# QUARTERLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY ISSUES AND NEEDS AND RESPONSIVE PROGRAMS FOURTH QUARTER OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER 2014 KPRC-TV LOCAL 2

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# <u>DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST</u> <u>SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES</u>

#### Local 2 News at 4:30AM, Monday through Friday, 4:30AM - 7:00AM

Owen Conflenti, Rachel McNeill, Anthony Yanez, Jennifer Reyna

This program covers the latest overnight news, weather and traffic.

# Local 2 News at 11AM, Monday through Friday, 11:00AM - 12:00PM

Andy Cerota, Lauren Freeman, Jennifer Reyna, Anthony Yanez

This hour long program covers the latest news, weather, traffic and family oriented community events.

# Local 2 News at 4PM, Monday through Friday, 4:00PM - 4:30PM

Keith Garvin, Lauren Freeman, Frank Billingsley

This program covers the latest news, weather, health reports and pet of the week segment.

# Local 2 News at 5PM, Monday through Friday, 5:00PM – 5:30PM

Bill Balleza, Dominique Sachse, Frank Billingsley, Randy McIlvoy

This program covers the latest news, weather, sports and consumer reports.

#### Local 2 News at 6PM, Monday through Friday, 6:00pm – 6:30PM

Bill Balleza, Dominique Sachse, Frank Billingsley, Randy McIlvoy

This program covers the latest news, weather, sports and health reports.

#### Local 2 News at 10PM, Monday through Friday, 10:00PM – 10:30PM

Bill Balleza, Dominique Sachse, Frank Billingsley, Randy McIlvoy

This program covers the latest news, weather and sports reports.

#### Local 2 News Weekend, Saturday and Sunday, 6:00AM - 7:00AM / 8:00AM - 9:00AM

Courtney Zavala, Britta Merwin

This program covers the latest news and weather reports.

#### Local 2 News Saturday 6:00pm - 6:30pm and 10:00pm - 10:30pm

Phillip Mena, Khambrel Marshall, Nick Giovanni

This program covers the latest news, weather and sports reports.

#### Local 2 News Sunday, 5:00pm – 5:30pm and 10:00pm – 10:30pm

Phillip Mena, Khambrel Marshall, Randy McIlvoy

This program covers the latest news and weather reports.

#### Sports Sunday, 10:30PM - 11:00PM

Randy McIlvoy

This program covers the latest in sports news.

# • Public Service Announcements and Campaigns

Public Service Announcements (PSA's) generally vary in length from ten seconds to thirty seconds each and, unless otherwise indicated, appear throughout KPRC-TV's broadcast schedule including primetime.

**Breast Cancer Awareness Month** - KPRC started October off by thinking pink! In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month, we partnered with The Rose and Telemundo to host a special phone bank that let people with any questions about breast cancer, treatment, and resources. Twenty bilingual volunteers were on hand and helped hundreds of callers.

**Operation: Stocking Stuffer Toy Drive** – For the past five years, KPRC Local 2 has participated with the Houston Fire Department for "Operation: Stocking Stuffer Toy Drive." In 2013 more than half a million toys were collected and delivered to under privileged children in the Houston area and we would like to break that record in 2014.

**Today's Million Meals** – Local 2 is pairing up with the Today Show in their Million Meals campaign. The Today show is working with the organization, "Feeding America," which is trying to help the less fortunate with this campaign during the holiday season. This was a project we showcased on all Local 2 platforms. We promoted within newscasts; the promotions department created spots. We asked our on-air talent to promote on their KPRC Facebook and Twitter pages. Local 2 viewers contributed to helping to provide 2,016,000 meals nationwide.

#### Editorials

KPRC-TV regularly presents station viewpoints about current issues of community concern. Specific topics are provided within this report.

**Make your voice heard this Election Day** – This election year we have some hotly contested races and your vote is important. Early voting begins October 20 and ends October 31. Election Day is November 4. KPRC Local 2 General Manager Jerry Martin urges all viewers to head to the polls and make your votes count.

Being thankful at Thanksgiving - We are hopeful that this week we all can take a step back from our daily grinds and give thanks and appreciation for the many gifts we have in Houston, our neighborhoods and our families. And perhaps we can also take the time as many Houstonians already do and help out the many that need our assistance. We at KPRC Local 2 are thankful to be a part of such a vibrant and diverse city and we are also thankful to our viewers that allow us into their lives on a daily basis as a trusted news source. Have a safe holiday weekend....Happy Thanksgiving.

**Project Road Block** - In 2012, over 10,300 people died in crashes involving an impaired driver. Think about that...and so once again this holiday season KPRC Local 2 is partnering with the Television Bureau of Advertising, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the ad council for Project Road Block, a campaign to raise awareness of the dangers and consequences of driving buzzed. Here's what you can do -- before you go to a holiday party, have a taxi service phone number saved in your cell phone or designate a sober driver. That way you'll be able to enjoy

yourself while doing your part to keep our streets free from impaired drivers. Log on to click2houston.com slash community to take the project road block pledge to not drive impaired this holiday season. I'm Jerry Martin, wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of us at KPRC Local 2. And remember... buzzed driving is drunk driving!

# Locally Produced Programs

Decision 2014: Straight Talk from the Candidates/ Saturday, October 25, 7:00pm - 8:00pm -Gearing up for the election, KPRC once again gave viewers a chance to hear directly from candidates in races at all different levels, from the Texas Governor race to the Harris County District Attorney race. We invited 50 candidates from 24 different races and had 43 accept the opportunity to record their "Decision 2014: Straight Talk from the Candidates" special. The program hosted by anchor Bill Balleza aired on October 25<sup>th</sup>. The individual races were also posted on our website, Click2Houston.com.

Ebola Town Hall Meeting/ Thursday, October 23, 4:30pm 5:00pm - Local 2 produced a half hour live television town hall meeting and 2 ½ hour live stream event centered around questions about the Ebola virus. Hosted by Andy Cerota, the event gathered experts from the medical community to answer viewer questions from our live audience. And Local 2 Health Reporter Haley Hernandez presented questions from viewers via social media. The program was produced live from the city of Houston's multi-service center, with cooperation from the Houston Parks and Recreation Department.

KPRC Special: Ship Channel Documentary – Saturday, November 15, 4:00pm – 5:00pm/ Bill Balleza and Dominique hosted the one hour special on the history and services of the Houston Ship Channel on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

KPRC Special: Holiday Lights Spectacular - Friday, November 26/7:00pm - 8:00pm/ The special was hosted by Bill Balleza, Dominique Sachse and Frank Billingsley. KPRC had crews live from Moody Gardens, the Houston Zoo and Discovery Green to show off some of the best holiday events for you and your family. The Voice contestant Jake Worthington performed live at Discovery Green.

KPRC-TV gave significant coverage to the following community issues and concerns during the 4th quarter of 2014:

#### **Ebola**

City/ Politics

Air Dates: October 1-31

Total Coverage: 28 hours, 42 minutes

Local 2 News at 4:30am - 7am/ Local 2 News at Midday/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News Weekend Saturday and Sunday 6am - 7am and 8am - 9am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ Local 2 News Sunday 5:00pm

and 10pm

The next day we were on the road to Dallas to cover the first possible case of Ebola diagnosed on U.S. soil. The confirmation that it was in fact Ebola crossed about 20 minutes before our 4pm newscast. KPRC was the only local station to have a reporter in place at the Dallas hospital for that breaking news at 4:00pm. We continued to dominate the Ebola breaking news in our afternoon and 10pm newscast, securing a #1 rating at 6pm and 10pm.

#### Election

Politics/ Government

Air Dates: October 6, 7, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31

November 1 - 5

Total Coverage: 3 hours, 54 minutes

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News at Midday/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News Weekend Saturday and Sunday 6am – 7am and 8am – 9am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ Local 2 News Sunday 5:00pm and 10pm

The entire KPRC Local 2 team successfully covered the 2014 mid-term elections on-air and online. We had reporters cover the race to replace Rick Perry as the next Governor of Texas, the race to become the next Lieutenant Governor, and a contentious race for Harris County Attorney General. In addition to our coverage in our newscasts, KPRC Local 2 produced two elections webcasts, one from noon to 1:00pm; the other, while returns were coming in, from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. During the later webcast our team of reporters were live from the election parties. We also took live concession speeches from the races for governor and lieutenant governor, and for perspective, host Khambrel Marshall interviewed political analysts from all sides of the political spectrum. It was a strong station-building event.

#### **Fake Delivery**

Elderly/ Crime

Air Dates: October 1

Total Coverage: 2 minutes

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7:00am

An elderly homeowner, still in his pajamas, opened fire on a group he says was trying to rob him as they posed as delivery workers. HPD says when the elderly wife answered the door to their home on Wignton Drive the crooks pushed their way inside. Police say that's when the husband fired his pistol but shortly after passed out because of the chaotic scene. No one was seriously hurt but the crooks managed to get away.

#### **National Night Out**

Community/ Family/ Safety Air Dates: October 7, 8 Total Coverage: 13 minutes

Local 2 News at 4:30am - 7:00am/ Local 2 News at Midday/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at

10pm

Tonight is the 31st National Night Out. The event gives officers a chance to meet and mingle with the community. Houston Police Chief Charles McClelland and Harris County Sheriff Adrian Garcia spoke about the importance of community as a tool to fight crime.

#### **Equal Rights Ordinance**

City/ Politics/ Religion/ Family/ Community Air Dates: October 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 28, 29

Total Coverage: 29 minutes

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News at Midday/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News Weekend Saturday 6am – 7am and

8am - 9am

City attorneys have file subpoenas for documents from several local pastors who opposed that ordinance. Opponents were hoping to get the ordinance repealed with a petition, but the city attorney called the petition invalid. The subpoenas ask for all documents, emails, speeches, presentations, or sermons related to the ordinance, mayor parker, homosexuality, or gender identity among other topics. Attorneys for the pastors have filed a motion to quash those subpoenas.

#### **Border Crisis**

Culture/ Immigration/ Community Air Dates: November 1 - 30

Total Coverage: 65 minutes, 20 seconds

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News at 11am/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News Saturday 6am – 7am and 8am – 9am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ Local 2 News Sunday 6am – 7am and 8am – 9am/ Local 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

KPRC Local 2's Robert Arnold was a busy traveler this month. Robert also traveled to the US/Mexico border for reaction to the President's executive order to allow millions of immigrants to stay in the country. Robert's reporting from the border showcased what is a controversial and wide-scoping story in Texas. Rather than just being a face and a body at the border, Robert was able to get reaction to those in favor of and against the President's handling of the situation, while near the border. We also covered this huge story in the Houston metro area with Phillip Mena and Anoushah Rasta, who spoke with families impacted by President Obama's decision, and politicians on what could come next in this debate. This was also an issue important enough to merit showing the President's speech to the nation LIVE, despite NBC's decision not to carry it. Instead, Bill Balleza and Dominique Sachse anchored our Local 2 coverage.

#### **Neighborhood Nuisances**

Community/ Environment/ City

Air Dates: November 3
Total Coverage: 2 minutes

Joel Eisenbaum reveals which neighborhoods wait the longest for inspectors to respond to citizen

complaints about basic nuisances.

#### **Holocaust Survivors Honored**

Community/ Culture
Air Dates: November 3
Total Coverage: 2 minutes
Local 2 News at 4pm

A man who's spent his life fighting for civil liberty is in Houston today. Attorney Alan Dershowitz was the keynote speaker at the Guardian of the Human Spirit Award Luncheon at the Westin Galleria today. The event honored Edith and Josef Mincberg for their work with the Houston Holocaust

Museum. Both were holocaust survivors. During his address, Dershowitz talked about the state of civil liberties in the U.S.

#### NFL/ Adrian Peterson and J. J. Watt

Community/ Culture/ Youth

Air Dates: November 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21

Total Coverage: 5 minutes, 45 seconds

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News at Midday/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News Weekend Sunday 6am – 7am and 3 News 2 Local 2 News 5:00pm and 10pm

8am – 9am/ Local 2 News Sunday 5:00pm and 10pm

November was also a big month for two stories with ties to sports. Local 2 was in Montgomery County, when Adrian Peterson made a plea agreement in the child abuse case involving the beating of his son with a switch. We also followed a roller coaster month of Texans football, from J.J. Watt solidifying a bid for NFL MVP, to the benching of Ryan Fitzpatrick for Ryan Mallett, to Mallet's subsequent season-ending injury. We showcased these stories in news, when appropriate.

#### Lone Star College Fraud

Education/ Consumer Air Dates: November 3, 4 Total Coverage: 3 minutes

Local 2 News at 4:30am - 7:00am/ Local 2 News at 10pm

There are allegations of financial aid fraud at Lone Star College this morning. Investigators say more than \$117,000.00 in aid money intended for students was diverted into phony bank accounts. Court records show that 13 people are facing charges, accused of stealing aid from 55 students. Sources tell us that at least one of the people charged worked for the college's financial call center. Officials say that students affected by the crime were reimbursed.

#### **Animal Control Wait Times**

Environment/ Community Air Dates: November 5 Total Coverage: 2 minutes Local 2 News at 10pm

Robert Arnold exposes animal control officers wasting time on the job and reveals how the agency is not hitting its own target on critical responses.

#### **HPD Response Times**

City/ Community/ Safety Air Dates: November 12 Total Coverage: 4 minutes Local 2 News at 10pm

Robert Arnold breaks down response times for the most critical calls in neighborhoods across

Houston.

#### Vice President Joe Biden

Politics/ City

Air Dates: November 12

Total Coverage: 3 minutes

Local 2 News at 4pm/Local 2 News at 6pm

Vice President Joe Biden is renewing his call for improvements to the nation's infrastructure. He spent the day here in Houston speaking at the American Association of Port Authority's Annual Convention and Expo. One word he used to describe our nation's transportation infrastructure – unacceptable.

# **Harvard Elementary Education**

Education/ Youth/ Culture Air Dates: November 12, 15 Total Coverage: 3 minutes

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6am – 7am and 8am – 9am Students at a local elementary school are raising money not for a new playground or a field trip but to help girls a world away get an education. Harvard Elementary students got to meet Razia Jan who opened an all-girls school in Afghanistan. Only 14 percent of girls in Afghanistan are allowed to attend school. Our students want to see that change so they're helping raise money to support the Zubuli Education Center.

# **Grocery Delivery Services**

Consumer/ Community
Air Dates: November 13
Total Coverage: 3 minutes
Local 2 News at 10pm

Amy Davis compares grocery delivery services across Houston, revealing which ones are the cheapest and do the best job.

# **Memorial City Mall Tree Lighting**

Community/ Culture/ Family Air Dates: November 15, 16 Total Coverage: 3 minutes

Local 2 News Saturday and Sunday at 6am - 7am and 8am - 9am/ Local 2 News Saturday at 6pm and 10pm

There was another illuminating event held tonight to help get shoppers in the Christmas spirit. Santa Claus was in the building as thousands gathered at Memorial City Mall for the first ever Memorial City Tree Lighting. Local 2's Rachel McNeill was there to host the festivities. It featured elves, clowns, live music and , of course, jolly old Saint Nick.

# **Dupont Chemical Spill**

Safety/ Community

Air Dates: November 15 - 19 Total Coverage: 54 minutes

Local 2 News Weekend Saturday and Sunday 6am – 7am and 8am – 9am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ Local 2 News Sunday 5:00pm and 10pm/ Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7:00am/ Local 2 News at 11am/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm

An early morning day on the job becomes a catastrophe for a group of workers at a Dupont facility in the city of LaPorte. Four Dupont employees were killed after a chemical spill at the site at about 4am

Saturday. Dupont called emergency crews to report that a substance called "methyl mercaptan" was released at the facility's "crop protection unit..." where seven employees were working. Our Local 2 Investigates team did an in-depth report for our 10pm newscast, outlining DuPont's safety record, at the plant, and company-wide. We conducted an in-depth, day-of investigation on what was a big developing story, and we were the only station to provide viewers with this type of coverage, the same day of the incident.

#### **Operation: Stocking Stuffer Toy Drive**

Community/ Youth/

Air Dates: November 16, 17, 18, 24, December 23

Total Coverage: 11 minutes, 30 seconds

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News at Midday/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News Weekend Sunday 6am – 7am and 8am – 9am/ Local 2 News Sunday 5:00pm and 10pm

KPRC Local 2 has once again teamed up with the Houston Fire Department to help families in need during our annual Operation: Stocking Stuffer Toy Drive.

#### Ferguson

Community/ Legal/ City

Air Dates: November 16 – 30

Total Coverage: 1 hour, 9 minutes, 22 seconds

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News at Midday/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News Weekend Saturday and Sunday 6am – 7am and 8am – 9am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ Local 2 News Sunday 5:00pm and 10pm

KPRC Local 2's Robert Arnold reported from Ferguson, MO the night a grand jury decided not to prosecute Officer Darren Wilson in the death of Michael Brown. Robert was live while protestors destroyed businesses and caused a host of damage. Robert's reporting showcased what was a huge story across the nation. We rounded out our Ferguson coverage with Syan Rhodes and Keith Garvin, who covered local protests in Houston.

#### **College Campus Crime**

Youth/ Crime/ Community Air Dates: November 17 Local 2 News at 10pm

Jace Larson reveals the Houston area college campuses with the most crime reports and how one campus cut its crime rate in half in just one year.

#### **Muslim Threat**

Crime/ Community/ / Security/ Culture

Air Dates: November 18, 19

Total Coverage: 5 minutes, 5 seconds

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7:00am/ Local 2 News at 11am/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm

A local Muslim organization is calling for extra security at mosques after threats were made here in Houston and around the country.

# **National Philanthropy Day**

City/ Community

Air Dates: November 19

Total Coverage: 1 minute 30 seconds

Local 2 News at 5pm

Wednesday was National Philanthropy Day and the Association of Fundraising Professionals Greater Houston Chapter hosted one of the largest celebrations of philanthropy in the United States. During the annual awards luncheon at the Hilton Americas in downtown Houston, Local 2 received an award for Outstanding Media. Local 2 Vice President and General Manager Jerry Martin along with anchors Bill Balleza and Dominique Sachse accepted the award. Local 2 Chief Meteorologist Frank Billingsley also attended Wednesday's luncheon. The Association of Fundraising Professionals, Greater Houston Chapter's Annual National Philanthropy Day Awards Luncheon recognized individuals, corporations, foundations, and fundraisers for their time, talent and dedication to the spirit of giving.

#### **Minimum Wage Jobs**

Consumer/ City/ Youth Air Dates: November 20 Total Coverage: 3 minutes Local 2 News at 10pm

Amy Davis goes undercover, revealing which retail and restaurant businesses pay the highest

starting wages.

#### Florida State University Shooting

Crime/ Safety/ Youth/ Community Air Dates: November 20, 21, 22 Total Coverage: 17 minutes

Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7:00am/ Local 2 News at 11am/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm KPRC's Bill Spencer was able to get a local exclusive within a big national story. A gunman opened fire on the campus of Florida State University, before he was shot and killed by police. Local 2 discovered, the gunman, Myron May, was an attorney, and practiced law at two Houston law firms. Bill was able to get an exclusive with May's former boss, who told us, he had spoken with May within a month before the shooting. He painted a picture of a sensitive, but troubled soul. It was a dimension of a big story only Local 2 viewers saw.

# **Best Holiday Shopping Deals**

Consumer

Air Dates: November 26, 27 Total Coverage: 7 minutes

Local 2 News at 11am/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm

Amy Davis breaks down the best deals for the upcoming holiday shopping weekend.

# **Astrodome Power Wash**

Community/ City

Air Dates: December 1 Total Coverage: 2 minutes Local 2 News at 4:30am - 7:00am

Crews will get to work today cleaning the dusty decaying Astrodome. The power washing starts today and is expected to last through January.

#### **MLK Statue Damaged**

Community

Air Dates: December 1 Total Coverage: 1 minute Local 2 News at 5pm

The 8 foot tall statue in MacGregor Park was vandalized. Park Rangers are working to determine how much damage was done to a statue of Martin Luther King, Jr.

#### **Texas Children's Isolation Unit**

Health/ Youth/ Family Air Dates: December 4 Total Coverage 2 minutes Local 2 News at 4pm

Texas Children's is going to ring in the new year by building a 16-million-dollar isolation unit. This will be specifically for children with highly contagious, infectious diseases such as: the Flu, Enterovirus and Ebola. The announcement comes simultaneously with the state's decision to make Texas Children's a pediatric Ebola treatment center, should the virus infect a Texas child. Texas Children's says the construction will start after the new year and should be operational within nine months.

#### **Medal of Honor**

Community

Air Dates: December 8, 9, 10 Total Coverage: 8 minutes

Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News at 11am/ Local 2 News at 5pm Two Houston-area residents received the Medal of Honor at the White House. On Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, Keith Garvin spoke with Larry Fletcher, a 93 years old man from Sugar Land, who served in World War II. This was an exclusive interview, ahead of the ceremony in Washington. We followed through, with a story update, on Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, when Fletcher, and 92 year old Jayne Pace were honored, with video from the White House. Fletcher and Pace were part of the Civil Air Patrol in the War.

# **High School Football Championship Games**

Youth/ Community/ Culture Air Dates: December 19 – 22 Total Coverage: 9 minutes

Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm/ Local 2 News at 11am/ Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6am – 8am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm Local 2 took ownership of local teams playing in high school football championships. We had three teams involved; Katy High School, Cy-Ranch High School, and Navasota High School. Our team organized a team of reports to own coverage, with our news and sports departments working together; on-air and online. We branded this "Road to the Championship." News reporter Melissa Hawkes, a Katy graduate, covered their big sendoff and rally, while sports anchors/reporters Randy

McIlvoy and Simone Eli did people and fan-driven stories from Cy-Ranch and Navasota. Randy also led our coverage from Arlington, Texas, the site of the championship games, on Friday and Saturday.

# **Former Mayor Bob Lanier Passes Away**

Community/ Culture

Air Dates: December 20 – 23 Total Coverage: 24 minutes

Local 2 News Saturday and Sunday 6am – 7am and 8am – 9am/ Local 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ Local 2 News Sunday 5:00pm and 10pm/ Local 2 News at 4:30am – 7:00am/ Local 2 News at 11am/ Local 2 News at 4pm/ Local 2 News at 5pm/ Local 2 News at 6pm/ Local 2 News at 10pm Local 2 covered the passing of beloved Houston Mayor Bob Lanier. Bill Spencer spoke exclusively with Lanier's family about what happened the night before. (Lanier collapsed after a birthday party for his twin grandsons). Local 2 was the only broadcast station to carry the funeral live on its primary channel. Dominique Sachse and Phil Archer anchored live coverage. Joel Eisenbaum reported from outside the church.

# Former President George H. W. Bush Hospitalized

Community/ Culture

Air Dates: December 23 – 30 Total Coverage: 36 minutes

Local 2 led the 10pm newscast with Jennifer Bauer, LIVE from Houston Methodist Hospital, and made a large commitment, on-air and online, to report the President's condition. We had crews outside the hospital, morning, afternoon, and night. On December 29<sup>th</sup>, only Local 2 was live outside the hospital when President Bush was live. We were live in our Midday newscast, just seconds after the official word of his release came down. We also sent continual push alerts and updates on the President's condition on click2houston.com and on our KPRC Facebook page.

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