 as its share of the \$12 million dollar cost of widening streets around the district's new River Bend elementary school.
3/23/2018	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:00	The Bryan school board the designs of expansions and renovations funded by the district's 2014 bond issue at Collegiate High School, M.C. Harris alternative school, and the Hammond-Oliver annex.

(5) College Station school board unexpectedly changing high school attendance zone boundaries

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/26/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:27	The College Station school board discusses for the first time, capacity at College Station High School is more than 110 percent of capacity while capacity at Consolidated High School is under 80 percent of capacity.
2/21/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	1:07	The College Station school board votes to change high school attendance boundaries after capacity at College Station HS is more than 110 percent of capacity, capacity at Consolidated HS is under 80 percent of capacity, and there is more than a 12 percent gap in the percentage of low income students between the two campuses.
3/22/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:29	The College Station school board decides on the dates and times of workshops and a public hearing on changing high school attendance boundaries.
3/29/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:41	College Station school district administrators give the school board four options to change boundaries of College Station and Consolidated High Schools in order to balance the capacity and better equalize the percentage of low income students on the two campuses.

(6) Bryan Independent School District Transportation Issues

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/6/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:50	Bryan bus drivers test new routes during winter vacation to prepare for the start of the second semester, following problems in the first semester that led to the resignation of the district's transportation director and hiring an outside consultant to resolve issues.
2/20/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:48	The Bryan school board hires a new transportation director following the resignation of the prior director who was under fire following problems with a new system of busing students.

(7) Public Safety

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/12/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:40	The College Station city council revises the exterior design of the new police department building and decides to hire a construction manager at risk to reduce the cost of the over-budget project.
2/9/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:38	Bryan firefighters extinguish two house fires that were caused by the misuse of space heaters.
3/23/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:35	At the request of the police and fire departments, the College Station city council approves shutting down businesses up to 24 hours for violating safety codes, targeting Northgate district bars that are regularly overcrowded.
3/28/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:38	The city of Bryan's fire and public works departments and Brazos County 9-1-1 are thanked as the city receives the best fire insurance protection rating in the country.

(8) Local political activity

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/4/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:49	Brazos County commissioners set dates, times, and locations for early voting for the March 6 primary, which includes new locations but keeping times as recommended by the elections administration office.
1/8/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:58	Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Beto O'Rourke makes a campaign visit in Bryan.
2/18/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:45	The Texas Department of Transportation's Bryan district office reports removing political signs placed on highway right of way.
2/19/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:28	Governor Abbott sets a May 5 th special election to fill the unexpired term of district 13 state representative, which includes Burleson, Washington, and Grimes counties.
2/20/2018	WTAW News	6:06 a.m.	:49	First day of early voting for more than 105,000 registered voters in Brazos County for the March 6 th primary election.
2/21/2018	LIVE BROADCAST ON WTAW 6-8 P.M. of the Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce candidate's forum. The forum featured candidates for Brazos County commission precinct 4, state representative districts 12 and 14, and state senate district 5.			
3/6/2018	THREE TIMES PER HOUR REPORTS ON WTAW BETWEEN 7 P.M. AND MIDNIGHT of primary election results and interviews with winners and candidates who moved on to May runoff elections for Brazos County Republican Party chairman, Brazos County commission precinct 4, Brazos County Justice of the Peace in precincts 1, 2, and 4, and state representative district 14.			

(9) National political updates from Congressman Bill Flores (R-Bryan)

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1/10, 1/17, 1/24, 2/1, 2/7, 2/14, 2/28, 3/7, 3/15, 3/21, and 3/28/2018	Infomaniacs	7:40 a.m.	~7:00	Live interviews with the latest information on issues from Capitol Hill.

(10) College Station city updates from elected officials

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/19/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	9:59	Interview with Councilwoman Bob Brick.
1/22/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	10:04	Interview with Councilwoman Linda Harvell.
2/16/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	9:45	Interview with Councilman Barry Moore.
3/16/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	11:50	Interview with Councilman John Nichols.
1/3, 1/31, 2/14, 2/28, 3/14, and 3/28/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~10:00	Interviews with Mayor Karl Mooney.

(11) Bryan city updates from elected officials

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1/10, 1/24, 2/21, and 3/7/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~10:00	Interviews with Mayor Andrew Nelson.
1/25/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	7:42	Interview with Councilman Prentiss Madison.
2/15/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	9:40	Interview with Councilman Reuben Marin.
3/1/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	8:12	Interview with Councilman Mike Southerland.
3/29/2018	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	6:07	Interviews with Councilman Greg Owens.

(12) Activities of United Way of the Brazos Valley

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, and 3/26/2018	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.