

# ***1st QUARTER ISSUES REPORT WGGB-TV, SPRINGFIELD MA JANUARY 1, 2017 – MARCH 31, 2017***

There follows a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by WGGB-TV, Springfield Massachusetts, along with the significant programming treatment of those issues for the period January 1, 2017 through March 31, 2017. This listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

## **DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: CRIME**

### **PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: January-March

DURATION: Varies from 1:30 to 2:30

NARRATION OF TYPE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SEGMENT:

#### **JANUARY**

1/2 (6,10) Length 1:30, Total 3:00 Cyber experts say 2017 could be the year of “ransom ware”.

1/6 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Gunman opens fire in Ft Lauderdale airport, killing 5 people.

1/9&10 (10, 11, 5-9am) Length 1:30 Total 6:00 50 inmates riot at Shirley State Maximum Security Prison

1/28 (4,5,6,10,11) Length :30, Total 2:30 Springfield records its first murder of 2017.

#### **FEBRUARY**

2/14 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Mother and daughter accused of stealing girls new purchases.

2/16 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Springfield man charged in deaths of 4 teen in car crash.

2/20 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Police response to a week of shooting violence in Springfield.

#### **MARCH**

3/1 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Crooked contractor fails to show for court, arrest warrant issued.

3/3 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Bomb threat made to Springfield Jewish Community Center.

3/27 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 South Hadley man arrested and charged with 5<sup>th</sup> DUI.

## **DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: ECONOMY**

### **PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: January-March

DURATION: Varies from 1:30 to 2:30

#### **JANUARY**

1/4 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Macys closing 68 stores, cutting thousands of jobs.

1/11 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Noble Hospital nurses rally for higher pay, better conditions.

1/13 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 4500 former ACI students will share \$30M in debt relief.

#### **FEBRUARY**

2/1 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Economic impact of Super Bowl on food sales.

2/7 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Local businesses take bit hit staying closed in snow storms

2/14 (11) Length 3:00 Financial challenges of small town fire departments.

#### **MARCH**

3/1 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Dow soars 300 points to close above 21,000 for 1<sup>st</sup> time ever.

3/3 (4,5,10) Length 1:30, Total 4:30 Maple season syrup impact on the economy

3/27 (5,530,6) Length 2:00, Total 6:00 Accountants tax call in.

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## **DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: EDUCATION**

### **PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: January-March

DURATION: Varies from 1:30 to 2:30

NARRATION OF TYPE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SEGMENT:

#### **JANUARY**

1/3 (6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 4:30 NY state now offers free tuition to instate students.

1/7 (6,10,11) Length 1:30 Total 4:30 150 students take part in AIC model congress.

1/9 (10,11) Length 1:30, Total 3:00 Granby voters reject money to offset school lunch deficit.

#### **FEBRUARY**

2/6 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Turners Falls High school mascot name debate.

2/15 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Debate over closing Converse Middle School in Palmer.

2/23 (4,5,6) Length 1:30, Total 4:30 State names 3 new charter schools, one in WMass.

#### **MARCH**

3/3 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Social media threat closes Agawam HS.

3/8 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Review how Holyoke's year without homework is doing.

3/28 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Amherst rejects plan to merge three middle schools.

## **DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: HEALTH**

### **PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: January-March

#### **JANUARY**

1/3 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Palmer neighborhood still has issues with woman and her goats.

1/9 ((4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Addiction recovery center opens in Northampton.

1/10 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Stronger strain of flu hits WMass.

#### **FEBRUARY**

2/7 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Flu season worse than first projected.

2/9 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Warning signs of drug addiction for parents.

2/16 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Case of whooping cough diagnosed at Hadley school.

#### **MARCH**

3/3 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Agawam doctor accused of writing false scrips arraigned.

3/6 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Stress on firefighters when people die on their watch.

3/9 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Impact of weekend time change on our bodies.

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## **DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: HOUSING**

### **PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: January-March

DURATION: Varies from 1:30 to 2:30

NARRATION OF TYPE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SEGMENT:

#### **JANUARY**

1/2 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Finding housing for 50 Holyoke fire victims.

1/10 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Northampton gets grant for 55 affordable housing units.

1/12 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Effort to save historic Springfield home to convert to apartments.

#### **FEBRUARY**

2/20 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Search for housing for immigrants coming to Northampton.

2/21 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Homeowner concerns over Westfield water quality.

2/22 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Building housing to help people with Alzheimer's.

#### **MARCH**

3/1 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Rebuilding houses destroyed by Conway tornado.

3/9 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Wood stove dangers after 5 people die in Warwick house fire.

3/23 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Southampton homeowners won't have their private streets plowed.

## **DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: WOMEN, MINORITIES & AGING**

### **PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: January-March

DURATION: Varies from 1:30 to 2:30

NARRATION OF TYPE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SEGMENT:

#### **JANUARY**

1/4 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Elder Ware couple targets of home invasion.

1/5 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Northampton readies to welcome 51 refugees.

1/7 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Desperate search for missing Chicopee mother.

#### **FEBRUARY**

2/1 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Immigration protest by Amherst College students.

2/6 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Precautions women should take while jogging.

2/16 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Local businesses observe a day without immigrants.

#### **MARCH**

3/1 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Bishop supports finding homes and supporting refugees.

3/6 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Reaction to Trump's updated travel ban.

3/9 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 A day without women marches and rallies in Northampton and Springfield.

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**DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY, TRANSPORTATION**

**PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: January-March

DURATION: Varies from 1:30 to 2:30

NARRATION OF TYPE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SEGMENT:

**JANUARY**

1/1 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Amherst plastic bag ban goes into effect.

1/6 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Goats used to get rid of old XMass trees.

1/10 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 3 Rivers Bridge to fully reopen by end of week.

**FEBRUARY**

2/7 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Rattlesnakes proposed for island in Quabbin.

2/15 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Lead and copper levels up in Southampton school water.

2/15 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Wet and snowy winter is boon to WMass farmers.

**MARCH**

3/6 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Look at Spfld Union Station project.

3/7 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Connecticut looks to allow bear hunting to thin population.

3/20 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Rail safety concerns after Longmeadow DPW worker killed at crossing.

**DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: YOUTH & FAMILY**

**PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: January-March

DURATION: Varies from 1:30 to 2:30

NARRATION OF TYPE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SEGMENT:

**JANUARY**

1/3 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Dangers some dressers can have around children.

1/12 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Community rallies around teen paralyzed in diving accident.

1/13 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Connecticut 5<sup>th</sup> grader becomes governor for a day.

**FEBRUARY**

2/10 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Calls for sensors on school buses to protect children.

2/20 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Northampton police stop High 5 Friday over parent complaints.

2/24 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Amber alert issued for 6 year old Connecticut girl.

**MARCH**

3/3 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Otis police start fist bump Friday with elementary students.

3/23 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 Central HS athletes recognized for good sportsmanship.

3/24 (4,5,6,10,11) Length 1:30, Total 7:30 45 teen cancer patients given a weekend in Florida w/ Red Sox.

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**DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: HONOR ROLL LIVE**

**PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS (abc40)**

DATE/TIME: Friday's 5 am to 7 am.

DURATION: Segments run anywhere from 2-3 minutes, total 20 minutes

**NARRATION OF TYPE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SEGMENT:**

HONOR ROLL LIVE: abc40 broadcasts live from a different WMass high school every Friday morning. We work with the schools to showcase the best from sports to clubs and everything in between,

**DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: PET CONNECTION**

**PROGRAM/SEGMENT: NEWS**

DATE/TIME: Thursdays at Noon

DURATION: Segments run anywhere from 3 to 4 minutes

**NARRATION OF TYPE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SEGMENT:**

We showcase pets available for adoption through the TJ O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center in Springfield. We also have a link to the shelter on our website.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE OVERVIEW:**

2016 LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS RUNNING ON ABC40, CBS 3 AND FOX6 DURING JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH

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