

Quarterly Issues and Program List

WTAJ-TV

1Q – January – March 2021

Pursuant to the disclosure requirements in 47 C.F. R. 73.3526(11)(i), and during the quarter referenced above, this station provided information to its viewers regarding the following significant issues, including:

Politics

Health/Healthcare

Crime/Law Enforcement

Economy

Community

Safety

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<u>Programs</u>						
Channel	Issue	Time	Date	Duration	Title of Program	Narrative Description
24.1	Crime / Law Enforcement	6:00pm	1/5/2021	80 Seconds	WTAJ News at 6:00 PM	A Walmart tractor trailer was involved with a hit and run of a house. Homeowners and neighbors along West Hannah Street in Houtzdale state this isn't the first time an incident like this has occurred. Residents heard an amazing crash along with broken glass while feeling the house shake. They ran outside in time to see the truck driving off. Speeding has been a bigger issue along this road. Police are working with Walmart to determine who may have been driving, as well as asking the community for assistance.
24.1	Community	6:00am	1/11/2021	100 Seconds	WTAJ News at 6:00 AM	PA Farm Show kicked off under the theme "Cultivating Tomorrow", although events this year look quite different. Normally half a million people come to Harrisburg, this year the farm show is available wherever attendees are. There are more than 200 virtual exhibits with live videos every day on the farm show's social media page and vendor websites.
24.1	Health/ Healthcare	5:00pm	1/21/2021	130 Seconds	WTAJ News at 5:00 PM	A Boalsburg pharmacy has run out of COVID vaccine amidst expansion of the eligibility requirements yet not the supply. The pharmacy has received over 1500 calls to the point they had to refer people to the website for the waiting list. The changes have pushed some that were to be first in line for the vaccine even further back on the list. A local fire director states that he's concerned the planning was not properly thought through, as his station is still awaiting the vaccine as well as answers. Police are in the same scenario.

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24.1	Politics	6:30am	1/8/2021	90 Seconds	WTAJ News at 6:00 AM	A sexual assault victim and others are fighting for PA to join 15 states which now have some form of Marsy's Law. The law would give victims the right to be informed of developments in their case, to be present during court proceedings, and the right to be notified if a perpetrator is released from prison. Marsy's Law appeared on PA ballots in 2019 where 70% of Pennsylvanians voted in favor. However, PA American Civil Liberties Union opposed the law, claiming it contradicts the bill of rights by not protecting those being accused.
24.1	Safety	5:00pm	1/13/2021	120 Seconds	WTAJ News at 5:00 PM	A DuBois assistant fire chief has moved into the role of chief and he's bringing new safety centric ideas to the city council. He would like an ordinance implemented for "Knox Boxes". The boxes would be located outside of commercial and multi-tenant apartment buildings, allowing firefighters to gain access into structures faster during off hours or when no one is home. The box key would be with the chief alone.
24.1	Economy	6:00pm	1/15/2021	75 Seconds	WTAJ News at 6:00 PM	The Patton Township Planning Committee states a new Equine Animal Hospital will be a huge benefit for Patton as well as the surrounding State College Community. Dr. Radtke is fulfilling her dream to provide more extensive surgeries as an Equine surgeon. Also, this will attract those outside the community by way of increased local economic input, and jobs to build and run the center.
24.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	6:00am	2/8/2021	140 Seconds	WTAJ News at 6:00AM	A Cambria County native and law enforcement officer is being remembered as dedicated and passionate after being killed Thursday. It was his second day on the job as a school resource officer in Texas. Matt Krupa was 27 years old and left behind a wife and daughter. A Nanty Glo native, Matt served in PA and TX for 5 years. His family has set up a go-fund me for his 10-month-old daughter as his main wish in life was for her to have an education.

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24.1	Community	11:00pm	2/15/2021	85 Seconds	WTAJ News at 11:00PM	The community is rushing to aid the 300 families of workers who will lose their jobs after the closure of the Appvion Paper Mill in Roaring Spring. One community member began a Facebook page to start a food drive and fundraising, and a local church is holding a special community night for those affected by the closure. Once needs start being recognized, they hope to do what they can as well.
24.1	Health/ Healthcare	6:00pm	2/17/2021	95 Seconds	WTAJ News at 6:00PM	Acting health secretary confirmed that about 200,000 doses of the Moderna vaccine that were meant to be given as second doses were administered as first doses. About 30k-60k people who've received their first dose may now have to wait longer for their second shot and up to 55k people will also have to reschedule their first. Providers will notify patients if the 2 nd dose has been pushed back.
24.1	Politics	11:00pm	2/1/2021	120 Seconds	WTAJ News at 11:00PM	A clerical error has blocked the path to passage of an amendment that would grant victims of childhood sexual abuse two additional years after the statute of limitations on the crime has expired. Just days before it was to pass, the governor announced it couldn't pass at all due to the error. Under state constitution, a proposed amendment must be advertised in two newspapers in every county 3 months before the next general election. The secretary of state handed in her resignation after failing to do this task.
24.1	Safety	5:00pm	2/1/2021	95 Seconds	WTAJ News at 5:00PM	While PennDOT and local communities are gearing up for a snowstorm, safety reminders are the focus. PennDOT encourages community members to stay home if travel isn't necessary and to remove snow from vehicles. Altoona Public Works director asks drivers to be aware when parking along the street to help plow trucks get through and to clear out fire hydrants for first responders.

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24.1	Economy	5:30pm	2/16/2021	105 Seconds	WTAJ News at 5:00PM	PA economy is estimated \$600 million ahead of projections as there's been an economic bounce back throughout the fall. However, budget proposals highlight the economy is still not where it needs to be and focus on income tax raises for higher earners, tax breaks for middle class, and minimum wage increase proposals. The state minimum wage has not increased in over 12 years. The current debate of opposing sides is whether the budget belt requires tightening or if the wage increase will bolster the economy through increased spending.
24.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	5:00pm	3/5/2021	120 Seconds	WTAJ News at 5:00PM	A Cambria county cab driver is lucky to be alive after a gun used to rob him had misfired twice. Two teens have been arrested after their cell phone was traced to the home in which evidence was found. The gun misfired due to black paint used by the teens. They had robbed the taxi driver of \$52. Residents are questioning community safety in a once quiet neighborhood.
24.1	Community	5:00pm	3/22/2021	95 Seconds	WTAJ News at 5:00PM	The Clearfield County Fair and Clearfield Borough plan for this year's events to pick up full swing amidst lifted Covid restrictions. Vendors are planning to be spaced further apart and masks wearing will be required. The executive director for the fair looks forward to attracting an expanded audience and the borough feels the community is ready to experience festivals and fairs once again.
24.1	Health/ Healthcare	6:00pm	3/16/2021	135 Seconds	WTAJ News at 6:00PM	UPMC states they've noticed patients putting off visits to the doctor during the pandemic, causing other serious illnesses to develop. People are urged not to delay their healthcare and to reach out if symptoms develop or worsen. A new infusion treatment called Monoclonal Antibody is an option to help treat those in the early stages of Covid.

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24.1	Politics	6:00pm	3/3/2021	145 Seconds	WTAJ News at 6:00PM	<p>Congressman Dwight Evans and Senator Bob Casey introduced The Resources for Victims of Gun Violence Act. The core of the bill will create an inter-agency council consisting of experts from federal agencies, victims of gun violence, and victim assistance professional. The idea is to ensure people are actively stepping in and helping the victims and families of victims, whether financially, legally, or just needing help mentally or emotionally.</p>
24.1	Safety	5:00pm	3/10/2021	160 Seconds	WTAJ News at 5:00PM	<p>The Huntingdon School District was prompted to pull elementary school laptops and tablets from students after two incidents of inappropriate material being accessible by students. A pornographic site was accessed by a 3rd grader. The IT department is working diligently to ensure dark sites are blocked, and the school has been completely transparent in working to be sure the technology is 100% safe.</p>
24.1	Economy	5:00pm	3/9/2021	120 Seconds	WTAJ News at 5:00PM	<p>There's debate on what's causing an economically painful increase in gasoline prices, but experts say the biggest reason is that supply isn't following demand. OPEC state they are going to keep production steady through April, limiting production to drive up current prices out of precautions that they may see limited demand again amidst new Covid variants. We may see a 20-40 percent increases in prices over summer. Changes to driving habits and shopping for lowest prices is encouraged.</p>

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The station also aired the following public service announcements during the 1st quarter:

Type of Issue	Duration	Title or Narrative
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	Don't Drink/Drive
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	AARP Heroes
Health/Healthcare	30 seconds	American Lung Covid 19
Community	60 seconds	Americorp
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	Pre-Diabetes Test
Community	30 seconds	Rotary People of Action
Community	30 seconds	Rotary This Close Polio
Community	15 seconds	Rotary Power/Connection
Health/Healthcare	30 seconds	Corona Wounded Warrior
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	Cambria Drug Keith
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	Cambria Drug Jorge
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	Cambria Drug Heather
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	CMN Hospitals Andrea
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	CMN Hospitals Josh
Kids/Youth	60 seconds	Discover Nature Kayak
Community	60 seconds	Feeding America
Community	60 seconds	Goodwill How We Do It
Community	30 seconds	Start Up Alleghenies
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	HBP Manage Numbers
Health/Healthcare	60 seconds	Komen Breast Cancer
Community	60 seconds	Make a Wish
Community	60 seconds	Make a Wish Lasso Poem
Health/Healthcare	30 seconds	Autism Awareness
Community	60 seconds	End Hunger
Community	60 seconds	Keep America Beautiful
Community	60 seconds	Shelter Pet
Community	30 seconds	Special Olympics PA Polar
Health/Healthcare	15 seconds	Making Strides Walk