

April 1, 2020

**DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST
SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES
1/1/20 – 3/31/20**

WTHO-FM Thomson, Georgia

“Georgia Focus” is a Georgia News Network program airing Sunday mornings at 6:30 a.m. that is thirty minutes in duration. It is an in-depth look into issues of personal, community and local interest, often with a background report and interviews with key personalities involved with the issue. The following pages represent some of the guest line-ups for “Georgia Focus” that provide the most significant treatment of community issues this quarter.

“The Old Time Radio Show” is a locally produced interview style community issues program airing Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. that is two hours in total duration. Hosted by Cooper Gunby the show features weekly guests from a variety of backgrounds in McDuffie County who are involved in community events, local civic projects, politics and programs of special interest to our listeners. Additionally, we produce and air special long form news reports on topics of significant local interest.

WTHO-FM’s news department writes, produces and broadcasts five-minute local newscasts six times per day, including morning drive, mid-day, and afternoon drive. These newscasts feature local news exclusively and feature stories on all topics of interest including local government, education, crime, and sports. Stories are from 30 to 90 seconds in length. Additionally live spot news broadcasts are aired when events warrant and on Saturdays WTHO-FM frequently hosts a five-minute interview program with local government leaders to address issues relevant to our audience.

“Public Service Announcements” promoting local community events, issues, resources and activities are broadcast twice per hour. They are rotated frequently giving maximum coverage at no cost to a large number of community groups, churches, and other organizations that focus on assisting the underserved. Theme projects such as the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, United Way Campaigns, Safety and Anti-Drug and Alcohol Awareness are recorded in participants’ voices and aired according to a pre-approved schedule to enhance visibility of these special events. Frequently we host representatives of such concerns on a half-hour long “Guest D.J.” show which airs each Friday from 12:15 until 12:45.

The following pages outline all of the topics and guests from “Georgia Focus” that provided the most significant treatment of community issues during this quarter

1st Quarter 2020 “Georgia Focus” Public Affairs Issues/Clearance

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Otis Redding Foundation

Otis Redding was dedicated to improving the quality of life for the community through the education and empowerment of its youth. Prior to his untimely passing in 1967, he was already awarding scholarships to young students continuing their education. That work continues today through the Otis Redding Foundation based in Macon. Karla Redding Andrews, daughter of Otis Redding, manages the Foundation. Available January 4-5.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Doug Hollandsworth from GA Golf Trail talks about Golf Tourism throughout the state.

Gov. Brian Kemp

Gov. Brian Kemp discusses accomplishments of his first year in office and some of his plans for the 2020 Legislative session. Available January 11-12.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta’s Sibzone for siblings of patients.

Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education

The Top Ten Issues to Watch is an annual publication of the Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education. The list of issues for 2020 has been released and Dr. Stephen Dolinger, President of the Partnership, and Dr. Dana Rickman, Vice President, discuss the issues. Available January 18-19.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Calinda Lee, Curator, discusses Black Citizenship in the Age of Jim Crow, a new exhibit at Atlanta History Center

90th Anniversary of The Fox Theatre

There is no place like the Fox Theatre in Atlanta. With magic, glamour and tradition those theater walls house many wonderful memories and reflect the people who have visited and worked there over the years. The Fox is celebrating its 90th anniversary and Alan Vella President & CEO, tells the story. Available January 25-26.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dr. Michael Schmitz, Chief of Orthopedics at Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta discusses scoliosis.

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Places in Peril 2020

Mark McDonald, President and CEO of the GA Trust for Historic Preservation, discusses this year’s Places in Peril list of 10 historic structures in Georgia that are in danger of being torn down and efforts to save them. Available February 1-2.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Brandon Hutchinson, VP/GM of Atlanta motor Speedway discusses the track’s 60th anniversary and history.

GBI Director Vic Reynolds

Vic Reynolds, Director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation discusses the state’s efforts against Gangs, Human Trafficking and illegal drugs. Available February 8-9.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Brandon Hutchison form Atlanta Motor Speedway discusses the track’s 60th anniversary and the work of Speedway Children’s Charities.

American Heart Association

Heart disease is the No. 1 killer worldwide, and stroke ranks second globally. Even when those conditions don’t result in death, they cause disability and diminish quality of life. The American Heart Association has been fighting heart disease and stroke and striving to save and improve lives. Michael Cortes, Director of Government Affairs discusses their work and advocacy initiative in Georgia. Available February 15-16.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Cati Diamond Stone, CEO of Susan G. Komen Greater Atlantae discusses the disparities of breast cancer among African American women.

Georgia Secretary of State

Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger talks about the 2020 elections, new voting machines, and security of elections. He also explains the other duties of the office including professional licensing and corporate filings. Available February 22-23.

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Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice

The Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice is an agency that serves the state’s youthful offenders up to the age of 21. At facilities and community services offices throughout the state, DJJ employees work to redirect and shape the young lives in the agency’s care so they can take responsibility for their conduct as and become contributing members of society. New DJJ Commissioner Tyrone Oliver discusses the agency. Available February 29-March 1.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

GA Focus Extra: Dept of Early Care and Learning (DECAL) announces new federal grants they’ve been awarded.

Turning Point

Turning Point cares for women with breast cancer by providing specialized and evidence-based rehabilitation including physical therapy, massage therapy, counseling and nutritional counseling. Lauren Bober, Clinical Manager, physical therapist and pilates instructor for Turning Point and Janae Finley, a former Turning Point patient who is now a physical therapist, discuss their work. Available March 7-8.

GA Focus Extra: Atlanta Motor Speedway’s Brandon Hutchison talks about Speedway Children’s Charities

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Red Cross

March is Red Cross month and Sherry Nicholson from Red Cross discusses their spring initiatives including Sound the Alarm which installs smoke alarms at no cost to resident across Georgia. Available March 14-15.

GA Focus Extra: Georgia Peanut Commission’s donation of over 45,000 jars of peanut butter to Atlanta Community Food Bank.

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Canine Assistants

Canine Assistants educates dogs and people who need them so they may improve the lives of one another. They facilitate relationships between people and their working dogs who serve by detecting health issues such as diabetes. Jennifer Arnold, Founder and Executive Director for Canine Assistants discusses their work. Available March 21-22.

GA Focus Extra: Jennifer Jones and Jeff Hiedrick with McDonalds discuss their Golden Grants program which provides funding to local schools.

This show aired on Sundays from: 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m.

Bill Curry

In 6 decades Bill Curry has experienced virtually every scenario football provide – Bill Curry talks about his book *Ten Men You Meet in the Huddle*, and shares the wit, wisdom, and tough love of teammates and coaches who turned him from a next-to-last NFL draft pick into a two-time Pro Bowler. Learning from such giants as Vince Lombardi, Don Shula, and Bobby Dodd he led a football life of nonstop exploration packed with adventure and surprise. Available March 28-29 December 7-8.

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