

WNNC-AM Quarterly Report  
ISSUES AND PROGRAMS LIST

January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024

The following is the quarterly issues and programs report for WNNC-AM, Newton, NC, for the first quarter of 2024. The report includes a synopsis of programs of importance which aired between January 1, 2024 and March 31, 2024

This report was placed in the public files on April 5, 2024.

**Section I. Issues**

This station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community.

- A. Transportation
- B. Judicial
- C. Political
- D. Tourism
- E. Elections
- F. Recreation
- G. Mental Health
- H. Medicaid Expansion

**Section II. Responsive programs**

This station has broadcast programs dealing with each of the above listed issues.

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**TRANSPORTATION**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS....30 MINUTES...JANUARY 7, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH PATRICK WOODIE - PRESIDENT OF THE RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER  
ECONOMY, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, POPULATION GROWTH, INVESTMENT, COVID-19, BUSINESS LOANS, TECHNOLOGY, INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORTATION, EDUCATION, MEDICAID EXPANSION, BROADBAND, AND LEGISLATION.

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**JUDICIAL**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...JANUARY 14, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH ROBERT ORR - FORMER NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT JUSTICE  
COLLEGE ATHLETICS, NCAA, NAME IMAGE AND LIKENESS, MEDIA RIGHTS, MONEY IN SPORTS, EDUCATION, TITLE IX, COLLECTIVES, TRANSFER PORTAL, CONFERENCE REALIGNMENT, AND FUTURE OF ATHLETIC GOVERNANCE.

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**POLITICAL**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...JANUARY 21, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH KAREN BRINSON BELL - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
HOW THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS IS ORGANIZED, PRIMARY ELECTION, ELECTION SECURITY, REDISTRICTING, EARLY VOTING, ABSENTEE VOTING, VOTER IDENTIFICATION, CAMPAIGN FINANCE, CAMPAIGN COMPLIANCE, SOCIAL MEDIA, ELECTION SECURITY, VOTER REGISTRATION, AND VOLUNTEERS.

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**TOURISM**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...JANUARY 28, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH LYNN MINGES - PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RESTAURANT AND LODGING ASSOCIATION  
COVID-19, RESTAURANTS, EMPLOYMENT, INFLATION, TECHNOLOGY, LODGING, TOURISM, EDUCATION, SCHOOL CALENDARS, SPORTS, CONVENTIONS, SERVING CAREERS, TRAINING, AND TRAVEL.

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## **ELECTIONS**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...FEBRUARY 4, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH BRAD CRONE - PRESIDENT OF CAMPAIGN CONNECTIONS  
ELECTIONS, VOTING, PRIMARIES, GOVERNOR'S RACE, COUNCIL OF STATE RACES, SPORTS  
BETTING, ADVERTISING, CONGRESSIONAL SEATS, ISSUES, IMMIGRATION, NATIONAL DEBT,  
ECONOMY, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, FAIR ELECTIONS, AND REDISTRICTING.

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## **ECONOMY**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...FEBRUARY 11, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH DR. MIKE WALDEN - NC STATE ECONOMICS PROFESSOR EMERITUS  
ECONOMY, ELECTIONS, INTEREST RATES, FEDERAL RESERVE, SAVINGS, DEBT,  
INTERNATIONAL TRADE, STOCK MARKET, NATIONAL DEBT, SOCIAL SECURITY, STUDENT DEBT,  
GAS PRICES, JOB GROWTH, EDUCATION, AND HEALTH CARE.

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## **EDUCATION**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...FEBRUARY 18, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH DR. SCOTT RALLS - PRESIDENT OF WAKE TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
EDUCATION, POPULATION GROWTH, HEALTH CARE, UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, COST OF  
EDUCATION, TEXTBOOKS, HOUSING, FACULTY, STUDENTS, ONLINE COURSES, ATHLETICS,  
AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

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## **AGRICULTURE**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...FEBRUARY 25, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH SHAWN HARDING - PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA FARM BUREAU  
FARM BUREAU BACKGROUND, AGRICULTURE, TOBACCO, COTTON, COVID-19, WORKFORCE,  
REPAIRS, GRAINS, WEATHER, ENERGY, INFLATION, FARM BILL, RECRUITING NEW FARMERS,  
FORESTRY, AND BROADBAND.

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## **ELECTIONS**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES ...MARCH 3, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH TOM JENSEN - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC POLICY POLLING  
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY, ELECTIONS, YOUNG VOTERS, NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S RACE,  
REDISTRICTING, NC CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1, US SENATE OUTLOOK, US HOUSE  
OUTLOOK, ADVERTISING, SOCIAL MEDIA, DEBATES, UNAFFILIATED VOTERS, ARTIFICIAL  
INTELLIGENCE, AND ECONOMY.

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## **RECREATION**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...MARCH 10, 2024....5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH REID WILSON - SECRETARY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
ENVIRONMENT, EDUCATION, CULTURE, RECREATION, STATE PARKS, HISTORICAL MARKERS, MUSIC, SYMPHONY, STATE LIBRARY, ARCHEOLOGY, ZOO, ARTS COUNCIL, STATE ARCHIVES, MUSEUMS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

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## **MENTAL HEALTH**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...MARCH 17, 2024...5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH KODY KINSLEY - SECRETARY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
MEDICAID EXPANSION, HEALTH CARE, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, OPIOIDS, COVID-19, ADDICTION, HOSPITALS, TECHNOLOGY, RABIES VACCINES, GROWING CAREGIVING WORKFORCE, CHILD CARE, AND EDUCATION.

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## **INSURANCE**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...MARCH 24, 2024....5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH MIKE CAUSEY – SECRETARY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE  
INSURANCE, HOME OWNERS INSURANCE, INSURANCE RATES, NATURAL DISASTERS, RATE BUREAU, CLIMATE CHANGE, AUTOMOTIVE INSURANCE, DISTRACTED DRIVING, REPLACEMENT VALUE COVERAGE, FRAUD, SCAMS, AND OPERATION MEDICINE DROP.

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## **MEDICAID EXPANSION**

**CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS...30 MINUTES...MARCH 31, 2024....5:00 AM – 5:30 AM**

INTERVIEW WITH PHIL BERGER - SENATOR PRO TEM OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SENATE  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION, STATE BUDGET, ECONOMY, INFRASTRUCTURE, RAINY DAY FUND, TRANSPORTATION, MEDICAID EXPANSION, HEALTH CARE, HOSPITALS, SPORTS BETTING, CASINOS, TOLL ROADS, BUSINESS INCENTIVES, EDUCATION, LEANDRO, SCHOOL SAFETY, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, AND IMMIGRATION.