



## Issues/Programs Report-2nd Quarter 2013

### Issue/Concern: Economic Impact

Date	Program	Time	Duration	Description
4/3/13	First News @ 4	4pm	5:00	Steve Fullhart spoke with Matt Robinson, City of College Station planner, about the 10 year \$24 million dollar plan to incorporate the annexed Wellborn area into the city plan. They discussed the possible commerce opportunity in the community and an impact it could have on the economy.

### Issue/Concern: Health & Fitness

Date	Program	Time	Duration	Description
4/1/13	BVTM	6:15am	2:00	Barbara Smith spoke with Liana Lowey with Voices for Children about child abuse prevention. She gave viewer's things to look for if they suspect child abuse and tips on how to work with children who have been abused. She also provided information about resources in the area for abused children and families of abused children.
4/30/13	BVTM	5:45am	2:00	Barbara Smith spoke with Theresa Mangapora with the Brazos Valley Food Bank about the new hunger statistics for the Brazos Valley. Stats were given about how many children, seniors and families are without enough food on a daily basis. She also talked about how this can affect the children in school and the adults in the workplace.
5/7/13	BVTM	5:45am	1:45	Barbara Smith spoke with Lynda Snyder with MHMRABV about Children's Mental Health Awareness. She gave tips to parents on how to recognize symptoms and to the general public on ways to interact with children with this disease. She also mentioned the resources available in the area to help aide children with mental illnesses.
5/14/13	First News @ 4	4pm	5:00	Steve Fullhart spoke with Robin Fuchs-Young with the Texas A&M Health Science Center about breast cancer awareness, importance of education regarding cancer and developments in cancer research.
5/15/13	First News @ 4	4pm	3:30	Karla Castillo spoke with Dr. Wilcox with the Texas A&M Health Science Center about what all goes through a baby's mind. She described findings from a study she conducted about how babies react to colors, shapes and objects and what's important to stimulate a baby at a young age.
6/21/13	News 3 at Noon	12:10pm	1:55	Crystal Galny spoke with Theresa Mangapora with the Brazos Valley Food Bank about the new hunger statistics for the Brazos Valley. Stats were given about how many children, seniors and families are without enough food on a daily basis. She also talked about how this can affect the children in school and the adults in the workplace.
6/25/13	First News @ 4	4pm	6:00	Steve Fullhart spoke with Ross Ramsy with the Texas Tribune about the legislative bill being voted on during the Texas House special session. They filled viewers in on how this bill would affect abortion laws in the state of Texas if it passed.

**Issue/Concern: Safety in the Home**

Date	Program	Time	Duration	Description
6/10/13	First News @ 4	4pm	3:30	Karla Castillo spoke with Marty Mulgrew about safety around pools. He gave tips to parents about ways to protect their kids when around water this summer. He also mentioned that the City of Bryan offers swim classes for children who are not strong swimmers.
6/11/13	First News @ 4	4pm	3:30	Karla Castillo spoke with Vera Solis about the signs of drowning. She gave warning signs to look out for should you think someone is in danger in a pool. She also mentioned that the City of College Station offers swim classes for children who are not strong swimmers.
6/11/13	First News @ 4	4pm	2:00	After a local story about a house explosion due to a gas leak, Steve Fullhart did a report on propane and natural gas safety in the home. He listed warning signs of a potential gas leak and steps to take should a homeowner/renter believe that they have a gas or propane leak.

**Issue/Concern: Law Enforcement**

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5/9/13	News 3 at Noon	12:10pm	1:50	Crystal Galny spoke with Ed Frank with the Brazos County Sherrif's Department about the importance of placing IDs on large farm equipment and vehicles. Theft has risen on such items, so he urged viewer's to begin doing so to help track down stolen equipment more efficiently and effectively.
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4/9/13 5/14/13 6/11/13	News 3 @ Noon	12pm	1:30	The College Station Police Department has a regularly scheduled spot on the second Tuesday of each month to discuss law enforcement issues that have an effect on the entire community.

**Issue/Concern: Traffic Safety**

Date	Program	Time	Duration	Description
4/9/13	First News @ 4	4pm	3:30	Karla Castillo spoke with Bob Calwell about TX DOTS new Text, Talk, Crash campaign. TX DOT hopes for this new campaign to bring awareness to the amount of traffic accidents that occur from cell phone use and how they can be prevented. He gave suggestions about putting phones in the back seat or in the trunk when driving to help deter drivers from using their phone while driving.

**Issue/Concern: State & Local Government**

Date	Program	Time	Duration	Description
5/28/13	First News @ 4	4pm	5:58	Steve Fullhart spoke with Kyle Kacal about topics being brought up in the legislative session, including water infrastructure funding, transportation funding and redistricting.
5/29/13	First News @ 4	4pm	6:00	Steve Fullhart spoke with Ross Ramsey with Texas Tribune about redistricting and special session possibilities.
4/8/13 5/14/13 6/11/13	BVTM	6:30am	3:00	City of Bryan Mayor, Jason Bienski, spoke with Michael Oder and Barbara Smith about the issues that matter most to City of Bryan Residents. Mayor Bienski has a regularly scheduled spot on the second Tuesday of each month.
4/9/13 5/8/13 6/12/13	BVTM	6:30am	3:00	City of College Station Mayor, Nancy Berry, spoke with Michael Oder and Barbara Smith about the issues that matter most to City of College Station Residents. Mayor Berry has a regularly scheduled spot on the second Wednesday of each month.
4/2/13 5/1/13 6/5/13	BVTM	6:30am	3:00	Congressman Bill Flores spoke with Michael Oder and Barbara Smith about the issues that matter most to the area he serves in the Brazos Valley. Congressman Flores has a regularly scheduled spot on the first Wednesday of each month.

**Issue/Concern: Local Weather**

Date	Program	Time	Duration	Description
5/29/13	First News @ 4	4pm	3:30	Karla Castillo spoke with Kailey Carey about severe weather and how to stay safe during severe weather situations.

**Issue/Concern: Agriculture**

Date	Program	Time	Duration	Description
4/4/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:59	After many years of quietly going about their business of feeding our nation, and in fact the world, the ag industry is engaging to tell their own story. Some local ag producers got a beef brisket lunch along with a preview of a video that's making its way around the country.
4/11/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:58	Texas Agricultural Commissioner Todd Staples was on the Texas A&M campus in College Station a couple of weeks ago and he talked a lot about the challenges facing Texas Agriculture.
4/18/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	2:03	Texas is the fifth largest wine producer in the country and while Texas wine sales are booming, Texas vineyards aren't able to supply enough grapes to keep up with the demand from Texas wineries. The Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service held its largest Grape Field Day ever last week at the Grandview Vineyards just outside of Richards.

4/25/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	2:00	The wine business is one of the fastest growing agricultural sectors in the state, and with that comes a tremendous demand for Texas grown grapes. There's a new vineyard just down the road from us outside of Richards that has experienced some early success.
5/2/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	2:00	The Texas Legislature is in session and the Board of Directors of Producers Cooperative traveled to Austin to visit with elected state officials about issues being addressed in the state capital that might impact agriculture. The three big agenda items seem to be water, transportation, and education
5/9/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:57	Water has been one of the top priorities of the 2013 Texas Legislative Session but last week House Natural Resource Chairman Allan Ritter's House Bill 11 that ear-marked two billion dollars in the rainy day fund to be spent on water projects was removed from the House Floor after it was ruled that it violated a rule on the consideration of appropriation bills.
5/16/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:56	There has been a lot of talk during the current session of the Texas Legislature about building water reservoirs. In fact, there are 30 sites that are being proposed as possibilities, but there are a lot of obstacles that would have to be overcome
5/23/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	2:00	It's no secret that in recent years, the State of Texas has stood alone in, or been at the forefront of many lawsuits filed against the federal government. In several of these cases, Texas alleged that the Environmental Protection Agency was overreaching its authority.
5/30/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:50	The average age of farmers in the U.S. is fifty-seven years old, but the fastest growing segment of farmers are those age sixty-five and older. This makes for an interesting challenge for the transition of younger people into the industry as producers. There is one big obstacle that young producers will have to overcome
6/6/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:59	Production agriculture attracts a type of person who is independent, likes a challenge, and isn't afraid of gambling and having a big part of his or her success or failure in any given year being a result of the decisions they make. Unfortunately, for the agriculture industry, many of these folks don't talk about what they do, they just do it. Some producers are beginning to realize that they need to be a part of the solution to help consumers connect to agriculture.
6/13/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:49	Production agriculture is an industry that faces many challenges every year from weather, increased input costs, and sometimes unintended consequences from government legislation. Some producers fear that agriculture is on a collision course with urban municipalities and recently Texas Ag Commissioner Todd Staples was quick to come to agriculture's defense.

6/20/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:59	Texas agricultural producers are always a little nervous when the Texas Legislature is in session, concerned probably most with legislation that is being considered that could have unintended negative consequences on agricultural operations. With less rural districts than ever before, the debate over big issues like water can cause producers to worry about whether or not their urban counterparts understand how important agriculture is to our state, and indeed our country.
6/27/13	From the Ground Up	6:30am	1:50	With the technologies that are employed by today's farmers, it's necessary for them to participate in continuing education to keep abreast of the latest developments. An answer plot is a piece of land that usually averages fifteen to twenty acres and showcases the latest in everything from seed varieties, crop protection and macro and micro nutrients, to seed population strategies. Data collected from these plots is then used by farmers to make their management decisions.