

BEASLEY MEDIA GROUP, LLC
ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

FOR

STATION WCHZ-FM

1ST QUARTER, 2024
(January 1-March 31)

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**ISSUES OF CONCERN TO STATION WCHZ-FM
ADDRESSED IN RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING IN THE
1ST QUARTER, 2024**

1. Economic Issues: **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council warns what will happen if the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is allowed to expire.
2. Health Issues: Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the late Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's abortion rulings.
3. Political Issues: **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the 2024 Presidential Election.
4. Government Issues: **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on only the second impeachment of a cabinet secretary in U.S. History
5. Cultural Issues: **Eric Boehm** and **Stephanie Slade** of *Reason* magazine report on the colorful & Libertarian history of Key West
6. Tax Issues: **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on how population shifts continue to favor low tax states.
7. Education Issues: **Eric Boehm** and **Emma Campa** of *Reason* Magazine look at the real cause of student loan debt
8. Environmental Issues: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Daren Bakst** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about President Biden's latest attack on energy.
9. Transportation Issues: **Patricia Patnode** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute discusses the Biden Administration's restrictions on new oil and gas leases
10. Technology Issues: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Ben Lieberman** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute about how federal regulators are targeting your household appliances.

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED
PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMS**

**WCHZ-FM PROGRAMS THAT
ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES**

1. P.S.As: (Monday – Sunday, various times) Public Service Announcements of local and national concerns
2. Community Spotlight (Saturdays 6am-6:30am) A locally produced public affairs program which covers issues of state and local importance
3. American Radio Journal (Saturdays 6:30am-7am) A nationally syndicated public affairs program which covers issues of national importance

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT

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MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING

Community Spotlight (1-6-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Jorge Cortez, Director, Discusses the developments to healthcare, education, and research at the Georgia Cancer Center at Augusta University.

Community Spotlight (1-13-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Ashely Whitaker, Director, Discusses the educational, financial, and career opportunities associated with Junior Achievement program in Georgia.

Community Spotlight (1-20-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Jodi Lott, Georgia Representative, Discusses legislative issues, political issues, and developments in state finances.

Community Spotlight (1-27-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Jermaine Whirle, President, Discusses the educational, economic developments, and workforce developments taking place at Augusta Technical College.

Community Spotlight (2-03-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Rabbi David Sirull, Adas Yeshuran, Discusses the Israel and Hamas conflict as well as other cultural, spiritual, and religious issues.

Community Spotlight (2-10-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)
(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Brad Usry, Chairman, Discusses the Bell Auditorium renovations and the upcoming James Brown Arena demolition and construction.

Community Spotlight (2-17-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)
(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Brooks Keel, President, Discusses the educational and career reviews of Augusta University.

Community Spotlight (2-24-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)
(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Brooks Keel, President, Discusses the future of Augusta University.

Community Spotlight (3-02-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)
(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Herbert Judon, Executive Director, Discusses Masters week air traffic and terminal upgrades coming to the Augusta Regional Airport.

Community Spotlight (3-09-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)
(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Guest: Herbert Judon, Executive Director, Discusses the current state of air service and service upgrades coming to the Augusta Regional Airport.

Community Spotlight (3-16-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)
(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Britton Williams, Mayor, Discusses Riverside Village Developments and downtown improvement projects coming to North Augusta.

Community Spotlight (3-23-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)
(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Britton Williams, Mayor, Discusses tourism expansion efforts, Greenway improvements, and future plans for the North Augusta Country Club property.

Community Spotlight (3-30-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)
(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Ken Byrd, Surgeon, Discusses the advances in diagnosis and treatment of head and neck cancers from the Georgia Cancer Center.

American Radio Journal (Saturdays 6:30am-7am) A nationally syndicated public affairs program which covers issues of national importance.

Program Air Date: 1/6/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: Dr. **Paul Kengor** the new Editor-In-Chief of the *American Spectator* talks about the history and impact of the venerable publication; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on key 2024 U.S. Senate races; **Eric Boehm** and **Stephanie Slade** of *Reason* magazine report on the colorful & Libertarian history of Key West; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the 2024 Presidential Election.

Program Air Date: 1/13/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **E J Antoni** of the Heritage Foundation discusses why economics won't solve social problems; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on looming federal budget deadlines; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine look at the exploding national debt; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the late Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's abortion rulings.

Program Air Date: 1/20/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Ben Lieberman** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute about how federal regulators are targeting your household appliances; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the Iowa Caucuses; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine learns about new federal regulations on the gig economy from **Jarrett Dieterle** of R Street; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on how population shifts continue to favor low tax states.

Program Air Date: 1/27/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Patrick Horan** from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University discusses the impact of the recent uptick in the inflation rate on interest rates; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the results of the Iowa Caucuses; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with *Caleb Kruckenberg* of the Pacific Legal Foundation about the Supreme Court case involving the Chevron Deference doctrine; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on known unknowns in the race for the Republican Presidential nomination.

Program Air Date: 2/3/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **David Ditch** from the Heritage Foundation explains how profligate federal spending is fueling inflation; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on ongoing federal budget negotiations; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine details a congressional call for regulation of digital media; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Vladimir Putin's continued aggression in Ukraine.

Program Air Date: 2/10/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Dakota Wood** of the Heritage Foundation discusses the annual *Index of U.S. Military Strength*; **Scott Parkinson** has the *Real Story* on the race for the Republican Presidential nomination; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Liya Palagashvili** from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University about a California law that is hurting independent contractors; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the real reason for Arizona's state budget deficit.

Program Air Date: 2/17/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Phil Kerpen** from American Commitment discusses inflation and current economic trends; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on collapse of the Senate immigration deal; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine explores the advantage of allowing foreign airlines to fly domestic routes; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the dysfunctional congress.

Program Air Date: 2/24/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Ryan Young** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute discusses the latest inflation numbers and their impact; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on only the second impeachment of a cabinet secretary in U.S. History; **Eric Boehm** and **Emma Campa** of *Reason* Magazine look at the real cause of student loan debt; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the National Football League.

Program Air Date: 3/2/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Paul H. Tice** author of *The Race to Zero* explains how ESG investing will crater the global financial system; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on Donald Trump's potential running mates; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses impact of "shrinkflation"; And, on his *American Radio Journal* commentary **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council warns what will happen if the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is allowed to expire.

Program Air Date: 3/9/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Patricia Patnode** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute discusses the Biden Administration's restrictions on new oil and gas leases; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on 'Super Tuesday' in the 2024 Presidential race; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Romina Boccia** of the CATO Institute about the real cost of 'emergency spending' proposals now before congress; And, **Colin**

Hanna from Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why peace through strength is still the best policy in Ukraine.

Program Air Date: 3/16/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: Former Office of Management and Budget chief economist **Vance Ginn** explains why Americans are not happy with the U.S. economy; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on a Trump-Biden presidential rematch; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks about the impact of high interest rates; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the Marist/Communist roots of International Women's Day.

Program Air Date: 3/23/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Dean Clancy** from Americans for Prosperity on the continued high cost of health care; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on why Bidenomics has created an affordable housing crisis; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks at overlapping federal budgets; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the undependability of federal Medicaid funding to states.

Program Air Date: 3/30/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Daren Bakst** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about President Biden's latest attack on energy; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on results of the Ohio primary; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses progress in asset forfeiture reform with **Jim**

Manley at the Pacific Legal Foundation; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on how to solve the illegal immigration crisis.