

WNOB(FM) QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT FOR FOURTH QUARTER 2020 (OCTOBER-DECEMBER)

Public Service Program: "Focus"

Date: 25th October 2020

Time: 6:05am (25 minutes)

Host: Tony Macrini

Guest: Robert Kelly, author and Museum Coordinator of the Gloucester Museum of History

Topics:

- Mr. Kelly's writing credentials and most recent article, *Humanizing the Enslaved of Fort Monroe's Arc of Freedom*, which chronicles role of slave labour in the construction of Fort Monroe
- The two-year duration of the research project, aided by documents and records found at the Philadelphia Archive
- The surprisingly highly skilled jobs with which slaves were tasked, such as masonry and stone cutting
- The role the project has played in genealogical research for local descendants of the slave workers as the Fort Monroe construction job kept records of all its workers while the federal government kept no records of African-American citizens prior to 1870

Guest: Dan Brouillette, U.S. Secretary of Energy

Topics:

- Secretary Brouillette's work history and appointment as Energy Secretary
- The future of coal and operations at Lambert's Point in Norfolk, the shipping port for approximately one-third of the the U.S.'s coal exports
- Projections of exports to grow over the next several decades
- Lambert Point's profitability a result of its unique setup with mobile coal production
- Efforts being made in the industry for "clean coal" - means by which to utilize its energy with net zero carbon emissions
- The state of nuclear energy and work being done to salvage its reputation from the disasters that have occurred
- The presence of petroleum in most everyday products
- The U.S.'s current status as the leading producer of oil and natural gas

Guest: Hal Smith, President and C.E.O., The Boys & Girls Club of the Virginia

Peninsula

Topics:

- The effect of the pandemic on Boys & Girls Club program, which provides all-day care for children of working parents
- Modifications necessary to the program's operation, including continuing the Grab-and-Go meals to those whose needs remained following school closures and the opening of six Peninsula locations of the Club Academy
- The essence of monetary donations to the program, which operates on a basis of eleven hours per day, whether from organisations or private citizens
- The club's flexibility in maintaining social distancing at the wishes of the parents
- Website and social media contact info for enrollment or employment
- Means by which the public can make donations

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Date: 29th November 2020

Time: 6:03am (29 minutes)

Host: Tony Macrini

Guest: Bob Barton, Vice President of Beach Ford, Inc., Virginia Beach, Va.

Topics:

- Barton Ford's recent donation of a 2015 Ford F-150 to the Automotive Program at the Pruden Centre for Industry & Technology in Suffolk
- The push by Barton Ford as well as several other dealerships in the area to supplement the education of a new generation of automotive technicians, partly due to the aging workforce
- The decline of local vocational training that would otherwise offer such training
- The change in the automotive landscape in the past decades with regard to vehicle technology

Guest: George Lutz, Founder and Executive Director of Honor And Remember, Inc.

Topics:

- Honor And Remember's founding by Mr. Lutz after the loss of his son in Iraq
- The organisation's plan for their annual Gold Star Family Evening with plans in place to accommodate safety protocols for COVID-19
- Mr. Lutz's dedication to the event happening as some form of relief from the feelings of loss and isolation felt around the holidays by those who have lost loved ones in the service, magnified by the pandemic restrictions in the past year
- The event's date, time, and location
- The event's open invitation to Gold Star Family Members of any generation to a limit of 250 free tickets

- The need for sponsors and auction items for the event and how they can contact Mr. Lutz

Guest: Jason Fischkopf, Reporter, WAVY-TV

Topics:

- Promoted news coverage of a Norfolk woman who began a local trend of children writing letters to a fairy, left in a tree in her yard, that she would answer that has since spun into a form of therapy for local older high school and college students who had begun to take part
- The mental toll the pandemic has reportedly had on the students, compounded by their tendency to withhold such feelings from their parents

Guest: Master Police Officer Jason C. Karangelen, Virginia Beach Police Dept.

- A reported uptick in vehicle theft and break-ins in Virginia Beach and how that number is expected to climb as the holiday season progresses
- The general public's tendency towards complacency despite the apparent threat
- The total of 194 vehicles stolen in the past year
- The commonality of firearm theft in addition and common reasons for it
- V.B.P.D.'s "Lock it or Lose It" program, part of which will entail the hanging of posters around Town Center and local convenience stores as part of their campaign to raise awareness and prevent theft
- The frequency of theft by younger perpetrators from parked cars in neighbourhoods
- A reminder of the trend of theft of packages from porches around this time of year

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Date: 27th December 2020

Time: 6:03am (29 minutes)

Host: Tony Macrini

Guest: Major Donald Dohmann, Area Commander, Salvation Army of Hampton Roads

Topics:

- Promoted the Red Kettle Challenge, a new online platform for the public to make donations to the Salvation Army by sponsoring a virtual kettle and donating electronically
- Challenges the organisation has faced with Red Kettle Campaign donations being stifled by a combination of pandemic restrictions and decreased brick and mortar foot traffic during the holidays
- The use of donations in helping low-income families and homeless shelters

- Monetary benchmarks the Salvation Army must meet to sustain its operations
- Plans for scaled back bell ringing operations this year
- Website and contact info by which the public can donate

Guest: Karen Lane, Executive Director, We Promise Foundation

Topics:

- We Promise Foundation's status as the charitable arm of Chartway Federal Credit Union
- The Foundation's mission of "delivering joy, hope, and smiles" to children suffering serious illnesses by partnering with local organisations, doing so since 2005
- The impact the pandemic has had on the Foundation's ability to achieve their goal, leading to an increased need for aid in any form they can get it
- Means by which the public can make donations

Guest: Danielle Nance, Director of Development, Eggleston Services

Topics:

- Eggleston Services's beginnings as a local non-profit serving adults with disabilities with 2020 marking their 65th anniversary
- Services offered by Eggleston, including vehicle donation, document shredding and digitisation, and laundry services
- The Beacon House, a residential service offering round-the-clock care for the severely disabled
- The organisation's added benefit of having built a community among its members
- How the CARES Act has benefited Eggleston's programs
- How the public is allowed to claim up to \$300 in donations this tax year
- The Angel Tree, a new program by which residents with little or no family can be given items they need via Eggleston's website and social media
- Contact information and donation links

Guest: Katie McDonough, Director of Programs & Services, Alzheimer's Association of Southeastern Virginia

Topics::

- The Alzheimer's Association of Southeastern Virginia's work and mission on a local community as well as global level
- The hurdles faced in those afflicted with Alzheimer's during the holidays and the widespread reduced contact with family being experienced this year
- A new blood test awaiting F.D.A. approval
- Speculation of preventive measures that can be taken to change an individual's

disease risk, including a medication also awaiting F.D.A. approval

- How the public can make donations to the organisation

Guest: Whitney Katchmark, Principal Water Resources Engineer, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission

Topics:

- The Municipal Utility Relief Program designed to offer funding to those with overdue utility bills whose income has been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic
- The website set up to apply for funding
- The criteria for eligibility for individuals and businesses
- Varying deadlines for each city generally occurring in mid-January