

WZVN

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Issues Programs List: 4th Quarter 2021

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**Programs containing most significant treatment of community issues:**

WZVN regularly broadcasts substantive news reports that address the community issues facing Southwest Florida, which includes Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry, Glades and DeSoto counties. WZVN broadcasts 36 hours of local news programming per week. WZVN also broadcasts breaking news coverage as events warrant. In the case where breaking news has extensive impact to our area, WZVN will broadcast substantially more than 36 hours of local news per week.

**Weekdays:** 4:30am-7am 9am-10am 10am-11am 6pm-6:30pm  
7pm-7:30pm 11pm-11:35pm

**Saturday:** 6am-8am 6:30pm-7pm 11pm-11:30pm

**Sunday:** 6am-8am 6:30pm-7pm 11pm-11:30pm

WZVN broadcasts national news and talk programs that address the community issues:

**Weekdays:**

ABC Network News	3am-4:30am (Sun-Thurs)	7am-9am	6:30pm-7pm
The View	11am-12pm		
GMA 3	1pm-2pm		
ABC Nightline	12:35am-1:05am		
20/20	9pm-11pm (Fridays only)		

**Saturday:**

ABC Network News	8am-10am
World News	6pm-6:30pm

**Sunday:**

ABC Network News	8am-9am
This Week	9am-10am
World News	6pm-6:30pm

## **Regularly Broadcast Segments in Daily Newscasts:**

“Techbytes”: Monday – Friday 5AM

ABC News provides a daily compilation of the top technology stories making headlines. It includes consumer oriented stories, information on latest technology breakthroughs and apps as well as ways for families to use technology easier. Run time is approximately 1:30 min. each morning.

“GMA First Look”: Monday - Friday 6AM

ABC News provides a daily compilation of the top stories coming up on Good Morning America. It includes about ten second summaries of the day’s top news stories. Run time is about 1:30-2:00 minutes each morning.

## **Community Special Events:**

### **Home Base SWFL**

On Veteran’s Day, WZVN teamed up with Home Base SWFL to help the non-profit organization raise funds for life-saving clinical care for veterans. It came at a time when suicide rates were skyrocketing among veterans and service members. According to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Military suicide deaths jumped 25% at the end of 2020. Military suicides have increased by as much as 20 percent during the pandemic. 1 in 3 veterans also deal with an invisible wounds of war including PTSD, traumatic brain injury and co-occurring substance use disorder. Home Base provides veterans and their families with evidence-based treatment for PTSD and TBI at no cost to them.

### **ABC7 Flu Shot Day**

With all the talk about COVID-19, it’s easy to forget about flu season. But getting a flu shot is as important as ever! That’s why WZVN partnered with Walgreens to bring Southwest Florida a second ABC7 Flu Shot Day on November 17. The station provided live segments in each newscast and informational cut-ins throughout the day from a Walgreens location in Fort Myers. Anchors and reporters explained how flu shots can saves lives, prevent hospitalization and serious illness. WZVN’s journalists also showed how accessible and easy it is to receive an immunization. Viewers could stop by participating Walgreens to get a flu shot with a registered pharmacist at no cost, with or without insurance.

### **Mercato Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**

Every year, WZVN helps ring in the holiday season by lighting the largest real Christmas tree in Southwest Florida. WZVN’s morning team hosted the event on December 1<sup>st</sup> and lead the countdown to lighting the tree.

## **Public Service Announcements:**

AS1455 USMC Quality Citizens :30 – 86 times

The Marine Corps released a series of public services announcements about how the agency develops quality citizens who focus their determination and will to win on fighting for the communities where they live. Both during service and after their contracts have ended, Marines are committed to improving the lives of others.

AS1456 USMC Why We Fight :30 – 85 times

The Marine Corps released a series of public services announcements about why they wear the Eagle, Globe and Anchor, they are standing on the shoulders of the many generations of Marines who came before them and fought for us all.

AS1457 USMC For Us All :30 – 85 times

The Marine Corps released a series of public services announcements about defending the American way of life. It highlights the people of our country but no matter where the Marines serve, they are doing it for all U.S. citizens.

AS1458 World Wildlife Fund (Wildlife Crime) :30 – 275 times

WWF has created a series of PSAs that focuses on the choices we need to make to protect our planet. This one specifically focuses on wildlife crime is an illicit activity that makes criminals billions of dollars every year. It destabilizes governments and economies. It funds insurgencies and even terrorism. And it is the most immediate threat to some of our best-loved species.

AS1459 Stop Wildlife Crime-Rhino :30 – 295 times

WWF has created a series of PSAs that focuses on the choices we need to make to protect our planet. This one specifically focuses on poachers who kill these animals for their tusks which are then traded illegally in the international market to eventually end up as ivory trinkets.

AS1460 CCFA Taking Steps :30 – 308 times

Take Steps release a series of public services announcements on behalf of the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation. It encourages Americans to register for one of over 80 Take Steps Walks in communities around the country in spring and summer. Walkers will raise much-needed awareness of and dollars for research into Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, chronic, painful, and often debilitating digestive diseases collectively known as inflammatory bowel diseases (IBD) that afflict millions of Americans.

AS1461 CDC Youth E-Cigs :30 – 311 times

The CDC released a series of public service announcements about the epidemic of youths smoking e-cigarettes across the country. The Surgeon General has called for the aggressive steps to protect our children from the risks of e-cigs.

AS1467 Foster Care (Suitcase) :30 – 328 times

This public service announcement highlights the change a child sees when transitioning from foster care to an adoptive family. This animated AdoptUSKids PSA was created through the Ad Council and Hinge Media.

AS1486 Florida Rep Generic :30 – 418 times

Repertory Theatre is a fully professional regional theatre company located in the heart of downtown Fort Myers River District. The locally owned theatre company released a series of PSA's about supporting the arts after a year without shows due to the pandemic. Florida Rep's

Education Department is also dedicating more time to enriching the lives of children and families with exceptional theatre experiences and educational programs.

## **Issues:**

### **Weather & Environment**

**Summary:** There was a diverse collection of reporting on Environmental issues this quarter. City leaders focused on protecting wildlife through local ordinances on plastic and fishing. Manatee populations have severely declined this year. WZVN reported on what is being done to protect the species and the dangers it faces. Dry season brought less algae and red tide, but some problems persisted. With the dry season, comes the danger of brush fires. WZVN educated viewers on fire safety and the effects of climate change on fire risks. Southwest Florida also saw a rare tornado touch down. WZVN did extensive coverage of the damage and explained aspects of insurance policies that viewers may not be aware.

### **Coronavirus Coverage**

**Summary:** The Covid-19 Omicron Variant received abundant coverage at the end of this quarter. The surge in cases coupled with the holiday season lead to a large increase in demand for testing. This left many pharmacy shelves empty of at-home Covid tests, and created long lines at PCR testing sites. WZVN also looked at the limited options for testing in Southwest Florida, and the best ways viewers could get tested. WZVN broke down the changing symptoms for Covid-19 infections as Omicron became the dominant strain and how they compared to the flu. WZVN also investigated when the region could see relief from the new surge in cases.

### **Health & Consumer**

**Summary:** Scams received significant coverage this quarter. WZVN armed viewers with information regarding robocall scams and informed consumers about what elected officials were doing to prevent scam calls. The Pandemic continued to affect consumers in multiple ways, from inflation to supply shortages. WZVN told viewers about ways to save money and avoid scams.

### **Tourism & Local Economy**

**Summary:** Tourism is the backbone of Southwest Florida's economy. Business saw a rebound this quarter after a retreat in the COVID pandemic. "Season" started early according to many business owners, and Canadian tourists brought a new line of business that was hampered last year. Another industry that saw an increase in business was weddings due to pandemic restrictions. Housing was pushed to the forefront this quarter as the price for homes skyrocketed. WZVN provided viewers with information about changes to loans and affordable housing. The growth in Southwest Florida was punctuated by new businesses like Amazon starting operations in the region.

### **Law & Public Safety**

**Summary:** The Gabby Petito and Brian Laundrie case dominated headlines for the start of Quarter 4. The case wrapped up with the discovery of Laundrie's body after an extensive

search. Lawmakers proposed many new laws as well, from school zone cameras, to new rules regarding pool fences to keep children safe. Election integrity also got a boost with a new tool to help voters track their ballot. WZVN analyzed each proposed law and armed viewers with the knowledge to have a healthy discourse on each.

### **Positively Southwest Florida & Bright-Side Blocks**

**Summary:** WZVN highlights the good happening in Southwest Florida and around the world. We pick a variety of human interest stories that showcase how people in our community are helping others and giving back to further develop our community, our people and our paradise.

*The following brief entries outline a sampling of coverage provided by WZVN during this quarter. This is meant to be a sampling only and not an exhaustive list of the coverage of the previously cited community issues.*

### **Weather and Environment**

**Date/Time:** October 5-6, 25, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 14:00

**Title:** Cape Coral Algae

**Description:** WZVN followed this story from start to finish. Residents and visitors called conditions “miserable” near some Cape Coral canals. A family near the south end of the Rubican Canal near Cape Coral parkway said the stench from nearby blooms had them avoiding their backyard for nearly a week until conditions cleared. Later in October, crews removed green algae mats with machinery. The algae was so heavy, a boat flipped during the process.

**Date/Time:** October 5-6, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Manatees In Trouble

**Description:** Florida’s manatees are in a crisis. The species is dying in record numbers. Wildlife officials said the manatees need to be moved back to the endangered species list to save them. The manatees were on the list before, back in 1966 to 2016. But, for the past four years, the species have been on the threatened species list. Which means there is less money from the government to protect them. So far, more than 950 manatees have died this year. That shattered the previous record of 824 deaths in 2018. There were few reasons why manatees died in record numbers, a lack of seagrass on the east coast, red tide, and boat strikes. That is why marine life experts called for these large mammals to be reclassified as endangered.

**Date/Time:** October 7-8, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Captiva Beach Renourishment

**Description:** Every year the beaches change with the tide, and over time they need a boost. WZVN gave viewers a close up look at the process. A dredge pumps out sand around the clock. At night, crews set up lights on the beaches to get the sand in place. It is how they have been able to continue the project ahead of schedule. Officials say this is vital to protect the wildlife and the overall economy of Southwest Florida's shores.

**Date/Time:** October 18-19, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Fort Myers beach Plastic Straws

**Description:** Fort Myer Beach Town Council looked to revise an ordinance regarding what kinds of straws are allowed. In 2017, the council passed an ordinance banning plastic straws, but new products have come to market that have complicated enforcing the ordinance. A company named Phade advertises their straws as being made out of "polyhydroxyalkanoate, an earth-friendly material derived from canola oil." Rather than focusing on paper vs. plastic straws, members discussed focusing instead on marine biodegradability. Phade advertises its straws as such, and therefore, are allowed, but this could mean some paper straw users would have to change vendors.

**Date/Time:** November 5-6, November 8th, 6pm, 7pm, 7am, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Red Tide Study

**Description:** A new study found that fish kills help fuel red tide. Researchers at the Florida Gulf Coast University Water School say dead fish create nutrients that red tide can use to grow. The largest problem is when hundreds to thousands of fish go belly-up in the Gulf of Mexico during a bloom, they will decay over time. If they stay out in the water, they will eventually release nutrients that the red tide can thrive on. This study also showed that over time, the toxins from red tide are removed from the dead fish they collected. Researchers said the fish can be recycled as organic compost.

**Date/Time:** November 8-9, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Saving Tomorrow: Florida's Forests

**Description:** The Florida Forest Service got ready for what is expected to be a very active fire season. As more people move to Florida, more fires are starting and burning out of control. All it takes is a fire starting in the wrong place to rip through acres and put people at risk. That is why Florida Forest Service worked on preventative measures like getting rid of invasive plants, thinning out rows of trees when it is needed and doing prescribed burns. Climate change experts explain that global warming itself has a big impact on forest fires. Deforestation is the biggest threat forests have been facing, but fires also destroy acres and acres of trees. The fires also release harmful c02 into the atmosphere. To fight back, Florida Forest Service helped plant more trees in the two state forests it manages. Florida Forest Service said the best thing viewers can do to help is prevent fires from starting.

**Date/Time:** November 10-11, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Pleco Invasion

**Description:** There is another invasive species causing problems in Florida. It is a fish, with a suit of armor, known as Plecostomus, or "Pleco" or the Armored Catfish. Despite the fact that it only eats algae, it is causing problems with one of Florida's most at-risk species. Dozens of these fish can be seen clinging to the backs of Manatee, feeding on the algae that grow on their backs. Imagine being swarmed by a cloud of mosquitoes, that is what these feel like to the manatees. During the winter months, manatees often seek warmth in shallow freshwaters, like the Caloosahatchee River. But it is those same waters that have become infested with these armored catfish. The fresh waters of the Caloosahatchee River are a perfect habitat for these catfish, which are native to the Amazon, and arrived through the aquarium trade. FWC says these fish are almost impossible to exterminate, and with so many threats already to Manatees, one more is still a concern.

**Date/Time:** November 24-25, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Turkey Frying Fire Danger

**Description:** Fire officials warned families about the dangers of deep-frying turkeys ahead of Thanksgiving. Firefighters demonstrated what can happen if viewers drop a frozen bird into a pot of hot oil. Deep-frying a turkey can send sparks and oil flying, in turn, burning people. Parts of the viewing area was also in a high risk for brush fires ahead of Thanksgiving, so sparks could start fires.

**Date/Time:** December 8-9, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Indoor Mosquitoes

**Description:** Mosquitoes are a year-round nuisance in Southwest Florida. This quarter, WZVN investigated how mosquitoes could be breeding inside viewers' homes. Mosquito Control went out to a Lee County School District classroom that was unknowingly breeding mosquitoes in an aquarium. They added several Gambusia fish (mosquito fish) to eat the larvae. It is just one example of a problem that ramps up this time of year. Officials said once the rainy season ended, crews focused on controlling domestic mosquitoes rather than floodwater mosquitoes. The term domestic means the bugs have evolved to specialize in biting humans, which is dangerous. The bugs carry diseases like West Nile, Dengue Virus, and Zika. With drier weather, the mosquitoes desperately look for somewhere to breed. All it takes is an open window for them to find a breeding ground inside homes. The best thing viewers can do is dump or flush out standing water every 3 days.

**Date/Time:** December 15-16, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Naples Pier Pelicans

**Description:** The Naples City Council approved a pilot program to ban fishing on Naples Pier every Sunday from January to May of 2022. The pilot program aims to protect pelicans that are

injured from hooks and fishing line. City leaders approved the pilot program with a vote of 5-2. The Conservancy of Southwest Florida said the number of pelicans admitted into the hospital jumped from 91 in 2019 to 193 in 2020. The mayor said the city picked Sunday because it is a busy fishing day, but some anglers said if there will be a ban, they want another day picked. The city council also banned fishing on the pier from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. At past meetings, law enforcement has said illegal shark fishing occurs during those hours.

**Date/Time:** December 16-17, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Vaccinating Mosquitoes

**Description:** University of Florida researchers at the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences have released a study demonstrating the *Aedes Aegypti* mosquito's ability to fight the dengue virus by exposing it to antiviral agents. Researchers infected mosquito cells with the virus, then delivered the antiviral drug, Rapamycin. The results provided insight into the mosquito's potential ability to fight the dengue virus. Now the process needs to be replicated in an actual mosquito, but could one day prevent the mosquito from infecting humans. The Lee County Mosquito Control District used another method to attack the bugs. There is a special lab dedicated entirely to sterilizing *Aedes Aegypti* mosquitoes, using the Sterile Insect Technique, or SIT. It involves releasing lab-raised, sterile male mosquitoes to mate with wild female mosquitoes to reduce the population. According to Lee County Mosquito Control, female mosquitoes will only mate with male mosquitoes once in their lifetime. If they mate with a sterile male, they would not produce viable offspring.

**Date/Time:** December 21-22, 6pm, 7pm, 11pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 22:00

**Title:** Tornado Coverage

**Description:** The National Weather Service concluded that an EF1 tornado touched down at 6:25 a.m. in South Fort Myers. This was based on the damage left behind from the storms. The tornado lasted for about 2 minutes. EF1 tornadoes are twisters with winds between 86 and 110 miles per hour. One minor injury was reported due to broken glass. Officials initially estimated the storm caused \$500,000. Multiple roads were shut down, trees and power lines fell, and homes were damaged. Strong winds were also reported in the northern portion of the viewing area. That shut down bridges and toppled trees.

**Date/Time:** December 22-23, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Storm Insurance

**Description:** WZVN kept its promise of getting viewers more by following the storm damage caused by the tornado. The holiday season and supply chain shortages impacted how long it took to repair home and property damages. Experts said homeowners should not expect a quick fix. Even though repairs could take a while, homeowners still wanted to act quickly. Experts recommended reporting the damage within 14 days to take pictures of the damage to your home and property.

## Coronavirus Coverage

**Date/Time:** October 1-2, 7pm, 7am

**Duration:** 3:00

**Title:** Unvaccinated Unemployment

**Description:** Employees out of work due to vaccine mandates could receive unemployment. As more employers required vaccinations and many workers refused, the question became will they qualify for unemployment benefits? The short answer is in some cases they may. Experts say if workers voluntarily refused a vaccine and the employer mandated it, it may be viewed as a resignation. Those who resign do not qualify for unemployment. But experts say workers could claim they refused a vaccine for disability or religious reasons. That could get viewers unemployment. Experts say this was a case by case basis.

**Date/Time:** November 11-12, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am, November 19-20, 7pm, 7am, November 22, 5am, 6am, 9am, December 8-9, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 21:00

**Title:** Covid-19 Booster Shots

**Description:** Covid-19 booster shots were a major part of the coronavirus coverage this quarter. The FDA and later the CDC approve the Pfizer and Moderna booster shot for all adults before Thanksgiving. That led to a big push to get people vaccinated before the holidays. A similar push happened ahead of Christmas. Doctors urged people to get a booster shot as the Omicron variant began to take over. Health officials say a booster shot gave increased protection against severe symptoms for patients.

**Date/Time:** November 29-30, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Omicron: What We Know

**Description:** The Covid Omicron Variant quickly took over as the dominant strain in Florida and across the country. Early on, health officials said it was not time to panic as they learned about the new variant. Health officials looked at cases confirmed in Europe and South Africa. Local doctors also said to follow the guidance that has been in place since March of last year to fight Omicron. If viewers are sick, stay home, get vaccinated, and remain diligent.

**Date/Time:** December 13-14, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Covid or Cold

**Description:** Many Southwest Florida residents reported having flu-like symptoms after a case of the Omicron variant was discovered in Florida. Area doctors and hospitals saw an increase in these patients but many of the cases are not COVID-19. Patients reported symptoms like stuffy nose, congestion, sore throat, and just plain sickness. Many medical experts predicted the flu would be worse this year because fewer people were wearing masks or social distancing like during the last 18 months of the pandemic. Medical experts said these viruses can take 10 to 14 days to get over. Many patients who test negative flocked to health stores to boost their immunity.

**Date/Time:** December 13-14, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** What Is My Variant

**Description:** The Omicron Variant arrived just as the area was coming off the Delta surge. Many viewers asked WZVN how they can determine which variant of the virus they have. We took that question to the medical experts themselves. The short answer, the chance of that determination is slim. When viewers got tested for Covid-19, the results showed either positive or negative. Only a few Florida labs have technology to identify variants. The closest was two hours North at Tampa General Hospital.

**Date/Time:** December 17-18, 7pm, 7am, December 27-28 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am ,  
December 31, 7pm

**Duration:** 12:00

**Title:** Covid-19 Testing

**Description:** As the holidays approached and Omicron took over, more people turned to COVID-19 testing sites. Local health groups say they saw spikes in the number of people getting tested. Between that and short supply of at-home tests, long lines and big changes came to local testing sites. Some testing sites switched back to appointment only. Others were forced back to a drive-up system to make sure more people had access to tests. The switching systems proved confusing for many viewers, WZVN provided up-to-date information about where and how viewers could get a Covid-19 test.

**Date/Time:** December 22-23 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** UF Covid Study

**Description:** Researchers at the University of Florida expected thousands more people to get sick from the Omicron Variant compared to the Delta Variant. Still, researchers expect fewer people will die from the variant. One model projected cases would jump more than 30 thousand and peak in February 2022. Researchers emphasized there were still a lot of unknowns and the peak could be earlier.

**Date/Time:** December 27-28, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** At Home Covid Test

**Description:** As the Omicron Covid variant began to spread in Southwest Florida, demand for testing skyrocketed. At-home covid-19 test kits became hard to find in the area. WZVN visited half a dozen pharmacies and found just one store had tests in stock. Pharmacy owners say every five or ten minutes, people came in asking for tests. This pushed a lot of viewers back to traditional testing sites, creating long lines there.

**Date/Time:** December 28-29, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Covid Symptoms

**Description:** As cases of the Omicron Variant rose in the viewing area, doctors say symptoms can vary based on vaccination status. Those symptoms could be mild but some could be severe among the unvaccinated. Local hospitals also said most patients were unvaccinated.

## **Health & Consumer Content**

**Date/Time:** October 4-5, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Holiday Scammers

**Description:** Scammers are targeted nonprofits by posing as them on Facebook to make a quick buck. One group says she joined a Facebook group looking for programs, when it was messaged by a scammer that offered sales and marketing. One nonprofit discovered the fraud before sending money. 2 others were not as lucky. As new scams popped up, experts said it is important to protect your personal information and check to make sure sites are verified.

**Date/Time:** October 4, 7pm

**Duration:** 2:00

**Title:** Liquor Shortage

**Description:** Liquor shortages impacted Southwest Florida bars and restaurants. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, many things started to become increasingly difficult to get like styrofoam, lumber and microchips for new cars. Certain liquors were added to that list. Bar owners said it was hard to run a bar when popular liquors were hard to get in stock. Some of the reasons behind the shortage included Cargo ships not being able to deliver imported goods. Owners also thought unemployment issues impacted the shortage. The liquor itself was not the only shortage facing bars and restaurants. Glass bottles were a problem to come by.

**Date/Time:** October 5, 7pm

**Duration:** 2:00

**Title:** Food Stamp Benefits

**Description:** A historic boost to SNAP benefits helped Southwest Florida families put food on the table. Benefits for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) went up more than 25 percent above pre-pandemic levels in October. The federal government increased snap benefits by 15% during the pandemic as more people lost their jobs.

**Date/Time:** October 7-8, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** West Nile

**Description:** Multiple human cases of the West Nile virus were reported this quarter. The department of health issued a mosquito-borne illness alert. Officials said there was a heightened concern additional residents will become ill. Residents were urged to take precautions against mosquitoes by draining standing water, covering skin with clothes or repellent, and covering doors and windows with screens to keep bugs out of homes.

**Date/Time:** October 12-13, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 10:00

**Title:** Unlicensed Contractors

**Description:** Construction increased in Cape Coral and that led to more unlicensed contractors in the city. The City Council discussed enforcement and education efforts. Code Compliance conducted about 3,200 investigations in 2020-21 based on complaints received. This included checks on licenses, permits, and site visits. Continued and future efforts included coordinating with the Police Department for undercover stings, increased construction site checks, quarterly sweeps with state agency assistance, monthly meetings with the Cape Coral Construction Industry Association, educating HOA's and civic groups, local licensing changes, and assessing staff needs.

**Date/Time:** October 14-15, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Bad Weather Affects Vehicle Safety Systems

**Description:** New research from AAA found that bad weather affected a vehicle safety system's ability to "see," which could potentially result in performance issues. AAA ran a closed-course test to measure the effects of rainfall, bugs and dirt on a car's automatic systems, like automatic emergency braking and lane keeping assistance. Their research found that moderate to heavy rain caused the systems to struggle. Minor differences were noticed when testing with a dirty windshield, but researchers found that performance was not negatively impacted.

**Date/Time:** October 15, 7pm

**Duration:** 2:00

**Title:** Chicken Lawsuit

**Description:** In this WZVN special, Consumers could be compensated in a \$181 million chicken lawsuit. The lawsuit alleged that between January 2009 and December 2020, 16 companies from 24 different states, including Florida, worked to fix prices within the poultry industry. While there is a large sum of money up for grabs, experts said those people who choose to submit a claim should not get their hopes up. Large payments are unlikely and it might not be money. Consumers could get vouchers or a coupon.

**Date/Time:** November 2, 7pm

**Duration:** 3:00

**Title:** Fighting Robocalls

**Description:** In this WZVN special report, Florida Attorney General Ashley Moody worked with attorneys general from across the country to fight back against illegal robocalls. The Attorney General called on the federal government to move up the deadline on phone companies to implement STIR/SHAKEN technology no later than June 30, 2022. While Attorney General Moody called on consumers to remain vigilant, U.S. Representative Charlie Crist called for jail time for spam callers. In a letter to the U.S. Department of Justice, Rep. Crist urged the department to consider increased penalties for fraudsters.

**Date/Time:** November 3-4, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Cryptoscams

**Description:** Scammers tapped into cryptocurrency. A report from the FTC showed more than \$80 million has been lost in crypto-related scams since October of last year. Florida's attorney general is warned about crypto-scam luring victims on social media. It is called a bait-and-switch scam. The state said it received nearly 100 complaints about it. Digital currency is difficult to counterfeit, which is part of the reason people decide to invest. But as technology advanced, so did scammers. The main problem is when scammers ask consumers to move the money to another platform.

**Date/Time:** November 11-12, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Food Prices Inflation

**Description:** Inflation on food forced more people to get free meals at food distributions. Local food pantries say this could have been the most expensive Thanksgiving meal on record. Tyson Chicken said they increased prices of burgers, hot dogs, and other meats starting in January. Volunteers though more and more people would turn to food distributions over the next few months. Volunteers at food distribution sites said more people showed up for free meals.

**Date/Time:** November 30-December 1, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Abortion Rights

**Description:** Florida Democrats introduced bill to preserve abortion rights. The bill not only guaranteed a woman's right to an abortion but it also allowed a woman to take legal action against anyone who stands in their way. The Florida House is controlled by Republicans who would not support the bill. Senate Bill 1036 and its companion, HB 709, prevented anyone including government from interfering with an abortion. Some republicans in Florida introduced a copy and paste version of the Texas abortion law, which prohibited abortions after six weeks.

**Date/Time:** December 7-8, 7pm

**Duration:** 3:00

**Title:** Buy Now, Pay Later

**Description:** In this WZVN special report, buy now, pay later options became more popular than ever before this holiday season. This payment option allowed consumers to get exactly what they wanted for the holidays without having to worry about paying right away. While this option was convenient for shoppers, experts warned consumers to be careful when deciding how to pay. Upfront fees and interest could have cost consumers more than the item originally was.

## **Tourism & Local Economy**

**Date/Time:** October 5-6, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am, 10am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Year-Round School

**Description:** The idea of switching to a year-round calendar was thrown around in Lee County, because students had problems coming back to school during the pandemic. The school district said talks of switching to a year-round calendar were still in the very early stages and there was no timeline for an official discussion. A measure would have had to come before the board for a vote. This quarter, the district used other options for students falling behind including tutoring and Lee Connect. The year-round model would impact families in the workforce.

**Date/Time:** October 8-9, 6pm, 7pm, 7am, December 17-18, 7pm, 7am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Affordable Housing

**Description:** Families dealt with rising rent this quarter. Local leaders in Naples did not include any new money for affordable housing in its budget. The Naples Community Redevelopment Agency started a \$100,000 affordable housing study to find solutions for residents affected by private sales of rental properties. Sales rose prices on many families pushing them from homes. Two state lawmakers also called for a housing state of emergency as rent rose. Data showed a 28% increase in rental prices in Florida. Under the state of emergency, lawmakers wanted the governor to classify anything above a 10 percent increase as a price gouge. The governor pushed back on the issue saying it was a national problem.

**Date/Time:** October 11-12, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Southwest Florida Ready for Season

**Description:** Businesses saw a jump in revenue when Season started early this quarter. For many, "season" in Florida starts right around November and runs through April. But business owners in Cape Coral said "season" started as early as October this past year. They saw a big bump in foot traffic and customers. During the same time period in 2020, the pandemic stopped a lot of businesses from seeing seasonal residents. Owners said the early season helped make up for the slow business in 2020.

**Date/Time:** October 28, 7pm

**Duration:** 3:00

**Title:** Wedding Boom

**Description:** Florida transformed into a hotspot for weddings, specifically for out of state couples. Due to the more relaxed COVID restrictions across the state, thousands of couples made their way to Florida to tie the knot. As a result, event planners, venues and even bridal shops saw more business than ever before. The impact was felt from venues to bridal and dress shops.

**Date/Time:** November 2-3, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am, November 23-25 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 14:00

**Title:** Sports Betting

**Description:** Mobile sports betting became legal for the first time ever in Florida this Quarter. Lawmakers legalized sports betting in May. In-casino betting was expected soon. A few weeks later though, a federal judge blocked the Seminole Tribes compact with the state. That made sports betting illegal again. Voters will have an opportunity to vote on making sports betting legal in November 2022 through a ballot initiative. The Seminole Tribe appealed the federal courts decision.

**Date/Time:** November 2-3, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am, November 15, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 14:00

**Title:** Amazon Warehouse

**Description:** Amazon drew both criticism and praise this quarter. A proposed warehouse in Cape Coral was withdrawn from consideration after backlash from residents. The warehouse would have been a delivery station facility and would have created more than 400 new jobs. Meanwhile a new Amazon sort center was opened in Fort Myers. The facility created more than 200 full and part-time jobs.

**Date/Time:** November 8-9, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Canadian Invasion

**Description:** Canadian tourists returned to Southwest Florida RV parks after getting the green light to come back to the United States. Some local parks said they got so many calls, they ran out of space. The jump came after the Canadian government approved land travel to the US. Canadians were restricted from coming for almost a year and a half because of COVID-19. RV resorts said they were looking forward to the economic boom that Canadians brought to the area.

**Date/Time:** December 13, 7pm

**Duration:** 3:00

**Title:** Unretirement

**Description:** More people have done something called “unretirement”. Older workers returned to the workforce after heading off for retirement. Workers said they returned to fill up their free time. This came as retirement rates skyrocketed during the pandemic. Many said retirement was not everything they imagined. Many returned to part-time jobs increasing the labor force.

**Date/Time:** December 15, 7pm

**Duration:** 3:00

**Title:** FHA Loan Limits

**Description:** Red hot, chaotic, and frantic – those are a few words real estate agents used to describe Southwest Florida’s housing market. Many families struggled with loan limits. FHA loans, which are backed by the government and require lower down payments, were cap of \$356,360. With the increase, they went up about \$65,000 to \$420,680. This allows homebuyers to have more options. The loan limits are re-evaluated every year, and the current

increases are only happening to keep up with rising home costs. The average home price in the region was over \$400,000.

## **Law & Public Safety**

**Date/Time:** October 1, 4-8, 12-13, 15, 20-22, 26, November 22, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am, 10am

**Duration:** 30:00

**Title:** Gabby Petito & Brian Laundrie Coverage

**Description:** The Gabby Petito and Brian Laundrie Case came to an end this quarter. The mysterious case gripped the country and our region. The FBI confirmed Gabby Petito's fiancé Brian Laundrie was the only person of interest in her homicide. A nationwide manhunt was set off when Laundrie disappeared from his home. His remains were ultimately discovered in a wildlife reserve near his home. Medical examiners determined cause of death was suicide by gunshot wound. WZVN covered multiple angles of the story for our viewers from the manhunt to memorials planned for Gabby Petito.

**Date/Time:** October 4-5, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Open Carry

**Description:** Florida could become the next state that allows you to carry a gun out in the open. A new bill was introduced by Republican Representative Anthony Sabatini, Dist. 32 that would make it legal to display a gun in public, and viewers would not need a permit. The bill might not have support to pass though. Currently Florida requires a permit to carry a weapon and it must be canceled. Accidentally revealing it is even a crime. Florida is one of four states completely outlawing open carry.

**Date/Time:** October 21-22, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Domestic Violence

**Description:** In light of the Gabby Peito case and October being Domestic Violence Awareness Month, WZVN helped shed light on the importance of resources for people in domestic situations. WZVN shared a domestic violence survivor's story. Experts say many domestic violence relationships began with verbal abuse, much like the victim we spoke to. Over time, verbal abuse turned physical. She eventually turned to a shelter for help. She worked hand in hand with an advocate at the shelter.

**Date/Time:** October 28-29, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** School Zone Cameras

**Description:** Florida lawmakers proposed a bill to bring cameras to school zones across the state to crack down on speeders. It is called House Bill 189. The cameras would record violators going ten miles per hour or more over the speed limit within an hour before or after school. Lawmakers thought cameras would catch more speeders and hit them in their wallets. Local

school districts said they would support any effort that would help students get safety to and from school.

**Date/Time:** November 25-26, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** Black Friday Drone Safety

**Description:** The Collier County Sheriff's office used drones to monitor some shopping center parking lots on Black Friday and throughout the holiday season. This came as smash and grabs were on the rise nationwide. A new law allowed CCSO to use drones for a crowd of 50 or more. The drones helped CCSO respond to criminal activity more quickly. They could see what was going on in real-time. The new law also allowed law enforcement agencies to use drones to assist with traffic management.

**Date/Time:** December 28-29, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 6:00

**Title:** New Pool Law

**Description:** A new bill would require more than one barrier around a pool before it can pass inspection. Every year in Florida enough children drown to fill three or four preschool classrooms. Currently, Florida pools are only required to have one barrier at least four feet tall without any holes surrounding the entire pool. Senator Ed Hooper wanted to change that rule to require at least two barriers before it can pass inspection.

**Date/Time:** December 29-30, 6pm, 7pm, 5am, 6am, 9am

**Duration:** 7:00

**Title:** Collier Ballot Track

**Description:** Collier County implemented a new service to reassure voters in future elections. More people than ever voted by mail in the 2020 election. BallotTrax lets voters keep tabs on their ballot online. If voters send a ballot by mail, the system will notify them when the ballot is sent out, received and counted. Other counties in the area already let voters track their ballot. The new system will be unveiled in the upcoming 2022 election. All voters will be enrolled if they have their email in the election system. Voters will have to sign up, though, to track it for future elections.

### **Positively Southwest Florida & Bright-Side Blocks**

**Date/Time:** October 1, 6pm, 7pm

**Duration:** 1:00

**Title:** Dog Survives Fire

**Description:** Neighbors called it a miracle. A family thought they lost their 9 year old chihuahua in a house fire. But neighbors found the dog sitting in the middle of the street after the fire. The family brought the dog to the vet for a checkup and was okay.

**Date/Time:** October 11, 6pm, 7pm

**Duration:** 1:00

**Title:** Saint Matthew's House Marathon

**Description:** A runner joined thousands to run a marathon anywhere in the world for a good cause. She raised money and awareness for a local non-profit organization that helps feed people all around the community. The group also helps those struggling with addiction. The runner raised \$6,300 and completed the race in 4 hours and 28 minutes, a personal best.

**Date/Time:** November 2, 6pm

**Duration:** 1:00

**Title:** FashionTea

**Description:** A cup of tea and a bit of fashion shed light on the need for people to speak up for kids in the court system. The guardian ad litem foundation, 20th judicial circuit, raised more than 17 thousand dollars at the fashion to a tea event. The foundation helps find adults to speak up for kids who find themselves in the court system. Some are in foster care or other kids who just need an adult to look out for their best interest. Proceeds from Fashion To a Tea provide financial assistance to help meet a child's basic and developmental needs as well as "extras" like birthday parties, and tutoring.

**Date/Time:** November 8, 6pm

**Duration:** 1:00

**Title:** It's Just Parkinsons

**Description:** A man battling Parkinsons with an inspirational attitude has gone global. WZVN first told viewers about John Cullen's documentary about his It's Just Parkinson's Mantra and inspirational attitude earlier in the year. His documentary premiered this quarter. More than 200 people watched, laughed, and cried as they learned about the struggles he faces everyday.

**Date/Time:** November 22, 6pm

**Duration:** 1:00

**Title:** Charity Concert

**Description:** Frontline families who lost loved ones from Covid-19 benefitted from people rocking out. Charity Pro held a concert featuring local artists to raise money for first responders families. The charity was founded for children's social issues, but pivoted early in the pandemic after a firefighter died of covid. The charity aims to make sure the families of heroes were taken care of.

**Date/Time:** December 3, 6pm, 7pm

**Duration:** 2:00

**Title:** Special Olympics

**Description:** Hundreds of students from around the area volunteers for a Special Olympics Field Day. More than 400 special needs students enjoyed the field day. It featured games and events like soccer, bowling, face painting, and plenty of others. Every special needs student was partnered with another student for the event. It was all part of the Be a Buddy Program meant to integrate students with disabilities with others.

**Date/Time:** December 15, 6pm

**Duration:** 1:00

**Title:** Shop With A Cop

**Description:** Kids who thought they might not get anything under the tree got a special treat ahead of the holidays. 90 Kids got a \$100 shopping spree with local deputies and school resource officers. They got to load up their carts and form a relationship with deputies, too. The kids also got water ice, pizza, pasta and a visit from Santa.

**Date/Time:** December 22, 7pm

**Duration:** 1:00

**Title:** LCSO Gift Distribution

**Description:** For the first time since the start of the pandemic, Lee County Deputies were able to spread Christmas cheer to residents. Deputies brought presents, hot chocolate and cookies for residents at a senior facility to enjoy. Girl Scouts even stopped by to sing christmas carols and residents sang along.

**ABC NEWS PROGRAMS – Fourth Quarter, 2021**

**WORLD NEWS NOW**

*Monday thru Friday*

**2:30 - 4:00 AM**

Comprised of thirty-minute segments, ABC's WORLD NEWS NOW, with co-anchors Andrew Dymburt and Mona Kosar Abdi offers up-to-date news coverage including a mixture of live and taped coverage of domestic and international news issues.

**AMERICA THIS MORNING**

*Monday through Friday*

**4:00 - 4:30 AM**

Andrew Dymburt and Mona Kosar Abdi co-anchor this morning news program which provides viewers with late-breaking national and international news, sports, weather and financial reports. Featuring separate and distinct fifteen-minute segments, information about overnight events is constantly updated.

**GOOD MORNING AMERICA**

*Monday through Friday*

**7:00 - 9:00 AM**

George Stephanopoulos, Robin Roberts and Michael Strahan provide viewers with timely news reports, informative features, weather information, and up-to-the minute interviews with world leaders.

*Saturday*

**8:00-10:00AM**

*Sunday*

**8:00 – 9:00 AM**

ABC News Correspondents Eva Pilgrim and Whit Johnson will co-anchor providing viewers with timely reports, informative features, weather information, and up-to-the minute interviews with world leaders.

**GMA3: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW**

*Monday through Friday*

**1:00 – 2:00 PM**

A one-hour program co-anchored by Amy Robach and TJ Holmes, also featuring other ABC News Correspondents including Dr. Jennifer Ashton, to address the widespread issues caused by the global pandemic and a mix of news, takeaways and inspiration.

#### **THE VIEW**

*Monday through Friday*

**11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

A one-hour talk show hosted by Whoopi Goldberg, Joy Behar, Sunny Hostin, and Sara Haines features the hottest topics, headline-making conversations, politics, pop culture, celebrity guests and newsmakers, broadcast live from New York.

#### **ABC NEWS BRIEF**

*Monday through Friday*

**aprx. 2:58 - 3:00PM**

This two-minute news capsule updates important news events of the day.

**NOTE: As events warrant, ABC NEWS BRIEF may be expanded or re-scheduled, or an additional News Brief may be scheduled.**

#### **ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT WITH DAVID MUIR**

*Monday through Friday*

**6:30 - 7:00PM**

ABC News Anchor David Muir keeps viewers informed about world news events in this half-hour news review

#### **SUPERSTAR**

*Wednesday*

**10:00 – 11:00PM**

The series features rare footage and intimate details about the mavericks who shaped American culture including Whitney Houston, Kobe Bryant, Robin Williams and more. The series travels deep inside the lives of these icons and features interviews with friends and family who reveal the meteoric highs and the devastating costs of fame.

#### **20/20**

*Friday*

**9:01 - 11:00PM**

**Note: on occasion, 20/20 will air on another night**

Informational News magazine combines hard-hitting investigative reports, newsmaker interviews, compelling human interest and feature stories, and offers viewers a chance to learn more about the world around them. ABC News Correspondents David Muir and Amy Robach anchor 20/20.

#### **NIGHTLINE**

*Monday through Friday*  
12:37 - 1:06:30 AM

Ju Ju Chang and Byron Pitts co-anchor the program which provides in-depth discussion of current events.

**NOTE: As news events warrant, ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE may be expanded. Please refer to the NIGHTLINE section for exact program times.**

#### **WORLD NEWS TONIGHT SATURDAY**

**ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT WITH DAVID MUIR (Saturday)**

Whit Johnson, Anchor

*Saturday*  
6:00 - 6:30PM

#### **WORLD NEWS TONIGHT SUNDAY**

**ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT WITH DAVID MUIR (Sunday)**

Linsey Davis, Anchor

*Sunday*  
6:00 - 6:30PM

This half-hour news program reviews the day's major events from around the country and around the world on the weekend.

**NOTE: ABC Sports programs may necessitate the preemption or rescheduling of various news feeds.**

#### **THIS WEEK WITH GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS**

*Sunday*  
9:00 – 10:00AM

ABC News Correspondents George Stephanopoulos and Martha Raddatz co-anchor this news/interview program which focuses on the latest news events. World leaders and policy makers participate in roundtable discussions.

**NOTE: ABC Sports programs may necessitate the pre-emption or re-scheduling of various news feeds.**

## **ABC NEWS PROGRAMS – Fourth Quarter, 2021**

**20/20**

**Friday, October 1, 2021**

### **Fake Heiress**

**“20/20” reports on Anna Sorokin, known as the “Soho Grifter,” whose story fascinated the world as her cons deceiving New York’s elite unraveled. When Sorokin moved to New York City from Paris in 2013, she decided to be someone else entirely – Anna Delvey. The highest social circles accepted her, believing she was a German heiress worth millions until the facade came crashing down. “20/20” dives into Sorokin’s schemes, including how she pulled them off, her arrest and ultimate conviction of grand larceny and other charges. “20/20” contains ABC News senior national affairs correspondent Deborah Roberts’ interview with Sorokin following her release from prison.**

**Friday, October 8, 2021 – Season Premiere**

### **Chippendales Murder**

**“20/20” dives deep into the dark history of greed, paranoia and murder behind the rise of male exotic dance troupe Chippendales, which became an international cultural phenomenon in the 80s and 90s. Steve Banerjee found the success and fortune he always craved when he created Chippendales — but his ambition was insatiable. “20/20” documents the stories of how Banerjee conspired to eliminate those who he believed got in his way, reporting on his own demise.**

**Friday, October 15, 2021**

### **Two Murders**

**Following the murder of fourth-grade teacher Mickey Bryan 36 years ago – on Oct. 15, 1985 – fear and shock washed over Clifton, Texas, and local authorities soon arrested her husband, Joe Bryan. Four months earlier another crime rocked the small town: the murder of 17-year-old Judy Whitley, later linked to former Clifton police officer Dennis Dunlap. After Bryan spent more than three decades in prison for Mickey's murder, key expert testimony about forensic evidence used against him proved faulty. Those close to the case wondered – could the two homicides be linked and could Dunlap be Mickey’s killer, too? In a new two-hour program, “20/20” co-anchor Amy Robach, who’s been following this case for years, sits down with Bryan for his first broadcast TV interview.**

**Friday, October 22, 2021**

### **Jekyll and Hyde**

**Robert Bierenbaum seemed to have it all, but just like “Jekyll and Hyde,” he had a much darker side lurking underneath. He was violent and controlling abuser, and his wife, Gail Katz-Bierenbaum, confided in friends she was afraid of him. Although**

authorities suspected him in Katz-Bierenbaum's 1985 disappearance from their Upper East Side apartment, insufficient physical evidence allowed him to evade charges for fourteen years until prosecutors discovered a doctored flight log from the day Katz-Bierenbaum vanished, and his lies finally caught up with him. A new two-hour "20/20," with reporting by ABC News anchor John Quiñones.

#### Friday, October 29, 2021

##### **Gabby Petito Case**

**Gabby Petito and Brian Laundrie captured national attention when the two left for a cross-country adventure, but only Laundrie returned. The couple let others into their seemingly happy world via social media, but behind the cameras, a much darker story played out. Laundrie returned to his family's Florida residence, without his fiancé, and Petito's family demanded answers about her whereabouts. When Laundrie vanished, the attention intensified as internet sleuths who helped crack the case wide open investigated and theorized. A two-hour "20/20" reports on the horror that unfolded in the beauty of Wyoming's Grand Teton National Park and the details leading to the discovery of Laundrie's remains last week, and poses lingering questions about what's next.**

#### Friday, November 5, 2021

##### **False Confession**

**How did a bizarre confession derail the investigation into the first murder committed by Keith Hunter Jespersen, the notorious "Happy Face Killer," and allow him to remain on the loose, killing at least seven more women? A new two-hour "20/20" reports on how after authorities discovered the body of Taunja Bennett in the Columbia Gorge in 1990, 57-year-old Laverne Pavlinac confessed to the police that she took part in the crime. She provided convincing evidence that implicated her and her boyfriend, 39-year-old John Sosnovske, in the murder, and they were convicted and sentenced to life in prison. In a shocking twist, Pavlinac's confession turned out to be false in an attempt to escape what she described as an abusive relationship with Sosnovske. Juju Chang reports.**

#### Friday, November 12, 2021

##### **Wrongful Conviction**

**When a scream woke Julie Rea in the middle of the night, she realized her 10-year-old son Joel was missing from his bed. She encountered an intruder and struggled with him as he ran out of the house. When authorities arrived, she faced the unthinkable - Joel was dead and authorities began to focus on her, poking holes in her story about the home invasion. Rea ended up behind bars, convicted of Joel's murder.**

**When crime author Diane Fanning watched a 2002 “20/20” report on Rea, she soon uncovered information that cracked the case wide open and linked notorious serial killer Tommy Lynn Sells to Joel’s murder. A two-hour “20/20” reports on the case, the events of the tragic night, Rea’s wrongful conviction, and Sells’ startling confession about the crime.**

**Friday, November 19, 2021**

**Escape from a House of Horror - A Diane Sawyer Special Event**

**ABC News anchor Diane Sawyer has exclusive interviews with children from the Turpin family, who authorities found captive inside their California home under harrowing conditions - starvation, in chains, brutal violence - after one escaped and called 911. In the two-hour primetime event, viewers will hear from the daughter who made the emergency call that led to their rescue and her sister who previously attempted an escape — the first interviews from any of the 13 Turpin children.**

**Friday, November 26, 2021**

**Pursuit of Justice: Ahmaud Arbery**

**Over the past few weeks, the world watched the trial of Gregory McMichael, Travis McMichael and William “Roddie” Bryan for the killing of Ahmaud Arbery. The jury ultimately found the three defendants guilty in Arbery’s murder today. In a new two-hour “20/20,” Arbery’s family reflects on his life with his mother, Wanda Cooper Jones, discussing her dogged quest to find truth and justice after the tragedy that changed their lives forever. ABC News senior national affairs correspondent Deborah Roberts reports.**

**Friday, December 10, 2021**

**Deadly Shooting: Rust**

**In a two-hour special, 20/20 delves into the events ahead of the deadly shooting on the set of “RUST” and the pending investigations into what went wrong; and features the Baldwin interview with George Stephanopoulos and new interviews.**

**Friday, December 17, 2021**

**Deadly BOEING 737**

**ABC News correspondent Bob Woodruff and team traveled the world to investigate the deadly Boeing 737 MAX-8 airplane, grounded in 2019 following two tragic crashes that killed 346 passengers from around the world and cleared to fly again in 2020. “20/20” reports on the aircraft’s original controversial flight control software and how it mistakenly sent planes into deadly nosedives, as well as the status of the criminal investigation into Boeing and the criminal charges filed against one former employee. “20/20” investigates.**

**(OAD: 11/20/2020)**

## **SUPER STAR**

The new one-hour series features rare footage and intimate details about the mavericks who shaped American culture including Whitney Houston, Kobe Bryant, Robin Williams and more. The series travels deep inside the lives of these icons and features interviews with friends and family who reveal the meteoric highs and the devastating costs of fame.

### **Wednesday, October 20, 2021**

#### **Super Star: Robin Williams**

This episode will profile Robin Williams, one of the world's most beloved and inventive comedians. The new episode recounts his life through Williams' own voice, describing "the spark of madness" which defined his life. From his early days in the San Francisco Bay Area comedy scene to his meteoric rise on "Mork & Mindy," the one-hour special explores the experiences that made Williams into a one-of-a-kind talent and reveals what gave voice to the characters in his mind.

### **Wednesday, November 30, 2021**

#### **Super Star: George Michael**

This episode will chronicle the life and career of legendary pop star George Michael and paint a portrait of one of the most successful artists of all time, who sold over 100 million records worldwide. We see how he reinvented himself from a teenage heartthrob in Wham!, to a global superstar with his solo album "Faith," and later to groundbreaking artist boldly paving a path for future stars. is influential lawsuit against his record company.

## **ABC NEWS SPECIALS – Fourth Quarter, 2021**

### **Monday, October 18, 2021**

#### **The Real Queens of Hip-Hop: The Women Who Changed the Game – An ABC News Special**

This special takes an intimate look at the evolution and impact of women emcees and rappers, told by the trailblazing artists who helped create a musical and cultural empire. Featuring an all-female interview lineup, Salt of Salt-N-Pepa narrates the special, along with original spoken word performances by the legendary MC Lyte and an original score by WondaGurl. This one-hour program features new interviews from today's chart-toppers like City Girls, along with pioneers of the '70s like "mother of the mic" MC Sha-Rock and others.

### **Thursday, December 2, 2021**

#### **ABC News Special: Alec Baldwin Unscripted**

George Stephanopoulos has the first exclusive interview with actor Alec Baldwin, following the deadly shooting on the set of the film "Rust."

**Sunday, December 5, 2021**

**& Sunday, December 19, 2021 (Encore)**

**Something's Coming: West Side Story – A Special Edition of 20/20**

ABC News presents an event that steps inside the upcoming film "West Side Story," from director Steven Spielberg. The special features interviews with Spielberg, Rita Moreno and other members of the cast and crew; discussions with Puerto Rican actors, artists and journalists on the role this story has had on their lives and the importance of authenticity and representation in film. The special edition of "20/20" takes viewers into the world of "West Side Story" past and present as the iconic musical is adapted for the next generation.

**Monday, December 27, 2021**

**The Year 2021**

As 2021 comes to a close, this ABC News annual two-hour primetime special will highlight the biggest moments of a historic year. With the country still fighting COVID-19, a groundbreaking inauguration, the Capitol insurrection, and continued protests for racial justice, 2021 proved to be a year unlike any other in modern-day history. "Good Morning America" co-anchor Robin Roberts anchors.

**ABC NEWS SPECIAL REPORTS - Fourth Quarter, 2021**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>END</b>	<b>LENGTH</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>
<b>Thursday, September 9, 2021</b>	<b>5:00:18 PM</b>	<b>- 5:31:48 PM</b>	<b>0:31:30</b>	<b>President Biden's Remarks on Vaccination Requirements</b>
<b>Saturday, September 11, 2021</b>	<b>8:00:00 AM</b>	<b>- 1:00:03 PM</b>	<b>5:00:03</b>	<b>"ABC News 9/11 Twenty Years Later: America Remembers"</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 21, 2021</b>	<b>9:57:40 AM</b>	<b>- 10:40:48 AM</b>	<b>0:43:08</b>	<b>President Biden's Speech to the UN General Assembly</b>
<b>Thursday, September 23, 2021</b>	<b>4:17:44 PM</b>	<b>- 4:21:21 PM</b>	<b>0:03:37</b>	<b>Shooting at Kroger</b>
<b>Monday, October 18, 2021</b>	<b>8:08:48 AM</b>	<b>- 8:10:48 AM</b>	<b>0:02:00</b>	<b>Death of Colin Powell</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 27, 2021</b>	<b>12:00:18 PM</b>	<b>- 12:31:23 PM</b>	<b>0:31:05</b>	<b>"Rust" Movie Set Shooting Press Conference</b>
<b>Monday, November 1, 2021</b>	<b>10:55:06 AM</b>	<b>- 11:12:43 AM</b>	<b>0:17:37</b>	<b>President Biden's Remarks at COP26 Summit</b>

<b>Tuesday, November 2, 2021 (Broadcast Day - Actually early Wednesday, November 3, 2021 morning)</b>	<b>12:26:43 AM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12:28:22 AM</b>	<b>0:01:39</b>	<b>Results of the Virginia Gubernatorial Race</b>
<b>Friday, November 5, 2021</b>	<b>11:55:00 AM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2:00:14 PM</b>	<b>2:05:14</b>	<b>Former Secretary of State Colin Powell's Funeral Service</b>
<b>Saturday, November 6, 2021</b>	<b>9:58:23 AM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10:33:53 AM</b>	<b>0:35:30</b>	<b>President Biden's Remarks on the Passage of the Infrastructure Deal</b>
<b>Friday, November 19, 2021</b>	<b>1:10:00 PM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1:27:10 PM</b>	<b>0:17:10</b>	<b>Kyle Rittenhouse Verdict</b>
<b>Tuesday, November 23, 2021</b>	<b>2:21:05 PM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2:38:22 PM</b>	<b>0:17:17</b>	<b>President Biden's Remarks on Oil Reserves</b>
<b>Wednesday, November 24, 2021</b>	<b>1:32:22 PM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2:01:27 PM</b>	<b>0:29:05</b>	<b>Verdict in Ahmaud Arbery Trial</b>
<b>Monday, November 29, 2021</b>	<b>11:59:55 AM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12:22:31 PM</b>	<b>0:22:36</b>	<b>President Biden's Remarks on the Omicron Variant</b>
<b>Thursday, December 2, 2021</b>	<b>1:39:19 PM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2:13:02 PM</b>	<b>0:33:43</b>	<b>President Biden's Remarks on New COVID-19 Winter Plan</b>
<b>Friday, December 10, 2021</b>	<b>11:24:03 AM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11:51:17 AM</b>	<b>0:27:14</b>	<b>President Biden's Eulogy for Senator Bob Dole</b>
<b>Saturday, December 11, 2021</b>	<b>5:22:19 AM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5:24:16 AM</b>	<b>0:01:57</b>	<b>Kentucky Tornadoes</b>
<b>Saturday, December 11, 2021</b>	<b>9:35:18 AM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10:40:03 AM</b>	<b>1:04:45</b>	<b>Launch of Blue Origin into Space featuring Michael Strahan</b>
<b>Saturday, December 11, 2021</b>	<b>11:01:18 AM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11:46:48 AM</b>	<b>0:45:30</b>	<b>Kentucky Tornadoes</b>

<b>Tuesday, December 21, 2021</b>	<b>2:41:29 PM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3:19:27 PM</b>	<b>0:37:58</b>	<b>President Biden's Remarks About COVID-19/Omicron</b>
<b>Thursday, December 23, 2021</b>	<b>2:30:12 PM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2:43:17 PM</b>	<b>0:13:05</b>	<b>Verdict in the Kim Potter Trial</b>
<b>Friday, December 31, 2021</b>	<b>2:54:45 PM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2:58:15 PM</b>	<b>0:03:30</b>	<b>Death of Betty White</b>

**THIS WEEK – Fourth Quarter, 2021**

Sunday, October 3, 2021

Guests:

- Sen. Bernie Sanders  
(I) Vermont
- Dr. Anthony Fauci  
White House Chief Medical Adviser  
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director
- Rachael Bade  
Politico Playbook Co-Author

Topics:

- US Budget Plan
- Covid 19
- Biden's Agenda

Sunday, October 10, 2021

Guests:

- Janet Yellen  
**Secretary of the Treasury**  
***Exclusive***
- Nick Clegg  
**Facebook Vice President of Global Affairs**
- Julie Pace  
**Executive Editor of The Associated Press**
- Maggie Haberman  
**The New York Times Washington Correspondent**

Topics:

- Economy at Stake
- Action's Against Social Media: Facebook

Sunday, October 17, 2021

Guests:

- Dr. Anthony Fauci  
**White House Chief Medical Adviser**

**National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director**

- Diane Swonk

**Chief Economist and Managing Director, Grant Thornton LLP**

**Topics:**

- Covid 19: Boosters
- Supply Chain Gridlock

**Sunday, October 24, 2021**

**Guests:**

- Dr. Anthony Fauci

**White House Chief Medical Adviser**

**National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director**

- Bonnie Glaser

**Director, Asia Program, German Marshall Fund**

**Topics:**

- Covid 19: Pediatric Vaccines
- US Economic Agenda
- China

**Sunday, October 31, 2021**

**Guests:**

- Secretary Pete Buttigieg

**Transportation Secretary**

- Rep. Adam Kinzinger

**(R) Illinois**

- Donna Shalala

**(D) Former Florida Congresswoman**

**Former HHS Secretary**

- Laura Barrón-López

**POLITICO White House Correspondent**

**Topics:**

- Build Back Better Plan
- Politically Homeless
- G20 Summit

**Sunday, November 7, 2021**

**Guests:**

- Dr. Vivek Murthy

**U.S. Surgeon General**

- Robert Costa

**Co-Author, "Peril"**

**The Washington Post National Political Reporter**

**Topics:**

- Covid 19
- Infrastructure Bill

### **Sunday, November 14, 2021**

#### **Guests:**

- Brian Deese  
**White House National Economic Council Director**
- Sen. John Barrasso  
**(R) Wyoming**  
***Exclusive***

#### **Topics:**

- Inflation
- Build Back Better Bill

### **Sunday, November 21, 2021**

#### **Guests:**

- Dr. Anthony Fauci  
**White House Chief Medical Adviser**  
**National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director**
- Diane Swonk  
**Chief Economist and Managing Director, Grant Thornton LLP**
- Laura Barrón-López  
**POLITICO White House Correspondent**
- Jonathan Swan  
**Axios National Political Reporter**

#### **Topics:**

- Covid 19
- Middle America & Inflation

### **Sunday, November 28, 2021**

#### **Guests:**

- Dr. Anthony Fauci  
**White House Chief Medical Adviser**  
**National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director**
- Sen. Bill Cassidy, M.D.  
**(R) Louisiana**  
***Exclusive***
- Sen. Amy Klobuchar  
**(D) Minnesota**  
***Exclusive***
- Reihan Salam  
**Manhattan Institute President**

#### **Topics:**

- Covid 19: Omicron
- Economy & Inflation

### **Sunday, December 5, 2021**

#### **Guests:**

- Dr. Rochelle Walensky

**Centers for Disease Control Director**

***Exclusive***

- Gov. Jared Polis

**(D) Colorado**

***Exclusive***

- Vivian Salama

**Wall Street Journal National Security Reporter**

**Topics:**

- Covid 19: Omicron

**Sunday, December 12, 2021**

**Guests:**

- Dr. Anthony Fauci  
**White House Chief Medical Adviser**  
**National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director**
- William Taylor  
**Former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine**  
**VP, Strategic Stability & Security, U.S. Institute of Peace**
- Justin Amash  
**Former Michigan Congressman**
- Deanne Criswell  
FEMA Administrator
- Margaret Hoover  
**PBS' "Firing Line" Host**  
**CNN Contributor**

**Topics:**

- Covid 19
- Crisis Efforts: Tornadoes
- Ukraine's Border

**Sunday, December 19, 2021**

**Guests:**

- Dr. Anthony Fauci  
**White House Chief Medical Adviser**  
**National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director**
- Rep. Adam Kinzinger  
**(R) Illinois**
- Robert Costa  
**Co-Author, "Peril"**  
**The Washington Post National Political Reporter**
- Rachael Bade  
**Politico Playbook Co-Author**

**Topics:**

- Covid 19
- January 6<sup>th</sup>: Capitol Riots

## **Sunday, December 26, 2021**

### **Guests:**

- Dr. Anthony Fauci  
**White House Chief Medical Adviser**  
**National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director**
- Dr. Ashish Jha  
**Dean, Brown University School of Public Health**

### **Topics:**

- Covid 19

## **NIGHTLINE (M-F) – Fourth Quarter, 2021**

### **Friday, October 1, 2021**

- Anger in the Skies
- Asylum: Trek to Freedom
- Lil Nas X Covers Dolly Parton

### **Monday, October 4, 2021**

- Stephanie Grisham: Trump Insider Tells All
- The Daughter of Roe v Wade
- Bubba Wallace's Historic Win

### **Tuesday, October 5, 2021**

- Facebook Whistleblower
- Shannen Doherty
- Biggest Bear

### **Wednesday, October 6, 2021**

- Vaccine Mandate: Workers Quitting
- Thailand Eco-Rebound
- Soccer Support

### **Thursday, October 7, 2021**

- Inside the Search
- "Jacinta" – Breaking the Cycle
- Hometown Hero

### **Friday, October 8, 2021**

- Chippendales Murder

### **Monday, October 11, 2021**

- Selma Blair: Living with MS
- Squid Games: Riding the Korean Wave
- Trans Homecoming Queen

### **Tuesday, October 12, 2021**

- Gabby Petito – Cause of Death
- "Thoughts of a Colored Man"
- Canines in Costumes

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

- A Nightline Special Edition – The Appointment

Thursday, October 14, 2021

- Workers of America – Fighting Back
- Workers of America – Andrew Johnson
- Matt Damon & Ben Affleck
- Adele Returns

Friday, October 15, 2021

- 20/20 Special; The Principal's Wife
- Real Queens of Hip-Hop

Monday, October 18, 2021

- Remembering Colon Powell
- Colin Powell – Leah Wright Rigueur & Anita McBride
- Supply Chain in Crisis
- Colin Powell – Rules for Life

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

- Haiti – Brazen Kidnapping
- “Queens”
- Oldie Snub

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

- Manhunt – Brian Laundrie
- Paris Hilton – Youth Treatment Centers
- Def Leppard – Rick Allen

Thursday, October 21, 2021

- Breaking News – Alec Baldwin
- “Race Norming”
- “Dune”

Friday, October 22, 2021

- Do No Harm

Monday, October 25, 2021

- Fatal Shot: New Developments in the Film Set Tragedy
- Tik Tok Burnout: Influences on the Edge
- The Giving Boy

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

- Common Ground
- Dave Chappelle
- Big Tech Underfire

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

- Loaded Gun – Movie Set Shooting

- Drew Binsky – World Traveler
- Yosemite Falls – Roaring Back

Thursday, October 28, 2021

- A Nightline Special Edition - Oil & Water
  - Battle for Line 3

Friday, October 29, 2021

- Gabby Petito

Monday, November 1, 2021

- A Special Edition of Nightline: Children of Climate Change

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

- Youngkin Wins
- Virginia Decides
- Day of the Decade
- World Series Champs

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

- Explosive Allegations
- Climate Crisis
- Historic Firsts

Thursday, November 4, 2021

- The Informant
- “Passing”
- Diwali

Friday, November 5, 2021

- Ahmaud Arbery – A Mother’s Pain
- Amazon – Point of No Return
- Cokie “A Life Well Lived”

Monday, November 8, 2021

- Concert Catastrophe
- Scottie Pippen “Unguarded”
- Stand Up for Heroes

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

- Climate Desperation – Guatemala
- Astroworld - Inside the Horror
- Malala

Wednesday, November 10, 2021

- Taking the Stand
- ABC’s Climate Crisis – Great Barrier Reef
- CMA Awards

Thursday, November 11, 2021

- A Nightline Special Edition: Keepers of the Land

Friday, November 12, 2021

- Britney Freed: Conservatorship Ends
- Summer of Soul: The Loved Ones
- Niger: 3312 Un-redacted

Monday, November 15, 2021

- Tale of Two Trials
- Julia Child
- Newest Member of Sesame Street

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

- Clock Ticking: Death Row Controversy
- Lady Gaga and the House of Gucci
- Penguin Encounter

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

- Ahmaud Arbery Trial: The Shooter testifies
- Underwater Farms: Combating Climate Changes
- Frida Kahlo Record Price

Thursday, November 18, 2021

- Julius Jones Execution Reprieve
- Mississippi Water Woes: Crumbling Infrastructure
- Malcom X Murder Exoneration

Friday, November 19, 2021

- Not Guilty – Kyle Rittenhouse
- House of Horror
- Found Money

Monday, November 22, 2021

- Holiday Horror
- Fighting Extremism
- Quiet Champions

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

- Seeking Truth – Nikole Hannah-Jones
- Unite the Right – Civil Trial Update
- House of Gucci
- Soaring to Space

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

- A Nightline Special Edition – Justice for Ahmaud
  - A Mother's Pain

Thursday, November 25, 2021

- Breaking Barriers: Disabled Influencers

- Summer of Soul: The Loved Ones
- Real American Cuisine

Friday, November 26, 2021

- Escape from a House of Horrors

Monday, November 29, 2021

- New Variant
- Dr. JHA
- Virgil Abloh
- White House Christmas

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

- Breaking News: MI School Shooting
- Cuomo Tapes
- Mel Brooks
- Josephine Baker

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

- SCOTUS Abortion
- Dr. Oz
- Alex Baldwin teaser

Thursday, December 2, 2021

- Alec Baldwin Exclusive
- The First Wave
- Possum Porch Pirate

Friday, December 3, 2021 (1:07- aprx. 1:36:30 AM ET/12:07- aprx. 12:36:30AM CT)

- Breaking News: MI Parents Charged
- Elizabeth Holmes
- Westside Story

Monday, December 6, 2021

- WI Shooting Folo
- The Watts Rams
- Lions Honor Oxford Victims

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

- A Nightline Special Edition: The Enemy Inside

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

- Ukraine on the Brink
- Immersive Art
- Michael Strahan

Thursday, December 9, 2021

- Crime Wave
- Will Smith
- Bob Dole

Friday, December 10, 2021

- Rust Investigation

Monday, December 13, 2021 (aprx. 12:52 - 1:21:30 AM ET / aprx. 11:52 PM-12:21:30 AM CT)

- A Nightline Special Edition: Deadly Tornadoes
  - The Helpers
  - The Photos

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

- A Nightline Special Edition: Heartbreak & Hope
  - Tornado Aftermath
  - Sisters Give Back

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

- Kentucky – Biden Tour
- Police Shooting – Kim Potter
- Creative Daredevils
- Bell Hooks

Thursday, December 16, 2021

- Exclusive Interview: Lindsey Jackson - Vincent Jackson: CTE diagnosis
- Kentucky Tornadoes
- Kim Potter Trial

Friday, December 17, 2021

- Nikki Addimando: Fighting for Clemency
- Ben Affleck: The Good Father
- Tiger Comeback

Monday, December 20, 2021

- Money to Move
- The Matrix
- Presidential Puppy

Tuesday, December 21, 2021

- A Nightline Special Edition: Delivering Hope: Cierra's Story
- Final Thought

Wednesday, December 22, 2021

- Biden Exclusive
- Santa Shortage
- Tornado Families

Thursday, December 23, 2021

- Breaking News – Potter Guilty Verdict
- Curse of the Chippendales
- Def Leppard – Rick Allen
- Joan Didion Orbit

Friday, December 24, 2021

- Watts Rams
- Julia Child
- Whoopi's 'twas the night before Christmas reading

Monday, December 27, 2021

- Trucker Driver Case
- Nat Geo's The Rescue
- Desmond Tutu

Tuesday, December 28, 2021

- Angry Skies
- Bubba Wallace
- John Madden

Wednesday, December 29, 2021

- A Nightline Special Edition: Afghanistan After the Fall

Thursday, December 30, 2021

- Maxwell Guilty: Annie Farmer Speaks Out
- Money to Move
- Final Thought