

WLNY-TV 10/55 Quarterly Issues/Programs List – October 10, 2015

Attached are the listings of broadcast segments and stories that reflect Channel 55's significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

Time period of day, day of week, source and format descriptions follow the first appearance of the broadcast name. Date references refer to broadcast days. All times given are approximate.

Programs

WLNY 10/55 9PM NEWS - hosted by Dick Brennan and Alice Gainer. Monday – Friday, 9 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Exit 10/55 - half hour weekly broadcast featuring community events focused on Long Island. The program covers health, politics, technology, education, entertainment, and addresses the most talked about news stories of the week. Hosted by Richard Rose. Sunday, 11:30 a.m. – 12 noon

“Long Island Report” – features business reports based in Long Island during the regular 9 p.m. news weekday broadcast, hosted by Richard Rose.

Public Service Announcements - WLNY-TV 55 is airing and sponsoring PSAs. PSAs in rotation stem from various organizations such as Susan G. Komen Greater New York City, Safer City Campaign, Summer Streets, Brooklyn Public Library, Tunnel to Towers, The Make-A-Wish-Foundation of Metro New York, Stephen Siller Foundation, Safer City, Food Bank NYC, Lupus Foundation, New York City Department of Transportation Vision Zero, City Harvest, CDC (Influenza vaccinations), Project Roadblock (drunk driving prevention), American Heart Association, New York State Broadcasters Association, Emergency Preparedness New York, and United Way.

Health: Topics in this category include: Legionnaires' outbreak in the South Bronx affected over 30 people and caused two deaths. The bacteria Legionella was found in several cooling towers; Increased levels of bacteria were found in the water of 64 beaches in Suffolk County due to heavy rainfall and Sandra Lee, girlfriend of Governor Cuomo announced she is cancer free after a struggle with an infection after a double mastectomy.

WLNY 10/55 NEWS AT 9PM: 7/16 Anchor Dick Brennan reports the more time people spend on their smart phone the more likely they are to be depressed. A study conducted by Northwestern University found that the average daily phone usage for depressed people is 68 minutes but only 17 minutes for non-depressed individuals. 7/31 Anchor Dick Brennan reports that the city found cooling towers are to blame as the source for the deadly outbreak of Legionnaires' disease in the South Bronx. One of the towers was located at Lincoln Hospital and the other at Concourse Plaza Complex. 46 cases of the disease have now been confirmed. 8/16 Anchor Alice Gainer reports that most children in the tri-state area head back to school in a few weeks and now is the time experts recommend parents address back to school anxiety with their children. 8/22 Anchor Diane Macedo reports on a health alert for men who use Viagra that the drug could increase the risk of getting deadly melanoma. 9/11 Anchor Dick Brennan reports on a warning against bathing at dozens of area beaches in Suffolk County. Health officials reported increased levels of bacteria could be in the water at 64 beaches in the county. The heavy rainfall is to blame and the beaches are in areas that get heavy storm water runoff. Wading River Beach which was closed on Tuesday due to high levels of bacteria remains closed. 9/15 Anchor Alice Gainer reports on cases of the Mumps have been found in the Rockaways. The health department says the number of confirmed and probable cases has gone from three to 20. This particular cluster of cases has spread between July and September and most of the cases have been among adults. 9/17 Anchor Chris Wragge reports the smoking rate decrease reported by the health department in New York. A 2014 study showed fewer than 900 thousand adults smoked which is down from one million the year before. 9/22 Anchor Alice Gainer reports Sandra Lee, the girlfriend of Governor Cuomo has announced she is free of cancer after she struggled with an infection after her double mastectomy surgery. 9/29 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a new Legionnaires' scare in the Bronx where seven people are now sick with the potentially deadly bacteria. This comes after a deadly outbreak in the South Bronx this summer.

Government and Politics: Topics in this category include: Mayor de Blasio's Deputy Mayor left his administration after controversy over his handling of the homelessness in the city; Governor Cuomo lead a delegation of state and city politicians on a trip to Puerto Rico to discuss territory's economic and health care problems; An 87 year old woman was mistakenly reported dead and lost her health care benefits and Donald Trump, Republican presidential candidate is not retracting his statements regarding illegal immigration.

WLNY 10/55 NEWS AT 9PM: 7/31 Anchor Alice Gainer reports on New York City's intense security plan to keep Pope Francis safe when he visits in September. The plan calls for intense sniper teams, frozen zones for cars and pedestrians and radiation detectors. There is even a request to stop subways and commuter trains while he is in town. 8/17 Anchor Dick Brennan reports the Department of Motor vehicles in NY and NJ are going high-tech to crack down on license fraud. New York and New Jersey are the first states using facial recognition software to bust illegal drivers at the DMV. 9/1 Anchor Dick Brennan reports New York City's Deputy Mayor who is overseeing homelessness and health care is leaving the de Blasio Administration at the end of this month. Lilliam Barrios-Paoli will become volunteer chairwoman of the board of health and hospitals corporation. It's the highest ranking departure of the mayor's 20 month tenure at City Hall. Barrios-Paoli has served four city mayors. 9/3 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on water concerns in Rockland County. The county is urging residents to voluntarily conserve water. Rockland's Health Commissioner said reducing water use now will help when fall and winter come. 9/4 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports that one of Komen Greater New York's mission's is to help the underserved and uninsured women of New York receive funding. 9/7 Anchor Alice Gainer reports Governor Cuomo will lead a delegation of state and city politicians on a trip to Puerto Rico. Cuomo is expected to travel to Puerto Rico this afternoon after marching in the West Indian Day Parade that was held in Brooklyn. City Comptroller, Scott Stringer and Council Speaker, Melissa Mark Viverito are among the leaders traveling with the governor. The group will meet with Puerto Rican leaders to discuss the territory's economic and health care problems. 9/9 Anchor Dick Brennan reports the New York City Health Department has passed a rule that require restaurant chains that have more than 15 locations will now have to put salt shaker symbols on the menus by items that have at least 2300 milligrams of sodium, which is the recommended maximum daily intake. This is the first rule of its kind in the country. 9/28 Anchor Dana Tyler reports on an 87 year old woman who was mistakenly declared dead and lost her health benefits. She was unable to convince the city she was alive and could not get her health benefits back. New York Senator Kirsten Gillibrand contracted the woman after seeing her story on CBS 2, within two hours Selma Cohen's Medicaid was restored. 7/9 Anchor Dick Brennan reports that Donald Trump is not backing down from his controversial comments on illegal immigration. The Republican presidential contender stood by his claim that the Mexican government is shipping drug dealers and rapists to the United States during television interviews yesterday. 7/9 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports the Federal Government will extend social security and veterans benefits to same-sex spouses in all 50 states. The announcement was made by Attorney General Loretta Lynch. Marriage benefits have been available to most same-sex couples since 2013 except for those living in states that did not recognize marriage equality.

Consumerism: Topics in this category include: Salmonella found in cucumbers nationwide resulted in deaths; Three airlines are being investigated by the federal government for allegedly working together to increase prices by making fewer flights and less seats available and Asbestos fibers were found in crayons and toys in the United States.

WLNY 10/55 NEWS AT 9PM: 7/8 Anchor Dick Brennan reports on a potential health hazard for children. An investigation conducted by the Environmental Working Group found Asbestos fibers in crayons and some toys in the United States. Twenty eight brands were tested and Asbestos was found in four crayon boxes. All of the products were manufactured in China. 9/10 Anchor Alice Gainer reports on a Salmonella outbreak linked to tainted cucumbers. A second death has been reported due to the nationwide outbreak. Strains of Salmonella were found in cucumbers grown in Mexico and sold by a California company. Health officials in Texas say a woman died in late August, an elderly woman in San Diego died on August 17th and more than 300 people in 30 states have been sickened including four in New York. 7/4 Reporter Jessica Schneider reports that three airlines have confirmed they are part of an investigation including United, Southwest and American Airlines. The government would like to know if the airlines worked together to make fewer flights and less seats available in order to drive prices up.

Crime: Topics in this category include: A newborn found dead in the Bronx and the mother is charged with second degree murder and manslaughter. The newborn was allegedly thrown from a seventh floor window of an apartment; NY lawmaker convicted of lying to the FBI about arranging a high paying job for his son and former wrestling superstar Jimmy Superfly Snuka is charged with the murder of his girlfriend from 32 years ago.

WLNY 10/55 NEWS AT 9PM: 7/17 Anchor Dick Brennan reports former Staten Island Congressman Michael Grimm is sentenced on a tax fraud charge. Grimm pleaded guilty last December. Prosecutors say the congressman hid more than a million dollars in sales while running a health food restaurant on the Upper East Side in Manhattan. Federal prosecutors want him sentenced to federal prison for two and half years. 7/23 Anchor Dick Brennan reports a leading New York lawmaker has been convicted of lying to the FBI about arranging a high paying job for his son. Prosecutors say Thomas Libous, the Senate's deputy majority leader lied in 2010 to agents who were investigating the government corruption. The agents asked how Libous' son Matthew got 150 thousand dollar a year job with a White Plains law firm back in 2005. Under state law, the felony conviction means he loses his seat. 8/28 Anchor Alice Gainer reports that crime fighting has gone high-tech with an application called Nextdoor. When an alleged thief struck an East Village apartment building witnesses posted the video online to warn others. 9/2 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on former wrestling superstar Jimmy Superfly Snuka who has been charged with murdering his girlfriend 32 years ago.

The victim was from Brooklyn and found dead in a motel room in Allentown, Pennsylvania. Police believe the wrestler beat his girlfriend then denied her medical care. They built their case partly on statements from Snuka's autobiography that came out three years ago. 9/29 Anchor Dana Tyler reports on a newborn found dead in the Bronx. The mother was charged with second degree murder and manslaughter. It is believed the newborn was thrown from a seventh floor window of an apartment.

Education: Topics in this category include: The Department of Education reversed a former policy of condom demonstration lessons to be offered in health classes throughout New York City schools; A third grade student handed out sleeping pills to classmates at PS 360 school in the Bronx.

WLNY 10/55 NEWS AT 9PM: 7/11 Anchor Andrea Grymes reports on a new study that suggests those who receive a higher education after high school are more likely to have a healthier lifestyle and live longer due to higher income and mental health and are described as more stable. 7/17 Anchor Dick Brennan reports Rutgers University tuition will increase in 2016 for students. The board of governors voted to raise the tuition fees by two point three percent. The hike was necessary to offset rising costs and decreasing operating money from the state of New Jersey. 8/12 Anchor Alice Gainer reports on the results of common core testing in New York and students third from eighth grade scores were up in math from last year as well as English. The Education Department also announced twenty percent of students opted out of common core testing. 8/20 Anchor Mary Calvi reports New York City will offer 45 hundred half day pre-kindergarten slots this year. This is a sharp reduction from last year when the city offered fewer than 15 thousand half-day slots. 9/4 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a hazing scandal at Susan E. Wagner High School in Staten Island involving the football team. The city department of education is investigating allegations that during a summer camp in upstate New York where players were allegedly hit with a broom, shot at with BB guns and had phallic symbols drawn on them. 9/4 Anchor Chris Wragge reports Governor Cuomo has ordered a complete review of New York's common core curriculum. Cuomo said the standards are not working and need to be fixed. The governor would like the panel to present new recommendations by January.