

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.

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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, 6A 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	PROGRAM	DATE	SUBJECT
BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	3/16	With large gatherings banned, many couples are canceling, rescheduling or down-sizing their large weddings. We took a look at the impact this is having on the wedding industry and local wedding venues.
BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	3/18	Items like meat, toilet paper and paper towels are hard to find. We check in with a local grocery store manager to see how that is impacting them and when people can expect to see stocked shelves again.
BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	3/23	The Town of Surf City ordered a temporary halt to all short-term rentals due to COVID concerns. We talk with property managers and other businesses on how this is impacting them.
BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	3/30	Restaurants are going to strictly take out and delivery orders due to the COVID stay at home orders. We looked at how that is impacting them and what they are doing to stay in business.

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CRIME / LAW & ORDER	NEWS	3/11	A bomb threat at New Bern High School led to blocked streets and no access to school. Students and staff ran from the buildings.
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	NEWS	3/15	A four-year-old girl tests positive for meth and her parents are arrested. We talk with the sheriff about the case and how something like this could happen. What are the charges for the parents.
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	NEWS	3/18	Courts are closed for most cases due to COVID. We sit down with the district attorney to talk about what cases are still being heard and how the public is still being protected.
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	NEWS	3/30	FBI warning of a scam with phone calls, texts and emails. Scammers trying to get stimulus money from people. We broke down the do's and don'ts and what people need to look out for.

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EDUCATION	NEWS	3/14	The governor ordered schools to close due to COVID. We took a look at how students, parents and school districts are and can handle this big change.
EDUCATION	NEWS	3/11	East Carolina University transitioned to online classes due to COVID. We looked at what this means for students and what they need to know.
EDUCATION	NEWS	3/18	Pitt County Schools look at a plan to take the entire school system online with schools closed due to COVID. We look into what that could mean for students and head to the school board meeting to get answers.
EDUCATION	NEWS	3/23	Governor Roy Cooper moved back the reopen date for NC schools due to COVID concerns. We looked at how that will impact learning and what is being done to keep virtual classes going for students.

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ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	3/16	30 sea turtles were released back into the ocean after recovering at a local center. The turtles were brought in for treatment after being cold stunned.
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	3/16	With fewer people traveling due to COVID, what does that mean for pollution problems? We talk with experts on how this could lead to a decline in air pollution.
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	3/12	Story on a new study that shows how damaging our plastic pollution is to sea turtles. It showed how likely they are to eat plastic floating in the ocean.
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	3/12	New report was released on the statewide impacts of climate change. It looked at how our climate is expected to change in NC. We took a look at what the researchers found.

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GOVERNMENT	NEWS	3/12	Onslow County activated a citizens phone bank to answer general questions about the coronavirus.
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	3/11	North Topsail Beach is still without a mayor months after the election. This after a write-in candidate received more votes than the incumbent and the incumbent protested the results.
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	3/16	We recapped the Democratic Presidential Debate from the previous night. Much of it focused on the coronavirus and other issues.
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	3/23	Pitt County announces its own shelter in place order, upset that Governor Cooper has not done so on a state level. This as COVID cases in Pitt County continue to climb. The Town of Beaufort issued a similar proclamation.

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SOCIAL	NEWS	3/13	Accidental Artist in New Bern is raising money for young burn victims. People could stop by, paint a ceramic and part of the proceeds would help send burn victims to summer camp.
SOCIAL	NEWS	3/13	Tryon Palace in New Bern closed to visitors but started doing daily Facebook Live tours to not only keep people interested but also make them educational for the kids stuck at home.
SOCIAL	NEWS	3/13	Events are still going on at the Greenville Convention Center despite COVID concerns. This story focused on the upcoming Hot Tub/Swim Expo. If people planned to attend, we took a look at the precautions in place to keep them safe.
SOCIAL	NEWS	3/18	With schools closed, what can parents do to keep kids engaged? We offer up some tips for parents on what they can do to help their kids socially and educationally during this time.

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.

Description of Issue	Community Activities	Date(s)	Location	Narration of Type and Description
YOUTH/EDUCATION	SCHOOL PRESENTATION	1/24	Bell Fork Elementary School	Les Still went over meteorology concepts with students to correlate to their science standards for weather.
YOUTH/EDUCATION	SCHOOL PRESENTATION	1/31	Parkwood Elementary School	Meteorologist Les Still talked about weather and forecasting.

