

## Second Quarter 2015 Quarterly Issues/Programs List

WCQS continues to take advantage of a number of opportunities it has during its twenty-four hour broadcast day to report on issues of importance to the residents of Western North Carolina, arts and culture, the economy, education, environment, health care, minorities, planning and development, transportation, and politics/government. Monday through Friday we produce local newscasts on the hour at six, seven and eight in the morning. The morning newscasts are two minutes long.

In addition to our local newscasts we produce in-depth stories that are inserted into our morning news-magazine "Morning Edition" and our afternoon news and cultural affairs program, "Fresh Air" and our afternoon news magazine 'All Things Considered'. These stories are also posted on our web-site [www.wcqs.org](http://www.wcqs.org).

The Quarterly Issues List includes the date, time story aired, and the length of each story.



## Arts and Culture

150417 Tony Kiss Weekend Update air time 8:45 am length 5:44 The Asheville Tourists are in town and the Asheville Symphony Orchestra is ready for another stellar performance. There is also a myriad of live theater productions to consider and a couple of new films have arrived. Tony Kiss takes a look at some of what's happening in Western North Carolina.

150423 Alison Arnold. Total time 3:29 arts and culture air time 6:43-8:43 am

Much warmer weather is on the horizon and our gardening expert Alison Arnold drops by for some valuable tips on spring gardening. She spoke with David Hurand.

150424 Tony Kiss Weekend Update air time 8:44 am length 5:45 Wonderful theater offerings this weekend: Asheville Lyric Opera presents West Side Story at Diana Wortham Theater, NC Stage Company and Montford Park Players partner for a Bard a Thon. It's a fundraiser to benefit both organizations. Asheville Community Theater presents A Streetcar Named Desire, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday and Hendersonville Little Theater presents Dreamgirls. Minneapolis Guitar Quartet performs April 26th at First Congregational Church and singer songwriter Karla Bonoff returns to the Altamont in Asheville April 26th. Tony takes a look at some of the happenings

### **150501 Tony Kiss Weekend Update air time 8:44 am length 5:45**

By David Hurand Its time to celebrate Cinco de Mayo with music, crafts, and cocktails. Tickets are now on sale for for the upcoming LEAF Festival. Speaking of tickets; the line up for the Biltmore Estate Summer Concert Series has been announced and tickets go on sale mid week.

150508 Tony Kiss Weekend Update Air time 8:44 length 5:45s old out Lake Eden Arts Festival, LEAF takes place this weekend in Black Mountain. Downtown Marshall plays host to Mama Mia! The street festival features music, arts, and hands on workshops, noon to four May 9th. The Whole Bloomin Thing Spring Festival features locally grown plants, art, food, and music May 9th

150513 Biltmore Wine Celebrates 30 years: air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Length 4:30 web length 9:47 Officials with the Biltmore Company say more than 1.3 million people visited the Estate last year and many of those visitors spent time in the Biltmore Estate Winery. Jerry Douglas is President of the Biltmore Wine Company. David Hurand stopped by his office in downtown Asheville for an interview about the business of making wine and the 30th birthday celebration



**5/14 Alison Arnold Gardening: arts and culture/ Agriculture Extension Agent offers gardening tips. Length: 3:30 air time 6:43-8:43 am**

**15/5/15 Tony Kiss arts and culture air time 8:44 am length 5:45** Downtown After 5 gets underway this afternoon (5/15/15). The headliner is CJ Chenier and the Red Hot Louisiana Band. Chenier is the son of the King of Zydeco Clifton Chenier. Opening Downtown after 5 is the Bayou Diesel band. On stage at Flat Rock Playhouse is **Always...Patsy Cline**. NC Stage Company presents **Parallel Lives**, Brevard Little Theater performs **Moon Over Buffalo**, and Asheville Community Theater presents **Letters and Notes Found on the Windshield at the Piggly Wiggly Parking Lot**.

150518AVLFM air time 6:04-8:04 am 4:29-5:29 pm TOTAL TIME 3:13 arts and culture

THERE ARE NOW THREE LOW POWER RADIO STATIONS IN BUNCOMBE COUNTY, ALL LICENSED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION. W-S-F-M ASHEVILLE FM HAD BEEN HEARD ONLY OVER THE INTER-NET BUT YESTERDAY IT JOINED W-R-E-S AND W-P-V-M MAIN FM, BROADCASTING OVER THE AIR-WAVES. THE STATION TRANSMITTER TOWER SITS ATOP THE HOTEL INDIGO, IN DOWNTOWN ASHEVILLE. DAVID HURAND SPOKE WITH STATION BOARD VICE PRESIDENT GREG LYON.

150518 Jeff Daniels to Perform in Asheville 6:29-8:29 am 4:30-5:30 pm. Length 3:30 Actor Jeff Daniels has starred in many notable films, including *Terms of Endearment*, *Good Night and Good Luck*, *Ragtime*, *Radio Days*, and *Dumb and Dumber*. Most recently he was seen on HBO, starring as cable news anchor Will McAvoyn in *The Newsroom*. Monday (5/18) night at 8 musician Jeff Daniels performs with the Ben Daniels Band at Diana Wortham Theater in Asheville. Daniels has been playing guitar and writing songs nearly as long as he has performed on stage, in film, and on television. He spoke with David Hurand.

5/22/15 Tony Kiss Air time 8:45 am length 5:45 The Memorial Day Holiday Weekend has arrived and with it a number of holiday festivals are underway across Western North Carolina. The Mountain Sports Festival takes place at Carrier Park Friday through Memorial Day. The White Squirrel Festival is underway in downtown Brevard and the Carl Sandburg Folk Music Festival honors Sandburg Memorial Day from 11-4 at Connemara in Hendersonville. The great Doctor John and the Nite Trippers take the state tonight (Friday 5/23) at the New Mountain Amphitheater in downtown Asheville.

5/28/15 Alison Arnold 3:30 Gardening tips from the Agriculture Extension Service Agent :6:43-8:43 am

5/29/15 Tony Kiss Weekend Update Air time: 8:45 length 5:45 A arts and culture The Beer City Festival is the toast of Asheville Saturday (5/30). The festival takes place Saturday at Roger McGuire Green at Pack Square Park. The Festival features more than 30 area breweries. It is a ticketed event. Comedian Jay Leno takes the stage at Harrah's Cherokee Event Center Saturday night. The great Merle Haggard follows June 6th. The Magnetic Theater celebrates its' grand opening with the Merchant of Asheville.



**150619 Tony Kiss** air time 8:45 length 5:45 arts and culture Dinosaurs have taken over the big screen! Jurassic World and its 3D special effects has arrived at area theaters. The film is the fourth in the Jurassic series. The story of the Beach Boys, Love and Mercy has also arrived. The film stars John Cusack and Elizabeth Banks and there are several animated films appropriate for children. The Indigo Girls, with their band, will rock the Orange Peel June 23rd, and Nigerian legend Kinny Sunny Ade makes his way to Western North Carolina with an appearance at New Mountain Amphitheater, June 24th.

**150626 Tony Kiss Weekend Update** air time 8:45 length 5:45  
Jerry Seinfeld takes the stage in Asheville Saturday night at Thomas Wolfe Auditorium. Singing on the Mountain takes place at Grand Father Mountain. Shindig on the Green is back at Pack Square in downtown Asheville. Dancing and Mountain Music will be featured. Lots of summer theater to choose from. Tony takes a look at some of what's happening.

**15062 LeeBrothers Southern Cuisine** featured on new TV program. Air time 6:29-8:29 am and 4:29 and 5:29 pm. Length 3:00

Asheville is featured on this week's episode of the new television series **Southern Uncovered with the Lee Bros.** The series on **Ovation TV** explores the "unique and unexpected" cuisine and culture of six southern cities. Program hosts Matt and Ted Lee are the authors of several award winning cook books and the founders of The Lee Bros Boiled Peanuts Catalogue. They spoke with David Hurand.

**150407 Graham Statue** :53 arts/culture/politics

Some General Assembly members say it's time North Carolina native Rev. Billy Graham is honored with a statue inside the U.S. Capitol. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.  
Wednesday Reader

## **Economy**

**151506 NC fed debt payoff** :37 air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am North Carolina officials say they've met their goal of early repayment of a more than \$2.5 billion federal debt by cutting unemployment benefits and raising business taxes. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details

**150507 NC Tourism** :35 **economy 6:04-7:04-8:04 am**  
Nearly 50 million people who visited North Carolina spent a record amount of money in the state last year. WCQS's Helen Chickering has more.

**150525 BlueRidgeParkWAY** **economy** air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Total time 3:53  
IT'S MEMORIAL DAY, A DAY FIRST SET ASIDE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN 1866 TO HONOR MILITARY PERSONNEL WHO DIED IN THE CIVIL WAR. IN 1971 CONGRESS ESTABLISHED THE LAST MONDAY IN MAY AS MEMORIAL DAY. MEMORIAL DAY ALSO MARKS THE UNOFFICIAL BEGINNING OF THE SUMMER TRAVEL SEASON. AND IF EARLY NUMBERS ARE ANY INDICATION, OFFICIALS WITH THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY ARE ANTICIPATING A VERY BUSY





YEAR. SO FAR IN 2015 THE NUMBER OF VISITORS IS UP 11%. PARKWAY SPOKESWOMAN  
LEESA BRANDON (LISA) dh:

150527MarketRatehousing planned in Asheville air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm length 5:05  
Web length 28:00 After four years of planning more market rate rental housing is slated to be  
built in downtown Asheville. David Hurand spoke with Public Interest Projects President Pat  
Whalen about the project and the need to redefine the issue of meeting the areas housing needs.  
5/12/15 Manna FoodBank Hunger in WNC. 4:45 economy air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm.  
Length 4:50 web length 7:50

Last year Manna FoodBank distributed 15 million pounds of food to those in need across  
Western North Carolina. Officials with Manna say they also turned away over half a million  
pounds of food that it could have distributed to the hungry in 16 counties. Manna recently  
launched a Capital Campaign it hopes will enable it to expand its services to meet the growing  
demand for food. David Hurand spoke with the Co-Chairs of the campaign, multi-talented artist  
David Holt and former Manna Board member Brad Searson about the campaign and hunger in  
Western North Carolina

## Education

150408 NC ED Hearing :42 air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am  
A Sate judge wants an explanation of test results showing that more than half of North Carolina  
public school students are not learning at grade level. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.

150421 Two WNC teachers named Distinguished Music Educators airtime 6:29-8:29 am 5:44  
pm. Lengh 5:13 Two area public school teachers have been named Distinguished Music  
Educators by Yale University. Melody McGarrhan and Emily Talley work with students at Hall  
Fletcher Elementary. Talley is also an assistant band leader at Asheville High. Thirty five  
programs from nineteen states were recognized by the Ivy League University. The two teachers  
will travel to New Haven, Connecticut for the symposium at Yale in early June. The teachers  
spoke with David Hurand

150529 UNC Building Name :44 Education air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am

The Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill voted to  
rename a building that, for more than 80 years, bore the name of a Confederate  
soldier and founder of the Ku Klux Klan in the state.  
WCQS's Helen Chickering has more..

150625 DEANSMITH AWARD :50 (AP) politics education

The United States Basketball Writers Association has created an annual award in honor of late  
North Carolina Hall of Fame coach Dean Smith. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.

## Environment



150416DRILLING air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am length: 1:29

The debate over what offshore drilling would mean for North Carolina played out before a U.S. House subcommittee yesterday. In the red corner, North Carolina's governor. In the blue corner, a commissioner from a small beach town. Michael Tomsic reports.

150420 NOAA Climate Data Center has new name: air time 6:04-8:04 length 3:45

The center that maintains the world's largest climate data archive and provides climatological data around the world has changed its' name. Tom Karl is Director of what has been known as the National Climatic Data Center in Asheville. He spoke with David Hurand about the name change and the center's new mission.

150420FRACKINGJACKSON **environment/economy air time 6:04-8:04 am 4:29-5:29 pm.**

Total time 2:44 rules and regulations covering the use of hydrolic fracturing are now included in Jackson County's industrial development ordinance. Earlier this month county commissioners amended the ordinance, which was first adopted in 2003. Gerald Green is county planning director. Green told David Hurand the entire ordinance is being updated....

150422 1:09 Coal Ash air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am

North Carolina officials are advising dozens of residents near Duke Energy coal ash dumps not to drink or cook with water from their wells after tests showed contamination with toxic heavy metals.

**150429COAL air pollution 4:18 environment air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm.**

A coalition of environmental groups is calling on the wnc regional air quality agency to tighten emission standards at the duke energy power plant in skyland. The agency held a public hearing last night at erwin high school on the draft air pollution permit for the coal fired plant. The agency sets limits for air pollutants emitted from the plant and reviews its permit every five years. David Hurand spoke with Kelly Martin, Sierra Club North Carolina coordinator for the Beyond Coal Campaign .

150505 Coast Drill Permit :57 **environment/economy air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am.**

State regulators in both Carolinas have, with conditions, signed off on initial federal permits allowing companies to conduct seismic testing for oil off the Atlantic coast. WCQS's Helen Chickering has more..

150507 Sea level Rising **environment 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Length 4:45**



The science panel of the coastal resources commission has released a new sea level report. The first report, released in 2010, looked 90 years down the road and predicted sea levels along the coast could rise as much as 39 inches. Developers and many property owners and coastal area elected officials were critical of the report. . Rob Young is director of the program for the Study of Developed Shorelines at Western Carolina University and the author of The Rising Sea.

#### **150519DUKEATC environment/economy**

Air time 5:44 pm 6:29-8:29 am length. 4:26 DUKE ENERGY HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO RETIRE ITS ASHEVILLE COAL FIRED ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT. DUKE OFFICIALS ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THE UTILITY WILL BUILD A NATURAL GAS FIRED PLANT THAT IT HOPES WILL COME ON LINE BY LATE 2019. DAVID HURAND HAS MORE.....

150528 Parents protest Duke Energy Substation plan air time 6:29 8:29 am 5:44 pm Length 5:00 Web length 8:25 A group of parents of children at Isaac Dickson Elementary School in Asheville are urging Duke Energy to relocate a proposed electricity substation. The utility is considering a site adjacent to the school. The new Isaac Dickson is under construction and is expected to open in the fall of 2016. Members of **Keep Our School Safe**, Katie Russell and Steve Agan spoke with David Hurand.

**150615beecityUSA environment** air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Length 4:35 Annual conference in Asheville. All things imaginable about the importance of pollinators and bee keeping.

#### **Environment/economy/education**

150615New Duke Energy Substation planning 6:29 8:29 am 5:44 pm. Length 5:00 web length 16:31 Duke Energy officials say planning continues for three new electricity substations to supply power to a growing downtown Asheville. The utility hasn't added a new substation for the area since the 1970s. The utility has bought three parcels of land in and around downtown. One of the proposed substations is on property next to a city school. A group of parents of children at Isaac Dickson Elementary is concerned about the health and safety of their children and is urging the utility to reconsider the site. Jimmy Flythe West Region Director of Government and Community Relations.

#### **Health Care**

150513 Tan Bed Bill :47 **Health Care**

It appears an outright ban on children using North Carolina tanning beds could soon become law. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.

150629ACAatc health care



**Total time 4:23**

The Supreme Court's decision to uphold a key provision of the Affordable Care Act is good news for North Carolinians who are receiving health insurance subsidies. Last week the court rejected the legal challenge that sought to eliminate subsidies for residents of states that didn't set up their own state based health exchange. North Carolina is one of those states. Jaclyn Kiger is an affordable care navigator

150602 NC INSURANCE RATES health care air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 length :54..

North Carolina's insurance companies are seeking sizable rate increases on health plans purchased through the Affordable Care Act. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.

**150410T Immunizations health care/politics air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 length :1:10**

State Senator Terry Van Duyn of Buncombe County says she's disappointed the bill she co-sponsored on immunization has stalled. The Democrat announced last week the bill would not be considered in this session. It would have gotten rid of the religious exemption excuse for parents to not get their kids vaccinated. She says she just wanted to lower the opt-out rate in Buncombe County, which is highest in the state.

## **Minorities**

Immigrant Permit Bill 150416 :51 air time: 6:04-7:04-8:04

A House committee has approved legislation that would grant driving permits to North Carolina residents who are in the U.S. illegally. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details..

150417 LGBT in the South Conference. Air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am 4:29-5:29 pm. Total time 2:52

The L-G-B-T in the SOUTH CONFERENCE gets underway in Asheville this morning. 5-hundred civil rights activists are expected to attend the two day event. The conference is hosted by the campaign for southern equality. Reverend Jasmine Beach-Ferrara is the organizations' Executive Director. She spoke with David Hurand.....

**150504UNCATRIBE 150504HICKS minorities/education air time 6:04-8:04 am 5:00 pm**

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the University of North Carolina Asheville have signed a formal agreement that could result in more members of the tribe attending the university. Principal Chief Michell (me-shell) Hicks and Chancellor Mary Grant signed what's called an instructional credit agreement last Friday.





Chancellor Grant says the agreement will lead to a deeper partnership with the tribe.....

The university will reserve up to ten slots for qualified students and the tribe will cover tuition costs. Chief Hicks says he's very pleased with the new relationship with UNC-Asheville....

**150506 Eastern Band Chief won't run again.** Air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Length 5:07 The Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Chief Michell Hicks has decided not to seek re-election. Hicks is only the second Chief to be elected to three consecutive terms. In 2007 Hicks defeated Patrick Lambert by fewer than twenty votes. In 2011 Hicks defeated Lambert again by a margin of 135 votes.

**150601 Asheville Names new Police Chief 6:04-7:04-8:04 4:00-5:00 pm. Length :60** Tammy Hooper, a deputy chief of police in Alexandria, Virginia, and a 26-year veteran of law enforcement is the new police chief in Asheville.

**150602 INSKEEP 3:28 air time 6:43-8:43 am 5:44 pm.** NPR Morning Edition host Steve Inskeep paid a visit to Asheville yesterday. He was here to promote his new book about President Andrew Jackson and Cherokee Chief John Ross's bloody struggle over land. It's called "Jacksonland." He spoke with WCQS's Jeremy Loeb about it.

### **Planning and Development**

150506 Planning Director leaving air time 6:04-8:04 am. 4:29-5:29 pm. Length 2:50

Jackson County is looking for a new Planning Director. After more than four and half years on the job, Gerald Green is moving to Knoxville, Tennessee. Green has been named Executive Director of the Metropolitan Planning Commission for Knoxville and Knox County. Green was part of the Asheville planning department for more than a decade before moving to Jackson County. He spoke with David Hurand yesterday.

### **Politics/Government**

150508 Asheville Property Taxes headed higher: air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Length 4:20 Mayor Manheimer at CIBO breakfast meeting. David Hurand reporter.

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the proposed property tax increase. Following the morning meeting the Mayor spoke with David Hurand .

**150413Ager politics/education air time :6:04-7:04-8:04 am 5:44 pm length 4:20**

Area Democrats say education should be a top priority as lawmakers return to Raleigh to work on the state budget. A number of state lawmakers spoke out during the weeklong recess about the need to aid our public schools and universities. One of them was Representative John Ager\* of Buncombe County. He says public schools are hurting.

**150414Fisher air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 length 3:30**

Tomorrow is the deadline to file taxes across the country and some Democrats are using the occasion to draw attention to policies they see as unfair to working people. Buncombe Democratic Representative Susan Fisher was among a handful of lawmakers attending a news conference last week to place the blame squarely on the shoulders of the Republican-dominated legislature

**150415Joe Sam Queen air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am 5:44 pm. Length 4:45**

Area Democrats are not backing down on their call for the state to expand Medicaid, something the Republican-led General Assembly has refused to do. Waynesville Democrat Joe Sam Queen says North Carolinians are already footing the bill.

**Obama in Charlotte 150416OBAMA**

5:29

Childcare, student loans, wages, the economy. These were some of the issues President Obama addressed at the ImaginOn in Charlotte yesterday. But the overall focus of the town hall style meeting was on women. Tom Bullock reports.

**150415 Lake Junaluska/Waynesville Merger politics pro and con voices heard. Air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Web length 9:08 and 7:57 and 17:21 Becky Johnson Smoky Mt. News/Walt Logan resident opposed and Ed LaFontaine in favor.**



Advocates want issue on the local ballot. The General Assembly must agree first. Officials across Haywood County are waiting for the North Carolina General Assembly to decide whether local voters will be allowed to consider whether Lake Junaluska will become part of the Town of Waynesville. The two communities have been exploring the idea of a merger for more than four years. Smoky Mt. News reporter Becky Johnson spoke with David Hurand about the proposal and why the General Assembly hasn't agreed to place the question on the ballot for local voters.

**150421 Sup CT Redistricting :47 politics air time 6:04-7:04-8:04**

The Supreme Court has thrown out a North Carolina court ruling that upheld Republican-drawn electoral districts for state and congressional lawmakers. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.

**150424ABORTION politics air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Length 4:45**

The full House is expected to debate the new rules today, and so you can pair the cuts with AP copy if results come in. The House is scheduled to convene at 11 am, so I am guessing there will be a vote and probably AP copy by the time you hit the air. If not, they could probably still be used tomorrow.

The first one is Rep. Susan Fisher, Democrat of Buncombe County. The second is Rep. Terry Van Duyn, also a Democrat of Buncombe County. (If you have time for only one, I would use the 2<sup>nd</sup> one from Van Duyn; it's a little cleaner) Here are intros for them you can write into the AP copy:

**150424ABORTION politics** Rep. Susan Fisher, Democrat of Buncombe County. The second is Rep. Terry Van Duyn, also a Democrat of Buncombe County

**150424ABORTION** "Rep. Susan Fisher, a Democrat of Buncombe County says the new rules would place an unfair burden on women."

**150429 3:10 politics air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm.**

Throughout our news programs today, we're hearing excerpts from an interview with NC Representative Chuck McGrady, Republican of Henderson County, as part of a series of conversations with area lawmakers. In this segment, McGrady tells WCQS's Jeremy Loeb about his vote in support of a bill mandating a 72 hour waiting period to have an abortion in North Carolina.

**150429McGrady 4:09 redistricting politics 7:29 am 4:29 pm.**

We're hearing this evening from one of our local legislators in Raleigh. Chuck McGrady is a Republican representing Henderson County. The conversation is part of a series of interviews we're doing with area lawmakers. In this part of the



interview with WCQS's Jeremy Loeb, McGrady explains his support for a bill that is now law that changed the way Wake County elects its commissioners. It was a controversial bill that opponents called a power grab for Republicans.

150429 HOUSE GUN LEG :51 politics air time 6:04-7:04-8:04 am.

More people could carry concealed handguns and they could carry them more places under a bill that won support yesterday from a North Carolina House committee. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.

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150512CharlesLewis air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Total time 5:13 Web time 28:00

“ When I embarked on this profession, I was in many ways prepared for the threats, the lawsuits,, and the general hostility...What I didn't foresee, what floored me and frustrated me came from the inside, from my bosses and my bosses' bosses who, despite their professed support, had no real interest in publishing the hardest hitting stories....ABC NEWS AND 60 MINUTES PRODUCER CHARLES LEWIS. THE REPORTER AND DH.

150519Prison Reform:

Reform Advocate speaks in Asheville. Air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm length 5:00 web length 10:15 Reporter Helen Chickering: Best selling author and prison reform activist Piper Kerman was the keynote speaker for The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina's Power of the Purse luncheon on Tuesday. Her memoir, **Orange is the New Black**, chronicles Kerman's year in a minimum security women's prison, and is the basis for the popular Netflix series.

**Terry Van Duyn 150521 politics/environment**





**3:42** State Democrats are speaking out against the way a bill dealing with renewable energy was pushed through a committee yesterday. WCQS's Jeremy Loeb spoke with Senator Terry Van Duyn, a Democrat of Buncombe County.

**150521JACKSON 3:31 politics/environment**

Democrats in the state legislature are fuming about a disputed voice vote in a committee yesterday. The bill would freeze the state's renewable energy mandates at their current level. But they're most angry about the way Senate Finance Committee Chairman Bob Rucho pushed the bill through. WCQS's Jeremy Loeb spoke with a committee member, Senator Jeff Jackson of Mecklenburg County.

150526licensePLATES:Total time 1:09

**Tag: Steve Abbott is with the North Carolina Department of Transportation**

THE NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES IS NOW ISSUING SINGLE LICENSE PLATE STICKERS. THE CHANGE TOOK EFFECT YESTERDAY (TUESDAY). STEVE ABBOTT WITH NCDOT SAYS THE REASON FOR THE CHANGE IS SIMPLE.....

150527 Graffiti Vandalsim :53 politics airtime 6:04-7:04-8:04

A bill pushing for tougher penalties for people who spray or scribble on public or private property in North Carolina is nearing the Governor's desk. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.

150528 GAY MARRIAGE BILL :44 politics/minorities

North Carolina lawmakers are nearing final approval on legislation allowing some North Carolina court officials to opt out of same-sex marriage duties based on "sincerely held religious" objections.

150608ROOMTAX politics

TOTAL TIME 2:11

BUNCOMBE COUNTY'S LODGING TAX MAY BE HEADED HIGHER. REPRESENTATIVE BRIAN TURNER OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY TOLD DAVID HURAND HE IS CONFIDENT



**THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL PASS AN INCREASE IN THE FOUR PERCENT ROOM TAX THIS SESSION.**

**REPRESENTATIVE BRIAN TURNER SPOKE WITH DAVID HURAND AT A RECENT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS OWNERS (CIBO) IN ASHEVILLE.**

150616 SCOTUS NC ABORT :34 politics/health care

The U.S. Supreme Court has refused to revive a North Carolina law that would make a detailed ultrasound a requirement for women seeking an abortion. WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.

**150623MAYOR Avl politics/government air time 6:29-8:29 am 5:44 pm. Length 4:02**

State lawmakers in the House and Senate are trying to reconcile two competing budget plans. The Senate plan includes a change to the way sales taxes are distributed to favor rural counties over more urban ones like Wake, Mecklenburg, and Buncombe. WCQS's Jeremy Loeb spoke with Asheville mayor Esther Manheimer about what the plan would mean for Buncombe County and the city of Asheville.

150624 Buncombe County District Attorney Todd Williams on job 6 months. Defeated Ron Moore who served nearly 25 years as DA. Air time 6:04 7:04 and 8:04 am. Length 1:00, web time 27:00

150630 NCSCOTUS PLATES :36 politics/government

A Supreme Court ruling yesterday reopens a license plate debate in North Carolina. Specifically, whether North Carolina can issue "Choose Life" license plates. WCQS's Helen Chickering

**Transportation**

150521 NC MEMDAY TRAVEL :29 6:04-7:04-8:04 am Low gas prices mean more travelers in North Carolina are hitting the highways this Memorial Day... WCQS's Helen Chickering has details.





