

# **WCTI ISSUES AND CONCERNS**

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## **ABC NEWS PROGRAMS – FIRST QTR 2018**

### **WORLD NEWS NOW**

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 230A – 400A

CO-ANCHORS KENDIS GIBSON AND DIANE MACEDO OFFER UP-TO-DATE NEWS COVERAGE INCLUDING MIXTURE OF LIVE AND TAPED COVERAGE OF DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS ISSUES.

### **AMERICA THIS MORNING**

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 4:00A – 4:30A

KENDIS GIBSON AND DIANE MACEDO CO-ANCHOR THIS MORNING NEWS PROGRAM WHICH PROVIDES VIEWERS WITH LATE-BREAKING NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS, SPORTS, WEATHER AND FINANCIAL REPORTS.

### **GOOD MORNING AMERICA**

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 7A – 9A

GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS, ROBIN ROBERTS AND MICHAEL STRAHAN PROVIDE VIEWERS WITH TIMELY NEWS REPORTS, INFORMATIVE FEATURES, WEATHER AND UP-TO-THE MINUTE INTERVIEWS WITH WORLD LEADERS.

### **THE VIEW**

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 11A – 12P

CREATED IN 1997 BY VETERAN JOURNALIST BARBARA WALTERS, THIS DAYTIME TALK SHOW IS HOSTED BY A PANEL OF WOMEN, EACH OFFERING HER TAKE ON THE DAY'S NEWS. THE LADIES WELCOME VARIOUS CELEBRITIES AND OTHER GUESTS. TOPICS INCLUDE BEAUTY, FASHION, DIET AND RELATIONSHIPS.

### **ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT WITH DAVID MUIR**

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 6:30P – 7P

ANCHOR DAVID MUIR KEEPS VIEWERS INFORMED ABOUT WORLD NEWS EVENTS IN THIS HALF-HOUR NEWS REVIEW.

### **20/20**

FRIDAY, 9:00P – 11:00P

INFORMATIONAL NEWS MAGAZINE COMBINES HARD-HITTING INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS, NEWSMAKER INTERVIEWS, COMPELLING HUMAN INTEREST AND FEATURE STORIES AND OFFERS VIEWERS A CHANCE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WORLD AROUND THEM WITH ABC NEWS CORRESPONDENTS DAVID MUIR AND ELIZABETH VARGAS.

### **NIGHTLINE**

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 12:37A – 1:06:30A UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

JU JU CHANGE, DAN HARRIES AND BYRON PITTS CO-ANCHOR THIS PROGRAM WHICH PROVIDES IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION OF CURRENT EVENTS. AS EVENTS WARRANT, SHOW MAY BE EXPANDED OR CHANGE TIMES.

WORLD NEWS TONIGHT SATURDAY

SATURDAY, 6:30P – 7P

TOM LLAMAS ANCHORS THIS HALF-HOUR NEWS PROGRAM SHOWCASING THE DAY'S EVENTS AROUND THE WORLD AND COUNTRY.

WORLD NEWS TONIGHT SUNDAY

SUNDAY, 6:30P – 7P

THIS HALF-HOUR NEWS PROGRAM REVIEWS THE DAY'S MAJOR EVENTS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY AND THE WORLD ON THE WEEKEND. TOM LLAMAS ANCHORS. ABC SPORTS PROGRAMS MAY NECESSITATE THE PREEMPTION OR RESCHEDULING OF VARIOUS NEWS FEEDS.

THIS WEEK WITH GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS

SUNDAY, 9A – 10A

GEROGE STEPHANOPOULOS AND MARTHA RADDATZ CO-ANCHOR THIS NEWS/INTERVIEW PROGRAM WHICH FOCUSES ON THE LATEST NEWS EVENTS FEATURING WORLD LEADERS AND POLICY MAKERS PARTICIPATING IN ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS. ABC SPORTS PROGRAMS MAY NECESSITATE THE PREEMPTION OR RESCHEDULING OF VARIOUS NEWS FEEDS.

JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 11:35P – 12:37A

EMMY-WINNING FUNNYMAN JIMMY KIMMEL SERVES UP LATE NIGHT COMEDY BITS AND WELCOMES COMEDIANS, CELEBRITIES, ATHLETES, MUSICIANS AND MORE WITH UNUSUAL OR COMPELLING PERSONAL STORIES.

AMERICAN IDOL

MONDAY AND SUNDAY, 8P – 10P

RYAN SEACREST RETURNS TO HOST THE GROUNDBREAKING SINGING REALITY COMPETITION THAT HAS LAUNCHED THE CAREERS OF SUPERSTARS LIKE KELLY CLARKSON, CARRIE UNDERWOOD AND JENNIFER HUDSON.

## LOCAL AND SYNDICATED PROGRAMMING

### ACCESS

MONDAY THRU SATURDAY, 1A – 136A

ANCHORS FOCUS ON CELEBRITY ENTERTAINMENT PROJECTS POPULAR IN THE NEWS MAGAZINE AND ENTERTAINMENT GENRES.

### NEWSCHANNEL 12 THIS MORNING

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 4:30A – 7A

LAUREN ARNOTT HOSTS ALONG WITH METEOROLOGIST LES STILL. REPORTER DAISHA JONES PROVIDES BREAKING NEWS HEADLINES AND TRAVEL REPORTS AT THE LIVE CENTER. REPORTER KATE HUSSEY REPORTS LIVE FROM THE FIELD. THIS SHOW PROVIDES 120 MINUTES OF OVERNIGHT LOCAL AND NATIONAL NEWS, SPORTS, WEATHER, FINANCIAL AND AGRI-BUSINESS UPDATES, AS WELL AS REGIONAL FEATURE REPORTS ABOUT THE PEOPLE, PLACES AND EVENTS OF INTEREST.

### LIVE WITH KELLY AND RYAN

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 9A – 10A

KELLY RIPA AND RYAN SEACREST DISCUSS WHAT'S GOING ON IN THEIR LIVES AND IN POP CULTURE. GUESTS JOIN IN ON THE CONVERSATION, ENJOY MUSICAL GUEST PERFORMANCES AND GET THE CHANCE TO WIN PRIZES FOR ANSWERING TRIVIA QUESTIONS.

### THE DOCTORS

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 10A – 11A

THIS EMMY-AWARD WINNING SHOW RETURNS AS THE MOST TIMELY, TOPICAL AND PRACTICAL HEALTH, WELLNESS AND LIFESTYLE INFORMATION SHOW ON DAYTIME TELEVISION. ANCHORED BY ER PHYSICIAN DR. TRAVIS STORK AND PLASTIC AND RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGEON DR. ANDREW ORDON, SPECIALISTS FROM ACROSS THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS SPECTRUM WILL JOIN THEM TO SHARE REAL LIFE STORIES, ANSWERS, INTERVENTIONS AND CARE. FOLLOW-UP STORIES WITH GUESTS FROM PREVIOUS SEASONS OFTEN AIR TO UPDATE VIEWERS ON THEIR PROGRESS.

### NEWSCHANNEL 12 AT NOON

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 12P – 12:30P

ANCHOR LAUREN ARNOTT AND METEOROLOGIST LES STILL PROVIDE CURRENT NEWS, WEATHER AND SPORTS.

### INSIDE EDITION

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 12:30P – 1P

THIS SHOW INCLUDES INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS, INTERVIEWS WITH NEWSMAKERS, HUMAN INTEREST STORIES AND CELEBRITY AND POP-CULTURE FEATURES.

### NEWSCHANNEL 12 AT 5

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 5P – 5:30P

ANCHORS WES GOFORTH AND VALENTINA WILSON OFFER HEADLINES OF THE DAY AND ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WITH CHIEF METEOROLOGIST DONNIE COX. VIEWERS GET THE DAY'S TOP LOCAL, NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS.

NEWSCHANNEL 12 AT 5:30

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 5:30P – 6P

ANCHOR BRIAN NORTH ANCHORS THIS ADDITIONAL 30 MINUTE NEWSCAST PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRING MORE IN-DEPTH STORIES AND ADDITIONAL HEADLINES TO VIEWERS ALONG WITH DAILY WEATHER FORECASTS WITH CHIEF METEOROLOGIST DONNIE COX.

NEWSCHANNEL 12 AT 6

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 6P – 6:30P

ANCHORS WES GOFORTH AND VALENTINA WILSON CO-ANCHOR THIS SHOW BRINGING VIEWERS THE LATEST-BREAKING NEWS, SPORTS AND WEATHER, HEADED BY CHIEF METEOROLOGIST DONNIE COX.

NEWSCHANNEL 12 AT 11

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 11P – 11:35P

ANCHORS WES GOFORTH AND VALENTINA WILSON LEAD THE NEWS TEAM IN PRESENTING VIEWERS WITH THE LATEST UPDATES OF THE DAY'S NEWS EVENTS. METEOROLOGIST DONNIE COX RE-CAPS THE DAY'S WEATHER AND PRESENTS THE OUTLOOK FOR THE MORNING.

GOOD MORNING EASTERN CAROLINA WEEKEND

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, 7A – 8A

ANCHOR MOLLY LEVINE ANCHORS EVERY WEEKEND TO BRING VIEWERS UP TO DATE ON THE LATEST NEWS AND UPCOMING WEEKEND EVENTS. METEOROLOGIST ASHLEY PRATT SHOWCASES WHAT THE WEATHER HOLDS IN STORE FOR THE WEEKEND.

NEWSCHANNEL 12 AT 6 AND 11 WEEKEND EDITIONS

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, 6P AND 11P

NATE BELT ANCHORS THIS WEEKEND EDITION PROVIDING UPDATES ON LOCAL WEEKEND NEWS IN THE AREA. METEOROLOGIST SHANE HINTON PROVIDES THE WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR PLANNING OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AND WEEKEND SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS.

NEWSCHANNEL 12 NEWS BRIEFS

VARIOUS TIMES MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

MORNING FIVE-MINUTE UPDATES WITH WEATHER FORECASTS FOR THE DAY AND WEEK AHEAD PLUS IMPORTANT NEWS HEADLINES ARE PRODUCED ON THE SET DURING CUT-AWAY FROM GOOD MORNING AMERICA. AFTERNOON NEWS TEASE IS RECORDED AND AIRED SHORTLY BEFORE THE 5PM NEWSCAST. EVENING NEWS TEASE IS RECORDED AND INSERTED INTO ABC PRIME.

TV 12 WEBSITE

WCTI NEWSCHANNEL 12'S WEBSITE OFFERS COMPLETE INFORMATION ABOUT THE STATION AND ITS PEOPLE, DEPARTMENTS AND SERVICES. VIEWERS CAN ACCESS ALL LOCAL, NATIONAL, WORLD AND FEATURE STORIES THROUGH THE WEBSITE AND ITS VERY ACTIVE SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS. THE WEBSITE CAN BE ACCESSED AT <http://www.wcti12.com/>.

## **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING**

The following program is not broadcast within the core programming time period, and is not considered as part of WCTI's children's core programming. However, because of the content and educational purpose of the program, we submit it as part of this report as well as the quarterly FCC 398 filing to show good intent.

TELESTORY TIME

SATURDAY, 6A – 6:30A

HOSTED BY RETIRED LOCAL HEAD LIBRARIAN ELINOR HAWKINS, THE PROGRAM IS SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR CHILDREN 2-11 YEARS OF AGE. MISS ELINOR READS SEVERAL STORY BOOKS EACH WEEK THAT PRESENT BASIC MORAL AND ETHICAL QUALITIES DESIRABLE IN YOUNG CHILDREN. THE PROGRAM IS A LOCAL ENTITY, HAVING BEEN ON THE AIR FOR OVER 50 YEARS, AND SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CHILDREN'S TELEVISION ACT.

THE FOLLOWING PAGES INCLUDE TOPICS AND ISSUES ADDRESSING COMMUNITY CONCERNS THAT WERE BROADCAST BY WCTI ON THE DATES AND TIMES LISTED. ISSUES AIRED BY "NEWSCHANNEL 12 NEWS" WERE INCLUDED IN OUR NEWSCASTS VARIOUS TIMES THROUGH OUT THE DAY ON THE DATE LISTED AND AVERAGED THREE MINUTES IN LENGTH.

ISSUE	ISSUE	PROGRAM	PROGRAM	DATE	DATE	SUBJECT
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	NEWS	10/16		The Town of Cape Fear is pleased to announce... The Craven County Sheriff's Office attempted to stop a Lincoln Navigator on N.C. 55 Highway East near Whitehurst Farm Road in New Bern, N.C. The vehicle was operated by Daryl Antonio Pearson, 43, of Mill Pond Road Bayboro, N.C. who failed to stop. Deputies chased Pearson from Whitehurst Farm Road to Olympia Road in Pamlico County where Pearson fled on foot into the woods. Craven County Sheriff's Office K9 Stihl tracked and assisted in taking Pearson into custody.
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	NEWS	10/24		Wallace PD intercepted an organized retail theft ring after they stole over \$1800 in merchandise from Walmart. In all, 5 people were charged with various felony offenses including Larceny and Fleeing to Elude Arrest. The apparent leader of the group was also wanted in both Pender and New Hanover counties for similar offenses. All property was recovered. Initiative, participants work closely with the school system, the local community college and community partners to address skill needs and gaps.
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	NEWS	11/4		On November 3rd, 2019, Deputies with the Pamlico County Sheriff's Office assisted the North Carolina Probation and Parole Office with a Probation Compliance Check, in the Oriental Community. During the Compliance Check, a Firearm, with the serial number altered/removed was located inside the residence. As a result of the search, Antonio Rashon Quarles, 31, of Oriental was arrested and charged with one count of Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon and one count of Possession of a Firearm with an Altered/ Removed Serial Number.
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	NEWS	11/14		on November 14, 2019, members of Onslow County Sheriff's Office attempted to stop a vehicle on Freedom Way for a non-working headlight. While speaking with the driver, Joey Darden, provided false information to the deputy. The deputy could also smell the strong odor of marijuana coming from inside the car. When the deputy requested the driver to exit the vehicle, the driver fled at a high rate of speed. Darden, who had outstanding warrants for failing to report to his probation officer, was taken into custody and arrested.

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EDUCATION	NEWS	10/17	<p>Leaders at East Carolina University are considering passing along more of the cost to students. Among consideration is a \$75 fee increase. The ECU athletic department has a \$1.2 million deficit that's expected to grow without the student fee increase. Other increase proposals include an \$8 educational technology fee and a student center fee.</p> <p>A forum will be held Tuesday where students can share their input. The fees will be voted on by the ECU Board of Trustees in November. If passed, it will go into effect in July 2019.</p>
EDUCATION	NEWS	11/12	<p>we do have some school delays to bring to your attention tonight. due to the projected low temperatures and a freeze warning for the early morning hours tomorrow....the camp Lejeune community schools will open two hours later than normal for faculty, staff, and students. there will be no AM pre-k session because of this two-hour delay. Bertie county schools will also be on a two-hour delay.</p>
EDUCATION	NEWS	11/21	<p>Nearly 700 students from three Morehead City schools voted this week on the design of a neighborhood playground. Children from Morehead City Elementary at Camp Glenn, Morehead City Primary and St. Egbert Catholic School were able to choose their favorite layout for the new Shevans Park playground.</p>

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EDUCATION	NEWS	12/6	Morgan's Tavern & Grill, take time out of their busy holiday schedule for a special day on Saturday, December 7 to serve up over 500 delicious pancake breakfasts for Pancakes for
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	10/8	After one North Carolina man died from contracting Vibrio from eating a raw oyster, a Jones County family is opening up about their ordeal with the potentially deadly bacteria. Otis Bell, 84, of Jones County was diagnosed with Vibrio after he scraped his arm while cleaning crabs on September 16th. According to the Centers for Disease Control, "Vibrio bacteria naturally live in certain coastal waters and are present in higher concentrations between May and October when water temperatures are warmer." The CDC estimates that vibriosis causes 80,000 illnesses each year in the United States. About 52,000 of these illnesses are estimated to be the result of eating contaminated food.
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	11/12	The City of New Bern had a discharge of untreated wastewater on November 9, 2019 of an estimated 7,125 gallons from a broken sewer force main located near 3625 Martin Luther King Blvd. The untreated wastewater was discharged into Wilson Creek, in the Neuse River Basin. The Division of Water Quality was notified of the event on November 10, 2019 and is reviewing the matter. For more information, contact the City of New Bern Department of Public Utilities' Water Resources Division at (252) 639-7526.

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ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	12/9	Congressman Greg Murphy, M.D. (NC-03) released the following statement in praise of a recent Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant awarded to Emerald Isle,
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	10/8	Local restaurant owner is fighting the city council about noise ordinance violations. The council is now hiring a consultant to advise whether ordinance should be adjusted. We talked to owner and city council.  The \$34,800,795.75 grant will be used for beach and dune replenishment caused by Hurricane Florence.
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	12/30	Phase 2 of beach renourishment from Florence in Carteret beginning in January. Update on progress.

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GOVERNMENT	NEWS	10/29	North Carolina legislators are closing in on finalizing changes to mail-in absentee ballot rules in response to a state investigation of a congressional race last year that led to a new election. A compromise bill given unanimous approval on Tuesday by the state Senate also would restore permanently early in-person voting on the last Saturday before state elections. The measure goes to Gov. Roy Cooper's desk if the House agrees to it later Tuesday.
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	11/4	Meet the Jacksonville mayoral candidates. Story about the candidates' stances and goals. Giving viewers a chance to know the candidates ahead of the election.
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	12/6	Sheriff Hans Miller was appointed by Governor Roy Cooper to serve on The Governor's Crime Commission. The Governor's Crime Commission (GCC) serves as the chief advisory body to the Governor and to the Secretary of Public Safety on crime and justice issues. Commission Members include the heads of statewide criminal justice agencies, appointed state and local government officials, and private citizens.

### Community Activities

A web-based community calendar and activities list is posted on <http://wcti12.com/> to address several issues in the

community. Organizations submit events via web, email, and/or mail.

SOCIAL	NEWS	10/08	Smithfield Foods and the Rose Hill Volunteer Fire Department will unveil a new ladder truck in the Rose Hill Town Center – the purchase was made possible through a donation of \$150,000 from Smithfield Foods.
Description of Issue	Community Activities	Date(s)	Location Narration of Type and Description
YOUTH/EDUCATION	SCHOOL PRESENTATION	10/22	Roger Bell New Tech Academy Les Still provided expert insight into the weather standards that were taught to Roger Bell New Tech Academy students.
SOCIAL	NEWS	10/29	TOYS FOR TOTS WANTS TO MAKE SURE EVERY CHILD HAS A GIFT TO OPEN ON CHRISTMAS—AND YOU CAN HELP
YOUTH/EDUCATION	SCHOOL PRESENTATION	10/22	THE ONSLOW MEMORIAL GOALS FOR WEEKENDS ON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2, TOYS FOR TOTS OF CARTERET COUNTY WILL HOLD A FUNDRAISER GOLF TOURNAMENT. THE TOURNAMENT IS AT BRANDYWINE BAY GOLF CLUB IN MOREHEAD CITY. ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO PROVIDING TOYS FOR KIDS IN NEED THROUGHOUT THE AREA.
YOUTH/EDUCATION	SCHOOL PRESENTATION	11/7	Jacksonville Commons Middle School Les Still spoke to the entire 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade about Weather and Weather
SOCIAL	NEWS	11/14	Onslow County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will be presenting a special donation to the Onslow Memorial Hospital Foundation dedicated to cancer patients in the area. The \$900 donation was collected by EMS staff for the
YOUTH/EDUCATION	SCHOOL PRESENTATION	11/14	Graham A Barden - Shane Hinton discussed topics among its staff and family members within the 5 <sup>th</sup> grade curriculum including the difference between weather and climate, weather tools, air pressure systems, and land breeze vs sea breeze.
SOCIAL	NEWS	12/18	As a way to give back to those who sacrifice so much to serve and protect us, The Barber School at James Sprunt will be offering free haircuts to all first responders for the entire year, from January 2020 to December 2020. The free haircuts are available during the barber school operation hours of 9am-3pm
			and 5:30pm-8:30pm, Monday thru Thursday, starting January 8, 2020.