



THE ISSUES

These issues are of concern to the Raleigh-Durham area as ascertained by WPTF management. These and other issues are addressed in WPTF programming.

CODE ISSUE

AC Arts & Culture

CD Crime/Drugs

CR Civil Rights & Activism

EC Economy/Employment

ED Education

EH Environment/Health

GA Government Affairs

GR Growth/Transportation/Roads

HSM Health, Safety and Medical Affairs

IA International Affairs

NDR- Natural Disasters and Recovery

NS National Security

PA Political Affairs

RE Religion

The following shows constitute WPTF's regular programming and address the Community Issues above listed.

1. The WPTF Morning Show (Monday - Friday, 5 a.m. to 9 a.m.)

This is a locally-produced news program hosted by Chris Edwards and Jon Champion. The show focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather, and traffic and interview segments throughout the show. Tony Riggsbee, and Craig Green anchor the news, and Jon Champion provides traffic reports. Harrison Riddle operates the board and helps to produce the show. The program includes updates from CBS, and CBS Market Watch. There are regular guest appearances by people in the political, tech, aviation, business, legal, financial, entertainment and health care fields.

2. The Brian Kilmeade Show (Monday – Friday 9 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.)

The Brian Kilmeade Show tackles the top stories and news of the day, be they political, financial, sports, entertainment or gossip and brings to WPTF the global resources of FOX News and Fox Radio.

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3. The Triangle's Noon News (Monday – Friday 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m.)

This locally-produced news program is hosted by long-time broadcast veteran Bruce Ferrell. The hour-long show focuses on local, national and international news, weather, and traffic. There are interview segments throughout the show and news updates from CBS. There are regular guest appearances by people in the political, tech, and business, legal, financial, entertainment and health care fields. Segments from the North Carolina News Network are also included in the show.

4. The Dana Show (Monday –Friday, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.)

The Dana Show is an award-winning show featuring Dana Loesch.

5. The WPTF Afternoon News (Monday - Friday, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

Hosted by Jeff Hamlin, this program focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather and traffic reports. It includes interviews with local and national guests in the political, legal, financial, entertainment and health care fields.

6. The WPTF Evening News (Monday-Friday, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)

Hosted by Kristine Bellino, Gayle Hurd, and Jeff Hamlin, this fast-paced news program reports the headlines of the day with reporters covering major news stories.

7. Fox Across America with Jimmy Failla (Monday - Friday 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.)

Nationally syndicated talk radio show focused on current events and light topics.

8. Red-Eye Radio (Monday – Sunday, 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.)

Hosts Eric Harley and Gary McNamara engage their millions of listeners and callers with the major issues of the day including current events, legislation, popular culture, family issues, detailed national weather forecasts, safety tips and interviews with trucking industry leaders.

9. WPTF News: WPTF broadcasts world, national and local news at the top and bottom of every hour 24 hours a day. Newscasts also include sports and weather. Breaking news is broadcast immediately. Major news events are carried live.

10. WPTF Traffic Reports: WPTF broadcasts local traffic weekdays from 5 am to 9 am and 3 pm to 7 pm. Reports are aired at :08, :18, :28, :38, :48 and :58. Each report runs at least a full minute in length and are produced locally within WPTF's studios by the Triangle Traffic Network.

11. The Takeout with Major Garret (Saturdays 5:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.): The Takeout is a weekly podcast about politics, policy and pop culture hosted by CBS News Chief White House Correspondent Major Garrett.

12. The CBS News Weekend Roundup (Saturdays, 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.) is a weekly news show that reviews the previous week's news and provides insights on possible future developments.

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13. The Triangle's Saturday Morning News – (Saturdays, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.) A locally-produced program focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather and interview segments throughout the show. The bulk of this program is news, weather, traffic and other information help listeners get their Saturday started.
14. Weekend Gardener (Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.)
Hosted by veteran journalist Mike Raley and former NC Attorney General Rufus Edmiston, this is a locally-produced show that has experts answering listener's calls about plants and gardening.
15. Asset Protection Today with Bill Alexander (Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, Sundays 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.) Attorney Bill Alexander addresses the important issues of retirement and estates.
16. Here's to Your Health (various hosts) (Third Saturday of every month 6:00pm to 6:30pm) – Hosts interview guests focusing on a wide variety of medical topics.
17. Making Your Home Great (Saturdays 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.) -Various experts discuss home improvement, decorating, repairs and more.
18. Financial Safari (Saturdays 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sundays 12 Noon to 1:00 p.m.) - The Financial Safari with Peter J. D'Arruda is designed to equip listeners with the tools and knowledge that you need to successfully navigate through today's complex financial jungle. Each week the hosts and guests on the show reveal the latest developments in the financial world to keep you informed of changes that may affect you personally, while sharing some common-sense strategies that will help make the most out of retirement savings.
19. Aging Matters (Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
This award-winning, locally-produced program focuses on care for elderly adults in North Carolina.
20. Money Matters (Saturdays and Sundays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.)
Hosts Doug and Linda Lewis, certified financial planners, answer questions about the economy, and personal finance. They deal with issues of 401K and other employer retirement plans, IRAs, Roth IRA's, etc. They discuss the markets, national, regional, and local financial news and the impact a story may have on the economy.
21. Carolina Newsmakers (Sundays, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.)
A locally produced, public affairs, programming highlighting local and state newsmakers discussing various topics hosted by WPTF owner Don Curtis.
22. Sunday Morning Magazine (Sundays, 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.)
Hosted by WPTF owner Don Curtis, this locally produced program reviews various stories in the news. Don is joined by Jason Kong and Kristine Bellino who comment on the stories presented.

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23. Living in the Light with Anne Graham Lotz (Sundays, 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.)

Anne Graham Lotz is an American Christian evangelist and the second daughter of evangelist Billy Graham and his wife Ruth Graham. In this weekly 30-minute program, Anne allows listeners to get to know God personally, intimately...as His friend - living in the light of His Word.

24. Religious Programming: (Sundays, 10 a.m. to 12:00 Noon)

WPTF broadcasts the Sunday morning worship services of Duke Chapel and Edenton Street United Methodist Church and White Memorial Presbyterian Church on alternate Sundays.

Carolina Newsmakers

Sundays, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

This weekly public affairs program is hosted by WPTF owner, Don Curtis.

JANUARY 6-7

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.

Issues discussed: CD, CR, EC, ED, GA, GR, PA

JANUARY 13-14

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.

Issues discussed: AC, CD, CR, EC, ED, PA

JANUARY 20-21

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.

Issues discussed: CR, EC, ED, GA, GR, PA

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JANUARY 27-28

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

Issues discussed: AC, EC, GA, GR

FEBRUARY 3-4

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.

Issues discussed: EC, EH, GA, PA

FEBRUARY 10-11

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.

Issues discussed: EC, EH, GA, GR, HSM, IA, NS, PA

FEBRUARY 17-18

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

Issues discussed: AC, CR, EC, ED, GA, GR

FEBRUARY 24-25

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.

Issues discussed: EC, EH, GA, GR, HSM, IA, NDR

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MARCH 2-3

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

Issues discussed: CD, CR, EC, ED, GA, GR, IA, NS, PA, RE

MARCH 9-10

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.

Issues discussed: AC, EC, ED, EH, GA, GR, NDR, PA

MARCH 16-17

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.

Issues discussed: CR, EC, ED, EH, GA, GR, HSM, PA

ARCH 23-24

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.

Issues discussed: EC, EH, GA, GR, HSM, NDR, PA

MARCH 30-31

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.

Issues discussed: AC, CD, CR, EC, ED, EH, GA, GR, HSM, IA, NS, PA