

WCTI ISSUES AND CONCERNS

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ABC NEWS PROGRAMS – FIRST QTR 2018

WORLD NEWS NOW

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 3A – 430A

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, 4:30A – 5:00A

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, 10:01P – 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 – 2A

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

NEWSCHANNEL 12 THIS MORNING
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 5A – 7A

THE FIRST LOCALLY-PRODUCED EARLY MORNING NEWS PROGRAM ON THE MARKET. LAUREN ARNOTT HOSTS ALONG WITH METEOROLOGIST LES STILL. REPORTER AISHA MBOWE PROVIDES BREAKING NEWS HEADLINES AND TRAVEL REPORTS AT THE LIVE CENTER. 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

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

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

MERRILEE MOORE, AISHA MBOWE AND LAUREN ARNOTT ROTATE ANCHOR POSITIONS 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

NICOLE GRIFFIN ANCHORS THIS WEEKEND EDITION PROVIDING UPDATES ON LOCAL WEEKEND NEWS IN THE AREA. METEOROLOGIST MATT CALLIHAN 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	3/19	Religious Community Services in New Bern needs help stocking its food pantries and a local business wants to help out. Crystal Coast Oral and Facial Surgery will hold its first ever food drive to help give food to RCS. Each donation of three non-perishable items will get you a raffle ticket for a chance to win a gift basket.
BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	3/16	The company blamed for the Outer Banks blackout will have to pay a lawsuit settlement of more than \$10 million. The class action lawsuit was filed last July. PCL Construction damaged three electric transmission cables near Bonner Bridge. A court approved the \$10.35 million settlement -- \$8.1 million for businesses and \$2.25 million for rental and resident class members.
BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	2/28	Dick's Sporting Goods will no longer be selling assault style rifles. The company has also decided to no longer sell firearms to anyone under 21 years of age and no longer sell high capacity magazines. The decision has many local businesses talking – most saying the popular chain's stance doesn't change their thoughts on selling guns in their own stores.
BUSINESS/ECONOMY	NEWS	2/1	Almost \$11 million can buy a lot of new equipment – it's all going to the new cancer center at Vidant Medical Center. The Golden Leaf Foundation is behind the grant. The 418,000-square foot center will bring close to 200 new healthcare jobs to Pitt County.

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CRIME / LAW & ORDER	NEWS	3/1	<p>Since the mass shooting at a high school in Parkland, Florida just over two weeks ago, Eastern North Carolina schools have come face to face with violent threats. The threats, spread on social media, are causing fear for parents and students – and wasting class time and law enforcement resources. Officials are not taking the threats lightly and are charging multiple students with making false threats at an educational facility – a class H felony.</p>
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	NEWS	2/26	<p>An intense scene erupted as Greenville Police responded to the calls of gunfire in a local movie theater. Police have made multiple arrests in the case after it was reported that a fight over a seat led to the gunfire. The suspect shot into the ceiling, but no one was hurt. The theater was evacuated as a precaution.</p>
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	NEWS	1/11	<p>Red light cameras in this neighborhood first started recording infractions a few months ago, but now police want you to know that every single violation is reviewed by an officer. In the first month, officers rejected 55 violations caught by the cameras. Each ticket for running a red light is \$100, but \$68.15 of those tickets goes to Pitt County Schools. The schools collected \$227,348 in the first month alone.</p>
CRIME / LAW & ORDER	NEWS	1/26	<p>Police say more counterfeit money is turning up in Lenoir County. Kinston Police received several reports during the past week and locals are starting to be concerned. Officials said that larger bills are the most likely to be forged and are asking people to be on the lookout for anyone they think might be passing around forged money.</p>

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EDUCATION	NEWS	3/20	A J.H. Rose High School student was taken in for questioning this evening in connection with a social media threat made at the school. That's according to Pitt County Schools and Greenville Police. Officers investigated and the school was placed on a modified lock down as a precaution. The threat comes on the same day as a Maryland school shooting that left one dead and two others injured.
EDUCATION	NEWS	3/9	Teams from all over North Carolina are gathering in Minges Coliseum at ECU to see who built the best robot. Two Pitt County teams are competing for spots in the first Robotics Championship in April, which will be held in Houston. Each team is made up of 37 students in different roles, designers, engineers, marketing and even first aid.
EDUCATION	NEWS	2/22	Pitt County middle schoolers faced off today in the Annual Battle of the Books competition. A six-student team represented each middle school. Contestants answered questions about 27 books they read in school this year. The books are critically acclaimed and all have a diversity theme.
EDUCATION	NEWS	1/26	140 kids were absent from Bridgeton Elementary School in Craven County today. The Health Department confirmed at least two kids from the school tested positive for the flu and at least one tested positive for norovirus. The school's nurse said she saw at least four kids exhibiting flu symptoms before noon. Custodians have been instructed to disinfect all surfaces as nurses urge parents to keep their children home if they feel sick.

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ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	3/7	The Duke Marine lab on Pivers Island is where researchers from Duke and UNC are working with the DOD to monitor our coastlines using drones. The idea behind the project is to use the drone technology to see how our coastlines change, both from natural and man-made causes. They will be used at Camp Lejeune and the Croatan National Forest to monitor shoreline movement and help prevent wildfires.
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	3/13	The city of Kinston encourages the area to go green for St. Patrick's Day. A public service department statement says it hopes community members will use St. Patrick's Day to help the environment. The department suggests three ways to go green: using refillable water bottles, replacing dirty air filters and utilizing power strips.
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	2/1	It takes more than a green thumb to run a greenhouse. The one at A.G. Cox Middle School had been running successfully for the last 18 years – until two years ago. The greenhouse fell under the weight of the school's lack of funds, but one student had an idea. Nora Wilkie said it was soil, water and a bit of love that went into creating the garden club. Despite yet another setback from vandals, the school's greenhouse will be back and better than ever.
ENVIRONMENT	NEWS	1/31	Governor Cooper is urging the US Interior Secretary to extend the public comments period on offshore drilling along the North Carolina Coast. He is also calling on the Trump administration to exempt North Carolina from offshore drilling and seismic testing, just like he did with Florida.

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GOVERNMENT	NEWS	3/14	Governor Roy Cooper announced new gun control proposals, some of which are extreme risk protection orders. The policy would allow citizens to ask courts to temporarily take guns from people who are a danger to themselves or others. Cooper also wants to close a loophole in the background check system, raise the minimum purchase age for some weapons to 21 and ban bump stocks.
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	2/1	“Hometown Strong” is all about boosting investment in rural communities and Governor Roy Cooper talked with students and teachers at Pines Elementary School in Plymouth about the need for added investment in areas that will have job openings in the future. The governor also spoke about the class size mandate and says he wants the legislature to provide more funding for districts to hire additional teachers.
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	1/16	Base access to Camp Lejeune will be restricted beginning January 22 if you do not get a Real I.D. The act established minimum security standards for license issuance and production and prohibits federal agencies from accepting driver’s licenses and identification cards from states not meeting the act’s minimum standards.
GOVERNMENT	NEWS	1/23	The hot topic of confederate statue removal continues. Just months after an incident in Durham, members of a special committee want to hear comments before making a recommendation on whether to move three confederate monuments from the state capitol. Governor Cooper supports the move, saying the statues should be placed at a civil war battlefield instead, but North Carolina law requires legislative approval.

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SOCIAL	NEWS	3/3	When Captain Andrew Yeary returned to Camp Lejeune after suffering a traumatic brain injury in Afghanistan, he thought the lingering effects from that injury would be something he could live with. It was only after a serious talk with his wife that he decided to go to Intrepid Spirit, a concussion recovery center on base. The center prefers more holistic methods to recovery than traditional medicines. His treatment included acupuncture and even art therapy. Now, he's progressing – close to feeling normal again.
SOCIAL	NEWS	2/1	The Golden Leaf Foundation is behind the almost \$11 million grant for Vidant's new cancer center that is set to open in March. Eastern North Carolina sees about 7,500 newly diagnosed cancer cases each year and has a much higher cancer mortality rate than the national average. Vidant officials said the grant money will be used to buy various medical equipment.
SOCIAL	NEWS	2/6	Phones started buzzing with a tsunami warning this morning and it induced some panic, but it turns out it was a false alarm. The test warning from the U.S. National Tsunami Warning Center was sent out by a third-party vendor across the East Coast, Gulf Coast and the Caribbean as an actual tsunami warning. No local warnings were sent out by the National Weather service in our area. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is now looking into why this test warning was sent out as an actual warning.
SOCIAL	NEWS	1/15	Hundreds of people rallied for the Martin Luther King, Jr. march, walking from Thomas Foreman Park all the way to the Pitt County Courthouse. As they celebrate his life and work, they're drawing attention to some of the social issues they claim are still present today. The group chose to march down 5 th street in a non-violent protest, but still disrupting the daily routine of some Greenville residents. Marchers say they hope to spark real change in the community.

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	2/26-3/2	Area Schools	WCTI NewsChannel 12 staff, including Merrilee Moore and Brian North, visited various schools in the local area to celebrate Read Across America Week.
YOUTH/EDUCATION	SCHOOL PRESENTATION	2/10	Concord, NC	News Director Eric Olsen spoke to future multimedia journalists at the RTNDAC Student Workshop in Concord, NC to discuss a future in news media and give advice to reporter-hopefuls.
SOCIAL	SCHOOL PRESENTATION	3/22	River Front Convention Center	NewsChannel 12 primetime anchor Valentina Wilson emceed the I Love That Lady Awards in New Bern, where community members gathered together to celebrate social advancements made by women in the local area.
YOUTH/EDUCATION	STUDIO TOUR	3/6	WCTI	Students from LIFT Homeschool Group of Maysville visited the station to learn about news broadcasting and get a behind-the-scenes look at WCTI's studio.
YOUTH/EDUCATION	STUDIO TOUR	3/20	WCTI	Students from Trent Park Elementary of New Bern visited the station and discovered the real-world skills anchors use during their newscasts.