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ABC-13 - LOCAL PROGRAMS 2nd Quarter 2013

ABC-13 PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMS

ABC-13 broadcasts four locally-produced programs listed below under its public affairs banner *ABC-13 Community Close Up*. The half-hour magazine format programs address a wide range of subjects of interest to the community, from hard issues and social service topics to human interest stories and culture and entertainment. The programs are broadcasted on an alternating schedule on ABC-13's Channel 13.1 on Sunday mornings at 11:00 and 11:30 a.m. The programs are re-aired on the station's Channel 13.2.

City View

Issues and topics concerning the community at-large.

Regular air date - first Sunday of the month, 11:00am. Among the issues discussed this quarter include: a discussion on new analysis of jobs recovered since the economic downturn. Houston leads the nation in recovered jobs -- adding more than two jobs for each one it lost after the crash; also, a discussion on the future of the North Forest Independent School District following word from the Texas Education Agency that the troubled district should close; a look at the heated debate over the future of Houston's historic Astrodome; summer job search tips for teens and a look at the rash of drownings in the Houston area and advice for keeping citizens safe in the water.

Crossroads

Issues and topics concerning the African American community.

Regular air date - second, third and fourth Sunday of the month, 11:00am. Among the issues discussed include: the impact on the African American community of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to strike down a section of the Voting Rights Act of 1965; a discussion on sneaker violence following the murder of a young man shortly after he purchased a pair of new Air Jordan sneakers; also, a look at some of the reasons why the number of African Americans playing Major League Baseball is dwindling. On opening day, a historic low of 7.7% of African Americans were on MLB rosters; a discussion on the new research that shows that in the November election -- for the first time in history -- Black voters turned out at a higher rate than whites.

Visions

Issues and topics concerning the Asian/Pacific-American community.

Regular air date - first Sunday of the month, 11:30am. Among the issues discussed this quarter include: a look at the challenges law enforcement faces in policing and preventing crime in the Asian American community; a look at why so many marijuana "grow houses" have been found in the Asian community; a look at the debate over reunification visas -- which would enable the family of immigrants in a certain country to bring the rest of their family to that country. Of the countries with longest waiting periods for family reunification visas, four are Asian -- the Philippines, India, China and Vietnam.

Viva Houston

Issues and topics concerning the Latino community.

Regular air date - second, third and fourth Sunday of the month, 11:30am. Among the issues discussed this quarter include: innovative programs to fight the obesity epidemic in the Hispanic community; a look at why more Hispanic students are choosing to attend Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs); a look at the explosion of Hispanic businesses in Houston as the Latino population continues to grow in the Houston area and nationally; the impact of “food insecurity” on the Hispanic community. Food insecurity is defined as the lack of access or availability to food because of a lack of money or other resources.

ABC-13 NEWS PROGRAMS

13 Eyewitness News

The following *Eyewitness News* programs aired live on Channel 13.1 in the second quarter. Selected news programs aired live simultaneously or were re-broadcasted on Channel 13.2.

Eyewitness News at 4:30 AM (Weekdays 4:30 – 5:00am)

Eyewitness News at 5:00 AM (Weekdays 5:00 – 5:30am)

Eyewitness News at 5:30 AM (Weekdays 5:30 – 6:00am)

Eyewitness News at 6:00 AM (Weekdays 6:00 – 7:00am)

Tom Koch, Sharron Melton, Don Nelson and meteorologist Casey Curry anchor these two half-hour and one-hour morning newscasts. The program covers the latest overnight news, weather, sports and traffic reports.

Eyewitness News at 11:00 AM (Weekdays 11:00 Am -12:00pm)

Melanie Lawson, Ilona Carson, Art Rascon and meteorologist Travis Herzog anchor this midday newscast. The program covers the latest news and weather as well as entertainment news by Don Nelson.

Eyewitness News at 4:00 PM (Weekdays 4:00 – 5:00pm)

Eric Barajas, Ilona Carson and meteorologist Travis Herzog anchor this one-hour newscast. The program includes the latest news and weather, money-saving tips from Patricia Lopez and health reports by Christi Myers.

Eyewitness News Live at Five (Weekdays 5:00 - 5:30pm)

Art Rascon, Melanie Lawson and chief meteorologist Tim Heller anchor this half-hour evening newscast covering the latest news, weather and sports. The show also features consumer reports by Jeff Ehling.

Eyewitness News at 6 PM (Weekdays 6:00-7:00pm)

Gina Gaston, Dave Ward, chief meteorologist Tim Heller and sports director Greg Bailey anchor this one-hour newscast covering the latest news and weather.

Eyewitness News at 10 PM (Weekdays 10:00 - 10:30pm)

Dave Ward, Gina Gaston, chief meteorologist Tim Heller and sports director Greg Bailey anchor this late evening half-hour newscast, covering the latest news, weather and sports.

Eyewitness News at 5:30 AM (Saturdays 5:30 – 6:00am)

Eyewitness News at 6:00 AM (Saturdays 6:00 – 7:00am)

Elissa Rivas, Katie McCall, Samica Knight and meteorologist David Tillman anchor these newscasts reporting the latest news, weather and sports.

Eyewitness News at 6:00 PM (Saturdays 6:00 – 6:30pm)

Eyewitness News at 10 PM (Saturdays 10:00 – 10:30pm)

Tom Abrahams, Adela Uchida, meteorologist David Tillman and sportscaster Bob Slovak anchor these news programs covering the latest news, weather and sports.

Eyewitness News at 6 AM (Sundays 6:00 – 7:00am)

Eyewitness News at 8 AM (Sundays 8:00 – 10:00am)

Elissa Rivas, Katie McCall, Samica Knight and meteorologist David Tillman anchor these Saturday morning newscasts reporting the latest news, weather and sports.

Eyewitness News at 5:30 PM (Sundays 5:30 – 6:00pm)

Eyewitness News at 10 PM (Sundays 10:00 – 10:30pm)

Tom Abrahams, Adela Uchida, meteorologist David Tillman and sportscaster Bob Slovak anchor these Sunday evening news programs covering the latest news, weather and sports.

LOCALLY PRODUCED PROGRAMS

Channel 13.1 Programming

ABC-13 Presents

ABC-13 Presents productions are locally produced specials covering a full range of subjects, including medical topics, the environment, consumer reports, health and beauty, sports, the arts and events that impact Houstonians. *ABC-13 Presents* programs regularly air on Channel 13.1 at 10:35pm. Specials produced in the second quarter include: *Bright Lights on Broadway*, airing on 5/5/13; *Eye on the Gulf: Extreme Storms*, airing on 5/26/13; *Houston Symphony: 100 Years of Music*, airing on 6/16/13 and *Sheryl & Martina (Freedom Over Texas preview special)*, airing on 6/30/13.

Sports Programs

The 13 Eyewitness News sports anchor team presents several programs throughout the year highlighting the latest sports news. We aired the Houston Texans 2013 Draft special on 4/28/13.

Channel 13.2 Programming

ABC-13's Channel 13.2 features a variety of locally produced programs, including *13Eyewitness News*, *ABC-13 Presents*, *ABC-13 Community Close Up* and *Live Well HD Network*. Channel 13.2 also features children's programs and local high school football games.

Live Well HD Network

Launched by the 8 ABC-owned television stations, Live Well HD Network programs help viewers improve their daily lives. The network airs on Channel 13.2. The network consists of numerous half-hour programs covering a variety of lifestyle topics, including:

Motion – outdoor activities

Say Ahh – health and medicine

Advice for Life – personal growth

Mirror, Mirror – beauty and fashion (locally produced by KTRK)

Deals – money-saving tips (locally produced by KTRK)

Let's Dish – health cooking

Home with Lisa Quinn – interior design

High School Football

KTRK produced and broadcast live local high school football games, including the 2013 Bayou Bowl, airing on 6/15/13. The game featured high school football all stars from Texas versus Louisiana high school football all stars.

Channel 13.3 Programming

The station's HDTV Channel 13.3 features weather coverage 24 hours a day.

ABC TELEVISION NETWORK NES

ABC-13 broadcasts all ABC Television Network news programs and special reports. The network's report entitled, "ABC-TV Network Second Quarter 2013 Program Information," is filed separately. A copy of the report is filed in ABC-13's Public Inspection File.

ABC-13 - CORE ISSUES
2nd Quarter 2013**CORE ISSUES**

ABC-13 gave significant coverage to the following community issues and concerns arising in the second quarter of 2013:

1. Houston Firefighters Killed
2. Lone Star College Stabbing Spree
3. Boston Marathon Bombing
4. Astrodome Future
5. North Forest ISD to Merge with HISD
6. Moore, Oklahoma Tornado

The station's coverage of these core issues is detailed in the next section of this report.

ABC-13 - CORE ISSUES COVERAGE 2nd Quarter 2013

HOUSTON FIREFIGHTERS KILLED

***Eyewitness News.* Air Dates: May 31. June 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23. Total coverage: 7 Hours 22 Minutes**

13 Eyewitness News reported on a deadly motel fire in southwest Houston. Houston firefighters Robert Bebee, Robert Garner, Matthew Renaud and Anne Sullivan were killed after they rushed into the fire at the Bhojan Restaurant and Southwest Inn motel, fearing people were trapped. The roof collapsed while they were inside, according to fire officials. Thirteen other firefighters were injured. Several are still hospitalized, including one who is in a medically-induced coma. Houston Fire Chief Terry Garrison called the fire the most catastrophic day in the history of the Houston Fire Department. The cause of the fire is under investigation. 15,000 people came out to the victims' memorial service, which was aired live on ABC 13.

LONE STAR COLLEGE STABBING SPREE

***Eyewitness News.* Air Dates: April 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27. May 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12. June 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 18. Total Coverage: 2 Hours 13 Minutes**

13 Eyewitness News followed a terrifying stabbing spree at Lone Star College. 20-year student Dylan Quick stabbed more than a dozen people at the school. While no one died in the attack, two were hospitalized in critical condition. Authorities say Quick used a razor utility knife to slash at his victims on two floors of the college's health science building. Investigators allege Quick had fantasized about cannibalism and necrophilia and about cutting off people's faces and wearing them as masks. Quick's attorney has said he didn't think the 20-year old had a history of mental illness, but Quick was scheduled to be psychologically evaluated. He has been charged with three counts of aggravated assault. If convicted, he could be sentenced to life in prison.

BOSTON MARATHON BOMBING

***Eyewitness News.* Air Dates: April 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30. May 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29. June 2, 3, 4, 6, 18, 27. Total Coverage: 11 Hours 7 Minutes**

13 Eyewitness News reported on the deadly terrorist attack at the Boston Marathon. Two pressure cooker bombs exploded near the finish line, killing three people and injuring 264 others. The FBI used surveillance video and photographs to identify the suspects, Dzhokhar and Tamerlan Tsarnaev. Shortly after the FBI released the images, the suspects allegedly killed an MIT police officer, carjacked an SUV and got into shootout with police in Watertown, Massachusetts. During the gun battle, Tamerlan was run over by his brother. He later died. Dzhokhar was captured following an unprecedented manhunt,

featuring thousands of law enforcement officers. During an interrogation, he claimed his brother was the mastermind. He said they were motivated by extremist Islamist beliefs and the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and that they were self-radicalized and not linked to any outside terrorist group. In June, Dzhokhar Tsarnaev was indicted for killing four people using a weapon of mass destruction. Eyewitness News reporter Jessica Willey reported from Boston.

ASTRODOME FUTURE

***Eyewitness News.* Air Dates: April 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18. May 24, 25, 26, 27, 28. June 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26. Total Coverage: 3 Hours 31 Minutes**

13 Eyewitness News closely followed the ongoing debate over the fate of the Harris County Domed Stadium. The iconic Astrodome has fallen into disrepair since it was shuttered four years ago. Now the facility could see new life as a giant convention center and exhibition space under a plan recommended by the Harris County Sports & Convention Corporation. The proposal calls for creating 350,000 square feet of exhibition space by removing all interior seats and raising the floor to street level. Other changes would include creating 400,000 square feet of plaza and green space outside of the structure, all in hopes of turning the Astrodome into a show piece of Reliant Park. Last year, a consulting firm recommended a \$270 million plan to turn it into a multipurpose facility.

NORTH FOREST ISD TO MERGE WITH HISD

***Eyewitness News.* Air Dates: April 1, 2, 3, 4, 15, 16, 18, 27. May 7, 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 31. June 1, 13, 14, 15, 23, 24, 25, 26. Total Coverage: 2 Hours 40 Minutes.**

13 Eyewitness News followed efforts by North Forest ISD school officials and community activists to keep the troubled school district open after the Texas Education Agency ruled the district academically unacceptable. The district lost one of its final court battles in June, making the district's state-ordered merger into HISD increasingly likely. U.S. District Judge David Hittner rejected claims by North Forest that the school system's takeover by the Houston Independent School District would violate the rights of minority voters. North Forest now has two more long shots to halt the shutdown of the school district, with motions in state appellate court and the Texas Supreme Court. State Education Commissioner Michael Williams says he remains confident that his order to shut down the district will stand, after decades of academic and financial struggles there.

MOORE, OKLAHOMA TORNADO

***Eyewitness News.* Air Dates: May 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31. June 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 12. Total Coverage: 1 hour 59 Minutes.**

Eyewitness News closely followed the deadly tornado that hit Moore, Oklahoma. The EF5 twister killed 24 people, wounded 377 others and left a trail of destruction. Eyewitness News anchor Art Rascon reported from Moore, Oklahoma.

**ABC-13 - PUBLIC SERVICE
2nd Quarter 2013**

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

PSA Submissions

The station airs selected PSAs submitted by local, regional and national nonprofit entities. Broadcasted on regular PSA rotation, the spots cover a wide range of subjects and interests, from health, education and issues addressing children's concerns to drug abuse prevention, public safety and the environment.

Community Spotlight PSAs

ABC-13 regularly produces and broadcasts 30-second public service announcements under its *Community Spotlight* banner. The announcements promote the public service programs and activities of local nonprofit organizations, community groups and government entities. The spots are broadcast on regular PSA rotation schedules and in special time slots on weekdays between 3:00 and 4:00 p.m.

In the second quarter, the station produced and broadcasted PSAs promoting Asian Pacific American Heritage Month; and the Links, Incorporated's anti-bullying campaign. Also, produced and broadcasted PSAs promoting Casa de Esperanza de los Ninos, and Kids Meals to end hunger among pre-schoolers by delivering nutritious meals, free of cost.

ABC-13 PUBLIC SERVICE CAMPAIGNS

Earth Day E-Cycling Drive

ABC-13's "Earth Day E-Cycling Drive" is a multi-platform campaign educating viewers about recycling and the environment. The campaign included a one-hour live show on April 19 from 9am – 10am, along with corporate sponsored vignettes. It is sponsored by CompuCycle and Shell Oil.

Caring Cradles

ABC-13's "Caring Cradles" event is an annual project that stresses the significance of pre-natal care in giving babies the best possible start in life. A promotional schedule including sponsor identification precedes the Caring Cradles all day city-wide baby shower benefitting the March of Dimes agencies. The live show aired June 7 from 9am – 10am.

Life's Better Outside/Texas Parks & Wildlife

ABC-13's "Life's Better Outside" is an ongoing multi-platform campaign conducted in partnership with Texas Parks & Wildlife. The campaign is designed to educate parents on ways to get their kids outdoors to encourage a healthy, active lifestyle. The campaign consists of PSA promos and website content highlighting a different activity each month that parents can enjoy with their children. It is sponsored by Honda.

Culinary Masters

ABC-13'S "Culinary Masters" is a campaign designed to highlight a prominent chef in the Houston area with proceeds benefitting the Houston Food Bank. It is sponsored by Cadillac.

Freedom Over Texas

ABC 13 broadcasts Houston's official 4th of July celebration with fireworks and a local civic celebration on July 4th at Eleanor Tinsley Park in downtown Houston. The event benefits Central Houston Civic Improvements. ABC 13 is currently promoting the event with PSAs pushing people to the event.

Hurricane Preparedness & Tracking Maps

The station published its annual ABC 13 Hurricane Tracking Map & Guide, designed to promote hurricane preparedness. The bilingual guide features a hurricane tracking map, information about hurricane threats, survival and evacuations and useful public safety websites and phone numbers. The free printed materials are available to the public at Kroger stores. Copies of the guide are also distributed to community groups, schools, nursing homes and businesses on request. Corporate partner for the guide is Kroger. A special aired on May 26 from 10:35pm – 11:05pm highlighting important topics viewers need to know to stay safe during hurricane season.

COMMUNITY FORUMS

On May 10, 2013 ABC-13 held a community forum focusing on community issues facing Houston's Third Ward/Almeda/OST Corridors. Twenty community representatives took part in the forum. Station representatives in attendance were General Manager, Henry Florsheim, News Director, Dave Strickland, Vice President of Community Affairs, Cynthia Cisneros and Chief Photographer Bernard Francis. The forum provided a venue for station representatives to learn about issues of highest concern for possible coverage on news and public affairs programs.

WEBSITE RESOURCES

The station's website *abc13.com* features information, video streaming and links corresponding to its news reports, programs, PSAs and public service campaigns. These informational resources cover a wide range of subjects, from news issues, current events and weather topics to health and consumer concerns. The website also features video streaming of *ABC-13 Community Close Up* public affairs programs. It also provides Doppler radar weather updates and traffic information. In addition, abc13 featured com provides a calendar venue for community event postings. In the second quarter, the website featured content coinciding with ABC-13's public service campaigns: ABC 13's Earth Day E-Cycling Drive, Caring Cradles and Freedom Over Texas.