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July 1, 2017	Camp Shriver needs volunteers	<p><u>Host:</u> Virginia Beehn <u>Guest:</u> Linsey Harris Smith, Area Director and Foundation Relations, Special Olympics Florida – Miami-Dade, Miami, FL www.specialolympicsmiamidade.org <u>Description:</u> Camp Shriver is a free 6-week day camp for the athletes of Special Olympics. Because of their disabilities, each camper needs a one-on-one assistant or a two-on-one team in some cases to assure their safety at the camp. Camp volunteers are needed for the second session which runs July 19-23, 2017. There is also a year-round unified golf program in need of coaches.</p>
July 15, 2017	A Women Build home is built with only women volunteers	<p><u>Host:</u> Virginia Beehn <u>Guest:</u> Mario Artecona, CEO, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami, Miami, FL www.miamihabitat.org <u>Description:</u> Each year at least one home is built for a qualifying single woman with children and all the building is done by only women volunteers. The second annual Hard Hats & High Heels reception was held in June to raise funds for this Women Build home. Other homes have both men and women volunteers. Both new and used donated household building supplies, appliances, furniture, and more can be purchased at the ReStore. Think of the ReStore as a thrift store for your home.</p>
August 5, 2017	BBB discusses Back to School Scams	<p><u>Host:</u> Virginia Beehn <u>Guest:</u> Michelle Mason, Senior VP, Better Business Bureau (BBB) of SE Florida & the Caribbean, West Palm Beach, FL www.bbb.org <u>Description:</u> To avoid college financial aid scams, the BBB suggests you 1) Beware of scholarships that charge an application fee, even a minimal one. 2) Avoid scholarship services that claim you are guaranteed to receive money. 3) Be wary of letters or phone calls stating you are a finalist for a scholarship for which you never applied. 4) Be careful not to send out personal or banking information or write a check to unfamiliar businesses. 5) Only work with lenders or banks with which you are familiar. 6) Avoid services that claim every student is eligible to receive the scholarship. 7) Plan ahead for big purchases like a refrigerator. Make a list to stay on track.</p>

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August 19, 2017	Now is the best time to adopt a rescue pet	<u>Host:</u> Virginia Beehn <u>Guest:</u> Laurie Hoffman, Executive Director, Humane Society of Greater Miami, No. Miami Beach, FL www.humanesocietymiami.org <u>Description:</u> This weekend is National Clear the Shelter Adoption Event. The goal is to find forever homes for the many dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens in rescue shelters. The animals are spayed or neutered, microchipped, and their shots updated. Bring the whole family and current pets to choose a new furry friend.
Sept. 2, 2017	Special Olympics - Fall Classic and Awards Dinner supports athletes	<u>Host:</u> Virginia Beehn <u>Guest:</u> Linsey Harris-Smith, Area Director & Foundation Relations, Special Olympics Florida – Miami Dade, Miami, FL www.specialolympicsflorida.org/miami-dade <u>Description:</u> Special Olympics Miami-Dade is one of the largest 50 programs in the USA providing sports training and competitions for those with intellectual disabilities, with 6800 athletes and over 400 volunteer coaches. This was the 11 th year at Camp Shriver, a day camp for their athletes with swimming, kayaking, sailing, and more. November 10 and 11, 2017, is the State Fall Classic. There are many opportunities for volunteers. An Awards Dinner for athletes and volunteers will be held September 23, 2017.
Sept. 16, 2017	*	<i>*Community Issues did not air as regularly scheduled; station off the air due to Hurricane Irma.</i>

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July 1, 2017	<p>Lack of support for children with arthritis.</p> <p>(15-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Dr. Tom Pressly, Board-certified Rheumatologist and Co-founder of Children and Arthritis (Shreveport, LA)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> About 300,000 children suffer from a rheumatic disorder such as juvenile arthritis. Arthritis causes joint pain, swelling, and stiffness. As the most common type of arthritis in youths 16 and under, juvenile arthritis can stunt growth and cause inflammation of the eyes and debilitating pain. Thanks to advances in medicine, however, children with arthritis can live long, active lives if treatment is rendered early. Growth does not need to be affected and children can participate in sports and other physical activities. Support for children suffering from arthritis is limited, so Dr. Pressly and his wife created their nonprofit, Children and Arthritis, to help children and families dealing with this condition. Their Jambalaya Jubilee camp takes place in July each year and allows youths with arthritis to enjoy the outdoors, have fun, and bond with other kids afflicted with arthritis. Parents also attend to get support, learn about treatment, and share their experiences. For more information, go online to childrenandarthritis.org.</p>
July 8, 2017	<p>Helping children and families of the incarcerated.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Wings For Life International (Albuquerque, NM) Ann Edenfield Sweet, Founder and Executive Director</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Wing for Life International is a Christian ministry that serves incarcerated men and women and their families. They educate them on the prison system, provide parenting tips, marriage counseling, job preparation, and a host of other things to help these individuals improve their lives. Children are taught social skills and etiquette and are able to visit their parent in prison. During these visits, they bond while learning Bible stories and doing fun activities that teach them God's Word. The ministry shows the love of Christ in the hopes that the individuals will connect with a local church for spiritual growth. Ann founded Wings for Life through the help of Prison Fellowship after she was ostracized by her church when her ex-husband was convicted of smuggling drugs as an airline pilot. Her perfect life unraveled as she lost her home, faced mounting debt, and struggled to care for her four young children. She was able to rebuild her life after a pastor offered her a job. To learn more, go to wingsforlifeinternational.org.</p>

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July 15, 2017	<p>Children need to learn family values and develop health social and emotional skills at an early age.</p> <p>(15-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Danielle Lindner, children’s book author and founder of The London Day School (Newark, NJ)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Danielle created the London Day School after being dissatisfied with the education her young kids were getting in daycare and preschool. The facilities were nurturing and safe, but lacked academic enrichment to expand young, growing minds. The London Day School exposes toddlers and preschoolers to activities that teach them science, language, art, and math. Children also learn to communicate, to share, to socialize, and to deal with conflict. Young children are naturally curious about all things, so it’s important to expose them to things. Parents also must spend time with their kids to impart values, beliefs, and bonding. Being a parent isn’t easy and they need to find smart ways of avoiding conflict with their kids. For instance, a toddler who insists on picking out his/her own clothes can be given a choice of three mom-approved outfits to wear. For more tips, kids activities or to learn more about the London Day School, go to daniellelindner.com.</p>
June 22, 2017	<p>Some families have difficulty accessing services for children with autism.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Nancy Alspaugh-Jackson, Executive Director of ACT Today! (Autism Care and Treatment Today!) (Woodland Hills, CA)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> As a toddler, Nancy’s son was behaving in ways that concerned her. It took years before he was diagnosed with autism. As she researched resources and worked on getting him the services he needed, she realized the struggles some families face as they seek help for their children because they may not have the finances or connections that she did as an award-winning Hollywood producer. When asked to lead ACT Today!, Nancy accepted the position. ACT Today! is a national nonprofit that educates and supports individuals and families facing autism. Autism causes various levels of developmental setbacks in children, including social and communication difficulties, repetitive behaviors, being overly focused on an object or task, or having difficulty empathizing with others. Getting early treatment prior to 5 years of age is ideal in preventing the symptoms from getting worse. The nonprofit also provides grants and iPads to help children communicate. For more information, call Public Line 877-9ACT-TODAY (877-922-8863) or go to act-today.org. The contact email is Info@act-today.org.</p>

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June 29, 2017	<p>Affordable alternative to health insurance needed to comply with federal law.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Anthony Hopp, Vice-President for External Relations at Samaritan Ministries (Peoria, IL)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Samaritan Ministries is a Christian ministry offering health coverage (not insurance) through a nontraditional approach known as healthcare sharing. The healthcare sharing concept is taken from Galatians 6:2 - “Bear one another’s burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ.” In this model, members pay a flat monthly fee or share, which goes directly to another member to cover his/her medical bills. Once a medical bill reaches \$300, a member is able to “share” this cost to allow the other 200,000+ members to help cover the expense. Healthcare sharing has been around for many years and has proven to be a very effective alternative to health insurance. Being a Christian ministry, Samaritan Ministries’ membership requirements are more spiritually-based than other healthcare sharing ministries. Samaritan Ministries members also meet the Affordable Care Act’s insurance requirement. For more information, call Public Line (877) 764-2426 or go to samaritanministries.org.</p>
August 5, 2017	<p>Providing free books to communities that lack the means for them.</p> <p>(15-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> David Mazor, Founder and Executive Director of Reader to Reader (Amherst, MA)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Many schools and communities across the nation are fortunate to have libraries well-stocked with books, but some communities are too poor to provide books to the community. In 2002, David Mazor founded Reader to Reader with the goal of providing books to the nation's most chronically under-served and most vulnerable communities, including inner city schools, poverty-stricken Native American reservations, and remote rural towns. Reader to Reader delivers books, school supplies, and computers for free to schools, libraries, and communities across the nation that lack these essential learning tools. Since the nonprofit was created, they have collected and donated more than \$50 million worth of books and computers. They also have a literacy program that is helping students love reading and books. Books are donated by private and corporate donors. To learn more, go to their website, readertoreader.org.</p>

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August 12, 2017	<p>Support for those facing a condition described as the most excruciating pain a human can endure.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Tammy Rome, President of the Cluster Headache Support Group (Shawnee, KS)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Cluster headaches, known by some as suicide headaches for their excruciating pain, are described as the strongest pain a human can endure. Often confused with migraines, cluster headaches are more severe and very debilitating. Cluster headaches are called as such because the attacks come in clusters, followed by a period of remission. The condition affects more men than women. Sufferers describe it as a stabbing pain in the eye and head that leads many people to curl up in a tight fetal position. Some sufferers bang their head against the wall or do anything possible to try and get relief. The condition is rare and its cause is unknown. Diagnosis can be difficult as many doctors are unaware of this medical problem. Treatment is also very limited, but support is available through this group. For those affected by cluster headaches, it’s also important to discuss with loved ones how they want to be treated when an attack comes. Some people want to battle the pain alone while others need support. Connect with other cluster headache sufferers by going online to chsg.org or facebook.com/ClusterHeadacheSupport.</p>
August 19, 2017	<p>Learning to trust God during times of difficulty and uncertainty.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Timothy Chambers, award-winning artist and author of “Seeing Beautiful” (Berryville, VA)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Timothy followed his father’s footsteps and became a masterful portrait painter. He imagined his artwork gracing museums in the country’s capitol and himself painting into his 90s. The Lord had blessed him, but in his 30s, life took a major turn when he was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa, a generative eye disease that would led to vision loss. With less than 10% of normal vision, Timothy is considered legally blind. He also has 80% hearing loss. Although initially devastated with the realization that he was losing his sight, Timothy slowly learned to trust God and continue painting. Through the encouragement of his family, pastor, and doctor, Timothy continues to paint and believes he is seeing better now, because he is able to better focus on his subjects. He has learned to trust God in all times. His new book, “Seeing Beautiful,” shares his story, along with scripture, inspirational verses, and art tips in a coloring book format. To learn more, go to timothychambers.com.</p>

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August 26, 2017	<p>Helping men and women who experience perinatal mood disorders.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Beth Warren, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Psychotherapist, and President of the Postpartum Health Alliance (San Diego, CA)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Perinatal mood disorders such as postpartum depression and anxiety are not often talked about, yet 1 out of 7 women experience perinatal depression and 1 out of 5 experience perinatal anxiety. It’s normal to feel stress and concern before and after childbirth, but excessive worrying, detachment, and depression may be a sign that the mom or dad needs help. It’s important to establish a support system during pregnancy and after childbirth to make sure the parents are care for well. Those with a family history of depression and anxiety have higher risk of perinatal mood disorder. The problem usually does not go away on its own, so diagnosis and treatment are important. The Postpartum Health Alliance is located in Southern California, but they provide help around the country to women and men facing this issue. Their Public Warmline is (619) 254-0023. Go to postpartumhealthalliance.org or email them at info@postpartumhealthalliance.org. The Postpartum Support International website is postpartum.net.</p>
September 2, 2017	<p>Providing disaster relief to victims of Hurricane Harvey.</p> <p>(15-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Todd Taylor, Assistant Manager of U.S. Disaster Relief for Samaritan's Purse (Boone, NC)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Hurricane Harvey was a category 4 storm when it hit land north of Corpus Christi, Texas, causing flooding and destruction along the Texas coast and inland. Samaritan’s Purse, a Christian relief organization, had team members in Texas as they monitored the storm. Once Harvey reached land, Samaritan’s Purse went into action to help the thousands of survivors trapped in their flooded homes, many on their rooftops as the flood waters rose. The nonprofit is providing disaster relief by setting up relief units in five areas that were heavily impacted: Victoria, Rockport/Portland, Galveston/Santa Fe, and two in Houston. Samaritan’s Purse volunteers come from around the nation. They are helping victims clean out flooded homes, discarding ruined furniture, tearing down soggy drywall, lending a shoulder to lean on, and when possible, sharing the hope found in Christ. Recovery is a long process and volunteers, donations, and prayers are very much needed. For more information, go to samaritanspurse.org.</p>

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September 9, 2017	<p>Women are underrepresented in the STEM fields.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Jazmine Jung, Board Member of MAGIC (More Active Girls In Computing) (San Jose, CA)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Men outnumber women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) careers, mainly because young girls and women have mainly been discouraged to study math and science. Little boys are often encouraged to build and create, while girls are steered towards playing with dolls. This mindset is changing as more and more women excel in math and science and enter these male-dominated fields. MAGIC is a nonprofit made of volunteers, women successful in STEM careers, who mentor young girls interested in STEM. The free program helps girls learn skills, such as coding, that culminate in an end-of-the-year project. Some students have made websites, an app, etc. Each fall, middle school girls from across the nation are selected to join the 4-to-6-month program. Mentoring usually takes place online 8 hours a month, so the girls need to make the commitment. To learn more, go to getmagic.org.</p>
September 16, 2017	<p>Victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma need assistance.</p> <p>(15-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Dan Halyburton, National Spokesperson for the American Red Cross (Wichita, TX)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Hurricane Harvey first touched down in Texas, causing widespread flooding and disaster. Then, Hurricane Irma hit the Florida coast. Millions of people have been displaced by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. In response, the American Red Cross is available in Texas, Florida, and nearby states to provide food, temporary shelter, blankets, basic personal supplies, and hope. In the midst of the destruction, there are stories of strangers helping others and optimism. The Red Cross is made up of 90% volunteers who regularly offer time each month or are on standby mode until a disaster strikes. Volunteers are trained to provide help when needed. Right now, the charity is in need of more volunteers, blood donations, and monetary gifts. Due to high traffic, their website and phone system has been overloaded, so they are asking for patience. The Red Cross also works with other charities, such as the Southern Baptist Disaster Relief, which cooks thousands of hot meals to those in affected neighborhoods. To learn more, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to go to redcross.org.</p>

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September 23, 2017	<p>Seniors are losing their vision, because they cannot afford an eye exam.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Dr. Andrew Iwach, Ophthalmologist, Clinical Spokesperson for the American Academy of Ophthalmology, and an EyeCare America volunteer and Betty Lucas, Director of EyeCare America (San Francisco, CA)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Eyecare America is a program of the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) that provides eye exams and care to the needy. Early detection and treatment of glaucoma, cataracts, macular degeneration, and other eye issues can prevent blindness. Eyecare America has two programs. Through the Seniors Program, qualified seniors can get a glaucoma test and treatment with no out-of-pocket costs and up to one year of follow-up care. The Glaucoma program is not age-restricted and provides a glaucoma eye exam at no cost to those who are eligible and uninsured. They have partnered with almost 6,000 eye doctors around the country to provide these vital services. Since its inception the program has helped over a million people. For more information, call Public line 800-222-EYES (3937) for Eyecare America. For the AAO, call (877) 887-6327. Online they are at aao.org/eyecare-america.</p>
September 30, 2017	<p>Early treatment of lupus can prevent organ failure.</p> <p>(30-minute program)</p>	<p><u>Guest:</u> Lauren Metelski, RN and the National Nurse Health Educator for the Lupus Foundation of America (Washington, D.C.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The Lupus Foundation of America estimates that at least 1.5 million Americans and 5 million people worldwide have lupus. There are four types of lupus, a chronic auto-immune disease that can lead to various organ failures. Auto-immune diseases occur when the body mistakes healthy cells for bad cells and attacks itself. This may lead to heart and kidney problems. Symptoms of lupus include unexplained tiredness and fatigue, headaches, slight fevers, painful or swollen joints, anemia, and the most common telltale sign—a butterfly-shaped rash across cheeks and nose. Lupus generally strikes women of childbearing age, but men, children, and teenagers can also develop lupus. Support groups, such as the Foundation’s online support group (LupusConnect) are vital because many lupus sufferers feel isolated. People with lupus can have happy, active, fulfilling lives. For help, go to lupus.org or call Public Line (800) 558-0121.</p>

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