

WCAU

QUARTERLY LISTING

COMMUNITY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS

April, May, June 2019

Quarterly Issues and Programs Report

Through formal and informal ascertainment of the general public, community leaders, public officials – inclusive of different ethnic organizations and service organizations, the following list emerged as issues needing media attention and support.

The programs produced to meet the needs of the public included locally produced shows and newscasts as well as national programs, public service announcement campaigns and sales marketing campaigns.

Community Issues

Accidents and Disasters	Environment
Business & Industry	Foreign News
Children & Youth	Funerals and Memorials
Consumer	Government and Politics
Court and Legal Decisions	Health and Medical
Crime and Law Enforcement	Housing
Cultural	Immigration
Deaths	Lifestyle
Diversity	Poverty
Education	Religion
Elderly-Seniors-Retirement	Safety
Employment/Labor	Technology
Entertainment	Transportation

Regularly Scheduled Programs

Our locally produced, regularly scheduled programs are aired specifically to address community issues, concerns and needs. The programs are as follows:

NBC 10 @ Issue – Weekly Issue-Oriented Program
Sundays 11:30-12N.

NBC 10 News– Daily Local News Programs
WCAU’s daily newscasts devote considerable time to local issues and community problems. Regularly scheduled newscasts include:

Program	Time	Days
NBC 10 News Today	4:00-7:00am	Monday-Friday
NBC 10 News Today	11:00am – 12N	Monday-Friday
NBC 10 News at 4	4:00-5:00pm	Monday-Friday
NBC 10 News at 5	5:00-6:00pm	Monday-Friday
NBC 10 News at 6	6:00-6:30pm	Monday-Friday
NBC 10 News at 11	11:00-11:35pm	Monday-Friday
NBC 10 News Today	5:30-7:00am	Saturday
NBC 10 News Today	9:00-10:00am	Saturday
NBC 10 News at 6	6:00-6:30pm	Saturday
NBC 10 News at 11	11:00-11:30pm	Saturday
NBC 10 News Today	5:30-8:00am	Sunday
NBC 10 News Today	9:00-10:30am	Sunday
NBC 10 News at 6	6:00-6:30pm	Sunday
NBC 10 News at 11	11:00-12M	Sunday



Quarterly Issues/Program Report (First Quarter) **April, 2019 – June, 2019**

NBC 10 attempts to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by presenting broadcast material, which treats significant issues of the people in the Delaware Valley communities that are served by NBC 10.

NBC 10 recognizes that it has an ongoing obligation to remain aware of such community issues and to exercise its best judgment as to what broadcast material should be programmed to address those needs and interests.

NBC10/Telemundo62, Citizens Bank and Philadelphia Media Network announced Philadelphia Outward Bound School as the 2019 H1 Champion in Action winner in the category of youth leadership. Staff, board members and students from Outward Bound were on hand as we made the surprise on-air presentation to Outward Bound during NBC10's 11 a.m. newscast. The Champions in Action® program provides financial, volunteer and public relations support to local nonprofits.

About Outward Bound:

In September of 1992, a group of Philadelphia leaders met to form the Philadelphia Friends of Outward Bound, a grassroots effort to bring Outward Bound's renowned experiential education programs to students and teachers within the School District of Philadelphia.

Today, the Philadelphia Outward Bound School (POBS), serves more than 6,000 students, teachers, partners, and adults each year and is fully accredited by the Association for Experiential Education. POBS provides an impressive array of courses and programs for youth and adults in Philadelphia and across the region in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. For 25 years, POBS has provided access to Outward Bound's time tested educational experiences for Philadelphia's future leaders and we look forward to expanding our reach to more students from schools and communities across our northern Mid-Atlantic region.

In the fall of 2018, POBS will open its new home at The Discovery Center. A project ten years in the making, The Discovery Center is the result of a unique partnership between POBS and Audubon Pennsylvania, in collaboration with the city of Philadelphia and the neighborhood of Strawberry Mansion.

Public Safety and Crime

April, 2019 – June, 2019

April 5th – Protection Order Guns – Pkg aired at 5p/6p

The Delaware County District Attorney holds a press conference to discuss the need for enactment of Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) legislation. The legislation would allow

law enforcement and family members to petition a judge to have an individual's access to firearms temporarily restricted, if deemed in danger of harming themselves or others.

April 17th – Camden Crime Reporting App – Pkg aired at 4/5p

The Camden Police Department releases a new app that allows people in the community to report crimes anonymously. The app, STOP-IT, allows people to send message or video to police when they see something suspicious.

April 17th - Phillies SAFETY Act – Vo aired at 6p

The Philadelphia Phillies are awarded a SAFETY Act designation by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for their ongoing and constant commitment to keeping fans safe while attending games, concerts and special events at Citizens Bank Park. The club began improving security efforts in 2015 after a league-wide mandate to install magnetometers at the ballpark. Since then, the Phillies have gone above and beyond with significant projects and enhancements related to stadium security. Enhancements include explosive detection canine teams at all vehicle entry points and hardening the expanded security perimeter with static crash-rated bollards, operable barriers near the ballpark and portable anti-ram barriers on closed streets.

April 24th – Operation Home Alone – Pkg aired at 4p and 6p

Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal and Acting Bergen County Prosecutor Dennis Calo announce arrests of 16 alleged child predators in “Operation Home Alone,” a multi-agency undercover operation targeting men who allegedly were using social media in an attempt to lure underage girls and boys for sexual activity. One of those arrested was a traveling pastor from Philadelphia.

May 2nd – Intexticated Driving – Vosot aired at 4p

AAA reminds people not to text and drive with their “don't drive inTEXTicated” campaign. The campaign is aimed at getting people to put down their phones when they're behind the wheel. AAA statistics show that a driver using a cellphone is four times more likely to be involved in a crash.

May 16th – Seat Belt Enforcement – Vo aired at 4p

PennDOT, Pennsylvania State Police, Buckle Up PA, New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety, and the DRPA, kick off a multi-state Border-to-Border seat belt enforcement as part of the national “Click It or Ticket” mobilization running through June 2. The initiative's goal is to highlight to motorists the importance of buckling up, whether traveling to your local store or across state borders. A demonstration showcasing the correct positioning of child passenger seats will be conducted by PennDOT's safety partners.

May 16th – Blvd Speed Cameras – Pkg aired at 4p and 5p

City Council votes to adopt legislation authorizing the installation of speed cameras along Roosevelt Boulevard between Ninth Street and the Philadelphia County Line as part of the City's commitment to Vision Zero, a strategy to eliminate traffic-related deaths by 2030. Roosevelt Boulevard is known for being the most dangerous road in Philadelphia and one of the most dangerous in Pennsylvania. Between 2013 and 2017, 139 people were killed or seriously injured on Roosevelt Boulevard and 2,695 crashes were reported, according to PennDOT. Crashes along the 11.75-mile corridor account for 8 percent of all fatal and severe injury crashes in the City

May 21st - Boating Safety - Pkg aired at 5p

Members of the US Coast Guard hold an event to remind boaters to be safe over Memorial Day Weekend and this summer. Basic rules include not letting anyone ride on the bow of the boat,

having a cell phone or vhf radio with you and having a GPS on board so you know exactly where you are if you need to call for help.

Elderly April, 2019 – June, 2019

April 17th – AARP Mayoral Conversations – Pkg aired at 4p/5p
Philadelphia AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) hosts the first of five community conversations across Philadelphia in order to hear opinions and concerns and share them with the mayoral candidates. The issues to be discussed include, transportation, housing, parks and green spaces and other issues impacting Philadelphia.

April 18th – 85 Yr Old Faces Eviction – Pkg aired at 6p
Neighbors in Trenton are trying to help an 85 year old widow stay in the home she's lived in for over 60 yrs. The woman's husband passed away, followed by her daughter who handled all the bills. The home was paid for at one point, but a second mortgage was taken out and there have been issues w/that money. The sheriff's department is holding off on auctioning off her home to give her more time and the city says it's monitoring the situation.

May 12th – 94 Year Old Attacked – Vo aired at 11p
Police in Upper Darby are looking for the person who attacked a 94 year old woman on her porch and stole her purse. The suspect is believed to be a young teen boy. The woman was not seriously injured.

May 15th – 100th Birthday Celebrations – Vo aired at 5p
Premier Cadbury Nursing Home in Cherry Hill celebrates 100th birthdays of three residents. Two of the residents, all women, will be turning 100, while the third celebrated her 106th birthday on May 13th. All three are in good health physically and mentally.

May 17th – Senior Citizen Pen Pals - Vo aired at 4p
75 third graders from MOT Charter school in Delaware visit their senior citizen pen pals at a local senior center. The kids will eat lunch with seniors, read the last letter they wrote to them and perform songs from their recent spring concert.

May 17th -Return to Roundhouse Wish -Pkg aired at 5p
Al Vasso, a resident of Luther Woods in Hatboro has wish to visit the Roundhouse one more time granted, thanks to national nonprofit Twilight Wish Foundation. Vasso, 82, worked as both a policeman and as a plain clothes detective for the Philadelphia Police Department for many years. Vasso will be picked up in a Philadelphia police vehicle at his nursing home and driven down to the Roundhouse with a police escort where he will be welcomed with an honor guard and the Philadelphia Police & Fire Pipes & Drum. The Police Department was able to pull his old badge number and will be giving him a hat with his badge number. Vasso will also enjoy a special lunch at the FOP and a visit to the Police Museum that is housed in the old police academy that he attended. Although Vasso is now older and a double amputee, he is still mentally active and alert; he is usually the first in line for activities and programs at Luther Woods. He leads a monthly program at his nursing facility called "Al's Finest" where he and other residents share stories of their lives

June 3rd – Nutrition Site Ribbon Cutting – Vo aired at 5p

Gloucester County officials open a new county nutrition program. The program provides a well-balanced hot mid-day meal to seniors sixty and older. All meals are planned by a nutritionist. The county averages 3,550 congregate meals per month at the other five nutrition sites or approximately 42,600 congregate meals per year. It is anticipated that upwards of 45 residents would use the new Deptford site daily.

June 4th – Elderly Neglect Death – Package aired at 4p and 5p

Delaware County officials announce the arrest of a woman charged with neglect, manslaughter and theft that resulted in the death of her 83 year old mother.

Minorities, Gay and Lesbian Issues **April, 2019 – June, 2019**

April 9th – Black Infant Mortality – Vo aired at 4p

Approximately 350 health care professionals, community influencers, policymakers, and concerned citizens in Delaware are primed to begin a dialogue to inform the action steps needed to reduce black maternal and infant mortality. Black women are three to four times more likely to die from pregnancy-related complications than white women, and their infants are twice more likely to die before their first birthday than white babies.

April 12th – Transgender in the Military – Vo aired at 4p

The Trump Administration's transgender military policy goes into effect. Critics call it a "don't ask, don't tell" policy for trans service members. The policy bars transgender people from the military unless they "correct those deficiencies." The American Medical Association says that explanation is unfair and defies science.

April 19th – Kate Smith Song – Pkg aired at 4p, 6p and 11p

The Philadelphia Flyers announce they are removing a statue of singer Kate Smith from outside the Wells Fargo Center and will no longer play her version of God Bless America during games after becoming aware that several songs performed by Smith contained lyrics that may be racially offensive to many. All of the songs in question were performed in the 1930's. Many say they understand why the Flyers came to this decision but also say songs she sang in a different era should not label her a racist.

May 10th – Fraternities Shut Down – Vo aired at 5p

Swarthmore College announces fraternities and sororities will no longer be allowed on campus. This comes after leaked emails from the Phi Psi Fraternity contained derogatory comments about women and the LGBTQ community as well as jokes about sexual assault. Recently dozens of students protested outside the fraternity house calling for the only two fraternities on campus to shut down.

May 17th -NJ Bus Attack Arrest – Vo aired at 5p

Police arrest a man accused in a racist attack on a bus in North Jersey after investigators released video of the incident. The video shows the man calling another passenger a terrorist, blaming him for the 9-11 attacks and threatening him with a box cutter.

May 20th – Transgender Murder – Vo aired at 6p

Members of Philadelphia's LGBTQ community react after one of its member is found shot in the head. Police say Michele Tamika Washington, a black transgender woman, was shot multiple times in North Philadelphia. So far there have been no arrests.

May 20th – Chicago's New Mayor – Vo aired at 4p
Chicago's first female African American and opening gay mayor takes the oath of office. Lori Lightfoot was sworn in with her wife and daughter by her side. She says the city should be guided by safety, education, stability and integrity.

May 21st – Black Youth Rally - Vo aired at 5p
Youth in the City of Philadelphia march and form a Human Chain sending a message to Break the Chains of bullying, gun violence, mass incarceration, lack of education, substance abuse, and racial profiling and youth homelessness among black youth. The purpose of this event is to highlight and bring awareness to the issues that occur among the black communities.

May 28th – Boyertown Bathrooms – Pkg aired at 5p
The Supreme Court says it will not challenge a Pennsylvania school district's policy allowing transgender students to use bathrooms and locker rooms that correspond with their sexual identity. The justices rejected an appeal from students who argued that allowing transgender students to use the same facilities violated their right to privacy. The court's order leaves in a place a federal appeals court ruling that held that the Boyertown School District, could continue to allow transgender students the choice of what facilities to use. The students are represented by the conservative Christian law firm Alliance Defending Freedom.

June 9th – LGBT Pride Parade -Pkg aired at 6p
Hundreds come out to see the pride parade and festival in Philadelphia. This year's theme is "stonewall 50," standing for the 50th anniversary of the stonewall riots in NY and the beginning of the LGBT rights movement. LGBT pride events are planned throughout the city all week.

Education **April, 2019 – June, 2019**

April 17th – New Camden Superintendent – Pkg aired at 6p
Acting State Superintendent Katrina McCombs is officially appointed as the State Superintendent of the Camden City School District by the New Jersey Commissioner of Education. McCombs was previously named as the Acting State Superintendent in June 2018. Over the past ten months, McCombs has focused on understanding what works in the District and what could be done to dramatically raise student achievement. The key to this process has been speaking with, and listening to, families, staff, community stakeholders and partners, and developing a community perspective regarding the District's successes and areas in need of improvement.

April 18th - School Testing Initiative – Vo aired at 5p
The Pennsylvania Department of Education announces a new initiative to boost the number of economically disadvantaged students taking the 2019 Advanced Placement (AP) exams in high school in order to earn college credits. Through a partnership with the College Board, which administers the AP exams, PDE will pay \$33 toward the \$85 cost for each exam. Combined with

the College Board's \$32 fee reduction, students qualifying for the discounts will pay just \$20. Research by the College Board shows that the number of low-income students taking AP exams grew by almost 4 percent in states which paid for some or all of exam costs. Last year, more than 77,200 Pennsylvania high school students took AP exams. Approximately 10,000 used an AP exam fee reduction.

April 30th – Later School Start Times – Vo aired at 6p

The West Chester School District says its considering moving the start time for high school students to 830a or later. Many experts say later start times lead to less sleepiness, more attentive students and fewer car accidents. If approved the later start times could go into effect in 2021. Two other school districts in the area voted earlier this month to move their start times starting in the 20/21 school year.

May 1st – School Offers Cannabis Degree – Vo aired at 4p

Pennsylvania Institute of Technology, a two year, accredited nonprofit College in Media, PA launches the first of its kind in the country, a Cannabis Business Associate Degree Program. The school will also offer an associate degree program in Cannabis health therapy.

May 7th – DE School Taxes – Pkg aired at 6p

A Delaware legislator wants school districts to raise taxes without a referendum. He says they can't plan for their future if they never know how much money voters will approve for them. Plus, holding referendum campaigns/votes is expensive and time consuming. Opponents say many school districts might not be responsible with this power and doesn't account for competition from charter and private schools. Indian river district has a referendum vote today. Christina school district lost yet another referendum a couple weeks ago.

June 3rd – School Sports Donation - Vo aired at 4p

The Mastery Charter Schools Foundation presents its Hardy Williams High School with \$25,000 for new student athletic programs. The school will use the money to launch varsity sports, including track & field and basketball. Funds will help provide uniforms, equipment, transportation and other materials. With this donation, Hardy Williams will become the second Mastery High School with its own sports program. Simon Gratz is the first. Students from Mastery's other high schools combine into two regional athletic programs – Mastery North and Mastery South. The primary reason for the regional teams is because of the high financial cost to start and maintain school sports program.

June 4th – LEAP Academy Scholarships – Vo aired at 4p

600 inner-city students from Camden's LEAP Academy Charter School are inducted into a program that assures them full tuition scholarships to Rutgers University if they maintain a 3.5 Grade Point Average or higher and have an annual attendance record of fewer than four unexcused absences. This offer is on the table for students as young as kindergarten and as old as 12th grade, creating a virtual "pipeline" from birth to college graduation.

June 10th – Pre K Enrollment – Vo aired at 4p/5p

Philadelphia officials kick off enrollment for PHLpreK, the city's free, quality pre-K program funded by the Philadelphia Beverage Tax. Children who will be three or four years old on September 1 are eligible to enroll in the program, which will grow next year to serve 3,300 children at over 140 sites across the City

Government April, 2019 – June, 2019

April 12th – Death with Dignity – Vo aired at 5p

New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy signs legislation that will allow terminally ill New Jersey adults to end their lives peacefully, with dignity, and at their own discretion. The bill makes New Jersey the eighth state to allow such end-of-life decisions with the assistance of medical professionals.

April 25th – Biden for President – Live in all shows

Vice President Joe Biden announces he's running for President. This is Biden's third time running to be the next Commander in Chief. Part of Biden's campaign proposals include Medicare for all, \$15 minimum wage and tuition free college for students at public schools.

May 13 - NJ Sex Abuse Civil Statute of Limitations – Vo aired at 4p

New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy signs legislation (S477) extending the statute of limitations in civil actions for sexual abuse claims. The law also creates a two-year window for parties to bring lawsuits based on sexual abuse that would be time-barred even with the new statute of limitations, and expands the categories of potential defendants in civil actions

May 15th – Trump vs Dems in PA – Vo aired at 6p

A new Quinnipiac poll shows Democrats leading over Trump in Pennsylvania in early matchups. Biden has the biggest lead with 53% of the votes to Trump's 42%, he's followed by Sanders with 50% to Trump's 43 and Warren with 47% to Trump's 44%. The poll also shows women, whites, non-whites and independents prefer Biden over Trump.

May 21st – PA Primaries – Live in all shows

Voters in Pennsylvania come out to vote in the primaries. Big races in the city include candidates for mayor and city council, there are also ballot questions through the state. Democrats and Republicans must vote along party lines in the primaries, independents are not allowed to vote.

June 3rd – NJ Property Tax Relief – Vo aired at 5p

New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy unveils details of his proposal to deliver \$250 million in much-needed, additional property tax relief directly to more than two million New Jersey tax filers. The additional relief is contingent on passage of legislation increasing the tax rate on those earning more than \$1 million per year, which would affect approximately 18,000 in-state residents and 19,000 non-state residents. The Governor's proposal would deliver \$250 million in additional tax relief in the form of a one-time, \$125 refundable tax credit on 2019 Gross Income Tax (GIT) returns.

June 4th – Cuba Travel Restrictions – Pkg aired at 4p and 6p

The Trump administration is imposing major new travel restrictions on visits to Cuba by U.S. citizens, including a ban on many forms of educational and recreational travel. A Treasury Department statement says the U.S. will no longer allow the group educational and cultural trips known as "people to people" travel to the island. Those "people to people" trips have been used by thousands of American citizens to visit the island even before the U.S. restored formal relations with the communist government in December 2014. Treasury said it will also deny permission for private and corporate aircraft and boats. The administration says the measures are a response to what it calls Cuba's "destabilizing role" in the Western Hemisphere, including support.

June 10th – Hotel Worker Panic Button -Vo aired at 4p

NJ Gov. Phil Murphy is ready to sign a new law that will provide a measure of workplace safety for thousands of hotel housekeepers across the state. The bill will require hotels to provide panic buttons to employees for protection from unsafe working conditions, violence and sexual assault while on the clock. Once the bill is signed into law, New Jersey will be the first state to mandate such devices for hotel workers. The legislation was unanimously approved by both the Assembly and Senate in May. The legislation requires hotels with at least 100 rooms to equip employees performing housekeeping or room service duties, at no cost to the workers, with panic devices for their protection against inappropriate conduct by guests. There are nearly 2,000 housekeepers working in Atlantic City's nine casino hotels.

Youth Issues April, 2019 – June, 2019

April 2nd – Books for Babies – Vo aired at 11p

The Rotary Club of Philadelphia celebrates the “Books for Babies” campaign aimed at collecting and distributing new and used books for babies and toddlers in Philadelphia. The books are then distributed to daycares, pre-k and other places of learning.

April 10th- Baby Sleeper Dangers – Pkg aired at 4p

The American Academy of Pediatrics is calling for a complete recall of the Fisher-Price Rock ‘n Play Sleeper, which the AAP now says “has been tied to 32 sleep-related infant deaths.” Fisher-Price originally issued a statement in conjunction with the Consumer Product Safety Commission, alerting parents and families to stop using the baby sleeper improperly due to at least 10 deaths that occurred after infants rolled over in the product. Now the AAP says leaving the product on the market would continue to more children's lives at risk.

April 10th - 100K for Summer Youth Jobs – Vo aired at 4p

The New Castle County Council adopts an ordinance to appropriate \$100,000 from the departmental operating budget to assist in the funding of 2019 New Castle County Summer Youth Employment Program. The program is designed to engage low income New Castle County residents ages 14-20 in meaningful paid work-based learning that helps them launch their careers. The program runs annually from June - August. Youth are exposed (many for the first time) to the world of work that enables them to learn about the variety of occupations available, in and around New Castle County, while getting paid for their time.

April 11th – Pinwheel Awareness Garden – Vo aired at 5p

Nearly 300 students from Our Lady of Hope Regional School honor National Child Abuse Prevention Month by planting the official 2019 blue pinwheel awareness garden. The garden is part of a national movement, “Pinwheels for Prevention.” It is as a grass roots initiative sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse America.

April 24th – Wilmington Summer Jobs – Vo aired at 5p

Wilmington Mayor Mike Purzycki and Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Kelley announce that 100 summer jobs for City residents who are 14 to 21 years old are now available. The City's

annual job and internship program, known as the Youth Career Development Program, will begin in June.

April 30th -PA Vaccination Bill - Vo aired at 11p

As the country sees its largest outbreak of measles in decades, some PA lawmakers are looking at reasons for not vaccinating children. A state lawmaker is proposing the Pennsylvania Consent Protection Act. The law would prohibit denials of care and other forms of discrimination against patients, or parents and guardians who opt to delay or decline a vaccination for their children. The bill's sponsor says it's not about whether vaccinations are good or bad but about allowing parents to make decisions about vaccinating their kids.

June 3rd - Summer Reading Kick Off – Vo aired at 6p

Philadelphia officials kick off the 7th year of Year to Succeed. The program, for kids in 1st through 3rd grades, aims to prevent the “summer slide” where kids stop reading once school ends. Last year the program serviced 500 students and hopes to double that this year.

June 14th – Chris Long Libraries – Vo aired at 5p

The First Quarter for Literacy Campaign – made up of the Chris Long Foundation, United Way, and Read by 4th – will deliver 2,145 books to 429 children ages 0-5 in 16 emergency housing programs across Philadelphia by working with People's Emergency Center's Building Early Links for Learning program. The books will be delivered to programs next week. On any given night, 400 children ages 0-5 go to sleep in emergency housing in Philadelphia, instead of a home of their own. Annually, that adds up to 900 children in that age range. Only 21% of children experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia are proficient or advanced in reading by 3rd grade, compared to 37% of their peers

Disabled **April, 2019 – June, 2019**

April 2nd – Autism Bubbles and Balloons - Vo aired at 4p

In support of April's Autism Awareness Month, the Durand School hosts a Bubbles and Balloons event. Playing with bubbles is a great sensory activity for children with Autism because they can participate verbally or nonverbally and typically need an adult to help them, thus encouraging interaction. The release of the blue balloons signifies hope, appreciation, inspiration and acceptance for people with Autism. Blue supports the national “Light it up Blue” initiative that encourages many landmarks, government buildings and porches to display blue lights for World Autism Day.

April 3rd – Special Needs Tour – Vo aired at 4p

A ribbon cutting is held for The Rowan Integrated Special Needs Center which will deliver patient centered care for all people with physical, intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families so they can thrive in their community. This is the first special needs primary care facility in the South Jersey region.

April 4th – Disabled Protection Law – Vo aired at 5p

PA State Senator Tom Killion and Chester County District Attorney propose legislation that would enhance criminal penalties for those who attack someone who has a physical or mental disability. The bill would also add individuals with intellectual or physical disabilities to those protected by Pennsylvania's hate crime statute.

April 4th – Disabled Adults Neglected – Vo aired at 5p

An Allentown man faces charges of abusing several adults with mental and physical disabilities and police say there may be more victims not yet discovered. The time of the alleged crimes, the defendant was working as a caretaker for Resources for Human Development (RHD) in Philadelphia, a non-profit organization that provides services for people with developmental disabilities, mental and physical issues and those in addiction recovery.

April 7th – Special Olympics Clinics – Vo aired at 6p

Arcadia Special Athletes Association hosts its 18th annual Sportsfest, which provides sports clinics for athletes in the Rotary Special Athletes program. Sports include basketball, volleyball, martial arts, swimming and soccer. Approximately 50 athletes with special needs, ranging in age from 19 to 75, will develop skills in the rotating sports clinic.

April 15th – Casey PA Able – Vo aired at 5p

April marks the two year anniversary of the “Pennsylvania Able” program that allows individuals with qualified disabilities and their families a tax-free way to save for disability related expenses while also maintaining government benefits.

April 25th – Veteran Amputees Golf Clinic – Vo aired at 4p

The Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center hosts its 11th Amputee Veterans First Swing Golf Clinic. The focus of the event is to expose amputee Veterans to a new sport and rehabilitative activity, as well as provide a networking opportunity with fellow Veterans facing similar issues. Introducing a new sport can provide new opportunities for growth not only physically, but mentally and socially as well.

The clinic, free and open to any Veteran amputee receiving care at a VA facility, offers educational information as well as hands-on experience in the fundamentals of golf.

April 30th – DE Special Olympics – Vo aired at 4p and 5p

Nearly 2,000 Special Olympics Delaware athletes and peers without disabilities, representing 77 schools compete in soccer events across the state. Organizers says when Special Olympics athletes compete in competitions like it gives them the confidence to play at school, with their friends and in their neighborhoods.

Consumerism and Recall Information

April, 2019 – June, 2019

April 4th –Real ID’s – vo aired at 4p

The Transportation Security Administration reminds travelers that beginning October 1, 2020, every traveler must present a REAL ID-compliant driver’s license, or another acceptable form of identification, to fly within the United States. TSA has launched a public awareness campaign

about the upcoming identification changes to ensure that every traveler is prepared for the airport security checkpoint process when the REAL ID Act goes into full enforcement.

April 4th- Target Raises Minimum Wage – Vo aired at 4p

Target announces an increase to its starting wage to \$13 an hour for all team members as part of its commitment to offer a \$15 minimum wage by the end of 2020. Investing in the team allows Target to recruit and retain strong team members who elevate our guests' experiences. Since its announcement to increase minimum wage, Target has seen an incredible response from communities across the country. Target employees almost 13,000 people in Pennsylvania.

April 16th - More Acela Weekend Service – Vo aired at 4p

Weekend travelers will soon have more high-speed rail options along the Northeast Corridor (NEC) between Boston, New York, and Washington, D.C., as Amtrak expands its popular Acela Express service with an additional round trip on Saturday. These changes will go into effect beginning on May 4, 2019. Tickets are now available for sale at Amtrak.com, via the mobile apps, and through other sales channels.

April 25th – Three Dollar Gas – Vo aired at 4p

For the first time in six months, Philadelphia-area drivers are now paying an average of \$3 per gallon at the pump. Pennsylvania's gas average topped \$3 on April 23. The last time the Philadelphia 5-county gas price average was at \$3 was on October 24, 2018. Since January 1, the gas price average in Philadelphia is up 46 cents and is a penny more than a year ago. The average price of gas across the state is up 54 cents since the beginning of the year and up three cents compared to this same time last year. Gas prices in the Philadelphia 5-county area are just 14 cents away from the 2018 high price of \$3.15 (May 26, 2018). AAA notes that while all area gas prices have seen increases in recent months, Philadelphia drivers are paying more at the pump than their neighbors in South Jersey and Delaware.

April 29th – DE Memorial Bridge Toll Rate Increase - Vo aired at 5p and 6p

On May 1, 2019 at 12:00 midnight, Delaware Memorial Bridge toll rates will increase for all vehicle classifications. The new toll schedule is expected to generate about \$32 million in additional revenue to fund the agency's Capital Improvement Program.

May 2nd – Indego Bike Expands – Vo aired at 5p

Indego bike share announces an expansion of its electric bike pilot. Starting in late May, Indego will begin to roll out 400 more pedal-assist electric bikes, along with other program improvements, including new stations. Additionally, Indego is adding twelve new stations this year to the busiest parts of the Indego system. These stations will make Indego more reliable for people who count on the program for their daily transportation, as well as new users and recreational riders. Riders can be notified when these stations arrive by enabling push notifications on the Indego mobile app. Indego celebrated its fourth year in operation on April 23. Since its launch, riders have taken 2.6 million trips, ridden the distance equivalent of 28 round trips to the moon, and burned 1.4 million soft pretzels worth of calories.

May 9th – Philly First Home Program – Vo aired at 4p and 6p

City Officials, Division of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), and community leaders announce the Philly First Home program. This program is being created to help neighborhood sustainability in Philadelphia by making homeownership more affordable. The Philly First Home programs funds can be used towards a down payment and/or closing costs. Philly First Home program will provide up to \$10,000 (or 6% of the purchase price, whichever is less) in assistance. The recipient must:

- Be a first-time homebuyer or a buyer who has not owned a home for at least three years
- Be a resident of the City of Philadelphia for three years and must purchase a home in Philadelphia
- Have a household income at or below 120% Area Median Income (AMI)
- Complete housing counseling at a DHCD funded housing counseling agency

May 13th - Beverage Related Business Growth – Vo aired at 4p

The Department of Revenue announces that Wage Tax collections from beverage-related businesses have demonstrated continued growth in the two years since the inception of the Philadelphia Beverage Tax. Wage Tax collections -- a barometer of employment in Philadelphia - have increased steadily by 2.5% per year and have not been affected by the PBT, for 24 industries potentially affected by the tax, including supermarkets. Wage Tax collections for one key sector -- supermarkets -- have grown nearly 3% each year since the tax took effect. It also shows the top 4 industries potentially impacted by the tax and those more broadly affected all show growth in wage taxes from 2016 - 2018. (The only decline observed is due to a large supermarket chain closing in 2015 before the PBT was introduced)

Religion

April, 2019 – June, 2019

April 3rd – Passover Celebration – Vo aired at 11p

Please Touch Museum celebrates Passover with a Passover inspired food demo for kids, a Passover themed story time and more. Passover commemorates the Israelites' Exodus from Egypt, and their transition from slavery to freedom.

April 19th – Good Friday – Vo aired at 4p/5p

Christians around the area commemorate Good Friday with church services and Stations of the Cross. The day marks the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and his death at the Calvary.

April 20th – Holy Saturday – Vo aired at 6p

Members of the Ukrainian Catholic church celebrate Holy Saturday. As is a tradition, families will bring baskets of Easter food to be blessed after the service.

April 21st – Easter Sunday – Vo's in all shows

Christians across the area celebrate Easter and the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

April 28th – Synagogue Shooting – Live at 6p

Locals react to the most recent Synagogue shooting. A 19 year old was arrested after bursting into Chabad of Poway near Sand Diego and opening fire while 100 people were inside. One person was killed and three were injured. Police in our area have stepped up patrols near synagogue's, temples and other places of worship.

April 29th – St John Neumann Museum – Vo aired at 11a and 5p

Philadelphia Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, presides over the blessing and ribbon cutting ceremony to mark the grand opening of the newly constructed Saint John Neumann Museum. Since January 1860, the body of Saint John Neumann, fourth bishop of Philadelphia and America's first male saint, has lain in repose in the lower church of Saint Peter the Apostle in Philadelphia. The shrine is visited annually by approximately 50,000 people from around the

world. Those who come to venerate Saint John Neumann and seek his intercession are Catholic and non-Catholic alike.

The museum is the latest cultural asset to Philadelphia's Northern Liberties neighborhood and completes a five-year renovation of the campus that comprises Saint Peter the Apostle Parish, Saint Peter the Apostle School, and the National Shrine of Saint John Neumann. The museum celebrates Saint John Neumann's tenacity in life and heavenly intervention in death. Many of the objects placed on display have never been seen before by the general public.

May 1st – Commemoration of the Holocaust – Vo aired at 5p
Governor Wolf hosts the Pennsylvania Civic Commemoration Ceremony of the Holocaust. The program includes speakers, candle lighting by Holocaust survivors and surviving family members and a reading from a holocaust essay contest winner.

May 9th - New Catholic Sex Abuse Law – Live at 11a/4p/6p Pope
Francis issued a groundbreaking law requiring all Catholic priests and nuns around the world to report clergy sexual abuse and cover-up by their superiors to church authorities, in a new effort to hold the Catholic hierarchy accountable for failing to protect their flocks. The new church law provides whistle-blower protections for anyone making a report and requires all dioceses around the world to have a system in place to receive the claims confidentially. And it outlines procedures for conducting preliminary investigations when the accused is a bishop, cardinal or religious superior.

May 20th -Archdiocese Parishes Merge -Vo aired in AM shows Philadelphia
Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, approves the recommendations of the Archdiocesan Strategic Planning Committee to merge four parishes located in lower Northeast Philadelphia. Saint Adalbert Parish, Saint George Parish, and Mother of Divine Grace Parish will merge with Nativity B.V.M. Parish effective July 1, 2019. The newly restructured parish will have a Polish Apostolate, which will provide Mass and sacramental care for the Polish speaking people of the area. Saint Adalbert Church will be the worship site of the new Nativity B.V.M. Parish.

Women's Issues **April, 2019 – June, 2019**

April 4th – Go Red for Women – Vo aired at 11p
FS Investments partners with the American Heart Association to host the fourth annual “Navy Yard Goes Red,” an event aimed at raising funds and awareness to fight heart disease in women. The event is part of the Heart Association's national Go Red for Women initiative, an effort that advocates for more research and swifter action for women's heart health through coordinated educational programming, fundraising and events. While more commonly associated with men, heart disease is the number one killer of women, causing 1 in 3 deaths each year, or approximately one woman every minute.

April 9th - Delaware Equal Pay – Vo aired at 4p
Delaware legislators mark April 9th as Equal Pay Day in the state. The resolution signifies how far into 2019 a woman must work to equal what the average man earned in 2018. On average, women in Delaware working full-time, throughout the year earn 86 percent of what men earn.

Although the wage gap cuts across party line, race and ethnicity, it impacts every woman differently. The most recent U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey that analyzed data from 2013 to 2017 shows Black women in Delaware earn 69 percent of the earnings of white men, and Hispanic women and Latinas in Delaware earn 58 percent.

April 12th - Walk a Mile in Her Shoes – Vo aired at 5p

For the fourth year, Widener students will participate in Walk-a-Mile in Her Shoes, an international men's march aimed at highlighting the causes, effects and remediation to men's sexualized violence against women. The march allows men to have an impact, while walking (or attempting to walk) in high-heeled shoes and helps them understand and appreciate women's experiences.

April 17th - Care packages for Breast Cancer – Vo aired at 5p

Independence Blue Cross (Independence) teams up with West Chester-based nonprofit Unite for HER to send self-care boxes to Medicare Advantage members who have been newly diagnosed with breast cancer. The boxes – known as HER care boxes – contain products carefully selected to help enhance the health and comfort of those members while they undergo treatment. They also include a greeting card inviting members to call Independence health coaches for additional support and information on ways to register for the Unite for HER Wellness Day Program.

April 25th – Women and Antibiotics – Vo aired at 4p

A new study says women need to be aware of a potential risk that come from taking antibiotics for too long. The study says women who take antibiotics for more than two months face higher risk of heart attack or stroke. The risk doesn't impact you if you're taking a seven or 10 day dosage. Experts say antibiotics may destroy good probiotic bacteria and increase bacteria that can cause disease.

April 26th – Hands Around City Hall – Vo aired at 4p

In recognition of April being Sexual Assault Awareness Month, WOAR - Philadelphia Center Against Sexual Violence is hosts its 3rd Annual Hands Around City Hall. The event helps dispel many of the myths about sexual assault and raises awareness on the prevalence of sexual violence. The staff of WOAR and its supporters will form a human chain of people around City Hall; joining hands in a moment of silence in honor of the many people who have experienced sexual assault while surrounding the place where policies are put into place to protect survivors of sexual violence. Founded in 1971, WOAR is Philadelphia's only rape crisis center and one of the first in the nation. WOAR's mission is to eliminate all forms of sexual violence through specialized treatment services, comprehensive prevention education programs, and advocacy for the rights of victims of sexual assault.

May 8th – C-Section Law – Vo aired at 5p

Legislation aimed to improve medical outcomes for mothers and newborn babies is signed into law by New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy. The new law (formerly bill A-4935) prohibits the health benefits coverage of certain non-medically indicated early elective deliveries under the Medicaid Program, the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP), and the School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP). It prohibits health benefits contracts issued or purchased from providing health benefits coverage or reimbursing a provider for a non-medically indicated early elective delivery performed at a hospital on a pregnant woman earlier than the 39th week of gestation. A "non-medically indicated early elective delivery" is defined under the law as the artificial start of the birth process through medical interventions or other methods, also known

as labor induction, or the surgical delivery of a baby via a caesarean section for purposes or reasons that are not fully consistent with established standards of clinical care as provided by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG).

May 9th - Mother's Day Special Delivery – Vo aired at 4p

Just in time for Mother's Day, The Lauren Rose Albert Foundation/ Mothers Matter Program is bringing cheer to mothers, grandmothers, and caregivers undergoing treatment at Cooper University Health Care with a donation of special gift baskets. Gift baskets will be delivered to cancer patients, moms of pediatric and NICU patients, new moms, trauma patient family members, and others who find themselves in the hospital on Mother's Day. In addition to their traditional Mother's Day gifts, Mothers Matter volunteers assemble and deliver thousands of personal gift bags throughout the year to women-in-need.

May 17th – Baseball 101 for Women – Vosot aired at 455p

Phillies Baseball 101 for Women returns to Citizens Bank Park giving female fans a chance to learn about the major leagues, participate in on-field clinics and meet players and coaches.