RADIO STATION WRBN - FM WRBN - HD2

Issues / Programs List

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Section A: Newscast Overview and Quarterly Issues Addressed

WRBN Radio produces daily newscasts that air on a regularly scheduled basis. A one-minute news tease is aired at the bottom of the hour Monday through Friday between 6:00am and 9:00am. On WRBN, just after ABC news at the top of the hour between 6:00am and 9:00am Monday through Friday, WRBN airs a 3-minute live newscast. A two-minute recorded newscast airs at 12:00pm and at 4:00pm, 5:00pm, and 6:00pm Monday through Friday on WRBN. These are two-minutes in length. WRBN reports local and area news events and issues on an ongoing basis.

News Treatments: The nominal length of each of our lead or feature news stories described below is between 30-seconds and one minute. One to two versions of each story aired multiple times during a 12-hour news cycle and are posted online.

Some of the issues covered in these newscasts and programs during the quarter are as follows. Dates indicate local news treatment unless otherwise noted.

1 -Rabun County Marshal retires after 28 Years

Since 1991 Roy Lovell has served as Rabun County Marshal and December 31, 2019, was his last day on the job. Lovell retires after 28 years of service to the citizens of Rabun County dealing with such duties as buildings and grounds, recycling, county ordinances, and the Adopt-A-Highway program. Tony Galloway succeeds Lovell as Rabun County Marshal. News Treatment for January 2, 2020

2 - Teen charged with DUI in Double Fatality in Dillard

A teenager stands charged with multiple offenses after a fatal crash in Dillard that claimed the lives of two people. The two-vehicle accident occurred shortly before 5pm on Dec. 30, 2019, on Georgia 15 at its intersection with Cardinal Street. Troopers said that a 2015 Hyundai Sonata struck the rear of a 2016 Chevrolet Trax at a high rate of speed killing both people in the Chevy; 60-year-old Donna Verlyn McConnell of Clayton and 52-year-old Lorie Jeanne Smathers of Otto, North Carolina. The Georgia State Patrol reports that 19-year-old Sergio Garcia of Buford faces two counts of first-degree vehicular homicide, driving under the influence, open container, speeding, following too closely, and reckless driving.

News Treatment for January 2, 2020

3 -Impressive First Half of School Year in Rabun Co.

The first five months of the 2019-20 school year are in the books and it has been an impressive start, says Rabun County Schools Superintendent Dr. April Childers. "The first half of the school year has been wonderful! The teachers, staff, and students in Rabun County Schools are working hard every day. We started the year with a focus on student safety, building better relationships, and academic growth and we're still working on those but we are very pleased with the achievements we've made this far this year. We've seen improvements in our test scores. In addition to that, we've had some exciting things outside of the classroom. Cross country, softball, volleyball, football, and One Act Play all went past region in the playoffs. So,

we're proud of all of our extracurriculars and their achievements. Our band is doing a wonderful job this year and if you haven't had a chance to catch them at a basketball game, they've even been playing at our basketball games too." To learn more about the Rabun County School System, visit https://www.rabuncountyschools.org/.

News Treatment for January 24, 2020

4 - Snow causes Five Wrecks in Rabun Co.

Deputies with the Rabun County Sheriff's Office worked five wrecks on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020, after over four inches of snow fell in the county. The first motor vehicle crash occurred at 9:46am on Georgia 15 at its intersection with Highway 441 South. The driver of a 2003 Ford Ranger told a deputy that he was going south and his truck started sliding in the snow and left the roadway, striking a large concrete culvert pipe that was being stored in a field on the side of Georgia 15. No one was injured in the single-vehicle wreck. The second crash happened at 10:18am on Longview Road. The driver of a 2018 Jeep Renegade stated that she came down the hill and could not slow down or turn because of the snow and struck a tree. No one was injured in the single-vehicle wreck. The third crash occurred at 10:43am on Stekoa Falls Road. The driver of a 2006 Chevrolet Colorado said that he was coming through the curve, when he lost control of his vehicle due to the snow causing him to strike a fire hydrant. No one was injured in the single-vehicle wreck. The fourth motor vehicle accident happened at 10:50am on Ice Plant Road. A 2018 Chevrolet 1500 was traveling too fast to stop due to the snow and hit a 2015 Chevrolet 3500. Minor injuries were suffered by two of the occupants of the 3500. The fifth wreck occurred at 12:50pm on Georgia 15 at its intersection with File Street. The driver of a 2012 Toyota Tacoma told the deputy that she was going around a car stuck in the snow and hit another vehicle. No one was injured in the two-vehicle wreck.

News Treatment for February 12, 2020

5 - Woman arrested for Disorderly Conduct at Clayton City Hall

A woman was arrested for disorderly conduct after complaining about a bill at Clayton City Hall. Around 9am on Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2020, 49-year-old Sarah Lamar Connell of Clayton began yelling in an aggressive manner at the clerk of the Clayton Utility Billing Office. Clayton Police Chief Andy Strait gives details. "So, we had a resident that is fairly new to the city. She was frustrated with her trash pick up, which the city contracts out, and she came in and was overly aggressive with the clerk at City Hall. The clerk did a very good job of trying to deescalate the situation and calm the lady but she continued to be aggressive. She literally went over the counter at the clerk, pointing her finger at her, and we were called over. Officer Kessiah Gibson responded over and also tried to deescalate the situation by talking to the lady and trying to escort her outside to talk to talk to her, but it just wasn't something she was going to do. So basically, she was arrested for disorderly conduct and it became worse by becoming a physical struggle and escorted off the property and taken to jail. The security procedures that the city is going to have put in place I'm not aware of yet. There were some things that were discussed in regards to new security procedures. I believe a couple of cameras have been discussed over there and some new doors put in place to buzz people into the office, but I think right now the

City Manager may have a better answer than I do but I think right now they are basically looking things over to see what would best serve the public and what would be most cost efficient and secure for the city. That is all I have been made aware of at this time. I do believe they are working on some new security windows and some doors. It was just a bad situation that really could have been prevented by just the lady taking a moment and calming down and listening to what the clerk had to say. Unfortunately, in situations like that we sometimes get people that are just very frustrated and at their breaking point and unfortunately it ended with an arrest." After being examined by EMS, she was transported to the Rabun County Detention Center for booking. Connell was placed on a criminal trespass notice from returning to Clayton City Hall or the Public Works building.

News Treatment for February 14, 2020

6 - Security added to Clayton City Hall

New security measures have been added to Clayton City Hall. After a woman was recently arrested for disorderly conduct while arguing a utility bill, the City enhanced its security, explains Clayton City Manager Cissy Henry. "As of today, the glass doors are being moved and you will no longer be able to just walk into City Hall. You will have to be announced and buzzed in by the clerk at the front. This is due to an incident that we had recently and we are just taking more precaution and adding security measures." So now, everyone must be buzzed into Clayton City Hall.

News Treatment for February 20, 2020

7 - Gov. Kemp names Coronavirus Task Force

On Friday, Governor Brian P. Kemp announced a coronavirus task force to assess Georgia's preparations and procedures for preventing, identifying, and - if needed - addressing cases of COVID-19. Governor Kemp made this announcement following a morning call with Vice President Mike Pence about the Trump Administration's efforts to facilitate interagency cooperation and proactive measures to mitigate COVID-19's impact. "The Trump Administration understands that states and local governments are standing on the front lines of COVID-19, working tirelessly to ensure the health and safety of Americans. The President wisely selected Vice President Pence - a former governor with expertise in emergency preparedness - to coordinate this national effort, and I deeply appreciate the Vice President's offers of assistance should the need arise in Georgia," said Governor Kemp. "In accordance with the Administration's initiatives, Georgia's coronavirus task force represents a coalition of subject-matter experts from the private and public sectors who will work together on preventative measures, strategic deployment of resources, and collaboration across all levels of government." "At this time, there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Georgia, but we remain vigilant and continue to plan for all contingencies. Fortunately, the Peach State boasts some of the world's most advanced healthcare experts and institutions, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention," said Georgia Department of Public Health Commissioner

Kathleen Toomey, MD, MPH. "We are taking action now - ahead of any confirmed cases - to make sure that we are ready for any scenario."

News Treatment for March 3, 2020

8 - District 2 Public Health sees First Confirmed Cases of COVID-19

The Georgia Department of Public Health has confirmed two positive cases of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in District 2. District Public Health epidemiology is working to identify and notify any close contacts who may have been exposed to COVID-19. Two cases were reported in Hall County on Sunday, March 15. However, one case was a resident of another county who sought medical care in Hall County. A second case was reported in Forsyth County also on Sunday. Elderly people and individuals with chronic medical conditions may have increased risk. The best prevention measures for any respiratory virus are to wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds, if soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol, avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth, avoid close contact with people who are sick, maintain at least 6 feet of space from anyone who appears ill, stay home when you are sick, cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash, and clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces. If you develop fever with cough and shortness of breath, or if you have had contact with someone who is suspected to have COVID-19, stay home and call your healthcare provider. Be sure to call before going to a doctor's office, emergency room, or urgent care center and tell them about your symptoms. For updated information on COVID-19, visit dph.georgia.gov/novelcoronavirus or https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html.

News Treatment for March 17, 2020

9 - Clayton City Council calls Special Meeting on COVID-19

The City of Clayton has called another special meeting to discuss concerns about COVID-19; however, this meeting is only open to the media with the public being asked to watch on Facebook. The special called meeting takes place on Monday, March 30, 2020, at 9am. Once again the public is being asked to watch via the City's Facebook page due to the COVID-19 epidemic.

News Treatment for March 27, 2020

Section B: Special Events

1- Website

WRBN has its own web site. Listeners are encouraged to visit www.sky963.com to see updates on news, weather, sports, contest winners, and more. There is also a page to introduce the staff and information about programming. The streaming of local high school sporting events is available as well.

2- Facebook Page

WRBN now has a Facebook page. Listeners are encouraged to visit the page for a quick look at current important news stories, scores of local sporting events, school delays and closings, and winners of contests during the SKY963 Morning Show. The page is

https://www.facebook.com/wrbnwghc.

Section C: Long Form Programs

1- Coffee Talk

Coffee talk is a 5 to 7 minute public service feature airing live on the Sky963 Morning Show weekdays around 8:35am on WRBN-FM. The program deals with any number of topics that affect the citizens of our community. The following shows aired in the third guarter of 2019.

• Rabun County Recreation Department

Talked once a month with Roy Quilliams, Director from the Rabun County Recreation Department, and Adam Dixon, Athletic Director and others at the Rec Department who organize programs. They reported on the current soccer season and the upcoming spring sports programs. They also gave updates on Pickleball and other adult focused sports sponsored by the Rec. Dept. Aired: 1/06, 2/03

Sheriff Chad Nichols

Rabun County Sheriff, Chad Nichols came in to discuss how things are going at the Sheriff's Department. He gives numbers on miles driven by the Deputies, drug arrests, community partnerships and anything going on with the Sheriff's Department. He also gave information on enforcement of the governors stay at home order Aired:1/13,2/10,4/3

Family Encouragement Specialist

Michelle Black, Family Encouragement Specialist for the Rabun County Primary and Elementary Schools came in to talk about how parents can keep students engaged and learning on a daily basis. She also updated us on everything going on at the Primary and the Elementary Schools. Aired 1/09,2/06

food distibution

Pastor Don Barber from Rabun Gap Pres. Church came in to talk about precautions they were taking while giving out food during the covid 19 outbreak and that anybody could pick up food without any kind of prequalification. Aired 3/13

Section D: Short Form Programs

1- Community Calendar and PSA's

The Community Calendar is a regularly scheduled listing of various community events. These announcements are approximately 30-seconds in length and are aired on an R-O-S basis. Some of the community groups that have benefited from these announcements in the first quarter are listed below. This is only a sampling of the organizations and events promoted.

Group

North Georgia Community Players Kiwanis Club of Rabun County Rabun County Rec. Dept Tabernacle Church Rabun County Library Rabun Gap presbyterian Clayton Baptist Church Clayton Lions Club Victory Home Franklin Antiques Paws 4 Life

Clayton Rotary Club

North Georgia Technical College Tiger United Community Church

Wolffork Baptist Church
Sustainable Mountain Living
Dillard United Methodist Church
12th Annual Hoedown Dinner
League of Women's Voters
Black Rock Baptist VBS
3rd Annual Golf Tournament

Passport Day Macon Poultry Club Clayton Head Start

PSA's

Selective Service Loan application Financial Aid Meals on Wheels ladder safety Forest fire safety Stop Littering

Event

Auditions for a play Sock Hop Golf Tournament Sportsmans Dinner Lunch and Learn Food Distribution

Blood drive / AWANA Clubs

Monthly meetings

Auction

Farm and Tractor Show

Walkin' Paws Monthly meetings

Board of Directors meeting

Thrift Sale Homecoming Gardening Class Weekly Services

Benefit for Habitat for Humanity

Monthly Meeting

Vacation Bible School at Blackrock Baptist Tournament for Recreation Department Renewal for Passports at the local library Meeting for club members and community

Asking for students to sign up

Stop Smoking Mobile Dental Exercising Everyday