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- CRIME, LAW AND ORDER: Despite an improved economy, unemployment is still at a point where burglaries and robberies are considerable. Murfreesboro Police Chief Glenn Chrisman interacts with the public about ways to reduce crime in broadcasts on Jan. 4, Feb. 1 and March 7. Sheriff Robert Arnold did the same from that agency's perspective on Jan. 18, Feb. 15, and March 21.
- YOUTH CHALLENGES: Juvenile Court Judge Donna Scott Davenport brings a guest each month to addressing raising children, parenting and keeping youth safe and in school. This allows parents, relatives and concerned citizens an opportunity to talk directly to professionals on getting advice about youth. The broadcast was aired on Jan. 3, Feb. 7, and March 6.
- 3. ECONOMY: More jobs and a lifting of optimism came with the announcement that Amazon was constructing a massive facility here. Chamber of Commerce featured results of attracting business, record breaking ribbon cutting for new business, increases in sale tax--in fact, consistently up each month for the past 12+ months. This topic addressed on Jan. 10, Feb. 14 and March 13, 2012. On Feb. 21, 2012, Financial Analyst Earl Hull gave an update on the market.
- 4. BLACK HISTORY: Special focus on African American issues and how community leaders are creating ways to reduce division by getting the diverse groups in our community to work more together. This was covered Feb. 11 with Civil Rights Attorney Fred Gray and MTSU's Dr. Gloria Bonner. It was also covered Jan. 16 and March 19, 2012.
- 5. **MOSQUE ISSUES**: The controversy of a 50,000+ square foot Islamic Center of Murfreesboro continues in the local courts and among the community. On Jan. 16, 2012, Dr. Roauf Ghattas, local minister, author, and native of Egypt, shares how it felt to be a Christian growing-up in a Muslim country.
- 6. 107th GENERAL ASSEMBLY: This is proving to be a challenging year for government. State government was forced to trim fat and become more efficient. Now that the economy is improving, it must now evaluate carefully to avoid growing back into "obese habits". State Senators Bill Ketron and Jim Tracy, along with Representatives Joe Carr, Mike Sparks and Rick Wommick interact with the public on Jan. 27, Feb. 24, and March 30, 2012.
- 7. LITERACY and EDUCATION: Educating the future leaders of this community are a major challenge. Despite efforts, illiteracy continues to be a problem. On Feb. 3, 2012, Shelly Stanley interacted with the public about illiteracy and how Read To Succeed is offering free adult classes. On Jan. 23 and March 26 the Rutherford County School's Director Harry Gill shared the works of that system; and on Feb. 27, 2012, Dr. Linda Gilbert told of the City Schools.
- 8. **HEALTH:** Improvements in cancer, heart and out-patient surgery are all major issues. Middle Tennessee Medical Center had a physician to answer listener questions on Jan. 6, Feb. 6 and March 5. Murfreesboro Medical Clinic also had physicians on the radio Jan. 17, Feb. 21 and March 20, 2012. Dr. Craig McCabe focused on eye surgery and visual issues on Jan. 9, Feb. 13, and March 12, 2012.