# QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST:

Station: WQYZ

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For Quarter Beginning Jan 1, 2012

Attached hereto are descriptions of local issues addressed by the station, and how each issue was treated through the stations most significant issues responsive programming or announcements during the report period.

Kelly Bennett, News Director

#### MOST SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY ISSUES COVERED THIS QUARTER:

#### EDUCATION...

We focused on education several times this quarter, interviewing Nancy Loome with Parents Campaign for Better Schools as well as Myya Robinson of Gulf Coast Parents for Public Schools even Bill Cosby speaking about the state of education in our country and his take on what parents can do to help their children succeed.

### ENVIRONMENT...

Our coast is still reeling from the effects of last summers BP oil spill, there has been an increase in the number of dead dolphins washing up along our beaches and cleanup efforts are still underway on some parts of the Barrier Islands. We kept listeners up to speed through news coverage.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY...

Threatening weather that included tornadoes, waterspouts and power outages occurred several times during the quarter. We kept the community abreast of what was going on through special news updates with weather and traffic information.

#### **GULF COAST ISSUES:**

"Gulf Coast Issues" is a half hour community service program that airs each weekend on all 4 of our Clear Channel stations. Different topics are discussed each week, at the discretion of the News Director.

"Gulf Coast Issues" airs on WQYZ 6:30p each Saturday.

Our stations also ran 40 minutes of news, weather and traffic covering issues such as taxpayer money, budget issues in state government and how it will affect local residents, cuts to schools and institutions of high learning and more 40 min's per week

#### Jan 7-8:

We spoke with Humane Society of South Mississippi after a fire at their facility, how they're handling adoptions and when they will be up and running again.

#### Jan 14-15

Plans to build a 650-acre mud peninsula south of Pascagoula's front beach aren't sitting well with residents or city officials. We went to Jackson County Supervisor Frank Corder for the details.

In his last days of office, former Governor Haley Barbour pardoned hundreds of inmates and that has residents along the coast and across the state upset. The latest on the legal wrangling to change state law so that this can't happen again.

#### Jan 21-22

Congressmen Steven Palazzo on various issues taking precedent along our coast

We also spoke with Tony Silard, an author who pontificates that it's not just the economy that has Americans depressed. He spoke about the effect social networks are having on our time and our psyche.

### Jan 28-29

In his State of the Union speech, President Obama suggested making it illegal for anyone under 18 to drop out of high school. Our new Governor Phil Bryant made his own suggestions to try to lower the dropout rate, suggesting at-risk students enroll in community college and vo-tech programs while they earn their high school diplomas. Bill Cosby joined with other education leaders to speak about the state of education in America, as we were able to present listeners with his take on the issue.

#### Feb 4-5

Humane Society of South Mississippi is back up after a fire, we went to them for an update on the facility, upcoming Adopt-A-Thons and discussion of an anonymous donor who helped them recover from the fire with a very generous donation.

#### Feb 11-12:

We spoke with Dee Stepter of the IRS about the upcoming tax season and what local residents should be doing to prepare.

#### Feb 18-19

A local woman, Ellie Duhey partipated on the popular TV show, "The Voice". We spoke with her about the experience.

We also spoke with Jeannie Herrin, the Executive Director of CASA of Harrison County. She filled us in on what exactly the volunteers do and how listeners can get involved. They become court appointed special advocates that help local neglected and abused children.

#### Feb 25-26

NASA moving their shuttle egines from Kennedy Space Center to Stennis Space Center on our coast, great news for the economy and foretelling of the future of the organization.

#### Mar 3-4

Mississippi Senator Roger Wicker on responsible energy practices

Sec. of Navy to speak Monday, Ray Mabus is a former state Governor as we let listeners know where they could go to view the speech

#### Mar 10-11

Discussion of the Stennis Robotics Competition, held on our coast as a means of getting kids excited in science/engineering careers.

#### Mar 17-18

We spoke with 2 gulf coast residents who own their own taxi companies and belong to the Independent Taxi Owners group along our coast about their struggles with overregulation and their fear that the high cost of doing business will eventually put them out of business.

#### Mar 24-25

We spoke with Nancy Loome of the Parents Campaign for Better Schools, an organization that helps parents understand education bills being debated at the state capitol, and sends out newsletters and updates on what happens with those bills. We discussed the K-12 Funding Bill, and Charter Schools.

#### Mar 31-April 1

Our guest was news and political commentator Malcolm Out Loud. We discussed the polarizing case of Trayvon Martin, as well as the state of news in general and how the national media ignores some important stories and plays up others.

We followed that up by talking to Myya Robinson with the Gulf Coast Parents for Public Schools. They're offering a second Parent Leadership Institute this fall for local parents. She told us about efforts to get parents involved in their childrens education, and the benefits of doing so.

### SPECIAL EVENTS:

### Jan 16:

Our stations promoted the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Blood Drive with the Red Cross.

### March 7:

Another meeting of the Clear Channel Advisory Board, which is made up of local business/community leaders. The quarterly meetings are an opportunity for us to get their input on the most pertinent challenges facing our coast, so we can best include them in our programming.

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

St. Jude Dream Home	:30	Played 120x	Public Health
Coast Guard	:60	Played 120x	Public Safety
GCWC	:30	Played 120x	Public Safety
Promiss	:30	Played 120x	Public Safety
Goodwill	:30	Played 120x	Community Education
CASA	:30	Played 60x	Education/At-risk-youth
March for Babies	:30	Played 90x	Education/Health
Fair Housing	:30	Played 30x	Education/Housing
Disability Awareness	:30	Played 30x	Public Health
Red Cross Storm Prep	:30	Played 120x	Public Safety
Coast Guard	:60	Played 60x	Public Safety