

4th Quarter 2015 (Oct 1 – Dec 31)

Issues and Programs for WJTC

Issues addressed:

Public Safety
Consumer Awareness
Public Health
Education
Crime

Regularly Scheduled Programs:

Facing Florida – Saturdays at 8am
Weekly issues program discussing the pressing issues facing Northwest
Florida's community.

Local 15 News on WJTC – Daily local news programs
WJTC's daily newscasts give considerable time to issues
that concern the communities of the South Alabama and
Western Florida areas.

6:30 –7pm	WJTC News at 6:30	M-F
9pm –9:30	WJTC News at 9:00	M-F

Facing Florida

Oct 4th

The man who shot and killed a news crew on live television had Florida ties. Meet the people who once worked with him. Then, meet Pam Langford and learn about the right medicine at the right time.

Oct 11th

Alaucha county sheriff Sadie Darnell, president, Florida Sheriff's Assn. on the challenges of being a cop in today's environment. Then, bureaucracy at its best: Peter Wesselhoeft on his three year battle with state regulators over skim milk.

Oct 18th

Repeat of Oct 11th.

Oct 25th

Rape on college campuses – this was the week no one wanted to be a member of the AAU. Then, fake service dogs.

Nov 1st

A new study says Florida's correctional officers face dangers because of massive turnover. Cristina Bullins from Teamsters is here to explain. Then, Pete Dunbar and Screven on the politics of the week and the presidential election in Florida.

Nov 8th

Dueling solar amendments: Matt Carter is here to talk about one of two solar amendments that could be on the ballot this November. Then, meet Tom Cawood, an 81 year old cyclist biking from San Diego to St. Augustine.

Nov 15th

As the medical marijuana debate heats up, we're revisiting two stories from last year. Marty Monroe says she survived breast cancer because of a little help from her friends. Neil Franklin is a former police officer who says we've lost the war on drugs. Finally, we revisit Clay and Ben Lovell, two brothers revolutionizing oyster farming.

Nov 22nd

Repeat of Nov 15th

Nov 29th

Climate change: the EPA wants Florida to reduce carbon emissions by more than 30%. SACE says most Floridians are ahead of the politicians. Then, Dr. Vasu Misra says climate change is like a cancer... if we don't fix it, it will grow.

Dec 6th

Repeat of Nov 29th

Dec 13th

FSU's president and police chief talk about lessons learned after a shooter opened fire at Strozier Library a year ago.

Dec 20th

A documentary with Rep. Irv Slosberg, who examines the cases of two teens now serving prison time for killing someone when they drove drunk. A compelling lesson for everyone.

Dec 27th

Hands-free driving is closer than you think. Introducing the Audi A7 concept car... one of several in the testing stage. Then, meet one of the licensees who won the right to grow medical marijuana.

Local 15 News on WJTC

Public Safety

12/31/15 Local 15 News at 6:30PM (WJTC) trt: 0:43

Mobile Fire Rescue offered up some simple safety tips for the little one while they trick or treat. MFR recommends kids NOT to run from house to house, walk on the sidewalks, not in the streets and when in doubt, throw it out.

11/15/15 Local 15 News at 9PM (WJTC) The FDA is issuing new safety rules to help prevent foodborne illnesses. The government now has to inspect oversight of farms involved in the country's food supply.

Consumer Awareness

10/7/15 Local 15 News at 9PM (WJTC) trt: 0:38

Over \$1 million in grant money is going to fund highway safety programs throughout the state. The money will go to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency to fund overtime costs throughout the year.

12/22/15 Local 15 News at 6:30PM (WJTC) trt: 0:45

MARS is recalling 6,700 cases of DOVE chocolate assortment snowflakes because the items may contain nuts.

Public Health

11/2/15 Local 15 News at 6:30PM (WJTC) trt: 0:46

Over 160,000 pounds of ground beef were recalled due to a potential e-coli contamination. The USDA says the beef was shipped all over the country.

11/23/15 Local 15 News at 9PM (WJTC) trt: 1:17

The Cleveland Clinic suggests 30 minutes of resistance training a week if you want to live longer. Experts say you're never too young to start exercising.

Education

10/29/15 Local 15 News at 6:30PM (WJTC) trt: 0:40

The record rainfall received over the week highlighted safety and accessibility concerns at the regional school for the deaf and blind. The school system has spent \$10,000 addressing the drainage issue in the past and estimated a permanent fix could cost up to \$50,000.

12/22/15 Local 15 News at 6:30PM (WJTC) Dozens of recommendations have come in from the Baldwin County Community Task Force that could help improve the school system. Over the following three Mondays, Local 15 News brought more from the task force.

Crime

11/5/15 Local 15 News at 9PM (WJTC) trt: 1:46

Police arrested a 15-year-old student from a local school after they received a call about a sexual assault in a restroom. Police arrested the student and charged him with sodomy and took him to Strickland Youth Center.

12/30/15 Local 15 News at 9PM (WJTC) trt: 1:09

Mobile Police are asking for help from the public following a Christmas night shooting. Officials are trying to gather as much evidence to give to investigators.