BEASLEY MEDIA GROUP, LLC ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

FOR

STATION WDRR-FM

1ST QUARTER, 2024 (January 1-March 31)

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ISSUES OF CONCERN TO STATION WDRR-FM ADDRESSED IN RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING IN THE 1ST QUARTER, 2024

- 1. <u>Economic Issues</u>: **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council warns what will happen if the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is allowed to expire.
- 2. <u>Health Issues</u>: Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the late Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's abortion rulings.
- 3. <u>Political Issues:</u> **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the 2024 Presidential Election.
- 4. <u>Government Issues</u>: **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on only the second impeachment of a cabinet secretary in U.S. History
- 5. <u>Cultural Issues</u>: **Eric Boehm** and **Stephanie Slade** of *Reason* magazine report on the colorful & Libertarian history of Key West
- 6. <u>Tax Issues</u>: **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on how population shifts continue to favor low tax states.
- 7. <u>Education Issues</u>: **Eric Boehm** and **Emma Campa** of *Reason* Magazine look at the real cause of student loan debt.
- 8. <u>Environmental Issues</u>: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Daren Bakst** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about President Biden's latest attack on energy.
- 9. <u>Transportation Issues</u>: **Patricia Patnode** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute discusses the Biden Administration's restrictions on new oil and gas leases.
- 10. <u>Technology Issues</u>: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Ben Lieberman** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute about how federal regulators are targeting your household appliance.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMS

WDRR-FM PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES

- 1. <u>P.S.As</u>: (Monday Sunday, various times) Public Service Announcements of local and national concerns
- 2. Community Spotlight (Sundays 6am-6:30am) A locally produced public affairs program which covers issues of state and local importance
- 3. American Radio Journal (Sundays 6:30am-7am) A nationally syndicated public affairs program which covers issues of national importance

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT

1st Quarter 2024 (January 1-March 31)

MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING

Community Spotlight (1-7-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Jorge Cortez, Director, Discusses the developments to healthcare, education, and

research at the Georgia Cancer Center at Augusta University.

Community Spotlight (1-14-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Ashely Whitaker, Director, Discusses the educational, financial, and career opportunities

associated with Junior Achievement progron in Georgia.

Community Spotlight (1-21-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Jodi Lott, Georgia Representative, Discusses legislative issues, political issues, and

developments in state finances.

Community Spotlight (1-28-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Jermaine Whirle, President, Discusses the educational, economic developments, and

workforce developments taking place at Augusta Technical College.

Community Spotlight (2-4-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Rabbi David Sirull, Adas Yeshuran, Discusses the Israel and Hammas conflict as well as

other cultural, spiritual, and religious issues.

Community Spotlight (2-11-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Brad Usry, Chairman, Discusses the Bell Auditorium renovations and the upcoming

James Brown Arena demolition and construction.

Community Spotlight (2-18-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Brooks Keel, President, Discusses the educational and career reviews of Augusta

University.

Community Spotlight (2-25-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Brooks Keel, President, Discusses the future of Augusta University.

Community Spotlight (3-3-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Herbert Judon, Executive Director, Discusses Masters week air traffic and terminal

upgrades coming to the Augusta Regional Airport.

Community Spotlight (3-10-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Guest: Herbert Judon, Executive Director, Discusses the current state of air service and

service upgrades coming to the Augusta Regional Airport.

Community Spotlight (3-17-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Britton Williams, Mayor, Discusses Riverside Village Developments and downtown

improvement projects coming to North Augusta.

Community Spotlight (3-24-2024) (6:00am-6:30am)

(30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Britton Williams, Mayor, Discusses tourism expansion efforts, Greenway improvements,

and future plans for the North Augusta Country Club property.

Community Spotlight (3-31-2024) (6:00am-6:30am) (30 minutes of a 30 minute show)

Host: Gale Mino

Guest: Dr. Ken Byrd, Surgeon, Discusses the advances in diagnosis and treatment of head and

neck cancers from the Georgia Cancer Center.

American Radio Journal (Saturdays 6:30am-7am) A nationally syndicated public affairs program which covers issues of national importance.

Program Air Date: 1/7/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: Dr. **Paul Kengor** the new Editor-In-Chief of the *American Spectator* talks about the history and impact of the venerable publication; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on key 2024 U.S. Senate races; **Eric Boehm** and **Stephanie Slade** of *Reason* magazine report on the colorful & Libertarian history of Key West; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the 2024 Presidential Election.

Program Air Date: 1/14/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **E J Antoni** of the Heritage Foundation discusses why economics won't solve social problems; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on looming federal budget deadlines; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine look at the exploding national debt; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the late Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's abortion rulings.

Program Air Date: 1/21/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Ben Lieberman** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute about how federal regulators are targeting your household appliances; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the Iowa Caucuses; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine learns about new federal regulations on the gig economy from **Jarrett Dieterle** of R Street; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American

Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on how population shifts continue to favor low tax states.

Program Air Date: 1/28/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Patrick Horan** from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University discusses the impact of the recent uptick in the inflation rate on interest rates; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the results of the Iowa Caucuses; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with *Caleb Kruckenberg* of the Pacific Legal Foundation about the Supreme Court case involving the Chevron Deference doctrine; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on known unknowns in the race for the Republican Presidential nomination.

Program Air Date: 2/4/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **David Ditch** from the Heritage Foundation explains how profligate federal spending is fueling inflation; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on ongoing federal budget negotiations; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine details a congressional call for regulation of digital media; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Vladimir Putin's continued aggression in Ukraine.

Program Air Date: 2/11/2024:

This week on American Radio Journal: **Dakota Wood** of the Heritage Foundation discusses the annual Index of U.S. Military Strength; **Scott Parkinson** has the Real Story on the race for the Republican Presidential nomination; **Eric Boehm** of Reason magazine talks with **Liya Palagashvili** from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University about a California law that is hurting independent contractors; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an American Radio Journal commentary on the real reason for Arizona's state budget deficit.

Program Air Date: 2/18/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Phil Kerpen** from American Commitment discusses inflation and current economic trends; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on collapse of the Senate immigration deal; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine explores the advantage of allowing foreign airlines to fly domestic routes; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the dysfunctional congress.

Program Air Date: 2/25/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Ryan Young** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute discusses the latest inflation numbers and their impact; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on only the second impeachment of a cabinet secretary in U.S. History; **Eric Boehm** and **Emma Campa** of *Reason* Magazine look at the real cause of student loan debt; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the National Football League.

Program Air Date: 3/3/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Paul H. Tice** author of *The Race to Zero* explains how ESG investing will crater the global financial system; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on Donald Trump's potential running mates; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses impact of "shrinkflation"; And, on his *American Radio Journal* commentary **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council warns what will happen if the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is allowed to expire.

Program Air Date: 3/10/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Patricia Patnode** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute discusses the Biden Administration's restrictions on new oil and gas leases; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on 'Super Tuesday' in the 2024 Presidential race; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Romina Boccia** of the CATO Institute about the real cost of 'emergency spending' proposals now before congress; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why peace through strength is still the best policy in Ukraine.

Program Air Date: 3/17/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: Former Office of Management and Budget chief economist **Vance Ginn** explains why Americans are not happy with the U.S. economy; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on a Trump-Biden presidential rematch; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks about the impact of high interest rates; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the Marist/Communist roots of International Women's Day.

Program Air Date: 3/24/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Dean Clancy** from Americans for Prosperity on the continued high cost of health care; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on why Bidenomics has created an affordable housing crisis; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks at overlapping federal budgets; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the undependability of federal Medicaid funding to states.

Program Air Date: 3/31/2024:

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Daren Bakst** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about President Biden's latest attack on energy; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on results of the Ohio primary; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses progress in asset forfeiture reform with **Jim Manley** at the Pacific Legal Foundation; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on how to solve the illegal immigration crisis.