

4th Quarter Report/Public Issues Show

WAAV

October 1st, 2014-December 31st, 2014

Sunday Mornings at 6:00am-6:30am

OCTOBER

- Oct. 5 Interviewed and discussed the Transportation Bond for the City and County with County Commissioner Johnathan Barfield and how it effects the citizens and private business sector in the downtown area.
- Oct. 12 We discussed the recent violent crimes outside of the Children's safe zone in Wilmington NC and how to find more constructive venues for youth. Our guest was Mrs. Linda Rawley, PR for the Wilmington Police Department and Boots on the Ground Founder.
- Oct. 19 Being that it was Domestic Violence month we spoke with the Asst Director of the Domestic Violence Shelter- Ricky Houston on the statistics here in the city and how we as a community can better help the Domestic Violence Shelter and how the victims of domestic violence are helped supported through outreach programs in and around the city that are sometimes privately funded.
- Oct. 26 NC Voting Laws was the topic this week as well as voting ID bill that will be in effect after 2014 and we sat down with Mr. Ronald Sparks former City Councilman and now Chair for the Democratic Party.

NOVEMBER

- Nov. 2 Interviewed UNCW's Jenni Harris, UNCW Community Liason, as she spoke about the increase of diversity at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington as well as the outreach programs for inner city youth and non-traditional students from Wilmington to obtain

their degree from the University. They have also established a satellite course in side of two Housing Authorities.

- Nov. 9 We sat down with a community Youth group called the Overcomers. This group discussed the challenges that Teens face day-to-day such as pressure to have sex, drugs, and join gangs. They use their name "Overcomers" to reach above the negative issues that plague teens and offer positive hang outs, programs, and study facilities at their downtown office for youth in the entire city. Currently they serve over 170 youth on a weekly basis.
- Nov. 16 Kemp Burdette, Director of Cape Fear River Watch discussed the effect of have a concrete plant on the Cape Fear River and how the Duke Energy Ash dump has destroyed 75% wildlife at several lakes in the NC area. The importance of the conversation was that the mercury that is dumped can get into our water system here in the Wilmington area and the long term effects cause Birth Defects and even death.
- Nov. 23 Moving into the end of the year we talked home ownership with Realtor Brenda Dixon. The national project 100 which goes on in lower income cities and communities in which a small group of people who have never been home owners and do not know the process take classes on finance, saving, credit, etc and are able within 9 months to a year to restore credit, save and eventually buy their first home.
- Nov. 30 Spoke with Brian Greg, Filmmaker, about his documentary Racial Taboo Part 2 filmed in Wilmington and about the Racial relations/tension that exists in the Wilmington area. Also, discussed from whence the tension came from (1898 Race Riots) and how that beginning the conversation and being uncomfortable starts the healing process.

DECEMBER

- Dec. 7 The Soaring Eagles Program with Linda Finch discussed their new Parent Classes for young single mothers and fathers. Also, they will be moving into a new building to extend a night school program for parents that need to get their GED and have childcare services while they take classes in the evening.
- Dec. 14 James Watson of the Watch Dog group for Kids explained that its important that fathers are involved at schools especially the middle school level. The Watch Dogs are those surrogate fathers that show up in the middle schools and monitor the halls, lunch and act as role models for those in the building. We also discussed how our listeners can be apart for just an hour a week.
- Dec. 21 Interviewed the Asst Director of the Community Boys and Girls Club about the Annual Children's Dinner and the Give Today Campaign for the kids at the Boys and Girls Club for their Christmas event in which several of the qualified kids (applied for assistance) receive a tree, presents and dinner from the Community Boys and Girls Club.
- Dec. 28. Frankie Pollock from FPJ consulting discussed the arts and the need for more youth to enroll in the band programs in the area. The large draw for students entering band programs comes from motivation and the Band Competition that comes in January between to College Show bands. Students are able to be accepted to those schools on-site the day of the event as well as visit other colleges because there will be a college far before the entire event and all current band students in High School are admitted free.