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WMPV-TV – Mobile, Alabama
Ascertainment List
Leading Community Problems

Results of ascertainment from civic leaders, responses by telephone from TBN, viewers, from the printed media, comprising newspapers, magazines, publications, and from television and radio, whenever possible

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Shaundra Stallworth and Melvin Richardson from Serenity Care discussed the question can addicts recover on their own. Only about 1 in 10 chance of an addict recovering on their own, but it is not impossible with God and determination. Many times recovery is like a revolving door, because if life is not proceeding the way the addict envisions, then their joy is gone and they relapse to what made them feel good. The recovering person needs something to keep them focused like a strong supporting family that will everyday remind them how important life is and how much the family wants and needs them in their lives.

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Shaundra Stallworth and Melvin Richardson, president of Serenity Care discussed drug and alcohol treatment and how we stand today. The top choice among addicts is synthetic marijuana/spice and crack cocaine. In any given neighborhood there are 19-22 people addicted to crystal meth. Drug addiction is increasing more than the alcohol addiction. Whether it is prescription drugs or illegal drugs the feeling is the same. Prescription abuse is sometimes accidental; at first you took the medication for the pain then you started taking it for the feel good properties now it is addiction. A drug addiction is a more powerful addiction than alcohol addiction. Many can function with alcohol but there is no functioning with drugs. The dependency is greater than alcohol and the recovery period is not overnight. Some clients come several time before they are finally cured, but most clients continue to come until they are cured. Treatment must start immediately the length of the treatment depends of the addict's drug history it can go from fourteen days to one year. There is normally about a 4-6 hour window when a person makes the decision to get help and you must be there for them during this eye opening moment.

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Joseph Mass talked to Sam Murphy, President and John Richardson, Executive Director of "R PLACE", on how addiction does not receive the same attention as other illnesses in the community. The center was created to support newly recovered addicts after their completion of the 12 weeks program. Where was the person to go? They shared that they saw people cleaned with no directions and no skills to take them forward in life. The center sees over 1200 patient a day. Most people do not understand it, even thou all are affected by it. Addiction doesn't differentiate between males or females, thou more males will seek help for their addiction. There is overcrowding in the jails and 75% of the criminals incarcerated are there because of drug crimes committed to support their addiction. The solution would be for more support from outside sources in the community. Some churches and businesses are involved with R Place but, more help is always needed.

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Ericka Byrd and Doris Littleton-Wood of Home of Grace, discussed drug and alcohol problems are they worst than it was forty years ago. In the past it was alcohol and prescription drugs and the average age of the addicts was 50 years old. Now crack and crystal meth is the drug of choice and the average age is 26. Young people trying drugs are getting younger, a survey produced information that the average age for first time drug user is 14. There is a need to reach them before they experiment with drugs. For every man that seeks treatment, there are two women needing treatment. Women are today facing problems not present Forty years ago. The statement once an addict always an addict is wrong; but once an addict goes through treatment and then relapse then it is harder to recover the next time. If you want to be treated, you must openly admit that you need help. The treatment at Home of Grace is a six weeks multi-faceted Christian based program.

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Ericka Byrd and Doris Littleton-Wood of Home of Grace discuss how addiction affects the family. Addiction doesn't just affect that person but the ones around them. The drug of choice for women appears to be Lortab. Lortab will see you through a trauma and then you get use to them. Prescription drugs have changed women from the mother they want to be into one that is unable to function as a mother. The addicted pregnant mother will pass her addiction on to her unborn child. That is the reason we have Hannah House a place for addicted mothers. The Home of Grace gets the mother off drugs and teaches her how to once again be a mother allowing her the opportunity to raise her own children. Family counseling is done on Saturdays, the class searches for the root of the problems that caused them to get into drugs. Many problems found were sexual, physical and mental abuse the goal is to repair and allow the healing to begin.

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Ginger Young discussed Families in Crisis. The stress of the new poor is taking a toll on the families with more cases of suicide and attempted suicide this year; due to the change forced upon families who had never needed help before. The economy has caused more families to reach the crisis stage; the number of families needing help remained the same all year long. There was a slight increase in families requesting assistance with utilities, during the winter months. The solution is to make our community leaders more aware of the problem and informing them of ways to assist the churches who have reached out to help the families in their church family and surrounding areas.

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Shaundra Stallworth and Katie Elmer, Public Relations Director of Salvation Army (SA) on the Gulf Coast discussed families and homelessness. Those that seek help at Salvation Army are not all on drugs or mentally ill. Many faced just a series of unfortunate events that escalated out of control. Most families are just one paycheck away from being homeless. The single female head of household will be processed, if there is a substance abuse problem they will be given help in cleaning up their lives. Salvation Army gives a woman refuge, offering them a chance to get back on their feet through training that will take them and their family forward in life.

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Host Shaundra Stallworth talked with Michelle Kurtz and Sarah Harris from the Homeowner Hurricane Insurance Initiative of Alabama about the irregularity in the cost insurance companies is charging homeowners on the Gulf Coast. The insurance companies are charging people on the Gulf Coast 300-600% more than the rest of the state. The deductibles for a home valued at \$85-150,000 ranges from \$7,000 - \$10,000 per year. The wind coverage deductible appears to be the exact amount it would cost to replace the roof of the home. The goal is significant reduction in premiums, reliability of insurance, just payments of claims. The Governor of Alabama has set into motion a law now requiring the insurance companies to disclose what it would cost to honor the claim and compare information against the cost of the homeowner s coverage. The information from these findings will be available online the fall of this year.

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Host Shaundra Stallworth talked to Michelle Klutz and Sarah Harris from the Homeowner Hurricane Insurance Initiative (HHII) about how, not having affordable insurance can influence the economy. Homes from Maine to Texas saw an increase in their insurance. The elderly homeowners who paid home insurance for more than 40 years now are without insurance due their fixed income has resorted to fire coverage only and prepare on their own in the event of a gulf storm. Those same seniors' homeowners are now unable to sale their homes because potential buyer cannot secure affordable home insurance. The insurers are calculating the replacement at inflated prices to raise premiums. Solutions are needed and many solutions originate from the HHII meetings with the right people in a non partisan forum. The HHII goal is to take democratic actions to improve the quality of life in South Mobile County.

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Joseph Mass and Makinde Gbolahan discussed how negative culture affects the family. Cities are affected by their history, economy, religion and social organizations. If these factors are healthy then the community will thrive. Families are being brain washed to think that life is about materialism and self-centered pursuits rather than character and service to others. The responsibility of every citizen is to restore the health of the community; we must guard and defend the institutions that are laboring to restore the health of our culture. Each community must organize and develop an action plan. Meetings must be conducted in every neighborhood to establish programs that will mold and shape the character of citizens living there. As this happens culture will change from being sick to being healthy.

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Ericka Byrd host talked to Alva Tate, Alabama International representative for KAIROS about Incarceration and living behind bars. There is a growing problem in the USA, having more people locked behind bars than any country. More of the populace are experiencing life behind bars due to a break down in family values, schools that can no longer discipline kids, and many who are without aspiration and unwilling to work ends up in prison. What KAIROS offers is rehab opportunities in prison; but a person without ambition will not take advantage of the opportunities offered to them. KAIROS operates on the principle that love can activate ambition within an individual and cause them to want to change. Support is what they need to build up their strength and character to survive after leaving prison.

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Host Erica Byrd talked to Alva Tate from Alabama International representative for KAIROS about Life after Prison. Life will be difficult for many offenders upon release from prison. Jobs can be difficult to find, family support can be minimal or non-existent, and many will have no money, house to live or car to drive. “KAIROS Outside” is a program for offenders that are due to be released that begins 12 months before their release. KAIROS Outside prepares the offender for all facets of life on the outside, and provides ongoing assistant after their release. KAIROS is designed to support the families of incarcerated men, women and juveniles. Kairos’s programs are to exhibit God’s grace and love through Christian support for women who have loved ones who are or who have been incarcerated.

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Shaundra Stallworth and Mobile County District Attorney Ashley Rich discussed the lack of involvement of the citizens in solving crime. It is important that the citizens get involved because our cases are only as good as the witness. Don't be afraid. It is every ones civic duty to help the DA's office convict criminals. If you are afraid to then you are encourage to call Crime stoppers Hotline and leave the information there. Neighborhood should band together and talk and start a Community Action Group, let the criminals know that the whole community is protecting each other; showing a united front in your neighborhood. When giving out information to the police department never think that your comment is silly. Together we can make the community a better place to live.

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Host Pamela Ware and U.S. Attorney Kenyen Brown talk about how to protect children on the internet. A lot of times kids put out too much personal information, such as where they live, and the school they attend, this in turns give a predator easy access to track them down. Another problem is that the kids make friends through sites such as Face Book & allow adults to be their friend, and adults groom them making them feel comfortable which in turn could lead to molestation or abduction. It is essential for the parents to monitor their kid's computers. U.S. Attorney Kenyen Brown talks about solutions that they provide through Project Safe Childhood, since 2006 they have brought about 2300 indictments against potential child sex offenders & have indicted and convicted over 100 sex criminals over the pass 5 to 6 years. Their office monitors the internet for child sex predators & very aggressive at trying to educate the public. They also provide lectures for the local community.

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Joseph Mass and Makinde Gbolahan discussed that there are more people in prison in the United States than in any other nation in the world. There are currently 2.3 million people incarcerated in America. The cost of crime is growing with the growing prison population. Rehabilitation in prison is virtually non-existent. When prisoners are released back into society often times they are not equipped to survive in the free world, and turn back to a life of crime. There is a need for alternative programs and facilities that convicted individuals can be sentenced to as oppose to being sent to jail or prison. The prison environment must become rehabilitating due to the fact that many prisoners will one day be released. The justice system must be truly committed to administering justice equally to all; citizens have a role to play in ensuring that every citizen receives equal and fair treatment in the courtrooms of America.

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CBN News Reporter, Charlene Israel, reports that identity theft is a crime that hits millions of Americans each year and thieves are coming up with new ways to rob consumers every day, including using the latest technology. In 2011, the Federal Trade Commission received more than 1.8 million complaints from consumers. Fifteen percent of those complaints involved some type of identity theft. When it comes to shopping, just swiping with a credit or debit card is the way to pay in today's fast-paced world. According to the FTC, identity theft has topped the list of consumer complaints 12 years in a row. Nearly 27,000 complaints had been filed or identified in 2011 alone. Something known as skimming at ATM machines and gas stations has become all too common. Identity thieves purchase the devices right off of the Internet. Some thieves even make them. Thieves usually target the gas pumps that are nearest the outside of the gas station or far away from the attendant. They then insert a skimming device over the card reader and when you go to swipe your card to pay for gas, your personal information has just been stolen. The consumer's stolen information is then transferred onto unused-pre-approved credit cards or blank gift cards. Thieves can now use heat generated from your fingertips on ATM key pads to steal your card pin number using high-tech infrared cameras. They can also tap into accounts via credit cards that contain a radio frequency identification or RFID chip. This chip allows consumers the ease of just waving the card at the register. Scam artists can buy parts that increase the frequency or the strength of the antenna in the card. This allows them to pick

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up your credit card information from a foot or more away. Security consultants suggest using credit cards instead of debit cards to prevent such scams, that way you're risking the credit card company's money instead of your own. Here are a few other ways to protect against being scammed: Freeze your credit. This allows you to lock your credit data, which makes it virtually impossible for an identity thief to open any new accounts in your name. You can un-freeze it at any time. Hire a company to monitor and protect your credit. Cut up pre-approved credit card offers that come in the mail. Don't just throw them away. When at the ATM, make sure no one is looking over your shoulder. Consider using a pen or pencil to key in your number. Alert bank officials if you notice a hidden camera or if the card reader appears loose.

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Joseph Mass talked to Trooper Greg Eubanks from the Alabama Department of Public Safety talked about how the state is divided into divisions the State officer can operate anywhere within the state of Alabama. The county Sherriff operates only their jurisdictional area of the county and the city police only in their city or Township. The Alabama Department of Public Safety operates under the mission of courtesy, service and protection. Many people do not understand what you do. What the public sees day in day out, speeding, enforcing traffic laws, DUI, DWI, vehicle crashes, injury and fatalities. Many people don't know the number to the Highway patrol office, if an accident happens on a state road and you are not certain who to call you can now dial star HP (*HP) this will connect you with a Alabama Department of Safety operator. It is different than 911 because 911 goes through a central office and the call is later dispatched to HP with *HP you goes directly to and HP operator.

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Host Pamela Ware talks with U.S. Attorney Kenyen Brown concerning Ex-offenders and how they fit in society after being released. Most are not able to find jobs because of a lack of assistance or support, the U.S. has the highest incarceration rate in the world as well as the highest prison population currently at 2.3 million people. From 2002-2006 262,000 federal prisoners were released, but because of lack of help, 50% returned to prison. Another problem is 40% of those coming out of prison do not have a High School Diploma, GED or Vocational Training to get jobs. With the help of the Ex-offender Program, they are able to support the ex-offenders under supervision to give them employment opportunity and point them in the right direction with the resources needed. Partnering with Mobile Works, who are able to provide Individual Training Accounts where they pay ex-offenders 2-8 thousand dollars for training or education to equip them for jobs. Also Light of the Village provides a one stop shop for ex-offenders needing services such as ID Badge, State ID, or Social Security Card. Another partner is with Bankers who provide for ex-offenders that are unable to find a job but desire to start their own business with business equipment loans. In terms of success with assistance, those prisoners who were released from 2002-2006 had a 88% success rate for them with partial employment & a success rate of 93% for those who kept jobs throughout the support system.

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Host Shaundra Stallworth talked with Charles Gruber, Baldwin County Commissioner District 4 about the challenges of the county vs. the city governments. The County cannot raise taxes without going through the capitol/Montgomery. It is a longer process and sometimes that help doesn't come. School taxes and a few ordinances for parks and recreation can be done on the local level. All government decision should be about helping the people.

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Host Ericka Byrd talked with Lorenzo Martin, Prichard city councilman District 1, about the Water and Sewer Board of Prichard they have been criticized by citizens for over-pricing its services. The explanation was that they board had some bonding and mandates that the state imposed on the office and the cost had to past on the citizens of Prichard, Alabama. The public voted to turn water & sewer operation over to the city of Mobile. The Board resisted, but lost in a court ruling but there is still some things that has to worked out before they Board can be resolved. Mobile Water understands the relationship we are expecting during the transition. Prichard has yet to resolve the complaint regarding the Mercaptan smell. The governor and the environment specialist have become a part of the investigation and a conclusion to this problem is expected soon.

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Ericka Byrd and Lorenzo Martin Prichard city Councilman District 1, discussed problems facing the newly elected officials. The budget and the potential to drift into bankruptcy make prioritizing essential. Getting correct information and passing it on to the citizens is the motto for this administration. The elected official's wants to be held accountable for their actions or inactions, if there is a problem and you report it to the city you will be given, A Service Request Order (ASRO) number and they will try to correct it within 48-72 hours. The assigned number will stay with the task until the task is complete. The city wants to be held accountable for their actions and graded on the accomplishments. If there is a problem attend the Council meetings which are held every Thursday.

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Host Shaundra Stallworth and Charles Gruber, Baldwin County Commissioner District 4 discussed the growth and transportation in Baldwin County. The BRAT Buses are getting older and there is a need to replace them the buses serve as a link between the eastern shore and Mobile. Many city officials are using the line to get to work. The next evolution for Baldwin County will be I-10 connector which will connect Interstate 10 to the beaches via Foley Beach Express. The final bridges are being set in place expecting to open in the next 18 months. This will serve as a hurricane evacuation route during our hurricane season.

HEALTH

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CBN News Reporter, Lorie Johnson, reports that out of all the videos viewed on our CBN News website last year, the most popular by far showed how coconut oil helps some Alzheimer's patients. More than 5 million people watched it. Now, some heavy-hitters within the Alzheimer's medical establishment are also taking notice. Here's how it appears the coconut oil works. In patients with Alzheimer's, insulin resistance prevents their brain cells from accepting glucose, their primary fuel. Without it, the cells die. But there is an alternate fuel known as ketones, which cells easily accept. Ketones are metabolized in the liver after eating coconut oil. Insulin resistance doesn't just affect people with Alzheimer's but also folks with dementia, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, Parkinson's, ALS, even autism. So can coconut oil help these people, too? It appears so, at least some of them. So while not everyone has experienced great results with coconut oil, there are plenty who have, enough that the medical community will spend time and money learning exactly who it helps and why.

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CBN Reporter, Lorie Johnson, reports that this year the flu season hit early and it will likely last until April. The best prevention is a flu shot and it's still not too late to get one. Remember that the shot won't give you the flu because the virus used in the vaccine dies during the manufacturing process. It takes about two weeks for the vaccine for fully protect you, so you could still get the flu during that time. Also, the shot may not stop each different flu strain. This year's vaccine is about 60 percent effective against the various types circulating today. That's actually pretty good since the effectiveness of the flu usually ranges from 50 percent to 70 percent. Some people wonder why the vaccine doesn't protect against getting the flu 100 percent of the time. Health experts say it's because the vaccine only protects against three strains of the flu. To complicate matters even further, it takes a long time to manufacture the vaccine, so scientists must try to predict months before the flu season hits which three strains will be the most prevalent in the upcoming flu season. But that's about to change. The Food and Drug Administration just approved a new flu vaccine that will be much faster to make. That means it will require less guesswork so it will be a better match. It's called Flublok. Instead of growing the virus in chicken eggs for about three months, which is the usual way of manufacturing the flu vaccine, this new vaccine uses DNA technology instead, which cuts-off weeks from the manufacturing time. Since the vaccine will not use chicken eggs, people with poultry allergies who currently cannot tolerate the flu vaccine, will be able to get this new flu shot. In addition, this new flu vaccine is different from the regular one in that it does not use a live virus in the manufacturing process, which is a deterrent for many people who choose to abstain from getting vaccinated. The new vaccine still only protects against three strains of the flu. However, scientists are working on yet another type of flu vaccine, not yet approved. This one promises to protect against ALL types of flu, every strain. Aside from current and future vaccines, which doctors tout as the best flu prevention, there are other ways. Topping that list: Washing your hands. But you have to do it right. Get a good lather going and keep it going 20 seconds, which is about as long as it takes to sing The Happy Birthday Song twice. Rinse really well and dry with a clean towel. If there's no soap and water handy, hand sanitizers are a good substitute. Just make sure it's at least 60 percent alcohol, and rub until your hands are dry. Your hands aren't the only culprit. The flu virus can live on a hard surface for up to two days. So regularly disinfect all those items you might touch on a daily basis, like door knobs, remote controls, refrigerator handles. Our bodies are designed to fight-off the flu naturally. The catch is you have to strengthen your immune system. That requires discipline and remembering your dos and don'ts. Do get at least eight hours of sleep, drink lots of water, eat nutritious foods, and take supplements, including fish oil, vitamins C, D and zinc. Don't eat foods

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with a lot of sugar or Tran’s fats. They can cause inflammation, which weakens your immune system. Also don't get stressed-out. Anxiety zaps your immune system. Lowering stress begins with emotional improvement, such as prayer and Bible reading, as well as physical changes, including exercise. So avoid the flu by getting the vaccine, keeping yourself and your environment clean, and keeping your body strong.

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CBN News Reporter, Lorie Johnson, reports that keeping up with which foods to eat and which ones to avoid could be a full-time job. That's because scientists continue to learn more about what we put in our bodies. Some of their latest findings could change your mind about fat. Twenty years ago, doctors told us to stay away from high-fat foods like eggs, bacon, and butter because they raised cholesterol and could lead to heart disease. America responded and stopped eating fat. In its place, however, we ate more sugar and other carbohydrates. How did that work out? Not great. As a whole, Americans grew fatter and sicker than before. Scientists back then may have reached the wrong conclusion. Now a growing number of medical experts say weight gain, heart disease, and other illnesses are not caused by high cholesterol, but by something different: inflammation. That means instead of avoiding foods that raise our cholesterol, we need to avoid foods that cause inflammation. Cholesterol is especially important in the brain, which contains more cholesterol than any other organ and needs it in order for a message to get passed from one brain cell to another. When choosing which fats to eat, pick the ones that are high in Omega 3 fats and also choose natural saturated fats. On the other hand, stay away from the fats that lead to inflammation, such as Trans fats and Omega 6 fats. How to you tell the healthy Omega 3s from the unhealthy Omega 6 fats? Vegetable oils and mayonnaise contain Omega 6 fats, so be careful with how much you consume. Ideally, Omega 6 fats are healthy but only when consumed in the same amount as Omega 3 fats. The typical American, however, consumes 15 times more Omega 6 fats than Omega 3s. This imbalance creates inflammation. So cut back on the Omega 6s and increase your consumption of Omega 3s. These are in foods like olive oil and avocados. Cold water fish is an excellent source of Omega 3 fat, particularly DHA, which is a super brain booster. One great way to make sure you're getting enough Omega 3, specifically DHA, is by taking a fish oil supplement. Doctors recommend one that contains at least 750 mg of DHA daily. At one time dieticians considered margarine, which is a trans fat, heart healthy. Doctors now say a better choice is butter. In the last 20 years, trans fats have become the ingredient of choice for almost all processed foods. You can tell something contains trans fat if you see the word "hydrogenated" in the list of ingredients. Saturated fats have really gotten a bad reputation over the last couple of decades. But they are not as bad as they have been made out to be. In fact, doctors recommend eating some saturated fats every day, such as coconut oil. This saturated fat fights colds and the flu and has even reversed the symptoms of Alzheimer’s,

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ALS and Parkinson's disease in some people. You should also remember those non-fat foods that make us fat and increase inflammation contains sugar and refined carbohydrates. Anything containing high fructose corn syrup or other sugars leads to inflammation. So do grains, especially refined grains such as white bread, pasta, rice, and so on. So when it comes to your health, inflammation beats out cholesterol as the new enemy. Take it on by saying "yes" to foods like fish and coconut oil, and "no" to sugar and carbohydrates, and dangerous trans fats.

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Dr. Mark Brown discusses senior fitness. During the winter holiday season, heart attacks increase among seniors. The three days known for seniors having the most heart attacks are Christmas Day, December 23rd and New Year's Day. To lower your risk of a heart attack, reduce the amount of food you eat to one half or one third of what you would normally consume at a holiday event. In addition, start exercising or moving more around the house to increase your physical activity. Calf raises can help prevent DVT: deep vein thrombosis or PE: pulmonary embolism or blood clots. Another major problem senior's face is falling down. Often, when seniors fall, they do not have the strength to get themselves up. Exercising the larger muscles will help burn more calories and maintain muscle mass. Muscles help to protect the bones and joints by providing a cushion. Typically, within two hours after seniors shovel heavy snow, they suffer from a heart attack, so don't overexert yourself. If you are a senior, that means you are still around and that also means you have done a good job to stay around. **Dr. Thomas DiStefano** discusses Osteoarthritis in the knee; a breakdown of the cartilage in the knee, ultimately exposing the nerve endings on the end of the bone. When pressure is applied by standing, the result is pain from the arthritis. If your quality of life is affected, one of the most successful surgeries and treatments is a total knee replacement, which has a life span of ten to twenty-five years, depending upon your activity level. Candidates for this treatment are usually at least sixty years of age. Anyone under the age of sixty who experiences a traumatic injury that results in an arthritic lesion in their knee is usually treated with physical therapy exercises, swimming or biking, anti-inflammatory medications, and icing, to increase strength and reduce inflammation in the knee. If these treatments fail, arthroscopic surgery is another option, as well as cortisone injections. A new product called the conformis is now available. It is a wedge of metal that is custom made to fit the patient and is inserted into the affected compartment of the knee to allow proper alignment and space between the bone and the nerve endings. This type of surgery is done on an outpatient basis. **Dr. Dale Peterson** discusses Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS). The symptoms include abdominal pain, bloating, gassiness, diarrhea or constipation, even alternating bouts of diarrhea characterized by frequent loose stools and constipation. IBS is quite common. One in six people in the United States will experience it at some point in time. It is twice as common in women as in men and can occur anytime in life. Unless an identifying cause can be detected, it can last indefinitely for decades or be a lifelong issue. There is

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no specific test to identify IBS. Usually a stool specimen is collected and a comprehensive digestive analysis is performed. Often the underlying cause of IBS is lactose intolerance, a complex sugar found in dairy products. Another cause of IBS is gluten intolerance or celiac disease. Gluten is found in grains such as wheat, barley and rye. Food allergies can also cause IBS and can be found through an elimination diet. The primary cause of IBS is Dysbiosis, an overgrowth of organisms in the intestinal tract that should not be there. The most common overgrowth is a yeast organism called Candida. Other harmful bacteria are streptococcus, klebsiella, enterobacter, and clostridium. To combat IBS drink pure water, avoid carbonated beverages, and increase fiber intake.

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Dr. Eric Braverman discusses ways to have a younger brain and a sharper mind. The decline of the brain begins at the age of 40 and sometimes even at age 30 for women. Symptoms include forgetfulness; concentration challenges; impulsiveness; sleep deprivation; an inability to remember verbal instructions, faces, or numbers; an inability to learn or reason; slower processing speed; slower driving; and more accidents. The brain actually has a slower pulse and begins to get tired and shrink. The good news is hormones such as testosterone, estrogen and glucagon, vitamin D, natural T3 and T4, and ten other hormonal breakthroughs are now available to repair the brain. Niacin, fish oil, garlic, and new herbs such as irvingia and neuro-magnesiums, help to build up the brain, improve circulation, and lower cholesterol. Choline powders help the brain to produce more dopamine. Lifestyle changes such as eliminating sugar and fatty foods; drinking teas and spices; drinking pomegranate juice; and eating fresh tarragon, sage, rosemary, and basil all benefit the brain. Stretch your mind through reading. **Dr. Michael McCabe** discusses children with chronic disease, which is simply a reoccurring health issue. Many children with a disability or chronic illness have had it all of their life and do not know anything different, so they do not understand why others see it as a problem. Some children have had a life with no disability up until a particular event when they are diagnosed with a health problem, or are involved in an accident leaving them disabled. As a result, the child often feels as though they are different, or the only one with their burden. Pay attention to when the child or the family is not dealing with the illness or disability well; when there are angry outbursts, sadness, or depression. Allow everyone in the family to express and verbalize their frustration. Do not allow the child or your family to become isolated. Engage the whole family and create a family centered approach to caring for the child. Learn about the disease or disability, and educate your family. Incorporate the information into your family structure. Normalize it as best as you can in your day to day routine. Teach the child that everyone has challenges. Encourage and develop realistic goals for the child and allow the child to serve in the family as well. Introduce the child to other children with a similar illness or disability. Use the illness or disability as an opportunity to grow, become more flexible, and become more creative in loving your family. Don't let fear paralyze you. Find health providers who can help. **Dr. John Calcagno** discusses ADD and ADHD. Medical doctors consider ADD and ADHD as the same general disorder. However, the difference is the H: hyperactivity, and inattentiveness without the hyperactivity, which is ADD. ADD and ADHD are not only childhood conditions, but can manifest into adulthood. ADD and ADHD are genetically

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inherited and can manifest itself at different times in a person's life span, at which time it is called the expression of the disorder. Typically doctors will ask about your family history. However, only recently have ADD and ADHD been accurately diagnosed. Currently ten percent of children and five percent of adults have been diagnosed with ADD or ADHD. Symptoms include an inability to complete extended tasks, easily distracted, and not able to remember things. There is a tendency for ADD or ADHD to have comorbidities with it, such as depression, anxiety and even bipolar illness. In addition to medication, there are lifestyle changes, dietary changes, and counseling that can be beneficial. ADD and ADHD are very complex disorders, so it is important to find a doctor who specializes in ADD and ADHD.

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Dr. Bob DeMaria discusses how fresh vegetables can improve your health. Only a ¼ cup of peas has just as much or more protein than one egg. Vegetables are a great source of protein. When determining which apples to purchase, compare their weight. A heavier apple contains more water. Look for a starburst on the top of the apple, which indicates that it had greater exposure to the sun. Eat half a red apple daily to help lower cholesterol by thirteen percent. Red, yellow and orange bell peppers are an excellent source of vitamin C. The body lives and dies at the cellular level, so your body needs oil. The oil in the leaves of herbs is what promotes life and health. Try some basil and rub the leaves together to get the flavor and essence of the herb. Cucumbers are a good source of water and potassium. Avocados contain carnitine, which is a protein that is good for cognitive memory. Kale is a great source of magnesium and calcium. Bok choy is another great vegetable. When cooking with olive oil, it should never be heated over 325 degrees. If the oil is starting to smoke, it means the temperature is too high and you are burning the oil. Let food be your medicine and medicine be your food. Purchase organic vegetables, which are labeled with the number nine. Produce labeled with the number eight means that it has been genetically engineered. All other numbers indicate that the produce is standard or conventional. During the day try sautéing or stir frying broccoli, cabbage, and cauliflower to breakdown their fibers, and eat them warm. Start the day with an egg as a great source of protein. Try some asparagus which is a natural diuretic. Sauté some asparagus, red, yellow and orange bell peppers, and spinach together, mix in an organic egg, and add some Celtic sea salt. Eating this dish first thing in the morning will provide you with a vegetable and a protein that will keep your blood sugar level throughout the day, stave off hunger, and build and strengthen tissues inside your body. Create a great salad by mixing romaine lettuce, mixed greens, spinach, tomatoes, cucumbers and carrots. Add balsamic vinegar, olive oil, and Celtic sea salt. Add some sunflower seeds and sesame seeds for a good source of calcium. Add protein to the salad by using salmon, chicken meat balls, organic turkey, or organic chicken. In the evening try green beans, kale, and a variety of vegetables. Eating a diet of fast foods will cause your taste buds to numb. If you are losing your sense of taste, it is possible that you have a zinc deficiency. Other symptoms are white spots on your nails and large pores on your face. Let food

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be your medicine and medicine be your food. Your skin will improve, lesions will leave your body, you will have more energy, and your bowels will improve. **Dr. Edmund Chein** discusses hormones and longevity. The Bible tells us in Genesis 6:3 that man's days will be 120. Currently, the world record on human age is about 120 years as promised in the Bible, which means that at age sixty we are at our prime. I Corinthians 6:19 says the body is our temple. Like a car, we must check and maintain our bodies regularly to ensure it runs properly to its limit. Today we are exposed to so many toxins; industrial toxins, industrial waste, air pollutants, heavy metal toxicities, pesticides, preservatives, and phthalates from plastic water bottles. The longer plastic water bottles are kept in the sun, and at high temperatures, the more poisons are released from the bottles. When toxins enter the body, the first things they damage are the glands that produce hormones. For example, when the HIV aids virus enters the body, it only attacks the T-cell, the T-lymphocyte, and nothing else. In 2009 the Nobel Prize of Medicine was awarded to research called Telomere and Telomerase, which is the key to longevity. Scientists proved that by introducing the telomerase into human cells, the human cells can be kept alive forever, perpetually. Life expectancy can also be controlled by measuring the duration of telomere in the human cells. Telomere is controlled by telomerase, and telomerase is in turn controlled by the bio identical hormones in the body. This is why it so important to check your hormones and to supplement and maintain those hormones at their optimal level. **Dr. Glen Steele** discusses vision and learning. It's been estimated that up to eighty percent of all we learn comes through the vision process. It is the primary entry point for information in the classroom and the workplace. Although we can still learn without visual input, it is a slower process and more laborious. Determination of social interaction and engagement is based on how well another person uses their vision on a daily basis. For instance, an infant's social and emotional development can be determined by how well the baby engages visually with parents and their surroundings. Job interviews for adults are often based on how the interviewee engages visually with the interviewer. A lack of eye contact is a factor that can impact others perceptions. When vision is not working well, the student or adult will not perform well. Although important, Amblyopia, or lazy eye, rarely has an impact on performance. Symptoms of visual challenges are difficulty seeing far; words that run together; words on top of each other; difficulty staying focused; double vision; skipping words or lines when reading; needing a finger to keep your place and to guide the eyes when reading; difficulty copying from the chalkboard; avoidance of near point activities; and headaches. Most importantly, when concepts are understood when read by others, versus reading it yourself. The examination process is more than just reading a letter chart, which is called a snellen chart. Other tests include ocular motility, or how well the eyes follow a moving target, and how well a person can look, think, and talk at the same time. Binocular function, or how well both eyes are used together, determines if this function is achieved quickly and sustained at all distances, or if the eyes become fatigued. The focus test determines if they can sustain their focus easily while looking from a distance and back to near, as well as sustain it at near. If things are going well for the patient, there is no need for change. Other recommendations may be to prescribe glasses for focusing and alignment, or just an inability to see. Vision therapy may be necessary if the problem is not solved with glasses alone. The American Optometric Association recommends an eye examination at six months, three years, and prior to entry to school, unless risk factors are identified by the doctor.

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Dr. Isabel Lopez discusses Thyroid Disease. Often, thyroid disease is under diagnosed or misdiagnosed. Physical symptoms of Thyroid Disease are hair loss, depression, fatigue, dry skin, muscle aches and pains, constipation, change in hair texture, cold intolerance, facial or eyelid swelling, dull facial expression, slowed speech, brittle hair, brittle nails, menstrual irregularities, and heavier periods. Clinical symptoms are a temperature below the normal 98.6 degrees and it is always 97 degrees; a slow heart rate in the mid fifty to sixty range; weight gain; inability to lose weight; memory loss; a feeling of fogginess; and thickened skin. All of these symptoms are associated with a low thyroid, which is hypothyroidism. The thyroid gland makes two hormones; T3 and T4. The T3 hormone makes you feel really good, gives you energy, keeps your brain sharp, your hair looking good, and keeps your body thin. T4 is an inactive hormone. These hormones will vary throughout the day. The brain creates a thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH). If your TSH is high, that indicates that your thyroid is low (hypothyroid or underactive thyroid). In 2002 the American Academy of Clinical Endocrinologists reset the parameters for a normal TSH from less than 5.0 to 3.0. The reason for this change was due to numerous patients reporting symptoms of a low thyroid, while maintaining what was considered to be normal T3 and T4 levels. Hyperthyroid or overactive thyroid was changed from 0.5 to 0.3. Prior to these changes, more than twenty percent of the American populations were misdiagnosed with thyroid disease. Lab Quest, which is the most commonly used lab, still uses the old parameters. Unless your primary care doctor is aware of the new parameters, they are still using the old normal parameters based on the lab. So you may have gone to your doctor, had all of the symptoms, received a TSH of 4.5 and was told that it was normal. However, based on the new parameters by the American Academy of Clinical Endocrinologists, you would have been considered a candidate for the thyroid replacement hormone. Once the thyroid stops working, by not producing T3 and T4, it stops working forever. Other than experiencing the symptoms previously mentioned, the greatest risk or complications of the disease is weight gain. Typically, thyroid disease is treated by simply replacing the thyroid hormone through medication. Several medications are available. A primary health care physician can discuss the best option for you. Treatment will continue for the rest of your life. Although it may take a while for your body to get acclimated to the medication, once the dosage is adjusted, you will feel better. Help your doctor to help you. Provide them with the information from the American Academy of Clinical Endocrinologists. **Dr. Doug Weiss** discusses Anemic Marriage, or a weak marriage. Marriage was God's final creation. God has a purpose and plan for your marriage and He wants you to reach that destiny. Be confident that God will use the marriage you are in to refine you. The scripture says "And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." It's okay to be frustrated and in an imperfect situation. If you hang in there you will reap a reward. Change your disciplines. Pray together. Marriage is between God, a man and a woman; a trinity on earth as it is in heaven. God said let us make man in our image. God is triune. Your marriage is triune. Confess your sins. James 5:16 (a) says "Confess your faults one to another; and pray one for another, that you may be healed . . ." When you make mistakes apologize to each other and ask for forgiveness. Be emotionally available for each other to create emotional intimacy. Praise each other with your highest praise, because you are children of God. **Dr. Ben Young** discusses keeping your teeth for life. Find a good dentist. Take your time and interview more than one. Consider their philosophies and take tours of various offices. Talk to dental specialists and dental laboratory technicians as they can tell you who the good dentists are and can identify those who perform the highest quality work. Floss the teeth you want to keep. Use the proper amount of toothpaste. Most advertisers want you to squeeze enough toothpaste to cover the length of the toothbrush. If you do this, the abrasive nature of the toothpaste will wear away the enamel on your teeth over time. The correct amount of toothpaste is just enough to make it pleasant to brush, about the size of a pea. Actually, if you did not use toothpaste at all it would be fine. Don't over brush. The most significant advancement in dentistry in the last twenty-five years has been dental implants. Dental implants can restore people to fully functional teeth as long as there is sufficient bone. Most dental implants, assuming they are monitored through preventive dental checkups, will last and be functional for the rest of a person's life.

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Dr. Bryan Wasson discusses Osteoporosis and vitamin D. Bone metabolism is a process of reabsorption of bone followed by a deposition of bone. During the entire lifespan of a human being the bone is constantly under change. The bone goes through a process called resorption whereby the bones are eaten upon with cells called osteoclasts. The osteoblasts fill in or reform the bone. In the process of Osteoporosis, which affects the entire skeleton, the bones become thin: cortical bones become thin, the trabecular bones become thin, followed by fracture. Cortical bone is the thickness of bone that is in and around a vertebra. The connectivity in between those bones is called trabeculae. When Osteoporosis is present, the trabeculae become thin and disconnected, which leads to bone fragility and fracture. When managing osteoporosis, it is important to prevent the first fracture. Once you have one fracture, the possibility of having another fracture is five times greater. Once you have a second fracture, the possibility of having another fracture is twelve times greater. Once you have an original fracture of the vertebra, you also shift the force of the vertebra more forward, the vertebra becomes collapsed, and the risk of fracture goes throughout the vertebra. When the parameters for bone density are measured, called bone densitometry, the last five vertebra of the back and the hip are examined, which are the weight-bearing joint. The medical term for bone thinning is called Osteopenia or bone loss. A T-score is simply a measurement of a bone density compared to, in most cases, young, normal women. In the United States there are approximately 2 million people with osteoporotic fractures and 44 million people with some evidence of bone thinning. Be aware that you can fracture at the wrist or the hand, the hip and the low back. Most Osteoporosis occurs in women because they go through postmenopausal phases which create an imbalance of the osteoclasts and osteoblasts. This imbalance causes an increase in osteoclasts, further breaking down the bone, which leads to bone thinning and osteoporosis. Besides menopause, osteoporosis is also caused by hyperthyroidism, hyperparathyroidism and vitamin D deficiency. Vitamin D is considered a pro hormone, because the body is capable of creating vitamin D with the effect of sunlight through the skin, which is where the majority of vitamin D is obtained. Vitamin D can also be obtained by adding it to other products such as milk. The normal range of vitamin D is 30 to 100 nano grams per deciliter. A deficiency level that is less than 10 doubles your risk for heart attack. Symptoms of vitamin D deficiency are weakness or unsteadiness, muscle spasm or pain, bone pain or fractures, depression, fatigue, slowed growth and rickets (frail bones) in childhood, confusion or dementia, irritability, and dizziness. Some diseases associated with vitamin D deficiency are fibromyalgia, cancers of the colon and breast, CCL, prostate, rickets in children, osteomalacia in adults, myocardial infarction, CHF, autoimmune diseases, multiple sclerosis, rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, type 1 diabetes, type 2 diabetes, and stroke. Make sure you get enough vitamin D to help reduce your risk of these diseases. Ask your doctor to check your 25 hydroxyvitamin D level. Get sunlight and good exercise to help prevent osteoporosis. **Dr. Bob DeMaria** discusses heart health. The number one killer in the United States today is heart disease and it is increasing among women. When purchasing a product, if the label states zero grams trans fat, read the nutrition facts. If you find partially hydrogenated oils listed, then it does consist of trans fat, which causes inflammation in the body. If the spinal nerves in the spinal cord that go to the heart are impeded, it could potentially cause the heart not to function at 100%. The heart is a muscle and contracts one hundred thousand times a day. A forward posture compresses the nerves that go to the heart. The nerves from the upper back region go down to the left arm. When you put nitroglycerin in your mouth, you notice immediately within fifteen seconds because of the neuro-lingual route the heart is impacted. So, what you eat affects you and your body functions. In a quarter of a million people the first sign of a heart attack is death. A normal fat molecule is C-shaped. The human body fat molecules are C-shaped. When a scientist developed the partially hydrogenated oil in the 1800s, a vegetable oil was heated, and the molecule became T-shaped. When the C and T cells do not interlock with each other, it causes confusion in the body, which results in inflammation. An oil filter is the analogous to the liver inside of the body. Blood flows from your legs up through your liver on the way to the heart. If you have a bit an extra tummy, it could mean that your liver is being compromised and is enlarged and the blood flow is impeded. Every year, 500,000 people have their gall bladder removed. The gallbladder is a reservoir of bile that emulsifies fat. If you don't have a gall bladder, you do not have an emulsifier to break down fat when eaten. That is why it is important to eat your ABCs every day: half a red **A**pple to thin bile; one third cup of **B**eets to help purify the liver; and four or five baby **C**arrots or one medium carrot. All of these foods help promote a healthy liver. It is also important to eat organic foods. Work on your posture. If your head is in a forward position, your lungs are being compressed, which means you have less oxygen and your heart will have to work

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harder to get oxygen to all the tissues around you. Low ferritin, or iron, means there is a low red blood count. A lot of wheat products are genetically engineered and contain gluten. Gluten can plug the villi in your intestines, causing them not to absorb nutrients critically important to creating red blood cells. Healthy alternatives to wheat bread are non-gluten breads such as Spelt, or sprouted bread like Ezekiel bread. Exercise a little bit every day to put a little strain on the heart to make it pump more effectively and efficiently. Ideally you want the heart to beat 72 beats per minute or less when you exercise. Drink pure water. The average American consumes 252 meals out of the home and the restaurant industry sells Five Billion Dollars of trans fat every year. **Dr. Tina Tillis** discusses cataracts, which are a natural process of aging. Typically, people in their forties find they need reading glasses or some form of glasses while reading. The reason for this is that just like a camera has a lens, the eyes have a lens inside, called the cataract, which can change over time in shape, color and size. That is why it is so important to get your eyes examined. The cataract is used to focus and is located behind the colored part of the eye. It is actually clear when we are born and becomes yellow to brown and cloudy as we age. In some cases it becomes dark, dark brown, which means it has been in the eye for a very, very, long time, and in the old days it was referred to as a ripe cataract. When you are young, the cataract zooms in and out to allow you to focus near and far. As you age, this mechanism becomes stiff, requiring glasses to see more clearly. Generally in the forties and fifties, many experience the need for stronger glasses; have difficulty seeing small print; need more light to see; have trouble with glare, especially when driving at night and in the rain; trouble with glare from sunlight while driving; and there is a decrease in vision. Initially, glasses are prescribed as a solution. However, when glasses no longer help and vision decreases to a certain level, cataract surgery is an alternative. Today, technology uses ultrasound to break up the cataract into pieces that are then vacuumed out and replaced with implants, thus eliminating the need for the old thick coke bottle glasses. Generally, it takes four to six weeks for complete healing. You may still require glasses for reading, as the new implants do not move in or out. New multifocal lenses are being developed to allow vision at various distances. An Ophthalmologist can help determine what will work best for you. Help slow the progression of cataracts by wearing polarized sunglasses to protect your eyes from UV rays and stop smoking. Smoking actually speeds up the progression of cataracts. Also, check your family history, as heredity can dictate when cataracts develop. Some medicines, such as oral steroids or prednisone, can also speed up the progression of cataracts. Make sure you take care of your eyes as you do the rest of your body.

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Dr. Bettye Alston discusses meat-free eating. Her recipe for broccoli lasagna is made with ten lasagna noodles, fresh or frozen broccoli, carrots, tomatoes, tomato sauce, ricotta cheese, mozzarella cheese, basil, oregano, and grated parmesan cheese, then garnished with parsley. It takes only twenty minutes to prepare and is baked in the oven for thirty minutes at 350 degrees. This delicious meal makes ten servings that contain only 186 calories. An herbal tea is a nice compliment to the meal. Another meat-free alternative is chili. **Dr. Alston** makes her chili with a crumbled meat substitute, red beans, bell peppers, red peppers, celery, parsley, garlic, onions, cayenne pepper, spices and seasoning. The vegetables are sautéed in olive oil and the ingredients have tremendous health benefits. Garlic is a blood purifier, aids in blood circulation, lowers blood pressure, and removes parasites. Celery is good for lowering blood pressure, relieves muscle spasms, and is good for arthritis. Cayenne pepper is excellent for circulation, increasing metabolism, and burns fat. Take the time to enjoy your meal. Chew your food thoroughly, at least twenty times per bite, and savor the flavor of the food. **Dr. Dave Hope** discusses successful visits to the doctor. The next time you go to the doctor, be very honest and straight-forward. Tell the doctor your concerns and don't be embarrassed. Discuss any symptoms you may be experiencing, even if you don't think it is important or it has passed. Bring your medicines to the doctor. It is a good idea to keep a list of medications you are taking in your wallet or purse at all times. Wear a medical alert bracelet, which can be found at a drugstore, to alert others of any medical condition you may have, like diabetes, high blood pressure, or being on blood thinner medicine. Most importantly, ask questions. When prescribed any medication, ask "What is it? What does it do? What can I expect it to do for me? What is it supposed to fix?" Always keep the liner from the medicine bottle as a reference. Call the doctor if you experience any side effects from taking the medication. You should have a goal for your health. You, the doctor and nurses, should work together as a team to manage your health.

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If you receive a new diagnosis, ask what it means in simple language that you can understand and how it will impact your life. Do not leave the office with any questions unanswered. Make sure you understand how to take your medicine. If you have any medicine left over, take them to a pharmacy or return them to your doctor. Always dispose of them properly. Never share your medicines. These steps will make medicines cheaper, more effective, you will go to the doctor less often, you will get healthier faster, and you will receive better care. If you don't like what you are told, a second opinion is always available. Bring along family members or caregivers to make sure everyone involved understands what is to be expected. **Dr. John Seibel** discusses low testosterone; or male menopause. While most doctors do not believe in male menopause, they do agree that males develop a decrease in testosterone levels, some as early as their twenties, and it declines with each decade. Symptoms include a decrease in libido, reduced sexual activity, weak erections, a decline in work performance, falling asleep after dinner, deterioration in athletic abilities, reduced muscle mass in strength, increase in obesity, depressed mood, decreased energy, osteoporosis, increased systolic blood pressure, and enlargement of the heart. Treatments include injections, skin patches, hormone replacement gels, compounded creams and pellets. Once treated, men experience a much better mood, feel better in general, have greater muscle mass, and have more energy.

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Dr. Jill Westkaemper discusses vitamins. Yes, just about everyone needs to take vitamins, as it is virtually impossible to obtain all of the nutrients we need from our food today. Take a good multi-vitamin daily and try to eat as healthy as possible. Eat three balanced meals a day with two snacks. In addition to a multi-vitamin, our bodies need extra supplements. With longer life spans, we need to protect our bones and should take 1,000 mg of calcium daily; 500 milligrams in the morning and 500 milligrams in the afternoon. If you are a post-menopausal woman, take an additional 500 milligrams in the evening. We should also take 1,000 IU of vitamin D3 daily. Ninety percent of the population is deficient in vitamin D3. Ask your doctor for a simple blood test to determine if you are vitamin D3 deficient. Vitamin D3 is helpful for your bones, it protects your brain, it decreases your risk of Alzheimer's disease, improves your immune system, improves your joints, is protective for certain cancers, and increases energy levels. Magnesium protects the heart. It is recommended that we take 200 milligrams of magnesium citrate twice, daily. Omega-3 fatty acid supplements are very important as they protect the brain, can help you focus better, helps with your joints, helps with depression, and helps with weight loss. A B-complex vitamin is beneficial for increasing energy and metabolism, aids in nerve growth, red blood cell function, and with the immune system. Vegetarians are particularly prone to having B vitamin deficiency. In the future, you will hear more about the benefits of Lycopene, found in tomatoes, which promotes prostate health. Also, Lutein, found in leafy green vegetables, is good for eye health. Quercetin is found in onions, garlic, and celery. Resveratrol, found in red wine and grapes, is a very potent antioxidant. If you are on a statin drug for cholesterol, CoQ10 can help it work more effectively and help increase your energy levels. **Dr. Byron Jackson** discusses the doctor as your health coach. The Doctor should be someone who can coach you to a healthier lifestyle by teaching you how to obtain health and maintain health for a lifetime. Smoking causes premature death, chronic sickness and diseases, cancer, speeds up the aging process, and causes brain malfunction. Regardless of your fitness level, sitting for long periods of time and inactivity has the same potential health risks as smoking. Sitting is the new smoking. In order for our bodies to function optimally for long periods of time we must move. When we are inactive our bodies create an energy imbalance called a stress physiology, which changes your hormones and body chemistry. It can also cause your spinal joints to become locked up and not move as freely as they are supposed to. See your DNA, or genes, as potential and your healthy lifestyle choices as a means to determine how healthy you truly are. What you eat, how you move, and how you think dictates the development of your genes. You don't get sick, you do sick. By making unhealthy lifestyle choices, your immune system becomes compromised, making you susceptible to infection, and then you become sick. Incorporate some health strategies in your life. Whether you are going shopping or to work, park as far away from the entrance as possible so you will walk more. Instead of taking the elevator, take the stairs to increase your physical activity. Use BonfireHealth.com as a resource to learn how to obtain and maintain health.

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This website was designed by some of the top doctors in the world who operate the largest wellness clinics. Remember, in order to be truly healthy, you have to do what healthy people do. **Dr. Dale Peterson** discusses high blood pressure. Blood pressure is first determined by two numbers. One number is called the systolic; the pressure when the heart is beating and pumping blood throughout the body. There is more force behind it, so the number is higher. The second number is diastolic; when the heart is filling up for the next beat. There is less pressure behind it, so this number is lower. Blood pressure is never constant, as there is a daily rhythm. It is at its lowest between 3:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m. and at its highest in the mid afternoon. Blood pressure will rise with activity. It rises with anxiety. The term "white coat hypertension" refers to a person who goes into a doctor's office and is anxious, and their blood pressure becomes higher than it normally is outside of that setting. Pain causes blood pressure to increase. Blood pressure also rises as people age. As blood pressure rises and becomes high, a number of complications can develop such as heart attack; stroke; kidney failure; eye damage leading to permanent loss of vision; poor circulation; pain in the legs and difficulty walking; and a deterioration of the aorta, resulting in an aneurysm. Symptoms of high blood pressure are a dull headache, feeling light-headed or dizzy, and nosebleed. These symptoms are the exceptions rather than the rule. In most cases, there are no symptoms, which is why it is often referred to as the silent killer. According to the National Institute of Health, two out of three people over the age of sixty-five have high blood pressure, and ninety percent of people will have high blood pressure at some point during their life. The medical term for high blood pressure is called essential hypertension. There is a natural U-curve or J-curve of high blood pressure. When blood pressure is high, that indicates a person is at greater risk of stroke, heart attack, and other complications. When blood pressure decreases, the risk declines to a point, the pressure levels off, but starts to rise again. As blood pressure becomes lower, it increases the risk of stroke, heart attack, and other complications. Studies have shown that the lowest risk of heart attack, stroke and other complications is a lower number between 80 and 85. If that number drops to 70, a person is 20% more likely to have a complication. If it drops to 65, they are 85% more likely to have a complication. And if it drops to 60, there is a four-fold increase in a bad outcome related to blood pressure. The best brain function appears to be blood pressure of 150 over 85 as we age. A 15 point drop in blood pressure triples the risk of having Alzheimer's dementia. High blood pressure can have serious consequences if left untreated. However, if over-diagnosed and over-treated, the outcome can be just as dangerous. Do what is necessary to maintain a safe blood pressure. If you are able to do this, you should find that it is possible to add life to your years, and years to your life.

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Dr. Tom Garzillo discusses back pain. According to the World Health Organization, back pain is the leading cause of physical disability everywhere. According to the American Chiropractic Association, thirty-three percent of adult workers in the United States had a back problem severe enough in the last five years that they needed professional treatment. Fifty percent of adult workers in the United States report having some back pain within the last year and eighty percent of us can anticipate having back problems at some point in time. One back pain mistake is when you think strength is what is needed to get rid of back pain. The primary reason most people have back pain is a lack of shock absorbing ability, flexibility and motion. Back pain can also be the result of an injury or a symptom of a disease or a condition inside you. If you have back pain for more than a couple of days, if the pain is significant, or if the pain moves down your arm into your hands, or down your legs into your feet, see a health practitioner, a chiropractor, or orthopedic surgeon. Whatever you do, do not spend two days in bed. Research has shown that bed rest actually increases the amount and duration of the pain. The best exercises to get rid of back pain have you up on your feet using positions and movements that you use every day. Back pain is the result of your body not being prepared to do whatever it is that you did. You can change this no matter how old you are, or what physical condition you are in. Back pain is not permanent. You can control what your back can do. **Dr. George Rhoades** discusses children dealing with death and grief. All children below the age of six have magical thinking and thinks the world revolves around them. Often when a person dies, the child thinks "what have I done wrong?" especially if the child was angry with that person before they died. The child believes he caused it, which is magical thinking. Let the child know that it is not their fault and nothing they have done that might have caused the death. A child responds to the death of a pet by realizing that there is an ending to

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things; that death happens; and that people can die. When there is a death of a parent, the child loses a part of their foundation and stability, causing anxiety and uncertainty for their future. Reassure the child that the remaining family is there for them and that they are not alone in the world. When a sibling or a friend dies, the child realizes that he or she can die too, which leads to insecurity for most children. As Christians we can share the security we have in Jesus Christ. Often when there is a slow death, a person has already grieved during the illness. When there is a sudden death, the grief can be very deep because there was no opportunity to say goodbye. It can take one to two years to overcome the grief of losing someone. Encourage the grieving person to cry and to release their grief. Let them know that God will provide the healing and that He is there to help them through the process. **Dr. Dino** Prato discusses heart disease. It is so important to take care of the way you eat, exercise and live, which is one of the biggest factors of heart disease. A study at UCLA by Dr. Dean Ornish states that we can change our genetics, or DNA, within thirty to sixty days, by changing the way we eat and live. Cardiovascular disease is caused by infections. It is important to get tested and treated for any infections, and to build up your immune system. Infections weaken the blood vessel wall, cause damage and create inflammation. Increase the body's antioxidants by eating a variety of colorful organic fruits and vegetables. An important antioxidant for the heart is Coenzyme Q10 (CoQ10), especially when a person is taking a cholesterol lowering medication because the heart can become depleted of this enzyme. CoQ10 improves the function of the heart. Vitamin C is another powerful antioxidant. Ph-buffered vitamin C can be taken in incremental doses up to 10,000 or 12,000 milligrams throughout the day. Vitamin C acts as a protector against inflammation and infection in the body. Lipoprotein A, is 40 times more adhesive than cholesterol ever was to the blood vessel wall. Taking enzymes such as serrapeptase, nattokinase, and lumbrokinase can assist in reducing the lipoprotein A in the body. Maintaining balanced hormones is critical to cardiovascular health. Find a good integrative medical doctor who is knowledgeable in the area of chelation. Not only does chelation remove heavy metals, it helps strip biofilm to help the body fight infections. Natural antibiotics such as colloidal silver, garlic, and oil of oregano, help to reduce inflammation. Take a heavy metal test to determine your metal levels. Take a toxic screen to determine how your body metabolizes certain toxins. Get these metals and toxins out of your body. Change your family history by the way you live, by the way you exercise, by the way you eat, and how you treat the cause of the condition. Let go of anger and resentment.

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Dr. Peter Bhiri discusses deactivating the fat switch. Leptin is the dominate hormone regarding weight loss. A hormone is simply a chemical messenger to various parts of the body. The hypothalamus is a small organ in the brain that is the hunger center. The Leptin is released from the fat cells into the bloodstream then to the hypothalamus. It carries messages about the metabolic status; endocrine status, the hormone status; and the energy status to the brain. The brain then sends messages to other parts of the body that regulate glycemic or sugar control, energy storage and expenditure, nutritional status, and all the newer hormonal status, in every bodily system. The hypothalamus sends a signal to the pituitary gland which also releases many other hormones. To simplify this process, usually when a meal is eaten, the sugar and calories stimulate the fat cells to send a message to the brain that says stop eating, the body is full. For many people, this transmission is broken and the communication in the body is lost. When this happens over time, a person can become leptin insensitive, and over time, this state creates leptin resistance, causing the body to have cravings and continue eating even when the body is full. It is best to find a doctor that is well trained in weight loss and leptin resistance. To combat leptin resistance, get eight hours of sleep; take L-carnitine to reduce weight, eat organic meals, and have all hormone levels checked. **Dr. Bob DeMaria** discusses men's health. The brain sits in the skull and continues on as the spinal cord. The spine is made up of 24 vertebrae that move. This is why posture is so important. To help prevent the head from being in a forward position, exercise daily, weight train three times a week, and stand pulling the shoulders back making a conscious effort to keep the head backwards. Gravity never takes a vacation. If the head is in a forward position, gravity is working against you, not with you. The brain sends out 28 billion messages every day. If posture is poor, the messages sent from the brain cells to the tissue cells are impeded. Sleep is an integral part of a wellness program. It is best to be in bed by 10:00 p.m. The two hours prior to midnight are significant to the restoration of the adrenal glands. Cover the alarm clock and all other lights in the room to promote normal, restful, peaceful sleep. If you wake up in the morning feeling hungry, that is an indication that the body is creating growth hormone. Stress creates an acid state in the body, which opposes

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the Ph balance of the body. A lack of calcium is evident through cold sores, leg cramps at night, and poison ivy. A shower dechlorinator helps to reduce the antagonistic effects of breathing chlorinated water on the thyroid gland. If you have cold hands and feet ask your health practitioner for a thyroid profile of the TSH, T3 and T4 levels to determine thyroid function. Reduce cholesterol levels by thirteen percent by eating half an apple every day. Eat a third cup of organic beets every day to reduce cholesterol up to forty percent. The liver is a storehouse for vitamins A, D, E, and K. If the body is lacking vitamin A, the liver will actually take vitamin A from the eyes in order to properly function. Eat 4 to 5 baby carrots every day to help prevent vitreous floaters in the eyes. Minimize sugar and trans fats as they create inflammation in the body and increase cholesterol levels. Tomatoes have a lot of antioxidants and nutrients to help manage and control the prostate gland. Soy products elevate estrogen levels which impairs sexual function in men. Drink a minimum of one quart of water daily from a pure source. Minimize and eliminate drinking sodas, as they contain a lot of chemicals. Spend time in the Word and rest to improve your health. **Dr. Alina Ghaney** discusses the most common type of diabetes; type II diabetes. The American Diabetes Association reported that in 2011 25.8 million children and adults were living with diabetes. Diabetes is a condition that arises when blood sugar levels remain chronically high as a result of the body not producing sufficient insulin, or the body produces sufficient insulin, but is resistant to the insulin hormone. You may be at risk for diabetes if you live a sedentary lifestyle, you have a family history of diabetes, or you are overweight and obese. Your doctor can perform a simple blood test to determine if you have this condition. If diabetes remains untreated or unrecognized, complications can develop. Symptoms of diabetes include frequent urination, increased hunger, increased thirst, weight loss, blurred vision, and poor wound healing. If diabetes is left uncontrolled, it can lead to major complications such as blindness, stroke, heart attack, kidney failure requiring dialysis, limb amputations, impotence and early death. Early detection and control is very important to preventing complications. There are various treatment options available such as medications and insulin. However, diet and exercise are the keys to controlling diabetes. Eat a well-balanced diet, low in fat and salt, and eat foods high in fiber, such as beans and vegetables. Monitor your carbohydrate intake to control your weight and maintain a normal blood sugar level. Control your portion sizes. If you are unsure of how much food you need to eat on a daily basis, you should consult a dietitian. Exercise allows the insulin in the body to act more efficiently. It also helps to reduce weight, reduce stress, increase endurance and strength. Always check with your physician before starting any exercise plan. This is particularly important when you have complications with diabetes. For example, if you have damaged nerves in the feet, your doctor may put you on an exercise plan that does not put pressure on your feet, which can increase the risk of developing blisters and ulcers. If you have painful joints, your doctor may suggest pool exercises. Exercise can also affect the blood sugar level. It is important to check your blood sugar level before and after you exercise. If you develop low or high blood sugar levels as a result of exercise, you should consult your physician. Your medication may need to be adjusted. It is important to work with your doctor to help control your diabetes and prevent complications whether or not it involves the use of insulin. Check your blood sugar at home. This allows you to determine what foods affect your blood sugar and provides valuable information to your physician to make adjustments in your medications. Your primary physician, an endocrinologist, a dietitian, a podiatrist, and eye doctor can all work together to help control your diabetes.

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Dr. Isabel Lopez discusses lifestyle changes. Whatever lifestyle changes you want to make in your life can be achieved with a few simple steps. First, decide that you do want to make the change and be committed. Then ease into the change slowly. Once you reach one goal, set another goal. Finally, be consistent. If you want to make a lifestyle change for better health, begin with changing your diet. Focus on eating more protein and fewer carbohydrates, including fruits. If you want to begin exercising, start slowly and gradually increase your endurance. However, never exercise for more than one hour a day. Remember, there will be times when you plateau. Be determined to preserve and be consistent so you will see good results. God wants you to be the best version of yourself. After all, He did make you in the image and likeness of Him. Be proactive and take good care of yourself. **Dr. Kyle Choe** discusses Skin Cancer. In the United States there are primarily three types of skin cancers; Basal Cell, Squamous Cell, and Melanoma. Today, Dr. Choe focuses on Basal Cell Carcinoma, which is the most common skin cancer. This year alone, approximately three million people will be diagnosed with Basal Cell Carcinoma. The disease is a result of chronic

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sun exposure. It is more prevalent in men than women and in the older population, although recently there is an increase among younger people in their twenties. Basal Cell Carcinoma is the least invasive cancer and is a localized disease that does not metastasize to the other parts of the body. It affects the outer layer of the skin called the epidermis. An excellent way to help prevent this type of cancer is to use sunscreen liberally whenever you are outside. Fortunately, many ladies have the benefit of wearing makeup that contains sunscreen. People with fair skin with light green or blue eyes and maybe blond or reddish hair are most at risk for Basal Cell Carcinoma. Some symptoms include irritated skin that does not seem to heal very well, a reddish patch of skin, a shiny nodule or even a white scar-like area of skin. A simple rule is if something does not heal on its own within ten days, you should probably see a physician. There are several non-surgical and surgical treatments available to combat Basal Cell Carcinoma. Topical creams, such as 5-FU removes the damaged skin. Cryotherapy freezes the skin. Photodynamic Therapy applies a chemical to the skin and uses special lights to remove the skin. The majority of patients opt for a surgical excision; either direct excision or Mohs surgery. Direct excision requires a physician or surgeon to make an educated guess of the area affected then the entire area is excised completely. The disadvantage of this technique is that it has a ten percent failure rate. This type of treatment is best suited for patients with very small tumors. Mohs surgery is performed by a dermatologist with specialized training to remove only the tumor, leaving all normal tissue intact. This technique is ninety-nine percent effective. Once the tumor is removed, a plastic surgeon would close any defects. **Dr. William Toffler** discusses Vitamin D. The Institute of Medicine states that you can safely take up to 4,000 units of Vitamin D daily. Studies are now showing that low levels of vitamin D are associated with seventeen kinds of cancers, including colon, lung, breast and prostate cancer. Low levels are also associated with higher risks of diabetes type I and diabetes type II, heart disease, multiple sclerosis, and even depression. Normal levels of vitamin D are between 30 and 80. If levels of vitamin D are in the teens or even single digits it can be a two to four-fold increased risk of disease. Although called a vitamin, vitamin D, is much like a hormone, affecting almost two hundred different tissues in the body. Although not curative, higher levels of vitamin D are beneficial to reduce the risk and inhibit cancer growth with at least four mechanisms. First, it inhibits the mitosis, the cell division. It inhibits the angiogenesis that cancer needs to grow. It strengthens the cell linkages between cells so that a cell is less likely to metastasize. A concept called Apoptosis, or cell death, is the natural process of cells. Unfortunately, cancer cells do not have this trait and continue on. Vitamin D encourages apoptosis, the natural cell death process. In addition, vitamin D enhances immune function, encouraging an element called Cathelicidin, which improves the immunity against diseases.

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Dr. Doug Weiss discusses how to be successfully single. Almost half of the church is actually single. The immorality in this culture is huge, that it is good for singles to be surrounded and mentored by married couples. When you are a Christian you are married. Single people you are married without a spouse, so behave like a married person. Prevent "accidents" such as pregnancy, STDs, unnecessary pain, broken heartedness, guilt and shame by becoming accountable to those who love and care about you. Give full access to your Facebook account to your parents, pastor, or married adults. Establish physical boundaries for your dating relationships, review them with your dating accountability partners, then commit to them. Meet with your accountability partners on a regular basis. If you are attracted to someone and they ask you for your number, give them the name and number of your dating accountability partners. Let the person know that they must receive approval from your accountability partners before you can go out on a date. This protects you and allows your accountability partners to explain the requirements for the relationship. Once approved, you can begin dating. Remember, spiritually, emotionally and physically, God has the best plan for you. Follow it and be blessed. **Jim White**, a registered dietician discusses fitness and nutrition. Time is the number one factor for lack of exercise and not eating healthy, as well as social gatherings. There are many benefits of exercise such as increased energy, increased mood,

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increased confidence, and looking and feeling better. Our health is our wealth. The top three diseases that are nutrition related are heart disease, cancer and stroke. Cardiovascular training is very important to burning fat. Use the FITT principle: Frequency, Intensity, Type and Time. Frequency of exercise should be daily. Intensity should allow you to exercise while breathing comfortably. On a scale from one to ten, with ten being the most extreme, it is ideal to maintain a level seven. Time is important. If you are a beginner, start with ten minutes of exercise. Generally, thirty minutes of physical activity each day is good, but if you are an average exerciser, try forty-five minutes to an hour. The Type of exercise does not matter as long as you are moving. Dancing, working out with weights, swimming, running, or biking are great activities. Weight training is very important. As we age our metabolism drops and so does our muscle tone. For every pound of muscle we build, we burn about twenty-five extra calories a day. For less than One Hundred Dollars you can purchase basic dumbbells, stability balls, fitness videos and fitness books to educate yourself and stay fit at home. You can also join a gym for a monthly fee, providing you access to personal trainers, equipment, and classes. A personal trainer can motivate you and design a fitness program specifically for you. Nutrition is the most important and is 80% of your success. Eat at least 1200 calories a day. Start by working on your vices. If you skip breakfast, you have a 450% change of becoming obese, so eat breakfast every day. Have structured snacks before lunch and after lunch. This will speed up your metabolism, give you energy, prevent overeating, and keep your blood sugar level stable. Late night eating is not good for the stomach. If you need a snack, make it less than 100 calories. Eat smaller portions. Drink 64 ounces of water each day. Be sure to drink 16 ounces of water before and after you exercise. Eat hot and spicy foods to boost your metabolism. Eat a moderate amount of carbohydrates, such as whole grains. The fiber will help with weight loss and provide energy. Eat lean proteins to build muscle. Together, cardiovascular training, weight training, and nutrition is the perfect trio for looking beach-body ready. **Dr. Frank Miese** discusses Allergies and Herbs. Allergies, sinus and mucus problems can be attributed to many things in our daily diet. For instance, dairy products create mucus, as well as, breads, buns, biscuits, cakes, pies, cookies, spaghetti, crackers, macaroni, and especially wheat flour products. Fungus and mold on plants and in the air create allergies, sinus and mucus type problems. Several herbs can help to combat these problems. Bayberry thins mucus down so it leaves the body more rapidly. Vitamins C, A, and D are critical to addressing problems such as congestive mucus, coughing and sinus congestion. Buffer yourself with vitamin C and vitamin A. Take cod liver oil with vitamin D in it. Goldenseal, or yellowroot, is a bitter herb that acts like an antibiotic and is beneficial for sinuses. The herb Burdock helps to reduce mucus in the lungs. Yerba Santa is an excellent herb for pulmonary asthma. Marshmallow, also known as althaea or hollyhock flower, is a mucilaginous herb that helps to remove mucus from the body. It also helps to cleanse and keep the liver flushed for better function. Astragalus is another herb that helps to improve the immune system and cleanses the lungs. Capsaicin, or cayenne, is an excellent herb that can be taken in capsule or liquid form to purify and remove debris from the body, as well as stimulate the blood. It is also used for many cardiovascular-type problems. The herbs marshmallow and fenugreek, when used together in capsule form, can combat coughing by clearing debris from the lungs, thus allowing more oxygen into the lungs. Most of these herbs are culinary herbs and can be taken two or three capsules at a time. Each of these herbs can effectively help the entire system; the heart, the lungs, the liver, and the pancreas to function better by getting more oxygen into the bloodstream. It's in the blood that all oxygen works in the body. The Bible says in Leviticus that "Life is in the blood."

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Joseph Mass and Trooper Greg Eubanks from the Alabama Department of Public Safety discuss safe driving. Trooper Eubanks stated that anytime there is a large volume of traffic in certain areas, the larger the traffic the greater the percentage of crashes. The peak times are morning between 6-8 am and around noon again between 4:30 pm and 7:00 pm. Distractive driving is anything that takes your mind off what you are doing, Kids, radio, billboard signs or animals. Many crashes can be avoided if you just keep your eyes on the road. We are estimated to lose about 1000 people state wide this year due to road fatality. Once again to decrease that number this year some projects have been implemented to save lives. "Project 10 Miles" a Trooper will take ten miles and through the presence of law enforcement officers make the area secure. Second program "Click or Ticket" and "Hands across the Borders" the state troopers from the tri state area Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. Trooper Eubanks shared, that all get distracted at one time or another, it will never really stop, and we just want to bring it to your awareness. When driving this is the time to focus. Don't get in the car with someone that refuses to stop texting and driving, if the person is not using common sense get out. Eubanks stated, "If you make it safe for you then the greater chance you are going to make it safer for others people out on the roadway."

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LaTrynnda and Mobile County Emergency Management (MCEM) plans and operation manager Donald Leeth discussed tornadoes preparedness. The problems with tornadoes are there is very little warning. The warning will come from your local weather alerts that you need to pay attention too. If there is a WATCH, this means the conditions are favorable for development of a possible tornadoes; but if it change to WARNING then you are to seek and interior room with no glass or windows. The reason for interior room because if you can see out debris can get in; small items like toys, bricks, lawn furniture become high velocity weapons. If you are in a vehicle and see a tornado exit the car and seek a low lying area and stay down. Do not stay in the car because it will roll with all the glass surrounding you that will not be a safe place.

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LaTrynnda and Mobile County Emergency Management (MCEMA) plans and operation manager Donald Leeth discussed Pre and Post Hurricane preparedness. The MCEMA have drills and practice what to do to keep skills sharp in preparing for any and all emergencies. The First thing, make decisions whether going to leave or stay. Leaving prepare your route and leave detailed information where you are going to be. Always heed the information given by the city officials and EMA. The main thing that we tell others is, “that the first 72 hours are on you”. Have enough water, food, batteries and flash lights to sustain you doing that time. Gas for your generator and supplies for the pets are all needed during this three day period.

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Host Ericka Byrd and Danna Brennan from the Social Security office discussed Seniors Unprepared for Retirement. The seniors must prepare themselves for their senior’s years. Seniors must remember it is a process, just the way you prepared for your first home buy, you must prepare for retirement. Don’t depend on your social security to be your only source of income. Your employment history over the past 35 years determines the amount given at retirement. If you draw your benefits before reaching full retirement the amount will be reduced, there is an annual increase due to inflation set by the government. Review your annual report showing your projected income at full retirement age, check it for errors. Changes in the year you select too retire changes the amount received, if you become disabled before turning 65 years of age then you may apply for Disability Benefits and senior widows and widowers may qualify for Survivor Benefits.

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Host Ericka Byrd and Danna Brennan from the Social Security office discussed seniors and Health Care. Health care for seniors are often higher than their household income. Seniors should register at least three months prior to their 65 birthday and talk to a counselor to make certain that the service best suits your needs. The Health care for seniors through Medicare has four sections. *Part A*, covers your stay in the hospital, skilled nursing and hospice care. *Part B*, covers medical, doctor services not covered with Part A. *Part C* is Medicare advantage wants to receive services through provider and Part D helps with prescriptions. Then there is *Extra Help* which covers assistance in paying of premiums and co-pay for those with limited resources.