

WSTS PROGRAM AND ISSUE REPORT

JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER

3RD Quarter 2023

WSTS Community Calendar: A four-minute broadcast that airs eight (8) times a week that features community events, news advisories, and information provided to WSTS by local and regional non-profit organizations, churches, schools, and governmental agencies. The broadcast airs thirty-two times per month.

Other Public Service Announcements:

The Robeson County Zoning Board announces their monthly meetings. This is a monthly announcement shared with listeners.

On Wednesday July 5, 2023 at 4:20 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Mary Ransom from Robeson Community College, about the Cosmetology Department. Mary talked about the cosmetology program, the job outlook for those that take the program, talked about their salon on campus and other topics.

On Tuesday July 11, 2024 at 4:20 PM, we rebroadcast Mark Hunter's interview with Mary Ransom from Robeson Community College, about the Cosmetology Department. Mary talked about the cosmetology program, the job outlook for those that take the program, talked about their salon on campus and other topics.

On Wednesday July 12, 2023 at 4:20 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Loretta Allen from Robeson Community College, about their Cybersecurity Department. Loretta talked about the Cybersecurity program, mentioned what one can do with a degree in Cybersecurity, and shared the job outlook for people with a Cybersecurity degree. She also shared highlights about a recent conference she, and another college representative attended in Washington DC.

On Wednesday July 19, 2023 at 4:20 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Dr. Johnny Smith, the Vice President of Instruction and Student Support, at Robeson Community College. Dr. Smith gave information on their upcoming college admissions day on July 26th. He also discussed what Robeson Community College offers students, and how they can get financial aid.

On Thursday July 20, 2023 at 4:20 PM, we rebroadcast Mark Hunter's interview with Mary Ransom from Robeson Community College, about the Cosmetology Department. Mary talked about the cosmetology program, the job outlook for those that take the program, talked about their salon on campus and other topics.

On Wednesday July 26, 2023 at 4:20 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Kenny Locklear from Robeson Community College, about their Emergency Medical Services program. Kenny discussed how their EMS program has students from all over the world. He told about their

modern training facilities at their new building, and he discussed how to get started at Robeson Community College in getting a degree or certification as an EMT or paramedic.

On Wednesday August 02, 2023 at 4:20 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Chef James Ingram from Robeson Community College. Chef Ingram discussed the school's Culinary Arts, Baking & Pastry Arts, and Hospitality Management programs.

On Wednesday August 09, 2023 at 4:20PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Christy Locklear, the interim Dean of Continuing Education at Robeson Community College. Christy discussed their continuing education programs. She also talked about their expansion into Maxton, NC, and mentioned their health worker students who were chosen as ambassadors for the North Carolina Association.

On Wednesday August 16, 2023 at 4:20 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Melissa Singler, the President of Robeson Community College. President Singler discussed the opening week of the 2023 Fall Semester. She also talked about new initiatives at the college, strategic planning, a new building coming to campus, and their expansion into Maxton, NC.

On Tuesday August 22, 2023, at 5:25 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Lily Isaacs of the Gospel group The Isaacs. Lily talked about their upcoming concert in North Myrtle Beach, SC. She also talked about their recent concert tour with Reba McEntire, and shared about how her parents were in concentration camps during the war in Germany. She also talked about how her family is transparent from stage, and shares about struggles in their own lives.

On Wednesday August 23, 2023, at 4:25 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Heather Seibles, the Interim Executive Advancement Officer at Robeson Community College. Heather talked about the school's upcoming Golf Tournament in October. Talked about the history of the tournament, and how the proceeds help students at Robeson Community College.

On Thursday August 24, 2023 at 5:20 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Brandon Harvath, the CEO of Christian Care Ministry. He discussed their Medi-Share program, which is an alternative to health insurance. He also talked about their Deacon Model, and how to accomplish connecting the needs of the church.

On Tuesday August 29th, at 5:20 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Gospel singer Guy Penrod. Guy talked about his upcoming concert in Whiteville, NC. He also talked about his music, his family, and what is in the future.

On Wednesday August 30th, at 5:10 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed LaRonda Lowery, the Assistant Vice President of Instructional Services at Robeson Community College. LaRonda discussed late start class options at RCC. She also discussed a new partnership the college has with Fayetteville Tech.

On Wednesday September 6th, at 4:25 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed James Erik Mitchell, the

Director of Career and College Readiness Programs at Robeson Community College. James discussed career and college readiness programs, he told of two student success stories, and about the honor of RCC being ranked 7th in FTE for the state of North Carolina.

On Wednesday September 6th, at 5:25 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Greg Thompson, of the The Thompson Agency. Greg is from our listening area, and he is responsible for bringing the Guy Penrod concert to Whiteville. During the interview he told us a bit about himself, he discussed how he was approached about booking Guy Penrod. He talked about the history of Bowers Auditorium the concert venue. He also shared where people could get tickets for the upcoming concert.

On Thursday September 7th, at 4:25 PM, we re-aired the interview Mark Hunter had with Guy Penrod originally airing August 29th.

On Wednesday September 13th, at 4:25 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Eric Freeman, the Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education, and Institutional Services at Robeson Community College. Eric discussed continuing education construction opportunities at the college. He also talked about their expansion into Maxton, NC, the new building that is about to be built on campus, and talked about their ComTech campus in Pembroke, NC.

On Wednesday September 20th, at 4:25 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Missy Britt, and Marie Hedgepeth, from the nursing department at Robeson Community College. Missy, and Marie talked about pathways to nursing, the nursing shortage, and how the college achieved national certification for the Associate Degree Nursing Program.

On Wednesday September 27th, at 4:25 PM, Mark Hunter interviewed Matt Dimery of the Criminal Justice Department at Robeson Community College. Topics discussed included employment opportunities in Criminal Justice, job outlook, and upcoming classes being offered in Criminal Justice.

Fairmont Today with Town Mayor Charles Kemp is a 15-minute weekly broadcast that features current events in the city of Fairmont and region. The program also discusses important issues with community leaders and citizens.

Mayor Kemp interviews numerous city and community leaders each week on topics and issues important to area residents of Fairmont, North Carolina.

Interviews and topics discussed:

July 1, 2023 – Charles Kemp discussed the upcoming Fire in the Sky Fireworks display in downtown Fairmont, NC.

July 8, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Lydia Dowdell, youth leader of Empowering Youth 2 Serve from Norfolk, VA. They discussed July Vacation Bible School sessions in the city park.

July 15, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Town Manager Jerome Chestnut, regarding plans for the town of Fairmont in the coming months.

July 22 – Charles Kemp discusses the upcoming Tornado Tank town issue forum scheduled in Fairmont, NC on July 25th.

July 29, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Fairmont High School football coach Jeremy Carthen about the upcoming season for the Tornados.

August 5, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Fairmont Town Manager Jerome Chestnut about things happening in the town of Fairmont.

August 12, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Lucille Ward, a retired teacher from Fairmont High School, discussing her 60 years of service at the school.

August 19, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Dr. Anthony Barton who is the new Fairmont High School Principal.

August 26, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Dr. Melissa Singlar, President of Robeson Community College in Lumberton, NC.

September 2, 2023 - Charles Kemp interviewed Dr. Melissa Singlar, President of Robeson Community College in Lumberton, NC.

September 9, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Fairmont, NC Town Manager Jerome Chestnut.

September 16, 2023 – Charles Kemp interviewed Dr. Charles (Chuck) Williams, who is the new pastor at Baltimore Baptist Church in Fairmont, NC.

September 30, 2023 – A rebroadcast of Charles Kemp interviewing Fairmont, NC Town Manager Jerome Chestnut.

Real Life Radio with Frank Policastro, a local 30-minute daily ministry broadcast

Bible Time with Raymond Ellis a local 30-minute daily Country Baptist Church

Full Gospel Tabernacle with George Connor a weekly local preaching program heard Sunday morning.

Morning Devotion with Pastor Buddy Seay, a daily 5 minute devotional local ministry program

Voice of Revival with Dr. Bobby Carden, a daily 15-minute local ministry and Bible-teaching program

Youth for Christ with Clarence Sanderson, a weekly 30-minute local ministry program.

Restoration Time with Pastor Matthew Jones with Restoration Assembly of God a thirty-minute preaching program. The broadcast airs 4:30 pm.

Voice of Revival with Dr. Bobby Carden, a local Sunday night Bible lesson

The Gospel Truth with Pastor Russell Kinlaw, a local preaching program airs weekly on Sunday morning.

New Life Church with Pastor Charles Cribb, a local preaching program airs weekly on Sunday morning.

Fresh Beginnings with Pastor Ricky Gilchrist of Fresh Beginnings Christian Center in Dillon SC, airs daily at 9 AM.

Freedom Assembly of God Church with Rev. Jeremy Brewington a local preaching program based out of Red Springs, NC, airs weekly on Saturdays at 1 PM.