

WCAU

QUARTERLY LISTING

COMMUNITY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS

January, February, March 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) **Jan, 2019 – March, 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 Firehouse Screening – 1/16/19

On Wednesday, January 16, NBC10 hosted a community event with Nether Providence Township volunteer fire department that featured a screening of NBC's *Chicago Fire*. The purpose of the event was to raise awareness of the operational needs of local volunteer fire companies, educate the public about opportunities to get involved and celebrate the firefighters for their service to the community. The event featured appearances by NBC10 reporter Harry Hairston and StormRanger10, the station's mobile weather radar vehicle.

African American Children's Book Fair – 2/2/19

On Saturday, February 2, NBC10 and Telemundo62 partnered with the African American Children's Book Project for the 37th annual African American Children's Book Fair at Community College of Philadelphia. The Book Fair is one of the oldest and largest single-day events for African-American children's books in the country. The event features nationally known bestselling authors/illustrators, many of whom have won some of the most prestigious American Library Association awards including the Coretta Scott King Award. NBC10 and Telemundo62 served as the media sponsor and provided giveaways, and member of their on-air talent doing a meet & greet.

Foster Care Phone Bank – 3/19/19

On Tuesday, March 19, NBC10 and Telemundo62 partnered with Philadelphia Department of Health and Human Services and hosted a foster care informational phone bank for Philadelphia families who are interested in learning more about providing foster care. The two-and-a-half-hour phone bank featured 22 volunteers from DHS member agencies who answered the phone lines and provided foster care information in English and Spanish to prospective families. The phone bank garnered 341 calls and included interviews with Philadelphia Mayor Jim Kenney, DHS Commissioner Cynthia Figueroa, DHS volunteers, a foster parent and her children.

Public Safety and Crime

Jan, 2019 – March, 2019

January 2nd – 132 Tires Slashed – Pkg aired at 11p

Police in Tredyffrin Township are looking for the person(s) who slashed 132 tires, damaging 48 vehicles in one night. Police are looking at video of the area and asking anyone with info to come forwards. A \$500 reward is being offered for information leading to an arrest.

January 5th – Triple Fatal Fire – Pkg aired at 6p and 11p

Two young Philadelphia children and their grandmother are killed in a house fire. The fire began around 1p in the home with no working smoke detectors. Firefighters say rescue effort were also hampered by clutter in the home. Officials are now checking to make sure all homes on the block have working smoke alarms.

January 9th - Combatting Campus Sex Assault – Vo aired at 5p

PA Governor Tom Wolf along with state and national it's On Us initiative leaders announce nearly \$1 million in grants to combat campus sexual assault at 38 colleges and universities. The governor is a steadfast supporter of campus safety and nearly three years ago established It's On Us PA, the nation's first statewide campaign. These grants will help schools across the state to make campuses safer, and help stop sexual harassment and assault.

January 29th – Marsy's Law – Vo aired at 5p

Victims, supporters, legislators and community leaders gather to initiate the second year of the effort to ensure that the rights of crime victims in Pennsylvania are constitutionally protected. Marsy's Law for Pennsylvania is a grassroots effort seeking to amend the state constitution to provide victims of crime equal rights to those already afforded to the accused and convicted. Pennsylvania is one of only nine states that does not provide constitutional protections for crime victims. While the accused and convicted have numerous rights codified in the Pennsylvania Constitution, crime victims have only statutory protections. Marsy's Law for Pennsylvania elevates the statutory and common law rights afforded to crime victims in Pennsylvania.

February 7th – Alyssa's Law – Vo aired at 5p

NJ Governor Phil Murphy signs bill A764, also known as "Alyssa's Law", requiring all New Jersey public schools to install silent panic alarms that will alert law enforcement during emergencies such as an active shooter, or to employ an alternative emergency mechanism approved by the Department of Education. "Alyssa's Law" will become a state requirement for all public elementary and secondary schools. This law is in memory of Alyssa Alhadeff, a New Jersey native from Woodcliff Lake who was among the 17 people that were killed in the Parkland shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School last February.

February 12th – Bensalem Body Cameras – Vo aired at 4p

Officials announce that members of the Bensalem Township Police Department's Patrol Division will be equipped with body-worn cameras. Bensalem Police have teamed up with Axon, a global leader in law enforcement technologies, to implement the body-worn camera system. Bensalem Police will start the body-worn camera program with only a select number of patrol officers initially and plans are to equip the entire uniformed patrol division over the next few months. Bensalem Police have utilized an in-car camera system for over a decade and will enhance that system to operate in compliance with the body-worn cameras.

March 13th – Daycare Owner Accused of Sex Assault – Pkg aired at 11p

A former Chester County daycare owner is behind bars for sexually assaulting kids under his watch. State Police say 64-year James Battista assaulted four kids between the ages of three and seven. They say it happened when he operated “Little Friends” Daycare with his wife in Penn Township on Newark Road. It closed down in 2010. Investigators believe more victims are out there.

March 21st – Bar Employee Killed – Live AM/4p/6p

Philadelphia police are looking for the suspect who shot a 58 yr old bar employee as the bar was closing for the night. The shooter is believed to be the last customer in the bar at the time of the shooting. Police believe they know who they’re looking for, no motive has been released.

Elderly

Jan, 2019 – March, 2019

February 2nd – Pipes Burst at Senior Living Facility – Pkg aired at 11p

In below freezing temperatures, dozens of seniors have to find somewhere else to sleep after pipes burst at the Sacred Heart Senior Living Facility in Northampton. No one was hurt during the evacuation of the building and there’s no word on when the seniors will be able to return home.

February 4th – 100th Birthday – Vo aired at 4p and 6p

A resident at Haverford Estates celebrates her 100th birthday with a party and visit from the mummies. When asked what the secret to living to 100 is – she said she just doesn’t think about it.

February 7th – 93 year old’s Wish Granted – Vo aired at 4p

A 93 year old Hatfield woman has her wish granted through the Twilight Wish Foundation and receives a new furnace. Helen Merico is recovering from a broken hip and lives w/her son who’s her caretaker. Living on a fixed income the two could not afford to fix a 70 yr old furnace that broke in 2017. The two had been relying on space heaters to stay warm.

February 8th – Seniors Cupid Ball – Vo aired at 11p

Councilman Kenyatta Johnson celebrates Valentine’s Day with his 4th annual Cupid Ball for hundreds of seniors in Southwest Philadelphia. During the event, the seniors are treated to dinner, dancing and live entertainment.

February 14th – Senior Couples Celebrate Valentine’s Day –Vo aired at 4p

Eight senior couples share their love stories during a special Valentine’s Day lunch at Spring Hills Cherry Hill Assisted Living. Two of the couples in attendance will be married 70 years this year but together for 73 years and another met at Spring Hills Cherry Hill. Everyone will enjoy a luncheon and will bring photos of themselves at their wedding and over the years.

March 4th- State Police Oldest Employee - Vo aired at 5p

85 year old Connie Dick is the Delaware State Police’s longest serving employee and she shows no signs of stopping any time soon. Dick started as Troop Four’s administrative assistant when she was 17 and never left. Dick has only taken 30 sick days in her career and isn’t ruling out making the 70 year mark.

March 5th- Senior Mardi Gras – Vo aired at 4p

Over 50 seniors at Wesley Enhanced living in Media celebrate Mardi Gras. The party featured New Orleans themed food and trivia, a Mumpers performance and the crowning of a Mardi Gras king and queen.

March 20th – Senior Housing – Vo aired at 4p

The Philadelphia Housing Authority celebrates the completion of the modernization of Sharswood Tower. Sharswood is comprised of modern, high quality, affordable housing for seniors in the city.

Minorities, Gay and Lesbian Issues **Jan, 2019 – March, 2019**

January 4th – Kevin Hart Oscars Host – Pkg aired at 4p and 6p

Less than a month after stepping aside as Oscars host when homophobic tweets resurfaced, Kevin Hart said he is evaluating whether to return. His comments came during a conversation with Ellen DeGeneres, who said she called Oscars producers and told them to take Hart back.

January 15th – Korean American Flag Raising – Vo aired at 6p

Philadelphia City Council members and representatives from other agencies participate in the 6th annual Korean American Day. The event includes a flag raising, music and a reception.

January 21st - MLK Day – Vo's aired in all shows

People across the area come out to volunteer their time in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King. Over 5000 people participated in an event at Girard College, this event is said to be the biggest in the country.

January 24th - Black Women Maternal Mortality Increase – Vo aired at 5p

Philadelphia Councilwoman Cindy Bass introduces a resolution to hold hearings on the increase in maternal mortality among Black women in Philadelphia. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, pre-eclampsia and eclampsia, two of the leading causes of maternal death, are 60 percent more common and more severe in African-American women. Maternal mortality affects Black women more than any other group regardless of economic class, but those who live below the poverty line are faced with even more challenges. Black women represented 75 percent of all pregnancy-related deaths in Philadelphia between 2010 and 2012. In the United States, Black women are up to four times more likely to die from pregnancy-related complications than white women.

January 28th – Racist Message Left on Bill – Pkg aired at 4p and 6p

Instead of a tip, a waitress at a South Jersey restaurant found a note saying “don't tip immigrants” written on the back of the bill. The owner of the restaurant who is an immigrant, says he was shocked by the words and the customer is not welcome back at his business. The waitress who received the note was born in American and is bilingual. She says she was speaking Spanish to someone and believes that's what lead the customer to believe she was from another country.

February 2nd – African American Children’s Book Fair – Vo aired at 6p
In celebration of Black History Month, Community College of Philadelphia hosts the 27th Annual African American Children’s Book Fair. The fair includes chances to meet authors and hear books read aloud.

March 5th – Cheyney University Future – Pkg aired at 430p
Cheyney University officials announce plans to change the culture on campus which includes the school’s first balanced budget in six years. Other plans include a fundraising goal of \$4 million along with plans to build a hotel and conference center on campus. Cheyney University is the nation’s oldest historically black college.

March 8th – First Latina Fire Captain – Pkg aired at 615p
The Philadelphia Fire Department promotes its first Latina to Fire Captain, Captain Cecilia Ortiz.

Education **Jan, 2019 – March, 2019**

January 4th - Phila Pre-Kindergarten Registration – Vo aired at 4p
The School District of Philadelphia is encouraging all eligible families to enroll their students in pre-Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year. The District is now accepting applications for the full-day, free program. To be eligible, children must be at least 3 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2019, and must not be age-eligible for kindergarten; children and families must live in Philadelphia; and families must meet current Head Start or Pre-K Counts income guidelines.

January 14th – Quakertown No French – Vo aired at 5p
The Quakertown Community Board of Directors announces they will not be adding French to the school’s curriculum next year. One family has been asking the course be added for years. The board says adding a new foreign language would require long term planning that would not be possible in time for the 2019-2020 school year.

January 18th - Preschool Money – Vo aired at 5p
Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf announces an additional \$10.5 million to help preschool-age children transition to kindergarten. The funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services builds on the governor’s commitment to expanding early education for Pennsylvania’s youngest children. Since taking office in 2015, Governor Wolf has successfully worked with the state legislature to expand state-funded preschool by \$115 million, adding more than 9,600 slots in Pre-K Counts, and an additional 1,300 in Head Start Supplemental Assistance Program.

January 24th – MCCC Stockton Agreement – Vo aired at 4p
Mercer County Community College (MCCC) and Stockton University sign a formal agreement adding Mercer to Stockton’s Transfer Pathways program, which allows incoming freshmen to dual enroll at the two institutions, and provides for guaranteed transfer for other students. This will give Mercer students access to more than 160 bachelor’s degree programs at Stockton, and provides for substantial savings by completing their first two years at MCCC.

March 11th- Later School Start Times – Vo aired at 4p

Central Bucks, the largest school district in Bucks County, will conduct an online survey of its residents to gauge how they feel about a later start time for classes. The district, which has more than 18,000 students, is also forming a committee soon that will study later start times and explore ways to overcome obstacles, which include transportation, day care and other issues. Many experts, parents and others say allowing students more sleep would make them healthier and create a better learning environment.

March 12th – College Cheating Scandal – Live at 4p, 6p and 11p

Locals react after the FBI announces dozens of arrests in one of the largest college admission scams in the US. The scams involved parents spending thousands, sometimes hundreds of thousands, in order to get their child into an elite school. The cheating involved having others take their SAT, changing answers on SAT and being recruit and accepted for sports they did not play. No schools were charged.

March 12th – Bensalem Teachers Strike –Vo aired at 5p

While hoping their latest counter proposal leads to a new contract, Bensalem Township School District teachers and other professionals in their union have voted overwhelmingly to authorize a strike. The vote was not one to actually strike but gives union leaders the authority to call a strike at any point if they deem it necessary. Teachers and others in the 445-member BTEA have been working for more than 18 months under the terms of a contract that expired on June 30, 2017. The union has twice accepted, and the school board twice rejected, a fact finder's report that would have essentially become a new contract had it been approved by both sides.

March 16th – College Financial Planning – Pkg aired at 11p

PA Senator Vincent Hughes hosts a college financial planning event for high school students at West Philadelphia High School. The event aims to help with scholarships, tax assistance and financial aid.

Government **Jan, 2019 – March, 2019**

January 3rd – DA Runs for Judge –Vo aired at 5p

Northampton County's longtime district attorney John Morganelli announces he's running for county judge. He will seek the vacancy left by Judge Emil Giordano, who retired in June. Morganelli owns his own law practice for 16 years before his district attorney career and he calls himself one of the most qualified and experienced attorneys to become a judge.

January 8th – Government Shutdown – Pkg aired at 4p and 6p

Local elected officials join furloughed federal employees and their union representatives to advocate for the end of the federal government shutdown. The shutdown began on December 22nd of last year after the president did not receive the money he wanted for the border wall near Mexico.

January 15th – Governor Wolf Inauguration –Vo aired at 4p

Tom Wolf is sworn in to begin his 2nd term as Pennsylvania's governor. Following the swearing in the Governor, his wife and Lt Governor will greet guests and supporters.

January 15th – NJ State of the State – Vo aired at 4p and 6p
New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy delivers the 2019 State of the State Address. One of the Governor's main goals for the year is to improve the financial security of middle class families in New Jersey.

January 22nd – Bill to Help Furloughed Workers – Vo aired at 5p
DE House Speaker Pete Schwartzkopf files legislation to protect Delaware federal workers from losing insurance or being evicted from their homes due to lost wages during the government shutdown.
The Delaware Federal Employees Civil Relief Act would permit the temporary suspension of judicial and administrative proceedings and transactions in Delaware that could adversely affect the civil rights of federal workers residing in Delaware during a shutdown.

February 21st – NJ Dems Back Booker – Vo aired at 6p
Corey Booker's presidential campaign announces that the Democratic lawmaker has the backing of Gov. Phil Murphy, Sen. Bob Menendez, top legislative leaders and the party chairmen of all 21 counties. All of the state's 11 House Democrats also backed his candidacy. The two-term senator launched his presidential campaign earlier this month. The former mayor of Newark is competing in a crowded Democratic field ahead of next year's primaries to take on Republican President Donald Trump. New Jersey's primary is set for June 2, 2020.

March 13th -City Council Elections – Pkg aired at 4p
This spring, dozens of people will vie for a chance at jobs inside Philadelphia's City hall. The flood of candidates comes after a midterm election that brought a boost of enthusiasm from voters and a bunch of new faces elected to positions in PA and throughout the country. In Philadelphia, candidates filed petitions to run and join a long list including 34 democrats and 7 republicans filing to run for the city councils' 7 at large council seats.

March 16th – Biden Democratic Dinner – Pkg aired at 11p
Democrats in Delaware host the First State Democratic Dinner featuring Joe Biden. During his speech, Biden dropped his strongest hints yet that he's going to join the race for President, even slipping and saying he was running before correcting himself. Biden said if he did run he would make threats to America's democracy and restoring the middle class top priorities.

Youth Issues **Jan, 2019 – March, 2019**

January 3rd – Kids Bedtime – Vo aired in AM shows
New research shows kids with good sleep habits have healthier weights when they reach their teenage years. Researchers found kids with no bedtime routine by age nine had a higher BMI when they were 15. They say it's important for kids to have consistent bedtimes and parents should adjust the times to make sure kids get enough sleep before getting up for school.

January 9th – Child Sex Abuse Prevention – Vo aired at 4p
Representatives of Network of Victim Assistance (NOVA), and other Bucks County officials announce "Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children," a county-wide initiative directed towards adults in the community on how to: prevent children from being sexually abused; recognize

signs of ongoing sexual abuse; and how to respond appropriately to a child who discloses abuse. There is also a hotline people can call if they see or suspect child abuse.

January 15th – Please Touch New Exhibit – Vo aired at 4p

Please Touch Museum celebrates the grand opening of Cents & Sensibility, a new permanent exhibit offering children and their caregivers playful learning experiences around money and math through engaging and imaginative role play opportunities and complementary programming. The goal of the exhibit is to expose young visitors to money matters through fun and learning set around the key concepts of earning, saving, spending and sharing.

January 19th –Give Kids Sight Day – Vo aired at 6p

More than 600 kids receive free vision screenings during the 9th Annual Give Kids Sight Day. Many of the kids also received their first pair of eyeglasses. The event provides free vision care to children, especially those who are uninsured or underinsured, and raises awareness of the challenges of growing up without health insurance.

February 4th –Children Internet Safety - Vo aired at 5p

In honor of Safer Internet Day, the Delaware County District Attorney and the Delaware County Internet Crimes Against Children Task force hold an event to provide tips for parents about how to keep their kids safe when they go online. The Task Force will also discuss the work it does to catch online predators and those who proliferate the exploitation of children.

February 15th –New Playground – Vo aired at 4p

Philadelphia Parks and Recreation join community members for a groundbreaking of the new Torresdale Playground. The playground will include a sprayground, basketball and tennis courts and a parking lot with improved ADA accessibility.

March 10th – CHOP Spin In – Vo aired at 6p

Hundreds of CHOP supporters, families and friends affected by pediatric congenital heart disease will participate in a big workout to help little hearts. Proceeds from the Philly Spin-In will directly support patient care, treatment and research that benefits children with heart conditions both here in the local community and around the world. The Cardiac Center at CHOP features one of the largest and most accomplished medical teams in the world, with each member specially trained to care for children with congenital heart conditions. Collectively, the Cardiac team has revolutionized the way children with congenital and acquired heart conditions are diagnosed, treated and followed into adulthood.

March 15th - School District Youth Summit – Vo aired at 4p

The School District of Philadelphia host its inaugural Youth Summit, created in response to the growing need to educate students about the impact of the opioid crisis. This year's theme, created by students, is R.I.S.E.: Rewrite. Inspire. Strengthen. Engage. The goal of the summit is to educate, motivate, empower and inspire youth toward a life free of drugs. Students will participate in learning sessions from Operation Prevention, an organization committed to educating students about the impacts of opioids and kick-starting lifesaving conversations in the home and classroom.

March 19th – School District Daycares – Vo aired at 4p

The NJ Senate advances a controversial bill that would allow school districts to turn unused classroom space into child care centers for infants as young as six weeks old. The bill would allow children of school district employees to use the daycares. Opponents of the bill say it would eliminate thousands of outside child care jobs.

March 26th – Lead in School Drinking Water – Vo aired at 4p

A report by an environmental and consumer advocacy group is giving Pennsylvania an “F” for its efforts to remove lead from drinking water in schools. PennEnvironment and PennPIRG released the grade saying Pennsylvania hasn't been aggressive enough in replacing lead pipes, plumbing or fixtures in schools. Lead can cause lifelong brain damage and other harm, especially for children, although Pennsylvania health officials say exposure to lead-based paint chips and dust, not tainted water, is the primary cause of childhood lead poisoning. The state Department of Environmental Protection said in 2016 it had reviewed public water systems serving more than 6 million people and that none exceeded federal standards for lead in drinking water.

Disabled **Jan, 2019 – March, 2019**

January 10th - Alzheimer's Study Donation – Vo aired at 5p

The Lewis Katz School of Medicine at Temple University receives a \$100,000 donation from Stop Alzheimer's Now to conduct a groundbreaking study. The new study will test whether inhibition of a specific protein in the brain can stimulate neurogenesis. A Temple doctor, along with his colleagues, previously found that the targeted protein functions as a controller of neurogenesis and demonstrated in vitro that its inhibition triggers the growth of new neurons.

February 1st - 13 Yr Old w/MD One Day Contract – Vo aired at 4p

The Philadelphia Wings Professional Lacrosse Team signs 13-year old Chloe Cicone to a one-day contract. Diagnosed with Muscular Dystrophy, Cicone is a member of Team IMPACT, a national nonprofit that connects children facing serious and chronic illnesses with local college and professional athletic teams, forming life-long bonds and life-changing outcomes. Through Team IMPACT, Cicone is currently paired with the Wilmington University Women's Lacrosse team and regularly attends practice, games and team events.

February 6th –Phillies Special Olympics – Vo aired at 4p

The Phillie Phanatic welcomes the Unified Champion School Bocce Team from Northeast High School, made up of Special Olympics athletes and athletes without intellectual disabilities called Unified Partners, as they join members of the Phillies front office for a Unified Bocce Tournament. Phillies staff will fill the role of officials and scorekeepers, as well as Unified Partners to form 4 teams of 8. The tournament will feature friendly competition followed by lunch, a behind-the-scenes tour of Citizens Bank Park and giveaways for all participants.

February 6th - Blind Hockey – Pkg aired at 6p

The Philadelphia Flyers host an event for hockey players with no site. The blind players will skate on the ice and play hockey with current Flyers.

February 6th- Unified Sports Athlete Half-Court Shot –Vo aired at 5p

Unified Sports athlete Alex Park makes a basketball shot from beyond half court. Unified Sports joins people with and without intellectual disabilities on the same team. It was inspired by a simple principle: training together and playing together is a quick path to friendship and understanding. RCGC hosts Unified Sports year round, with a different sport being played for each season.

February 8th – Special Needs Prom – Vo aired at 11p

The Tim Tebow Foundation hosts a Night to Shine Prom for people 14 and older with special needs. Each of the 250 guests receives a personal host for the evening and enters the event on a red carpet complete with a warm welcome from a friendly crowd and paparazzi. Guests receive the royal treatment, including hair and makeup stations, shoe shining areas, boutonnières, a catered dinner, karaoke, photo booths, prom favors, a Respite Room for parents and caretakers, and a dance floor... all leading up to the moment when each guest is crowned king or queen of the prom.

February 12th – GET Café – Pkg aired at 11p

The new GET Café (Great Expectations Together,) is expected to open this week in Philadelphia. The founder of the Café says she wants to erase the stigma of people with special needs and provide job opportunities to everyone. The café will employ 12 people with varying degrees of developmental disabilities.

February 27th – Tennis Coach with ALS – Pkg aired at 5a

A local man continues to coach tennis despite being diagnosed with ALS and says he will continue to coach as long as his body allows him. **ALS**, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord. Early symptoms of ALS usually include muscle weakness or stiffness. Gradually all muscles under voluntary control are affected, and individuals lose their strength and the ability to speak, eat, move, and even breathe.

March 6th – Parkinson’s Relief – Pkg aired at 4p

A Mid-Atlantic research team with roots at the University of Delaware has received a \$440,000 grant from The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson’s Research (MJFF) to test a device, called VibeForward, that uses vibration therapy to reduce symptoms of freezing of gait in patients with Parkinson’s. Non-invasive, lightweight and portable, and equipped with a rechargeable battery, the device is worn on the foot inside of a shoe, making it ideal for use in everyday life.

Consumerism and Recall Information **Jan, 2019 – March, 2019**

January 2nd –Megabus to Chicago – Vo aired at 5p

Megabus announces they will run a special trip from Philadelphia to Chicago this weekend to take Philadelphia football fans to the game in Chicago. The bus will leave Philadelphia at 730p Saturday, arrive in Chicago at 930a Sunday and head back to Philadelphia at 1130 Sunday night. Tickets are \$99 each way.

January 8th – Frontier PHL Destinations – Vo aired at 4p

Frontier Airlines announces it will begin non-stop seasonal flights between Philadelphia International Airport and Atlanta, Las Vegas, Myrtle Beach, Pensacola and Raleigh-Durham starting in the spring, continuing the “Ultra Low-Cost Carrier’s” expansion in Philadelphia. The 5 new cities will bring to 31 the destinations Frontier serves from Philadelphia with a mix of seasonal and year-round service. Ten of those destinations were added in 2018.

January 24th - NJ Minimum Wage – Vo aired at 4p

New Jersey lawmakers are set to begin considering a bill to hike the minimum wage to \$15 an hour by 2024. Democrats Gov. Phil Murphy, Senate President Steve Sweeney and Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin announced a deal on the wage last week.

January 28th – UGI Rate Increase – Vo aired at 5p

UGI Utilities, Inc.'s Gas Division (UGI) files a request with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) to increase its base rates for residential, commercial and industrial customers by \$71.1 million annually. The requested increase would recover UGI's ongoing costs related to system improvements and operations necessary to maintain safe and reliable natural gas service. UGI is also requesting changes in purchased gas costs, the cost of the natural gas commodity consumed by the customer, for UGI Gas customers as well.

February 13th- PATCO Cheap Fare Friday – Vo aired at 4p

PATCO will celebrate its 50th Anniversary by offering "Flashback Fares" from 1969 during morning rush hours on Friday, 2/15. PATCO will celebrate by rolling back fares from 6am-11am to the exact fares that were used back in 1969. On February 15, 1969, PATCO made its first trip from Lindenwold, New Jersey, to Center City Philadelphia.

February 26th - Federal Minimum Wage – Vo aired at 4p

Pennsylvania Sen. Bob Casey says he's adding his name to the 30 fellow Democrats who are co-sponsoring legislation to raise the federal minimum wage to \$15 an hour.

The bill that Casey's joining would raise the federal minimum wage, set at \$7.25 an hour since 2007, in six annual steps to \$15. Previously, Casey had authored legislation to increase the federal minimum wage to \$12 an hour by 2020. Casey acknowledges that winning passage in the Republican-controlled Senate is a tall order, but says it's important to build support for it now if a Democrat is elected president in 2020.

March 8th – New Septa Regional Rail Schedules – Vosot aired at 5p

Septa announces new S Regional Rail schedules will go into effect on Sunday, March 10. The new schedules will focus on weekday service improvements and are designed to improve service reliability, on-time performance and to support a track rehabilitation project along the Lansdale/Doylestown Line. Saturday and Sunday Regional Rail service will not change as part of the March 10 schedule change.

March 13th – Home Repair Loan Program – Vo aired at 5p and 6p

Philadelphia officials announce the launch of Restore Repair Renew (RRR), a program partnership between the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority (PRA) and nonprofit service providers to offer low-interest home repair loans of up to \$24,999 to eligible homeowners. Restore Repair Renew was proposed by Council, and created by PRA, in support of the City's goal of creating and preserving affordable, quality homes in neighborhoods where the markets are rapidly changing, as well as in stable neighborhoods at risk of decline. Restore Repair Renew is part of a wide-ranging effort to increase housing security for low-income people, working-class families, and seniors.

Religion
Jan, 2019 – March, 2019

January 4th – Three Kings Celebration – Vo aired at 430p
Hundreds of Camden city kids and families will celebrate three kings day. The event will feature food, music and a gift for each child. The actual holiday is January 6th and represents the day the three wise men gave gifts to Jesus.

January 11th – Catholic Priest Sentenced – A former catholic priest who worked for four decades in the Diocese of Erie is sentenced to two and a half to 14 yrs in prison for his repeated sexual assaults against one boy and the attempted sexual assault of another. The priest was immediately taken into custody after his sentencing. The victims were eight and 15 yrs old at the time of the abuse.

January 28th – Catholic Schools Week – Vo aired at 4p
Students at schools across the area celebrate the first day of Catholic Schools week with various activities. During the week, which began in 1974, the kids celebrate with masses, open house and activities benefiting their community.

January 28th – Church of Scientology Building – Vo aired at 6p
Leaders of the Church of Scientology announce plans to make open a new church at a now vacant building on Chestnut Street in Center City Philadelphia. The building will house the new Church of Scientology of Philadelphia and will service its parishioners and the community. It will include a public information center with multimedia displays and a chapel for Sunday services and community events.

February 3rd – Priest Placed on Leave – Vo aired at 11p
The Archdiocese of Philadelphia announces that Reverend Steven J. Marinucci has been placed on administrative leave and his priestly faculties have been restricted following an allegation that he sexually abused a minor in the late 1970's. As a result of the allegation, which Father Marinucci has denied, he was placed on administrative leave and his priestly faculties were restricted earlier this week. While on administrative leave he will not be able to exercise his ministry publicly, present himself publicly as a priest, or be present in any parishes or schools. The information above was shared with parishioners at Saint Matthew Parish in Northeast Philadelphia at all Masses this weekend and counselors were made available to parishioners. Prior to being placed on administrative leave, Father Marinucci had served at that parish since 2010.

February 24th – Jewish Federation Super Sunday – Vo aired at 6p
Super Sunday is the annual event for the Jewish community to come together to help raise funds for the Jewish Federation, who in turn provides resources to address the communities' most critical priorities locally, in Israel and around the world. It is a cherished opportunity for volunteers to connect with the Jewish Federation and with families and donors across the greater Philadelphia region who want to renew their commitment to the Jewish community. Over 700 volunteers are expected at all of Super Sunday's 5 locations across the region.

February 28th – St Katharine Drexel Tomb – Vo aired at 4p and 5p
Officials with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia announce that the newly constructed tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel, now located at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, will become an Archdiocesan shrine. There will also be a new documentary on the life and work of

Saint Katharine Drexel as well as the feast day Mass to be celebrated in her honor at the Cathedral on Sunday, March 3, 2019.

March 4th- Shabbat Pantry Opens –Vo aired at 11p

Jefferson Health opens a Shabbat pantry at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. The pantry will allow those of the Orthodox Jewish community to use the specialized facilities during Shabbos, Judaism's day of rest, store and prepare Kosher foods, and also have a quiet place to pray. The pantry will be stocked by Bikkur Cholim, a non-profit organization from Lower Merion with a volunteer network that serves Jewish patients in hospitals in the Philadelphia region.

March 6th – Ash Wednesday – Vo aired at 4p and 5p

Christians around the area receive ashes in recognition of Ash Wednesday. In the Christian tradition, Ash Wednesday marks the start of the holy season of Lent, a time for reflection and repentance in preparation for the celebration of Easter. For centuries, Christians have received a cross of ashes on the face at the beginning of that season as a reminder of mortal failings and an invitation to receive God's forgiveness.

Women's Issues **Jan, 2019 – March, 2019**

January 2nd - Atlantic Co Freeholders Chair – Vo aired at 4p

Atlantic County Board of Freeholders swears in its first ever female chairman. Amy Gatto, of Hamilton Township, was unanimously elected to head the board. Gatto says her first priority will be the county budget.

January 10th – Gender Discrimination Lawsuit – Pkg aired at 5p

Three current and former high-ranking female employees in the Office of the Atlantic County Prosecutor—who together have more than 70 years' experience between them—and their lawyers will hold an 11a press conference to announce a gender Discrimination and Sexual Harassment Lawsuit filed by the three women against Atlantic County Prosecutor Damon G.

January 15th – More Than Pink Walk – Vo aired at 6p

Susan G. Komen Philadelphia announces that its annual Race for the Cure will now be the Komen Philadelphia More than Pink Walk. Like the Race, the new event will take place at the Philadelphia Museum of Art and Eakins Oval on Mother's Day morning, May 12, 2019. However, there will be significant changes, chief among them being the elimination of the 5K run and walk, and the introduction of a more personal, interactive community walk entirely contained within Eakins Oval and the Logan Circle area.

January 19th – Philadelphia Women's March – Pkg aired at 6p

Women across the country and in Philadelphia come out for the 3rd Annual Women's March. The women say they are walking to demand change and to inspire others. Many held signs critical of the president while others demanded more actions be taken against sexism and assault.

January 23rd – Maternal Health Awareness - Vo aired at 5p

PA State Rep. Ryan Mackenzie (R-Lehigh/Berks), along with a deputy secretary from the Pennsylvania Department of Health and health care providers, promote the state's first-ever Maternal Health Awareness Day. Despite advances in medical science and technology, deaths related to complications from pregnancy and childbirth are on the rise nationally and in Pennsylvania. House Resolution 27, authored by Mackenzie, is designed to raise public awareness about maternal health and promote maternal safety.

January 30th – DE Breast Cancer – Pkg aired at 615p

Statistics show that Delaware sees the most cases of triple negative breast cancer in the country and researchers are trying to figure out why. Triple Negative Breast Cancer often spreads quickly and has fewer treatment options. It is also more prevalent in Delaware than any other state, especially among women in the African American and Hispanic communities

February 6th – Women in Sports Day – Vo aired at 4p

Delaware Governor John Carney signs a proclamation recognizing February 6th as Girls and Women in Sports Day. The director of the office of Women's Advancement and Advocacy along with student athletes from across the state attended the event.

February 15th – Women and Diet Drinks – Vo aired at 6a

A new study finds women over 50 who have more than one artificially sweetened drink per day raise their risk of stroke and heart attack. The research finds the risk applies even to women with no history of heart disease or diabetes. The risks are highest for African American women and women who are obese.