

First Quarter 2009
3/31/09

**DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS PROVIDING
MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES**

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY	Monday through Friday	6:00-9:00am
WACH NEWS AT TEN	Monday through Friday	10:00-11:05 pm
WACH NEWS AT TEN		
WEEKEND EDITION	Saturday-Sunday	10:00-10:35 pm

All of the above programs are locally-produced news programs presenting a mix of news, weather, sports and issue-related feature stories and segments. Multi-part mini-documentary news series, usually dealing with one issue or a series of related issues, are aired during the 10 pm newscast. The duration of each program is usually two to three minutes, unless otherwise indicated.

FOX NEWS SUNDAY	Sundays	10:00-11:00 am
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This is a Fox News public affairs interview program featuring one or more guests being questioned about subjects in the news. Moderator Chris Wallace and other reporters conduct the interviews. Subjects addressed are generally national in scope.

AMERICA'S MOST WANTED	Saturdays	9:00-10:00 pm
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This network program features criminals wanted for various charges. The program has been responsible for capture of suspects wanted by the FBI, including the FBI's Most Wanted list.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS	Any Day	Any Time
Varying length announcements (:10, :15, :20, :30, and :60) that air throughout the station's broadcast day about issues of community interest.		

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

Public Safety and Crime

(including homeland security, crime rate, youth violence, gun control, increased presence of law enforcement, antiquated prison system, tougher sentencing, school safety, neighborhood crime watch)

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

1/23/09

A new era in law enforcement is now underway as local and state officers form a unique crime fighting partnership. Previous policy dictated SLED work separately from local law enforcement agencies on certain cases. Now they can all work together for more efficiency. Sheriffs call this a positive move.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY

1/29/09

Some local law enforcement agencies are teaming up to take crime out of schools. The Student Crimestoppers program allows young people to report a crime anonymously – and there is an incentive – students can also receive a cash reward for the information. Richland One Superintendent Dr. Percy Mack says this program will help make schools safer for children.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY

2/25/09

News from the Statehouse this morning – the House has given key approval to a bill that would allow lawyers access to their locked-up clients. The measure would require jail officials to let lawyers see their clients whenever they request it, unless there's a safety issue or jail lockdown.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY

2/25/09

A bill that aims to prevent children from being injured on all-terrain vehicles is up for discussion today in a House subcommittee. The bill bans children younger than eight from driving an ATV and limits the engine power for drivers between 8 and 16 years old. Governor Mark Sanford has repeatedly vetoed the safety legislation saying it infringes on private property rights.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/28/09

There are more than 70 apartment complexes in Richland County and deputies are hoping to improve the quality of life for people who live there and we want to help. WACH FOX 57 is teaming up with the Richland County Sheriff's Department to award the "Silver Star of Safety" to apartment communities that meet certain standards. John Lakin lives in the Broad Road area at the Lexington Station Apartments – that complex is February's recipient of the Silver Star of Safety. The complex made changes after the Sheriff's Department made suggestions to help improve safety. Lyree Brown is the complex's property manager – she says they recently changed lighting fixtures, trimmed bushes, and paved the parking lot.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/28/09

The State Law Enforcement Division is cracking down on gangs. Officials unveiled SCGANG-NET today. The new program tracks gangs and the crimes they commit across the state. A.V. Strong heads up Project Gang Out here in the Midlands. He says this new database will provide important information to law enforcement.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/1/09**

Bikers beware – in Myrtle Beach. Starting yesterday it's now mandatory for bikers to wear helmets. The new helmet requirement is just one of 15 laws now on the books to curb the May bike rallies. The city has led the effort since last to end the rallies because of loud noise, congestion, and unruly behavior. The city is defending its new law by saying it's for the good of the public.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/2/09**

Myrtle Beach: After a ruling this weekend it's now mandatory for bikers to wear helmets. The new helmet requirement is just one of the 15 laws now on the books to curb the May bike rallies. The city has led an effort since last year to end the rallies because of loud noise, congestion, and unruly behavior. The city is defending its new law by saying it's for the good of the public.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/4/09**

Lawmakers are considering bills that affect what you can and can't do in your car. The first, a measure that would allow drivers to store guns under the seat. State law already allows guns be stored in glove compartments, consoles, and trunks.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/4/09**

The Senate has given key approval to a bill that makes sex between students and teachers a felony. If passed, teachers who have sex with students 16 and older could be sent to prison for up to five years. While state law says 16-year-olds can consent to sex, the bill would make it illegal for school employees in supervisory roles to have sex with teenage students.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/4/09**

This is the Tornado Drill – Gilbert Elementary 4th graders practicing safety standards like evacuation and the "dick and cover". It's all part of Tuesday's statewide Tornado Drill. Tim Oswald is the school's Principal. The goal is make this trial run an easy-to-remember routine for Gilbert's 650 students – "It's a life threatening situation with a tornado, so it definitely can protect them and keep them safe".

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/4/09**

South Carolina is ranked in the top ten for domestic violence and 6th in the nation for women who are killed from the abuse. According to the South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault – nearly 40,000 cases of abuse were reported in 2002. Of those, more than 27,000 were by their ex-spouses or boyfriends.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/6/09**

Some Columbia police officers won't carry city cell phones and won't be able to take their patrol cars home as the city tries to make up for a projected 4 million dollar shortfall in it's general fund budget. City residents are concerned that the new changes will affect their safety. However, there is some good news – the Columbia Police Department will have nearly \$600,000 to buy new equipment for the force. The money comes from stimulus grants

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/13/09**

Senate President Pro Tem Glenn McConnell has introduced a bill that would take the control of Statehouse Police away from the Governor. McConnell wants a new Capitol Police Force created. The move came after months of bickering with Governor Sanford about Capitol Complex security.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/29/09**

Today's Praise-Fest kicks off the 2009 National Youth Violence Prevention Week. The campaign serves to open doors of communication between youth and adults in helping build individual and community awareness of youth violence. A Teen Forum will be held on Tuesday, March 31, at the Eau Claire Print Building and on Thursday, April 2, A "Truth and Consequences" Forum will be held at the same location.

Public service Announcements

The station aired Public Service Announcements that pertained to Public Safety and Crime issues. Announcements were in varying length (:10, :15, :20, :30, and :60); each PSA aired multiple times between January 1 and March 31, 2009:

PROGRAMS PROVIDING MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

Minority Issues

(including urban neighborhood revitalization, affordable education, minority representation in government, confederate flag, discrimination in the workplace, television coverage of African American community events, race relations)

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

1/16/09

Some local students are celebrating Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life tonight. USC's Black Law Students Association holding its annual Legal Symposium. The program features a panel discussion with former South Carolina Supreme Court Chief Justice Ernest Finney. The topic of tonight's event – "Where do we go from here?"

WACH FOX GOOD DAY

2/26/09

Our own Mike Woolfolk interviews South Carolina NAACP President Lonnie Randolph for his take on the recent cartoon in the New Post, which portrayed two police officers and a dead chimpanzee with the caption "They'll have to find someone else to write the next stimulus bill". Randolph says he finds it difficult to understand how any could think this cartoon is in anyway acceptable. He says "We should be a better community – we should be a better nation than that".

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/25/09

The Auntie Karen Foundation is gearing up for its annual "Legends Of..." concert. This year's event features two internationally known greats – George Duke and Rachelle Farrell, who will perform at the Kroger Center. The Auntie Karen Foundation is dedicated to promoting the arts and entrepreneurship among young people.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY

2/26/09

February is Black History Month and in celebration of the month we want to reflect on the many contributions African-Americans have made. This morning we honor Malcolm X. He proved as powerful after his death as alive, influencing disparate movements with his positions on black power and neo-colonialism, and transforming the consciousness of a generation of African-Americans.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/28/09

Haram-Bay is a Kenyan tradition of community self-help and fundraising events. The festival provided plenty for students and community. The event wraps up – the celebration of Black History Month at the school. From gospel concerts to health screenings they were all a part of the grand festival.

Public service Announcements

The station aired Public Service Announcements that pertained to Minority issues. Announcements were in varying length (:10, :15, :20, :30, and :60); each PSA aired multiple times between January 1 and March 31, 2009:

1/2-3/31 "Build A Dream" :10
Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial Project Fund – Fundraising

1/1-3/22 "Mailbox"
United Negro College Fund – Fundraising

:15

PROGRAMS PROVIDING MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

Education

(including literacy, and S.C. national placement, more internships for youth, parental involvement, need to clean up school curriculum, funding for various programs.)

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

1/09/09

Two furloughs for state workers and forcing retirees to pay more for their healthcare. The plan would cut 200 million dollars from education and delay text book purchases. It would also consolidate the administration for technical colleges. The governor is also proposing tax relief but at a price.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY

1/16/09

Public schools are still plagued as a result of budget cuts. Just announced Kershaw County Teachers and some other staffers will get a pay cut beginning this month. The across-the-board pay cut is affecting teacher's bus drivers and library assistants. Some administrators will be able to take days off. Officials estimate the measures will save the district about over one million dollars.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY

1/29/09

The student crime stoppers program allows young people to report crime anonymously. And there's an incentive students can also receive a cash reward for the information. Richland One Superintendent Doctor "Percy Mack" says this program will help make schools safer for children.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY

1/26/09

It's being called "the power of the pen". One simple letter put a South Carolina girl in the spotlight at the President's big speech to Congress on Tuesday night. Ti'Siohma Bethea sat with the first lady, as Obama quoted a letter she wrote to congress asking for more money from the stimulus package to save her crumbling school in SC.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY

1/26/09

The state's top teacher could come from right here in the Midlands this year. Dywanna Smith is a 7th grade English teacher at Hand Middle School in Richland School District One. Deborah Moore teaches first grade at Gallman Elementary in Newberry County. Both are up for the SC Teacher of the Year Award. The State Education Department will announce the winner in May

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/04/09

Two Midlands College presidents are coming together to talk about job opportunities in the Columbia. U.S.C. President Harris Pastides and Midlands Tech President Marshall "Sonny" White Junior met with local business leaders today. They discussed what kind of technologies students need to know about to get jobs in the future.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/3/09**

The economic slump has Columbia College officials looking for ways to save cash. President Caroline Whitson says several faculty and staff committees are meeting to revamp the College's direction. Whitson says the group is trying to come up with more efficient ways to do things – "We'll concerned we have to make some changes – it's also exciting – we're calling it the "revisioning process".

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**2/20/09**

A new report says school districts across the state are showing improvement. The Education Department released report cards for 2008 today. They show 84% of schools maintained or improved their ratings, while 16% went down. 12 school districts are rated "AT Risk" – that's down from 17 in 2007. State Superintendent Jim Rex says there's good with the bad – "We have traction and we are making improvements. We still need to do much more, especially for some of the communities and districts in this state that have high concentrations of poverty." One of the initiatives - Rex has taken to improve achievement in schools is creating the Palmetto Priority Schools Project. The Project singles out 16 schools in our state which have not met long-term student learning goals mandated in South Carolina's Education Accountability Act.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**2/27/09**

Some Midlands students might be eating a little green eggs and ham tonight. That's what South Carolina Enforcement Director Reggie Loyd challenged Lugoff elementary students to do – Loyd chose a Dr. Seuss favorite for National Reading Day. One volunteer says it's an honor to instill a love of reading in these first graders – "it's magical. Reading t the kids has been really interactive. They're really appreciative. They know the end so they read along with you, and it's just been the highlight of my day"

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/10/09**

Congratulations are in order this morning for two Midlands schools. Richland Two's Spring Valley high School and Lugoff-Elgin Middle School in Kershaw County were named Palmetto's Finest". Five schools across the state were selected from 16 finalist schools to take the top honors.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/12/09**

Today South Carolina's storied military college is celebrating a birthday! The Citadel turns 166 years old today! The anniversary of the Citadel is being marked by "Corps Day" involving four days of athletic events, concerts, parades, and speeches beginning this morning.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/12/09**

A famous Columbia native who has flown on several shuttle missions for NASA was back home yesterday giving back to the community. Major General Charles Bolden took time to speak with Carolina Springs Middle School students about education, staying positive, and reaching for high goals.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**2/20/09**

Victoria Rentschler is among more than 70 students from all across the country at Columbia International University for "College Preview Days". Victoria is from Ridgeway, Faith Noriega is from California – "I saw that CIU has a good Middle Eastern Studies major, and that's why I came here to visit." While 70 sounds small – this turnout is a record for Columbia International. Vice President Michael Blackwell says despite the tough economy, this is an opportunity for growth.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/12/09**

A South Carolina budget oversight panel is meeting today at the Statehouse to talk about cutting \$87 million dollars from the State's spending plan. In the move, public schools would lose \$37 million.

Public service Announcements

The station aired Public Service Announcements that pertained to Education issues. Announcements were in varying length (:10, :15, :20, :30, and :60); each PSA aired multiple times between January 1 and March 31, 2009:

1/3-3/29	"Woolfolk-RCPL"	:30
WACH-TV/Richland County Library – To promote reading		

1/24-1/25	"SC Student Loans"	:30
SC Student Loans – Loans for college students		

1/4-1/25	"David"	:30
Ad Council – High school dropout prevention		

1/3-3/22	"I'm Going 30"	:30
US Dept. of Education – Promote going to college		

PROGRAMS PROVIDING MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

Health Services and Medical Care

(Including affordable health care, parenting and family issues, teen drug use, teen pregnancy, child abuse, health care for elderly, funding for disaster relief, safety issues, and effects of budget cuts on mental health community.)

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY

1/30/09

The Department of Health and Environmental Control says it needs an extra 7.5 million dollars to clean up gasoline-polluted sites that threaten drinking water in South Carolina. Due to budget cuts DHEC has already seen 32 million dollars cut from its funds. Officials say it will be difficult to find more money for clean-ups.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY

1/30/09

The House approved an abortion bill yesterday. It would require that women wait at least 24 hours after an ultrasound before getting an abortion. Critics argue the bill creates a burden, especially for poor, rural women. Supporters say the 24 hour wait would give women time to reflect on a decision.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/25/09

Two local hospitals are working together to improve healthcare. Providence Hospital is supporting Lexington Medical Center's efforts to secure an open heart surgery program. With this, Lexington will drop its objections to a proposed expansion at Providence Northeast – something hospital President George Zara says is needed.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

3/2/09

The Hollings Cancer Center at the Medical University of South Carolina has been named one of the nation's top cancer research centers. The recognition is given by the federally funded National Cancer Institute. The Center will now get a seven million dollar grant which will be renewed every five years.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

3/2/09

An internationally known Claflin University biotechnologist has uncovered flaws in two drug tests used to identify marijuana use. Doctor Omar Bagasra says the test kits have an unacceptable high rate of giving false positives. Police across the US use these tests – Dr. Bagasra says it could clear people who are charged with drug offenses.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/20/09

Health officials say influenza is spreading across South Carolina. The Department of Health and Environmental Control says the flu is now widespread in the state, with the most cases along the coast. Officials say 40% of the cases reported this year have been resistant to Tamiflu, a popular antiviral drug. According to DHEC, your best protection is through a flu shot.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/12/09**

Now a new spin on children's' fitness – the "Fun Bus" rolled into South Carolina last year and has been putting smiles on children's' faces ever since. According to the National Survey of Children's Health, 15 to 20 percent of children are obese in South Carolina. Health experts recommend at least 150 minutes of physical activity each week for elementary age children and 225 minutes for older children. The "Fun Bus" brings the fun to you – the nationally owned franchise is equipped with age appropriate games, obstacles and more. Fun Bus driver and owner Kevin Johnson knows the importance of teaching children active lifestyle lessons while they're young – "The earlier they learn to incorporate just basic exercising principals in their lives, the more likely they're going to continue throughout their lives." The Fun Bus is for children 18 months to seven years old.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/23/09**

This year close to 200,000 women will find out they have breast cancer. While there is no cure or a guaranteed way to prevent it, there are things we can do to help stay healthy. A new USC study says exercise helps reduce the chance of getting the disease – and surviving it – and it doesn't take that much. Dr. Steven Blair says if you're physically active for two and hours per week – that's three 10 minute walks a day – your risk of dying from breast cancer lowers by 40 percent,

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/24/09**

It will soon be more expensive to smoke. On April 1 a federal cigarette tax hike goes into effect, adding 62 cents to the per pack price, and South Carolina lawmakers are once again trying to raise the State cigarette tax, from its current 7 cents per pack to 57 cents per pack. The money from this tax hike would help pay for health care.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/25/09**

Many South Carolina teenagers are calling on lawmakers to raise the State's "lowest in the nation" cigarette tax. Youth tobacco group Rage Against The Haze was at the Statehouse for Kick Butts Day. The group wants the House to pass a bill that would raise the tax to 57 cents per pack. Currently the State charges 7 cents per pack.

Public Service Announcements

The station aired Public Service Announcements that pertained to Health Care and Education, child health and teen drug abuse, child safety, and other miscellaneous topics. Announcements were in varying length (:10, :15, :20, :30, and :60); each PSA aired multiple times between January 1 and March 31, 2009:

1/1-3/29	Be a Player-15"	:15
Ad Council – Preventing childhood obesity		
1/18-3/8	"Coloring Book Pyramid"	:15
Ad Council – Proper diet for kids		
1/10	"Brandon"	:30
Ad Council – Underage drinking prevention		
1/1-3/9	"Emily"	:15
Ad Council – Underage drinking prevention		

1/3-3/8	"Facts 20"	:20
Every Child by Two – Kids needs vaccinations		
1/1-3/8	"Protect 30"	:30
Every Child by Two – Kids needs vaccinations		
1/1-3/29	"Protect 20"	:20
Every Child by Two – Kids needs vaccinations		
1/5-3/28	"Anyone Anywhere 60"	:60
National Meningitis Association – Vaccinations for preteens and teens		
1/25	"Bulls Eye 30"	:30
Ad Council – Stroke Awareness		
1/2-3/30	"Do Everything Together"	:20
PFDFA – Preventing drug abuse		
1/1-3/22	"Promise"	:20
PFDFA – Preventing drug abuse		
1/1-1/25	"Faces Of Influenza 60"	:60
American Lung Association – Influenza prevention		
1/21	"Faces Of Influenza 30"	:30
American Lung Association – Influenza prevention		
1/4-1/21	"Faces Of Influenza 15"	:15
American Lung Association – Influenza prevention		
1/31-3/8	"Families: Missing Pieces"	:60
Interactive Autism Network – Treatment of autism		
1/1-3/28	"Goals-10"	:10
Leukemia & Lymphoma Association – Fundraising		
1/5-3/22	"Save A Life 60"	:60
Narconon Arrowhead – Prevent alcohol and drug abuse		
1/1-3/8	"Save A Life 30"	:30
Narconon Arrowhead – Prevent alcohol and drug abuse		
1/31	"Candles"	:30
Jeffrey Modell Foundation – Primary Immune Deficiency		
1/5-3/9	"Timing is Everything"	:60
SCCPTP – Preventing teen pregnancies		
1/1-3/8	"Give Kids a Smile 15"	:15
American Dental Association – Proper dental care		

1/4-1/25	"Give Kids a Smile 30"	:30
American Dental Association – Proper dental care		
3/22	"Give Kids a Smile 60"	:60
American Dental Association – Proper dental care		
3/5-3/27	"Heart Walk"	:60
American Heart Association – Heart Walk 3/28		
1/5	"Family Emergency Kit"	:30
Ad Council – Emergency preparedness		
3/21-3/31	"NAMI Walks 15"	:15
NAMI Walks – Walk on 4/25		
3/21-3/31	"NAMI Walks 30"	:30
NAMI Walks – Walk on 4/25		
1/4-/25	"Pinocchio 15"	:15
Ad Council – Nutrition education		
1/3-3/22	"Pinocchio 30"	:30
Ad Council – Nutrition education		
1/25	"We Are One"	:30
WACH-TV – Breast cancer walk		

PROGRAMS PROVIDING MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

Civic Responsibilities

(including need for volunteerism, lack of trust in elected officials, need for recreational facilities for families, safer streets and highways, increased pride in the community, littering, Homelessness, welfare reform, role modeling for youth, church involvement in charities, accountability for charities,)

WACH FOX GOOD DAY

1/15/09

As a South Carolina non-profit organization was awarded a 383,000 dollar grant on Wednesday to develop programs to help seniors become more technologically proficient "Central Carolina Community Foundation" which serves 11 counties will use the money to train students from Benedict College and USC to serve as technology teachers for seniors.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY

1/15/09

South Carolina taxpayers will be able to get new details about State spending just by surfing the internet. Lt. Gov. Andre Bauer says the new service will let everyone with access to the web see details down to individual transactions.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

1/23/09

Richland County Council members say they now have a plan to save the struggling Midlands Regional Transit Authority. The county had been funding the system with a road maintenance fee residents paid with their car taxes but council allowed it to lapse last year. But they are now bringing it back. Councilman Paul Livingston says the new fee is \$10.00 per vehicle and \$15.00 per commercial vehicle and to give Richland County residents a little break council is lowering the restaurant hospitality tax by one-percent.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/25/09

This week is National Future Farmers of America Week in South Carolina, and with that, comes the observance of the State Legislators Appreciation Day ceremony on the steps of the State House. Today over 1,000 national FFA members from across the state met to recognize and thank their legislators.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

2/25/09

Some State lawmakers are outraged tonight after learning local governments need to make more budget cuts – in all, another 122 million dollars need to be slashed. Now legislators are trying to figure out how to recover from this shortfall. Representative Anton Gunn says "It's going to hurt things like trash pickup, police officers, being able to go to your parks and recreation – those are vital things in your community." Richland Councilman Greg Pierce says his areas double digit deficit will only get worse without cuts – "We could potentially see less Sheriff Deputies, more response time for ambulances."

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/4/09**

Lawmakers continue to debate whether Governor Mark Sanford should control two agencies he says have been mismanaged. Lawmakers are discussing a couple of bills that would move the Employment Security Commission and Department of Disabilities and Special Needs. Sanford asked four of seven Disabilities Board members to resign and Friday the agency's Executive Director quit. Governor Sanford has also been battling the Employment Security Commission for months, calling commissioners grossly negligent.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/4/09**

Hundreds of disability advocates rally at the Statehouse this morning – they're protesting more than 85 million in budget cuts over the last six months. The cuts are eliminating a small Sumter program that's a big deal to the community – it's a summer camp for young camp with disabilities. Advocates say Camp Burnt Gin is too important to lose. Charles Hall has spent his life in a wheelchair. He says he didn't know another person like him until he went to Camp Burnt Gin a place where kids are free from their disabilities. "C-B-G" is the only place where disabled children can camp in South Carolina.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**1/15/09**

Congressman James Clyburn says he wants to help troubled homeowners. Clyburn is encouraging homeowners to begin pre-registering for the "Save The Dream" tour. The purpose of the event is to assist those struggling and to help them pay their mortgage. Clyburn has teamed up with the Neighborhood Assistance Corporation of America for this event. The tour is scheduled for March 13th through the 15th at the Carolina Coliseum.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/9/09**

A South Carolina legislative leader has introduced a bill allowing social gambling and gambling-themed fundraisers. He says it's none of the government's business if a group of friends wants to gather at someone's kitchen table and play cards. Read literally, a 207-year-old law banning "any game with cards or dice" would include popular board games such as Monopoly and Sorry, or Bunko, a dice game popular among women. Senate President Pro Tem Glenn McConnell says the state's centuries-old antigambling laws sorely need a common sense overhaul. But even with the backing of the powerful Judiciary Committee chairman, the bill faces tough odds in the Legislature. Sen. Wes Hayes said that while he understands McConnell's intent and agrees some antigambling laws are outdated, he fears the unintended consequences such as those that led to video poker's rise. He says he'd rather have antiquated laws than allow any inroads for gambling proponents.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/17/09**

A Midlands town is cleaning up the community in a big way. The Batesburg-Leesville Police Department has a grant to enforce litter control and officers aren't just getting rid of trash – they're also cleaning up crime. Chief Wallace Oswald is cracking down on abandoned homes. He and other officers are making sure dilapidated homes are torn down or renovated. Not everybody feels that this is a step in the right direction. The Chief admits there are some critics who think asking struggling homeowners to pay for demolition or renovations fees is too much.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/17/09**

A packed House crammed into a conference room waiting to tell lawmakers how they feel about a bill that would force the state to stop creating or expanding landfills. Many argue landfills are environmentally friendly and add - they bring millions of dollars every year for struggling counties. Other disagree saying constant growing garbage mounds are a source of foul odor and since the state motto is "Smiling Faces", South Carolina shouldn't be the nation's dumping ground. Waste Management spokesman Trandall Essick says their facilities are regional operations – meaning they only bring in trash from a 70 mile radius.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**3/25/09**

Lexington County's 1300 employees may soon have new standards when it comes to "dressing for success". The County Council is looking at putting employees under appearance guidelines to ensure a professional work environment. This comes after complaints about attire becoming too casual.

Public Service Announcements

The station aired Public Service Announcements that pertained to Civic Responsibilities, including need for volunteerism, community pride, combating littering, and other miscellaneous topics. Announcements were varying in length (:10, :15, :20, :30, and :60); each PSA aired multiple times between January 1 and March 31, 2008:

1/1-1/24	"Reflection of Honor 15"	:15
Army National Guard - Recruitment		
1/31	"Reflection of Honor 30"	:30
Army National Guard - Recruitment		
1/3-3/29	"Pause.com"	:30
WACH-TV – Remind viewers to think carefully before acting		
1/5	"Be Worthy of Trust"	:60
Way to Happiness International – Be trustworthy		
1/1-1/5	"Love & Help Children"	:60
Way to Happiness International – Be trustworthy		
1/4-3/7	"For Country"	:60
US Marine Corps – Recruiting		
1/5-3/28	"Pride Of The Nation"	:60
US Marine Corps – Recruiting		
1/2-3/21	"Not If We Can Help It"	:30
National Foundation for Financial Education – Help public with financial planning		
1/17-3/29	"Be The Change 10"	:10
Americorps – Helping others		

1/1-3/29 Americorps – Helping others	“Be The Change 15”	:15
1/1-3/29 Americorps – Helping others	“Changing Lives 10”	:10
1/1-3/30 Americorps – Helping others	“Changing Lives 15”	:15
1/25 US Air Force – Recruiting	“Choices”	:30
1/1-3/22 Ad Council – Recycling/ecology	“Helping out”	:30
2/2-3/29 SCBA/NCSA/PFST – Robotic Competition	“Palmetto Robotics 15”	:15
2/1-3/30 SCBA/NCSA/PFST – Robotic Competition	“Palmetto Robotics 30”	:30
1/27-3/28 SCBA/NCSA/PFST – Robotic Competition	“Palmetto Robotics 60”	:60
3/21-3/22 SC Dept. of Natural Resources – Show running thru 3/29	“Palmetto Sportsmans Classic’	:30
3/22 Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive – Postal carriers food pickup	“Stamp Out Hunger”	:30
3/7-3/8 IRS – E-Filing Tax Returns	“Life Is Frustrating 30”	:30
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3/8-3/22 IRS - -Earned Income Tax Credits	“Groceries”	:30
3/22 IRS – Do return with Free File	“IRS Free File”	:30
1/11-3/7 Columbia Action Council – Kids Day 4/3-4/4	“Kids Day 2009”	:15
3/21-3/31 City Year – City Year	“Anthem”	:60
3/28-3/29 City Year – City Year	“I Am Change”	:30

1/3-3/28	"College Bowl Sunday	:30
SCBA/NCSA/College Bowl Sunday – Scholastic competition		
3/21-3/29	"Bark In The Park"	:30
Bark In The Park – Dog adoption show 4/18		
1/5	"SC Special Olympics"	:30
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1/3-1/25	"Bill Nye"	:30
Exploravision – Science competition		

PROGRAMS PROVIDING MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

Business and Economic Development

(including need for high tech companies in the state, poor labor market for economic development)

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

1/06/09

A new state law gives you more control over your credit. "The financial identity fraud and identity theft protection act" allows you to freeze and thaw your credit report at no charge. This helps folks protect themselves from identity theft or receiving more credit than they can financially handle

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN

1/07/09

With unemployment growing and jobless benefits shrinking South Carolina Employment Security Commission Officials are considering a trip to Virginia to see how that state operates its system. The agency and Governor Sanford have been feuding for months over money. Sanford does not think the commission correctly determines the unemployment rate. He wants detailed reports on people filing claims

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WACH FOX GOOD DAY**1/15/09**

As a South Carolina non-profit organization was awarded a 383,000 dollar grant on Wednesday to develop programs to help seniors become more technologically proficient "Central Carolina Community Foundation" which serves 11 counties will use the money to train students from Benedict College and USC to serve as technology teachers for seniors.

WACH FOX GOOD DAY**1/16/09**

The State Parks Recreation and Tourism Department will layoff 17 workers and others will have to take three days off without pay. The department is already closing some welcome centers on Tuesday and Thursdays due to budget cuts.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**1/22/09**

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WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**01/23/09**

Richland County Council members struggling to save the Midlands Regional Transit Authority. The county had been funding the system with a road maintenance fee residents paid with their car taxes but council allowed it to lapse last year. Councilman Paul Livingston says the new fee is \$10.00 per vehicle and \$15.00 per commercial vehicle and to give Richland County residents a little break council is lowering the restaurant hospitality tax by one-percent.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**01/27/09**

A new report shows tough economic times means fewer teacher vacancies here in South Carolina. The report conducted by "South Carolina's Teacher Recruitment Center" shows teacher vacancies are down substantially this year as the recession has caused districts to cut positions.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**01/29/09**

South Carolina could get billions from the stimulus plan as the package included over 900 million dollars for our state budget. A large amount of that money will help repair highways and bridges here in the Palmetto State as well as modernize schools.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**01/29/09**

The Employment Security Commission has asked for federal loans to keep printing benefits checks. Governor Sanford has been battling the agency for months just last week calling Commissioners grossly negligent.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**01/30/09**

There is some good economic news to report. A new plant will create 40 jobs in Orangeburg County. Triumph tube incorporated will invest three-and-a million dollars in the facility. The company manufactures aluminum tubes.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**2/11/09**

The lawmaker working to overhaul The Employment Security Commission says this plan will help unemployed workers find jobs. Senator Greg Ryberg says lawmakers need to act fast on his bill. The proposal would make the commission part of Governor Sanford's Cabinet. Recently the Governor has criticized the agency saying its commissioners have mismanaged the state's unemployment numbers.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/3/09**

A South Carolina newspaper has announced it will eliminate 20 positions and reduce pay and work hours for its remaining staffers. The "Sun News" of Myrtle Beach announced on Monday that the cuts will take place on May 4. Officials for the Sun News say the lay-off and pay cuts are due to economic pressures and revenue declines.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**2/27/09**

Some good economic news tonight. An upstate company is hiring. Sterling Contract Packaging in Spartanburg is looking to fill 50 positions. The company makes a variety of products including humidifiers, heaters and fans. The new facility is expected to open in April and be at full capacity later this year.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**2/28/09**

The economic crisis continues to hit hard in Gaffney as a local factory prepares to trim its staff. Officials at the Timken Company say they are forced to lay off 60 of its 800 full-time workers. As of December Cherokee County's unemployment stands at 13.2 percent, well over the state's rate of 9.5 percent.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/4/09**

As the state unemployment rate continues to rise Columbia officials hope an online job training program will help get people back to work. An educational foundation has donated 100 information technology scholarships to the Fast Forward Creating Futures Program which helps people develop core technology skills needed by companies. Columbia Mayor Bob Coble says "We must all work together to prepare people for the changing market."

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**2/20/09**

City leaders hope the new Canalside project boosts the local economy. They unveiled the new Three Rivers Greenway Esplanade this morning. It's a 1,000 foot public walkway. City Councilman E.W. Cromartie says Canalside will do a lot for the community – "This is wonderful for the city of Columbia. It will be able to result in jobs, because the remaining portion of it includes the process of building condominiums at the top and retailers at the bottom and a green space for our community."

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/8/09**

One South Carolina lawmaker says the law needs to change with the times. Senate President Pro Tem Glenn McConnell says the State's century-old anti-gambling laws need a common-sense overhaul. He has introduced a bill allowing social gambling and gambling-themed fundraisers. Currently a 207-year-old law bans "any game with cards or dice". This includes board games like Monopoly or the game Sorry. Senator Wes Hayes has a slightly different opinion. He says he agrees some of the anti-gambling laws are outdated but he fears some people might abuse a new gambling bill.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/10/09**

South Carolina's vacation rental market is feeling the pinch this morning. The State newspaper reports that 10-25% percent discounts are listed on some Hilton head and Folly Beach properties, and callers still want to negotiate lower rates. The market's not much better concerning property for sale. With foreclosures on the rise and home sales going down, real estate agents on the Grand Strand are hoping bus tours will spike interest. The tour includes beach homes valued from \$280,000 to more than two and a half million.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/10/09**

Declining revenue and the recession are forcing the State newspaper's parent company – McClatchy – to eliminate 1600 hundred positions. That amounts to 15% of its work force. No word on how many positions the State might lose. McClatchy will also lower salaries company-wide.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/9/09**

South Carolina is positioning itself as a leader in the developing wind energy landscape, or in this case, seascape. Santee Cooper and Coastal Carolina University will launch several weather buoys to measure wind speeds off the Georgetown and Little River coasts. No power company is American currently produces offshore wind energy and Santee Cooper is the only public utility working to prove its viability.

FOX NEWS SUNDAY**3/9/09**

Host Chris Wallace interviews new Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Virginia Governor Tim Kaine.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/12/09**

Governor Mark Sanford wants people to know that the state's enlarged labor force is partly to blame for its sky-high unemployment rate. Sanford says that people moving to work here contributed to South Carolina's second-in-the-nation jobless rates for January. However, the governor has said in the past that bringing in workers from elsewhere will make the state more prosperous.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/13/09**

Lawmakers continue to discuss a bill that would greatly restrict the Payday Lending Industry. The measure would require a seven-day "cooling off" period for consumers between loans. It would also restrict loads to \$600 or 25% of a person's income. Opponents call the proposed restrictions "arbitrary" and say they would put payday lenders out of business.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/13/09**

Some good economic news to report tonight. The parent company of the National Bank of South Carolina is consolidating its call center operations to Sumter County. Synovus Financial Group officials say the move will create 100 new jobs.

WACH FOX NEWS AT TEN**3/23/09**

FEDEX Ground is building a new facility in York County and you know what that means – they're hiring! The company is looking to fill 22 full-time positions, 84 part-time, and 99 independent contractor opportunities. The distribution center will be located at the Lakemont Business Park.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/24/09**

South Carolina based grocery chain Bi-Lo has filed for bankruptcy protection. During today's credit crunch the company has struggled to refinance its loans so it's filing for Chapter 11. The chain's 215 stores will remain open and it will be business as usual for customers. Bi-Lo is based in Mauldin. The chain also operates stores in Georgia, Tennessee and North Carolina.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/25/09**

While many companies are downsizing or going away altogether in these lean times, Lexington County's Sun Printing keeps pulling in business. This West Columbia company is looking to grow - hoping to add a second shift and more than 20 new jobs by the end of the year. They may have to do a special job for Lexington County. In a state seeing its highest unemployment numbers in 25 years, this community has South Carolina's lowest jobless rate at 7.5 percent. Sun Printing has a good blend of business from businesses, government, and education – a blend this company recognized when it set up shop more than 25 years ago and hopes to continue as a successful model for another quarter century.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/25/09**

Hundreds of women are expected at an annual luncheon that recognizes South Carolina's elected females. The public event will honor South Carolina's former First Ladies, with hopes to inspire more women to run for public offices. Our state ranks last nationwide in the percentage of female legislators.

WACH FOX NEWS GOOD DAY**3/25/09**

A national conference on hydrogen technology opens today and is expected to bring about 1,000 researchers and entrepreneurs to Columbia. The state's first hydrogen fueling station will also open today in Columbia. South Carolina House Speaker Bobby Harrell says the hydrogen fueling station could represent the gas stations of tomorrow.

Public Service Announcements The station aired Public Service Announcements that pertained to business and economic development. Announcements were varying in length (:10, :15, :20, :30, and :60); each PSA aired multiple times between January 1 and March 31, 2009: