

WWDP - 46 TV
LOCAL ISSUES REPORT
January-March 2009

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LOCAL PROGRAMS:

WWDP PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMS

Current Affairs programs discussing issues of importance to Massachusetts residents.

- Issue Addressed: Health, Informational
1/6 – 6:00 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest Ophthalmologist, Dr. Lisa McHam discuss the anatomy of the eye and vision problems. 28:30 min
- Issue Addressed: Elderly Affairs, Financial, Informational
1/6 – 6:30 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest Meg Wallingford discuss significant changes in the long term care industry over the past 30 years and how to become a knowledgeable long-term-care consumer. 27:15 min.
- Issue Addressed: Services available for Substance Abuse, Teen issues
1/13 – 6:00 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guests Mary Sullivan of the Consortium for the prevention of substance abuse discuss tips on raising drug free children. 28:30 min.
- Issue Addressed: Public Awareness of Services Available for Substance Abuse
1/13 – 6:30 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest Dr. Norman Alpert discusses the addiction and treatment of alcoholism. Doris Gagne LPN shares her personal story regarding alcoholism. 28:30min.
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1/20 – 6:00 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest Dr. Lori Adcock, Chief of Pathology at Caritas Christi Norwood discuss the science and medicine of blood. 28:00 min.
- Issue Addressed: Medication Safety, Health, Nutrition, Informational
1/20 – 6:30 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest Kristina McGill, R.P.H. discuss drug interaction and the do's and don'ts of over the counter and prescription medications. 28:20 min.
- Issue Addressed: Public Safety, Informational
1/27– 6:00 AM Exeter Fire Department – Part I. An interview with Acting Chief Brian Comeau. Public Education Officer Kristy Anderson explains the working and control of one of Exeter's fire engines. Donald Matheson describes safety programs they provide for the community. Firefighter Skip Galvin describes firefighting equipment and various safeties measures. 29 min

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1/27 – 6:30 AM Exeter Fire Department – Part II. Firefighter Paul Morin explains the duties of an emergency medical technician with a demonstration by his group. Firefighter/paramedic Steve Rhodes shows us the inside of an ambulance. Captain Chris Soave describes the rescue team's training process with a live demonstration. New firefighting technology is explained. 29 min.

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- Issue Addressed: Public Health
2/3 – 6:00 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guests Jeane Colbath RN, and cardiac patient Robert Slatery discuss diseases of the arteries and the benefits of Cardiac rehabilitation. 28:30min
- Issue Addressed: Early Education, Health, Informational
2/3 – 6:30 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest speech and language pathologist Marybeth Gentilli discuss speech disorders. 29:15 min.
- Issue Addressed: Public Health
2/10 – 6:00 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guests Donna Avellino, Supervisor of Respiratory care services and Susan Janson, Respiratory Clinical Specialist discuss the effects of smoking and methods of quitting. 28:30min.
- Issue Addressed: Medication Safety, Health, Nutrition, Informational
2/10 – 6:30 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guests Nancy Huff and Lynn Larsen discuss Dietary considerations with regards to medication. Topics include: Common food allergies and drug interactions.28:30min
- Issue Addressed: Mental Health, Informational
2/17 – 6:00 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest licensed social worker Annie Banks discuss bereavement and the process of grieving. 28:25 min
- Issue Addressed: Health, Informational
2/17 – 6:30 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest Otolaryngologist, Dr. Seema Byahatti discuss some of the reasons why our noses tickle and our throats scratch and burn. 28:30min.
- Issue Addressed: Mental Health, Informational, Elderly Affairs
2/24 – 6:00 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guests Dr. NormanTabroff discuss Alzheimer’s disease and depression in older adults. 28:30min
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2/24 – 6:30 AM Caritas Christi Healthlink – Host, Diana Franchitto and guest Dr. Elisabeth Childs discuss the many variations of anxiety disorders and how to deal with them. 29:00min.

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3/10 -6:00 AM Norwell News # 51, Worcester Historical Museum – Executive Director, William D. Wallace discusses the city of Worcester's contributions to the world. Tour of the exhibits includes various items used in the first moon landing, the first Monkey Wrench, as well as the famous “Smiley Face” icon. 29:00 min.
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3/31 -6:00 AM Norwell News # 16, Tour of the Providence Preservation Society. Catherine Horsey Executive Director of the Providence Preservation Society. Topics include, the preservation of historical buildings in the Providence area and how a building is placed on the National Registry of Historic Places. 27 min.

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